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New season tickets to fund stadium repairs

By MARY KATE MALONE
News Editor

In an effort to generate money for Notre Dame Stadium repairs, the University will offer 5,000 season football tickets starting in 2007, University officials announced Thursday.

The University has not offered season tickets in more than 30 years, and the increased ticket revenue will help fund "ongoing preven-

tive maintenance" on the stadium, which is estimated to cost about \$40 million. Executive Vice President John Affleck-Graves said at a press conference Thursday afternoon.

The tickets will be sold at their face value plus an annual rights fee based on the ticket location: \$2,000 per ticket for sideline seats, \$1,500 for corner seats and \$1,200 for end zone seats.

People affiliated with the University will be given prior-

ty in the ticket lottery, Affleck-Graves said. Season ticket applications will be mailed in January to everyone who signs up on an online list at Notre Dame's athletic Web site.

If more than 5,000 people appeal for tickets, then the University will use a lottery system to allocate the tickets — taking into consideration one's affiliation with the University.

By 4 p.m. Friday, more than 750 people had already signed

up to receive an application, said Assistant Vice President for News and Information Dennis Brown.

The 5,000 tickets will come from a reduction in internal ticket allocations and from season tickets that have been returned during the last several years, Affleck-Graves said.

"Internal tickets" refers to tickets allocated to academic departments, the University

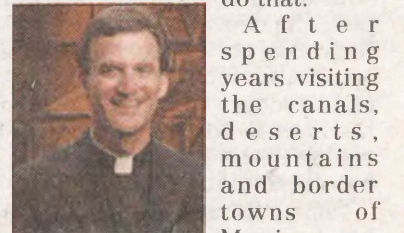
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Movie follows migrants

Priest will expound on film before Congress

By KATE ANTONACCI
News Editor

Father Daniel Groody wanted to show people the human face of the world's most vulnerable members — and he decided making a movie was the way to do that.



Groody

After spending years visiting the canals, deserts, mountains and border towns of Mexico — and hearing the stories of countless immigrants — Groody has condensed his research into a 33-minute documentary entitled "Dying to Live: A Migrant's Journey."

"This is not just about the border between Mexico and the United States. It's about the border between national security and human insecurity, civil law and natural law and citizenship and discipleship," said Groody, an assistant professor of theology at Notre Dame and the film's executive producer. "It's out of that that we want to acknowledge that this is a complex issue."

Groody's film explores it by turning to those most deeply and directly affected by immigration along the U.S.-Mexico border: the immigrants them-

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ResLifes for downloads on the rise

Copyrighters track student offenders

By KATIE PERRY
News Writer

Some things in life are free — but they are also illegal.

More than one third of college students nationwide download pirated music files via peer-to-peer file sharing networks, according to an April 2006 University of Richmond survey. More than half of all illegal downloading cases occur on college campuses — and that includes Notre Dame.

The Office of Residence Life and Housing dealt with 78 cases of illegal file sharing during the 2005-06 academic year, said Assistant Director Kathy Brannock.

And that number is only increasing. This semester, the office has already encountered 50 incidents, she said.

"We seem to be having more cases this year," Brannock said.

One of those cases is fresh-

man Federico Valiente, who had a ResLife meeting Thursday after he was caught sharing illegal files on Sept. 21. He was notified when ORLH sent him an e-mail explaining how a copyright-owning company had "caught [him] and reported [him] to the University."

"I got back to the dorm after my last class and checked my e-mail, hoping to get news from Facebook or something fun and interesting like that," Valiente said. "To my surprise though, there was an e-mail from ResLife, which freaked me out when I read the subject: 'Copyright Infringement.'"

Brannock said the University does not actively seek out students who violate copyright laws. Instead, the school is informed by "whoever owns the copyright," she said. Notre Dame has been contacted by such groups as the Recording Industry Association of America (RIAA), HBO, NBC Universal and Columbia Pictures.

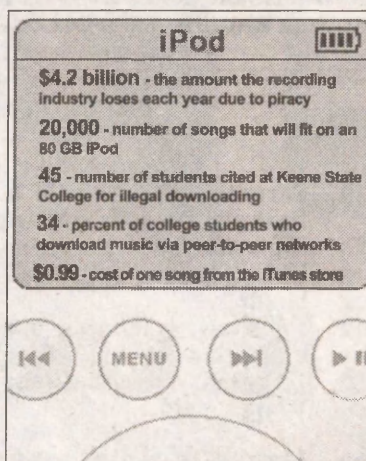
Students who use file shar-

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Above, freshman Jennifer Scully listens to music on her computer.

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Bookstore boasts impressive sales

By MARCELA BERRIOS
News Writer

Football season comes every year to the Notre Dame Hammes Bookstore like Christmas to a toy store, as any item that could potentially have "Irish" printed on it makes its way to shelves, window displays and cash registers.

There is even Fighting Irish breakfast cereal for sale now — and judging from the waves of people that flock to campus every weekend during home football games, the Bookstore should have no problems selling its Notre

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Freshmen Jenny Plagman, left, and Caroline Cullen look at clothing in the Hammes Bookstore Thursday.

Panel ponders papal remarks about Islam

By EILEEN DUFFY
News Writer

While Pope Benedict XVI's recent address on faith and reason at Germany's Regensburg University was not without flaw, five faculty members agreed Thursday at the Hesburgh Center, the media has presented an incomplete version of the speech.

In his Sept. 12 remarks calling for "genuine dialogue of cultures and religions," the pope quoted an obscure 14th century Byzantine emperor as saying the Prophet Muhammad brought "things only evil and inhuman" to the world, "such as his command to spread

by the sword the faith he preached."

Director of the Center for Ethics and Culture W. David Solomon, theology professor Paul Kollman, history professor Brad Gregory, Director of the Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies R. Scott Appleby and Kroc Institute scholar Rashied Omar debated just what the remarks meant — and correct or not, now that they're out there, just what should be taken from them.

The pope's words have incited a wave of backlash in the Muslim world, most notably the bombing of two West Bank churches and

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INSIDE COLUMN

Worthy of the mohawk?

There is a very limited amount of people who have ever been cool enough, crazy enough and tough enough to successfully maintain a mohawk. So to the growing cult of Zibby-wannabes: if you cannot meet at least a few of the following criteria, please steer clear of the razor this weekend.

Dan Murphy

Sports Writer

We will start with perhaps the most recognizable mohawk of our generation: Mr. T. Despite spending his twilight eliminating long distance phone costs, our exhibit A — and The A-team's finest — has brought cool to a whole new level. He established himself as a trend-setter with his shameless gold neck jewelry and countless earrings.

And although he is necklace-free, our own Mr. Z is setting some trends of his own.

Next we turn our attention to the world of heavy metal music, where Tommy Z comes 'hawk to 'hawk with world-class drummer Tommy Lee. The one-time husband of Baywatch babe Pamela Anderson is infamous for his crazy hotel parties and hardcore rock. As is evident in his short-lived film career, Lee lives his life in the fast lane and has the haircut to match.

Tommy Z has never trashed a hotel room (that we know about), but he's torn apart enough punt coverages to land himself in the same category of Motley Crew's pride and joy.

To find the toughest of mohawks we have to go back to World War II where members of the 101st Airborne paratroopers put an end to the crew cut and grew out their 'hawks. The "Filthy 13," as they called themselves, were the first to land at Normandy on D-Day and eliminated hundreds of enemy shooters in minutes.

Although it took a little longer than 49 seconds to deliver their knockout blow, the men of the 101st are easily the toughest to use hair gel.

The first Mohawk was discovered on a man from 300 B.C. who died in his twenties. The man, who used plant oil to cement his spike, was preserved in a bog outside of Dublin, Ireland. The Irish have come a long way in the past two millennia, but clearly we have not lost our roots.

In conclusion, I strongly support backing your team. But unless you can compare with the esteemed list above I suggest you stick to the No. 9 jerseys.

If you feel your personality can be summed up in a single letter, yet still be powerful enough to change a man's life in under a minute, then by all means break out the Bics.

Otherwise, learn from Samson's mistakes and save your hair — and your dignity.

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QUESTION OF THE DAY: WHAT IS THE BEST PURCHASE YOU'VE EVER MADE FROM THE BOOKSTORE?



Ben Andersen

freshman
Carroll

"An ND tracksuit, because it's super comfortable."



Cristina Romano

freshman
Walsh

"My Darius Walker jersey — too bad I left it in the bag with a rotten banana."



Megan Schlichte

freshman
Lewis

"My ID card holder / lanyard. It sure comes in handy."



Steph Nienaber

sophomore
Walsh

"One of those monstrous ND cookies you can buy on game day."



Ryan Emptage

junior
O'Neill

"An awesome Adidas jacket so I can pretend I'm actually an athlete."



Mary Mitsch

freshman
McGlinn

"My ND shot glass sure makes a great candleholder!"



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Consultant and political analyst Heather Hurlburt, left, talks to students including Mike McKenna, right, in the Coleman Morse student lounge Thursday for the "Pizza, Pop and Politics" discussion. She served as a special guest for the Center for Social Concerns event, "Iraq War: Stay in or Get Out?"

OFFBEAT

Police find meth in man's prosthetic leg

JAY, Okla. — Sheriff's deputies have arrested a Grove man on drug charges after finding crystal methamphetamine inside his prosthetic leg. Larry Clinton Harper, 64, was arrested at his business, Harper's Used Cars and Body Shop, last week.

During a search, deputies found drugs inside a sock-like covering inside Harper's prosthetic leg, said Delaware County Sheriff's Capt. Larry Barnett.

"They just tumbled out, and he just laughed,"

Barnett said. "He said he thought he was pulling the wool over our eyes, but we had the last laugh."

The arrest followed successful drug buys from Harper's business, Barnett said.

Man allegedly seeks revenge over glasses

HAMMOND, Ind. — A man upset that his neighbor's children helped break his wife's eyeglasses is accused of trying to bomb the neighbor's house in retaliation. David Michielsen, 27, of Hammond is charged

with detonating a destructive device with intent to intimidate or destroy and manufacturing a destructive device. He faces 58 years in prison if convicted on both counts.

The neighbor told police she was visiting Michielsen's wife Sunday when her children and Michielsen's broke the glasses. Michielsen ordered her and her children to leave, a probable cause affidavit said.

Information compiled from the Associated Press.

IN BRIEF

University President Emeritus Father Edward "Monk" Malloy will be on hand in the Hammes Notre Dame Bookstore from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. today to sign his book "Monk's Notre Dame."

All are invited to watch students from the Department of Music give a free performance from 12:10-12:50 p.m. in the Penote Performers' Assembly of the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center. Tickets for the event, part of the "Bach's Lunch" series, are required and can be reserved by calling 631-2800. Audience members are encouraged to bring their lunches.

New York University's J.J. Lee will deliver a lecture entitled "Michael Davitt, the Catholic Church and Irish America" today at 4 p.m. in the Cushwa Center. All are welcome to the event, which is sponsored by the Cushwa Center for the Study of American Catholicism.

The undefeated Notre Dame women's soccer team will take on West Virginia at 7:30 tonight at Alumni Field. Tickets for the game can be purchased at <http://und.cstv.com/tickets/nd-tickets-soccer.html>.

Tonight's pep rally will take place in the Joyce Center from 6 to 7 p.m. Limited general public tickets will be on sale beginning at 5 p.m. at the tickets windows on the east side of Notre Dame Stadium.

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

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Law school hopefuls face exam

Students to trade tailgating for test taking during Saturday's LSAT

By EMMA DRISCOLL
News Writer

While the atmosphere on most of campus tomorrow morning will be alive with traditional home game excitement, the atmosphere in DeBartolo Hall will be significantly more serious when students hunch over and face the Law School Admission Test (LSAT).

"A lot of students express anxiety about [the LSAT] happening on a game day," said Arts and Letters Associate Director Ava Preacher, who serves as the law advisor for the University.

But Preacher said there have been at least nine LSATs administered on game days during the years since she has been advising those interested in law, and during those years, students have not come back to complain about the timing.

Since students usually arrive early for the exam, tests are administered in DeBartolo's interior rooms and doors are locked during the exam, Preacher is sure test-takers "won't hear a whole lot of [...] game day distractions."

The LSAT contains an analytical reasoning section, which Preacher said is "colloquially known as 'the logic games.'" There are also logical reasoning and reading comprehension components.

While the actual test time adds up to about three and half hours, Preacher said students should "plan to be there for about five hours," primarily because of breaks scheduled during the exam.

Notre Dame students tend to fare well on the exam — the University's mean is 159 out of the highest possible 180, according to Preacher. Of the 182 senior law school applicants from the 2004-05 academic year, 157 students were accepted into law school.

Students prepare for the exam in various ways, but Preacher said many take "commercial prep classes," like those offered by Kaplan. It is possible, she said, for students to do self-directed study.

"However, if students are going to prepare on their own, they need to talk to me," said Preacher, because it is important for students to know what materials to use and how to approach their study.

Still, the LSAT is not everything when applying to law school.

"Students always think it's a numbers game, and actually the LSAT and GPA only define

the range of schools to which [students considering law school] can apply," Preacher said. "The higher the scores, the larger the range."

In the past academic year, Preacher has had at least 300 meetings with undergraduates, graduates and alumni seeking advising in the past academic year. Law schools attract applicants of various backgrounds and experiences.

"[People considering law school] are very diverse," Preacher said. "We have students from every major, every type of personality. It's interesting."

Some students who come to Notre Dame may be interested in staying to attend law school at the University. As for the prospects of current Notre Dame students applying to the law school, "I wouldn't say it's easier or harder," Preacher said.

She did say, however, that the top-end applicants — and therefore, those accepted — to Notre Dame Law School often come from the University's student body.

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Ava Preacher
law advisor and
associate director of
the College of Arts
and Letters

Fans anticipating an easy win over Purdue

By LAURA WILCZEK and
EILEEN DUFFY
News Writers

Just a week after Notre Dame students doused themselves with Stonehenge waters in ecstatic celebration of the win over Michigan State, fans have to towel off their cocky attitudes and prepare for a new foe: Purdue.

While the team found itself in dire straits last Saturday, students don't anticipate this game to be quite as daunting. The stress that opened the fourth quarter in East Lansing has receded — or in sophomore Laura Benca's case, disappeared.

"I'm not worried at all," she said. "We can definitely beat them."

Purdue, though, will ride into South Bend high on a four-win, no-loss record. And even considering that none of its opponents was ranked (while two of Notre Dame's four were), Purdue has still beaten Notre Dame 25 times in the series history.

That's more times than any other school, besides University of Southern California's 29 times and Michigan State's 25, according to the University's Official Athletic Web site.

Plus, Purdue beat the Irish

41-26 during their last visit to Notre Dame Stadium in 2004.

In fact, Purdue coach Joe Tiller seems to be just as cocksure as Irish fans.

"Obviously, [Notre Dame is] not connecting and gaining yards," he said in a recent press conference. "... [That] helps your own team's confidence and allows you to work your way into the game."

Sophomore Melissa Lee certainly hopes Notre Dame can wrangle a victory from the Boilermakers. For Lee, more than the football team's pride is on the line.

"Practically my whole family went to Purdue," she said. "If we lose this weekend, I will not be able to show my face at Christmas."

Whether coach Dan Devine was right in the movie "Rudy" when he said "nobody comes into our house and pushes us around" now lies in the hands — and feet — of the football players.

They'll also set the post-game campus mood — though whether the fountain will provide the setting for a second round of victorious revelry probably rests in the hands of Mother Nature.

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Bookstore

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Dame Wheaties.

"The excitement surrounding Notre Dame football brings more people to campus, and while they're here the likelihood that they will pick up souvenirs for their families is very high," said Sally Wiatrowski, director of the Bookstore.

While bound by her employment contract from discussing any specific sales figures, Wiatrowski did break into a smile when asked about the increase in profits observed during football weekends.

Irish fans never fail to purchase rally beads, blue and gold pom poms, leprechaun temporary tattoos and Notre Dame hooded sweatshirts.

The best-selling item before home games, however, continues to be "The Shirt" — more than 100,000 have been sold already, and the Bookstore recently restocked its supply of the navy blue T-shirts.

With seven home games scheduled this fall — one more than previous seasons — Wiatrowski suspects the demand for "The Shirt" will extend itself further into the year.

New items such as the Irish-inspired Wheaties have also found a market among fans of both Notre Dame and its rival teams.

"General Mills came to us with this idea," Wiatrowski said. "I believe they also launched USC, Texas and Ohio State Wheaties, but we were the first university they contacted."

The venture turned out to be a success, resulting in 12,000 boxes of Notre Dame Wheaties sold in a day and a half during the Michigan game weekend.

The Bookstore promptly ordered 15,000 more boxes to sell on Saturday.

"It's a fun and unique item, and people seem happy to buy it," Wiatrowski said.

They should be even happier to know that their Bookstore purchases help further Notre Dame's academic mission, since a portion of the revenues are directed toward scholarship funds.

Luis Castañeda, a 1996 MBA graduate, brought his wife and young sons to South Bend this weekend for the Purdue game and to the Bookstore Thursday to contribute to those revenues.

"I came back from Mexico for the 10-year class reunion," said Castañeda, as his youngest boy eyed the shirt emblazoned with the new Popeye-looking leprechaun. "It's a dream come true to be here with my wife and kids."

The Castañedas beat the lines expected to form this Saturday.

"Purdue is really a drive-in game for most people, so we don't really expect the majority of fans to come in until Saturday morning," Wiatrowski said.

When teams like USC come to South Bend from more distant places, fans also arrive earlier, and so the Bookstore traffic is heavy on Thursdays and Fridays and a little more relaxed during the hours before kickoff, Wiatrowski said.

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Tickets

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Relations office, the University president's office and others. It does not include student, faculty or staff tickets.

Affleck-Graves said other funding options for the stadium repairs were considered, such as adding luxury box seats. But that was ruled out, he said, since it would "change the look and feel of Notre Dame Stadium." Officials also ruled out using donor money.

"We would not feel comfortable naming the football stadium after somebody and we would not feel comfortable putting a donor's name on the

stadium," Affleck-Graves said.

While the structural supporting frame of the 76-year-old stadium is in good condition, the weather has deteriorated the concrete of the seating bowl.

Beginning this summer, continuous repairs will be made to the stadium for the next 20 to 25 years, Affleck-Graves said. The first concern will be repairing the seating bowl concrete, which is cracked in some areas.

"It will be done piece by piece as we go along," Affleck-Graves said. "The first phase will be to clean up the most egregious damage."

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John Affleck-Graves
executive vice president

In addition to the season ticket announcement, the University also announced that it is "committed to actively monitoring and enforcing its ticket resale policy," according to a statement released by the Office of News and Information. Roughly 1,700 tickets have already been suspended or revoked this year alone.

To increase ticket access for alumni in the general football ticket lottery, tickets have been reallocated and several policy changes have been made, Affleck-Graves said. However, he did not disclose the details of those reallocations.

"One of the things we're strongly committed to is that we don't want our tickets to be only available to a subset of our alumni," Affleck-Graves said. "We want every alum to have a chance to come to a game at least once a year. So we changed our allocation to give high priority to the individual game lottery."

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Lebanese troops slow in withdrawal

JERUSALEM — Despite repeated Israeli assurances of a quick troop withdrawal from Lebanon, Israeli officials said Thursday they were reluctant to complete the pullout more than six weeks after a cease-fire agreement ended a month of bloody conflict.

Several issues — large and small — remain unresolved, involving the future roles of Hezbollah guerrillas, U.N. forces and the Lebanese army in the border area, and the overall prospect of keeping the guns and rockets silent. Israel fears protests by Hezbollah supporters along the border are a harbinger of greater violence.

Security officials say a few thousand Israeli troops are still just across the border in Lebanon, left over from a large-scale Israeli offensive that followed a July 12 cross-border raid by Hezbollah guerrillas who killed three soldiers and captured two others.

Russia grants Cuba \$350 million

HAVANA — Russia agreed on Thursday to grant Cuba credit worth \$350 million and restructure some of its recent debt during a visit by Russia's prime minister, officials said. The two countries also signed a military cooperation agreement.

Cuban Defense Minister Raul Castro, who is acting president while his elder brother Fidel recovers from intestinal surgery, gave red-carpet treatment to Mikhail Fradkov, the highest-ranking Russian official to come to Cuba since a visit by President Vladimir Putin in 2000.

Wearing a gray suit instead of his customary military uniform, Castro escorted Fradkov through the halls of Havana's Palace of the Revolution, past rows of soldiers playing Cuba's anthem.

NATIONAL NEWS

Details of school standoff released

BAILEY, Colo. — The gunman who killed a student and committed suicide during a high school standoff methodically selected six girls as hostages — apparently favoring blondes — and sexually assaulted at least some of them, authorities and witnesses said Thursday.

Sheriff Fred Wegener said the assaults went beyond touching or fondling.

"It was pretty horrific," Wegener said, without elaborating.

The killer was identified as 53-year-old Duane Morrison, a petty criminal who had a Denver address but had apparently been living in his battered yellow Jeep when he walked inside the school Wednesday with two handguns and a backpack that he claimed contained a bomb. Investigators did not immediately say what was in the backpack.

Carter says divided U.S. in danger

FALLON, Nev. — Former President Jimmy Carter said Wednesday major policy changes are needed because the Iraq war has divided the nation "almost as much as Vietnam."

"So there's no doubt that our country is in much more danger now from terrorism than it would have been if we would have done what we should have done and stayed in Afghanistan," he said on the campaign trail with his son, Democratic U.S. Senate nominee Jack Carter.

LOCAL NEWS

Killer tattooed with victim's name

CARLISLE, Ind. — A man serving a life sentence for molesting and murdering a 10-year-old southern Indiana girl now carries a constant reminder of his crime — a scrawled tattoo of the young girl's name on his forehead.

Anthony Ray Stockelman, 39, was placed in protective custody last weekend after authorities discovered the tattoo reading "Katie's Revenge," said Rich Larsen, spokesman for the Wabash Valley Correctional Facility in Carlisle, Ind.

Stockelman was sentenced to life in prison in March after pleading guilty to abducting, molesting and killing Katlyn "Katie" Collman.

Bush criticizes Democratic party

President says opponents 'don't have the stomach to fight the war on terror'

Associated Press

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. — President Bush suggested Thursday that Democrats don't have the stomach to fight the war on terror, battling back in the election-season clamor over administration intelligence showing terrorism spreading.

"Five years after 9/11, the worst attack on the American homeland in our history, Democrats offer nothing but criticism and obstruction and endless second-guessing," Bush said at a Republican fundraiser.

"The party of FDR and the party of Harry Truman has become the party of cut and run," Bush told a convention-center audience of over 2,000 people. The event put \$2.5 million in the campaign accounts of Alabama Gov. Bob Riley and the state GOP.

Democrats immediately disputed the charge that they would hold back in the anti-terror battle.

"On his watch, five years after 9/11, he not only has failed to capture Osama bin Laden, but as the (National Intelligence Estimate) indicates, his failed policies have made America less safe and spawned terrorism, not decreased it," said Karen Finney, spokeswoman for the Democratic National Committee. "Democrats will be tough and smart, and will actually fight the terrorists, not leave them to plan future attacks."

Bush's no-holds-barred speech, one of his harshest yet on the campaign trail, came less than six weeks before midterm elections in which Democrats are seeking to strip Republicans of their control of one or both houses of Congress.

The war of words continued a nearly weeklong tussle by both parties over the implications of a newly revealed estimate, an analysis of terror trends put together by the nation's top intelligence analysts in 16 spy agencies.

The document concluded



President Bush arrives in Birmingham, Ala., for a Republican fundraiser Thursday. He said Democrats offer "nothing but criticism" for his administration.

that Iraq has become a "cause celebre" for jihadists worldwide, whom it said have grown in number and geographic reach. The report said the factors, such as the Iraq war, that are fueling the jihadist movement's growth outweigh its vulnerabilities and that, if the current trend continues, risks to the U.S. interests at home and abroad will grow.

Portions of the five-month-old report were leaked over the weekend, and Bush ordered the key judgments — four of its 30 pages — declassified on Tuesday in hopes that wider availability of most conclusions would quell the criticism.

Democrats continued to point to the report to argue that the 2003 Iraq invasion,

by fanning anti-U.S. sentiments and helping terrorists recruit, is one reason to change leadership in Congress.

On Thursday, Bush accused the opposition party of cherry-picking pieces of the report "for partisan political gain" and "to mislead the American people and justify their policy of withdrawal from Iraq."

"The greatest danger is not that America's presence in the war in Iraq is drawing new recruits to the terrorist cause," Bush said. "The greatest danger is that an American withdrawal from Iraq would embolden the terrorists and help them find new recruits to carry out even more destructive attacks."

Though not by name, he

quoted Rep. Jane Harman of California, top Democrat on the House Intelligence Committee, as saying that because of the Iraq war "it may become more likely" that the U.S. will have to contend with terrorists on its own soil again, rather than less likely as the president argues. And he quoted Sen. Jay Rockefeller of West Virginia, top Democrat on the Senate Intelligence Committee, as saying the world would be better off without the Iraq war and if former Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein were still in power.

"Some in Washington, some decent people, patriotic people, feel like we should not be on the offensive in this war on terror," the president said. "We will fight them wherever they make a stand."

Suspect in deputy shooting flees

Associated Press

LAKELAND, Fla. — A man who had been pulled over for a traffic violation shot two sheriff's deputies Thursday, killing one of them and prompting an intensive manhunt that forced a lockdown at three schools, officials said.

The shooter was first approached during a traffic stop, but he fled into a wooded area when the officer began asking him about his identity, Polk County Sheriff Grady Judd said.

That officer and a deputy who arrived seconds later with a police dog chased the suspect into the

woods. Both officers and the dog were hit by gunfire, Judd said.

The suspect exchanged fire with more officers shortly afterward when they approached a house in the wooded area, but he got away, Judd said.

"We will not sleep. We will not rest until we have the suspect in custody for this heinous action today," a visibly shaken Judd said.

The shooting occurred near Kathleen High School, which was locked down, Wood said. A woman at the school who would identify herself only as Mrs. Platt said students were

locked in their classrooms and were safe.

Two other schools farther away also were locked down.

Authorities cordoned off a large area around the suspect's car but had not evacuated any homes. Helicopters circled in wide arcs as emergency vehicles raced up and down roads.

Television video footage showed officers with shields searching a wooded area with traffic backed up on nearby Interstate 4, which runs through the city about 35 miles east of Tampa.

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ing networks like Kazaa, Limewire, Morpheus, BitTorrent and Ares — the “big one” this year — are monitored by the companies who then contact the University, Brannock said.

Brannock said last year, most incidents involved the peer-to-peer program BitTorrent, which primarily allows users to share video files. This year, about 85 percent of all cases at Notre Dame have been brought up by the RIAA and concern music files, she said.

“This shows that [the RIAA] is incredibly committed, vigilant and determined,” Brannock said.

Campus crackdowns

The widespread use of personal media players by college students might be a large factor in the music-pirating trend at America's colleges. Nearly three-quarters of students think iPod use is “in,” according to a July 2006 survey by the Student Monitor, a New Jersey-based research group. Beer drinking was second most “in” at 71 percent.

Earlier this month, the RIAA cited 45 students for illegal downloading at Keene State College in New Hampshire. In a Sept. 14 article in The Equinox, the weekly student newspaper at KSU, Information Technology Manager Laura Seraichick said the RIAA was “looking for people who do this” and then notified the school. KSU's Information Technology department received letters delineating who illegally downloaded, what was downloaded and which programs were used in the process.

The letters sent by the RIAA told the school that under the Digital Millennium Copyright Act, if Keene State ignored the notice, “[the] institution may also be liable for any resulting infringement.” Seraichick told The Equinox that her department does not want to be “the police for the RIAA,” but said the school is “obligated to respond to these [notices]” by federal law.

The RIAA initiated four lawsuits against student operators of campus LAN networks at Princeton University, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute and Michigan Technological University in April 2003. Now, the organization is targeting network users as well.

Some Notre Dame students are caught for “downloading just a song,” others have shared a few music files and others still have illegally obtained television shows and movies, Brannock said.

Valiente used Ares to download “about two or three songs” — one of which was not downloaded while he was at Notre Dame, he said.

“You don't necessarily have to be downloading anything to get in trouble,” he said. “If you have the files in your computer already and you've got the file sharing program running, you're virtually letting everyone see which files you've downloaded.”

Policies and pirating

About 75 percent of 18 to 24-year-old students in the

University of Richmond study recognized that pirating media is illegal, but more than half of respondents said they weren't sure whether illegal downloads were against their college or university's policies.

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Federico Valiente
freshman

nation of the individual's access to University networks.

Punishment for Notre Dame students who fail to abide to the rules depends on “previous history and previous cases,” Brannock said. First-time offenders are required to delete illegal files and uninstall the program used to obtain such files. More importantly, however, students are educated about illegal downloading, she said.

The ORLH Web site has a link on its main page about University policy and the risks of file sharing.

“[The Office of Residence Life and Housing] wants to focus more on education,” Brannock said. “We want to be proactive and not reactive. ... The potential liability for students is big.”

Brannock said her office does not see many repeat cases. For students who continue to defy du Lac policy, she said “more significant consequences” could result,

such as restricted access to Notre Dame servers — or no access at all.

Keene State's current policy mandates that students caught pirating music sign a form recognizing that their actions were illegal. Students are then instructed how to disable file sharing on their computers. As at Notre Dame, repeat offenders face harsher penalties.

Though copyright-owning organizations can take their own action against students caught for illegal downloading at any time, Brannock said she did not know of any Notre Dame students sued by such groups.

One way to avoid problems with copyright-owning organizations is to seek out legal avenues for obtaining music — though these methods do not appeal to many students.

More than 120 universities have tried providing legal file sharing networks to students over the past few years, according to a 2005 study by the Campus Computing Project.

Approximately seven percent of all four-year schools and 31 percent of private research universities offered free or subsidized subscriptions through private grants or student fees. Notre Dame has never offered such a program, although in spring 2005 the Student Senate discussed the possibility of introducing Ruckus Network — a legal file-sharing program that would have cost students

six dollars a month.

But the effort failed, and so did similar projects at other schools. At Cornell University, students given legal subscriptions to Napster were told they could only keep their music until graduation. Purdue University students lost interest when they realized they would have to pay a fee to burn songs or load them onto an iPod. Consequently, both schools discontinued the services in 2006.

One third of college students who engage in file sharing think the practice is inherently wrong, according to the University of Richmond study, but do it anyway to save money. The RIAA recognizes that as long as students — and all Internet users, for that matter — have the opportunity to download their favorite music free of charge and without limitation, they will.

“The pirate's credo is still the same,” reads the

RIAA Web site. “Why pay for it when it's so easy to steal?”

Valiente warned students to “stay on the safe side” and refrain from file sharing — and he plans to take his own advice.

“When I got the e-mail from ResLife, my first reaction was something like, ‘Oh my God, I'm never going to listen to music again,’” he said. “But that [is] somewhat impossible, so I will probably end up getting [songs] from iTunes.”

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Take a Break!

“It is no unusual thing for a businessman to say casually, ‘Well, let's go and get a cup of coffee,’ as a visitor in his office is making ready to depart. It is a little thing perhaps, this drinking of coffee at odd times, but it is very characteristic of the city itself.”

—Lyle Saxon
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Tuesday, October 3

7:30 – 9:30 p.m.

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

Everyone is welcome and confidentiality is assured.

Coffee and refreshments will be served



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MARKET RECAP

Stocks

Dow Jones 11,718.45 +29.21

Up: Same: Down: Composite Volume
1,732 157 1,516 2,413,274,590

AMEX	1,916.92	-0.64
NASDAQ	2,270.02	+6.63
NYSE	8,490.68	+14.17
S&P 500	1,384.27	+2.56
NIKKEI(Tokyo)	16,088.38	+63.53
FTSE 100(London)	5,971.30	+41.20

COMPANY	%CHANGE	\$GAIN	PRICE
NASDAQ 100 TR (QQQQ)	+0.27	+0.11	40.83
INTEL CP (INTC)	+1.86	+0.38	20.77
SUN MICROSYS (SUNW)	-0.40	-0.02	4.98
MICROSOFT CP (MSFT)	-0.40	-0.04	27.40
JDS UNIPHASE CP (JDSU)	0.00	0.00	2.25

Treasuries

10-YEAR NOTE	+0.70	+0.032	4.626
13-WEEK BILL	-0.21	-0.010	4.740
30-YEAR BOND	+0.72	+0.034	4.767
5-YEAR NOTE	+0.44	+0.020	4.578

Commodities

LIGHT CRUDE (\$/bbl.)	-0.20	62.76
GOLD (\$/Troy oz.)	+7.60	610.90
PORK BELLIES (cents/lb.)	+0.98	90.40

Exchange Rates

YEN	117.6450
EURO	0.7873
POUND	0.5328
CANADIAN \$	1.1120

Dow Jones reaches milestone

Index briefly trades above record high in Wall Street's nearly seven-year recovery

Associated Press

NEW YORK — The Dow Jones industrial average reached a milestone Thursday in Wall Street's nearly seven-year recovery from corporate upheaval, economic recession and terrorism, briefly trading above its record high close of 11,722.98 set on Jan. 14, 2000.

The index of 30 blue chip stocks surpassed its record, rising to a high of 11,728.46 in early morning trading. Stocks closed only modestly higher amid a dearth of news that could motivate investors; still, it was the market's fourth straight advance.

"These numbers sometimes tend to act as magnets and the market is sometimes pulled up toward it," said Russ Koesterich, senior portfolio manager at Barclays Global Investments in San Francisco.

The Dow rose 29.21, or 0.25 percent, to 11,718.45. It has yet to reach its all-time trading high of 11,750.28, also set Jan. 14, 2000.

The broader Standard & Poor's 500 and Nasdaq composite indexes are far off their all-time highs, although their records were reached around the same time.

The S&P, which gained 2.56, or 0.19 percent, to close at 1,339.15, is still about 188 points below its closing high of 1,527.46, but is at a 5 1/2-year high. The Nasdaq, which rose 6.63, or 0.29 percent, to 2,270.02, is not expected to approach its high close of 5,048.62 any time soon.

The Dow, whose large-cap stocks range from aluminum producer Alcoa Inc. to discount retailer Wal-Mart Stores Inc., was the first big index to recover because it did not rise as much in value as the S&P 500 and the Nasdaq in 2000.

The last time the Dow stood at these levels, Wall Street was propelled by wide-eyed investors eager for a slice of the wealth being generated by the dot-com and housing booms.



The Dow Jones industrial average reached a milestone in Wall Street's recovery Thursday, trading above its record high close of 11,722.98.

IN BRIEF

Delphi Corp. tries to avoid strike

NEW YORK — Delphi Corp. said Thursday that a judge gave it more time to pursue negotiations with its labor unions, which could allow the troubled auto-parts maker to cut labor costs without triggering a worker strike.

The company said in a statement that U.S. Bankruptcy Judge Robert Drain granted renewed requests from Delphi to delay court hearings on its requests to scuttle its union contracts and to terminate thousands of supply contracts with General Motors Corp.

Drain asked the company's lawyers to return to his chambers Oct. 19 for a closed-door meeting at which Delphi will be expected to provide a new progress report. On Thursday, a Delphi attorney said the company was making progress in its negotiations.

"Delphi continues to believe there is constant progress being made on discussions of a plan framework, as well as our discussions with our labor unions," Jack Butler, an attorney for Delphi, said in an interview after he provided a progress report to Drain.

New pension rules to affect investors

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

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

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

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

Traders raced to buy any stocks that looked remotely promising, catapulting the major indexes sharply higher.

But after early 2000, the market began to crumble, slowly at first as doubts about the high-tech boom set in. Signs of recession accelerated the decline, and then the Sept. 11, 2001, terror attacks and their aftermath, including earnings declines and losses in many industries, sent stocks plunging.

It didn't stop there — corporate scandals including the collapse of Enron Corp. and WorldCom Inc. also shook Wall Street. The combination of all these factors devastated stocks, sending the Dow to a five-year closing low of 7,286.27 on Oct. 9,

2002, nearly 38 percent off its record high close.

Wall Street made its way back slowly, with investors behaving more cautiously and limiting their exposure to risk as they slowly regained faith in stocks. What has also helped is more than four years of sturdy corporate profit growth despite the threat that energy prices and interest rates would hurt consumer spending and companies' bottom lines.

More recently, the Federal Reserve's decision to pause after more than two years of interest rate hikes and evidence the economy is moderating, not heading for a hard landing, gave investors the impetus to push the Dow past its high close.

On Thursday, the economic news was mixed, and didn't appear to have much impact on trading. The Commerce Department revised its gross domestic product number for spring downward to 2.6 percent from 2.9 percent.

Meanwhile, the Labor Department reported that the number of new people signing up for unemployment benefits dropped last week. The department said new applications filed for unemployment insurance declined by a seasonally adjusted 6,000 to 316,000 for the work week ending Sept. 23. The latest showing on claims was close to economists' expectations for claims to total around 315,000 last week.

HP scandal still cloaked in mystery

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The saga of Hewlett-Packard Co.'s spying scandal — which has toppled the company's chairwoman, two other directors and at least two high-ranking executives — deepened in intrigue Thursday as lawmakers exploring the imbroglio summoned comparisons to Watergate and Enron.

Members of the House Energy and Commerce Committee demanded to know how investigators for the respected Silicon Valley anchor could use tawdry tactics such as "pretexting," or impersonating HP directors, employees and journalists to obtain their phone records.

In one key document cited by the

panel, an HP investigator had warned higher-ups, including the company's now-fired chief ethics officer, that the methods used to find the source of boardroom leaks were possibly illegal and at the very least could damage the company's reputation.

But few answers emerged. Ten people involved in the cloak-and-dagger operation — including the former ethics officer and General Counsel Ann Baskins, who resigned Thursday — asserted their Fifth Amendment right against self-incrimination, refusing to answer questions.

The panel heard from CEO Mark Hurd, who replaced Patricia Dunn as chair last week. He apologized for the investigatory tactics but denied having

direct knowledge of the probe's methods.

"If Bill Hewlett and Dave Packard were alive today, they'd be appalled," he said, referring to the company's revered founders.

Hurd said Dunn had told him of the existence of the investigation but he was not involved in the probe itself.

Earlier, during hours of questioning, Dunn stumbled at times and corrected herself when asked how much she knew of the shady tactics, including when she learned that the investigators had used pretexting to obtain telephone records. While saying she was unaware of the details, she repeatedly defended the probe as necessary to stem serious leaks of confidential information.

Pope

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the gunning down of an Italian nun and her bodyguard in Somalia.

While Omar, who is himself a Muslim, issued an apology for the actions of his coreligionists, he still took issue with the pope's "overly simplistic" presentation of Muslim views, which vary from one Islamic sect to another.

"The pope selectively retrieved from a vast Muslim tradition one viewpoint, thereby reducing Islam to one voice," Omar said. "Contemporary Muslim theories are a hybrid of classical Muslim schools. All are a very far cry from the monochromatic picture presented by Pope Benedict."

The decentralized nature of Islam can make dialogue with that religion "daunting," Gregory said.

"The reality seems to be that while the overwhelming majority of Muslims denounce violence, the fact is, not all do," he said. "The sociological realities of the religion prevent the former from exercising any categorical power over the latter."

The pope, who has since issued an apology for his reference to the quotation from Manuel Paleologos II, deserves an "extraordinary amount of respect," Appleby said. But listeners often overestimate the authority of his words.

"A pope can and does make mistakes when he is not speaking infallibly," Appleby said. "If the pope was intending to open dialogue with Islam, one must acknowledge with humility that this was a less than artful way to do so."

While the pope mentioned opening the door to religious dialogue, his remarks were not designed solely as a catalyst for that effort. Rather, Kollman said, the lecture

was intended to lament the dehellenization of Christianity — that is, a separation of the biblical inquiry from Greek philosophical thinking.

The pope's words were meant for those listening — the students of Regensburg University,

Solomon said, and the broader community of institutions of higher education.

"I want to suggest that maybe the target of the talk was us, meaning the modern university," Solomon said, explaining the pope was calling for more unity between various departments and colleges in a university.

Nonetheless, Solomon called the pope's attempt to analyze faith and reason throughout the history of the Western world in just eight pages "utterly irresponsible."

"He is, no doubt, at fault for trying to do too much, too quickly, in too short a compass," he said.

And no matter to whom the Pope is speaking, Appleby said, everyone is listening.

"The pope only has one context, which is the globe," Appleby said. "... He does not, unfortunately for him, have the luxury of delivering a fine, nuanced, professorial talk at Regensburg. If he didn't know that, he knows it now."

The media certainly was listening, and what the faculty feels journalists gleaned from the pope's speech were the most extreme of his quotations. As Omar pointed out, it's likely no Muslims were present at Regensburg University, and their understanding of the lecture came from the press.

"The media is not playing a responsible game," Omar said.

"... They took it out of context."

Making the media more responsible is a demand "incumbent upon us," Kollman said, and Solomon hoped that effort would start at the university level.

"The shameful role played by the press ... to ignore the content of this document is unforgivable," Solomon said. "I hope we're training a generation of students who will take journalism seriously enough to respond to documents like this appropriately."

Not only should the media report to the Muslim world accurately, it should also factually report from that world.

"Muslims must not become weary of saying over and over again, loudly and unequivocally, that violence and hatred are contrary to the teachings of Islam," Omar said. "And the news media must be responsible enough to make sure our voices are heard."

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Mother threatened to harm son, father said

Boy remains missing after mother's suicide

Associated Press

ORLANDO, Fla.— A missing 2-year-old boy was shuttled between two feuding parents and even into foster care in the months before he vanished and his mother committed suicide, newly released documents show.

The boy's father had reported Melinda Duckett threatened to harm their son on several occasions during their marriage. He even alleged she held a knife to his leg and threatened to kill him last year.

Florida Department of Child & Families investigators determined that was the only allegation that could be verified. In several others, there were "some indicators" for possible child neglect, but little evidence to support abuse, according to the five-page document released Wednesday.

DCF spokesman Tim Bottcher said there were "never really any clear-cut indicators that Trenton was abused."

Duckett committed suicide almost two weeks after reporting the boy missing Aug. 27 from his bedroom at her Leesburg home. She

has since been named the primary suspect in the boy's disappearance after investigators found some of Trenton's toys, photographs and a sonogram photo in a trash bin in her apartment complex.

The case has drawn national attention from a spot on America's Most Wanted and several nights' coverage on CNN Headline News' Nancy Grace program. Some blamed Duckett's suicide on Grace's aggressive questioning in an interview the day before she shot herself. Grace accused Melinda Duckett of hiding something because she refused to take a polygraph test after her divorce attorney advised her not to.

The boy's father, Josh Duckett, has repeatedly criticized the state for allowing Melinda to have custody of their son. Court documents show he didn't complete the agency's requirements to keep the boy, such as taking several counseling classes.

Duckett told The Associated Press he didn't have enough money to complete the last class.

According to the court document, the last known dispute between Josh and Melinda occurred July 5, when she told authorities she received a threatening e-mail from him.

Brazil Week

KELLOGG INSTITUTE

FILM

"Favela Rising"

Monday, October 2 @ 7:30 pm
Hesburgh Center Auditorium

FAVELA RISING documents a man and a movement, a city divided and a favela united. Anderson Sá is a former drug-trafficker who turns social revolutionary in Rio de Janeiro's most feared slum. Through hip-hop music and Afro-Brazilian dance he rallies his community to counteract the violent oppression enforced by teenage drug armies and sustained by corrupt police.

Irene Rizzini, Visiting Chair in the Study of Brazilian Culture, will introduce the film and lead a discussion afterwards.

BRAZILIAN SOCIAL HOUR

Bate-Papo

Tuesday, October 3 @ 6 pm
Hesburgh Center Great Hall

Featuring special guests Brazilian choir ContraCantos and masters of choro, bossa nova, samba and frevo music, the choro band Arabiando.

COMMUNITY CONCERT

ContraCantos & Arabiando

Wednesday, October 4 @ 7 pm
John Adams High School Auditorium

CAMPUS CONCERT

ContraCantos & Arabiando

Thursday, October 5 @ 7 pm
Washington Hall

Brazil Week is sponsored by the Kellogg Institute for International Studies, the Program in Portuguese and Brazilian Studies, the Department of Romance Languages and Literatures, International Student Services and Activities, the Department of Film, Television, and Theatre, the Institute for Latino Studies, and made possible by generous funding from the Brazilian Ministry of Culture.

All events are free and open to the public.



ENGLAND

Blair, Musharraf meet

Leaders discuss defeat of Afghani insurgents

Associated Press

LONDON — The leaders of Britain and Pakistan pledged their commitment Thursday to defeating insurgents in Afghanistan, brushing aside a leaked British military document that claimed Islamabad's security forces are indirectly supporting terrorist groups.

Prime Minister Tony Blair and President Gen. Pervez Musharraf met for two hours, with both reinforcing their support of a NATO-led mission to support the Kabul government, a Blair spokesman said.

The meeting, at Chequers, Blair's official country residence west of London, followed Musharraf's visit to Washington, where he held talks with President Bush and Afghan leader Hamid Karzai.

Thursday's meeting had threatened to be overshadowed by a military document obtained by the British Broadcasting Corp. in which a senior officer maintained Pakistan's Directorate of Inter Services Intelligence — the country's top spy agency — should be dismantled.

The broadcaster reported the document was written by an unidentified senior researcher at the Defense Academy, a defense ministry think-tank and college.

It said the author was also linked to the intelligence services and the document was part of a private British review of efforts across the world to combat terrorism.

Musharraf rejected that allegations that its security forces had indirectly supported terrorist groups and raised the issue with

Blair during their meeting.

"The president accepted that document is not government policy, so there was no further need to discuss it," said a spokesman for Blair's office, speaking on condition of anonymity in line with policy.

He said Blair also assured Musharraf that British troops would remain in Afghanistan for the "long term," as part of the NATO mission.

Musharraf told Blair he recognized the need to continue working to reduce the amount of cross-border activity between Pakistan and Afghanistan.

Britain's defense ministry said the material obtained by the BBC was in no way a report or a policy statement.

Instead, the papers were merely research notes taken by an academic to reflect material seen or collected from a variety of sources — not a collection of facts meant to influence the government's position or policies, a ministry spokeswoman said, speaking on customary condition of anonymity in line with department policy.

The BBC quoted the document as saying that "indirectly, Pakistan (through the ISI) has been supporting terrorism and extremism — whether in London on (July 7, 2005) or in Afghanistan or Iraq."

It reported that the document said "Pakistan is not currently stable but on the edge of chaos."

The defense ministry spokeswoman, reading a strongly worded ministry statement, said the "academic research notes quoted in no way represent the views of either the MoD (defense ministry) or the government."

Groody

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selves. Alongside prominent theologians, congressional leaders and activists, Groody's film features Mexican immigrants sharing their own stories and their reasons for migrating.

Groody wants viewers to understand the theological issues related to immigration — particularly the immigrants' search to find God.

"[The film is] an attempt to invite people to understand the Christian story by understanding the human story," Groody said.

Because of the religious component to the film, Groody was not sure how it would be received in the public forum.

"Despite [the religious component], it also kind of is just another chapter in the relationship between religion and politics," Groody said.

And very quickly, the film caught the attention of politicians, particularly prominent Hispanic leaders, who arranged for Groody take his message to Capitol Hill today.

"There were some Hispanic leaders in Washington who found out about the film," Groody said. "They are gathering together a group of congressional leaders ... and are organizing a forum with some congressional debate."

Though his film is a relevant topic for congressman, Groody said the issue of

immigration is one that extends far beyond the nation's borders.

"Migration is not the problem," Groody said. "Migration is the symptom ... rooted in the global economy."

With 200 million people around the world that are migrating — not just from Mexico, but from places like Chad, Sudan, Rwanda and Burundi — Groody said it is important to look at this film, and its message, from a global perspective.

"Out of that, we have to then just reflect on what is our collective response to what is happening to these people," he said.

For Groody, whose target audience was originally college campuses,

the national and international success of the film is exciting.

"I knew we needed to do it even if it only reached our students. Our goal was to get it on PBS," Groody said. "... Congress is certainly a different ball game."

Though the film is also slated to be shown at a variety of different international film festivals — including the Australian Film Festival in late October and the new Way Media Film Festival in November — Groody is making sure his original target audience sees the film.

"We first showed it at Harvard, then Oxford over the summer," Groody said, adding that it is also being brought to Stanford University soon.

The film, which was a Harry Chapin Media Award finalist in the category of "Outstanding Television/Film Coverage That Positively Impacts Hunger, Poverty and Self-Reliance," grew out of ideas Groody first explored in his book "Border of Death, Valley of Life."

The firsthand account of "a

religious ministry that reaches out to console, heal and build the lives of poor and desperate immigrants who come to the U.S. in search of a better life," according to the Web site, propelled Groody to use a different medium to transmit his message.

He wanted to create something to help reshape the "imagination about migrants" and he thought film would be an effective way to get his message out.

"If we really knew their stories we would not be afraid of these people. If you knew their face, you would in many ways be inspired," Groody said.

An important consideration, Groody said, is the Church's view on migration and how Notre Dame is contributing to that.

While a number of groups at Notre Dame have already contacted Groody about showing the film, he said he is open to finding new outlets at the University.

"The topic is so ripe. It's a beginning ... we know there are more things that can be done."

Groody financed the film through individual benefactors and Our Sunday Visitor

Catholic Publishing Company, as well as different departments at Notre Dame including the Institute for Latino studies, the Department of Theology and the College of Arts and Letters.

But support for the film was not just limited to academics.

"Bruce Springsteen had given us two songs to use in the film," he said.

Groody has already released a follow-up film called "Strangers No Longer," which he hopes will, in some small way, help with "making the lives and voices of these people known to people who might otherwise not see them."

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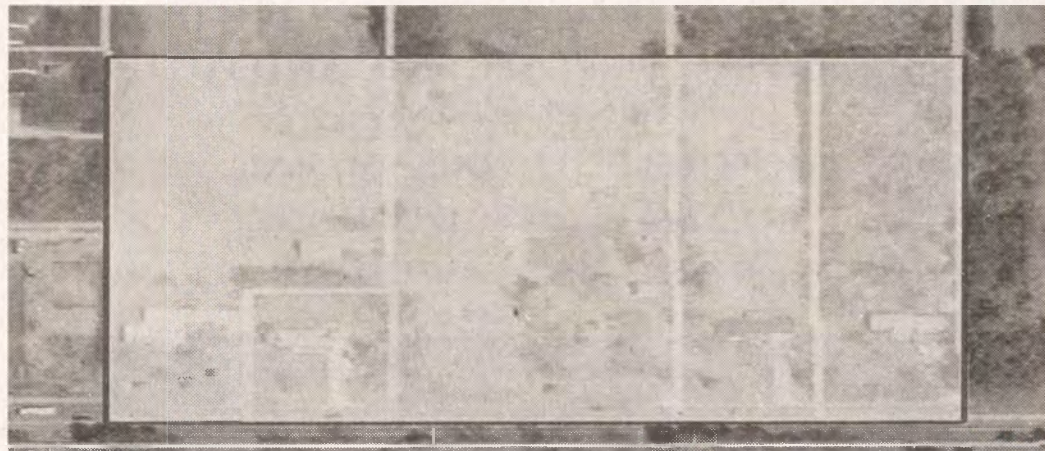
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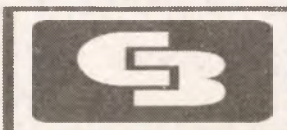
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Surgeon says injuries serious in hazing case

Men may be convicted under anti-hazing law

Associated Press

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. — The surgeon who operated on an aspiring Florida A&M University fraternity member testified Thursday in a hazing trial that he considered the student's injuries serious although he had no broken bones, muscle damage or lasting effects other than a scar.

The seriousness of the injuries is a key issue. Five defendants are among the first to be charged with violating Florida's new anti-hazing law, which makes it a felony to cause serious bodily damage or death.

Four men are accused of beating Marcus Jones, 20, of Decatur, Ga., with canes and boxing gloves to the point that he suffered a perforated eardrum and needed surgery to remove a blood clot from his buttocks.

The fifth defendant is accused of encouraging Jones and other candidates to bear up under the beatings and reviving them with water if they passed out.

Dr. David Fern said the buttock injury was as severe as anything he has seen in an auto accident but acknowledged that it affected only 1 percent of the victim's body;

that there was no muscle, nerve or vein damage; and that the injury has healed nicely.

"I consider it a serious injury," Fern said. "He could have had other potential problems."

Jones briefly took the stand Thursday and was questioned about a fraternity investigator's testimony on how he could identify one suspect — Brian Bowman, 23 — while blindfolded. "There's no doubt in my mind," Jones said. "I can identify his voice."

Accused are Bowman, Cory Gray, 22; Marcus Hughes, 21; Michael Morton, 23; and Jason Harris, 25. Harris is not accused of wielding a cane or boxing gloves.

Also Thursday, Jones' father denied his family has a financial motive for seeking the five men's criminal prosecution.

Army Master Sgt. Mark Jones Jr. acknowledged he has hired a civil law firm but

said he wanted the attorneys to help him handle the news media.

When asked whether he was planning to sue, he said he was interested only in making sure justice was carried out.

"There was this big, huge purple ball protruding out of his right buttocks," he said. "I was angry, very angry. My wife was terrified."

Penalties for violating the anti-hazing law can range from probation to five years in prison.

"I consider it a serious injury. He could have had other potential problems."

David Fern
surgeon

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Mark Jones Jr.
victim's father

IRAQ

Al-Qaida head posts message

Group's Iraq leader laments insurgency losses, calls for more attacks

Associated Press

BAGHDAD — The new leader of al-Qaida in Iraq purportedly said Thursday in an audio message posted on a Web site that more than 4,000 foreign militants have been killed in Iraq since the U.S.-led invasion in 2003 — the first apparent acknowledgment from the insurgents about their losses.

"The blood has been spilled in Iraq of more than 4,000 foreigners who came to fight," according to the Internet message by a man who identified himself as Abu Hamza al-Muhajir — also known as Abu Ayyub al-Masri — the leader of al-Qaida in Iraq. The voice could not be independently identified.

The Arabic word he used indicated he was speaking about foreigners who joined the insurgency in Iraq, not coalition troops.

Al-Masri's message also urged Muslims to make the holy month of Ramadan a "month of holy war" and urged insurgents in Iraq to kidnap Westerners. Al-Masri is believed to have succeeded Abu Musab al-Zarqawi, who died in a U.S. airstrike north of Baghdad in June.

Al-Masri also called for explosives experts and nuclear scientists to join his group's holy war against the West. He said U.S. military bases in Iraq were "good places to test your unconventional weapons, whether biological or dirty."

Al-Masri urged Muslims to escalate their attacks during Ramadan, which Sunnis began observing in Iraq on Saturday



A Web site posted an audio clip Thursday reportedly recorded by the new leader of al-Qaida in Iraq, Abu Hamza al-Muhajir.

and Shiites on Monday. He called on insurgents in Iraq to capture Westerners so they could be traded for the imprisoned Egyptian sheik Omar Abdel-Rahman, who was convicted in 1995 of conspiring to blow up New York City landmarks.

"I appeal to every holy warrior in the land of Iraq to exert all efforts in this holy month so that God may enable us to capture some of the Western dogs to swap them with our sheik and get him out of his dark prison," the voice on the tape said.

Al-Masri, a Sunni Muslim, has been relatively silent since taking over control of al-Qaida in

Iraq earlier this year — a sharp contrast with al-Zarqawi, who frequently issued audiotapes and even a videotape that showed his face a few weeks before his death.

Meanwhile, police found 40 more bodies in the capital, and bombings and shootings killed at least 21 people in a spike of violence with the onset of Ramadan.

A car bomb exploded near a restaurant in central Baghdad, killing five people and wounding 34, police said. Many of the injured had serious burns and some were not expected to survive, police Lt. Ali Mohsen said at the Kindi Hospital.

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Smith: Son died from accidental overdose

Antidepressant, pain reliever caused death

Associated Press

NASSAU — Anna Nicole Smith believes a pathologist's conclusion that her son died from an accidental lethal combination of drugs shows he didn't commit suicide and hopes that others will learn from the tragedy, a lawyer said Thursday.

An American examiner hired by the family, Cyril Wecht, said 20-year-old Daniel Smith had methadone and two antidepressants in his system when he died Sept. 10 in his mother's hospital room in the Bahamas. Low levels of the three drugs interacted to cause an accidental death, Wecht said.

"At least she knows the attacks on her son's reputation can be put to rest because it's clear he didn't intentionally take his life," said Wayne Munroe, a Bahamian attorney for the 38-year-old reality TV star and former Playboy Playmate.

Smith, who gave birth to a daughter three days before her son died at her bedside, is awaiting the conclusions of Wecht and the Bahamas pathologist who performed a separate official autopsy, Munroe said.

Wecht is waiting for test results on tissue samples before

he completes his final report.

Smith wants others to learn from her son's death, Munroe told The Associated Press.

"She wants to see exactly what happened in a final report because she wants to make sure it doesn't happen to someone else's son," he said.

Daniel Smith, who reportedly was hospitalized for depression and back pain before he traveled to Nassau, had been prescribed the antidepressant Lexapro, Wecht said. He said he had not determined whether Smith had also been prescribed Zoloft, the other antidepressant found in his system.

The two drugs can be lethal when taken together or in sequence, according to Ann Blake Tracy, the Des Moines, Iowa-based director of the International Coalition for Drug Awareness.

"The residue can stay there for some time, and if they're prescribed one after they've taken another, they can end up in trouble," she said.

Wecht said he did not know why Smith was taking methadone, a pain-reliever that is also used to ease heroin cravings for recovering addicts.

The combination of the three drugs, even in low doses, could easily have killed Smith, said Lisa Johnson, a pharmacist at Cedars-Sinai Medical Center in

KAZAKHSTAN

HIV infects child patients

Injections, transfusions tainted with disease may be result of blood trade

Associated Press

SHYMKENT— This industrial city is reeling after learning that at least 63 children have been infected with HIV through medical negligence many blame on corruption and the illicit sale of blood.

At least five infected toddlers have died after receiving injections or blood

transfusions in hospitals in Shymkent, a city in Kazakhstan's most densely populated region 1,000 miles south of the capital.

Valentina Skryabina, leader of the nongovernment group Nadezhnaya Opora, which works to prevent AIDS among drug addicts, is convinced the illegal sale of blood is the source of the HIV in Shymkent's hospitals.

"Blood is an article of trade... Hospitals are offered blood, and not always through the [official] blood center. People trade in blood like they do in human organs."

Skryabina said addicts and the homeless have been accepted by the regional blood center because they agreed to be paid

less than the official rate of \$47 for about a half-pint of blood.

"Was their blood properly checked? We are not sure," she said.

Officials say they cannot comment on Skryabina's allegations until their investigation is over. Authorities do say, however, that five blood donors who are sus-

"Hospitals are offered blood, and not always through the [official] blood center. People trade in blood like they do in human organs."

Valentina Skryabina
leader
AIDS prevention group

pected to be HIV-carriers weren't found at their registered addresses.

Parents in this city of 400,000 are trying to conduct their own investigation. They say region-

al health officials were aware of the outbreak in March, and have been trying to cover it up by pulling pages from the infected toddlers' treatment records to eliminate any mention of blood transfusions.

The parents allege that up to 40 HIV-infected children aged 3 and under have died, but the true cause of the deaths was being concealed or attributed to diseases such as cirrhosis. Authorities declined to comment on these allegations, too, pend-

ing the investigation.

Some 13,000 children who were possibly infected have yet to be tested. Adults, too, could be infected: so far, three mothers of infected toddlers have tested positive for HIV.

Lawmaker Satybaldy Ibragimov says nothing will improve until Kazakhstan roots out corruption, which penetrates even universities where future doctors are graded according to the amount of money they give professors — and later treat people based on their ability to pay.

President Nursultan Nazarbayev's government has taken tough action. The health minister and the regional governor were fired this month, and several top regional health officials, the head of the regional blood center and several senior doctors are under criminal investigation.

New governor Omyrzak Shukeev, former mayor of the capital Astana, called the situation in Shymkent's health care system "a catastrophe." He ordered an appraisal of medical staff in the region to root out incompetent or corrupt staff.

Shukeev, under orders from Nazarbayev to urgently resolve the crisis, pleaded with experts at an AIDS crisis meeting this week: "I'm waiting like nothing else for a moment when you say that the virus has been contained."



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Disfigured girl receives new face after surgery

Doctors remove life-threatening growth

Associated Press

MIAMI — A Haitian teen who once hid her grossly distorted face smiled and danced Thursday, a sign of how far she has come since doctors removed a 16-pound tumor-like growth.

When Marlie Casseus arrived in Miami in December, the growth had stretched her facial features so far apart that only her eyes, nostrils and a single tooth were recognizable.

Though her lower lip now hangs open, causing her to drool slightly, the 15-year-old smiled broadly and shimmied at reporters and television cameras. Without music, she stood on her own, held up her arms and shook them and her hips back and forth.

Once she recovers from another surgery next month, Marlie will learn to swallow and speak again.

"Marlie is very happy now. She is happy to see the face now," Maleine Antoine, the teen's mother, said in English, which she has learned since coming to Florida with her daughter.

Surgeons removed the massive growth, narrowed the separation between her eyes and lips and rebuilt the interior of her nose and jaw in three surgeries in the past year at Holtz Children's Hospital.

A reconstructive surgery to reshape a titanium plate previously implanted in her jaw, scheduled Oct. 5, will be her last for now,

said Dr. Jesus Gomez, a maxillofacial surgeon at the University of Miami Miller School of Medicine.

"In the future she's going to look like a normal person," Gomez said.

The series of surgeries have progressively flattened Marlie's cheeks, centered her eyes and defined her nose. Her face is still elongated and slightly asymmetrical, and Gomez said she will likely need additional cosmetic surgeries once she stops growing.

Marlie suffers from a rare form of polyostotic fibrous dysplasia, a nonhereditary, genetic disease that causes bone to swell and become jelly like. The growth began about six years ago, and eventually prevented Marlie from eating, breathing or

speaking on her own. Doctors in Haiti gave her no hope to live, Antoine said.

The teen, who wore a Disney Cinderella T-shirt and ribbons in the braids in her hair Thursday, breathes on her own but cannot speak because of a tube implanted in her windpipe for surgery. She also still has a

feeding tube.

Doctors will continue to monitor her condition, but the lesion that deformed her face is not expected to grow back once she completes puberty, Gomez said.

The hospital's International Kids Fund, which seeks to provide medical care for needy children from around the world, is asking for donations to continue Marlie's care.

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Next space shuttle to lift off during nighttime

NASA relaxes daylight rule for Discovery launch

Associated Press

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. — For the first time in four years, the next space shuttle launch attempt most likely will be at night, NASA said Thursday.

The first launch possibility for Discovery will be Dec. 7 at 9:38 p.m. EDT, the first try at night since Endeavour lifted off Nov. 23, 2002 at 7:49 p.m. Discovery's launch window extends to Dec. 26.

After the Columbia disaster in 2003, the U.S. space agency began requiring that launches be made in daylight so the space shuttle could be photographed to spot possible damage during liftoff. Insulating foam from Columbia's external fuel tank struck the spacecraft's wing during launch, causing a breach that allowed fiery gases to penetrate the vehicle when it returned through Earth's atmosphere. All seven astronauts were killed.

NASA has launched three shuttle flights since the Columbia disaster, all in day-

light and with new inspection equipment and techniques for checking for damage. The most recent two launches lost small amounts of foam that didn't threaten the shuttle.

After last week's successful finish of Atlantis' 12-day mission, NASA officials indicated they were willing to relax the daylight rule since there are now new methods for inspecting the shuttle for holes or cracks while in orbit. They said a night launch is needed to stay on schedule to finish construction of the international space station in 14 more flights by 2010.

"It is very important to us," Leroy Cain, launch integration manager, said last week.

Discovery's launch on Dec. 7 would interfere with a scheduled launch of an Atlas 5 rocket carrying satellites to space, so NASA officials must consult with Air Force officials about that date.

During Discovery's 11-day mission, astronauts will rewire the space station's electrical system and drop off flight engineer Suni Williams for her six-month stay aboard the orbiting outpost.

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Bloomberg pushes for trans fats ban in NYC

Mayor cites De Niro's restaurant as example

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NEW YORK — Days after city health officials proposed outlawing trans fats in eateries, Mayor Michael Bloomberg defended the ban and tried to drag Robert De Niro into the debate because the actor's restaurants do not use the man-made oil.

De Niro, an owner and investor in several culinary hotspots, went to City Hall on Thursday for a news conference related to his Tribeca Film Festival, but stayed for the mayor's general press briefing, at which Bloomberg was asked about the health department's trans fats ban.

The proposal is raising questions about whether the government should be playing head chef, causing restaurants and bakeries citywide to consider makeovers for the Big Apple's favorite treats.

Confessing his love for french fries and oily popcorn, the mayor said everyone could still enjoy those snacks because they can be made without the artificial trans fatty acids, which are thought to cause cholesterol problems and increase risk of heart disease.

Experts say corn, canola and soy oils are safer but generally taste and cost the same as the trans fats.

"You're getting an ingredient out that nobody's going to miss," Bloomberg said.

With De Niro standing behind him, the mayor pointed out that many food makers already have eliminated trans fats, following the Food and Drug Administration's

requirement this year that ingredient labels show trans fat content. Companies including Frito-Lay and Kraft have reconfigured recipes for many of their most popular packaged goods, including Doritos and Oreos, replacing the trans fats, which are typically listed as partially hydrogenated oil.

Many restaurants have done the same. The example was already set by some city eateries that never used artificial oils in the first place, such as De Niro's Nobu and Tribeca Grill.

"If you look at some of the best restaurants in this city, including Robert De Niro's, they do not use trans fats because they don't need them in their food and there's no reason to have them," Bloomberg said.

De Niro, who won Oscars for his roles in "The Godfather: Part II" and "Raging Bull," appeared slightly sur-

prised by the mayor's plug for his restaurants but the 62-year-old actor did not add anything to the argument. A spokeswoman confirmed later that the mayor was correct.

"We don't use man-made oils, we use natural oils," said Tanja Yokum, a spokeswoman for Myriad Restaurant Group. "There really isn't a price difference, so it's not a difficult decision, and it has been our chefs' practice all along."

If the ban is approved by the end of this year, the city Department of Health would require restaurants to strip trans fats from their food by July 2008.

The city chapter of the New York State Restaurant Association says the law would create culinary nightmares for chefs and maintains Bloomberg is going too far in trying to outlaw an ingredient.

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Michael Bloomberg
New York City mayor

Space tourist details trip in blog

Private citizen describes effects of weightlessness, smell of space

Associated Press

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. — She says space smells like a "burned almond cookie." She praises the wonders of Velcro, and describes the hazards of trying to wash her hair in zero gravity.

Space tourist Anousheh Ansari's blog offers uncommon insight into everyday life on the international space station through the eyes of an American businesswoman.

Her 10-day adventure ended Thursday night when she touched down in a Soyuz vehicle on the steppes of Kazakhstan along with Russian cosmonaut Pavel Vinogradov and U.S. astronaut Jeff Williams.

"It is hard for me to write tonight," she wrote Thursday in her last posting from space. "My emotions are high and there are millions of thoughts going through my head."

The 40-year-old Iranian-born Dallas suburbanite, who sometime signed her entries "Space Cadet," paid \$20 million for her adventure. She was a last-minute substitute for a Japanese businessman who failed a medical test for space flight.

Although she has a master's degree in engineering and made a fortune in the telecommunications industry, Ansari's blog entries have been free of tech-heavy jargon, exhibiting an enthusiastic, chatty style. She tackled topics that vintage, tough-guy astronauts such as Alan Shepard surely would have shirked from: motion sickness, the clumsiness of weightlessness and personal hygiene.

"Well my friends, I must admit keeping good hygiene in space is not easy!" she wrote in the opening of one



U.S. entrepreneur Anousheh Ansari waves to the crowd after her space shuttle landed in Kazakhstan Friday.

entry as if a columnist for Cosmopolitan.

"Well my friends, I must admit keeping good hygiene in space is not easy!"

Anousheh Ansari
space tourist

She then described washing her hair by opening a water bag to make a huge bubble over her head, rubbing in dry shampoo and then being careful not to make sudden movements that would burst the bubble into small pieces of water floating everywhere.

Zero gravity has made it impossible to keep objects from drifting away, she wrote.

"So God invented Velcro for this very purpose. Shhhh! Don't tell anyone up here but I've lost a few little things already, like

my lip-gloss."

One night, she discovered her toes were bruised from gripping bars along the walls of the space station. She informed readers that she uses her big toe to hold herself in one place.

And she wrote about the smell of space — at least the space inside the orbiting lab: "It was strange ... kind of like burned almond cookie."

At least eight astronauts have kept online diaries recording their stay at the space station, but they weren't traditional blogs

since readers couldn't post responses, as they have on Ansari's blog. Astronaut Ed Liu even described the nitty-gritty details of going to the bathroom at the

"Clearly [the blog] is an inspiration as well for many individuals."

Eligar Sadeh
space studies professor

space station.

But few achieve the entertaining, intimate tone of Ansari's entries.

Her status as a private citizen gives her more liberty to describe the details of everyday life than active astronauts or cosmonauts, said Eligar Sadeh, professor of space studies at the University of North Dakota.

"Given the constraints the astronauts operate under, not being able to necessarily speak freely or share the real insights or thoughts, given concerns of them being government employees," Sadeh said. "Clearly [the blog] is an inspiration as well for many individuals."

Hundreds of those individuals from around the globe have left comments on Ansari's blog.

"I've been involved with the theme of manned space-flight as a hobby (passion?) for more than 25 years, read a lot of books ... spoken to numerous astronauts and cosmonauts," wrote Luc van den Abeelen of the Netherlands in Ansari's blog. "But only reading your blog entries do I really get a taste of what it is like to be in space."



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University-staff relations must improve

The series of Town Hall sessions conducted Wednesday and Thursday by University President Father John Jenkins, Provost Tom Burish and Executive Vice President John Affleck-Graves was intended to show staff members how much they matter.

It was a positive — and much needed — move by the University.

The lack of communication between administrators and workers was formally acknowledged ("The most frustrating thing for many of you is that you work at Notre Dame, but find out about many projects from the newspaper instead of us," Affleck-Graves told staff at Wednesday morning's meeting).

Important developments in building upon that seemingly weak University-staff communication were announced, like a new program that will distribute surveys to staff members to respond anonymously about the positives and negatives of their experience working for the University. Affleck-Graves also promised the implementation of a hotline run by an external party to field complaints workers might not feel comfortable expressing to their supervisors.

It's commendable that so much time — four one-hour sessions in little more than a 24-hour period — was devoted to reminding staff members of their importance to the University. However, in order to truly include workers in the Notre Dame community, Jenkins and other administrators

must evaluate the way they deliver that message.

"Core values are very important," Jenkins told staff. "They are things that absolutely everyone should have in mind, because this is part of what it means to be part of Notre Dame."

No one's disputing the importance of core values. But integrity and accountability — two values emphasized by Jenkins — aren't going to appease workers who feel underpaid, and the ideological goal of "leadership in mission" isn't going to comfort a staff member who feels underappreciated.

The bigger picture can be motivating; grandiose visions of the Notre Dame to come may have stirred pride within staff members who attended the meetings. But those same grandiose visions can be overwhelming if workers feel left out of the "something more"

that Jenkins envisions as Notre Dame's destiny.

That sense of isolation would be easy to understand, since the vague wording of Jenkins' "mission" probably doesn't strike a chord with every University employee.

If the University wants to develop into that something greater, it's going to have to do more than expand, construct and renovate — it must continually prioritize the people that make Notre Dame what it is.

If that happens, no one will need to remind workers of their importance. They'll already know.

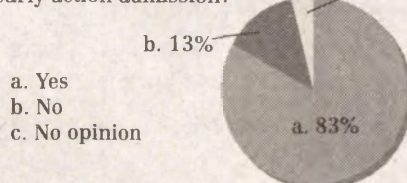
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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Remember not only to say the right thing in the right place, but far more difficult still, to leave unsaid the wrong thing at the tempting moment."

Benjamin Franklin
U.S. author

The lecture nobody read

On Sept. 12, Pope Benedict XVI delivered a short lecture at his former academic home, the University of Regensburg, on the subject of faith and reason in the Western university. As with so many of Benedict's cogent and eloquent works, this one went almost entirely unread. Not, of course, unnoticed. Unread.

**James
Matthew
Wilson**

*The Treasonous
Clerk*

In brief, Benedict XVI's argument proceeded as follows. He recalled that the faculties at Regensburg, including the Protestant and Catholic theological faculties, used to gather routinely for the exchange of ideas. Although deep intellectual differences divided them on one level, they were united in a sense of a "shared responsibility for the right use of reason." This responsibility expressed itself in the physical gathering of the members of the University together, a ceremonial affirmation that, though opinions may be diverse, though disciplines may claim their own methods and terrains of competence, the Truth is one, the fount at which all acts of reason drink.

This image of the meeting of faculties from different disciplines in a Western university rhymes conceptually with another meeting, that of the "erudite Byzantine emperor Manuel II Paleologus with an educated Persian" in the fourteenth century. In the recorded dialogue, the Emperor exclaims that "not acting reasonably is contrary to God's nature. Faith is born of the soul, not the body. Whoever would lead someone to faith needs the ability to speak well and reason properly."

These two faculties — reasoning and communicating — are what makes the "meeting of faculties" in every sense pos-

sible. They are ultimately one, since reasoning is the conceiving of a mental word that describes the world to the intellect; and speaking allows for the expressing, the in principle complete opening, of one intellect to another.

Benedict XVI then turns to a theme he first explored many years ago in his *Introduction to Christianity* (1968). Not by accident did Paul and the Apostles first take the Gospel into the heart of the Hellenistic world. Although he avoids the word in his lecture as well as in that early work, he suggests Providence guided the good news about the Logos of God into the centers of Greek culture, where philosophical thinking about the logos, the reasonable structure of the cosmos, was most sophisticated.

The Greeks understood that the cosmos was constructed according to rational laws, behind which was the superlatively rational Intellect. This insight immensely aided the Christian faith in a loving, personal God to unfold productively over the centuries. We could study God's free creation in the light of His free revelation, and vice versa. One is powerless before revelation; indeed one can only "suffer" it. But once living within its light, one has a responsibility to explore its reasonableness (its logos) and to join it by myriad analogies to the other branches of human inquiry.

Cardinal Newman justly expressed the Hellenic Christian vision of Truth as having the form of a perfect circle: it is eternal, and it is comprehensive, excluding nothing. There is no reason this capacious vision of the life of faith and reason could not survive in history for all perpetuity. As Benedict XVI notes, however, it could not survive unchallenged. Perhaps the greatest threat mankind faces is posed by the continued, various forms of zealotry that

would break off one shard from the circle and mistake it for the whole.

In the 16th century, the Reformers seemed to break off faith from reason, dispensing with the latter. Horrified by the vision of "half-men" who condemned as merely depraved the powers of their natural reason, rationalist thinkers and their obsession with mathematical and empirical "certainty" emerged. That is, rationalism broke off a small morsel of reason from the circle of truth and mistook it for the whole. Though the story is more complicated than one simple break, it has traditionally been understood that reductive fideism and rationalism are the two camps into which much of the West has become more divided down the centuries.

Benedict XVI, like all his predecessors before him, seeks to heal this rift. Clarifying the problems with Intelligent Design Theory, though it grabs the headlines in America, is an almost irrelevant part of this healing. The pope's first duty, as the voice of Christ, who healed the blind and deaf, is to correct a "reason which is deaf to the divine and which relegates religion into the realm of subcultures."

Liberal opinion has always claimed that, by relegating to the private sphere all ideas about which there can be significant disagreement, one can preserve a minima moralia necessary for the maintenance of state sovereignty. One does not have to be a theocrat to see this is false. Social, political questions have to be argued, and the best arguments are those which provide the most complete intelligible account of themselves — those that survive inquiry down to their deepest foundations; and this always entails an approach to Being and the divine.

To pretend that what one worships and

what one does the rest of the time is merely one's personal business is a vicious doctrine. To pretend society is merely a collection of minimal doctrines to keep order between private interests for another day invites catastrophe that only the full breadth of reason (a reason that takes faith to its breast) can resolve.

Benedict XVI wishes to restore to the public life of Europe the understanding that it is not by disqualifying as "irrational" everything not self-evident or subject to the grasp of mankind's power that one sustains a just political life. Only by plumbing the depths of our creation and nature and sharing our findings can our experiences be made intelligible to each other and our common good promoted.

The zealotry of Islamic extremism, with its burned effigies and bombed edifices threatens the common life of reason. So also does the deafness of western rationalism, which seems intent on squandering a providential gift: the opportunity to help faith in revelation fulfill its destiny, by helping it to seek a rich rational understanding of itself and a full life in this world and the next. The West is decadent. Not because it does not worship Allah. Rather, just as the Islamic East seems to have forgotten how to read, the West has forgotten how to hear.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Reconsidering pope's remarks

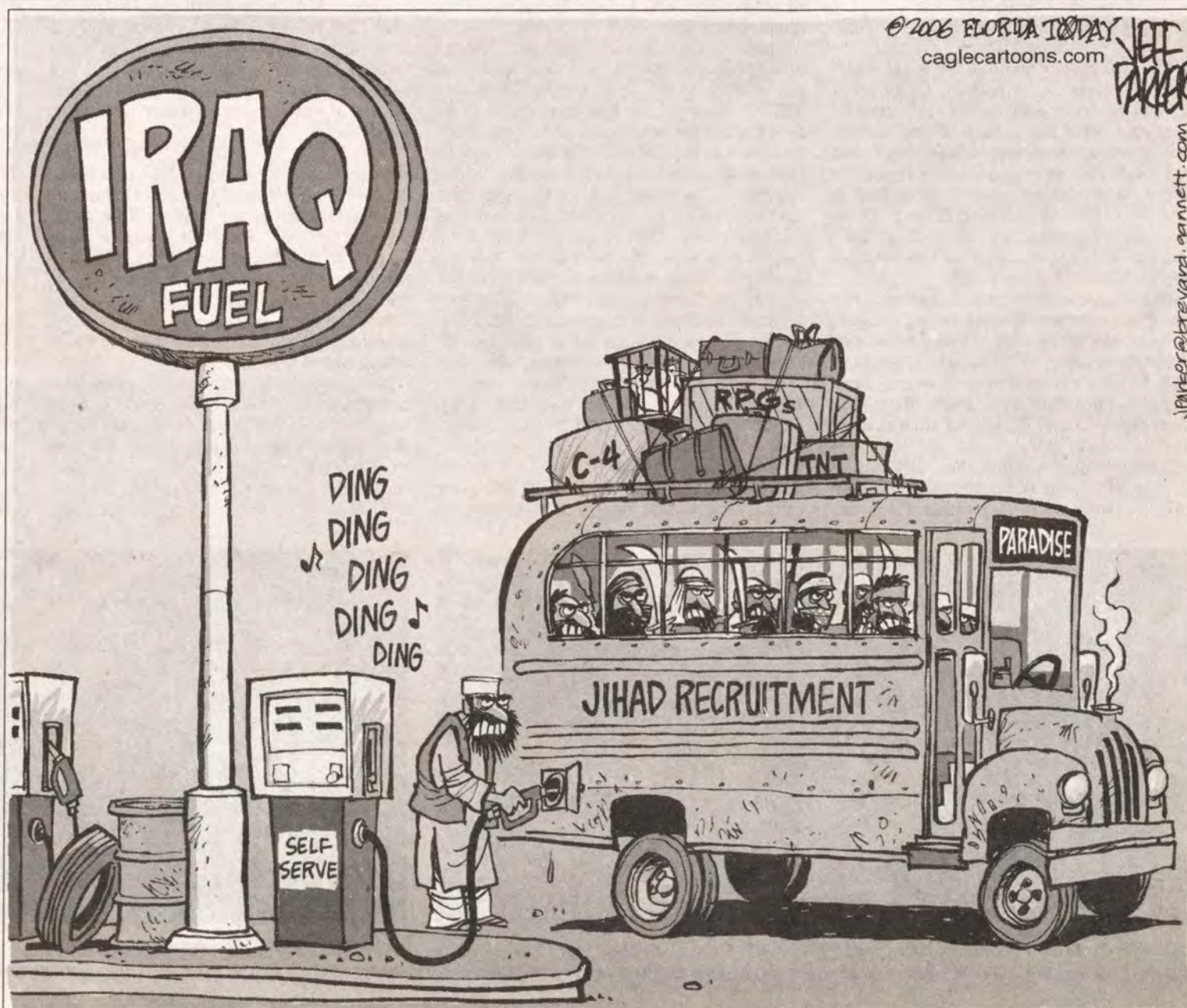
Professor Rice has, as usual, written well and I applaud Pope Benedict XVI's recent effort at peacemaking. However, his contentious and much lamented passage seems to strike as a noisy gong that continues to reverberate, jarring the sensibilities of many. It could have sounded much differently, had self-reflection — truly our tradition — guided its telling. Bad things happen, as Jesus tells us, when we begin to obsess over the speck in our neighbor's eye.

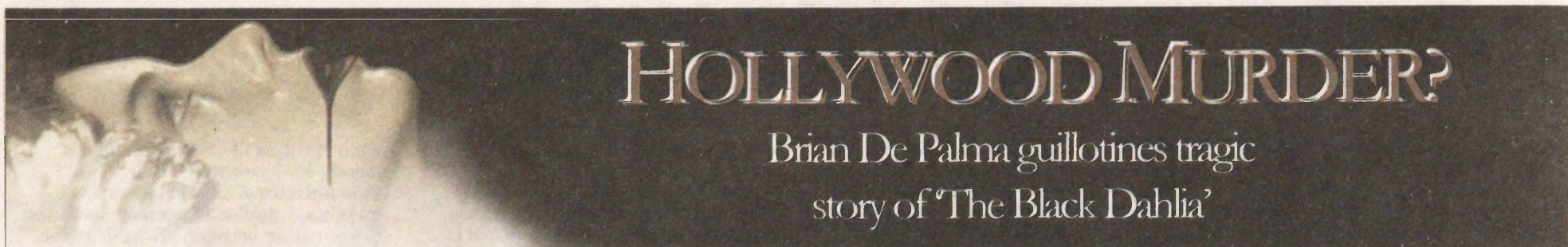
Had Benedict XVI, then, thought to cite Luther's "On War Against the Turks" (1529) matters would today be different. Ian Hazlett, reader in ecclesiastical history in the School of Divinity of the University of Glasgow, says of Luther's work: "In this (Luther) startlingly rejects the old concept of religious crusade. This was based on his innovative notion that war on the grounds of religion was not permissible, since coercion in spiritual matters is unchristian."

As a man of peace, Benedict XVI draws on a long tradition of peacemaking. That we might give thanks to God one day in the future that he has unceasingly employed that tradition to dispel, rather than encourage, this popular, yet specious, notion of a clash of civilizations.

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EDITORIAL CARTOON





HOLLYWOOD MURDER?

Brian De Palma guillotines tragic story of 'The Black Dahlia'

JARRED WAFER/Observer Graphic

OVERBURDENED NARRATIVE DOOMS 'DAHLIA'

By JENNIFER DAWN HOPKINS
Scene Critic

The story of the Black Dahlia is the stuff Hollywood dreams are made of. Brian De Palma's telling of the tale, however, is the stuff Hollywood nightmares are made of.

The story of Elizabeth Short, a pinup girl found gruesomely murdered and bisected, provides more than adequate potential to be transformed into an artsy masterpiece that would unite the lovers of film noir and CSI alike. The star-studded cast promised talent, or — at the very least — two solid hours of pleasing eye-candy. The failure of the film to deliver on all fronts is, then, almost as shrouded in mystery as the murder itself.

The viewers who anticipate seeing the events of Elizabeth Short's grisly murder unfold will leave the theater knowing less than before. The plot follows the personal story of every possible character, branching

off in so many directions the viewer is lost in a maze of story lines that tries entirely too hard to be full of intrigue. Any identifiable point of the film is lost and the viewer is left wondering who — or even what — the film was about in the first place.

The film begins reminiscent of a bad black and white detective story and is never able to climb out of that clichéd mindset. The dialogue is uncomfortable and tries to cram in 1940s colloquialisms at the expense of any explanation of character background or motivation. Detective Bucky Bleichert's (Josh Hartnett)'s attempts to explain relevant background information through voiceover are unhelpful. There is no performance to fall back on, no stand-out actor that delivers a believable, deep and meaningful character. Even Scarlett Johansson's sex appeal seems forced — a feat once considered utterly impossible.

The one interesting character is the only non-living character in the film. Elizabeth Short (Mia Krishner) is the only one that seems motivated in her actions, which include getting herself killed. Detective Lee Blanchard's (Aaron Eckhart) obsession with the Black Dahlia, on the other hand, is sudden and unmotivated, causing a character so internally contrasting that it is no loss to the story when he, and his unnecessary drama, die in an equally unnecessarily bloody scene.

Near the end of the film, De Palma seems



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Josh Hartnett, as detective Bucky Bleichert, stakes out a park in Brian De Palma's "The Black Dahlia." This film has come under heavy criticism due to its lack of focus.

to remember that the film is supposed to be about the most notorious murder in California, and attempts to make up for the previous lack of grisly details with some uncomfortably long adult video clips and a murder flashback that makes even the most seasoned Nip/Tuck veterans look away in disgust. In the last five minutes of the film — and with the help of the trusty montage — De Palma tries to tie all of the loose ends into a neat package that gives closure to this most notorious of cases.

By solving the crime, De Palma essentially takes away the heart of the mystery surrounding the case, an act that would be excusable if the solution was remotely

motivated or even interesting. Instead, we are presented with a suspect out of left field, an unconvincing and — if possible — more confusing explanation that somehow motivates Bucky to right the rest of the wrongs in the world, most of which have nothing at all to do with any aspect of the Black Dahlia case.

"The Black Dahlia" attempts to cover far too many plotlines in far too little detail, and De Palma fails to convey the notoriety of the case that has stunned California for generations.

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The Black Dahlia

Director: Brian De Palma

Writer: Josh Friedman

Starring: Josh Hartnett, Scarlett Johansson and Aaron Eckhart



THE GENIUS/HACK COMPLEX: BRIAN DE PALMA

By MARTY SCHROEDER
Assistant Scene Editor

Brian De Palma is one of the most polarizing directors in Hollywood. Opinions of him range from genius "auteur" to complete and utter hack. Part of the "movie-brat" generation of filmmakers, De Palma has explored genres ranging from the Alfred Hitchcockian psychological thriller "Sisters" (1973) to gangland dramas focusing both on gangsters (1983's "Scarface") and the law that attempts to hinder them (1987's "The Untouchables").

De Palma emerged on the cinema scene alongside contemporaries George Lucas, Steven Spielberg and Martin Scorsese. These men, along with De Palma, graduated from film schools and were overtly cine-literate. They had seen many films and were highly knowledgeable of cinema theories.

They rebelled against the "director as technician" mode of filmmaking predominant in Hollywood up to that point and

instead focused on an authorship mode of filmmaking in which their personal vision shaped their films.

Unlike Lucas with his "Star Wars" trilogy and Spielberg with "Jaws," De Palma was not a director that had a mega-hit in the 1970s. Instead he focused on darker themes that did not appeal to as large of an audience as did the works of the aforementioned directors. In this vein, De Palma released "Obsession" in 1976 starring John Lithgow. Written by Paul Schrader, a screenwriter that has worked with Scorsese and is also part of the "movie-brat" generation, this film focused on male-female relationships and explored further love and romance in the style of Hitchcock.

This film, along with many others of De Palma's to come, was criticized because it was seen too much as an homage to Hitchcock (the script was based on Hitchcock's "Vertigo") and less than original.

Following in the same remake vein, De Palma remade Howard Hawks' gangster film, "Scarface," in 1983. Starring Al

Pacino, the violence and graphic language has been oft criticized; however, this particular film in De Palma's filmography is interesting due to the cult following it has created. Instead of noticing the fact it is a remake, many fans of the film consider scenes of excess and violence part of its "cool factor."

Next to "Scarface" and "The Untouchables" — both gangster pics popular with American audiences — De Palma's most noted film is the Stephen King adaptation "Carrie." Starring a young Sissy Spacek and John Travolta, this film was popular as a horror film but also explored teen issues and made use of De Palma's signature split screen and slow motion, showcasing his preference for visual storytelling rather than dialogue.

All his creativity aside, recent years have brought a blockbuster style to his filmmaking. 2000's "Mission to Mars" was a sci-fi drama that seemed to have little to do with his previous films, and "Mission: Impossible" was a complete blockbuster with little room for exploration. While De

Palma was able to explore interesting twists on love and romance, the star power of Tom Cruise tends to overshadow any directorial nuances that may have been present.

2006 brings De Palma to "The Black Dahlia." This film melds his love of gangsters — albeit in a more noirish fashion than his previous films — his interest in gender relations and the perdition of male lust. Initial feedback has been negative, but, by this point, De Palma has thick enough skin to handle the critics.

Loved and hated, De Palma has consistently been able to find films he wants to make. His vast knowledge of cinema makes his films a joy to watch — even if the narratives are not particularly strong. He has also made a diverse range of films, from horror to action to drama and everything in between. Not as well known as other filmmakers, he is nonetheless a creative mind who is in love with movies.

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Brian De Palma, on the set of this year's "The Black Dahlia," directs Josh Hartnett and Scarlett Johansson. The criticism this film has received is nothing new to De Palma.



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Brian De Palma discusses a scene with Rebecca Romijn and Antonio Banderas on the set of the Warner Brothers thriller heist "Femme Fatale," released in 2002.

SCENE & HEARD

Childhood movies bring a tear to my eye

By BRIAN DOXTADER
Scene Editor

There are some films that I like to call "forgotten classics." Nobody else seems to remember them and if we talk about them today, only our peers seem to know what we're talking about. I don't mean movies like "Labyrinth" or "Hook," because those movies are classics in a weird sort of way — and more importantly, people remember them. I mean the obscure stuff that nobody seems to ever think about except in the most inopportune times, like during tests or mass or interviews. The thing about these movies is that they're actually pretty good, except that nobody seems to know they exist. With that in mind, let's take a trip down memory lane and remember some of those oldies but goodies from our younger days.



Brian
Doxtader

Scene Editor

fame) who stars in this period piece about a guy who gets a jetpack and becomes a symbol of patriotic heroism triumphing over the Nazis.

It's pulpy and serial- esque, but the concept is truly cool and the outfits and design are actually pretty decent. Timothy Dalton, a one-time James Bond, is the villain and Jennifer Connelly is the girlfriend.

Dick Tracy

Based on the old comic strip, "Dick Tracy" was directed by Warren Beatty, who also stars as the square-jawed detective. The film's design, which evokes old comic strips, is superb. And the cast is great. Really. Al Pacino plays Big Boy Caprice, the crotchety gangster baddie, Dustin Hoffman is a memorable mumbling rat and Madonna is Breathless Mahoney ... actually, Madonna is really only eye candy until the twist ending.

Pacino actually got nominated for an Oscar for this role, which is surprising because he didn't get nominated for "The Godfather Part III" which came out the same year. It amazingly won a few awards and was nominated for a bunch more. And come on, how could someone not like a movie in which characters have names like Flattop, Little Face, The Brow and 88 Keys?

Tron

Disney pumped a ton of money into this special effects-driven film about computer geeks who enter an electronic world and it shows — kind of. The

effects are way outdated and the storyline and acting is pretty horrific, but all that overlooks how cool this film once was. The scenes in which characters drive around on a 2D plane on weird, futuristic motorcycles are worth the price of admission. The storyline is about some computer who wants to take over the world or something, but it doesn't really matter. All that matters is the crazy 1980s special effects, which even manage to overshadow Jeff Bridges (who somehow managed to put this film behind him and become a legitimately good actor). The whole thing is kind of goofy, but if taken on its own terms, "Tron" is still as much fun today as it was 20 years ago.

There are other films I could talk about, like "Flight of the Navigator" or the original "Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles." Freud once said sometimes a cigar is just a cigar, and, a lot of times, nostalgia is simply that — nostalgia. But in these cases, I always wondered why these films don't get more attention. They awoke our sense of wonder as we were able to fly through the sky with jetpacks fighting Nazis, join the world of comic books and actually enter a video game. I loved all of these films.

While they may not be "good" movies when stacked up against the likes of "Citizen Kane" and "Casablanca," they make me remember better days, and I hope some of you remember them too.

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"The Rocketeer," starring Bill Campbell and released in 1991, soon developed a cult following due to his trademark leather jacket and aerodynamic helmet.

On Campus

By MICHELLE FORDICE

SUB Movie

"Pirates of the Caribbean: Dead Man's Chest"

This sequel to the hit "Pirates of the Caribbean: The Curse of the Black Pearl" finds Captain Jack setting out to settle his blood debt with Davy Jones, pulling all the characters from the first film along for the ride.

Friday and Saturday: 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m.

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"M"

Fritz Lang's first sound film and one of the first great suspense thrillers, "M" is the story of a hunt conducted by both the police and the Berlin underworld for a whistling pedophile/serial killer. (German language with English subtitles)

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Legends

Football Friday: Celebrate the upcoming football weekend with a live music party at 8 p.m.

Midnight Nightclubs: Flashback Friday will feature favorites from the 70s and 80s.

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Josie Vodicka

Josie Vodicka will perform songs from her latest album, "Close Your Eyes," which draws on samba, folk, pop and gospel influences.

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Off Campus

Cinemark 14 (matinee: \$5.50, evening: \$6.75, Friday/Saturday evening: \$7)

Opening this weekend:

"Facing the Giants." In this inspirational story, a losing coach and his high school football team turn to God to do the impossible on and off the field.

"Open Season." The computer animated film from Columbia Pictures features the voices of Ashton Kutcher and Martin Lawrence and tells the story of Boog, a domesticated grizzly bear who finds himself stranded in the woods — three days before hunting season.

"School for Scoundrels." Jon Heder of "Napoleon Dynamite" plays an unlucky and clumsy meter reader who enrolls himself in a school that teaches self-confidence and savvy so that he can win the love of his crush. Things get complicated when it turns out his competitive instructor (Billy Bob Thornton) goes after the same girl.

"The Guardian." Struggling with the loss of his crew in a fatal crash, rescue swimmer Ben Randall (Kevin Costner) is reassigned to teach at an elite school for Coast Guard rescue swimmers. There he meets Jake Fischer (Ashton Kutcher), a recruit in the program. Both help each other to grasp the meaning of sacrifice.

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School for Scoundrels



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MLB — AL

Detroit's lead drops to half-game with defeat

Baltimore's Daniel Cabrera takes no-hitter into ninth inning as Orioles take down New York in the Big Apple

Associated Press

DETROIT — Kenny Rogers slammed the ball off the rubber and it rose over his head just before he walked off the mound following an awful start.

The Detroit Tigers will need him to bounce back in the play-offs.

Rogers was roughed up by the Toronto Blue Jays, who built a seven-run lead before holding off Detroit for an 8-6 victory Thursday, cutting the Tigers' lead to a half-game in the AL Central.

The Minnesota Twins had a chance to pull into a tie at home Thursday night against Kansas City. But to win the division and secure home-field advantage next week, the Twins have to move past Detroit (95-64) because they lost the season series.

Detroit closes the regular season at home with a three-game series against Kansas City.

"I'm not going to give them a Knute Rockne, 'let's go get 'em' type of thing. I can tell you that right now," manager Jim Leyland said. "If we win three games, we're the champs. That's one break we've got. If we can't take advantage of it, shame on us."

Rogers, who will likely start Detroit's first playoff game since 1987, gave up seven runs — five earned — on eight hits, a walk and a hit batter. He lasted just 3 2/3 innings, his shortest outing in two months and one of the worst in what has been a stellar season.

"I'm not going to dwell on it too long. I've done pretty well for a long period of time," Rogers said. "I'd rather have a mediocre to poor one now rather than later."

The 41-year-old Rogers (17-7) won seven of his previous 10 starts with a 1.72 ERA and had a chance to match his career high for victories, but it was quickly clear that Thursday would not be his day.

Toronto's first two batters reached on errors, one by Rogers, to take a 2-0 lead. The Blue Jays added another run in

the second and made it 7-0 in the fourth.

"He was mixing up his pitches like he usually does," said Gregg Zaun, who scored two runs and had two hits. "But he got some of them up, and fortunately we were able to hit them."

The Tigers pulled within a run with a three-run seventh, capped by Sean Casey's two-run homer, after scoring two runs in the sixth and one in the fourth.

Toronto went ahead 8-6 in the eighth on a double-play ground-out.

When Leyland went to the mound to take the ball from Rogers, the pitcher bounced it in disgust and walked off the field.

It was the second straight poor outing by a Detroit starter that led to a loss. Nate Robertson allowed six runs in 4 2/3 innings Wednesday night, when the Tigers lost 7-4.

"I'm not concerned, but that doesn't make any difference now because those are our guys and I'm very comfortable with them," Leyland said. "If they're good in the playoffs, we'll do OK. If they don't, we won't."

Baltimore 7, New York 1

Daniel Cabrera came within two outs of a no-hitter against the Yankees' mighty lineup before Robinson Cano slapped a clean opposite-field single in the ninth inning, and the Baltimore Orioles beat New York Thursday night.

Flashing a fastball that touched 97 mph, Cabrera overcame three errors behind him and cruised into the ninth with a chance to make history at Yankee Stadium.

But after Johnny Damon grounded weakly to first, Cano punched an 0-1 delivery to left field for New York's only hit, drawing a roar from the crowd of 54,046 and a pained expression from Cabrera, who turned around to watch the ball and then grimaced. On the very next pitch, Bobby Abreu bounced into a game-ending double play.

After coming tantalizingly close to Baltimore's first no-hitter in 15 years, Cabrera was left with his third career complete



Detroit's Ramon Santiago slides through Blue Jays second baseman Aaron Hill in an attempt to break up an eighth-inning double play. Toronto held on to win 8-6 at Comerica Park.

game and second this season. He struck out five and walked two, throwing 71 of his 106 pitches for strikes.

The 25-year-old right-hander nearly became the first pitcher to toss his own no-hitter against the Yankees since Orioles knuckleballer Hoyt Wilhelm in 1958. New York was no-hit at home by six Houston pitchers on June 11, 2003.

The Yankees, who already clinched the AL East title and are just playing for home-field advantage in the playoffs now, rested Alex Rodriguez and Derek Jeter. But every other regular in New York's powerful lineup was on the field.

One night before, the Yankees showed just how imposing their modern-day version of Murderers' Row can be, banging out 18 hits in a 16-5 victory over

Baltimore.

Cleveland 5, Tampa Bay 4

Ryan Garko doubled home the go-ahead run in a three-run seventh inning to help the Cleveland Indians rally past the Tampa Bay Devil Rays on Thursday night.

Grady Sizemore and Andy Marte hit two-run homers and Paul Byrd (10-9) won for the first time in five September starts for Cleveland.

The Devil Rays, coming off their largest shutout win in team history, 11-0 Wednesday night in Boston, failed once again to win consecutive road games for the first time since June 16-17 at Philadelphia.

Tampa Bay dropped to 3-28 on the road since the All-Star break. They must win all three remaining games in Cleveland to

avoid becoming the first team in history to lose 99 games while posting a winning home record.

Sizemore hit the first pitch from reliever Jon Switzer for his 28th homer, a two-run shot in the seventh inning that tied it at 4.

Ruddy Lugo (2-4) then walked Jason Michaels, who scored on Garko's double into the left-field corner. It gave the rookie first baseman 21 RBIs in his last 20 games.

Matt Miller pitched a scoreless eighth and Rafael Betancourt worked out of a bases loaded jam to earn his third save.

He gave up consecutive singles to Ben Zobrist and Rocco Baldelli and intentionally walked Greg Norton with one out to load the bases. The right-hander then struck out Ty Wigginton and Jorge Cantu to end the threat.

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NCAA Volleyball AVCA Top 25

team	2006 record	previous
1 Nebraska (46)	12-0	1
2 Penn State (13)	13-0	2
3 UCLA	15-0	3
4 Washington (1)	12-1	4
5 USC	13-0	5
6 Stanford	10-2	6
7 California	12-1	8
8 Texas	8-3	9
9 Santa Clara	10-2	7
10 Florida	10-2	11
11 Purdue	12-1	10
12 LSU	12-1	12
13 Ohio State	11-1	14
14 Wisconsin	10-2	13
15 Hawaii	7-4	15
16 BYU	12-1	16
17 Tennessee	12-2	17
18 Utah	11-2	19
19 Missouri	9-4	23
20 Cal Poly	9-4	20
21 Ohio	10-3	24
22 New Mexico State	16-0	25
23 Pepperdine	4-6	NR
24 Michigan	13-2	NR
25 San Diego	10-4	21

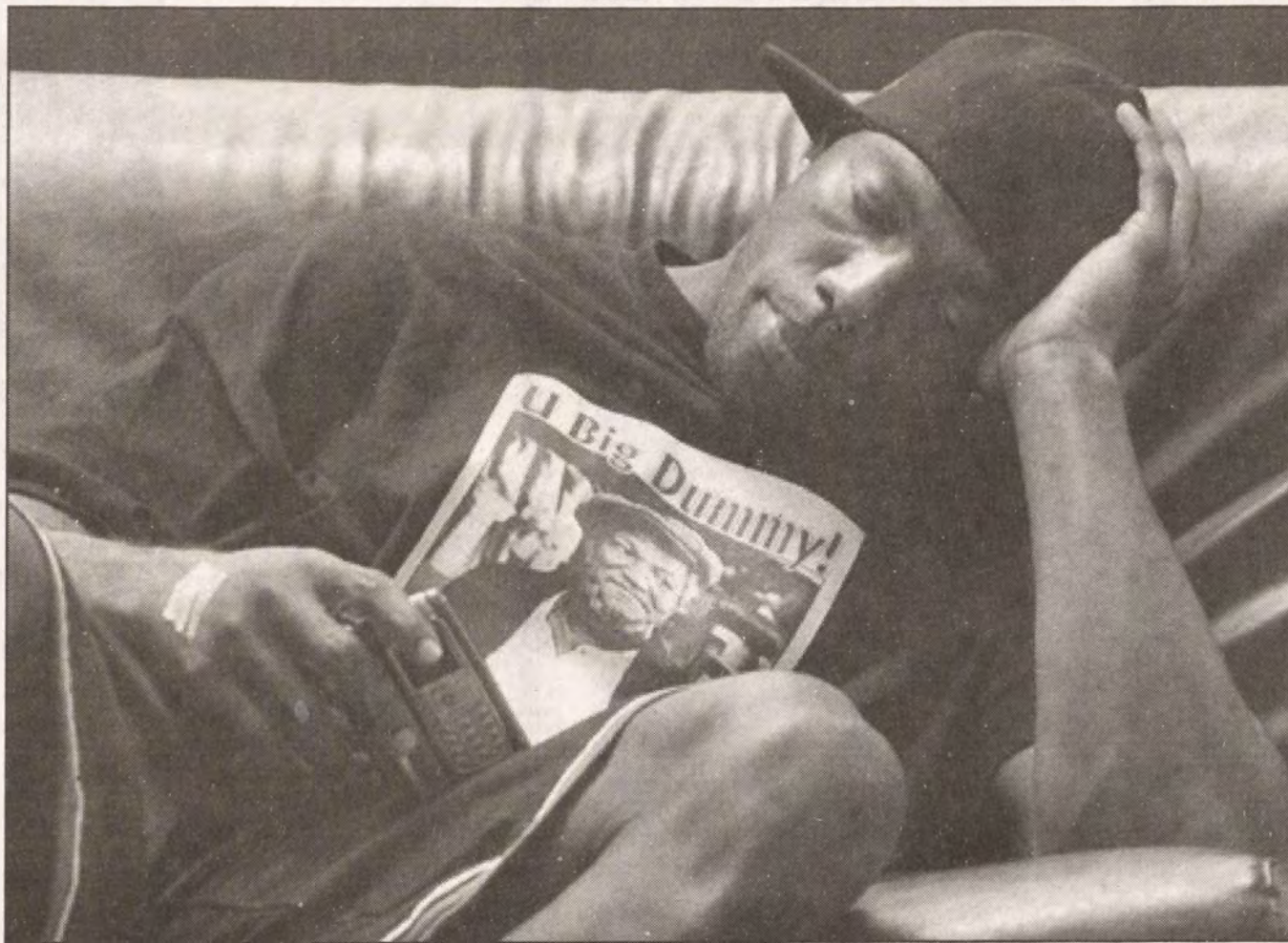
NCAA Cross Country Coaches' Poll

team	points
1 Wisconsin	450
2 Arkansas	432
3 Colorado	412
4 Stanford	401
5 Iona college	382
6 Texas	377
7 Arizona	355
8 Portland	344
9 Oklahoma State	309
10 BYU	281
11 UTEP	273
12 Minnesota	270
13 Georgetown	246
14 Virginia	227
15 Michigan	201
16 NOTRE DAME	198
17 Oregon	191
18 Ohio State	184
19 Arizona State	175
20 Alabama	164
21 Iowa State	146
22 William & Mary	140
23 Dartmouth	129
24 Florida State	121
25 Butler	100

Big East Women's Soccer National Division Standings

Team	division record	points
1 Villanova	2-0-1	7
2 Rutgers	2-0-1	7
3 Notre Dame	2-0-0	6
4 Louisville	2-1-0	6
5 Cincinnati	1-1-0	3
6 Seton Hall	1-2-0	3
7 Georgetown	0-3-0	0
8 DePaul	0-3-0	0

NFL



Dallas wide receiver Terrell Owens looks at his cell phone while sitting in the Cowboys locker room in Irving, Texas, Thursday. Police said Owens' medical emergency on Tuesday was an "accidental overdose."

Police call Owens' overdose an accident

Associated Press

IRVING, Texas — Dallas police have classified Terrell Owens' case as an "accidental overdose," not an attempted suicide, closing their investigation Thursday of the Cowboys receiver's hospitalization.

Authorities also released a recording of the brief 911 call Thursday that brought rescue workers to Owens' home, in which publicist Kim Etheredge said "I think he took too many pills" but never mentioned her client's name or said anything about a suicide attempt.

Police Chief David Kunkle said he had "great

confidence" in his officers' initial report, which said rescue workers responded late Tuesday night to an attempted "suicide by prescription pain medication."

"The report, in my opinion, reflects what the officers were told and represents their best interpretation of what happened," Kunkle said Thursday. "But that doesn't mean it's the definitive account of the incident. Like all these situations, we're dealing with incomplete information and facts that change."

The report, obtained by media outlets Wednesday, said Etheredge described

Owens as being depressed and indicated that he said "Yes" when rescue workers asked whether he had tried to harm himself.

Owens said Wednesday he mistakenly mixed the painkillers for a broken hand with supplements he ordinarily takes, causing him to become groggy and incoherent. Etheredge became concerned and called 911.

The 41-second call began politely, with Etheredge saying in an urgent tone, "Hi, I have an emergency please."

Far from the anger and outrage she showed at a news conference Wednesday, Etheredge

was a bit panicked but composed enough to say "thank you" before being transferred to a paramedic. She then told the second operator, "Hi. I need an ambulance please, immediately."

"I think he took too many pills," she said. "Please. Now. What do I do if the pills are down the throat?"

The paramedic instead said they were on the way and asked if he was still breathing. Told that he was, the paramedic reassured Etheredge that rescue workers were en route.

"Thank you," she said. "Thank you."

IN BRIEF

Seeking to extend streak, Woods leads in England

CHANDLER'S CROSS, England — The first two weeks in the British Isles have been match play and sour memories for Tiger Woods, whether it was a first-round loss at Wentworth or a resounding loss to Europe in the Ryder Cup.

He returned to stroke play Thursday, and to the top of the leaderboard.

Woods took advantage of a soft course with slick, smooth greens for his best start of the year, an 8-under 63 capped off by an eagle on the last hole that gave him a one-shot lead over Padraig Harrington and Ian Poulter in the American Express Championship.

"I made a couple of putts and got things rolling and got the momentum on my side, and just kept rolling," Woods said.

On the 567-yard closing hole, he hammered a driver down the middle and followed with a 3-wood from 267 yards that landed 20 feet from the cup.

Charges dropped for suspect in Duquesne basketball shooting

PITTSBURGH — Prosecutors on Thursday dropped charges against one of two men accused of shooting five Duquesne University basketball players, but filed charges against two additional suspects.

All charges were dropped against Brandon Baynes, 18, of Penn Hills, in the Sept. 17 shooting after an on-campus dance party.

Allegheny County District Attorney Stephen Zappala said Baynes was cleared after a witness recanted her story. He would not identify the witness.

Zappala also announced charges against two other people: Derek Lee, of Pittsburgh, and Erica R. Sager, of Wilkesburg.

Lee, 18, of Pittsburgh, is accused of shooting at the players. He is charged with five counts each of attempted homicide and aggravated assault.

Nets sign former Duke star Williams 3 years after crash

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — Three years after a motorcycle accident put his fledgling career in jeopardy, Jay Williams is getting a chance to return to the NBA with the New Jersey Nets.

Williams signed a contract with the Nets on Thursday, giving him the right to attend training camp and try out for the team. Contract terms were not immediately available, but the deal is not guaranteed.

"I would love for it to happen here," Williams said. "I pray to God it does. But if it doesn't, I'll have to go from there." With Jason Kidd being the Nets' starting point guard and Marcus Williams, the team's first-round draft pick, expected to be his backup, Williams is a bit of a long shot to make the team.

"I can still [pass] the ball and make everyone around me look great, too," Williams said. "I just have to keep working hard."

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NCAA FOOTBALL
Rutgers at South Florida
8 p.m., ESPN

MLB
Astros at Braves
7:05 p.m., ESPN

White Sox at Twins
8:10 p.m., Comcast

MLB — NL

Oswalt leads Houston to ninth straight win

Dodgers top Rockies behind Loney's nine RBIs in NL slugfest

Associated Press

PITTSBURGH — They needed nearly five hours to win the night before. This time, they waited for 3 1/2 hours just to play. Time is running out on the Houston Astros, but it's not stopping them from winning.

Roy Oswalt picked up a weary Astros bullpen with seven shutout innings and the Astros ran their improbable late-September winning streak to nine games, enduring an afternoon-long rain delay before beating the Pittsburgh Pirates 3-0 Thursday.

A three-game sweep in Pittsburgh highlighted by a 7-6, 15-inning marathon win Wednesday night at least temporarily cut Houston's deficit in the NL Central to one game behind St. Louis, which had lost seven of eight going into its night game against Milwaukee. The Astros were 8 1/2 games out on Sept. 20, but still have a chance to pull off one of baseball's greatest stretch drive comebacks as they head to Atlanta to finish the season.

There weren't many witnesses for their latest victory. There were fewer than 500 in the stands after a rain delay pushed the starting time from 12:35 p.m. Eastern to 4:01 p.m. — believed to be one of the longest delays to start a game in Pirates history.

The Pirates probably wished it had kept on raining as they lost their seventh in a row, all against contenders, and were swept for the second series in a row after dropping three last weekend in San Diego. They must sweep three from Cincinnati over the weekend to avoid losing at least 95 games for the second season in a row.

Houston manager Phil Garner said earlier in the week the Astros' goal was to not lose again — their streak is their longest since a 12-game run in August 2004 — and his players must be listening.

Adam Everett's single drove in the first run of a three-run fifth notable mostly for rookie left-hander Tom Gorzelanny's wildness — he walked two and hit another batter after retiring the first 13 batters he faced. Houston's only three hits came in the inning, with Chris Burke and Jason Lane also getting singles ahead of Everett's single. Oswalt and Morgan Ensberg walked with the bases loaded to force in the other two runs.

Oswalt (15-8), winning his sixth in a row and fifth straight this month, didn't need any support after that to beat the Pirates for the third time in three starts, allowing only two runs in 20 innings. He gave up four hits, struck out six and walked two.

The Pirates' biggest threat came when they loaded the bases in the sixth on singles by Jack Wilson and Jason Bay and Oswalt hit Ryan Doumit with a pitch, but shortstop Adam Everett threw out Xavier Nady at first by a step on a slow roller for the third out.

Talk about Mr. September: Oswalt is 51-16 in his career during the second half of a season. He is 9-1 in his last 13 starts, with Houston winning 12 of those 13. And the right-hander is 17-2 in 22 September starts since 2003.

NL batting leader Freddy Sanchez of the Pirates went 0-for-4 after having six hits in the first two games of the series. He is hitting .344, and his lead over Florida's Miguel Cabrera — up to 11 points two days ago — is down to five points.

Brad Lidge pitched a perfect ninth for his 32nd save in 38 opportunities, after Trevor Miller and Chad Qualls combined to pitch the eighth.

Gorzelanny (2-5) gave up three hits, three runs and walked three in seven innings.

Los Angeles 19, Colorado 11

Rookie James Loney tied the Dodgers' franchise record with nine RBIs, including a grand slam and a two-run homer, and Los Angeles outslugged Colorado Thursday to keep the pressure on San Diego and Philadelphia.

The Dodgers started the day a game ahead of Philadelphia in the NL wild-card race and a game behind San Diego in the NL West. Both the Phillies and Padres played later Thursday.

Getting the start at first base with Nomar Garciaparra dealing with sore side and thigh muscles, Loney hit a grand slam in the first, a two-run double in the third, a run-scoring single in the fifth and a two-run homer in the seventh before striking out in the eighth.

That tied the club record for RBIs set by Gil Hodges for Brooklyn on Oct. 31, 1950, against the Boston Braves. It's the first nine-RBI game in the National League since Sammy Sosa did it at Coors Field on Aug. 10, 2002.

The wild win was the Dodgers' 15th in 19 games against the Rockies this season. They blew a five-run lead when Colorado scored seven times in the fourth to take a 10-8 lead, but the Dodgers tied it in the fifth and then put together a seven-run rally themselves in the sixth.

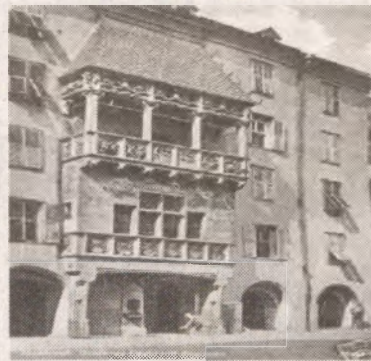
Kenny Lofton (third) and Marlon Anderson (12th) hit back-to-back homers off Ray King (1-4), and Wilson Betemit added a two-run double off Jose Mesa, who also served up Loney's two-run shot. Lofton came around on an error to make it 17-10.

Left-hander Mark Hendrickson (2-7), the fourth Dodgers pitcher, picked up the win. He gave up an unearned run on one hit in two innings.

Dodgers right-hander Brad Penny left the game after one inning with stiffness in his lower back and is day to day, the team said. Penny, who has struggled since the All-Star break, allowed four hits, including a three-run home run to Matt Holliday, as the Rockies batted around in the first inning.

Penny was lifted for a pinch hitter in the top of the second, right after Loney's grand slam off Byung-Hyun Kim gave Los Angeles a 4-3 lead.

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SMC SOCCER

Belles start five-game road trip in Kalamazoo

After a big win against Alma to start off conference play, Saint Mary's continues MIAA action this weekend

By DAN MURPHY
Sports Writer

Saint Mary's will start a long road trip this weekend when it travels to Kalamazoo for its second conference game of the year. The Belles will play a stretch of five away games before returning to their home field Oct. 21.

The team is 1-3 on the road so far this season with its only win coming in a 3-1 victory over Mount Mercy during the Salvaccaro Invitational Sept. 16.

Saint Mary's comes into the contest with a full head of steam after winning its first conference game against Alma Tuesday afternoon. Sophomore Lauren Hinton scored twice and freshman Colleen Ferguson added a third goal to beat the Scots 3-0 at home.

"We have been working very hard to find ourselves as a team, and Tuesday night I think we clicked," senior

goalkeeper Laura Helene said. "I am sure we will bring the same intensity to Kalamazoo."

Kalamazoo (5-3) has been tough on its home turf all season. The Hornets have hosted five teams and came away with wins in all but one contest. The team's one loss came in a 2-1 overtime game against Manchester College.

The Hornets have split two conference games in the past week against Calvin, a 3-0 loss, and a 1-0 win over Tri-State.

Sophomore Kelly Lepper scored the lone goal for Kalamazoo in the 76th minute.

Lepper — who had three goals and an assist against

Rochester earlier that week — was named the MIAA Offensive Player of the Week for the first time in her career. Her six goals and three assists are both team highs.

"To shut down [Kalamazoo's] scorers we will need to continue to play solid in the back," Helene said.

"Our defense has done a good job of staying organized and coverage of key players has also been well done."

The four-year starter also stressed the importance of putting pressure on the Hornets. As was evident in the Alma game, getting out to a quick lead can go a long way in slowing down an opponent's attack.

The Belles looked sharp on the offensive side of the ball this week, consistently connecting on passes and pushing the action up the field with authority.

"We created a lot of great chances — it would have been nice to put a few more in but it was good to see the offense coming together," head coach Caryn MacKenzie said following Tuesday's win.

On several occasions the Belles were a matter of inches away from turning the game into a blowout. The team will need to capitalize on these opportunities against Hornet goalkeeper Kassandra Johnston, who has been solid between the posts all year with a 1.55 goals against average.

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Belles forward Colleen Courtney, right, battles for a loose ball against Albion's Jill Fuhrman in a 2-1 loss Sept. 6.

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SMC CROSS COUNTRY

Gray leads team into Sean Earl Invitational

Saint Mary's travels to Chicago after solid performance last week

By BECKI DORNER
News Writer

The Belles head into the 34th annual Sean Earl Lakefront Invitational hosted by Loyola University in Chicago this Saturday with confidence after a solid performance at the MIAA Jamboree and a focused week of training.

Megan Gray, recently named Saint Mary's Athlete of the Week, clocked a 20:14 at the Jamboree, a performance that teammate Katie White described as a "fantastic race ... [beating] some of the best runners in our conference." Her time helped the Belles finish fifth in the eight team field, but Saint Mary's was just a small point spread of 18 away from third.

Coach Jackie Bauters was especially pleased with her team's improved mental toughness in the Jamboree but still wanted to focus this week on strategy "with the last half mile of the race, which seemed to be the most difficult

part of the race for the team."

Practices this week, captain Meaghan Herbst said, may have made the difference.

"This week is a little different since we are doing mile repeats rather than 1000s, which will help us build our endurance to sustain our strength for that last mile of the race," she said.

Last year at the Invitational the Belles placed 18th in the 27-team field, led by performances from current team members Sara Otto (20:50), Kelly Biedron (21:22) and Alicen Miller and White, who both recorded a 21:48. Ferris State University took the team title last year.

The course is one of the team's collective favorites, Herbst said, since it takes a

scenic route along Lake Michigan. However, the course's design will test the Belles, she said.

"Some goals that I think the whole team should focus on is pushing the hill that we need to run up three times," she said. "The last mile is away from any crowds, which means that it is easy to lose focus so we should work to keep up the momentum."

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"This week is a little different since we are doing mile repeats rather than 1,000s."

Meaghan Herbst
Belles senior

SMC VOLLEYBALL

Close battle ends in loss

Belles force Bethel College to fifth game but cannot pull out a win

By SAMANTHA LEONARD
News Writer

The Belles had a hard fought match last night, but just could not come through with the win. The team lost in five games to Bethel, 30-26, 19-30, 25-30, 30-22, 12-15.

Junior Amanda David Setter had 44 assists and 11 digs.

Anne Cusack Senior Libero led the team in digs with 25 digs.

In addition to their strong play, Kristen Playko was once again played like a team leader with 17 kills, 12 digs and 2 block assists.

Coach Julie Schroeder-Biek was disappointed with the loss, but did have some encouraging words.

"This was a well fought match by both teams," she said. "Unfortunately, in the last game of the match, we really beat ourselves by missing 4 serves ... and, in the short game especially, you can't afford those kind of errors."

She did see improvement in the Belles' play, though.

"On the whole, I feel better about our play tonight than I do with how we played in our win against Tri-State earlier this week," Schroeder-Biek said. "Tonight, we competed."

Saint Mary's will take on Albion and Adrian in their second and third conference



KRISTY KING/The Observer

Senior Amanda David sets the ball for sophomore Kaela Hellman in a 3-1 loss to Hope College Sept. 5.

matches of the week tonight, at the Adrian Triangular. Albion has a record of 1-6 in the MIAA Conference with a 6-8 record overall. Adrian will prove to be tougher with a record of 4-2 in the MIAA Conference and 9-6 overall.

Saint Mary's is tied for third in the conference with Adrian, but anything can happen in the tri-team conference match ups. The match against Albion will start at 6 p.m. and will be held at Adrian. At 8 p.m. Saint Mary's will take on

Adrian.

Senior outside hitter Kristen Playko believes the Belles are ready to handle the back-to-back games.

"Intensity and excitement always leads to a better performance, and most importantly having fun which always makes playing the game that much better," she said. "We just have to walk into the gym and step on the court ready to play."

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Men's Water Polo

This past weekend, the Men's Water Polo Team traveled to the University of Dayton for CWPAA Great Lakes Conference play. On Saturday, the No. 12 nationally-ranked Irish first squared off against new conference member Ohio. In a very physical, penalty-filled match, the Irish pulled away in the closing minutes, downing the Bobcats 10-7. Senior captain Jon Kelly inspired the team with a very hard-fought, intimidating defensive performance. Captain Patrick Connors led the Irish in scoring with three goals, while captain Stephen Shepard, junior Colin Dunn, and sophomore Tom Fletcher also contributed goals for Notre Dame.

The afternoon game featured the Irish against their archrivals, defending national champion and second-ranked Grand Valley State in the battle of the top two seeds. The Lakers jumped to an early advantage, capitalizing on some Irish miscues and carried a 3-2 lead into the second quarter. However, thanks to the long range shooting of Shepard and great movement by junior Khaw Zhan Wei, Notre Dame

jumped in front 5-4 by the middle of the second. During this stretch, goalkeeper Dave Mazur pulled off some outstanding saves to keep the Irish moving ahead.

Unfortunately, turnovers and penalties were to be the team's ultimate undoing, as some key second half mistakes led to the Irish falling behind, and never really recovering, losing 14-8.

In the final match of the evening, the Irish faced Ball State. In a game in which the Irish displayed the full extent of their depth, the men pulverized the Cardinals, winning 18-6. Sophomores Devin Fee, Joel Thielen, and Mike Mashura all played well in stepping up to fill the starters' roles, by scoring and leading the Irish counterattack.

On Sunday, Notre Dame's final match saw the club facing the host Flyers of Dayton. While the Irish got an early scare from a tenacious Dayton team playing in front of a home crowd, the Irish managed to dispose of the Flyers with a 12-7 victory. Freshman Craig Bentzen turned in a dominant performance on the offensive end, netting several goals, while Dunn, Fletcher, Shepard, and Connors also tallied for the Irish. Mazur was

solid once again, while senior George Heidkamp and freshman Sean Rooney came in and put in two great all-around efforts.

This upcoming weekend finds Notre Dame traveling to Miami (Ohio) for the Kyle McGarity Memorial Tourney, a twelve-team tournament in which nine of the teams are ranked nationally, including No. 1 Michigan State, No. 2 GVSU, No. 4 Arizona, and No. 10 Texas. The Irish are top-seeded in their bracket with No. 14 Miami and Indiana University.

Ultimate

ND Ultimate traveled down to Carbondale, Illinois, last weekend for its first tournament of the year. The team brought an even mix of returning players and rookies. Saturday, ND Ultimate split their squad into two balanced teams. Most teams seemed to fight the driving persistent rain on Saturday but both halves of the Irish squad capitalized taking advantage of a wet supple ground for a plentitude of defensive layouts.

Freshman Brian Nelb and Tom Kenny helped lead Notre Dame Y to an undefeated 4-0 Saturday. The X half had similar success. With strong play

from freshman Michael Carilli they kept their opponents to a combined one point while scoring a combined 28 on the day. After losing some players due to schoolwork, ND Ultimate combined to form one squad for elimination Sunday.

On Sunday the Irish advanced directly to the quarter finals against Southern Illinois A due to their strong play on Saturday. The stifling Irish defense never allowed the home team to get in the game. Three of the fifteen points were scored by the all-freshman line, led by strong handling of the disc by Bryan Wein. In the semis, Notre Dame faced Mayfield, the best team the Irish had seen thus far. Freshman Michael Moses came into his own pulling down the disc on offense and on defense helping the Irish secure the game. In the finals, ND Ultimate faced section rival Western Illinois. The game was hotly contested with both teams trying to open up the deep game. The teams took turns trading points up to 6-6 before the Irish pulled away to take an 8-6 lead at the half. Shea continued to lead the squad with strong defense. With their eyes fixed on the trophy the Irish continued to dominate as freshman

Michael Banning ruled the skies. The Irish won the game 15-9, tying a combined 10-0 record on the weekend. The club will measure itself against stiffer competition in three weeks at Ohio State.

Field Hockey

The field hockey clubs games with Dayton and Ashland were cancelled due to inclement weather. The club currently boasts a 1-0 league record.

Sailing

Notre Dame's sailing club split its squad to compete in multiple events this weekend. The Irish placed ninth in the Jesuit School Intersectional, formerly known as the Jesuit Cup Regatta. Fordham, Georgetown, Providence, Loyola, Holy Cross, and Fairfield were the top finishers in the New York City event.

The club gave a much stronger showing at the Iowa Cup, finishing second overall to Wisconsin, Miami, Michigan State, Michigan, Iowa State, Illinois, Northwestern, Iowa, Hope, and St. Thomas followed in the 15-team field. Chris May and Ali Donahue raced in the A division's ten races for the Irish, finishing second. Tim O'Brien and Paul Cordes placed fourth in the B division

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Runners confident in 51st annual ND Invite

14 of the nation's top 30 teams on campus for today's big race

By JAY FITZPATRICK
Sports Writer

In their second consecutive race at Notre Dame, the Irish are confident in their chances of winning. Unfortunately, 14 top-30 teams are coming to South Bend today to ensure that doesn't happen.

The Notre Dame Invitational, now in its 51st year, will start at 2 p.m. today at the Burke Memorial Golf Course with the women's gold division. The Notre Dame women's varsity team will run at 4:15 p.m., the men's varsity team following at 5 p.m.

Yesterday's rains will effectively slow the racers but could help the Irish, who already have a better lay of the course.

"It will be a softer ground this week," Notre Dame coach Joe Piane said. "The times should be about what they were at the National Catholic Championship because everyone will be running slower."

The Irish women are coming off an impressive win two weeks ago when they tied with then-No. 18 Marquette for first in the National Catholic Championship at 28 points. Led by junior Sunni Olding — the overall winner of the NCC and only second repeat winner of that event — the Irish have been successful in their two events this season.

But Notre Dame will face its toughest challenge of the season when it matches up against seven top-ranked teams in the blue division race, including No. 3 Michigan and No. 7 Illinois.

Today will also prepare the Irish for their more important races later in the season. Having already squared off and performed well against Big East foes Marquette and

Duquesne in the NCC, Notre Dame will get an early crack against some of the best teams in the Great Lakes NCAA Regional.

If Notre Dame hopes to advance to the NCAA Championship race later in the season, it will have to finish high in the Big East and NCAA Regional meets later this year, and having a race now against future opponents will help it prepare.

For the No. 16 Irish men, there's good reason to look forward to this race. The team will insert its top two runners — Kurt Benninger and Patrick Smyth.

"When you add those two guys into the lineup you can only get better," Piane said. "There's a reason they are the one and two runners for us this year."

One main problem the Irish had in their race two weeks ago was their inability to run in a tight pack, something necessary to win against opponents like those Notre Dame faces today. While Jake Watson came in second and Brett Adams and Mike Popejoy were able to stay together near the front of the pack, the remainder of the Irish runners were spread out throughout the race.

"Most of what we've been doing in practice was getting the guys to run together," Piane said. "If we can get Smyth and Benninger to do well at the front of the race and have a strong pack behind them, we can be very successful."

Practice for the Irish this week has also included a lot of tough workouts to ready the team for the competition it will face. Not including Notre Dame, there are 14 top-30 teams in the race, with No. 1 Wisconsin heading that group.

"This will be our first big test," Piane said. "We're a little bit thinner than we were last year, but I think we'll do well."

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Senior Tim Moore runs for the finish line in the National Catholic Invitational held at Notre Dame Sept. 15. The Irish will play host again this weekend at the ND Invitational.

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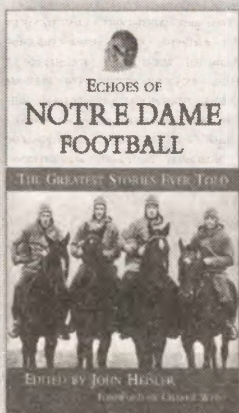
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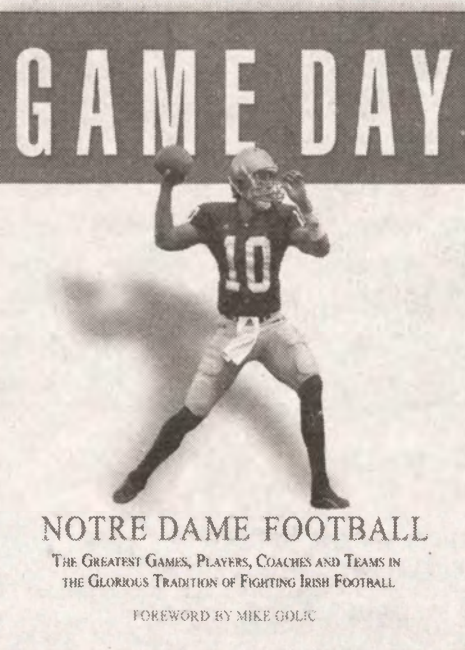
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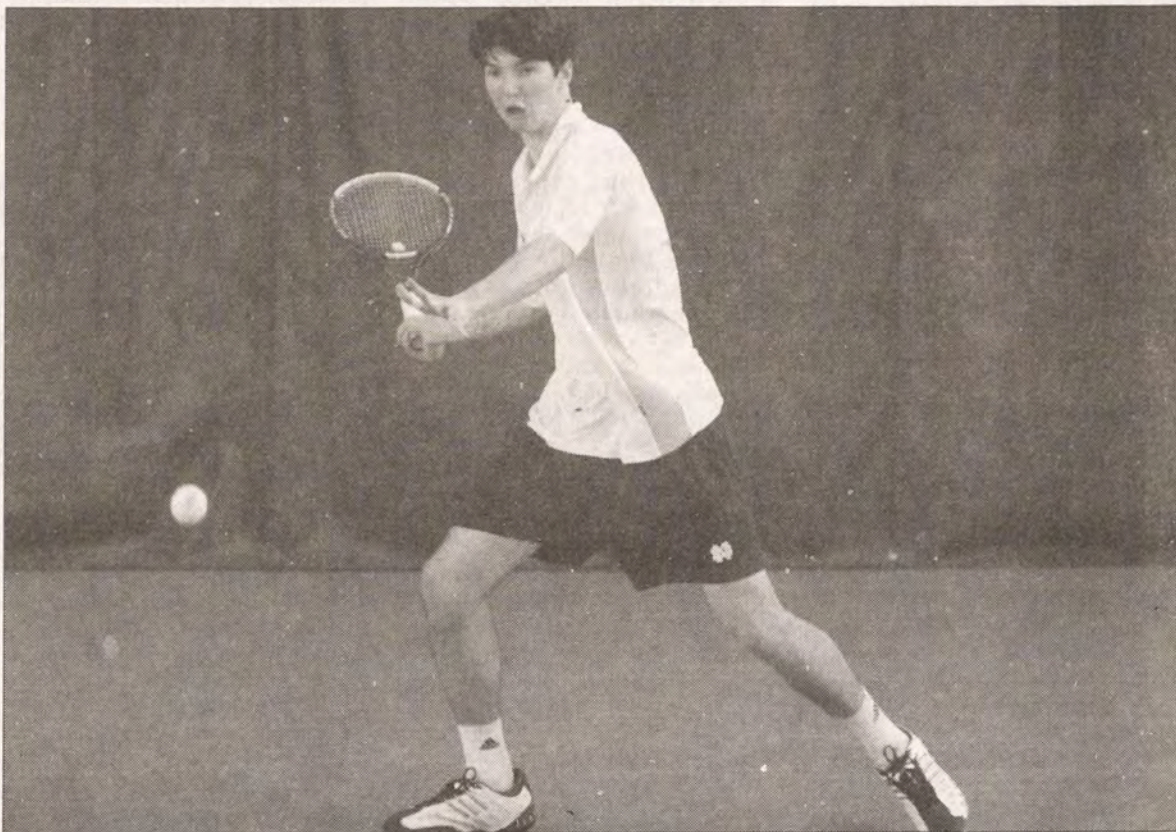
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MEN'S TENNIS

Irish roll into Ann Arbor

ND will take on Wolverines in a matchup of national powerhouses



Senior Barry King returns a serve in a match against Wisconsin Feb. 12. The Irish will look to King and the rest of the upperclassmen in their weekend match at Michigan.

By DEIRDRE KRASULA
Sports Writer

The courts may be slick with the chance of rain, but Notre Dame heads to Ann Arbor today still enjoying the comforts of success.

The Irish had a strong showing last weekend at their own Tom Fallon Invitational, a four-team tournament that included Notre Dame, Ball State, Purdue and Western Michigan — and head coach Bob Bayliss hopes that success will carry over against the Wolverines, one of the top five teams in the Big Ten.

"Michigan has the potential to be one of the top teams in the nation, and we want to be right up there with them," Bayliss said.

Last weekend, the first day of the tournament brought success from both ends for the Irish, who went 14-0 in singles and 2-1 in doubles play. Junior Sheeva Parbhu defeated Ball State's Joe Epkey 7-5, 6-1 and Western Michigan's Tim Bradshaw 6-1, 4-6, 1-0 (11-9). Parbhu is ranked 20th in the nation and will travel to the ITA All-American Oct. 7. Notre Dame's other top-20 player, senior Stephen Bass, sat out during the tournament so that he would not exceed his playing date quota for the ITA All-American tournament.

Sophomore Brett Helgeson

defeated Western Michigan's Brady Crosby (No. 94) 4-6, 6-2, 1-0 (10-7). Doubles team Ryan Keckley and Sheeva Parbhu (No. 36) also triumphed over Western Michigan's Tim Bradshaw and Brady Crosby 8-6.

"I want our doubles to stand up to any test we may face."

Bobby Bayliss
Irish coach

The Irish again saw success in the second day of the tournament, finishing 8-1 in singles against Purdue and 3-0 in doubles against Western

Michigan.

"We had good preparations," Bayliss said. "Our guys are excited about the season; there's been a great commitment on their part to excellence."

The team travels to the Michigan Invitational with plans to further improve its doubles game and its first hit from the baseline.

"It's been pretty much business as usual," Bayliss said. "We've been working on our doubles game and our first strike."

But the team will have to play without Parbhu this weekend, Bayliss said, so that he — like Bass — will not be over his playing date limit for the ITA All-American tournament. Parbhu's doubles partner Keckley will have to adjust and work with another Irish player.

Nothing is set for the Irish yet. Bayliss said the team will see how it plays its singles game and then adjust its doubles team accordingly.

"I want our doubles to stand up to any test we may face," Bayliss said. "Then we can be one of the best teams out there."

The Irish will take on Michigan, Vanderbilt, Boise State and Western Michigan at the Michigan Invitational.

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WOMEN'S INTERHALL

Lewis takes on streaking Weasels team Sunday

Cavanaugh looks to continue strong play against PE; Walsh hopes to rebound against Lyons after heartbreaking loss

By ANDREW KOVACH, JOHN TIERNEY and VINCE KENEALLY
Sports Writers

Two teams hungry for victory will take the field Sunday afternoon when the PW Purple Weasels square off against the Lewis Chicks on Riehle Fields at 5 p.m.

The Purple Weasels, fresh off a 20-0 victory over Farley, look to continue their winning ways this weekend. The defending Interhall league champions rebounded last weekend following a crushing 13-12 loss to Pangborn. In their two victories this season, the PW squad has managed to outscore its opponents 40-0, posting two 20-0 shutouts.

PW captain Maureen Spring knows her team needs to continue its consistency to post a win against a solid Lewis squad on Sunday.

"We need to just play our game, when we play our game and execute we do well," she said.

Opposing the Purple Weasels, the Chicks have still yet to string together two halves of football good enough for a victory.

"We've improved every game, just one big mistake has always cost us," Lewis captain Mia de la Rosa said. "We pushed the ball up and down the field and just couldn't get any points on the board."

De la Rosa emphasized that the Chicks need to forget their early season frustrations and remain focused on their future goals.

"We need to keep our spirits up, we've lost the first few games but we've just got to keep our spirits up and know we're not out of the race for the playoffs and we'll be a tough team to beat," she said.

While PW may be tempted to look ahead to the rest of the regular season and their playoff matches, de la Rosa knows that mentality will not fly against her squad.

"While our record is unfortunate, it is not a true portrayal of our abilities, so we are not a team that should be taken lightly."

Cavanaugh vs. PE

Cavanaugh and Pasquerella East enter their women's Interhall contest Sunday at 1 p.m. on Riehle Fields with two mindsets. The Chaos will try to finish its season strongly after

clinching a playoff berth Tuesday, while the Pyros just hope to keep their postseason hopes alive.

Cavanaugh is coming off an emotional 6-0 win in the last two minutes over Walsh Tuesday that captain Kerri Bergen said "couldn't have gotten more intense." Bergen believes her team will avoid the temptation to relax after the remarkable victory, as the Chaos is focused on remaining undefeated and entering the playoffs on a high note.

Bergen's team was inspired Tuesday by Saturday's Notre Dame varsity game, as the dramatic outcome taught the squad that anything can happen, no matter how little time is remaining on the clock. This lesson helped the team stay focused after scoring its touchdown with 1:37 left in game time Tuesday and should also help with little at stake on Sunday.

This focused determination is contrasted by Pyro captain Molly Fox.

"Our heads were not in the game," said Fox of her team's 25-0 loss to Welsh Family Tuesday. Fox says that this lackadaisical attitude will change on Sunday, after intense practices all week and

a revised game plan that calls for the team to be more aggressive against the Chaos.

The ultimate goal of the Pyros is still to make the playoffs.

"We have nothing to lose going into this game, so we're going to put it all on the line," Fox said.

"Basically, we want to get to the playoffs where it's anyone's game."

Fox acknowledged Cavanaugh's quality play so far this season, but thinks her

team can stop their streak.

"We don't think any team in our league has a chance for runaway domination," she said.

Cavanaugh will use the rest of the regular season as preparation for the playoffs, Bergen said. "We want to make it to the Stadium this year and win, so that's what we're focused on right now," she said.

Walsh vs. Lyons

Walsh and Lyons both enter their matchup on Sunday at 2 p.m. on Riehle Fields coming off disappointing losses Tuesday despite playing well enough to win the game.

Walsh lost 6-0 to Cavanaugh in a game that went down to the wire. Despite the loss, captain Mary Claire Sullivan summed up the game in one phrase.

"We played well," she said.

Sullivan and the Wild Women are not frustrated by the outcome of Tuesday's game but insist that there still is room for improvement.

"We will do what we've always done — play as a team," Sullivan said. "We're going to stick to what we know best — having fun."

Sullivan stresses fun as the team's most important goal for the season, as well.

"We want to get to the Stadium, but we want to have some fun along the way," she said.

The Wild Women have the talent to win any game they play, according to their captain.

"We have so much talent on our team that it's been hard for the coaches to maximize it," she said.

Lyons also believes that it has enough talent to qualify for the playoffs.

"It's just a matter of executing and getting the job done," said captain Cheron Wilson.

The most unique aspect of this talent is the Lions' quar-

terback situation, as they rotate Claire Connell and Maria Petnuch depending on the situation. The Lions plan to stick with this situation this week.

"It keeps the other team's defense on their toes since both girls have very different throwing techniques and abilities," said the cornerback Wilson.

Wilson insists that her team's key to victory will be its pass defense, as Badin's only offensive touchdown in a 13-7 win over the Lions Tuesday came on a deep ball.

"Our secondary needs to step up," she said.

Sunday's game will be about putting Tuesday's loss out of their memory for the Lions.

"We can't let the past affect us negatively so we can be more successful in the future," Wilson said.

Farley vs. Breen-Phillips

A North Quad rivalry will renew this Sunday, as neighbors Farley and Breen-Phillips square off at Riehle Fields at 4 p.m.

"It's not that this game is more important," said BP captain Melissa Meagher. "But it's a lot of fun since we know a lot of the other girls."

Farley captain Kim Crehan and her team are also excited, but are preparing themselves for a close game.

"Both teams are really going to want to win, so it will be a great match up," she said.

The game comes at a good time for the Finest, as they seem to be hitting their stride. After an 0-2 start without scoring a touchdown, they exploded for 28 points in a 28-21 victory over Howard on Thursday night. Quarterback Brittany Baron led a strong offensive effort, but got a lot of help from her defense, which recorded a

season high five interceptions

However, they will face a Babes team also coming off a strong effort, defeating Lewis 24-0 to improve to 2-1-1 on the year.

"Our offense is really clicking right now. Our receivers are running great routes," Meagher said.

Howard vs. McGlinn

The Shamrocks of McGlinn will look for another strong effort from their freshman class this Sunday when they face off with the Howard Ducks at 3 p.m. on the McGlinn Fields.

The Ducks enter this weekend at 1-2-1, coming off a 28-21 loss to Farley in which they threw five interceptions, two of which were returned for scores.

"That was a heartbreaking loss," captain Catherine Krug said. However, she was quick to note the positives. Howard

posted a season high 21 points, and the offense seemed to be heading in the right direction.

"We've been having a lot of fun, and we're almost there," Krug said. "We still aren't quite getting the results that we're looking for though."

The Ducks will get a boost on defense, after several of their players missed the game on Thursday night.

The Shamrocks entered Thursday's play at 1-1, and although they are young, captain Madeline Boyer's team comes to play.

McGlinn's victory came over Lewis in their opening game.

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SMC GOLF

Belles to fight illness, bunker-laden course

By REBECCA SLINGER
Sports Writer

The Belles will look to overcome illness to place well at the MIAA Jamboree Saturday. It will take place on Blackthorn, their home course.

Despite being sick, several team members will play in the tournament. However, junior captain Katie O'Brien will be forced to sit out of the tournament for health reasons, a

major blow for the Belles.

Without team leader O'Brien, the team will need to step up and prove it can compete at the top level.

Illness won't be the only obstacle to a strong Saint Mary's showing. The team will also face the distraction of a nearby Notre Dame home football game — but the Belles said that won't deter them.

"It is fun to attend the games but I will only be able to play in so many college

tournaments," Katie McInerney said. "The team will be focusing on their performance — not the football game."

The Belles' familiarity with the 18-hole course will be an asset, given the difficult 94 bunkers.

"Every girl on our team has played Blackthorn and knows the ins and outs of that course," McInerney said.

But the Belles know that familiarity doesn't guarantee them a win. Co-captain Alex

Sei said the ball must be played in regulation, or hazards and tight fairways will "easily turn the day into a difficult round."

The teams to beat this tournament will be Saint Mary's toughest competitors, Olivet and Tri-State. Both schools placed above the team's fourth place finish last weekend at Olivet.

The entire team will compete in the Belles' second conference tournament of the season.

Sophomore Perri Hamma and freshmen Theresa Tonyan and Caroline Doubeck will likely enter the tournament as individuals.

Distractions and difficulties aside, the Belles said they have a solid shot at doing well on Saturday.

"Blackthorn is a humbling course," Sei said. "But no other team knows it as well as we do."

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East leaderboard, however, has not been driving the Irish.

"At the end of the day, every game is very important," Clark said. "The fact that they're above us adds a little motivation to chip away, but it doesn't change anything."

The Irish will be led by junior forward Joseph Lapira, who tops the Big East with 11 goals. Lapira scored two goals in the first 11 minutes of Wednesday night's game, helping Notre Dame go on to win 4-0.

Lapira has played the entire first half in each of the Irish's last two games — something forwards haven't generally done this season — but Clark was not sure that that trend would continue Saturday.

"Every game takes a different look," Clark said. "It will depend on the game, the way Joe [Lapira] plays and the way the team plays. This isn't a thing you can decide on Thursday night [before a Saturday game]."

Seton Hall will look to forwards Eliseo Giusfredi — who leads the team with six goals — and John Raus, who is tied with Lapira for the Big East lead with four game-winning goals. It will also depend on support from senior goalkeeper Ian Joyce, who was the Big East goalkeeper of the week starting Sept. 15.

For the Irish, Chris Cahill will again defend the net. Cahill, who has posted four shutouts in his eight games, was not challenged much in any of the last three matchups. Clark, however, is not worried about his senior.

"The hardest games for goalkeepers are games like the last three, [where] he's had little to do but he's still had to keep his concentration," Clark said. "I think it'll be easier for him once he gets a little more action."

Ultimately, Clark is confident that the momentum Notre Dame has built the past week will carry into Saturday's contest.

"Winning is a habit, and losing is a habit," he said. "One of the hardest things to do is break a habit. Hopefully this habit [of winning] will be



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Forward Justin McGeeney, center, refuses to be held back by two Marquette defenders in a 4-0 win over the Golden Eagles Sept. 27.

equally hard to break."

Notes:

♦ The Irish may play without senior midfielder Ian Etherington, who suffered a

deep bone bruise in his leg Saturday against Pittsburgh and sat out Wednesday's match against Marquette. His condition has been evaluated day-to-day.

♦ Notre Dame will play the second game of its road trip at Michigan on Wednesday.

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said.

Junior co-captain Adrianna Stasiuk was named Big East Player of the Week Monday after she led the Irish in wins over Rutgers and Villanova last weekend. Stasiuk tallied 26 kills and 25 digs in Notre Dame's opening conference matches and had a hitting percentage of .737 against Rutgers — the highest percentage since Malinda Goralski hit .833 Sept. 22, 2000.

"I thought [Stasiuk] had a really good week, not just in her physical play but in leading the team," Brown said. "Whenever someone gets singled out for player of the week, certainly the team is a huge part of that, but definitely it's good for Adrianna and good for the program."

It was the second-time that Stasiuk earned Player of the Week honors. She also won the award Oct. 24, 2005.

The Pirates are an experienced team with seven juniors and seniors — compared to four for Notre Dame — but have thrived off the superb play of

their underclassmen.

Freshman Allie Matters and sophomore Tricia Meyers have provided a one-two punch on the attack from the middle blocker position all year. Meyers leads Seton Hall in kills with 181 and averages 3.69 per game. Matters tallied 179 kills in her first 15 collegiate matches and averages 3.51 per game.

Matters specializes not only on the attack but also as a defensive and set-up player. She is second on the Pirates in digs with 163 — team leader Jessica Pompei has mined 281 digs for 5.11 per game.

Brown said Notre Dame has scouted Seton Hall well and is determined that its greatest weakness lies in receiving the serve — something the Irish excel in delivering, with 80 aces on the season for an average of 1.7 per game.

"We've been a very strong serving team, and we can continue to use that as a very strong weapon for us," Brown said. "We've spotted a couple of players that we think are a little weak in the way that they receiver serves."

It will be the first weekend that the Irish will have only one game to play since the season

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Debbie Brown
Irish coach

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change for the Irish, who have seen teams pack their own boxes and play conservatively all year.

"Ever since [a 3-1 win over] Santa Clara [Sept. 3], teams have been playing defensively against us," Waldrum said. "I don't know if it's scouting or if we're doing something to put them on their heels."

For their part, the Irish have held their last five opponents — Louisville, Michigan, DePaul, SMU and TCU — without a goal. While Waldrum chalked up the first few shutouts to luck and timely saves, he said Tuesday that he's impressed with the back wall's progress.

"Our back four has really solidified," he said. "We've got five or six that play well back there. I feel much better about our defense than I did earlier this season."

Waldrum attributed part of the defensive improvement to the health of senior captain Kim Lorenzen, who missed most of fall practice with an injury. Another significant asset is the return of sophomore Carrie Dew, who missed the first few games of the season while competing with Team USA at the U-20 World Championships in Russia.

"Having Carrie Dew back has been huge, with her experience and composure back there," he said. "Also Kim Lorenzen [is] back in her groove now."

"At the end of the day, we want to run the table in the conference. We want as many wins as we can get."

Randy Waldrum
Irish coach

Notre Dame will also host Pittsburgh Sunday at 1 p.m. Waldrum said his team cannot overlook the Panthers (6-2-2, 1-1-1 Big East), despite the big game on Friday.

"This is one of those teams that can creep up on you if you're not ready," said Waldrum of Pittsburgh. "They're a team that's good enough to beat you if you overlook them. We can't put too much on West Virginia because we have to turn around Pitt two days later."

And while he said the West Virginia game presents the greater challenge, Waldrum wants his team to remember

that both games count equally in the Big East standings and at the end of the season.

"At the end of the day, we want to run the table in the conference," he said. "We want as many wins as we can get."

Notes:

♦ With so many people on campus for Saturday's football game against Purdue, Waldrum said he's hoping for a "big turnout" at Alumni Field this weekend.

♦ This weekend's games will have an effect on each team's record, but not their relative positions in the conference standings. The Irish play in the Big East National Division, while both the Mountaineers and Panthers play in the American Division.

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Missouri's Julianna Klein attempts to block a shot from Notre Dame outside hitter Mallorie Croal during a 3-2 loss to the Tigers in the Shamrock Invitational Sept. 2.

started with a one-game stand Aug. 26 against Bowling Green. The past four weekends has seen the team play four, three, three and two matches apiece.

"I know that the academic

load is getting a lot tougher," Brown said. "I think it's the perfect time for us to have a weekend with one match. It's a much needed break for the team right now."

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extra game.

Early season success has not been the case for St. Ed's who lost its starting quarterback, John Brewis, in their season opener and have struggled to get back up to speed.

"It's been hard because we lost our starting QB," St. Ed's captain Ge Wang said. "Our defense has been playing well. We haven't given up a touchdown in either of our first two games."

Wide receiver Corey Fitzpatrick feels prepared for Sunday's matchup against the Vermin. After failing to capitalize on a 200-yard guarantee last week due to "poor play calling," Fitzpatrick promises to redeem himself. He said he was spotted outside his dorm room doing a sit up and guaranteed that he'll double his previous guarantee, accumulating 400 yards this week.

That guarantee could be tough to accomplish on a strong Vermin defense that held Sorin to zero passing yards in a second half that included an interception. However, if Fitzpatrick can capitalize, it could be the turning point for a St. Ed's team that is desperately looking for its first win.

Knott vs. Sorin

The Interhall football picture is taking shape as the contenders separate themselves from the rest of the pack.

From here on out, a loss can be crippling.

That is why Sunday's 3 p.m. game between Knott (1-1) and Sorin (1-1) at Riehle Fields is so pivotal. The winner will take a step closer to the playoffs, but the loser will be stuck on the outside looking in, and will need a lot of help to earn a post-season berth.

Two weeks removed from its defeat of defending champion Zahm, Knott is coming off a 16-6 loss to undefeated Siegfried.

"We were disappointed with the result last game, but we expect to be sharper this week," Juggerknott quarterback Justin Beltz said. "This week in practice we've been working on taking care of the ball, having better timing, and not giving up the big play."

One of the key players for the Knott offense will be wide receiver Jeff Skroup, who Beltz says has all of the team's touchdowns this year.

Meanwhile, Sorin evened up its record last week with a solid 6-0 win over St. Ed's. With all respect to the Stedsmen, this week will provide a much stiffer test to the Otters. However, that did not prevent Sorin captain Pete Lavorini from tossing out a bit of pre-game ballyhoo.

"I think that everyone knows how good we are," he said. "I don't know a lot about Knott, but they're not that good."

"One thing that I will say is that we'll definitely be the better looking team out there, Sunday."

The Otters may have a hard time maintaining that handsome image, as they face a stout defense anchored by middle linebacker Kevin Smith. Sorin will be helped by the return of receiver Kevin Tooke, who Lavorini said is coming back from a two-game suspension.

Defensively, Lavorini says that outside linebacker Chris Petersen will "bring the pain." Beltz, however, feels that his team can have some success against the Otter defense.

"We've seen their defensive style before," he said. "We've had some injuries this year, but with another week of preparation, we should come out on top."

Lavorini begged to differ.

"[We have] the advantage in

coaching and mental intimidation," he said. "We just can't beat ourselves, because we know they won't."

Stanford vs. Keough

The Stanford Griffins look to take advantage of their momentum, after a 13-7 win over Dillon last weekend, as they go head to head with Keough this Sunday at 3 p.m. at Riehle Fields.

Stanford hopes to keep up its newly found defense against a struggling Kangaroo team, coming off of a 26-0 loss to O'Neill.

"Our defense needs to keep doing what we're doing," Griffins quarterback Brian Salvi said. "I think a lot changed at half time against Dillion last week because our defense realized that they weren't playing like they should. Their adjustment came with their attitude. They're a little more angry and playing with a little more intensity, and that's what we need."

With a win Sunday, Stanford would move to 2-1 and become part of a tight playoff race.

"Every game from here on out, after our loss to Alumni, is our playoff hopes," Salvi said. "We've got to win every game from now on. We can't expect 2-2 to get us into the playoffs."

Keough is trying to do anything in its power to prevent a showing like last week. With their 0-2 record, the Kangaroos are trying to find a way to win their first game of the season.

"We've been practicing on our outside contain and our secondary," captain Steve Humphrey said. "We switched up our defense a little bit. Our goal this game is to establish a running game first. We have a pretty solid quarterback so we'll try to air it out as well."

With the season still much in question, Stanford will try to be more creative on offense.

"We've been throwing in a

couple different looks, something to make our offense a little more threatening with both the run and the pass," Salvi said.

Siegfried vs. Fisher

Sunday's 2 p.m. meeting at Riehle Fields between the Siegfried Ramblers and the Fisher Green Wave will be a clash of the unbeaten for the top position in the Blue League. In addition to that top spot, a win could also secure a place in the postseason for either squad.

Fisher is coming off a big win in its season opener against last year's champions, the Rabid Bats of Zahm. According to Fisher captain Tom Bupalino, the secret to that victory was winning the battle in the trenches.

"Our key to success was our offensive line controlling the game," he said. "We really established the line of scrimmage early. Our defensive line and offensive line handled the game."

Siegfried is no stranger to victory either, coming out on top against the Juggerknotts of Knott Hall and the Stedsmen of St. Ed's. A solid running game and a defense that has only allowed six points in two games are the two main reasons for the Ramblers' early season success.

However, the Green Wave is prepared for the Ramblers on both sides of the ball.

"We know they run a complicated offense, the wing T, so we just have to communicate and complete our responsibilities defensively," Bupalino said. "Their strength is on defense. They have good safeties and a good senior middle linebacker. We've added a few wrinkles to our offense that could exploit different weaknesses in their defense."

In a game where both teams have already tallied an early season shutout, the opening drive will be critical. The first team to generate points could sit on that lead for the rest of the game. The play of the respective quarterbacks, Kevin Rabil of Fisher and Max Young of Siegfried, will be important in the early minutes.

That fact won't be lost on either team.

"We need to score early. The opening drive is big," Bupalino said. "Our team is more organized than we were last year. We have an intense group of guys that really want to make it to the Stadium."

Dillon vs. Morrissey

There is a lot on the line for both the Manorites and the Big Red as Morrissey meets Dillon at 2 p.m. Sunday at Riehle Fields. While Morrissey is fresh off an impressive 18-0 win over Alumni, Dillon has fallen short in two close losses.

In its win last week, Morrissey shut down the Alumni offense with a swarming, tenacious defense that stopped drives in several key situations and even forced a safety.

The offense, led by quarterback Joe McBrayer, put together several steady drives and will look for much of the same Sunday. The Manorites did turn the ball over four times, and this is something that captain Steve Klein would surely like to avoid against the Big Red.

"We were sloppy during some parts of the game, and in order to keep winning we will need to eliminate the turnovers," Klein said.

The Morrissey defense has its sights set on Dillon quarter-

back Joseph Garigliano and the rest of the Big Red's attack.

"I was real happy with the way the defense came out and shut them down," said Klein of their victory over Alumni.

He also feels that the cohesiveness of the defensive unit is crucial for the team's success.

"The key is that the defense plays as a whole, it is not about individuals," he said.

Keenan vs. O'Neill

Sunday's 1 p.m. showdown between Keenan and O'Neill at Riehle Fields will be a battle of unbeaten. O'Neill (2-0) will look to continue its dominance after a decisive win over Keough last week. Keenan (1-0) wants to keep its winning ways alive after an off week.

Last week, O'Neill exploded on the offensive side of the ball, something of which Keenan is well aware.

"Our main focus has been our defense this week," Knights captain Matt Gibson said. "We know O'Neill has a good passing game and we have worked on adjusting to their scheme."

The passing game that Gibson is referring to is led by quarterback Matt Bruggeman and is complemented by a solid running game. O'Neill's focus this season has been on working as a team.

Angry Mob captain Pat Conley feels that the game is about much more than a single position or player.

"Every player on our team has a job," he said. "We don't have any stars because if our linemen don't block well, our running backs will have nowhere to go. If our running backs don't hit the correct holes, we won't move the ball down the field and score."

Keenan looks to be up to the challenge to stop the attack as it has an experienced defense led by senior linebackers Adam Fischer and Alex Staffieri. The defense has confidence after a late goal-line stand in the waning minutes of its game against Keough two weeks ago.

On the offensive side of the ball, Keenan is also led by Staffieri, who spearheads a strong Knight running game while senior quarterback J.J. Vega directs the offense. Conley is well aware of Keenan's strength as the O'Neill defense has concentrated on tackling and being aggressive on the defensive side of the ball.

"Our defensive line will have to control the line of scrimmage to stop the strong running attack of Keenan," Conley said.

While many of the skill positions get the recognition, Gibson agrees with Conley that it will have to be a total team effort.

"The offensive and defensive lines have played well to this point, and we look for them to keep it up," Gibson said.

As both teams look to stay in the playoff hunt, this game holds great importance. Conley commented on how Keenan gave O'Neill trouble in their contest last year.

"We plan to learn from it," he said. "We are looking forward to another great matchup between two strong teams."

It may be more than pure skill at this point as both teams will look for experience to prevail as well.

"Senior leadership will be key," Gibson said.

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sacking Pangborn quarterback Katie Mooney for a loss. Boyer's defensive effort proved of little help when Mooney connected with Meghan Bescher in the end zone two plays later.

With just under two minutes left in the half Bescher scored her third touchdown. Phoxes' captain Katie Riemersma made the reception in the extra point attempt to put Pangborn up 23-0 at halftime.

Despite some very creative play-calling by the Shamrocks' offense, McGlinn continued to struggle to convert first downs. The Phoxes' defense repeatedly broke up passes and stuffed the running game.

With just under 10 minutes remaining, Riemersma intercepted a McGlinn pass and returned it for a touchdown. A fake hand off and pass to Bescher in the corner of the end zone put the Phoxes up 30-0. After two incomplete passes and a fumbled handoff, the McGlinn offense was retired and the Pangborn offense showed off its depth using Brynn Johnson on a run to score their final touchdown of the game. A failed run for the extra point kept the Phoxes at 36-0.

On its final possession McGlinn would convert a first down but time would expire, leaving the Shamrocks with no points on the board.

"The offense hasn't been coming out strong, so we have focused on the offensive start," Pangborn coach Tom Holder said.

Standing 4-0, the Phoxes look to be a formidable contender for the Stadium, and the way they took it to McGlinn shows that they are serious.

"We are preparing for the playoffs," Holder said.

The Phoxes have a bye this weekend and will rest up for their next contest against Lewis next Thursday at 9 p.m.

McGlinn will face Howard this Sunday at 3 p.m.

Farley 27, Howard 21

In the opening quarter Thursday night, Farley's Caty Shepherd intercepted a Howard pass — one of three picks she would have in the game.

It foreshadowed the defensive dominance that would give Farley its 27-21 victory over the Ducks on Riehle West field.

The Ducks would lead 13-6

coming out of the half, but Farley's defensive smothered the Ducks' possession and took a 14-13 lead off a two-point conversion.

The Finest then ran two interceptions back for touchdowns to seal the lead, going ahead 27-13 before giving up a late touchdown.

After the interception early in the game, the Finest offense surged down the field, but the Ducks also showed their defensive abilities with a huge goal line stop.

On their next series, Farley quarterback Brittany Baron threw a 25-yard touchdown pass to one of her receivers open in the end zone. The

team was unable to convert the extra point attempt, but the touchdown put the Finest ahead 6-0.

The Ducks answered right back with a big touchdown of their own. Despite the slippery conditions, the Howard running

game, led by Beth Gribble, was able to break through the Farley defense. The touchdown came after a 40-yard pass to a wide-open Duck receiver. The Ducks earned their point after, giving them a small 7-6 advantage.

Before heading into the half, Howard managed to put up six more points with a touchdown pass to Laura Giezman. The Ducks held onto their 13-6 lead until the halftime break after a great defensive showing, led by junior captain Catherine Krug.

Farley player Shannon Morrison gave her younger teammates a lot of credit for the team's success.

The freshmen really stepped it up this week," she said. "There were four total interceptions, which really pushed the momentum in our favor."

Howard made a final attempt to come away with the victory. Before the end of the game the Ducks added six to their score with a touchdown pass to Gribble.

Despite their best efforts, the Ducks ran out of time and ended up losing with a final score of 27-21.

Krug said she was not discouraged by the Howard loss.

"We played hard tonight," she said. "A couple of plays just didn't go our way, and that made the difference tonight."

Breen-Phillips 24, Lewis 0

The battle between the Babes and the Chicks on Thursday night ended with an 24-0 BP victory after the Babes dominated on both sides of the ball.

The Babes defense managed to shut out the Chicks in a stel-

lar performance. Not only did they not allow the Lewis team to put any points on the board, it had five interceptions, giving the BP offense the advantage of good field position all night long.

After its first interception, Breen-Phillips worked its way down the field, dodging through the Lewis defense. Quarterback Melissa Meagher tossed the ball 10 yards to Tara Johnson to give the Babes a 6-0 lead early in the game.

The Lewis defense played strong, forcing the Babes to punt on their first two possessions. But the Chicks offense was plagued with turnovers, and after a big stop on defense, the Chicks once again lost the ball to a BP interception.

With the pressure on them, the Chicks defenders stopped the BP charge after the interception, but they were forced on the field seconds later when another pass was picked off by the tough BP defense.

This time the Lewis defense was unable to stop the BP charge. Meagher's touchdown pass to Megan Ohlenforst gave the Babes a 12-0 lead at the end of the half.

In the second half, Lewis was

unable to turn things around. To the Chicks' frustration, yet another pass was intercepted by BP, and this one was taken all the way back for a touchdown. After a failed point-after attempt, the Babes increased their lead to 18-0.

Before the final whistle, Lewis could not manage to get anything going on offense against the fierce BP defense. BP

recorded a final touchdown right as time ticked away, making the Babes' final margin of victory 24-0 over the Chicks.

Meagher was impressed by her team's showing.

"I'm really excited about the improvements we made tonight," she said. "I hope that we will be able to build on them in the future."

Despite the loss, Lewis captain Mia de la Rosa believes her team will be able to bounce back.

"We know what we need to work on this week, and we will come out ready to play the next game," she said.

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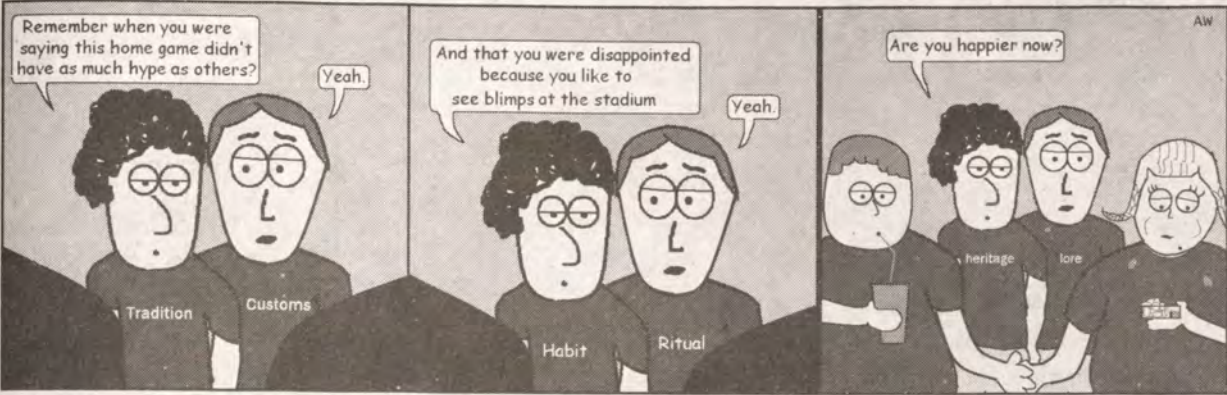
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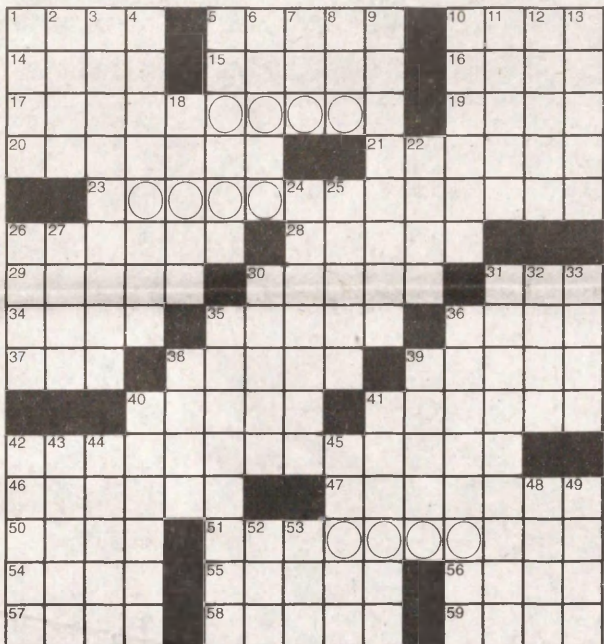
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- ACROSS**
- 1 Predicament
 - 5 Tots' pops
 - 10 See 12-Down
 - 14 Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference team
 - 15 Rice/Lloyd Webber work
 - 16 It's part of P.R.
 - 17 Backup troops
 - 19 Dying words
 - 20 Sweet German bread
 - 21 Its use might leave you out of gas
 - 23 Old computer networking protocol
 - 26 One way to be repaid
 - 28 Torment
 - 29 Tiptop, in hip-hop
 - 30 Steve ___, 1980 Olympic gold-medalist runner
 - 31 "Fat chance!"
 - 34 Musical instruction
 - 35 Where "Aida" debuted
 - 36 Captured, after "on"
 - 37 In addition
 - 38 Starch sources
 - 39 Provide food for
 - 40 Overseas carrier
 - 41 Wags
 - 42 Lincoln's description of pre-Civil War America ... or a hint to the circled letters
 - 46 Brown v. Board of Education city
 - 47 Movable belonging
 - 50 "___ charmant!"
 - 51 Turn up on the beach
 - 54 Religious inscription
 - 55 Bypass
 - 56 Enthralled
 - 57 Shade of blue
 - 58 Cries out
 - 59 Junk

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- 1 Paul McCartney and others
- 2 Foot specialist?
- 3 Watching
- 4 Engine attachment
- 5 Stand up for
- 6 Opposite of après
- 7 Board member: Abbr.
- 8 Bill holder
- 9 Refuses
- 10 Lacoste-wearing, maybe
- 11 Affordable artwork, perhaps
- 12 One in a 10-Across
- 13 Baseball Hall-of-Famer Robin
- 18 Actress Verdugo
- 22 Fails to be
- 24 Literally, "little turnips"
- 25 New ___ (certain occultists)
- 26 "Well, well," to Wellington
- 27 Knot



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- 30 Four-___ boat
- 31 Didn't like leaving
- 32 Little, e.g.
- 33 One of a matched set
- 35 Left
- 36 Words of defiance
- 38 Mission
- 39 Notes at the end?
- 40 Makes aware
- 41 Crusades
- 42 Where Christmas decorations go up in summer?
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ND WOMEN'S SOCCER

Blank slate

Irish look to extend shutout streak against West Virginia and Pittsburgh this weekend

By CHRIS KHOREY
Associate Sports Editor

An unstoppable force will meet an immovable object tonight at Alumni Field.

At 7:30, No. 6 West Virginia (8-0-2, 2-0-1 Big East) will bring its 3.4 goals per game average to No. 1 Notre Dame (9-0-0, 2-0-0 Big East), who hasn't been scored on in five contests.

"They're one of the best teams in our conference and they're off to a good start," Irish coach Randy Waldrum said. "It's going to be a long way toward determining how the conference turns out this year."

Led by junior forward Kim Bonilla, the Mountaineers have scored four or more goals six times this season. Their attacking style will be a

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Forward Amanda Cinalli dribbles through traffic in a 2-0 win over USC Sept. 1. Cinalli is third on the Irish with five goals and two assists this season.

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ND VOLLEYBALL

Brown up for 500th career win

Irish coach focused on preparing for match, not milestone victory

By KYLE CASSILY
Sports Writer

A victory Saturday over Seton Hall would be No. 500 for Notre Dame coach Debbie Brown, but to her it's just another stop on the schedule.

"I feel like we're very well prepared to play Seton Hall," she said. "I actually haven't thought at all about what number win it is. We are prepared to go in and have a good match and I'm very much looking forward to that."



Brown

The Irish (8-5, 2-0 Big East) will travel to New Jersey for the second straight week to play Seton Hall in the second weekend of both team's conference schedule. The Pirates (9-6, 1-1 Big East) split their opening conference matches with a win over Georgetown and a loss to South Florida.

And if that 500th win does come Brown's way, there won't be a celebration afterward.

"Just hanging out with the team like we always do," she

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MEN'S SOCCER

Notre Dame takes on surging Seton Hall squad

By ERIC RETTER
Associate Sports Editor

With the pieces of the season finally falling into place, No. 17 Notre Dame's road trip to New Jersey will serve as an opportunity.

The Irish, undefeated in their last three games, will kick off a two-game road

streak Saturday at noon against Seton Hall. The Pirates (7-3-0, 5-1-0 Big East) currently lead the Big East Blue Division. Notre Dame (6-3-2, 4-2-0) is tied with Providence for fourth place with 12 points.

The Irish have begun to click offensively, and they now lead the Big East in goals, shots and corner kicks

with 22, 196 and 79, respectively. Defensively, Notre Dame is tied with West Virginia with five shutouts in 11 games. It trails conference leader St. John's by one.

Those numbers have satisfied Irish head coach Bobby Clark, who said he is pleased with the way the team has come together.

"Winning reinforces what we already know — that we are a very good team," he said. "Anyone who plays sport knows confidence is a very big part of someone performing, [and] it's a very fragile commodity."

The fact that Seton Hall currently sits atop the Big

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INTERHALL

Pangborn tops McGlinn; Carroll faces St. Ed's

By KATE DONLIN and SARAH THOMAS
Sports Writers

The Phoxes are on the prowl. Their most recent prey, McGlinn, fell victim Thursday night on a chilly Riehle West field, 36-0.

Pangborn hit the ground running, scoring on its first two possessions and converting both point-after attempts. The Phoxes' defense never let the Shamrocks' offense get into a groove, sacking the quarterback on the first play after the Phoxes' second touchdown. McGlinn's captain Maddie Boyer answered back a few possessions later,

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Left, McGlinn quarterback Stephanie Grandits rolls out against Pangborn Thursday, while a Fisher running back carries against Zahm Sunday.

By MATT HOPKE, COLIN REIMER, MICHAEL BURDELL and AMY DIXON
Sports Writers

This weekend's 1 p.m. game at Riehle Fields between the Stedsmen of St. Ed's and the Vermin of Carroll features two of the smallest male halls on campus. It also features two teams headed in completely different directions.

Carroll opened its season with a bang, beating the Sorin Otters with a spectacular passing game. However, they are coming off a bye, so the Stedsmen have the advantage of an

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SPORTS AT A GLANCE

SMC GOLF

Belles at MIAA Jamboree

Saint Mary's hopes to be able to finish well at Blackthorn, the team's home course.

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WOMEN'S INTERHALL

Cavanaugh vs. Pasquerilla East

Sunday, 1 p.m.

The Pyros are looking to hand undefeated Cavanaugh its first loss.

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ND CROSS COUNTRY

Notre Dame Invitational

Fourteen of the top 30 teams will be at the 51st annual tournament, held at the Burke Golf Course.

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SMC SOCCER

Saint Mary's at Kalamazoo

Saturday, 12 p.m.

The Belles take on 5-3 Kalamazoo in the first game of a road trip.

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NFL

Owens overdose "accidental"

Police closed the Terrell Owens possible suicide case, confirming his story that the drug overdose was not intentional.

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MLB — AL

Baltimore 7 New York 1

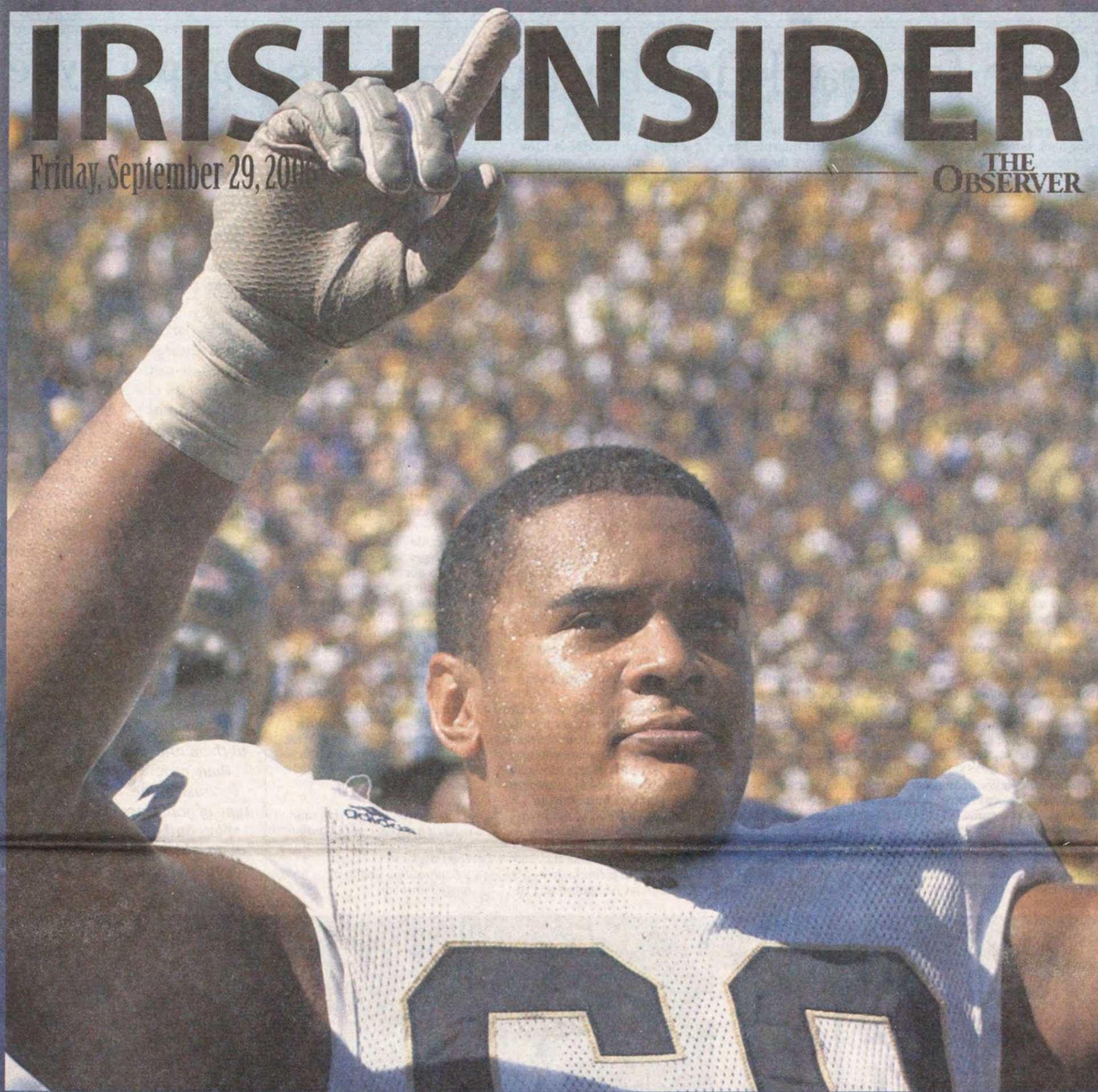
Daniel Cabrera took a no-hitter into the ninth inning as the Orioles dominated the Yankees.

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PRAYERFUL AND PROTECTIVE

Irish offensive lineman Ryan Harris balances his time on the field with his Islamic faith and aspirations for public service.



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Time for backfield adjustments

When word got out freshman running back James Aldridge was preparing this week with the first-team offense — Notre Dame fans everywhere stopped, gathered their thoughts and breathed a collective sigh of relief.

Because on an offense where second and eights are more common than second and sixes — the difference of which can't be emphasized enough — the highly touted, explosive freshman might be the solution.

He also might be the key to the rest of Notre Dame's season.

This is not a knock on Darius Walker — his elusiveness, strength in pass protection and threat he poses on third down make him a highly valuable commodity for the 2006 Irish. But the secret on Brady Quinn is out. And so is the jury on Walker as an every down back for Notre Dame, when the opposition's aim is to limit Quinn.

Charlie Weis will not admit that Walker is a concern. He has praised the junior throughout the short season. And it's hard to argue against a guy with four Super Bowl rings and a 12-4 college record — especially when the player in question is third all time at Notre Dame in yards per game (81.8), behind Allen Pickett (89.9) and Autry Denson (89.8).

But let's take a look at some first-quarter numbers in 2006.

So far this season, Weis has

called a run on first down 11 times in the first quarter. For a team that stresses the need to create better second- and third-down opportunities, it's difficult to ignore a glaring reality.

Of those 11 times, the Irish have gained just 25 yards (2.27 per carry). That means Notre Dame is pigeonholed on second down. On second and four, the play-calling possibilities are endless. On second and nine, there is added pressure to avoid a third and long — a situation the Irish have encountered on 6-of-10 first-quarter third downs this season.

These struggles gaining yards on the ground in the first quarter have yielded poor overall results. The Irish have scored only 10 first-quarter points this season — three against Penn State and seven against Michigan (on a 3-yard drive).

What's more, Brady Quinn is 9-of-25 for 51 yards with one touchdown and one interception in the first quarter of the three games Notre Dame has trailed after 15 minutes. And how have Notre Dame's opponents done in those situations? They are outscoring the Irish 47-0.

Notre Dame needs to find a way to gain more yards on first down — period. If the Irish can't find a way to do this, they can forget about being a one-loss team heading into USC.

Without a balance between the run and pass, one that can only be achieved with a legitimate early down rushing threat, Notre Dame will continue to play from behind. And with the Irish offense one-dimensional, somebody will find a way to beat them — and it will be ugly.

Enter Aldridge.

It's an undeniable fact the more explosive a running back is, the quicker he can hit the holes.

And while Walker excels on cutbacks, draws and screens, Notre Dame needs another option at running back that can be more reliable in creating better situations on second and third downs.

Sure, James Aldridge might not be the answer. He's a true freshman with no college experience, and Weis would be putting a lot on his shoulders by expecting him to bear the responsibility of providing consistency in an offense that currently can't spell the word.

But with Travis Thomas roaming the defensive side of the ball, Aldridge is the only current choice to relieve Walker in situations where the freshman's size makes him a better fit.

The problem Notre Dame faces can't be simply attributed to poor play from the offensive line. Yes, they have committed far too many penalties this season. But this is a group with four seniors and one highly regarded freshman. It's tough to believe they totally forgot how to block.

Weis said in his press conference Tuesday he does not like coaching with a lack of balance on offense. He acknowledged the run-pass distribution can shift from game to game but also that it's important to achieve a 50/50 breakdown over the course of the season.

Guess what? Through four games, Notre Dame has 269 plays from scrimmage — 159 pass plays compared to 110

run plays. Factor in the 25 carries from Quinn, most on scrambles, and the figure moves closer toward a 175-95 distribution.

Notre Dame has played from behind in three of its four games — that's why it is passing more than it's running. But this would be a moot point if the Irish had a rushing attack that allowed them to control the game from the beginning.

And if the Irish can't get more than 2.7 yards on first downs running the football, it's not going to happen.

So getting Aldridge involved Saturday against Purdue could be the best thing that happens to Notre Dame all season. Aldridge might be able to hit the holes Walker has danced behind and give Quinn and Weis a viable chance to get to second and four with a first-down run.

He could also allow Walker to be a bigger factor in sets where he does not have to pound the football. Imagine how dangerous Walker's delays and screens could be when he and Aldridge are spelling each other.

And, if anything else, it will give Notre Dame a look at what it has for the next four years.

Weis said Tuesday he is not in the business of making friends if one player gives the team a better chance of winning. Well, if Aldridge has a breakout first game, the old ball coach will be forced to prove it.

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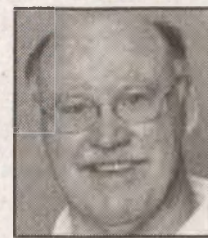
game hype



Charlie Weis
Irish coach

"It's a great opportunity to compete once again with one of the great programs in the country."

"These games are all pressure games now. It isn't like you have any cake walks."



Joe Tiller
Boilermakers coach

"We'll see Saturday what happens. Spirits are high here, I know that. Hopefully it will transfer over to the field."



Tom Zbikowski
Irish strong safety

"I think I can look at them and call them a rival because of the type of games we play and the atmosphere that surrounds [them]."



Curtis Painter
Boilermakers quarterback

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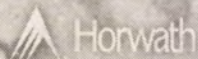
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Of faith and football

An anchor of the Irish offensive line, Ryan Harris has gone from reality show star to freshman All-American to aspiring politician

By KATE GALES
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MTV. ESPN. Next up, C-SPAN?

Notre Dame senior left tackle Ryan Harris has started 36 games on the Irish offensive line and been featured on MTV's "True Life" series — but he really wants a career in politics.

It might not be the typical life path for a student-athlete, but Harris isn't typical.

He's a devout Muslim at one of the nation's most famous Catholic universities, where he embraced living on campus and being part of the Notre Dame community. After football, he's thinking about law school and politics.

But right now, he's ready to help the Irish offense get back on track — even though his football career got off to an inauspicious start.

"I don't know how" to hit

The Minnesota native remembers watching the Minnesota Vikings at family events, sitting alone in front of the television and trying to make sense of the game. Later, he'd go to his father — who played college football at the University of Wisconsin-Stout — with questions.

"My first question I tried to figure out was why they always ran into where everybody was, up the middle," he said. "When they were running the ball, why don't they just run around everybody?"

Over time, he picked up on the nuances of the game. But eighth-grade football brought another humbling moment.

"I'll never forget the first day we got pads," he said. "Everyone made fun of me because someone said, 'Hey, let's hit,' and I said, 'No.' And they're like, 'Why not?' and I said, 'I don't know how.' Everyone laughed at me."

Retelling the story, he even laughs at himself. He can laugh now because, as a standout at Cretin-Durham Hall in St. Paul, Harris starred on the defensive and offensive lines.

"Especially being a bigger kid when you're younger, you go to a sport where they need bigger people," said the 6-foot-5, 292-pounder. "It's definitely something you can enjoy and be yourself in."

He was widely recruited out of high school, but his decisions came down to two schools — Notre Dame or Miami.

"For all the reasons that people love Miami, I loved Miami," he

said.

But his family loved Notre Dame, and Harris felt it fit what he wanted in a school.

"I wanted to come out with a degree that meant something," he said. "I also wanted to have the most competitive athletic schedule and environment I could, and Notre Dame — it doesn't get better than that."

His own celebrity fit club

Harris was the smallest lineman at Notre Dame when he arrived, and one of the smallest — if not the smallest — lineman recruited in his year.

That's why, when MTV's "True Life" wanted to do a segment on positive weight gain, they called up Cretin-Durham and asked for Harris.

The segment aired without much fanfare for Harris and his family at home. But when he arrived at Notre Dame, it was clear that more than a few people had seen the show.

So did his new teammates in South Bend make fun of him?

"All the time," he said. "I mean, all the time, especially when I first got here as a freshman. That was the joke, they were calling me names, MTV, you can imagine coming in as a freshman. They're just looking for a reason to get on you, that was definitely my reason."

Some on-lookers told him he needed to gain 50 pounds to be successful as a college offensive lineman.

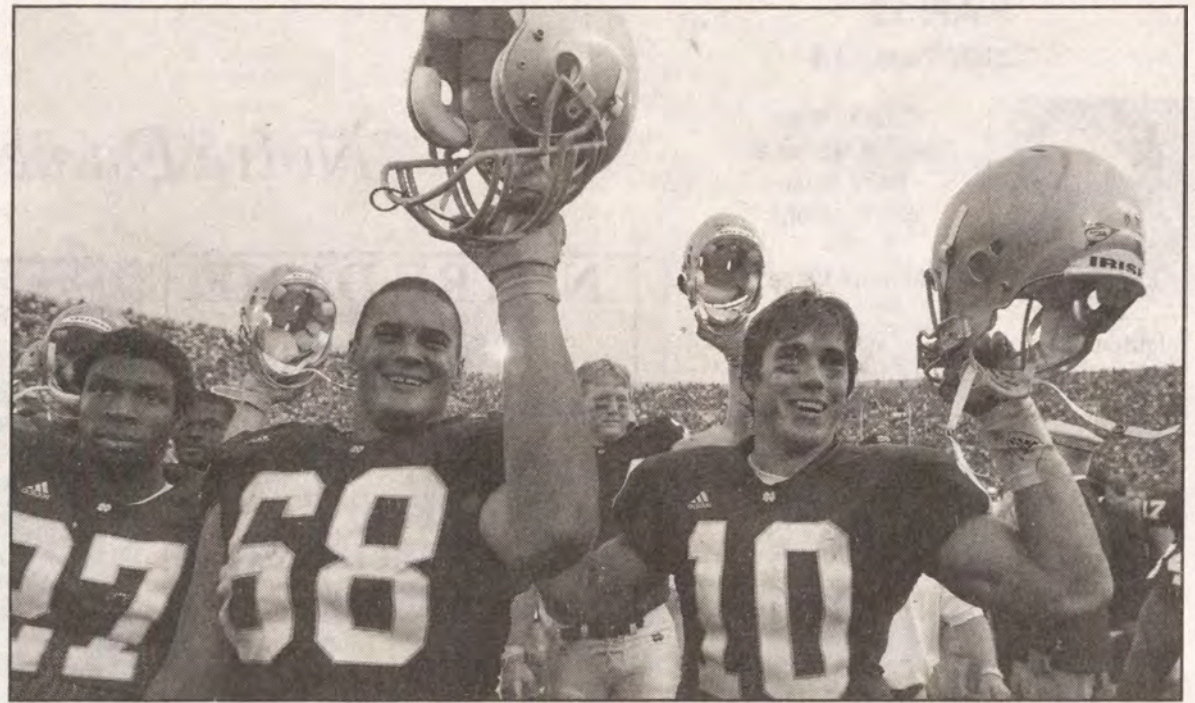
Maybe that's not quite right. He's gained about 17 in the past four years and was on several pre-season All-American award watch lists.

Over the most recent off-season, he focused on strength conditioning, particularly in his upper body, which he perceived as a weakness.

"I needed to get stronger," he said. "And that's still something I strive for, something I worked on all summer, from May until — well, I'm still working on it."

On down the line

Harris' first start was at Pittsburgh in 2003 — an upset vic-



Irish left tackle Ryan Harris, front, celebrates Notre Dame's 41-17 victory over Penn State with quarterback Brady Quinn, right, and linebacker David Bruton Sept. 9.

tory for the Irish and a memorable experience for the true freshman. That was the night Julius Jones broke the school rushing record with 262 yards.

He played right tackle and started the final eight games of the season for the Irish, becoming only the third true freshman in Notre Dame's history to start for the unit. Rivals.com rewarded him with a

first-team spot on its Freshman All-America team, and The Sporting News had him as a second teamer.

As a sophomore, Harris moved to left tackle, one of football's most chal-

lenging positions, to protect Irish quarterback Brady Quinn's blind side.

"I think there's a lot more expected of you," said Harris about the position. "I expect a lot of myself. I was very humbled because there's so many things that come with being the left tackle, so many things that I can take pride in. I just think being there's been real fun for me."

Offensive linemen are judged by the success of the unit, and most of the facets of the offense depend on how strongly it plays. Harris has embraced the opportunity to excel as an individual and as part of a group.

"You've got four other guys," he said. "If one of you makes a mistake, it can cause problems across the board. As a unit, you protect the quarterback — everything starts there. If we don't protect, Brady can't throw to [Jeff] Samardzija or Rhema [McKnight] or anyone else."

And then there's the running game.

"If we don't block, Darius [Walker] can't run in the holes and he can't get yards," Harris said. "We really take a lot of pride and onus of responsibility on ourselves, and that's what makes it so special, to be part of a unit and also being an individual."

At times, left tackle is a lonely position. Harris often finds himself in one-on-one situations.

"Every play I'm going against somebody — and usually it's alone," he said. "There's a lot of responsibility resting on my shoulders but that's what I love."

Offensive linemen don't usually make the stat sheets, but for Harris, winning the game means that they've done well enough.

"If we win, we did something right," he said. "Then if Brady's been hit, if Darius doesn't get a lot of yards, those are definitely things that we look at the next day in film and try and correct for the next week in practice."

As a freshman, Harris' highlight was Jones' record-breaking game against the Panthers. As a sophomore, he recalls beating Michigan 28-20, and as a junior, nothing compared to the USC and Stanford games.

"But you think that's it, and then you come out with a game like last week against Michigan State," he said. "It's just every year, it's something phenomenal, and you're like, 'I could not have had that experience anywhere else in the world.'"

"My own way"

Harris is far from finished with his football career. But he's already making plans to take what he's learned at Notre Dame outside the campus.

He hopes to go into politics or teaching after graduation.

"I wanted to prove to myself that I could handle the academic rigors of Notre Dame and do both things — I'm not just an athlete," he said. "[There are] so many rivalries, every week, so much exposure, and you're in the classroom the next day. It's the best of both worlds. I'm just very happy I've been able to take advantage of both opportunities."

Harris will graduate with a double major in political science and economics — a subject he says "just makes sense to me."

Service work and volunteering are an important part of the time he spends in South Bend, and he said he made lifelong friends as a resident of Siegfried Hall.

But Harris' Muslim faith is also a central part of who he is. Being at a predominantly Catholic school, he said, doesn't make being Muslim harder.

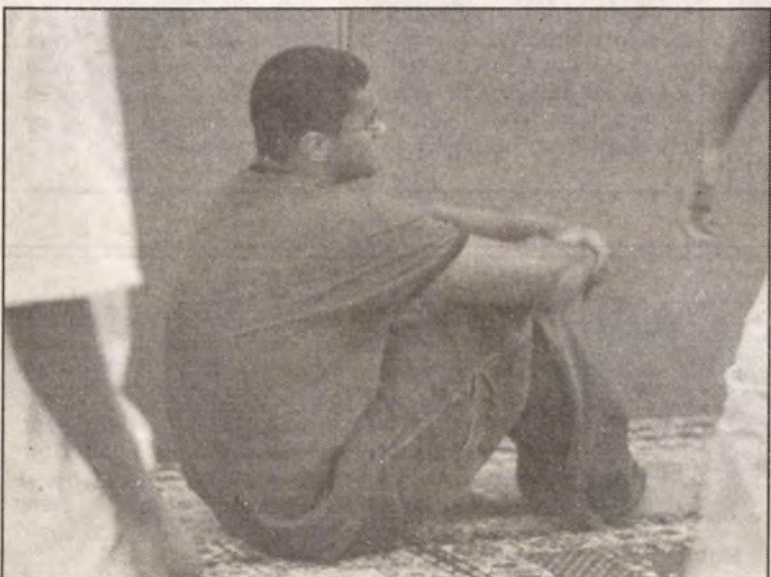
"It's easier," he said. "Because people understand the religious component of life, people understand that faith is an everyday thing — not something you do just once a week. Being in an environment where they practice faith and appreciate faith and there's so many opportunities for people to exercise their faith really makes it easy for me to feel welcome and for me to do the same in my own way."

From faith to football, Harris has taken on every aspect of his life in his own way.

Harris has many goals for his life after this season and his graduation. But wherever he goes, Notre Dame will go with him, he said.

"The morals and principles that Notre Dame teaches — to be a Notre Dame man," he said. "For me it definitely means someone who is a contributing member to the community and who stands for ethics and good things."

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Ryan Harris sits down at the Islamic Society of Michiana mosque in South Bend on Sept. 11, 2004. Harris is a devout Muslim.

by the numbers

Teams in Division I-A that have scored more points per game than Purdue's 40.75. Louisville leads the country, followed by Nebraska, Clemson, West Virginia and then the Boilermakers.

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29 Passes completed by Irish quarterback Brady Quinn in Notre Dame's 49-28 victory over Purdue in 2005. Quinn threw three touchdowns.

Consecutive years in which Notre Dame and Purdue have played. The only longer-running series for the Irish is their annual matchup with Navy.

61

127 Yards Purdue wide receiver Dorian Bryant had in the 2005 contest. He caught a career-high 14 passes in the game.

Passing yards Quinn threw for in the first half of the 2005 game, a Notre Dame single-half record.

283

33 Passes completed by former Boilermaker quarterback Kyle Orton in Purdue's 41-16 win over Notre Dame in 2004. Orton's five touchdown passes in the game are tied for the Irish opponent record.

Notre Dame Fighting Irish

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Coaches: 14



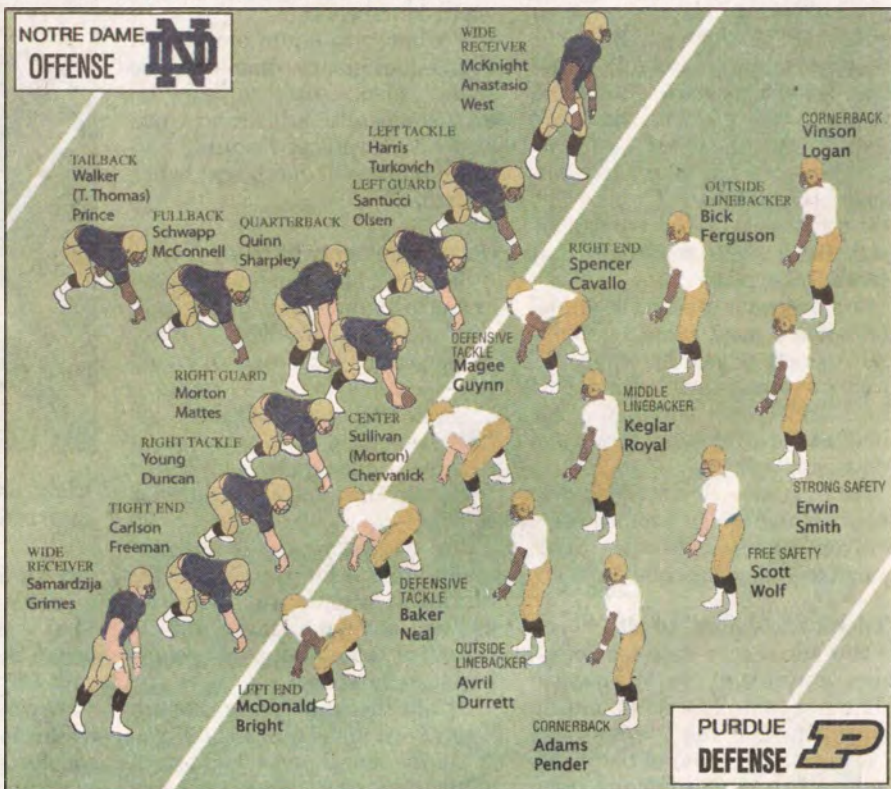
Charlie Weis
head coach

Charlie Weis
second season at
Notre Dame
career record:
12-4
at Notre Dame:
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against
Purdue: 1-0

Notre Dame Fighting Irish

NOTRE DAME 2006 Schedule

Sept. 2	at GT — W
Sept. 9	PENN ST. — W
Sept. 16	MICHIGAN — L
Sept. 23	at Mich. St. — W
Sept. 30	PURDUE
Oct. 7	STANFORD
Oct. 21	UCLA
Oct. 28	at Navy
Nov. 4	North Carolina
Nov. 11	at Air Force
Nov. 18	ARMY
Nov. 25	at Southern Cal



Roster

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	YR
1	D.J. Hord	WR	6-1	192	SO
2	Darius Walls	DB	6-1	175	FR
3	Darius Walker	RB	5-11	208	JR
4	Demetrius Jones	QB	6-4	202	FR
5	Rhema McKnight	WR	6-1	212	SR
6	Ray Herring	DB	6-0	189	SO
7	Craig Cardillo	K	6-0	170	SR
8	Raeshon McNeil	DB	6-0	175	FR
9	Tom Zbikowski	DB	5-11	203	SR
10	Brady Quinn	QB	6-4	227	SR
11	David Grimes	WR	6-0	170	SO
12	Zach Frazer	QB	6-4	215	FR
13	Evan Sharpley	QB	6-2	207	SO
14	Bobby Renkes	K	6-0	195	SR
15	Leo Ferrine	DB	6-0	186	JR
17	Geoffrey Price	P	6-3	186	SR
17	Dan Gorski	QB	6-3	196	SO
18	Chinedum Ndukwe	DB	6-2	219	SR
19	George West	WR	5-8	179	FR
20	Terrail Lambert	DB	5-11	188	JR
21	Barry Gallup Jr.	WR	5-11	175	FR
22	Ambrose Wooden	CB	5-11	197	SR
23	Chase Anastasio	WR	6-2	203	SR
23	W. David Williams	DB	5-10	170	JR
24	Brandon Erickson	WR	6-0	178	JR
25	Munir Prince	RB	5-10	175	FR
26	Wade Iams	DB	5-9	188	JR
26	Travis Thomas	RB	6-0	215	SR
27	David Bruton	DB	6-2	187	SO
27	John Lyons	RB	6-1	205	SR
28	Kyle McCarthy	DB	6-0	189	SO
29	Jashaad Gaines	DB	6-0	195	FR
29	Jake Richardson	WR	6-0	180	SO
30	Mike Richardson	DB	5-11	193	SR
31	Sergio Brown	DB	6-1	184	FR
32	Luke Schmidt	RB	6-3	230	FR
33	Nate Whitaker	K	5-9	165	FR
34	James Aldridge	RB	6-0	209	FR
35	Ashley McConnell	RB	6-0	247	SR
35	Tim Kenney	DB	6-0	180	SR
36	Dex Cure	RB	6-1	215	FR
37	Junior Jabbie	RB	5-11	190	JR
38	Nick Possley	WR	6-1	183	JR
39	Ryan Burkhardt	K	5-11	185	FR
39	Kevin Brooks	TE	6-2	230	FR
40	Maurice Crum, Jr.	LB	6-0	220	JR
41	Scott Smith	LB	6-3	234	SO
42	Kevin Washington	LB	6-1	231	SO
42	David Costanzo	P	5-9	170	SO
43	Eric Maust	WR	6-1	180	FR
43	Mike Anello	DB	5-10	180	SO
44	Asaph Schwapp	RB	6-0	250	SO
45	Kris Patterson	WR	5-11	174	SO
45	Carl Gioia	K	5-10	183	SR
46	Michael Planalp	TE	6-4	230	SO
46	Kyle Charters	LB	5-11	195	JR
47	Mitchell Thomas	LB	6-3	240	SR
48	Steve Quinn	LB	6-2	220	JR
49	Matt Augustyn	FB	6-3	220	SR
49	Toryan Smith	LB	6-0	230	FR
50	Dan Santucci	OL	6-4	290	SR
51	Dan Wenger	OL	6-4	285	FR
52	Joe Brockington	LB	6-1	212	SR
53	Morrice Richardson	LB	6-2	228	FR
54	Anthony Vernaglia	DB	6-3	221	JR
55	Eric Olsen	OL	6-4	290	FR
56	Nick Borsetti	LB	6-4	238	SR
57	Dwight Stephenson	DL	6-2	252	SR
59	Chris Steward	OL	6-5	340	FR
60	Casey Cullen	DL	6-1	238	SR
61	J.J. Jansen	LS	6-3	242	JR
63	Jeff Tisak	OL	6-3	305	SO
64	Dan Chervanick	DL	6-1	259	SR
66	Derek Landri	DL	6-3	263	SR
68	Ryan Harris	OL	6-5	288	SR
69	Neil Kennedy	DL	5-11	260	JR
71	Bartley Webb	OL	6-7	290	FR
72	Paul Duncan	OL	6-7	292	SO
73	Matt Carufel	OL	6-5	288	FR
74	Sam Young	OL	6-7	292	FR
75	Chris Frome	DL	6-5	268	SR
76	Bob Morton	OL	6-4	292	SR
77	Michael Turkovich	OL	6-6	290	SO
78	John Sullivan	OL	6-4	298	SR
79	Brian Mattes	OL	6-6	285	SR
80	Richard Jackson	WR	6-3	200	FR
81	Darrin Bragg	WR	6-1	192	JR
82	Robby Parris	WR	6-4	185	FR
83	Jeff Samardzija	WR	6-5	216	SR
84	Will Yeatman	TE	6-6	250	FR
86	Mike Talerico	TE	6-5	245	JR
87	Marcus Freeman	TE	6-3	245	SR
88	Konrad Reuland	TE	6-6	239	FR
89	John Carlson	TE	6-5	255	SR
90	John Ryan	DL	6-5	240	FR
91	Travis Leitko	DL	6-7	270	SR
92	Derrell Hand	DL	6-3	301	SO
93	Paddy Mullen	DL	6-5	265	FR
94	Justin Brown	DL	6-3	247	JR
95	Victor Abiamiri	DL	6-4	260	SR
96	Pat Kuntz	DL	6-2	267	SO
97	Kallen Wade	DL	6-5	220	FR
98	Trevor Laws	DL	6-1	293	SR
99	Ronald Talley	DL	6-4	261	JR

COACHING

Weis kept his players focused when things got bad in East Lansing and made the adjustments to let the team come back. But the Irish haven't played well in the first quarter yet this season and have constantly played from behind. That needs to change this week.

At 67-43, Tiller is one of the most successful coaches in Purdue history, but a 5-6 campaign in 2005 has critics howling in West Lafayette. The Boilermakers are unbeaten so far this year, but Tiller has to prepare his young team for its first big road test.

Last year, Boilermakers defensive coordinator Brock Spack was immortalized on ESPN looking confused after a Notre Dame touchdown. The Purdue coaching staff has the experience to avoid a similar meltdown, but they have their work cut out for them against Weis' playcalling.

QUARTERBACKS

Brady Quinn has started slow in most games this season but generally has improved as games have worn on, especially last week against Michigan State. He's dropped down the Heisman rankings, but he has still thrown for 11 touchdowns and just four interceptions.

Curtis Painter has completed 64.1 percent of his passes and thrown for eight touchdowns and five picks in his first full year as the starter in Tiller's spread offense. He is a threat to run, with 251 yards rushing last year, but has only collected 29 on the ground this season.

Painter has played well as in his first nine games as a starter, but Quinn is one of the best in the country. The Irish signal caller torched Purdue for 440 yards through the air last season and can do it again, especially if he gets off to a fast start.

IRISH PASSING

With the running game struggling, Notre Dame's passing game has carried the offense this season. Talented wide receivers Rhema McKnight and Jeff Samardzija have combined for eight touchdown catches, while tight end John Carlson is a big target in the middle of the field.

The Purdue secondary is very inexperienced, starting two freshmen and two junior college transfers, none of whom was on campus for spring practice last May. They have struggled this season, allowing 284.8 yards per game and nine touchdowns through the air.

Quinn had his way with the Purdue secondary last season, and he should do so again, given its lack of experience and the fact that the Irish have the best quarterback and receivers Purdue has seen this year. Spack will need to disguise coverages and try to confuse Quinn.

IRISH RUSHING

The Notre Dame running game has been a non-factor in most games this year, averaging just 74.8 yards per contest. Darius Walker leads the team with 227 yards on the ground. He might get some help with freshman James Aldridge ready to see his first action after being injured.

The Boilermakers have been decent against the run, allowing 126 yards per game on the ground. Linebacker Dan Bick leads the team with 38 tackles and defensive end Anthony Spencer has been in opposing backfields all season, tallying nine tackles for loss.

Notre Dame is determined to improve in the run game, but this probably won't be the week it does so. Purdue's front seven is strong and Aldridge won't help if there are no holes to run through. As in recent weeks, the Irish rushing attack will consist mainly of draws set up by Quinn's passing.

Irish experts



Mike Gilloon
Editor in Chief

Do the Irish have anything left in the tank? Last week's emotional win in East Lansing might prime Notre Dame for a letdown ... if USC or Michigan were up next. But Michigan is in the past and USC is far in the future. Right now, the Irish just have to focus on Purdue. And a game with Purdue means Brady Quinn gets to update his Heisman résumé against one of the nation's worst pass defenses as the Irish burn the Boilermakers.
**FINAL SCORE: Notre Dame 46
Purdue 13**



Bob Griffin
Asst. Managing
Editor

Purdue is 4-0 but it hasn't played anyone yet. That changes Saturday when Notre Dame formally welcomes them to the 2006 season. The Irish need this one to begin building confidence for the rest of the year. Quinn doesn't disappoint with an efficient 350-yard, 4-TD game. The key question is whether or not the Irish get the running game going. If that doesn't happen, the score could be much closer.
**FINAL SCORE: Notre Dame 49
Purdue 24**

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Purdue Boilermakers

Purdue
Boilermakers
Record: 4-0
AP: NR
Coaches: NR

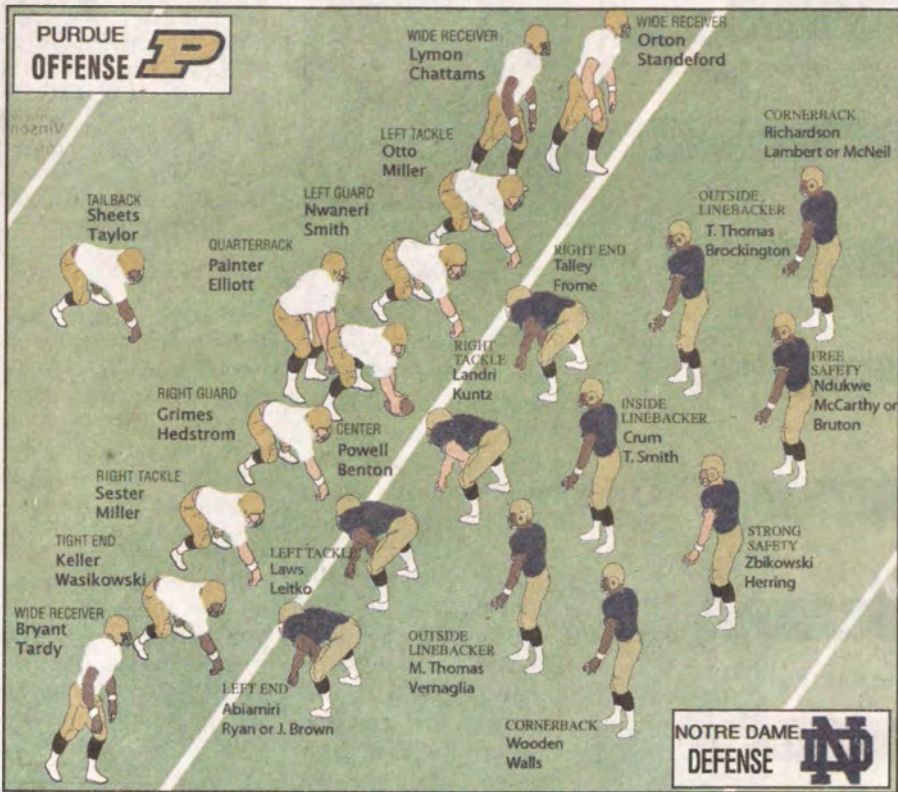
Joe Tiller
 10th season at
 Purdue
 career record:
 106-73-1
 at Purdue:
 67-43
 against Notre
 Dame: 4-5



Joe Tiller
 head coach

PURDUE 2006 Schedule

Sept. 2 IND. ST. — W
 Sept. 9 MIAMI (OH) — W
 Sept. 16 BALL ST. — W
 Sept. 23 MINNESOTA — W
 Sept. 30 at Notre Dame
 Oct. 7 at Iowa
 Oct. 14 at Northwestern
 Oct. 21 WISCONSIN
 Oct. 28 PENN STATE
 Nov. 4 at Michigan St.
 Nov. 11 at Illinois
 Nov. 18 INDIANA



Roster

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	YR
1	Selwyn Lymon	WR	6-4	210	SO
2	Torri Williams	S	6-2	204	JR
3	Frank Duong	S	5-8	176	JR
4	Garret Bushong	TE	6-5	247	SR
5	Fabian Martin	CB	5-11	188	JR
6	Zach Logan	CB	5-11	186	JR
7	Desmond Tardy	WR	6-1	192	JR
8	Chris Ayers	RB	5-9	188	JR
9	Brandon King	CB	5-11	184	SO
10	Casey Welch	K	5-9	167	SR
11	Dorien Bryant	WR	5-10	175	JR
12	Jake Swank	QB	6-3	180	FR
13	Royce Adams	CB	6-0	180	FR
14	Jared Armstrong	P	6-3	231	SR
15	Curtis Painter	QB	6-4	228	JR
16	Mario Swope	WR	5-10	200	FR
17	Chris Summers	K	6-1	170	FR
18	Joe Elliott	QB	6-3	210	SO
19	Brandon Blackmon	S	6-0	194	JR
20	Jeff Panfil	QB	6-5	209	FR
21	Brandon Erwin	S	6-0	180	FR
22	Chris Bennett	QB	6-3	186	SO
23	Josh Ferguson	LB	6-3	234	SR
24	Roberto McBean	WR	6-0	190	JR
25	Brandon Whittington	WR	6-2	206	JR
26	Andre Chalmers	WR	6-0	198	SR
27	Greg Orton	WR	6-3	191	SO
28	Dray Mason	RB	5-10	187	SO
29	Joe Williams	RB	5-8	204	SO
30	Justin Scott	S	6-0	200	JR
31	Kory Sheets	RB	6-0	199	JR
32	Paul Long	S	6-2	194	SR
33	Aaron Lane	CB	5-9	172	FR
34	Kevin Green	LB	6-2	228	FR
35	Dustin Keeler	TE	6-4	244	SR
36	Jason Werner	LB	6-4	208	SO
37	George Hall	LB	6-2	243	SR
38	Dario Camacho	RB	5-10	205	JR
39	Cliff Avril	LB	6-3	240	JR
40	Jaycen Taylor	RB	5-10	174	SO
41	Terrell Vinson	CB	5-9	175	JR
42	David Pender	CB	6-1	175	FR
43	Dan Bick	LB	6-1	218	JR
44	Paul Dubler	CB	6-1	184	SR
45	Tim Dougherty	K	5-10	165	FR
46	John Humphrey	LB	6-1	210	FR
47	Jonte Lindsey	CB	5-10	170	JR
48	John Lampert	LB	6-3	219	SR
49	Anthony Heygood	RB	6-2	221	JR
50	Adam Wolf	S	5-11	201	SO
51	Frank Halliburton	FB	6-3	245	SO
52	Eugene Bright	DE	6-4	254	SR
53	Jeff Lindsay	LB	6-4	210	FR
54	Mike Durrett	LB	6-0	226	SR
55	Pat Kohtz	S	6-1	211	SR
56	Anthony Spencer	DE	6-3	261	SR
57	Eric Hedstrom	G	6-7	296	SO
58	Garret Miller	T	6-8	289	JR
59	Nick Fincher	G	6-4	292	SR
60	Jared Zwilling	DT	6-4	281	SO
61	Andy Deeds	LB	6-3	221	JR
62	Jonathon Patton	G	6-4	279	JR
63	Dan McGowen	G	6-0	279	FR
64	Walt Higbee	DE	6-2	256	FR
65	Stanford Kegler	LB	6-2	240	JR
66	Zach Smith	G	6-4	286	JR
67	Chris Mattson	LS	6-0	201	SR
68	Andy Huffman	LS	6-3	270	SO
69	Nick Raben	G	6-3	374	SR
70	Mike Otto	T	6-5	304	SR
71	Jordan Grimes	G	6-3	325	JR
72	Uche Nwaneri	G	6-3	300	SR
73	Robbie Powell	C	6-5	297	SR
74	Neal Tull	C	6-3	294	SR
75	Andrew Quinfana	DT	6-1	273	FR
76	Alex Magee	DT	6-5	275	SO
77	Justin Pierce	G	6-4	322	JR
78	Dan Zaleski	T	6-4	291	FR
79	Sean Sester	T	6-8	309	SO
80	Zach Reckman	T	6-6	274	SO
81	Jason Kacinko	T	6-6	303	FR
82	Ryan Prater	T	6-5	278	SO
83	Cory Benton	C	6-3	286	JR
84	Jermaine Guynn	DT	6-1	277	JR
85	Jerry Wasikowski	TE	6-4	253	JR
86	Al Royal	LB	6-0	228	SR
87	Derek Benson	WR	6-1	191	SO
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91	Chase Lecklider	WR	6-0	204	SR
92	Kris Staats	WR	6-1	188	FR
93	Mike McDonald	DE	6-2	248	SR
94	Jake Standford	WR	6-2	189	SR
95	Kyle Ingraham	WR	6-9	228	JR
96	Ryan Baker	DT	6-5	282	JR
97	Nick Cavallo	DE	6-3	259	SR
	Mike Neal	DT	6-4	270	SO
	Jeff Benjamin	DE	6-2	221	FR
	Corey Chapman	DE	6-2	221	FR
	Keyon Brown	DE	6-3	230	SO
	John Finch	TE	6-3	230	FR
	Alex Huber	TE	6-5	240	SO

BOILERS PASSING

Notre Dame's pass defense has been much improved over last season, giving up an average of 181.2 yards per game through the air this year and holding Drew Stanton to 114 yards on just 10-of-22 completions last week. It will need to play well again this week against Purdue's spread offense.

Painter has brutalized opposing defenses this year, throwing for over 1,100 yards in just four games.

Wide receiver Dorien Bryant is fast and agile and torched Notre Dame last year with 14 catches for 127 yards and two touchdowns.

Painter has played well, but Notre Dame's secondary will probably be the most talented he's faced.

While the Irish have looked better this year than last, they are still vulnerable to the big play, especially against spread offenses and fast wide receivers like Bryant.

BOILERS RUSHING

Notre Dame has been susceptible to power backs, giving up big gains to Michigan State's Jehuu Caulcrick and Michigan's Mike Hart. They have also surrendered yards to mobile quarterbacks, giving up 53 to the Spartans' Drew Stanton and 55 to Georgia Tech's Reggie Ball.

Junior Kory Sheets and sophomore Jaycen Taylor have split carries at tailback for the Boilermakers this year and combined for 553 yards.

Painter has shown in the past that he's a threat to run, although he has only gained 29 yards on 19 carries this season.

Charlie Weis said the Irish front four "played hard" against Michigan State, especially in the second half. But for Notre Dame to stop the Purdue ground game, it must perform as well as it did in the second half against Georgia Tech — or else surrender big plays to Purdue.

SPECIAL TEAMS

Punter Geoff Price has averaged 47.7 yards per kick this season. Tom Zbikowski is a threat to break a punt return every time he touches the ball, and kick returns have been solid. The Irish must avoid special teams turnovers, however, and need more consistency from kicker Carl Gioia.

Field goal kicker Chris Summers has converted every attempt under 40 yards. Dorien Bryant is averaging 32.6 yards per kick return, but three other players who have returned kicks have averaged just 13. Royce Adams has returned six punts for a modest 7.8-yard average.

Notre Dame was bitten by the penalty bug last week as a holding call on Raeshon McNeil negated Tom Zbikowski's punt return for a touchdown. If the Irish can avoid those simple mistakes, they will have a huge advantage over Purdue on special teams.

INTANGIBLES

Notre Dame will honor Ara Parseghian and the 1966 national championship team before Saturday's game. Brady Quinn may have saved his Heisman candidacy and Notre Dame its season Saturday against Michigan State. This week, they will try to continue the momen-

Purdue enters Notre Dame Stadium undefeated and confident. And while overconfidence could kill the Boilermakers this weekend, Joe Tiller brings a calm demeanor to a team that will be prepared to take on the Irish. Look for Purdue to play relaxed and smoothly start the game.

This is the biggest game for Purdue all season, and the Boilermakers have faced easier competition in the lead-up to this game.

What's more, emotional wins have had a toll on Notre Dame under Weis, including the Irish loss to Michigan State after beating Michigan last season.

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ANALYSIS



Ken Fowler
 Sports Editor

Brady Quinn won't throw more than 30 passes Saturday — and that's a good thing. The Irish will slash through the Boilermakers and use the pass to set up a running game.

With a solid early lead, Charlie Weis will be patient enough finally to allow any semblance of a coherent ground game to get going. And part of that game will be James Aldridge. Expect the freshman to see four touches in the first half and more late in the rout.

**FINAL SCORE: Notre Dame 40
 Purdue 14**



Kate Gales
 Associate
 Sports Editor

Notre Dame was on a slippery slope to 2-2 but regained its footing and its focus. The Irish need a more consistent showing against Purdue, and this is the week that they'll show up for all 60 minutes. An untested secondary will be outmatched by the Irish aerial attack and the running game should be sufficient to control the clock. Chinedum Ndukwe continues to come up with big plays, and Dorien Bryant is no threat for the Irish.

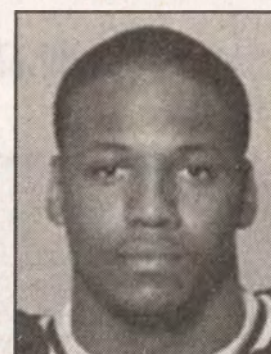
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 Purdue 17**

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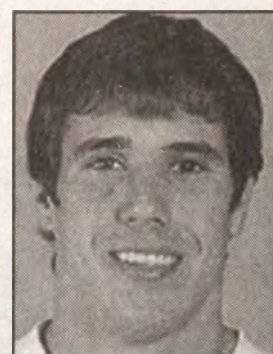
Sizing up the Irish and Boilers

	Notre Dame	Purdue
Points Scored	29	40.8
Points Allowed	27.8	28.8
Total Yards Gained	348	461.5
Total Yards Allowed	342	410.8
Rushing Yards Gained	74.8	164
Rushing Yards Allowed	161.2	126
Passing Yards Gained	273.2	297.5
Passing Yards Allowed	181.2	284.8
Turnovers Lost	7	6
Turnovers Recovered	7	8

KEY MATCHUP



**PURDUE
SECONDARY**



**NOTRE DAME
PASS OFFENSE**

The Boilermakers have a lack of experience in their defensive backfield. Two freshmen and two junior college transfers start in the secondary, which means this unit has only been playing together since the start of fall practice.

Purdue has given up 284.8 yards per game through the air, and Brady Quinn and the Irish are the best passing team they've seen yet. In order for Purdue to win, they will have to slow down Notre Dame's aerial attack and make Darius Walker and the inconsistent Irish running game take center stage.

Brady Quinn has thrown for over 1,000 yards and 11 touchdowns already this season, and he has three big targets to get the ball to — Jeff Samardzija, Rhema McKnight, and John Carlson.

But Quinn has struggled at times this season, especially at the beginning of games. With the Irish running game stuck in neutral, Quinn may have to carry the offense with his arm once again.

Against Purdue's high-powered offense, it will be important for Notre Dame to score early and often — and most of the responsibility for that lies on Quinn's shoulders.

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Irish hope to exploit inexperienced Purdue secondary

A year after Notre Dame tore through Boilermaker defense, four new starters will play in defensive backfield

By KEN FOWLER
Sports Editor

It was a night Purdue would rather forget. Underneath the lights in Ross-Ade Stadium last Sept. 29, Irish quarterback Brady Quinn torched the Boilermakers secondary early and often. Notre Dame staked

a 41-14 lead after three quarters and soundly defeated Purdue in its biggest game of the year. Notre Dame scored four touchdowns on the ground, but the story of the game was the Irish passing machine. Quinn had streaks of brilliance, completing seven and 11 consecutive passes at different parts of the game, and

set the program single-game completion-percentage record with a 29-of-36 (80.5 percent) performance. "Brady picked them apart," Irish coach Charlie Weis said in the post-game press conference. In Week 5 a year later, Notre Dame's passing game is once again the key to its offense. Quinn has thrown 11 touchdowns to four interceptions and is averaging 271.5 yards per game, and senior wide receivers Rhema McKnight (who was injured for the 2005 contest) and Jeff Samardzija each have four touchdown catches.

But the Irish won't have the opportunity to burn the same secondary they did a year before. Purdue enters the contest with two freshmen and two junior college transfers starting in the defensive backfield — none who were even connected with the program during the 2005 Irish win.

"Looking back at [the 2005 game], we just try to dissect their defensive scheme [and] any personnel you can watch from last season," Quinn said at his weekly press conference Wednesday. "Other than that, you can't take very much from it. It's a new game, new circumstance." Boilermakers starting cor-

nerback Royce Adams is a 6-foot, 180-pound freshman from South Euclid, Ohio. His counterpart on the other side of the field is 5-foot-9, 175-pound Terrell Vinson, who transferred to Purdue from Saddleback College this year. Vinson was a cornerback at Wyoming in 2003 before he played at Saddleback. A broken right knuckle kept Vinson out for

the 2004 season. The inexperience continues at safety for Purdue. Freshman Brandon Erwin starts at free safety, and junior college product Justin Scott, Jr. plays strong safety. Scott made 96 tackles and two interceptions at College of the Sequoias in 2005.

In fact, the only player on Purdue's two-deep with experience prior to this season for the Boilermakers is cornerback Zach Logan, who lost his starting spot to Vinson.

With that inexperienced secondary facing one of the nation's premier passers, Purdue coach Joe Tiller said continuous communication will be imperative for Purdue's ability to shut down the Irish air assault.

"I think the difference between this year and last year is that Notre Dame is probably more efficient."

Joe Tiller
Boilermakers coach

"These past few weeks, you'll see [Purdue] change up the defensive schemes depending on the type offense they're going against."

Brady Quinn
Irish quarterback

probably more efficient," Tiller said. "The same guy is throwing, and with the exception of [McKnight], it's the same guys catching it. So identification and communication will be key."

But Purdue has shown problems in its first four games in shutting down teams with much less daunting passing games than Notre Dame. After games against Indiana State, Miami (Ohio), Ball State and Minnesota, the Boilermakers have the third worst pass defense in the country. They have surrendered 284.75 yards per game — including 355 to Miami quarterback Mike Kokal — against the 154th toughest schedule in all of Division I.

But don't tell Notre Dame that.

"They're a good team," Irish wide receivers coach Rob Ianello said Tuesday. "The play physical, they play aggressive."

Ianello said the Irish have studied tape of Purdue's first four game just like their usual routine and are focused on the shut-down defensive abilities of Adams, Vinson, Erwin and Scott.

Vinson and Scott each have one interception, and Erwin and Adams each have recorded one pass deflection.

"These past few weeks, you'll see them change up the defensive schemes depending on the type offense they're going against," Quinn said. "We've got to be prepared for a lot of different things."

If Quinn prepares well, it could be a long day for Purdue's defense.

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Minnesota running back Amir Pinnix leaps over Boilermakers cornerback Terrell Vinson in Purdue's 27-21 win Sept. 23.

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AND BIG LOSSES

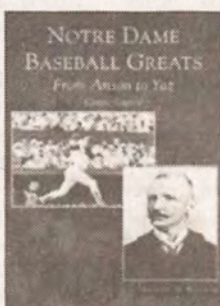
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2005	ND 49, PURDUE 28

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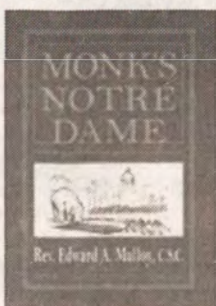
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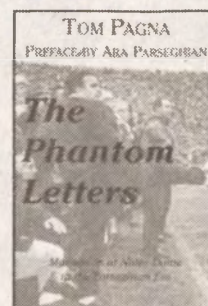


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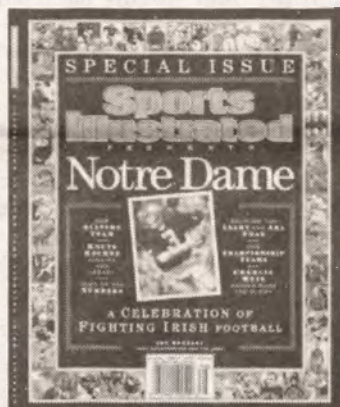


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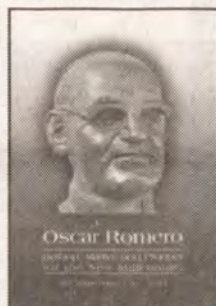


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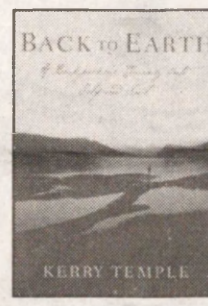
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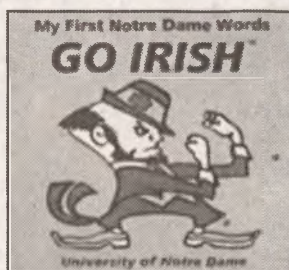
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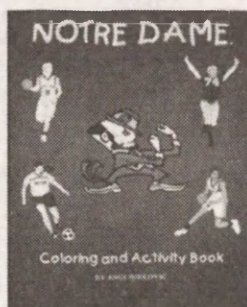
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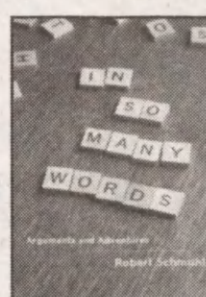


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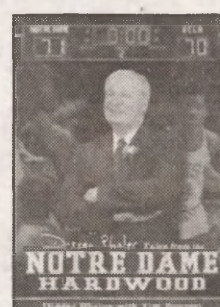


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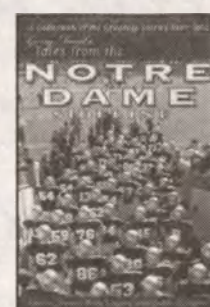
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