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Liquor law violations increase

By EILEEN DUFFY
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While Notre Dame Security/Police's (NDSP) annual report shows a major drop in larceny, the findings released last Friday point to steady increases in liquor law violations and non-forcible burglaries.

In an e-mail sent Friday, NDSP urged the campus community to read its Safety Brochure, which includes security and safety information as well as crime statistics for the years 2003-2005.

The report, which is required to be presented to the public under the federal Jeanne Clery act, presents

data from each of the years in the areas of burglary, larceny, sex offenses and drug and liquor law violations, among other crimes.

Crimes are classified into geographic areas: campus property (including residence halls), public property and non-campus property — that is, University-owned property outside of the main campus, NDSP Associate Director Phillip Johnson said.

Burglary is a crime that plagues the Notre Dame community more and more each year: 49 reported being burgled in 2003, 62 in 2004 and 87 in 2005. Non-forcible burglaries continually make

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| NDSP ANNUAL CRIME REPORT | | | |
|--------------------------|------|------|------|
| | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 |
| FORCIBLE BURGLARY: | 3 | 7 | 7 |
| NON-FORCIBLE BURGLARY: | 46 | 55 | 80 |
| LARCENY: | 443 | 459 | 365 |
| LIQUOR LAW VIOLATION: | 105 | 183 | 280 |

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Scholar's visa again denied

After year of waiting, U.S. bans former ND hire Tariq Ramadan

By MADDIE HANNA
News Writer

Prominent Muslim scholar Tariq Ramadan, hired by Notre Dame in 2004 but unable to teach after his visa was revoked a few months later,



Ramadan

has once again been banned from entering the country.

Ramadan had been "providing material support to a terrorist organization," said Laura Tischler, spokesperson for the U.S. Bureau of Consular Affairs.

Tischler would not describe the support or organization in question, simply citing Section 212 (a)(3)(B) of the Immigration and Nationality Act, a law that included tighter immigration restrictions under the post-Sept. 11 USA Patriot Act.

However, Ramadan — who was offered a tenured position by the Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies in spring 2004 as an Islamic studies professor — explained the contents of the letter he received from the State Department on Sept. 21 through a piece that appeared

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STUDENT SENATE

Fair Trade coffee resolution passed



JESSICA LEE/The Observer

Senate member Sheena Plamoottil discusses the Fair Trade coffee resolution at the Student Senate meeting Wednesday.

By MARY KATE MALONE
News Editor

Backing a renewed interest in the plight of marginalized workers, the Student Senate passed a resolution Wednesday recommending Notre Dame Food Services serve only Fair Trade coffee in all of its non-franchised operations.

Currently, Fair Trade coffee is only available at select locations on campus.

Social Concerns committee chair Sheena Plamoottil presented the resolution with Gary Nijak and Chris Morrissey of Amnesty International, a Notre Dame human rights group that has made Fair Trade coffee its top priority this year.

If the resolution is pursued by

Food Services — and there's no guarantee that it will be — students could face a one or two cent increase in the price they pay for coffee, according to information from Indianapolis-based Better Beans for Life. The potential price increase at Notre Dame is hard to predict, Nijak said, since the University has not disclosed how much it currently pays for coffee.

The resolution, which passed 22-2, also calls for Food Services to make "education material" available wherever coffee is served to help students "understand the value of purchasing Fair Trade products."

"Our goal is not just to have all students drinking Fair Trade on campus," Plamoottil said.

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Author addresses animal rights

National vegetarian advocate urges students to take action

By STEVE KERINS
News Writer

Notre Dame students aware of animal cruelty issues associated with factory farms and slaughterhouses have adopted a meat-free diet — and a national vegetarian advocate heightened that resolve Wednesday.

Arthur Poletti, author of "God Does Not Eat Meat," urged concerned students to take advantage of opportunities to educate the public if they wish to change people's minds.

Poletti — whose lecture was

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PHIL HUDELSON/The Observer

Vegetarians Elaine Zarzana, left, Joe Murphy and Danielle Nunez eat a meatless dinner in South Dining Hall Wednesday.

Students to discuss Facebook with BOT

By KATHLEEN McDONNELL
News Writer

As checking Facebook.com has evolved into a daily ritual for college students everywhere, Notre Dame's student government leaders will discuss the growth of technology and virtual interaction at today's University Board of Trustees meetings.

The group's presentation, "Technology and Social Networking," will focus mainly on Facebook.com — the popular social networking site that the Board has expressed interest in better understanding, student body president Lizzi

Shappell said.

Students traditionally present to the Student Affairs committee during each of the Board of Trustees' three annual meetings. The fall presentation, Shappell said, is designed to involve more of the student body than just the top three leaders — herself, student body vice president Bill Andrichik and chief executive officer Liz Brown.

To complete the meeting's student panel, freshman Kate McClelland, sophomore Glenn Water and senior Sheldon Dutes will sit alongside Shappell, Andrichik and Brown

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INSIDE COLUMN

Solo cups, parades and dryer fires

When I signed the lease for my house on St. Pete's Street, I wasn't aware of what I was getting myself into. I knew that I was somewhat obligated to host PigTostal in my backyard, walk to Corby's on Tuesday nights and make friends with the occasional townies in the neighborhood. What I was not aware of was all of the insanity that comes with life as an off-campus senior.

Rosemary Walsh

Ad Design

In the first seven weeks of living off-campus, I feel as though I could write a book on the happenings that I have encountered. But instead, I am going to give you the sure-tell signs that let you know you are an off-campus senior. You know you are an off-campus senior when you have Solo cups in your front yard on a regular basis. You know you are an off-campus senior when you wake up to firefighters outside your house extinguishing your neighbors clothes dryer fire. You know you are an off-campus senior when your car gets broken into. You know you are an off-campus senior when you are on a first name basis with the local cops. You know you are an off-campus senior when you wake up to a man digging through your garbage and later see him riding off on his bike with a bag full of your trash. You know you are an off-campus senior when you are on a first name basis with the employees at the Family Dollar and invite them to your parties. No, he did not come. You know you are an off-campus senior when you start tailgating on non-football weekends. You know you are an off-campus senior when you form a parade with your neighbors and walk to the stadium for the game.

You know you are an off-campus senior when several months after your 21st and three official forms of identification later you are denied admittance into the fine establishment that is Finnegan's. You know you are an off-campus senior when you have the South Bend Police Department on speed dial. For non-emergencies, please call 574-235-9201. Ask for Wanda. You know you're an off-campus senior when you notice you are losing weight because there is not a frozen yogurt machine at your dispense. You know you are an off-campus senior when an intoxicated neighbor shatters his front door window in order to use the restroom. Don't worry; they patched the missing window with a Lindsay Lohan poster. And last but not least, you know you are an off-campus senior when your life is everything you thought it would never be, but you love every minute of it anyway.

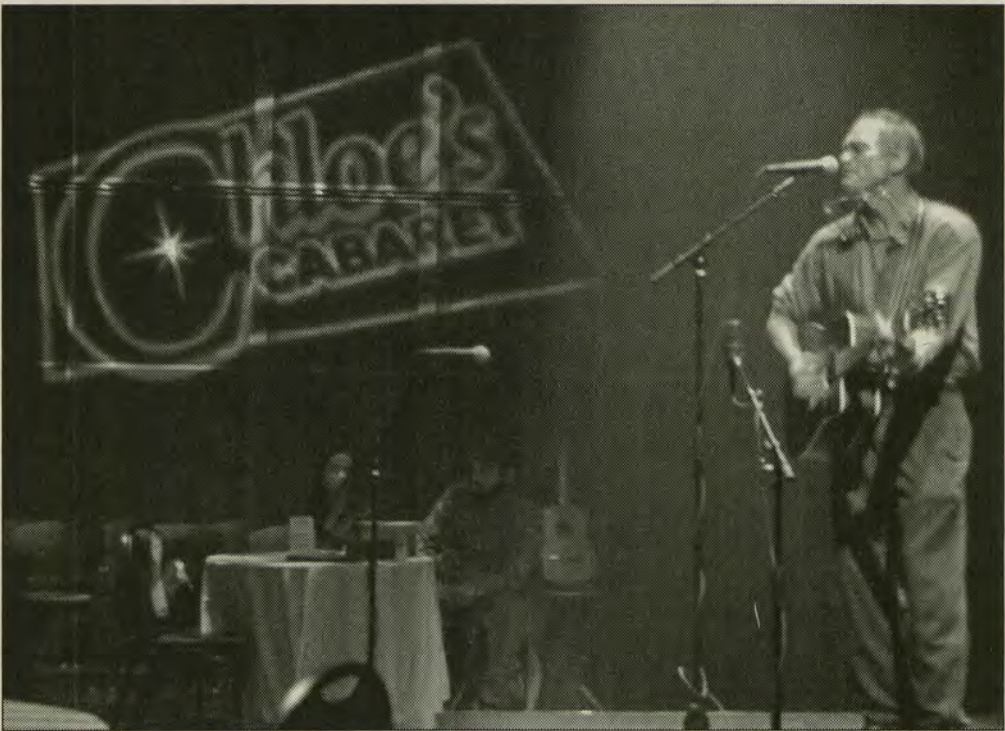
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CORRECTIONS

Due to a reporting error in the Oct. 4 story "OIT power interruption disrupts services," Gordon Wishon was incorrectly identified as the Assistant Vice President of the Office of Information Technologies. He is, in fact, the Associate Provost for the Office of Information Technologies.

QUESTION OF THE DAY: WHAT IS THE MOST COMMON TERM YOU SEARCH ON "GOOGLE"?

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| Adrienne Paulson | Kelli Ripp | Marissa Collard | Mary Gross | Sean Grammel | Tony Salpino |
| freshman LeMans | freshman Holy Cross | freshman PW | freshman Holy Cross | freshman Stanford | junior Keough |
| "Everclear, because they are such a great band!" | "Flamingos, because they are what they eat!" | "Fall, because of the leaves and football season." | "Quantum physics, because I'm an English major." | "Kelli Ripp, because she is crazy." | "My name, so I can keep track of all my recent accomplishments." |



Donald Savoie, a member of "Chloe's Cabaret", sings in the Philbin Studio Theater at the DeBartolo Center for Performing Arts Wednesday night. The group performs a combination of poetry and music.

IN BRIEF

- "How the Law of War is Pro-Life" lecture will take place today at noon in Room 120 of the Notre Dame Law School.
- The groundbreaking for the new academic building at Saint Mary's will take place today at 4:30 p.m. at the corner of Brother Andre Drive and Madeleva Drive.
- "The Feminization of Poverty" lecture will take place tonight at 7 in 101 DeBartolo Hall.
- AcoustiCafe will be tonight from 10 to midnight in the basement of LaFortune.
- Lewis Hall will host a blood drive from 10:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. today in the party room of Lewis. The blood will support the South Bend Medical Foundation Central Blood Bank.
- The "New Directions in the Comparative Study of Genocide" lecture will take place today at 4:15 p.m. in C-103 Hesburgh Center.
- Ballroom Dance Club will meet tonight from 7 to 8 and every Thursday in Rockne room 205. Cost is \$4 per night or \$35 for an entire semester.

Diana Williams of Harvard University will speak at the "Marriage of Conscience" seminar today at 4:15 p.m. in 1140 Flanner Hall.

Notre Dame volleyball will take on Marquette at 4 p.m. Friday in the Joyce Center arena.







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

OFFBEAT

Controversial tree gets police protection
JAKARTA, Indonesia — Indonesian police have slapped a cordon around a huge landmark banyan tree in the capital after members of a Muslim youth group attacked it to prove it had no special mystical powers. The governor of Jakarta filed a complaint with police after youths hacked and damaged the 100-year-old banyan, on a traffic island in the capital, in a bid to dispel rumors the tree harbored special powers. "The city government tried hard not to cut the tree when we built a new bus lane. It is

more than 100 years old and it is important for the environment," said Susie Marsitawati of Jakarta's park agency. **Counselor claims to have set new pi record**
TOKYO, Japan — A Japanese mental health counselor recited pi to 100,000 decimal places from memory on Wednesday, setting what he claims to be a new world record. Akira Haraguchi, 60, needed more than 16 hours to recite the number to 100,000 decimal places, breaking his personal best of 83,431 digits set in 1995, his office said

Wednesday. He made the attempt at a public hall in Kisarazu, Japan, just east of Tokyo. Pi is a physical constant defined as the ratio of a circle's circumference to its diameter. It is usually written in math textbooks to a maximum of three decimal places as 3.141. But there is no theoretical limit to the number of decimal places it holds. The number, which has fascinated scientists for centuries, appears in the proofs of many equations defining the universe. Information compiled from the Associated Press.

| LOCAL WEATHER | TODAY | TONIGHT | FRIDAY | SATURDAY | SUNDAY | MONDAY |
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| | HIGH 63 LOW 43 | HIGH 50 LOW 43 | HIGH 68 LOW 45 | HIGH 74 LOW 54 | HIGH 74 LOW 52 | HIGH 66 LOW 46 |

Kellogg Institute funds internship grants

Students gain hands-on experience in international business, politics and healthcare through summer programs

By EVA BINDA
News Writer

Some students choose to relax on the beach over the summer, while others travel to distant locales for fun. Students participating in the Kellogg Institute for International Studies Summer Internships, however, spend their free months traveling both domestically and internationally to gain hands-on experience in businesses, government agencies, hospitals, policy institutes and other organizations. These students come from all different backgrounds and majors, but share an interest in gaining the skills to make a difference in a globalized world.

Junior Dmitri Martinez said he plans on applying for a Kellogg internship for the "opportunity to work as an undergraduate in an international setting". Although not a Latin American studies major — for whom most of the internship is tailored — Martinez expressed a strong

interest in Latin America.

Internship locations are as far as away as Peru, Uganda and Argentina and as near as Washington, D.C. and Minneapolis. The internships also vary in tasks from researching the reintegration of child soldiers in Ghana to working in hospitals in the Dominican Republic to exploring the

U.S. export market in Argentina.

This wide spectrum allows students of all different majors to find something that sparks their interest, according to Holly Rivers, academic coordinator at the Kellogg

Institute. Although most students come from the College of Arts and Letters, she said, there are opportunities for students interested in business, medicine and science. In the past, there have been opportunities for Architecture students, though there are none this year.

Students work for eight weeks and receive funding to cover transportation and living expenses, Rivers said.

She said the funding, which comes primarily from the Kellogg Institute itself, allows students to participate who would not be able to otherwise because they need to earn money over the summer. Oftentimes the funding is enough for students to have some money left over at the end of their internship.

"It's more than enough to cover everything you could dream of using in Buenos

Aires," said senior Dan McLaughlin, who participated in a Kellogg internship at the Foreign Commercial Service in Argentina.

The number of students who participate in the program varies year to year, with about 30 participating last year, Rivers said.

Rivers said the internships are intended to provide students with a chance for cultural immersion and improving their foreign language skills while working with natives of their assigned

countries. Many of the internships — especially those abroad — require knowledge of Spanish or Portuguese. The degree of proficiency needed varies with the internship.

Senior Jack Calcutt, who interned in Uganda, said Africa is a good choice for those who cannot fulfill a language requirement.

During the period of the internship, students typically live with host families in their respective countries.

"You can't get a better cultural experience than living with a family," said senior Nicole Steele, who also worked in Uganda.

Although freshmen and sophomores can apply for the program, priority is given to juniors, Rivers said. She encouraged younger students to consider the Experiencing Latin America (ELA) Fellowships, which are open only to freshmen and sophomores and are less competitive than the

summer internships.

The ELA Fellowships allow students to create their own projects or find internships, which the Institute will then provide up to \$4,000 for them to pursue. According to the Kellogg Institute Web site, these projects may include research, nonprofit work, study or other activities that will increase their commitment to and knowledge of the region.

Currently, these fellowships are only available to students enrolled in the Latin American studies program. Rivers said although there is talk of expanding the program to African and Asian studies students, currently there is no funding.

The application deadline for Kellogg summer internships is Nov. 10 and the deadline for ELA Fellowships is March 2.

Rivers, as well as former interns, encouraged interested students to apply for what would be a life-changing experience.

"My internship taught me to dream. I met highly motivated students from all over and built relationships in Peru with people who are amazing," said senior Annie Brusky. "It changed me."

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to serve as additional voices of the student body.

While last year, Shappell and then-student body president Dave Baron presented their fall Board of Trustees presentation as a report — the topic being the relationship between the Notre Dame and South Bend communities — this year's presentation takes the form of a 10-minute introduction by Kathy Brannack, assistant director of the Office of Residence Life and Housing, followed by a question and answer session within the student panel.

The Board committee chair and the vice president for Student Affairs choose the topic and dictate the format for the fall meeting, Shappell said.

"Bill and I discussed options with [Vice President for Student Affairs] Father [Mark] Poorman to make sure aspects each group wanted to discuss were included," Shappell said.

"I think [the Board's] interest is because social networking has taken off," Shappell said. "Between MySpace and Facebook, social networking is a new way people are connecting, including many Notre Dame students and alums."

Some aspects to be covered include a general education on the site's format and capabilities, a discussion about increas-

ing student usage of the sites and whether or not Facebook is just a fad or a staple of modern socialization, Shappell said.

The Board is interested in both the positive social benefits of the site — such as the increased visibility for clubs on campus and the potential for alumni to stay in touch — and the potentially harmful drawbacks, such as future employers' investigation of an applicant's Facebook profile, Shappell said.

Additional topics to be discussed include the average student usage and the response to the newly introduced "mini feed" feature, Shappell said.

This development — added to the site on Sept. 5 — detects a user's profile changes and

"feeds" it to all of a user's friends. Along with the expansion of Facebook into high schools and the general public, the new feature has brought the social networking site to an even greater level of connectedness.

"Now a student can create a group and a new person can join every few seconds. Within a day thousands of people have joined," Shappell said.

The vast possibilities these features have created will be an integral part of today's discussion, she said.

"It should be an interesting conversation, to see the different reaction from young Board members who may use Facebook themselves compared to older alumni who may have

never seen it," Shappell said.

As for her administration, Shappell looks to gain perspective through discussion of important issues with Notre Dame's major decision makers.

"I think any time we talk with the Board it's a productive one because we have a conversation about the state of student life at Notre Dame and get reflections from them on the topics we are discussing," Shappell said. "It's interesting to hear their perspectives both as some of the major decision makers of our University and also as alumni who reflect on their time here versus our times."

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Drive aids regional hospitals

By DANA GUSKY
News Writer

Members of the Notre Dame community may save hundreds of lives today simply through the donation of their blood.

The Lewis Blood Drive will take place in the hall's basement from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. today, and all the blood will be donated to the South Bend Medical Foundation.

"All of the blood stays local which is really exciting," said event organizer Leah Miller.

Miller is organizing the event with fellow Lewis Hall service coordinators sophomore Alice Shepherd and sophomore Alice Griesemer.

Just one pint of blood can save three to four people's lives, and the drive has already filled all available appointments with donors.

The coordinators gave Lewis residents the priority donor spots and then began a campus-wide search for donors, Miller said.

Miller said this is her 10th time donating blood. One of her main reasons for starting the drive is to make more people comfortable donating.

"I want people to get over their fear," Miller said, emphasizing that it only takes about 10 minutes of discomfort to save several lives.

Lewis rector Linda Cirillo said she sees the blood drive as another way to fulfill the message of Christ.

"It is one way of giving ourselves to our brothers and sisters," Cirillo said.

Although all appointments are filled, the blood drive accepts walk-ins and the coordinators hope more people donate than just those who signed up, Miller said.

The best time to come in without an appointment is before and after lunchtime, Miller said.

If someone cannot come during the regular drive hours, Miller said students could come after the drive's official hours because the nurses will probably be there until 6 p.m.

The drive particularly wants donors with type O negative blood because it is the universal blood type that can be transfused to virtually anyone, Miller said.

If someone is a bit too squeamish to donate, T-shirts will also be sold at the blood drive to benefit the New Orleans service project that sends students to New Orleans to help with Hurricane Katrina relief over fall break.

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Iran persists in enriching uranium

HASHTGERD, Iran — President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad warned Wednesday that sanctions will not stop Iran from enriching uranium after a European negotiator conceded “endless hours” of talks had made little progress and suggested the dispute could wind up at the U.N. soon.

The talks had been seen as a last-ditch attempt to avoid a full-blown confrontation between Iran and the U.N. Security Council after Tehran ignored an Aug. 31 deadline to suspend enrichment — a key step toward making nuclear weapons — or face punishment.

The latest comments — and the view of senior U.N. diplomats who told The Associated Press on Tuesday that nearly two years of intermittent negotiations had failed — suggested an emerging consensus that the time has finally come to consider Security Council sanctions.

Militants' email says they killed 9

PORT HARCOURT, Nigeria — Security forces battled militants in Nigeria's oil-rich southern delta Wednesday after attacks on a convoy and a pumping station, officials said, the latest in a rash of kidnappings and other violence that has damaged the country's important petroleum industry.

A major militant group said in an e-mail they killed nine soldiers and captured two government gunboats at the pumping station belonging to a Royal Dutch Shell PLC subsidiary about 25 miles west of Port Harcourt. The army gave no casualty figures and it was not possible to confirm the militants' claim.

The group, known as MEND, said it acted defensively after being attacked by army gunboats and a helicopter gunship.

NATIONAL NEWS

U.S. passes North Korea warning

WASHINGTON — The United States passed a warning to North Korea not to conduct a nuclear test, the chief U.S. envoy to stalled disarmament talks with the communist country said Wednesday. “We are not going to live with a nuclear North Korea,” he said.

Assistant Secretary of State Christopher Hill told reporters that the U.S. has sent Pyongyang a message of “deep concern” through diplomatic channels at the United Nations in New York. He said North Korea has yet to respond.

Hill did not elaborate on the message, except to say the North Koreans had received it.

Two marines enter not guilty pleas

CAMP PENDLETON, Calif. — Two Marines accused of kidnapping and murdering a civilian man in rural Iraq entered not guilty pleas in a military court Wednesday, and a judge barred lawyers from discussing the case with the media.

Pfc. John J. Jodka III and Cpl. Marshall L. Magincalda are among seven Marines and one Navy corpsman charged with kidnapping and murdering 52-year-old Hashim Ibrahim Awad last April. Both face up to life in prison if convicted.

Jodka, 20, and Magincalda, 23, appeared in short-sleeved khaki uniforms decorated with medal ribbons, and both said little. They are accused of kidnapping, murder and other charges.

LOCAL NEWS

Teacher charged: sexual misconduct

SCOTTSBURG — A high school teacher engaged in sexual misconduct with a girl who attended a church where he was a youth minister, state police said Wednesday.

John A. Watts, 27, is a teacher at Southwestern High School in Hanover and was a volunteer coach of the girl's track team at Scott County's Austin High School, where the girl was a student.

The girl was 14 and 15 years old when the encounters occurred between 2002 and 2004 in various locations in Scott County, police said.

Scandal rocks Hastert's support

Aide says he notified senior staff three years ago of former Rep. Mark Foley's conduct

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — House Speaker Dennis Hastert's political support showed signs of cracking on Wednesday as Republicans fled an election-year scandal spawned by steamy computer messages from former Rep. Mark Foley to teenage male pages.

At the same time, a congressional aide said in an Associated Press interview he first warned Hastert's aides more than three years ago that Foley's behavior toward pages was troublesome. That was long before GOP leaders acknowledged learning of the problem.

The aide, Kirk Fordham, said he had “more than one conversation with senior staff at the highest level of the House of Representatives asking them to intervene” several years ago.

The claim drew a swift, unequivocal denial from Hastert's chief of staff. “What Kirk Fordham said did not happen,” Scott Palmer said through a spokesman.

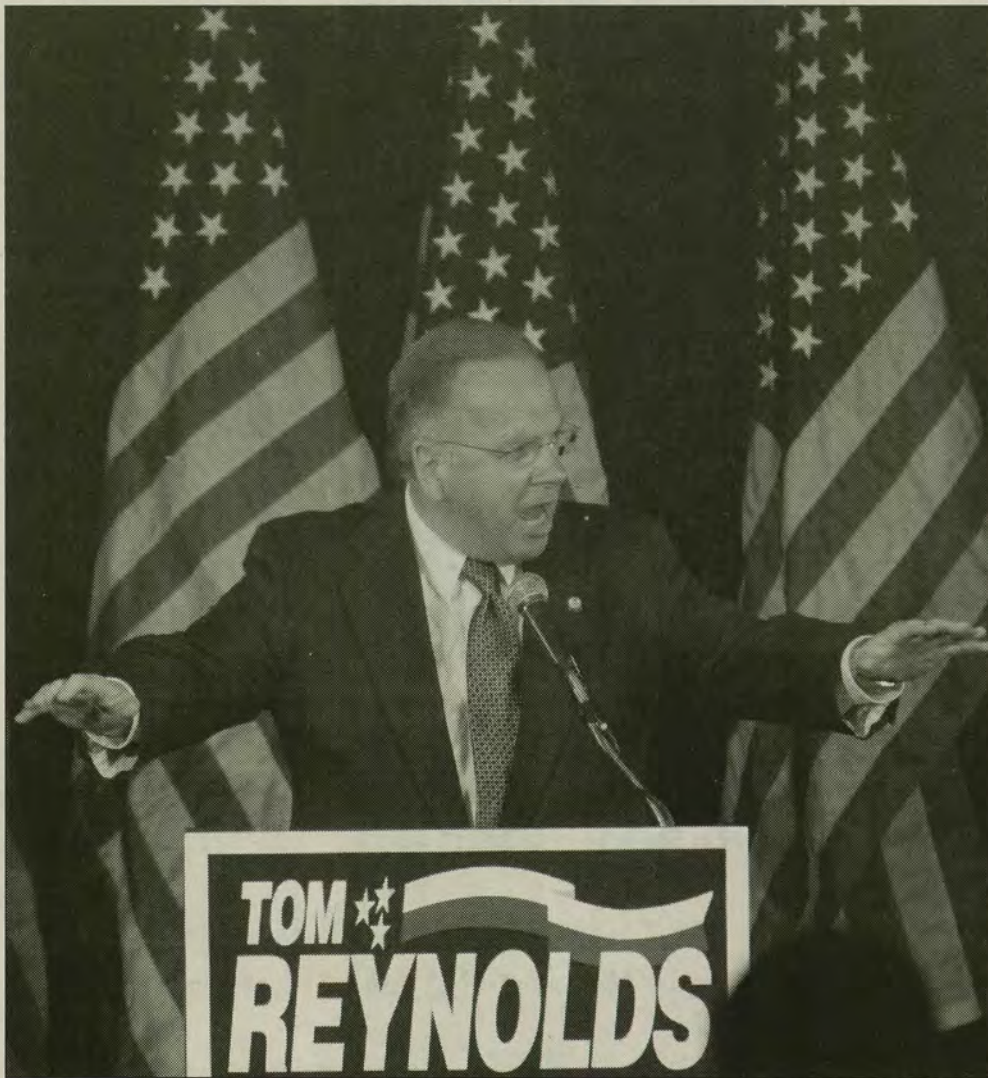
Hastert's political difficulties were evident half a continent away.

Rep. Roy Blunt of Missouri, third-ranking leader, pointedly told reporters he would have handled the matter differently than the speaker, had he known of it.

“I think I could have given some good advice here, which is, You have to be curious, you have to ask all the questions you can think of,” said Blunt, a member of the leadership. “You absolutely can't decide not to look into activities because one individual's parents don't want you to.”

Republican Rep. Ron Lewis of Kentucky, in a tougher-than-expected reelection race, abruptly canceled an invitation for Hastert to join him at a fundraiser next week.

“I'm taking the speaker's words at face value,” Lewis told the AP. “I have



Rep. Tom Reynolds, speaks in Amherst, N.Y. on Wednesday. Reynolds' top aide, Kirk Fordham, said he alerted the House Speaker's office of a recent sex scandal.

no reason to doubt him. But until this is cleared up, I want to know the facts. If anyone in our leadership has done anything wrong, then I will be the first in line to condemn it.”

Ron Bonjean, Hastert's spokesman, said the entire issue had been referred to the House ethics committee. “We fully expect that the bipartisan panel will do what it needs to do to investigate this matter and protect the integrity of the House,” he added.

House Democratic leader Nancy Pelosi went one step further, saying in a statement that Hastert and the rest of the GOP leadership should be “immediately questioned under oath....”

“The children, their parents, the public, and our colleagues deserve

answers and those who covered up Mark Foley's behavior must be held accountable,” she said.

Foley, 52, a Florida Republican, resigned last Friday after he was confronted with sexually explicit electronic messages he had sent teenage male pages. He has since entered an alcohol rehabilitation facility at an undisclosed location. Through his lawyer, he has said he is gay but denied any sexual contact with minors.

His abrupt departure left behind an Internet-age sex scandal that has shaken Republican confidence — and poll numbers — little more than a month before elections at which their control of the House will be tested.

It also plunged Hastert

and others into an intensive effort to grapple with conflicting claims about what senior lawmakers knew, when they learned it and what they did about it.

Fordham resigned Wednesday as chief of staff to Rep. Thomas Reynolds, R-N.Y., the House GOP campaign chief who says he alerted Hastert to concerns about Foley last spring.

The longtime Capitol Hill aide said that more than three years ago, he repeatedly asked GOP staffers to intervene with Foley. He declined to identify them, but officials said Palmer, Hastert's chief of staff, was one of them. The officials spoke on condition of anonymity because they were not authorized to discuss it.

IRAQ

Police unit tied to death squads

Associated Press

BAGHDAD — Iraqi authorities pulled a brigade of about 700 policemen out of service Wednesday in its biggest move ever to uproot troops linked to death squads, aiming to signal the government's seriousness in cleansing Baghdad of sectarian violence.

The government move came amid steadily mounting violence, particularly in the capital. A U.S. military spokesman said the past week had seen the highest number of car bombs

and roadside bombs in Baghdad this year.

Four U.S. soldiers patrolling in Baghdad were killed by gunmen on Wednesday, the U.S. military said, also announcing the deaths of two other soldiers a day earlier in Baghdad and the northern city of Kirkuk. The deaths brought to 21 the number of Americans killed in combat since Saturday.

The suspension of the police brigade was the first time the Iraqi government has taken such dramatic action to discipline security forces over possible links

to militiamen, though some individual soldiers have been investigated in the past. Baghdad's Sunnis widely fear the Shiite-led police, saying they are infiltrated by militias and accusing them of cooperating with death squads who snatch Sunnis and kill them.

The brigade was responsible for a region of northeast Baghdad with a slight Shiite majority, where gunmen on Sunday kidnapped 24 workers from a frozen food factory. Hours later, the bodies of seven of the workers were found dumped in a district miles away.

Ramadan

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in the Oct. 1 edition of The

Washington Post.

The only reason the government gave for the denial, he said, was a \$940 donation he made to "two humanitarian organizations (a French group and a Swiss group) serving the

Palestinian people" — a donation he said he freely acknowledged when he applied for the visa.

"In its letter, the U.S. Embassy claims that I 'reasonably should have known' that

the charities in question provided money to Hamas," Ramadan said. "But my donations were made between December 1998 and July 2002, and the United States did not blacklist the charities until 2003. How should I reasonably have known of their activities before the U.S. government itself knew?"

The donation, he said, was made for the same reason that "countless" Europeans and Americans donate to Palestinian causes — "not to help fund terrorism, but because I wanted to provide humanitarian aid to people who desperately need it."

When Ramadan's visa was revoked in summer 2004 for reasons not revealed by the U.S. government, the University helped him reapply in October 2004.

But he never received a response and reapplied for a temporary business and tourism visa on Sept. 15, 2005.

The most recent decision, issued by a U.S. consular officer on Sept. 19, came more than a year after that reapplication.

The University is not currently pursuing Ramadan as a professor, so it is not involved now in his attempts to get a visa, Associate Vice President for News and Information Don Wycliff said Wednesday.

"At a minimum, we were gratified that the government [decided to] give a reason — whether or not it's a reason we can expect or like, I don't know," Wycliff said.

He called the government's refusal to explain why Ramadan's visa was revoked in 2004 "absurd" — a situation the University grappled with for months after.

R. Scott Appleby, director of the Kroc Institute, said he was "dismayed" by the govern-

ment's "flimsy pretense" for denying Ramadan's application.

"I am embarrassed that the Bush administration abrogates cherished principles such as free speech in a clumsy and ill-considered attempt to control access to a range of ideas and opinions bearing on the formulation of U.S. foreign and domestic policy," Appleby said in an e-mail to The Observer.

Ramadan, who is a native of Egypt currently teaching in London, said he is "increasingly convinced" the reason for his visa problems is because the Bush administration "doesn't care for my political

views" — views that include pointed criticism of the U.S. policy in the Middle East and the war in Iraq.

"What words do I utter and what views do I hold that are dangerous to American ears, so dangerous, in fact, that I should not be allowed to express them on U.S. soil?" he said.

Although both Wycliff and Appleby said the University is in the middle of a search for Ramadan's successor as Luce professor of religion, conflict and peace-building, Appleby said there is "more than one way Professor Ramadan might participate in the academic life of Notre Dame."

And potentially controversial views like Ramadan's, Wycliff said, are not something the University avoids.

"If there's someone out there who's a first rate scholar, I know Notre Dame will be interested in that person, whether or not he or she is labeled controversial by someone else," he said.

The Observer was unable to reach Ramadan Thursday.

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Apple apologizes for stock practices

SAN JOSE, Calif. — Apple Computer Inc. CEO Steve Jobs apologized Wednesday for the company's past stock-option practices after an internal investigation found accounting irregularities between 1997 and 2002 and showed Jobs was aware of some options backdating.

The iPod and Macintosh maker said its three-month investigation also prompted the resignation of former Chief Financial Officer Fred Anderson from the company's board of directors.

The company said Jobs knew that some grants had been given favorable dates "in a few instances," but he did not benefit from them and was not aware of the accounting implications.

"I apologize to Apple's shareholders and employees for these problems, which happened on my watch," Jobs said in a statement. "We will now work to resolve the remaining issues as quickly as possible and to put the proper remedial measures in place to ensure that this never happens again."

Factory orders reflect slow economy

WASHINGTON — In further signs of a sluggish economy, orders to factories for manufactured goods were weak for a second consecutive month and service sector activity had its worst performance in more than three years.

New orders for manufactured goods stayed basically the same in August at \$403.6 billion, on the heels of 1 percent plunge in demand in July, the Commerce Department reported Wednesday. The August report showed big declines in demand for computers and commercial aircraft.

Also, a gauge of activity in the service sector, where most people work, fell sharply in September to 52.9, down from 57.0 a month before, according to the Institute for Supply Management. It was the poorest from the showing since April 2003 and was far below expectations.

Both reports supported the view that the economy is continuing to slow under the impact of weaker consumer spending and a cooling housing market.

GM decides against affiliation

Automaker announces discarded Renault, Nissan global alliance scheme

Associated Press

DETROIT — After nearly three months of talks, General Motors Corp. announced Wednesday that it had discarded a scheme to forge a broad, global alliance with Renault and Nissan after the other two automakers declined to pay a premium for reaping what GM said would have been a disproportionate share of the benefits.

GM said France's Renault SA and Japan's Nissan Motor Co., which are already linked in an alliance, refused to pay a premium to GM for that imbalance. Renault-Nissan also wanted to acquire a significant stake in GM — an idea GM was not enthusiastic about, particularly without payment of some kind of premium. Finally, the structure that Renault-Nissan advocated would have kept GM from forming joint ventures with other companies, the U.S. company said.

Renault-Nissan said compensation would go against "the spirit of any successful alliance."

The companies have not given details about the size of the premium or the stake under discussion.

The idea to join the alliance was backed by billionaire investor Kirk Kerkorian, who owns a 9.9 percent stake in GM. It fueled speculation that Kerkorian was dissatisfied with Chairman and Chief Executive Rick Wagoner and hoped to replace him with Renault-Nissan CEO Carlos Ghosn, who is widely admired for leading a turnaround at the Japanese company. Wall Street responded positively to the idea of a linkup, but many industry observers said a complicated alliance could distract GM from its own turnaround efforts.

GM shares fell 9 cents Wednesday to close at \$33.32 on the New York Stock Exchange.

The world's largest automaker lost more than \$10.6 billion last year and



General Motors Corp. Chairman Rick Wagoner speaks during a news conference in Detroit Wednesday. GM has decided against automotive alliances.

has been steadily losing market share to Asian rivals. But last quarter, if not for restructuring charges, the company would have logged a hefty profit — proof, management says, that the turnaround is working.

Wagoner said the board was concerned the alliance would weigh on the automaker's turnaround efforts.

"We felt that the complexities of working with three companies could slow us down," he said.

The announcement came ahead of an Oct. 15 deadline that the two sides had set for evaluating the proposal and a week after Wagoner and Renault-Nissan CEO Carlos Ghosn met face to face in Paris.

After the meeting, GM officials expressed some skepticism about the proposed alliance. Kerkorian then turned up the heat by announcing he might increase his stake in the company and calling for an evaluation of the alliance idea by independent advisers.

Kerkorian's Tracinda Corp. said Wednesday that it was disappointed.

"We believe that General Motors' participation in a global alliance with Renault and Nissan would have enabled GM to realize substantial synergies and cost savings," Tracinda spokeswoman Carrie Bloom said in a statement. "We regret that the board did not obtain its own independent evaluation

of the alliance."

But Wagoner stressed that the board voted unanimously to end the talks. Tracinda is represented on the board by Jerome York.

Wagoner also said the board sought outside financial advice on the proposal, but he declined to say whether he believed that satisfied Kerkorian's demand for an independent analysis.

In their joint statement, the three companies said they all agreed that there were would be "significant aggregate synergies."

"However the parties did not agree on either the total amount of aggregate synergies or the distribution of those benefits," the statement said.

GAO: Bush to blame for logging cost

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — A government study blamed the Bush administration, not lawsuits by environmentalists, for adding to the cost of a logging project in which the government spent \$11 million to salvage less than \$9 million in timber from a wildfire.

The Government Accountability Office, the investigative arm of Congress, said the administration's decision to dramatically increase logging, coupled with the size of the fire and the complexity of environmental laws, led to delays.

The so-called "Biscuit fire" burned almost 500,000 acres in Oregon and

California in 2002, making it largest wildfire in the lower 48 states since 1997.

The study says the Forest Service and other agencies have spent \$5 million

The Bush administration and its Republican allies contended that lawsuits filed by environmentalists led to the increased costs.

Agriculture Undersecretary Mark Rey, who directs U.S. forest policy, said the report released Wednesday demonstrated the need for a new law sponsored by Rep. Greg Walden, R-Ore., to speed up logging of burned forests and tree planting after storms and wildfires.

"The pattern of litigation-related

delays associated with this project bears poignant witness to the need for congressional action on Greg Walden's post-catastrophic restoration bill, as the president called for in Los Angeles," Rey said.

The bill would order that federal forests hit by disasters larger than 1,000 acres be restored within months, rather than years, before insects and rot set in, diminishing the commercial value of fire-killed timber.

President Bush urged Congress to pass the bill during a visit Tuesday to Southern California, where a giant wildfire about 50 miles northwest of Los Angeles was extinguished after nearly a month.

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up the overwhelming majority of those crimes: 80 of the 87 burglaries in 2005 were non-forcible — a statistic Johnson said would be easy to change.

"These are people that are preying on students' vulnerabilities," he said. "One of the things we can do is protect our property and prevent those non-forcible burglaries by locking office doors and residence halls while we're away or while we're sleeping."

While non-forcible burglaries drive the number of burglaries up each year, the number of forcible burglaries remained at seven from 2004 to 2005.

"We're covering 1200 acres and over 100 buildings," Johnson said. "That doesn't mean [forcible burglaries] are acceptable at all, but it isn't a large number given the population and the geographic area that's served here."

The number of liquor law arrests has varied from year to year, but the number of liquor law violations reported to the Office of Residence Life and Housing (ORLH) has more than doubled since 2003, with 290 students referred to ORLH in 2005.

Whether a student is arrested or referred to ORLH "depends on the circumstances," Johnson said.

"For example, a person might be intoxicated and transported to the hospital. We'd likely do a referral. Or last weekend during the football weekend activities, we arrested a number of under-

age drinkers," he said. "Police exercise their best judgment based on the situation at hand."

Regardless of what the policeman chooses to do, Johnson thinks the numbers speak for NDSP's — and the University's — firm stance on alcohol abuse.

"These numbers of liquor arrests and referrals reaffirm our concern over the use of alcohol on campus and how it impacts the quality of life in our community," he said. "...We're very serious about addressing issues of alcohol abuse on our campus."

Larceny, however — meaning theft not involving unlawful entry, like stealing a bike in South Quad or a backpack in LaFortune, Johnson said — has fallen from 459 reported cases to 365 in 2004.

"In that sense, we had some improvement," Johnson said. "We got people to keep track of their property."

In response to the statistics — as well as more detailed daily crime figures — NDSP works to determine problem areas and how best to deploy its resources, Johnson said. The group has also established Safety Beat, a program that sends out a crime prevention message about every two weeks, Johnson said. That e-mail includes a map of the South Bend Police Department's crime data for off-campus students, he said.

"This is a partnership," Johnson said. "NDSP plays a role in maintaining campus safety but we truly rely on our community and how they choose to live."

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Activist

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sponsored by the student group ND for Animals — recounted the details of his own switch to a vegetarian diet. He also presented a sermon based on Biblical passages which could be interpreted to support vegetarianism, along with statistics on animal cruelty in factory farms provided by animal rights organizations.

"The reason I stopped eating meat isn't going to be the reason you stop eating meat," he said.

Poletti said 680,000 animals were killed in slaughterhouses each hour when he became a vegetarian in 1989, compared with more than one million per hour today.

"I thought the cruelty was beyond imagination," he said, in reference to the killing of animals for meat as "mass murder."

Poletti criticized aspects of American culture which promote cruelty to animals.

"There are more than 25 million hunters in this country," he said. "More than 3.3 million women hunt. These are people who enjoy killing animals."

He discussed his intentions to send mailings describing slaughterhouse conditions to each U.S. senator and urged everyone present to share responsibility for dissemination of information.

"Notre Dame is an extremely prestigious university," he said. "Use your power, use your position to save those

creatures that don't have that luxury."

Danielle Nunez, president of ND for Animals, spoke about the connection between fighting animal cruelty and adopting a vegetarian diet.

"Factory farms are cruel and irresponsible," she said. "We believe that adopting a vegetarian diet, or any step in that direction, is the best way to eliminate unnecessary suffering."

Nunez said Notre Dame has made progress in serving the needs of vegetarian students, but there is still room for improvement.

"Most of the time veggie burgers, tofu, soy milk, soy cheese and other traditional vegetarian foods like hummus are available in both dining halls," Nunez said. "While options like these provide adequate sources of protein and iron, Notre Dame could always improve upon its options to include cage-free eggs, more mock meats and vegan dessert items."

"I think that if vegetarian students get creative, they can eat in the dining halls, but the meals become really repetitive," senior Claire McArdle said. "With the recent talks of expanding the student center it would be nice if they could invite restaurants that offer vegetarians more than one choice."

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"I realize it's my choice to be a vegetarian, but I don't think it's asking too much for the school to provide more non-meat options for all of their students."

Senior Sarah Wheaton said while her experience eating on campus has "overall" been positive, "sometimes the small cafes like Waddick's or Decio have really limited or no hot vegetarian meal options."

As for whether improvement

is likely in the near future, Wheaton said there might not be enough student support to compel the University to take action.

"I don't know if there are enough vegetarians on campus to push the dining hall on this," she said.

ND for Animals plans to continue its tradition of raising campus awareness of animal cruelty in slaughterhouses and factory farms through its meetings, sponsored lectures and films, and activism campaigns.

"I hope we can help uncover the many myths people have about vegetarians and show that there are serious moral, ethical and practical reasons to be a vegetarian," Nunez said. "In the future, I would like to see our club, as well as other concerned people on campus, continue to raise the issue of how our daily food choices affect so much more than our own palates," she said.

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"We hope once students leave our Notre Dame bubble that they will take what they learned here ... and actively make the decision to buy Fair Trade coffee."

Fair Trade pricing ensures that farmers are paid \$1.26 per pound of coffee beans, which is enough to support a family, Morrissey said. Fair Trade coffee eliminates the middle men — like millers, exporters and importers — and allows farmers to sell their beans directly to the roaster.

The conventional model for coffee trade, however, only pays a farmer about 30 cents per pound of coffee beans — creating a "gross disparity" between what consumers pay for coffee and what the farmers receive for producing it.

Currently, the Huddlemart, Reckers and the Jordan Hall of Science serve Fair Trade coffee exclusively. The University has had Fair Trade coffee on its campus for more than five years, and in 2003 it was added to several campus venues like Waddick's in O'Shaughnessy Hall and the Café Commons in the Mendoza College of Business, among others.

But that's not good enough, Morrissey said.

"It gives the moral decision-making authority to individuals rather than to the University community collectively," he said.

Instead of being sold alongside conventional coffee, Morrissey believes Fair Trade brews should be the only coffee served on campus. And it should be in every location, not just select ones, he said.

But Fisher Senator Drew Clary feared the Fair Trade resolution did not accurately represent the interests of students, most of whom know very little about what Fair Trade coffee is, he said.

"My fear is, if this passes and [Food Services] takes us up on this, what's going to be our motivation for education? The goal will have already been achieved," Clary said.

Keenan Hall Senator Chris Beesley agreed with Clary.

"How can we represent the student body saying students want Fair Trade coffee when the vast majority doesn't know what Fair Trade coffee is?" he said.

But he still felt the resolution was appropriate, given Notre Dame's identity.

"I think this is in line with the Catholic vision of the University and I don't see where that would be much of a problem."

Now armed with the Senate's backing, Amnesty International members will be presenting information about Fair Trade coffee in each residence hall in an effort to educate students on the issue.

"We need to decide to do the right thing," Nijak said. "Even if it means a few extra cents per cup."

In other business:

◆ Community Relations committee chair Josh Pasquesi said he plans to meet with local landlord Mark Kramer to learn more about how Kramer has worked with the South Bend Police department regarding the disorderly house ordinance. Both Shappell and South Bend city officials have said adding landlords to the dialogue about the ordinance will naturally improve how it is implemented.

◆ The second of three student-alumni receptions will take place from 3 to 4:30 p.m. Friday in the Coleman-Morse Center. Refreshments will be served and the first 50 people will receive pep rally tickets.

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Amish mourn victims, encourage forgiveness

Associated Press

NICKEL MINES, Pa. — In just about any other community, a deadly school shooting would have brought demands from civic leaders for tighter gun laws and better security, and the victims' loved ones would have lashed out at the gunman's family or threatened to sue.

But that's not the Amish way.

As they struggle with the slayings of five of their children in a one-room schoolhouse, the Amish in this Lancaster County village are turning the other cheek, urging forgiveness of the killer and quietly accepting what comes their way as God's will.

"They know their children are going to heaven. They know their children are innocent ... and they know that they will join them in death," said Gertrude Huntington, a Michigan researcher and expert on chil-

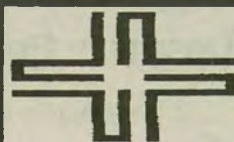
dren in Amish society.

"The hurt is very great," Huntington said. "But they don't balance the hurt with hate."

In the aftermath of Monday's violence, the Amish are looking inward, relying on themselves and their faith, just as they have for centuries. They hold themselves apart from the modern world, and have as little to do with civil authorities as possible.

Amish mourners have been going from home to home for two days to attend viewings for the five victims, all little girls laid out in white dresses made by their families. Such viewings occur almost immediately after the bodies arrive at the parents' homes.

Typically, they are so crowded, "if you start crying, you've got to figure out whose shoulder to cry on," said Rita Rhoads, a Mennonite midwife who delivered two of the five girls slain in the attack.



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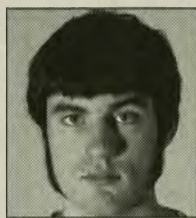
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When these powers combine ...

One of the best cartoons on television while I was growing up was Captain Planet. The show's premise is this: Gaia, spirit of the earth, is fed up with humanity's destruction of the planet. She gives five rings to five teenagers representing different areas of the world and turns them into the Planeteers. The rings give them elemental superpowers — earth, wind, fire, water and heart (because compassion matters too). When they combine the powers of their rings, they summon the superhero of the earth — Captain Planet.



James Dechant

Foregone Conclusion

Captain Planet had all the superpowers you could ask for: flight, shape-shifting, super strength, telekinesis and pretty much any ability the specific dilemma demanded. His only weakness was exposure to smog, radiation, toxic waste or any form of pollution. The evil villains Sly Sludge, Hoggish Greedly, Doctor Blight, Looten Plunder, Verminous Skumm and Duke Nukem all attempted to thwart the Planeteers' environmentally restorative goals.

I was hooked on this show. I mean, I even had the Captain Planet action figure that turned brown when you applied heat to it (you had to dunk him in water to heal him and restore his natural healthy colors of blue and red). The lessons of the show really hit home. I tried to turn off lights in rooms when I left, and I occasionally cut up the plastic six-pack binding so it would not strangle fish. This was serious stuff.

The show's message was beautiful: you can make a difference. Even as a kid, I think you realize that most cartoons are there just to occupy your

time and energy. But this was different. This was a cartoon that actually told you to go out and do something when you got done watching it. It was groundbreaking and it was genius. Above and beyond all that, it was the only cartoon I knew featuring a green-mulleter superhero in tights.

Then, somewhere along the way, something happened to me. I stopped watching, or the timeslot changed, or I got too old for cartoons. Suddenly, Captain Planet was no longer a part of my life. I graduated from the Planeteers — but the real tragedy was that nothing replaced it or carried on the environmental message as I grew older. Maturing meant losing my idealism and skipping straight to cynicism.

Part of this, I realize now, is the intense apathy directed toward the subject of environmentalism. We think the problem is too big, too distant and too broad to solve. The people we turn to when faced with trouble — the government — end up being one of the biggest obstacles to progress on the issue. And every time a politician tries to make a case for improving our environmental standards, the bigwigs and talking heads scream out 'interest group.' We look for a power play behind every eco-decision. Case in point: Al Gore.

Everyone knows about "An Inconvenient Truth," and almost no one can hear about it without wondering if Gore has plans for holding office in the future. I realize that his movie is going to be politicized under the most intense scrutiny. There is nothing wrong with that. The man ran for President, so he can expect the general public to see bureaucratic aspirations precipitating his every move.

It is also acceptable to disagree with global warming based on the facts. There is a lot of information out there on the subject, and if you take the time to examine the data seriously and still

conclude that the whole concept of global warming is bogus, you are entitled to such an opinion. But what no one is entitled to is using the "political motivation" argument as an excuse for inaction. What have we got to lose by working toward cleaner energy, fuel-efficient transportation and eco-friendly housing? You can complain about Al Gore and crazy wilderness people all you like, but in the end, such statements serve only as an excuse for laziness. Hating Al Gore is no defense for owning two SUVs.

That was the beauty of Captain Planet. It was not just about some superhero saving us. There were normal kids (with magical rings, true) that saw problems and took the initiative to solve them. People disdain lectures about responsibility, but that is precisely what we are burdened with — a responsibility to protect our planet.

At the end of every show, Captain Planet bid the audience farewell by reminding us: "The power is yours!" Implicit in this sign off was a reminder of duty: the responsibility is ours. Previous generations have used the excuse of "not our problem" and have passed off the issue to their heirs. This excuse may not be possible for much longer, and it was never a good one to begin with. Our generation has the unique opportunity to turn things around, to take responsibility and to make sure that we are doing everything we possibly can to protect our environment. The resources are there, new avenues are open; all that remains is dedication on our part.

Because if not us, who?

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EDITORIAL CARTOON



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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"The trouble with writing a book about yourself is that you can't fool around. If you write about someone else, you can stretch the truth from here to Finland. If you write about yourself the slightest deviation makes you realize instantly that there may be honor among thieves, but you are just a dirty liar."

Groucho Marx
actor

Celebrate with Holy Cross

Just over five months ago, on April 28, 2006, Pope Benedict XVI authorized the promulgation of the miracle attributed to the intercession of the Venerable Basile Moreau, founder of the Congregation of Holy Cross. This promulgation completed the beatification process for Father Moreau, and it is expected that he will be beatified in LeMans, France, where the Congregation of Holy Cross was founded in 1835.

Richard V. Warner

FaithPoint

On that date, the Brothers of St. Joseph, founded in the aftermath of the French Revolution to serve as Catholic teachers to poor children in the countryside, and a group of priests which Father Moreau founded to be educators and to assist in local dioceses, were united and a new religious family was founded. Twenty-two years later, Pope Saint Pius IX approved Holy Cross as a religious Congregation of Pontifical Right. This enabled Father Moreau to immediately send young Holy Cross religious from France to Algeria (1835), to the United States (1842), to Canada (1843) and to what is now Bangladesh (in 1856).

It is likely that Father Moreau will be beatified on or near the patronal feast of the priests, brothers and sisters of Holy Cross, Our Lady of Sorrows, which is observed on Sept. 15. Plans are already underway for what will be a special moment of grace and blessing not only for the Church and for the members of Holy Cross, but also for the tens of thousands of people served by thousands of Holy Cross men and women in 17 countries around the world from Bangladesh and

India, to Haiti, Peru, Brazil and Chile in South America, Canada, Mexico and the United States in North America, and Rwanda, Uganda, Kenya, Tanzania and Ghana in Africa, as well as France and Italy.

In anticipation of this joyous occasion, the superior general of the Congregation of Holy Cross has declared a year of rejoicing and spiritual renewal through which Holy Cross religious are urged to deepen their commitment to consecrated life. He has also urged us to redouble our efforts to draw more young men to serve the Church as priests and brothers by the example of our life and work.

Of course, Notre Dame will play a central role in all these efforts.

In an attempt to prepare for Father Moreau's beatification and to rededicate ourselves to honor Mary as the patroness of the University, a number of steps have been taken by Campus Ministry.

The painting of Our Lady of Lourdes which is to the left side of the main altar of the Basilica of the Sacred Heart, is decorated with candles and flowers on every feast of Mary and on special Notre Dame weekends, including home football weekends. It is our attempt to imitate Father Sorin's love for the Blessed Mother. A prayer card is available on these occasions which contains the *Salve Regina*. The words "our life, our sweetness and our hope," which are found on the seal of Our Lady's University, are drawn from this prayer.

University President Father John Jenkins captured well how deeply our Marian roots run in his

Inaugural Address when he spoke about the aftermath of the devastating fire of 1879 which could have marked the end of Notre Dame.

The story of what happened next has been passed down through generations of the Notre Dame family — and has helped shape our aspirations and our sense of who we are. Fr. Sorin walked through the ruins, felt the devastation of the community, and signaled to everyone to enter the Church, where he stood on the altar steps and spoke.

"I came here as a young man and dreamed of building a great university in honor of Our Lady," he said. "But I built it too small, and she had to burn it to the ground to make the point. So, tomorrow, as soon as the bricks cool, we will rebuild it, bigger and better than ever." Later that same day, the students saw Father Sorin, then 65 years old, stepping slowly through the ruins of his life's work, bent slightly forward, pushing a wheelbarrow full of bricks, getting ready to rebuild.

There will be numerous opportunities for all of us to join in the preparations for this joyous celebration.

I hope all of you will celebrate with the Church and with us, as well as with students in Holy Cross institutions throughout the world served by Holy Cross religious.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Perception in Mideast does matter

Like Katie Palmitier (Oct. 4 column "Candidates must discuss real issues"), I also wish that Iraq were a simple screw-up by a simplistic president, because then the solution would be obvious. And maybe Bush is as illogical in private as he is inarticulate on television. But as the "reality-based community" loves to point out, things are rarely so black and white, and the Iraq issue definitely isn't.

There is at least one compelling reason for invading Iraq that the Bush Administration has not, and cannot ever use in its rationale for invading Iraq. As Bush, the "neo-cons" and many others understood it, the "strategic equilibrium" in the Middle East was that Muslims and their governments had to either pay jihadist groups huge amounts of extortion money (Saudi Arabia et al), or formally assist in the jihad against America (Iran, Syria, Iraq).

The neocons, and many others now busy forgetting they ever agreed with the neocons about anything, all agreed that whatever the United States did in Iraq (or wherever it would intervene in the Mideast) would not last without establishing a basis for individual freedom in those countries, instead of the dictatorships that have for decades suppressed Muslim growth, initiative, etc.

Unfortunately, then it wouldn't be humanitarian imperialism anymore. It would be something far more ambitious and threatening — an attempt to demolish the Mideastern order, primarily in America's national interest. How many moderate, quietly pro-American Muslim governments could have supported THAT rationale? It would have been impossible for a government in a Muslim-majority nation NOT to oppose the United States.

Had Bush found weapons of mass

destruction (WMDs) in Iraq, that would still not have justified the war. So many other very anti-American countries have WMDs and/or the money to buy them easily. But the WMD rationale was marketable. It was something that could fit the 45-second attention span of most voters, something that could be crammed into an abbreviated letter on an op-ed page. It would satisfy the liberals who cringe at any notion of waging war for national self-interest. And everyone — everyone — was absolutely sure they were there.

But that's all too much work for most liberals. Instead, Bush is an idiot, a sock-puppet of Halliburton. A bumbling moron whose two victories against "cerebral" faux-sophisticates was only due to stupid red-necks who pull the GOP lever as soon as Bush mutters "abortion" and "family values." Blacks and whites are just so much simpler than the truth.

Reality is at least part-perception and part-reality. The war on terrorism is heavily perception-driven, especially for the jihadis. And the perception isn't that America cannot win in Iraq if it doesn't achieve some remote semblance of unity. It's that, no matter how many al-Sadrites, Badrists, Sunni insurgents or al-Qaeda operatives Americans kill in Iraq, Bush is facing political collapse at home. Of course liberals are patriots with their own vision for a great America. Of course they aren't gleeful for every blow they land on Bush because they are unpatriotic. But what difference does it make?

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Oct. 4

Don't forget about pro-life accomplishments

Katie Palmitier (Oct. 4 column "Candidates must discuss real issues") comments that many Americans ignore the war in Iraq and focus only on other issues. She comments that the issues of flag burning, abortion and homosexual "marriage" affect "only a small number of people in our country." Yet over 30 million Americans have been aborted since abortion was legalized, and still over one million Americans are aborted every year. This does not sound like a small number of people to me, especially when you take into account the mothers and fathers of the unborn babies, which gives another two million people right there.

Furthermore, she comments that "after four years of Republicans controlling the House, Senate and the presidency, abortion has yet to be banned." While this is true, she does not consider the bigger picture in the pro-life movement. Nowhere is it mentioned in the column that the pro-life Congress and Presidency passed a law banning partial-birth abortion in 2003. Nowhere is it mentioned that President Bush vetoed a law which would have allowed federal funding to be used for stem-cell research and that the pro-life Congress voted to sustain his veto. And finally, nowhere does it mention that two anti-abortion justices have recently been nominated by the President and confirmed by the Senate to the Supreme Court — a move which could one day overturn *Roe v. Wade*.

While it is true that abortion has not yet been banned, it is unfair to imply that the administration has done little or nothing to combat this injustice.

Therefore, I agree with Palmitier that we need to be conscious of a wide range of issues at election time, but I hope that we can be fair and objective in evaluating the job that each legislator and government representative has done.

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Oct. 4

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By BRIAN DOXTADER
Scene Editor

William Shakespeare once wrote "we know what we are, but know not what we may be." That ideology has been put into practice in Shakespeare Behind Bars, a rehabilitating program that's the subject of the documentary of the same name.

In Shakespeare Behind Bars, prisoners at the Luther Lockett Correction Complex in LaGrange, Kent. read, study and perform plays by the Bard. The documentary, originally released in 2005, explores the lives of the inmates who participate in the program over the course of a year.

Curt Tofteland founded the program over a decade ago, growing out of a program called Books Behind Bars, a literature-based idea intended to curb juvenile delinquency. Tofteland used Books Behind Bars as a starting point, extrapolating its premise and applying it to theater.

"The intellectual discussion of a book gets to a certain level of intellectual discourse, perhaps engaging the emotions, but when you have to act and inhabit a character in a play, it takes you to a deeper level," said Tofteland.

Shakespeare was an obvious and logical choice for Tofteland for a variety of reasons.

"He is the best writer about the human condition in any era, in any language, in any time period," Tofteland said. "In every population, Shakespeare has something for them."

Perhaps most appealing to Tofteland is that Shakespeare's philosophies are manifested in dramatic form, which he says helps convicts to examine their characters and find the truth of those characters within themselves. He uses Macbeth as an example of a good man who does a bad thing, then faces the consequences of his decisions.

"The 'therapeutic' aspect of Shakespeare, in particular with my inmates, is that it allows them to explore their crime, but through an aesthetic, having an aesthetic distance from it," said Tofteland. "In exploring that in an authentic way, they can discover their own journey to their own crime, and in many cases it's a very cathartic and very



Hardened felons rehearse "The Tempest" in this fascinating documentary of the enduring power of a legendary 17th-century playwright to explore and nourish 21st-century lives.

epiphanic experience."

Tofteland also points out that Shakespeare was a master storyteller whose vocabulary and sense of language remains unparalleled.

The program has been remarkably successful over the course of its 10-year existence. The national average for freed convicts who commit another crime is around 40 percent, while the rate for those involved in the Shakespeare Behind Bars program is almost zero.

The documentary came about when director Hank Rogerson, looking for new material, decided he wanted to do something involving theater. According to producer Jillann Spitzmiller, the Shakespeare Behind Bars program was immediately appealing because of its profundity and uniqueness.

Rogerson and his crew were granted special access to prison, allowing them to film over 174 hours of footage over the course of a 9-month shoot.

"It was pretty arduous to be in that

prison for long periods of time," Spitzmiller said. "There's not one comfortable place. It's very loud and very uncomfortable in a physical sense. You feel the weight of their incarceration."

Spitzmiller had high praise for the inmates who participated in the Shakespeare program, noting their dedication, self-awareness and work ethic.

"You knew that the work being done before you was really profound," said Spitzmiller. "It was an oasis that was very effective for

turning on a light bulb for the guys who were ready. They have to be ready to go to their darkest, darkest moments and the darkest, darkest aspects of themselves."

The film follows five of the inmates involved in the program as they prepare for a performance of "The Tempest."

The film shows how the program helped the inmates discover things about themselves, especially during

the confessional scenes, when each man admits to his crime. These confessionals were not prompted, as Tofteland emphasized that it was a rule that nobody from the film crew was allowed to ask about the crimes.

In other words, each inmate featured in the documentary elected to discuss their past, which both Tofteland and Spitzmiller believe helped them confront and move on from the things they had done.

"If you think about the worst things you've ever done, are you willing to go there and figure out why you did it and try to reconcile? A lot of us try to put it away," Spitzmiller said. "I was impressed with the courage these men had."

The documentary itself has been extraordinarily well-received, premiering at the Sundance Film Festival in 2005.

It also played at the New York Film Festival, where it was one of 16 documentaries shown out of over 660 that applied.

It has garnered 10 awards, including the Crystal Heart award at the Heartland Film Festival, and was a Grand Jury nominee at Sundance.

"I think that the film has a lot to offer any community that believes in education and the power of education because that's precisely what the film is about," Tofteland said. "It isn't just education of the brain, it's at a much deeper level. It's education of the heart."

Tofteland points out that though it's The Bard who is in the title of the film, "Shakespeare Behind Bars" is really about the inmates and their journeys.

"It is a film about prison, it is a film about Shakespeare, but it's more about the power of art to heal. It's about redemption, it's about mercy and it's about forgiveness."

"Shakespeare Behind Bars" will be screened tonight in the Browning Cinema of the DPAC at 7 and 10. Tofteland will be present at the 7 p.m. screening.

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Shakespeare Behind Bars

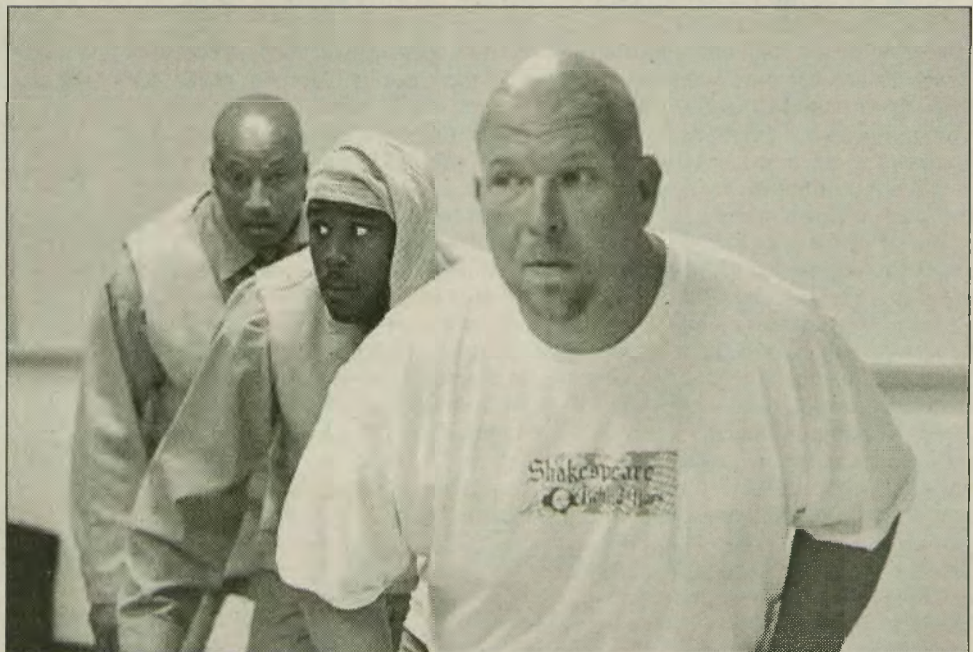
When: Tonight at 7 and 10

Where: Browning Cinema, DeBartolo Performing Arts Center

Cost: \$6 general public, \$5 faculty/staff, \$4 seniors and \$3 all students



Rehearsing over several months, the inmates encounter a range of formidable setbacks, from deciphering Elizabethan language to losing a cast member to a stint in "the hole."



From left, Sammie, Demond and Big G were part of the yearlong Shakespeare Behind Bars drama project at the Luther Lockett Correction Complex in Kentucky.

SCENE FEATURE

Musical performances celebrate Moreau Center for the Arts' 50th anniversary



Photo courtesy of saintmarys.edu

Saint Mary's O'Laughlin Auditorium, located inside of the Moreau Center for the Arts, has been an important performance venue for the community.

By EMMA DRISCOLL
Scene Writer

Fifty years have passed since Hollywood actress Helen Hayes graced the stage of Saint Mary's O'Laughlin Auditorium to celebrate the opening of the Moreau Center for the Arts.

Along with reading from Shakespeare's "The Merchant of Venice," Hayes gave the Center high praise, saying, "There is no beauty that can be laid upon this brick and mortar as perfect as the love and high ideals that have gone into its construction."

On Tuesday night, the Saint Mary's community celebrated these lofty ideals again with a unique musical performance specially designed for the Moreau Center's 50th anniversary.

Saint Mary's own composer, pianist, and faculty artist Dr. Jeffrey Jacob composed the piece, entitled "Celebration," performed to commemorate the golden anniversary. The New York Philomusica, the Saint Mary's Women's Choir, Latin American poet Maria Auxiliadora Alvarez, College alumna and mezzo-soprano Mary Nessinger and faculty soprano Laurel Thomas participated in performing at the event.

The performance, arranged by the Office of Special Events and the Saint Mary's music department, was open to the community at large and included a

reception immediately following the performance, said Richard Baxter, director of special events at Saint Mary's.

The Moreau Center, which includes the O'Laughlin Auditorium, is a very important place both for students and faculty at Saint Mary's.

"It's at the heart of the cultural arts of the College," said Baxter. "It's the place where you come for the cultural arts, and beyond that, becoming educated in the cultural performing arts."

Since its start in 1956, the Moreau Center has been the performing arts hub of Saint Mary's.

"It's the major performing venue for the whole College and has been for years," said Nancy Menk, chair of the Saint Mary's music department and director of the Women's and Collegiate Choirs at Saint Mary's, who conducted last night.

Before the opening of Notre Dame's DeBartolo Performing Arts Center in September 2004, the O'Laughlin Auditorium was the largest performing arts facility between the two campuses, said Menk.

And the venue has not been limited to only benefiting Saint Mary's students over the past five decades.

"It's been important for the community, too," said Menk, explaining that touring companies and several South Bend dance companies, such as the Southold Dance Company who perform

"The Nutcracker" ballet annually, have performed at the O'Laughlin.

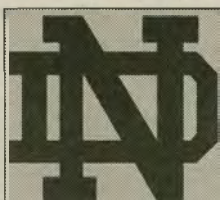
The auditorium also holds a purpose outside of the realm of performing arts. Academic performances, significant lectures, orientations and other large gatherings frequently utilize the spaces located in the Moreau Center, Baxter said. He said the Moreau Center is often rented to other groups interested in using it, including Notre Dame's Keenan Hall for the annual "Keenan Revue" and some gospel groups.

The namesake of Father Basil Anthony Moreau, the founder of the Sisters of the Holy Cross, the Moreau Center holds the O'Laughlin Auditorium, Little Theatre, Moreau Art Galleries, studios, workshops and classrooms. Baxter said the art, dance, theater, music and communications departments are all housed within the building.

The Moreau Center was first made possible when Sister Frances Jerome — formerly Susan O'Laughlin, chair of Classical Languages and vice president of Saint Mary's — donated her inheritance to the building's construction.

Sister Madeleva Wolff, president of Saint Mary's from 1934 to 1961, is also credited for her dedication and effort toward the creation of the Moreau Center.

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The Weekend at Notre Dame By MICHELLE FORDICE



On Campus

SUB Movie "Superman Returns"

After finishing the search for his home planet of Krypton, Superman (Brandon Routh) returns to earth to find that the world has adjusted to working without him; even Lois Lane (Kate Bosworth) has found a new love in Richard White (James Marsden). But soon Lex Luthor (Kevin Spacey) is back as a threat that only Superman can face, perhaps with the help of old friends.

Friday/Saturday: 8pm and 10:30pm
101 DeBartolo, \$3

DPAC Classic 100 "The Wild Bunch"

As the traditional West disappears around them, an aging band of outlaws led by Pike Bishop plan to rob a U.S. army train after fleeing to Mexico because of a failed bank robbery. The movie is not considered one of the last Westerns, but one of the first realistic films in which characters are gray, not heroic, and violence and immorality are a part of life.

Browning Cinema, \$3

DPAC Movies "Marathon"

Cho Won, an autistic child, begins competing in races in the hopes of eventually being able to run in a marathon in the face of seemingly insurmountable odds. (Korean language with English subtitles.)

Friday: 7 p.m.

"Stroke of Fire"

"Stroke of Fire" tells the story of Jang Seung-Up, a 19th century painter who, amidst his own drunken rages and the political upheaval of the time, broke out of the confines of his era. (Korean language with English subtitles.)

Friday: 9:30pm

Browning Cinema, Free but ticketed

DPAC

"Fleur De Lys: Two Flutes in Paris"

Danielle Svonavec (soprano), Mary Anne Ballard (viola da gamba) and Darlene Catello (harpsichord) — all members of a Baroque trio — will join Baroque flutists Wendy Willis and Korin Schilling to perform music from the 17th and 18th centuries.

Sunday: 2:30 pm, 7:30 pm

Reyes Organ and Choral Hall, \$5

Legends

Football Friday:

Celebrate the upcoming football weekend with a live music party at Legends.

8 p.m.

Midnight Nightclubs:

Friday: Glow Party

Saturday: Salsa

Gamewatch:

Notre Dame vs. Stanford

All Day

Snite Museum of Art

"Carus Vemos, Corazonos No Sabemos. The Human Landscape of Mexican Migration to the United States"

The Snite's feature exhibit raises the issues of Mexican migration to the United States through the expression of Chicano/Mexican visual arts.

Thursday-Saturday: 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday: 1 p.m.-5 p.m., Free

Bach's Lunch, A Noon Concert

Every week, music students perform at noon concerts. This week, Martha Noble (soprano) accompanied by Nicholas Shaneyfelt and freshman Kate Zinsmeister (piano) will perform. Audience members are encouraged to bring their lunch to the event.

Friday: 12:10 p.m.-12:50 p.m.

Penote Performers' Assembly, DeBartolo Performing Arts Center, Free but tickets are required

Oblates of Blues

Playing every home football game, the Chicago-style blues band "Oblates of Blues" consists of faculty, post-doctoral scholars, graduate students, and Notre Dame graduates of the theology department.

Saturday: 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

Eck Center Patio, inside if weather not permitting

Glee Club Concert: ND in Revue

The Glee Club sings a concert two hours before every home football game.

Saturday: 12:30 p.m.

Joyce Center Fieldhouse

Marching Band Concert

The Notre Dame Marching Band performs its traditional concert on the steps of Bond Hall before the game.

Saturday: 1 p.m.

Bond Hall, Free

Off-Campus

"Indian Classical Music with Ustad Shahid Parvez (Sitar) accompanied by Ramdas Palsule (Tabla)"

Widely recognized as one of the best sitar players of his generation and is a favorite concert artist both in India and abroad, Ustad Shahid Parvez will perform at Notre Dame.

Sunday: 7:30 p.m.

Heshburg Center Auditorium, Free

Cinemark 14 (Matinee: \$5.50, Evening \$6.75, Friday/Saturday Evening: \$7)

Opening the Weekend

"Employee of the Month"

Zack Bradley (Dane Cook) tries to win Employee of the Month at SuperClub, a Wal-Mart-esque store, in order to get a date with the new cashier, Amy (Jessica Simpson).

"Texas Chainsaw: The Beginning"

The prequel to the famous thriller, "Texas Chainsaw: The Beginning" tells the tale of four teenagers who are taken to a secluded house where a familiar killer is being fashioned.

"The Departed"

As tensions between the Massachusetts police force and an Irish mafia increase, each side sends one of their own to infiltrate the other. But loyalties blur as the young mafia member, Colin Sullivan (Matt Damon), becomes torn between the criminal he owes his allegiance and his new loyalties, and the police cadet, Billy Costigan (Leonardo DiCaprio) begins to find himself in a world of gray. Matters worsen when each side realizes that it is being watched.

Also Playing

Facing the Giants

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The Guardian

Showplace 16 (Before noon: \$5, Before 6 p.m.: \$5.50, After 6 p.m.: \$6 (with ID))

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Cinemark Movies 6 (Friday/Saturday after 6 p.m.: \$2, Other weekend showings: \$1.50)

Barnyard: The Original Party Animals

Everyone's Hero

Pulse

Talladega Nights: The Ballad of Ricky Bobby

Superman Returns

Cars

Monster House

(All movies are as of Friday)

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MLB

Offense pulls Mets through pitching drought

Kotsay's two-run homer helps Athletics defeat Twins; Oakland takes 2-0 lead in American League playoffs

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Minus two top starters, the New York Mets got dynamic postseason debuts from Carlos Delgado and David Wright to jump ahead of the Dodgers.

Back in the playoffs for the first time since losing the 2000 Subway Series, the Mets capitalized on a wild baserunning blunder by Los Angeles and a perfectly respectable performance from emergency starter John Maine in a 6-5 victory Wednesday.

Billy Wagner closed it for his first postseason save, fanning Nomar Garciaparra with a runner on second for the final out.

Playing in the first playoff game of his 14-year career, Delgado had four hits, a mammoth homer and the go-ahead RBI in the seventh inning. Wright drove in three runs, helping the Mets take a 1-0 lead in the best-of-five series.

Game 2 is Thursday night, with rookie left-hander Hong-Chih Kuo on the mound for the Dodgers against 290-game winner Tom Glavine. Kuo pitched six shutout innings at Shea Stadium on Sept. 8 for his only major league win.

The Mets started a rookie of their own in the opener after Orlando Hernandez tore a muscle in his right calf while jogging in the outfield Tuesday. He is expected to miss the entire postseason.

Already without injured ace Pedro Martinez, New York scrambled Tuesday night to find a healthy, rested starter and picked Maine, an afterthought in the off-season trade that sent Kris Benson to Baltimore for reliever Jorge Julio.

Julio was shipped to Arizona in May for Hernandez, but Maine became a surprising success. The 25-year-old right-hander went 6-5 with a 3.60 ERA for the NL East champions, who tied the crosstown Yankees for the best record in baseball at 97-65.

Yet he probably would have been left out of the playoff rotation altogether if Martinez hadn't gone down.

Maine, lifted with a 2-1 lead in the fifth after throwing 80 pitches, got a break on a bizarre play when the Dodgers had two runners cut down at home plate in the second.

With two on and none out, rookie Russell Martin hit an

opposite-field drive off the base of the right-field wall. But Jeff Kent hesitated at second base, apparently thinking the ball might be caught, and got an extremely late jump.

That left J.D. Drew, who was on first, practically running up Kent's back as coach Rich Donnelly waved one — or both — around third. A quick, accurate relay from right fielder Shawn Green to second baseman Jose Valentin to catcher Paul Lo Duca nailed Kent, who attempted a headfirst dive into the plate.

Drew was left in no-man's land, trapped about halfway between third and home. But Lo Duca, who got spun around on the play at the plate, didn't realize that at first as he struggled to his feet.

With Lo Duca unaware for a moment, Drew tried to sneak his way in. But Maine pointed at Lo Duca, alerting him that another runner was coming. The catcher turned his head, suddenly noticed Drew bearing down on him and applied a second tag as Drew also tried a headfirst dive.

It was the kind of sequence you often see in a Hollywood movie, but rarely on a major league field.

Marlon Anderson followed with an RBI double down the third base line for a 1-0 lead, but that was all the Dodgers got after running themselves out of a potentially big inning.

Aaron Heilman worked a perfect eighth for New York, which plans to rely heavily on its deep bullpen all series. Wagner allowed an RBI double to pinch-hitter Ramon Martinez in the ninth before striking out Garciaparra.

With the score tied at 4, Dodgers manager Grady Little brought starter Brad Penny out of the bullpen in the seventh. Penny, bothered by a bad back and 3-10 lifetime against the Mets with a 6.16 ERA, walked two of his first three batters.

Delgado put the Mets ahead with an opposite-field single, then gave a huge fist pump after rounding first. Wright's bloop double made it 6-4.

The Dodgers tied it at 4-all with three runs in the seventh against reliever Guillermo Mota, who had a 1.00 ERA in 18 appearances for New York down the stretch after being acquired from Cleveland on Aug. 20.

With the Mets up by three, manager Willie Randolph let



Minnesota center fielder Torri Hunter dives for and misses a line drive hit by Oakland's Mark Kotsay. The Athletics defeated the Twins 5-2 in game 2 of the AL playoff series Wednesday night.

Mota bat with the bases loaded and two outs in the sixth. He flied out.

Anderson got the Dodgers' rally going with a bunt single, and a throwing error by second baseman Valentin helped Los Angeles. Rafael Furcal's RBI single made it 4-2, and Garciaparra's two-out, two-run double tied it.

Delgado's fourth-inning drive landed on top of an elevated camera stand behind the center-field fence and was estimated at 470 feet. Floyd, hobbled by a score Achilles' heel, added his first postseason homer later in the inning for a 2-1 Mets lead.

Wright hit a two-run double to right off starter Derek Lowe in the sixth to make it 4-1, and gave an enthusiastic fist pump of his own.

A roar went up when Pedro Martinez, smiling in the New York dugout, was shown on the big video board in left-center. He pointed to himself on the screen, touched his heart and waved to fans.

Athletics 5, Twins 2

Playing it safe? Not Torii Hunter's style. That's why he has five Gold Gloves.

Trying to make a tough catch right after his Minnesota teammates tied the game with back-to-back home runs, Hunter missed — and Oakland took advantage.

Mark Kotsay circled the bases for a two-run, inside-the-park homer after Hunter's ill-advised

dive for a sinking line drive, lifting the Athletics over the Twins on Wednesday for a 2-0 lead in their first-round playoff series.

"It was the worst feeling in the world. You can't do anything about it," said Hunter, who blamed himself for the defeat.

The A's handled the Boof — Bonser, that is — and here's the truth: Oakland has arrived at yet another elimination game. The perennial playoff underperformers are 0-9 in those since 2000, losing four straight first-round series.

"This team knows what to do," said Eric Chavez, a regular on all four of those clubs. "We're hard-nosed baseball players that like to play the game. I don't think anybody here, regardless if they've been in this position, is going to take Game 3 lightly."

The series shifts west Friday, with Twins right-hander Brad Radke taking his broken shoulder socket to the mound for possible the final appearance of his 12-year career.

Dan Haren, in his first postseason start, will pitch for Oakland — which beat Cy Young Award favorite Johan Santana in Game 1 and now gets two chances to close it out at home.

"We've won two games. OK. Congratulations. Good job. But it's not over yet," said Nick Swisher, who doubled against Juan Rincon and scored on Joe Nathan's wild pitch in the ninth.

The A's had one mishap in the ninth, however. Second baseman

Mark Ellis broke his right index finger swinging at a high, inside pitch, and Oakland said it would update his condition at Thursday's workout.

For the Twins, it's certainly not over, considering they came from 12 1/2 games back to win the AL Central. Plus, there's the recent history of these A's, even though Chavez and Barry Zito are the only players remaining from 2000 and just a handful are left from 2003.

"We've been backed up before," Twins manager Ron Gardenhire said. "We've been told, 'you're done' before. That's not something that this team takes too lightly. We'll come out and battle. We'll give them everything we have."

Oakland starter Esteban Loaiza slipped in the sixth inning, surrendering consecutive solo homers to Michael Cuddyer and Justin Morneau that evened the game at 2.

But with Jason Kendall on first, two outs in the seventh and reliever Dennys Reyes pitching, Kotsay hit what should have been a single. Hunter, bothered by a sore left foot this season, charged forward.

The ball sliced to Hunter's left, and his reach wasn't long enough to get near it.

"There's only one person in this league that can make that catch, and it's Torii," said Cuddyer, who watched from right field. "Although it's as close as you come, he's not Superman."

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NFL

AFC East

| team | record | perc. | PF | PA |
|-------------|--------|-------|----|----|
| New England | 3-1 | .750 | 88 | 64 |
| Buffalo | 2-2 | .500 | 70 | 65 |
| N.Y. Jets | 2-2 | .500 | 96 | 91 |
| Miami | 1-3 | .250 | 51 | 71 |

AFC North

| team | record | perc. | PF | PA |
|------------|--------|-------|----|----|
| Baltimore | 4-0 | 1.000 | 86 | 33 |
| Cincinnati | 3-1 | .750 | 98 | 85 |
| Pittsburgh | 1-2 | .333 | 48 | 54 |
| Cleveland | 1-3 | .250 | 69 | 89 |

AFC South

| team | record | perc. | PF | PA |
|--------------|--------|-------|-----|-----|
| Indianapolis | 4-0 | 1.000 | 121 | 87 |
| Jacksonville | 2-2 | .500 | 77 | 74 |
| Houston | 1-3 | .250 | 67 | 113 |
| Tennessee | 0-4 | .000 | 47 | 121 |

AFC West

| team | record | perc. | PF | PA |
|-------------|--------|-------|----|----|
| Denver | 2-1 | .667 | 36 | 31 |
| San Diego | 2-1 | .667 | 80 | 23 |
| Kansas City | 1-2 | .333 | 57 | 32 |
| Oakland | 0-3 | .000 | 27 | 79 |

NFC East

| team | record | perc. | PF | PA |
|--------------|--------|-------|-----|----|
| Philadelphia | 3-1 | .750 | 117 | 73 |
| Dallas | 2-1 | .667 | 89 | 48 |
| Washington | 2-2 | .500 | 93 | 91 |
| N.Y. Giants | 1-2 | .333 | 81 | 92 |

NFC North

| team | record | perc. | PF | PA |
|-----------|--------|-------|-----|-----|
| Chicago | 4-0 | 1.000 | 116 | 29 |
| Minnesota | 2-2 | .500 | 63 | 65 |
| Green Bay | 1-3 | .250 | 67 | 115 |
| Detroit | 0-4 | .000 | 71 | 115 |

NFC South

| team | record | perc. | PF | PA |
|-------------|--------|-------|----|----|
| Atlanta | 3-1 | .750 | 69 | 42 |
| New Orleans | 3-1 | .750 | 94 | 65 |
| Carolina | 2-2 | .500 | 66 | 78 |
| Tampa Bay | 0-3 | .000 | 27 | 67 |

NFC West

| team | record | perc. | PF | PA |
|---------------|--------|-------|----|-----|
| Seattle | 3-1 | .750 | 78 | 83 |
| St. Louis | 3-1 | .750 | 88 | 78 |
| Arizona | 1-3 | .250 | 68 | 96 |
| San Francisco | 1-3 | .250 | 71 | 126 |

MIAA

Women's Soccer

| team | W | L | T | points |
|--------------|---|---|---|--------|
| Calvin | 3 | 0 | 0 | 9 |
| Albion | 2 | 1 | 1 | 7 |
| SAINT MARY'S | 2 | 1 | 0 | 6 |
| Olivet | 1 | 0 | 2 | 5 |
| Alma | 1 | 2 | 1 | 4 |
| Kalamazoo | 1 | 2 | 1 | 4 |
| Adrian | 1 | 1 | 0 | 3 |
| Hope | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Tri-State | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 |

MLB



Rangers manager Buck Showalter walks back to the dugout after arguing a strike-out call in the sixth inning of a Sept. 14 game against the Dodgers. Showalter was fired Wednesday after four seasons without a playoff appearance.

Showalter axed for missing playoffs again

Associated Press

ARLINGTON, Texas — While Buck Showalter wasn't the only person to blame for the Texas Rangers missing the playoffs again, the manager got fired for it.

"There's a shared responsibility there, some of which is Buck's, some of which is mine, and a good deal to the players," general manager Jon Daniels said Wednesday. "This is an organizational goal to win. When we don't do it, it falls on all of us."

The ax fell on Showalter after his fourth season, an 80-82 mark that was the Rangers' sixth losing

record in seven years since last making the playoffs in 1999 despite a roster with several young All-Stars.

Daniels, the 29-year-old GM who was the youngest ever in the major leagues when he was hired a year ago Wednesday, recommended Showalter's firing and reached a mutual decision with owner Tom Hicks before a planned dinner among the trio Tuesday night.

"This decision was not based exclusively on the '06 season and our lack of accomplishing our goals," Daniels said. "It's more about looking forward, and what gives us the

chance to achieve those goals ... I'm very confident that we made the right decision."

Showalter was 319-329 with the Rangers, his third managerial job, and is owed \$5.1 million for the three seasons left on his contract. Texas never finished above third place.

"You never heard me make an excuse all year, and I'm not going to start now. We just didn't get it done," Showalter told The Associated Press in a phone interview. "They want to go in a new direction with a new voice. With the shelf life of managers, I feel fortunate."

Daniels acknowledged

that he would be looking for a different kind of communicator, but played down what impact any players' discontentment with Showalter and the manager's hands-on approach had with the decision.

"That was nothing that was ever communicated to me," Daniels said. "I didn't have any direct conversations with the players."

Showalter was the AL manager of the year only two years ago, when AL MVP Alex Rodriguez was traded in the spring and the Rangers went on to contend for a playoff spot until the final few games of the season.

IN BRIEF

Tyson asks Ohioans to pay \$25 to see him workout

YOUNGSTOWN, Ohio — Mike Tyson surfaced in Ohio last week to sell the citizenry on the idea of paying to watch him work up a sweat. It wasn't really his idea but, hey, Lennox Lewis still doesn't have any children, and a guy's gotta eat.

The same Tyson who used to separate heads from bodies is now trying to separate the people of Youngstown from some of their hard-earned cash.

"Where else are you going to be able to see Mike Tyson for \$25?" his new promoter asked.

Hmmm, the circus maybe? At least there you might get the painted lady and the sword swallower thrown in for the same price.

Anyway, the Mike Tyson World Tour 2006 is now official. It may be kicking off in a not-so-worldly place — and no one seems to have any idea where it goes after that — but it

is official.

Dementieva defeats unseeded player to advance to quarters

STUTTGART, Germany — Third-seeded Elena Dementieva of Russia overcame cramps and unforced errors to beat Katarina Srebotnik of Slovenia 4-6, 7-5, 7-5 and reach the quarterfinals of the Porsche Grand Prix on Wednesday.

Also gaining the quarterfinals was second-seeded Russian Svetlana Kuznetsova, the former U.S. Open champion who swept past German wild-card Martina Muller 6-1, 6-4.

In first-round matches, Iveta Benesova of the Czech Republic, who lost in qualifying but replaced an injured Ana Ivanovic in the draw, advanced when seventh-seeded Francesca Schiavone of Italy retired with a right wrist injury while trailing 6-3, 6-7 (5), 3-0, and eighth-seeded Jelena Jankovic of Serbia beat 1993 champion and two-time runner-up Mary Pierce of France 7-6

(7), 6-3.

"The Girl in the Dugout" still tending to Padres

SAN DIEGO — Kelly Calabrese took a break from treating the aches and pains of major leaguers to jog out to the first-base line to take her place among the San Diego Padres players and staff.

"There's nothing like on opening day or during playoffs running out on the field and getting introduced," Calabrese said.

"I still get chills every time it happens. It's phenomenal."

Yeah, five months after being called out on the air by Keith Hernandez, "the girl in the dugout" is doing OK. She's doing her part to keep the two-time NL West champions healthy enough to face the St. Louis Cardinals — even if there's nothing she can do for their lethargic bats, which helped contribute to San Diego's 5-1 loss in Game 1 of their division series on Tuesday.

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Dodgers at Mets 8 p.m., FOX

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TCU at Utah 9 p.m., CSTV

NFL

McNabb and Owens not soon to apologize

Former Philadelphia teammates say they are ready for big game Sunday as media scrutiny intensifies

Associated Press

IRVING, Texas — Here they go again: Terrell Owens and Donovan McNabb have their signals crossed.

Days before the buddies-turned-enemies face off for the first time since their nasty breakup, a misunderstanding is brewing over a text message McNabb says he sent Owens last week after a trip to the hospital was reported as an attempted suicide.

Owens said Wednesday he never got it. While he stopped short of calling McNabb a liar, the sour look on his face sure seemed to insinuate it.

Asked later if it was possible McNabb sent the message to an old phone number, Owens said: "Look, I'm not trying to start anything. He's a smart guy. If he wanted my number, he could've gotten it."

Earlier Wednesday, in separate interviews with reporters in Philadelphia and on a conference call with reporters in Dallas, McNabb said he reached out to Owens to "let him know that I was thinking about him praying for him," adding that he hoped "everything would turn out well and that he'd get back out on the field and be healthy."

"And if he needed anything, to call," McNabb said he wrote.

McNabb said he never got a response, but added he wasn't looking for one, either.

"I think the message was sent," McNabb said. "If he read it or received it, then I think he would know."

T.O. and McNabb could hash things out in person — but likely won't — on Sunday when the Cowboys (2-1) visit Philadelphia to take on the Eagles (3-1). While the game is a pivotal early-season matchup for first place in the NFC East, all eyes will be on Owens and how the City of Brotherly Love vents its anger toward him for tearing apart its team.

"Once we win, it will be special," Owens said, later clarifying he wasn't guaranteeing a victory. "We're not going there to taste the cheesesteaks. We're not going there to visit the crack in the Liberty Bell. We're going up there to try to win a ballgame."

Owens was a model citizen when he arrived in Philadelphia in 2004, saying he wanted to catch passes from McNabb and get the team to the Super Bowl after three near-misses. And he did.

Although he missed the playoffs with an ankle surgery, he returned for the Super Bowl and played well, but Philadelphia lost.

Then everything went haywire.

Owens trashed McNabb, demanded a new contract and caused all sorts of problems. He was sent home for a week in training camp, then was kicked out for good with nine games left. Finally cut in March, he signed with the Cowboys four days later. In July, he released an autobiography in which he said the root of his problems with McNabb were being cussed at in the huddle; McNabb later referred to Owens' literary effort as a "children's book."

Owens has made no secret about looking forward to getting revenge. He's often said this game has been circled on his calendar since the schedule was released, even telling Sports Illustrated he worked out in sets of 10-8, referencing the Oct. 8 game. McNabb mocked that while talking to Dallas reporters.

"I got my eight in just a few minutes ago," he said, laughing. "I did eight push-ups, eight curls and I was just so focused, I'm ready to go."

Without knowing about that jab, Owens threw one of his own Wednesday, slipping it in while praising McNabb for a strong start this season.

"Obviously, he's gotten himself into a lot better shape this year," Owens said. "I think you can tell that by the way he's running around. ... I wouldn't say he was out of shape. But I think everybody notices he has slimmed down a little bit and he's moving around better."

About the only thing T.O. and McNabb agree on? Neither is interested in a symbolic, hatchet-burying handshake.

"I don't feel like I have to go out of the way to appease you guys, to try to create some type of story," Owens said.

Said McNabb: "The whole world doesn't have to see us shaking hands, high-fiving, hugging, chest bumping. Because after that it will be, 'Well, they made up,' and you guys will come up with some bad cliché or bad little funny jokes about it. We have a job to do."

Owens has started talking to local reporters only on Wednesdays, so he knew this was his day to put on a show. He walked into the locker

room ready to do just that, eagerly saying, "Man!" upon seeing the crowd already gathered around his stall.

His first statement came from his wardrobe: a gray T-shirt that read, "Funny little football person," a line angrily said about him last week by the head of the Dallas Police Association.

Owens answered every question for about 20 minutes. He laughed about the kind of reception he's going to get from the crowd ("Not a good one," he predicted), and later playfully sang a chant he's bracing to

hear: "O.D! O.D! O.D!" It's a cruel reference to his accidental overdose last week and a twist on the "T.O! T.O! T.O!"

"I'm not going to let what the fans say or do take me out of my game."

Terrell Owens
Cowboys wide receiver

chant he heard during his good times in Philadelphia, all sung to the tune of the popular soccer song, "Ole! Ole! Ole!"

"Hey man, I'm having fun," he said. "I'm not going to let what the

fans say or do take me out of my game."

Although Owens has often had some of his best performances in games tinged with emotion like this, he's not making any promises.

"There's nothing extra that I feel like I have planned," he said. "I'm going to go into this game and try to score touchdowns and try to go in there and do the best I can do."

Strangely, his take on the significance of this game wavered from one extreme to the other.

At times, he expounded on this being a huge event: "I'm pretty sure it will be the most-watched game throughout the course of the year, besides the Super Bowl." He also said, "To that city, it's almost like a playoff game."

Other times, he made it seem like a minor subplot: "It's been a rivalry around here for years, the Cowboys and Eagles. With me being here, there's just some added excitement."

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NFL

Teams struggle with injuries to key players

Chiefs suffer lineup blow; linebacker Rich Scanlon, offensive lineman Will Svitek sustain severe knee injuries

Associated Press

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Carolina Panthers tight end Mike Seidman has a torn anterior cruciate ligament in his right knee and will likely miss the rest of the season.

Seidman, who had been starting, injured his knee in the win over Tampa Bay on Sept. 24, but coach John Fox claimed they didn't know it was a torn ACL until "the last couple of days."

Seidman is not yet on injured reserve.

"There are different options and we're sorting those out," Fox said Wednesday.

Kris Mangum and Michael Gaines are expected to split time at tight end.

Meanwhile, linebacker Dan Morgan will miss his fourth straight game since suffering at least the fifth concussion of his career in the opener against Atlanta. On Monday, Fox said Morgan was not considering retirement.

Center Justin Hartwig returned to practice and listed as questionable for Sunday's game against Cleveland. Hartwig has missed the past three games after suffering a pulled groin against Atlanta.

Titans

Receiver David Givens will miss Sunday's game with the Colts because of an injured thumb. The Titans listed Givens as out on the injury report Wednesday, along with tight end Erron Kinney and starting left guard Zach Piller. Kinney has not practiced since having surgery on his left knee in the opening days of training camp. Piller missed the 45-14 loss to Dallas with a sprained right ankle.

Givens started each of the first four games since signing an off-season free agent contract with Tennessee and ranks fourth with eight receptions for 108 yards. He caught one pass for 3 yards and ran once for 3 more yards on a reverse against Dallas.

Piller's injury means Jacob Bell should start a second straight game at left guard, with David Stewart replacing Bell at right tackle.

Steelers

Cornerback Ricardo Colclough said he may have a "serious" neck injury, but he hasn't learned the results of tests.

The Steelers have said only that Colclough reported the injury after returning from their three-day break last weekend. The team hasn't played since Colclough's muffed punt inside

the 10-yard line led to Cincinnati's pivotal touchdown in a 28-20 victory in Pittsburgh on Sept. 24.

Colclough was allowed to practice Wednesday — something he wouldn't be permitted to do if the Steelers were concerned about the injury — but has been told to avoid contact for now.

"I really don't know too much about what's going on, until the test results come back and we sit down and talk about it," he said.

Colclough, who fumbled on only his fourth NFL punt return attempt, said he is determined to put the game-altering play behind him.

"It's made me stronger because I'm working harder than I ever did before," he said. "Before I was working hard, but now it's to the point where I'm working extra hard."

Chiefs

A couple of key reserves went down during practice Wednesday, further complicating an injury situation that is becoming critical.

Linebacker Rich Scanlon and offensive lineman Will Svitek both sustained knee injuries. Coach Herm Edwards said Scanlon, a valuable member of the special teams units, will get an MRI on his right knee and Svitek will have a similar procedure on his left knee.

Edwards said defensive back Benny Sapp will now be out about four to six weeks with a knee injury. A leg injury has sidelined running back Michael Bennett.

Quarterback Trent Green, as expected, will miss his third straight game with a severe concussion, although he was well enough last week to join the team on the sideline during its game against San Francisco.

In addition, left tackle Kyle Turley remained out of practice for the second straight week with a back problem.

Turley missed all of last week and was replaced by Jordan Black. Edwards did not sound optimistic that he would be ready for this week's game at Arizona.

"He was a little bit better," Edwards said. "If he doesn't practice by tomorrow or the next day, he's not going to play."

Falcons

John Abraham, who hasn't played since he won NFC defensive player of the week honors in his first game with Atlanta, returned to practice Wednesday.

Abraham suffered a groin



Kansas City quarterback Trent Green passes during a 23-10 loss to the Cincinnati Bengals Sept. 10. Green will miss his third straight game due to a severe concussion.

injury in the Week 1 win over Carolina in which he had six tackles, two sacks, two forced fumbles and one pass batted away. The Falcons, off this weekend, had their last practice of the week Wednesday, and Abraham decided the non-contact session was the perfect opportunity to test the groin.

Abraham said he hoped to play Oct. 15 game against the New York Giants.

"From today, I think so," Abraham said. "I think I practiced well. I'm still a little stiff. I'm still a little behind, but I think I'll be OK if I just stay here and work out and get back into the old John Abraham shape."

Patriots

New England signed cornerback Chidi Iwuoma on Wednesday to provide depth in the injury-riddled secondary. Iwuoma was released Sept. 6 after spending the past four seasons with Pittsburgh. He was with Detroit for one season before that. Last season he was one of the special teams captains for the Steelers.

The Patriots are expected to be without starting cornerback Ellis Hobbs (broken wrist) for a second straight game Sunday against Miami. Starting safety Eugene Wilson (hamstring) missed last Sunday's game at Cincinnati.

New England also has four defensive backs on injured reserve: safeties Tebucky Jones and Mel Mitchell, and cornerbacks Randall Gay and Gemara

Williams.

Rams

Fullback Paul Smith is out this week and probably next week from injuries sustained in a wedge-busting collision that landed Smith and Detroit's Frank Davis in a hospital.

Smith has small fractures around his eyes along with a concussion, coach Scott Linehan said.

"We haven't counted him out next week, but he'd be highly doubtful," Linehan said. "With those two injuries it's going to take a while before he's going to be cleared."

Linehan said the facial fractures will heal without surgery.

The Rams signed linebacker Isaiah Kacyvenski, the Seahawks' special teams captain until being released on Saturday, and released safety Dwaine Carpenter.

Offensive tackle Orlando Pace, who missed last Sunday's game with a concussion, did limited work in practice on Wednesday and was listed as questionable.

Bills

Starting right guard Chris Villarrial did not practice Wednesday because of a right ankle injury and is expected to miss this weekend's game at Chicago.

Villarrial was listed as doubtful, and coach Dick Jauron said he will need at least a week of rest. Jauron said tests revealed the injury was to a tendon in Villarrial's ankle, and not a high

ankle sprain as initially feared.

Villarrial was hurt in the second quarter of Buffalo's 17-12 win over Minnesota last weekend, when he opened a hole for Willis McGahee at the Vikings' goal line. As Villarrial fell into the end zone, several players fell on the back of his leg.

He stayed in for the next play, when McGahee scored from the 1, but the lineman missed the rest of the game and was spotted leaving the stadium wearing a protective boot.

Duke Preston will take over at guard, making his second career start.

Browns

Joshua Cribbs' kickoff returns of 65 and 53 yards in the second quarter at Oakland swung momentum in Cleveland's favor, leading directly to 10 points and sparking the Browns to a 24-21 come-from-behind win over the Raiders. Cribbs, a quarterback at Kent State who earned a roster spot last season as an undrafted free agent, was chosen AFC special teams player of the week.

Before joining the Browns, Cribbs had never returned kicks. But once he got his cleats wet, and his helmet rattled a few times doing it, the 23-year-old embraced the role.

"The first time I did it, I got hit really hard and I knew I could withstand more," he said. "Taking back kicks is an opportunity to give the offense good field position. It's me against 11 guys."

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Defending Stanley Cup champs fall to Buffalo at home

Senators goalie Martin Gerber has 33 saves in Ottawa's 4-1 season-opening victory over the Maple Leafs

Associated Press

RALEIGH, N.C. — Daniel Briere figured out just in time how to help the Buffalo Sabres get the win they couldn't secure in June.

Briere scored the only goal in a shootout and Ryan Miller stopped Carolina cold to give the Sabres a 3-2 victory over the Stanley Cup-champion Hurricanes on Wednesday night in a season-opening rematch of last season's Eastern Conference finals.

Briere, the Sabres' first shootout skater, faked right and beat Cam Ward with a backhand for the only goal in the tiebreaker.

"I didn't know what I would do until I got there," Briere said.

Jason Pominville and Chris Drury each had goals during regulation for the Sabres, who lost Game 7 and vowed to use the defeat as motivation this season.

Before the season opener, they stayed in their locker room and listened to the raucous celebration while the Hurricanes raised their championship banner and celebrated their first Cup title.

"Their emotions were running high at the start," Miller said. "We just sat in here during the celebration, but we could hear it. I'm just really happy with the way we competed."

Miller made 32 saves in regulation and overtime and then came up big in the shootout against a Hurricanes team that was 8-2 in the tiebreaker last season.

"We had a couple of good opportunities. They just didn't go in," Carolina defenseman Mike Commodore said.

Ray Whitney missed the net on the first attempt, before Miller stopped Eric Staal with his stick on the second and blocked Erik Cole's weak attempt on the third.

Ward stopped 30 shots, Staal and Cole had goals, and Whitney had two assists for the Hurricanes, who held one final pregame party with the Stanley Cup before they began the task of defending their title.

"We had the time to celebrate, and we did so appropriately, and now we've got to turn the page," Ward said.

During the 20-minute celebration, flashbulbs popped, those rowdy 'Caniacs' whooped it up, and the 'Scorpions' "Rock You Like a Hurricane" blared. Then, the championship banner — commemorating the first major professional title won by a team from North Carolina — was raised to the rafters.

The Sabres took over from there, withstanding a flurry of early shots by Carolina and eventually silencing the sellout crowd at the RBC Center.

The Hurricanes fed off the crowd's early energy and outshot the Sabres 11-1 during the opening minutes.

"I've seen it go both ways, where a team has come out flat or come out and used the energy," Hurricanes coach Peter Laviolette said. "I think we came out real strong, used the energy in the building."

But Pominville gave Buffalo an



Buffalo goalie Ryan Miller, right, covers the puck from Carolina's Erik Cole during the third period Wednesday night. The Sabres defeated the Hurricanes 3-2.

early lead midway through the first period when he redirected Dmitri Kalinin's shot from the blue line to make it 1-0. That goal came about a minute after Cole's wrist shot from close range bounced off the left post.

Ottawa 4, Toronto 1

Martin Gerber made 33 saves, and the Ottawa Senators beat the Toronto Maple Leafs again by skating off with a victory in the season opener on Wednesday night.

Patrick Eaves, Chris Neil, Cristoph Schubert and Daniel Alfredsson scored for Senators, who lost top players Zdeno Chara and Martin Havlat in the offseason.

They didn't need them against the Maple Leafs, who have been outscored 44-20 in losing eight of nine games to Ottawa.

Mats Sundin scored on a breakaway for the Leafs, who are entering their 40th season since they last won the Stanley Cup.

The provincial rivals will meet again in Ottawa on Thursday night.

Before the game, the Maple Leafs honored former greats Borje Salming, Red Kelly and Hap Day by raising their numbers to the rafters.

Canadian Prime Minister Stephen Harper and Ontario premier Dalton McGuinty watched from the stands.

Toronto had a few good chances early but couldn't score on Gerber, who was signed to replace Dominik Hasek in the offseason.

Gerber won 38 games for Stanley Cup champion Carolina last season before losing his starting job to eventual Conn Smythe Trophy winner Cam Ward.

Ottawa jumped out to a 3-0 lead by the middle of the second period.

Eaves scored on the power play at 19:29 of the first after Dany Heatley made a pass from behind the net to Tom Preissing, whose shot deflected off goalie Andrew Raycroft to Eaves.

Neil made it 2-0 at 10:13 of the second by skating in on a 2-on-1 and putting a backhand over Raycroft's right shoulder before crashing into the net.

Schubert scored just over a minute later after he shot the puck in off Raycroft.

Just 30 seconds later, Ottawa's Anton Volchenkov took down Sundin on a breakaway — causing a penalty shot. Sundin's shot trickled under Gerber and just past the goal line.

Dallas 3, Colorado 2

Darryl Sydor came out of the penalty box to take a pass from goaltender Marty Turco and

score the winning goal at 2:07 of overtime Wednesday night, and the Dallas Stars beat the Colorado Avalanche, extending their season-opening unbeaten streak to 10 years.

Turco stopped several power-play shots from the Avalanche, the last one by Marek Svatos, before swatting the puck to Sydor as he streaked to center ice. Sydor took the puck in stride and beat Jose Theodore over his right shoulder.

Sydor began the overtime in the penalty box for slashing after the third period ended.

The Stars' 7-0-3 mark since 1995 is the fourth-longest unbeaten opening-night streak in NHL history. Colorado still owns the NHL's best opening-night record at 15-6-6.

The Stars trailed 2-0 after two periods but tied it in the third on goals 28 seconds apart by Mike Modano and Loui Eriksson, then overcame the Avs' power play to beat the team that knocked them out of the playoffs five months ago.

Dallas won a franchise-best 53 games last season only to be eliminated by the underdog Avalanche in the first round of the playoffs.

The Stars added six-time All-Star center Eric Lindros, center Jeff Halpern, right wing Matthew Barnaby and Sydor, a defenseman, over the summer. Lindros was limited to 33 games last season in Toronto because of a wrist injury.

The Avs' offseason was marked by another exodus of veterans.

Rob Blake, Dan Hinote and Alex Tanguay followed last year's departing class of Peter Forsberg, Adam Foote and Paul Kariya out of town, and Steve Konowalchuk joined them when an EKG revealed a genetic disease that can cause irregular heart rhythms and forced his into retirement.

The Avs are counting on rookie forward Wojtek Wolski to fill the void left by the Tanguay trade, and he made an immediate impression by scoring one of the Avs' two power-play goals in the first period, when the Avalanche outshot the Stars 22-7.

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could have had more [goals]. Anytime you get two goals on the road without conceding any, it's a good win."

With the victory, the Irish improved their record to 8-3-2 (5-2-0). Although the game against Big Ten-member Michigan won't have any implications on the Big East conference standings, Clark noted that regional victories such as this one could improve Notre Dame's chances of an at-large bid if it doesn't win the automatic bid up for grabs at the Big East tournament.

With the two goals, Lapira increased his total to 15 on the season and took over the national lead in the category. Entering the game, Lapira was tied with Winthrop's Isaac Saidi atop the NCAA goal list. Saidi scored once in Winthrop's 2-1 victory over UNC-Asheville Wednesday.

"[Lapira] makes chances, and he's one of the best strikers in the country," Clark said. "He's got to keep working at getting better. He still has the potential to grow."

Lapira's first goal came in the 16th minute, and it was nearly a carbon copy of his goal against Seton Hall Saturday. Sophomore midfielder Cory Rellas picked up an assist in his second-consecutive game as he sent in a cross that Lapira controlled and fired into the corner of

the Wolverine net.

Lapira would double Notre Dame's lead in the 63rd minute off a misplay by Michigan keeper Patrick Sperry. The play started when Irish junior midfielder Kurt Martin sent a through ball behind the Michigan defense toward an onrushing Lapira. Sperry arrived a split second before Lapira, but his misplay allowed the Irish forward to calmly deposit the ball into an open net.

While Lapira continues to spark the Notre Dame offense, the Irish defense has turned in equally impressive performances as of late.

Wednesday was the team's third-consecutive shutout, and Notre Dame has allowed only one goal in its last five games.

"The back four was very good today, but the defense starts with the forwards," Clark said. "We play a very good attacking, aggressive style of defense. We pressure teams very well all over the field, and everyone is tuned into the team philosophy."

Notre Dame will return home to face Georgetown Saturday at noon. The Irish will be looking to pick up their third consecutive conference win and fifth straight win.

"The team has finally started to come together in the last couple weeks," Clark said. "This has kind of been our team's history. We start out a little slow, and then we build a little rhythm."

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Irish coach

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ON TOP OF THE WORLD



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Irish sophomore forward Kerri Hanks, left, dribbles past Pittsburgh defender Katie Surma in Notre Dame's 5-0 victory over the Panthers Oct. 1 at Alumni Field. Hanks had one goal and an assist.

NFL

Struggling Titans look to regroup

Winless Tennessee faces undefeated Colts in mismatch of week

Associated Press

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — The winless Tennessee Titans held a players-only meeting Wednesday, encouraged each other and pledged to recommit themselves.

The Titans need all the cooperation they can muster to survive the next five games without tackle Albert Haynesworth, arguably their second-best defensive player.

It won't be easy.

The Titans (0-4) ranked last in the NFL in yards rushing with the physical 6-foot-6, 320-pound Haynesworth. Now they must face the league's highest-scoring offense in Peyton Manning and the Indianapolis Colts (4-0) on Sunday.

"We're at a point now where we're hopefully at rock bottom, and we have to find a way to climb our way out of it," Titans defensive end Kyle Vanden Bosch said. "It hurts. It hurts our defensive line. Everybody's kind of taken it upon themselves to pick up the slack and make up for,

you know, what we're losing with Albert."

Haynesworth had more starts and had played more games than any other defensive lineman for Tennessee and was the Titans' best run-stopper. But his unprecedented suspension for kicking Dallas center Andre Gurode twice in the head, leading to 30 stitches, has left the Titans in a bind.

With Haynesworth, the Titans are giving up an average of 177 yards rushing — worst in the NFL through the first four games. They haven't held an opponent under 100 yards since their season opening 23-16 loss to the New York Jets.

They have allowed more than 390 yards in three of four games, holding only Miami under 290 yards and still losing.

The Titans on Tuesday signed Tony Brown, a two-year player with four starts and 17 games to replace Haynesworth on the roster. Linebacker Keith Bulluck said replacing Haynesworth will be tough and requires a collective effort on

defense.

"Anybody who's seen Albert Haynesworth play knows that he's a force to be reckoned with, one of the better defensive tackles in this league, definitely up-and-coming or on the verge of making his mark in this league," Bulluck said. "You can't replace that man because he is so dominating when he's in there."

Haynesworth's 27 tackles are first among the team's defensive linemen, with Vanden Bosch a close second at 26.

Veteran Robaire Smith has been slowed by a strained right hamstring, and this is the first week he hasn't been on the injury report since the opener. Randy Starks is in his third season, and rookie Jesse Mahelona is questionable with a sprained knee.

Indianapolis coach Tony Dungy said he's always looked at one player's misfortune as another's opportunity. He cited Kurt Warner replacing Trent Green in St. Louis and Tom Brady taking over for injured Drew Bledsoe in New England as prime examples.

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Bass' performance. "He didn't handle crucial situations well. Hopefully that is something he corrected in practice this week."

Nationally 20th ranked Notre Dame junior Sheeva Parbhu enters the tournament at 3-1 this season and 68-16 in his career. Parbhu won three of his four games at Notre Dame's Thomas Fallon Invitational Sept. 24. Parbhu fell to Western Michigan's 94th ranked Brady Crosby.

Neither Parbhu nor Bass are new to the national circuit. Bass reached the quarterfinals of the 2005 National Indoors Championship before falling to Georgia's John Isner 7-5, 7-6, (8-6). Parbhu advanced to the postseason in the spring of 2006 when he advanced to the quarters of the NCAA Singles Championship — making the longest Irish tournament run since 1959. Parbhu's ride ended when he succumbed to Virginia's Somdev Devvarman 6-1, 6-3.

"[Parbhu and Bass] have both had high wins at the national level," Bayliss said. "They have demonstrated their ability to be

among the nation's elite."

Bayliss hopes that the duo will once again succeed this week. Parbhu has worked on expanding the limits on his forehand, allowing him to hit deeper and harder and making him more of a threat. Bayliss said Bass is no longer just focused on his defensive game — he has turned into an all-court player.

The duo heads down to Oklahoma under the guidance of assistant coach Ryan Sachire. Sachire played the professional circuit before coming to Notre Dame and was among the top 300 in the ATP. Bass and Parbhu have had the advantage of competing against Sachire during practice this week — a challenge Bayliss hopes has made them stronger.

"[Sachire is] experienced in tournament play," Bayliss said. "I'm sure he will be able to help them."

Bayliss added that he hoped the presence of Sachire would not only help Bass and Parbhu in practice, but would also encourage them to perform well come match time.

"It's an honor just to be in the tournament," Bayliss said. "But we hope to do more than just show up."

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Irish coach

SMC VOLLEYBALL

Belles can't conquer the Knights

Saint Mary's falls to Calvin in straight sets in MIAA match

By MICHAEL BRYAN
Sports Writer

The Belles went into Calvin looking to play the role of spoiler Wednesday, but the MIAA-leading Knights squashed any hopes of an upset with a dominating 3-0 victory.

The win was Calvin's seventh in a row and kept the team undefeated in conference play. Saint Mary's dropped to 12-6 overall, 5-4 in MIAA play.

Calvin, 17-1 overall, is currently No. 19 in the Division III coaches' poll.

Calvin began the match strong, winning the first game 30-16, and never let up. The final two games both ended in 30-19 Saint Mary's defeats to finish the sweep. The result

echoed the final score from the Sept. 22 match at Saint Mary's, also a 3-0 victory for the Knights.

Belles coach Julie Schroeder-Biek was not disheartened by the results. "We played a very good team and our players responded well to the competition," Schroeder-Biek said. "The team learns from these match-

"The team learns from these matches and approaches the next competition with an even stronger will to win."

Julie Schroeder-Biek
Belles coach

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The Knights strong performance was led by senior Kristen Kalb, who recorded a double-double with 15 kills and 10 digs.

Setter Katie Zondervan also turned in a strong performance with a match-high 38 assists.

Belles outside hitter Kristen Playko and freshman Lorna Slupczynski led the losing effort with 8 kills each.

Senior Anne Cusack posted a solid defensive effort, leading the match with 19 digs.

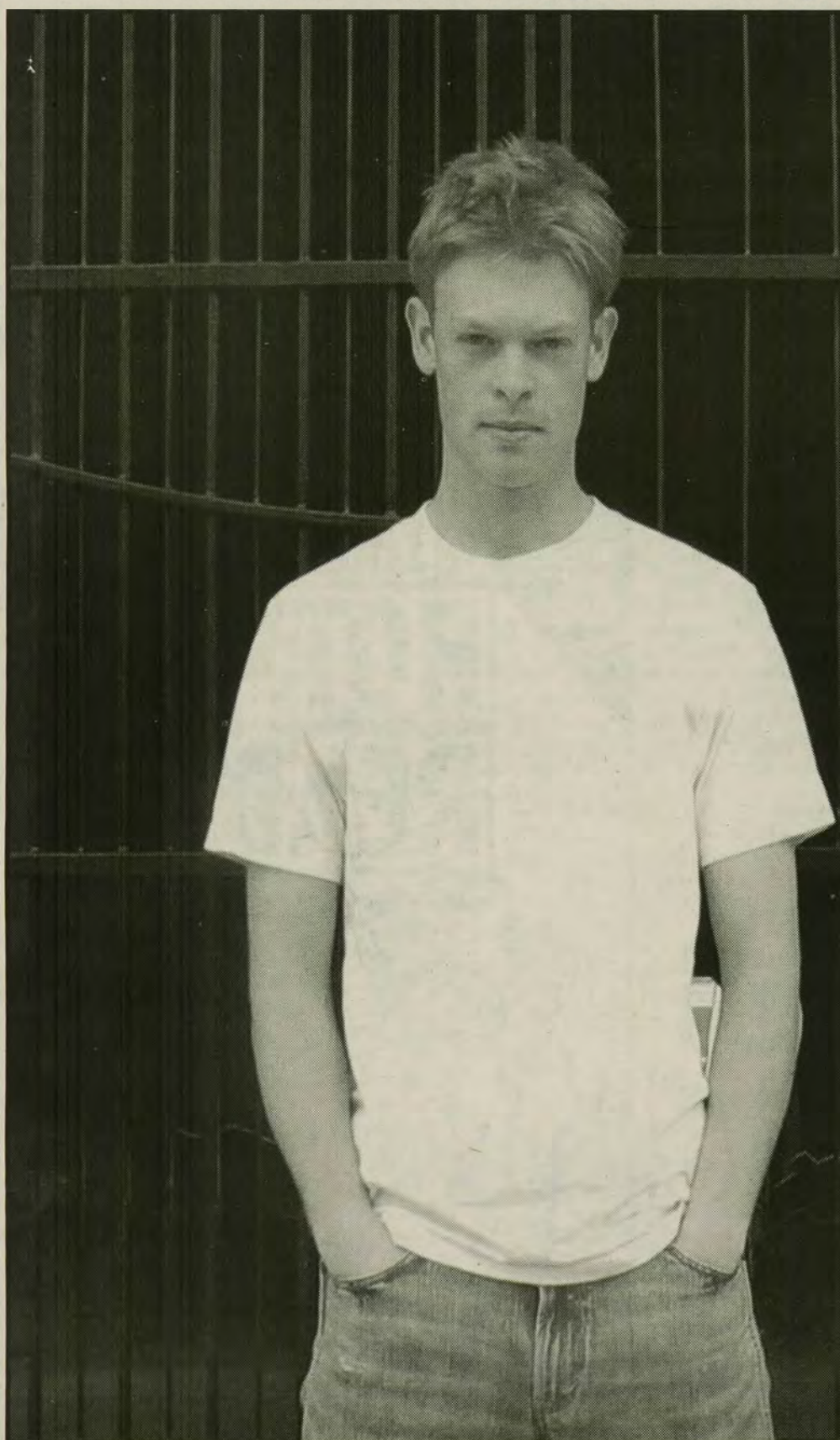
While disappointed by the loss, Schroeder-Biek said that Calvin's success this season has positive effects on

the conference. "It's always wonderful for the MIAA to have one of our own recognized for their success," she said. "Their high level of play makes the entire conference stronger."

Saint Mary's will try to rebound from the loss in its next match Friday at Olivet.

The Comets are still looking for their first win of the season at 0-16, and the Belles will hope to avoid the upset.

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Irish coach Charlie Weis answers questions Tuesday. Weis said Wednesday that fullback Asaph Schwapp will have surgery today.

Schwapp

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Schwapp will be eligible for a medical redshirt since he participated in just two games this season. Any player who suffers an injury in the first three games and sits out the rest of the season because of the injury can apply for an extra year of eligibility, according to NCAA rules.

Weis said the knee problem was a recurrence of an injury Schwapp suffered before he came to Notre Dame.

"I don't know the extent of what it is because the injury is an old injury that just reoccurred," Weis said. "I don't know how old that is, but [it didn't originate] while he was here."

Weis said he is confident that backup fullback Ashley McConnell can continue to replace Schwapp without a drop in performance.

"We haven't had [Schwapp] since Penn State, so there's no impact," Weis said. "We play the next guy."

Weis said the number of two-back sets he called initially dropped after Schwapp's injury but has returned to normal after three games with McConnell as the starter.

With McConnell solidified as the No. 1 fullback, that moves freshman Luke Schmidt into the mix as the backup. At 6-foot-3 and 252 pounds, Schmidt came to Notre Dame with the potential to be a between-the-tackles, pounding halfback or a hole-opening fullback.

"[Schmidt] has been steadily on the rise the whole season," Weis said. "He's fit in better at this point as a fullback, and he's made steady progress."

But Weis said the freshman wouldn't be the only option for the Irish at the No. 2 fullback spot. Without elaborating, Weis said he had some ideas about what the team could do.

Notes:

♦ Weis said the player he is least sure will return to the field this week is running back Travis Thomas, who suffered a rib injury on the last play of the game against Michigan State and did not play against Purdue. Weis called Thomas "iffy" to play against Stanford.

"When you have sore ribs, running around is not the issue, getting hit is the issue," Weis said. "If [Thomas] doesn't play this week, it'll have nothing to do with anything but precautionary measures."

♦ Weis said he is "encouraged" by the progress of Notre Dame's No. 3 receiver, David Grimes. Weis said Grimes had a "95 percent" chance of avoiding missing prolonged time because of his injury.

♦ Weis also said that injured cornerback Ambrose Wooden, who has not played since Notre Dame lost to Michigan in Week 3, looks close to starting against Stanford.

♦ Kickoff specialist Bobby Renkes has taken all his usual kickoffs in practice this week after sitting out the Purdue game with a muscle strain.

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Thursday's game.

Krug said she is excited about the progress her team has shown in the past couple of games, and thinks her team is ready to take on the Weasels.

"I hope that we can build on what we did on Sunday," Krug said. "We got a taste of how successful we can be when both the offense and the defense play up to their ability, and hopefully we will do just that [today]."

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Howard captain

McGlinn vs. Farley

Farley's Finest hope to extend their two-game winning streak tonight at 8 when they face McGlinn at Riehle West Field.

McGlinn has fought hard this season but has finished on the short end more times than not. The Shamrocks fell 25-6 to Breen-Phillips Sept. 24, and their disappointment continued last week when Howard shut out the Shamrocks, 20-0.

"We've had a tough start to the season, but the team has been practicing very hard and we're hoping that everything will start coming together in [tonight's] game," said McGlinn captain Madeline Boyer.

McGlinn will have to play well to reverse its fortunes against a confident Farley team.

"Last week we had a great week and gained a lot of momentum," Farley captain Kim Crehan said. "Everyone played so well, and I'm proud of the way our team has come together."

Like all teams, the Finest have their eyes set on the playoffs, and Crehan said she hopes Farley's recent performances will propel it to its goal after a rocky start to the season.

The Finest had to play both teams from last year's championship game — Pangborn and Pasquerilla West — in their opening two games. Farley picked up losses on both of these matchups, but the team didn't let those games ruin the season. After topping Howard, the Finest dominated both sides of the ball and topped Breen-Phillips in a 20-6 win Sunday.

Pangborn vs. Lewis

Tonight's 9 p.m. contest at Riehle West Field between the Pangborn Phoxes and the Lewis Chicks features two

teams heading in opposite directions.

The Phoxes (4-0) have been the team to beat in the early season, recording victories over Farley, Howard, McGlinn and last year's champions, the Purple Weasels of Pasquerilla West.

Lewis (0-4) has not fared as well. The Chicks have lost to Howard, McGlinn, Breen-Phillips and Pasquerilla West. But they hope to play spoiler to the Phoxes.

Pangborn has played with a fire in its eyes all season, not quick to forget its shutout loss in the Stadium for last season's championship.

With a squad full of upper-classmen that starred in last

year's final, the Phoxes have every intention of getting back to the Stadium to reverse the outcome. Their four wins guarantee them a spot in the playoffs and a win tonight should clinch the No. 1 seed.

"The key to our success so far has been how well the team gelled," Pangborn captain Katie Riemorsma said. "We have a lot of returning players so everyone knows what to do on the field. Everyone's on the same page."

The most intriguing story on the Pangborn squad might just be the play of its lone freshman starter, Meghan Bescher. With her speed, Bescher is a threat at wide receiver, defensive back and kick returner. Only four games into the season, Bescher has seven touchdowns and six interceptions.

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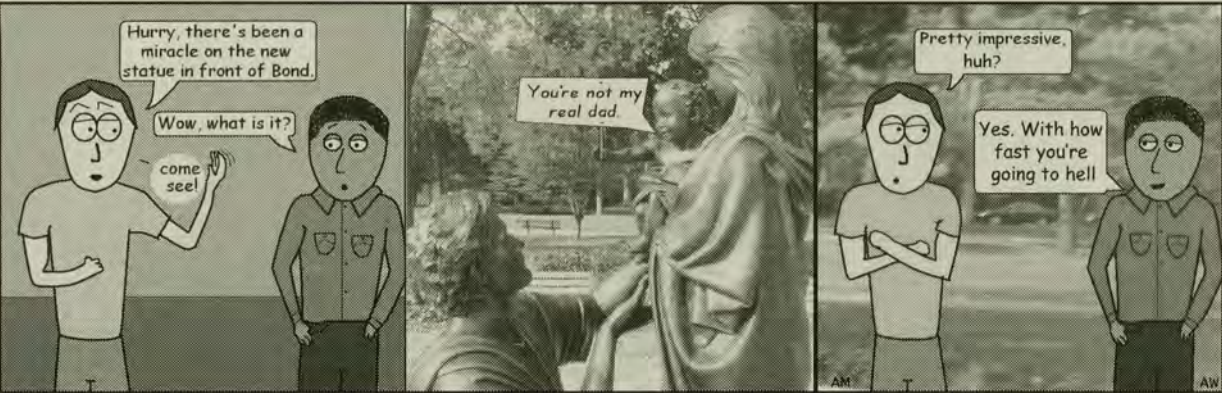
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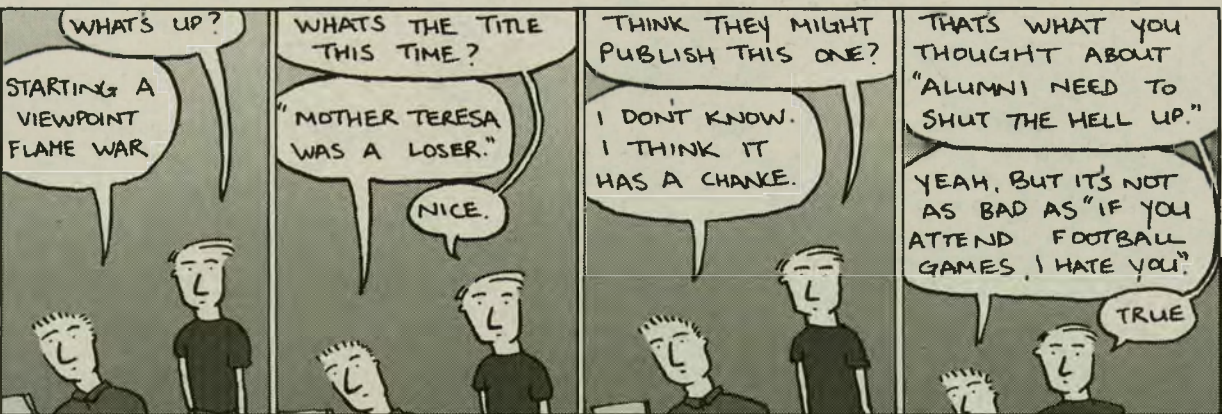
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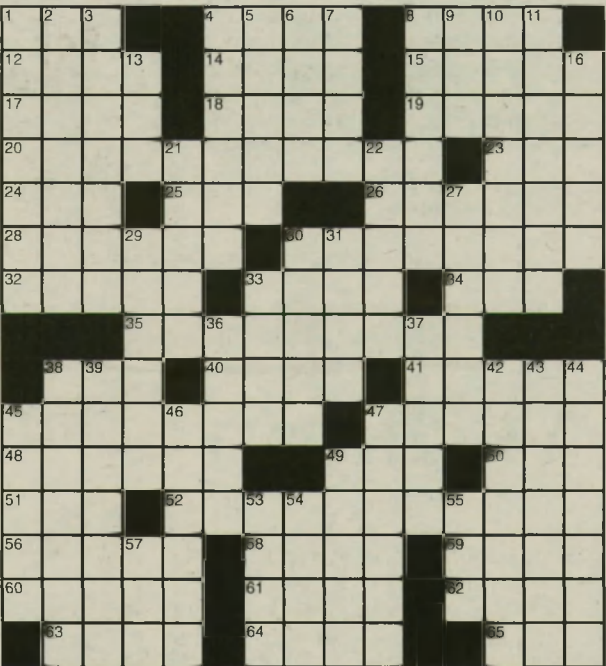
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TAURUS (April 20-May 20): A partnership will have to be dealt with today. Be honest about the way you feel and what you would like to see happen. If you overreact, you will create long-term problems for yourself. 4 stars

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): You may have new acquaintances eating out of your hand but the people who know you well will be questioning what you are doing. Children will offer you an insightful view of your current situation. 2 stars

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Look beyond what's immediately around you. Don't let the people you are close to cloud your vision. Travel or checking out different lifestyles will give you the answers and solutions you are looking for. 5 stars

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Get involved, be a participant and you will soon realize what you want to do with the rest of your life. Check out educational needs. It won't be as difficult as you think once you start the ball rolling. 3 stars

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Don't look for help when you should do the work yourself. Emotions will stand in the way of accomplishment. Traveling back to places you used to enjoy will stir memories and reconnect you to someone special. 3 stars

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Gratification can be yours if you put all your efforts into the things that mean the most to you. Children will give you a fresh outlook. Your intuition and emotional outlook will lead you in the right direction. 3 stars

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Someone is looking out for you, giving you options and ideas that can help you get past a time of uncertainty and confusion. Use your head and your vivid imagination and you will get ahead. 5 stars

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Check things over yourself rather than taking someone else's word for it. Go easy on others; listen, watch and wait. 2 stars

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Your thoughts should be on progress, direction and making more money. A trip may be enticing but it won't bring the rewards you are looking for. 4 stars

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): A change in your outlook and attitude will jumpstart your future. Check out the possibilities of going back to school. 3 stars

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Everything will start to fall into place if you have been doing things by the book. Money is heading your way but someone will want to take it as fast as you receive it. Have a game plan in place. 3 stars

Birthday Baby: You have spunk, durability and courage. You are original, playful and determined to do things right. You have great potential and desire to help others.

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FOOTBALL

Schwapp's season ends

Weis says sophomore will have surgery today to repair knee

By KEN FOWLER
Sports Editor

Notre Dame sophomore fullback Asaph Schwapp will have surgery on his left knee today and miss the rest of the season, Irish coach Charlie Weis said Wednesday.

"From watching him today, he's not going to be able to play [this season]," Weis said. "The question isn't if we'll have to have him in to get fixed, the question is when. ... By having [the surgery] now, you have a chance at having him back for spring [practices]."

Schwapp played in Notre Dame's season-opening wins against Georgia Tech and Penn State. His left knee "locked up on him" once in practice early this season and then late in the Penn State contest, Weis said.

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Irish fullback Asaph Schwapp (44) runs by Midshipman linebacker Rob Caldwell and the Navy defensive line in Notre Dame's 42-21 win Nov. 12, 2005.

MEN'S TENNIS

ND's Bass, Parbhu to play in ITA

By DEIRDRE KRASULA
Sports Writer

Senior captain Stephen Bass will lead Notre Dame as it begins the ITA All-American Championships in Oklahoma today. Bass hopes to get back on track this weekend after a tough beginning to his fall season.

Bass, No. 21 in the Fila Collegiate Tennis Rankings, posted a 1-2 record at the Wolverine Invitational Oct. 1. He triumphed early over Boise State's Piotr Dilaj 6-3, 7-5, only to struggle in his following matches — falling to Michigan's Brian Hung 6-2, 6-2 and Vanderbilt's 28th ranked Ryan Preston 6-4, 6-3. Despite these setbacks, Bass still boasts a 74-35 career record.

"I didn't see it coming," said Irish coach Bobby Bayliss of

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MEN'S SOCCER

Lapira, Irish blank Michigan



Irish forward Joseph Lapira strikes a corner kick in Notre Dame's 3-0 win over DePaul Sept. 10 at Alumni Field.

Junior forward has 8 goals in team's 4-game winning streak

By GREG ARBOGAST
Sports Writer

Junior forward Joseph Lapira scored two goals Wednesday, and the Irish defense, led by senior goal-keeper Chris Cahill, held Michigan scoreless en route to No. 8 Notre Dame's 2-0 win over the Wolverines in Ann Arbor.

If the stats sound familiar, they should.

His performance was the fourth consecutive multi-goal game for the junior, the third shutout in four games for the Irish defense, and — most importantly for Notre Dame coach Bobby Clark — Notre Dame's fourth consecutive victory.

"It was a well-deserved win," Clark said. "We made a lot of good chances, and we

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WOMEN'S INTERHALL

Ducks set for big game vs. defending champs

Finest looking for 3 in a row in contest with the Shamrocks

By KATE DONLIN and
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Sports Writers

The Howard Ducks will have their work cut out for them tonight at 7 as they try to take down the defending league champions from Pasquerilla West at Riehle West Field.

Last Sunday, the Weasels improved their record to 3-1 on the season with a 26-6 rout of Lewis. Pasquerilla West's wins have come against Breen-Phillips, Farley and Lewis. The Weasels' only loss this season was to Pangborn in a rematch of last year's championship game.

"I think the number of returning players and coaches we have gives us a certain level of experience and maturity that has shown through in our play,"

Weasels captain Mo Spring said. "Just as important, we have a great group of freshmen that are enthusiastic and have fit in really well with the team chemistry."

Howard comes into the contest with momentum on its side. Last week the Ducks dominated McGlinn in a 20-0 win.

"We really pulled everything together on both sides of the ball," Howard captain Catherine Krug said. "Our offense was on track and our defense really stepped up with some big interceptions."

The Ducks' season has been a series of ups-and-downs so far. In their first game, they edged out a 6-0 win over Lewis. But Howard was unable to contain the quick Pangborn offense in the second game of the season and fell to the Phoxes. More recently, the Ducks lost against Farley Oct. 29.

But the big win Sunday against McGlinn has left Howard feeling optimistic about

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SPORTS AT A GLANCE

SMC VOLLEYBALL

Calvin 3
Saint Mary's 0

The Belles fall to the MIAA-leading Knights in straight sets.

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Titans at Colts
Sunday, 1 p.m.

Tennessee travels to Indianapolis without a win and missing its top defensive lineman.

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NHL

Sabres 3
Hurricanes 2

Daniel Briere scores the only goal in a shootout to give Buffalo the opening day victory.

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NFL

Cowboys at Eagles
Sunday, 4:15 p.m.

Terrell Owens and Donovan McNabb are not saying much before the matchup.

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Torii Hunter's misplay allows Mark Kotsay to score on an inside-the-park homer.

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MLB — NLDS

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Carlos Delgado has four hits, including the go-ahead homer for New York.

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