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STUDENT SENATE

ND political groups receive funding

College Republicans, Democrats and Libertarians eligible for University allocations



QUENTIN STENGER/The Observer

Student Senate passed a resolution Wednesday to allocate funding to student political groups.

By JOSEPH McMAHON
Assistant News Editor

The Student Senate unanimously passed a resolution Wednesday allowing the College Republicans, Democrats and Libertarians to use University-allocated funds to support the nominated candidates of their respective parties.

While the groups cannot directly donate to any candidate and any appearance by a political speaker must follow the guidelines which apply to all speakers, the new resolution allows the clubs to hand out promotional materials such as T-shirts and bumper stickers, as well as post signs around campus.

"When [student body president] Bob Reish and I were campaigning, a lot of students said the campus was-

n't political enough," student body vice president Grant Schmidt said. "We wanted there to be access to the candidates themselves."

Schmidt said he and Senate Oversight committee chair Ian Secviar spent a great deal of time meeting with University officials to develop the amendment.

"A lot of my work has been working on this amendment ... This is something for the 2008 election, and we wanted to get the ball rolling because it is already Sept. 17," Schmidt said. "I think this is a great step in the right direction for students to engage in this dialogue and not be stifled."

The amendment also allows the three groups to use their funds to transport students to political rallies.

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Sexual assault reported

By KAITLYNN RIELY
Associate News Editor

Police are investigating an incident of sexual assault reported by a student, Notre Dame Security Police (NDSP) said in an e-mail received by students Tuesday.

The reported sexual assault was committed by an acquaintance of the student in a residence hall on campus Sunday, the e-mail said.

Police were notified of the reported assault late on Monday, NDSP Assistant Director David Chapman said.

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Staff concerns addressed

Jenkins, Affleck-Graves discuss future plans

By JENN METZ
News Editor

Two of the University's top leaders shared their views on Notre Dame's progress toward achieving its central goals at a standing room-only town hall-style meeting for staff members Wednesday.

Robert McQuade, associate vice president for Human Resources, introduced University President Father John Jenkins and Executive Vice President John Affleck-Graves to the audience in the packed Leighton Concert Hall of the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center.

McQuade said the University hopes to host smaller sessions in the future so more people can have the opportunity to listen and ask their questions about the University.

Affleck-Graves emphasized the importance of the town-hall meeting sessions.

"This is where we think the University is going," he said, "And we want to hear from you."

He said the academic and the administrative/business sides of the University cannot

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New dorm gets a name: Ryan Hall

Female residence will house 246 students, feature 'super quads,' classroom capabilities

By KAITLYNN RIELY
Associate News Editor

The new women's residence hall under construction between Welsh Family Hall and the Hammes Notre Dame Bookstore will be named Ryan Hall, University President Father John Jenkins said in his annual address to the faculty Tuesday.

Jenkins revealed the name of the new dorm as he described the University's continued commitment to excellence in undergraduate education.

"Both Duncan Hall, the men's dorm that opened this fall, and Ryan Hall, the women's dorm currently under construction, are the first dormitories at Notre Dame to include classrooms, which will help deepen this integration of academic and residential life," Jenkins said, according to his prepared remarks.

Assistant Vice President for News and Information Dennis Brown said Wednesday that, to his knowledge, the benefactors have asked the

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AMY LYNCH/The Observer

Construction on Ryan Hall, the new women's residence, began last spring and should be completed by Aug. 2009.

Students gather to weigh faith, politics



TRAVIS ALLEN/The Observer

Law professor Gerard Bradley speaks to students Wednesday at Theology on Tap at Legends.

By IRENA ZAJICKOVA
News Writer

Some people consider abortion to be the only issue of importance in the upcoming presidential election, Notre Dame Law School professor Gerard Bradley said Wednesday during a politics-centered Theology on Tap at Legends.

The Catholic vote is important in the nation's swing states, said Bradley, who specializes in the study of law and religion. The night's topic was "Faith and Election: Voting with your Catholic

Conscience," and during the talk Bradley explained two of the major Catholic perspectives on the abortion issue.

Bradley said many Catholics think the right to life is the underlying factor to consider when voting because it is the precursor to all other human rights, an "indispensable core to a decent society."

Another position on the subject, Bradley said, proposes that although human life does begin at conception, this belief is private and should not be imposed on others. Democratic vice presidential

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INSIDE COLUMN

Paradise found

Have you ever wanted something you couldn't have? Something that just teased you from afar, seeming within your grasp but in reality remains just out of reach? Something that you desperately want but feel you will never get?

Jay Fitzpatrick

I had that feeling once. But, by the grace of God, I fulfilled my primal craving. I ended a four year urge.

I ate at White Castle.

Ever since the epic, groundbreaking film "Harold and Kumar Go to White Castle" premiered in 2004 I have wanted a small, square, greasy, oniony burger. This yearning intensified with each viewing until it finally faded into despair. I submitted that I was never getting that sweet nectar of New Jersey, the slider.

And then it happened.

For a job interview I recently had to travel to Merrillville, Ind., a small-ish city south of Gary. On my return, I noticed, out of the corner of my eye, a vaguely familiar fast-food sign. A second glance and I knew that my pursuit was almost complete: I had found a real-life, actual-factual White Castle.

When I walked into the restaurant, I knew immediately what I needed to order. Nothing fancy, no A-1 sauce or jalapeno cheese. Just the good-old-fashioned No. 1: Four Sliders, one medium order of fries and one diet Coke.

I got the order "for here," because I knew I could not focus on driving while undergoing such a rapturous experience as this. And it truly was.

Most of the time things can't live up to the hype. "The Phantom Menace" could never compete with the original "Star Wars" trilogy in originality or creativity. Throw in 15 years of build-up and it never stood a chance. But White Castle transcends such earthly problems, maintaining its perfect meat-onion-grease-patty ration on every burger.

I loved it as much as Brett Favre loves football, and as Ryan McFarlane of Sorin College can attest, no one loves anything as much as Brett Favre loves football.

I sat with my order, untainted by condiments, so I could fully appreciate how delicious the natural flavorings of the food was, and came to a fuller appreciation of the film that started my yen for this sweet ambrosia.

Harold and Kumar did not embark on their sacred quest simply because they were stoned. Nor was the restaurant a mere jumping off point to begin their picaresque misadventure.

No, those tiny, greasy hamburgers change you, and only for the better.

Think of the movie: What immediately follows their feast? Kumar grows up and Harold grows a pair.

And so, too, I now feel changed. I'm not sure how yet in any tangible sense; perhaps it is the extra cholesterol in my arteries from those four burgers.

But nevertheless, White Castle has taught me a very important lesson: don't give up on your dreams, because you never know when they might come true. Mine certainly did.

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

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CORRECTIONS

Due to a reporting error, Gov. Sarah Palin was misidentified as a congresswoman in the Sept. 17 edition of The Observer. The Observer regrets this error.

QUESTION OF THE DAY: WHERE DO YOU WISH NOTRE DAME HAD A STUDY ABROAD PROGRAM AND WHY?



Mary Mahon
freshman
Welsh Family

"Fiji, because it sounds exotic."



Laura Wilczek
senior
Howard

"Seoul, South Korea. Because I'm from there."



Maria Antoniak
sophomore
Howard

"Hogwarts. It's self-explanatory."



Andy Renner
senior
Stanford

"Green Bay, so I could go to the Packers' games."



Thomas Rivas
senior
off-campus

"Antarctica, because it's colder than South Bend."



QUENTIN STENGER/The Observer

Students learn about opportunities for research and language grants abroad at the Reentry Open House Tuesday in the Hesburgh Center for International Studies.

OFFBEAT

Janitor receives plunger award

SAUGATUCK, Mich. — Steve Oswald isn't getting back the \$156.94 he charged the city for cleaning a public bathroom. However, he did get the attention of city officials who promised to take better care of the bathroom — and honored his efforts Tuesday with the Golden Plunger Award.

Oswald, 45, said he didn't expect to be reimbursed after billing the west Michigan tourist town for the work he did last month. But he did say he appreciated the award,

a toilet plunger spray-painted gold and set on an oak stand.

Judge rules baggy pants law unconstitutional

RIVIERA BEACH, Fla. — A judge has decided a law banning sagging pants in this town is unconstitutional after a teenager spent a night in jail on accusations he exposed too much underwear.

Julius Hart, 17, was charged last week after an officer said he spotted the teenager riding his bicycle with 4 to 5 inches of blue-and-black boxer

shorts revealed.

Hart's public defender, Carol Bickerstaff, urged a judge Monday to strike down the sagging pants law, telling him: "Your honor, we now have the fashion police."

Circuit Judge Paul Moyle ruled that the law was unconstitutional based on "the limited facts" of the case. Technically, however, the charge hasn't been dropped yet: a new arraignment awaits Hart on Oct. 5.

Information compiled from the Associated Press.

IN BRIEF

There will be a lecture entitled "How We Can End the Genocide in Sudan" given by John Prendergast in the Hesburgh Center for International Studies Auditorium, today from 12:30 to 2 p.m. Lunch will be available prior to the lecture. It is sponsored by the Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies, DeBartolo Performing Arts Center, and the Center for Social Concerns. This event is free and open to the public.

In "The Wonderbread Years," Pat Hazell finds humor in the experience of growing up in America. This event is today, Fri., and Sat. at 7 p.m. in DeBartolo Performing Arts Center, on the Decio Mainstage Theatre. Tickets are \$40, \$32 faculty/staff, \$30 for seniors, and \$15 for students and can be purchased at the Ticket Office.

The annual Forum Film Festival will be held Friday at 7 p.m. in the Browning Cinema of the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center. Films on sustainability will be shown. The event is open to the public. Tickets are free and must be reserved in advance at the Ticket Office.

The 25th annual Domer Run will take place Saturday at 9 a.m. The race will start on the west side of the Stadium. Runners must check in no later than 8:45 AM at the registration tables. Race day check-in will be held at Legends beginning at 8 a.m.

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

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BOARD OF GOVERNANCE

Club will fast for feast of Ramadan

By ASHLEY CHARNLEY
News Writer

One of Saint Mary's newest groups, the Middle Eastern North African Culture Club, will hold a dinner in honor of Ramadan on Sept. 30 at 7 p.m., club president Mariam Eskander said during the Board of Governance (BOG) meeting Wednesday.

"Usually for Ramadan, it is one community," Eskander said. "They don't eat after sunrise or before sunset. So we are going to break the fast together."

The group is also bringing a professor from Notre Dame who has written articles about Islam, Eskander said.

"I didn't even know a lot about it until I attended an event similar to this one last year, and it went really well," she said.

There will be Christian Culture Lecture in Little Theater at 7:30 p.m., student body president Mickey Gruscinski said.

The Student Activities Board will be sponsoring "Sundaes on Sunday," SAB president Danielle Franklin said. They will be held in Vander Vennet Theater in the basement of the Student Center on Sunday evening. Students are invited to go to eat ice cream and watch the season premiere of Desperate Housewives.

Residence Hall elections will

take place Sept. 25, Residence Hall Association president Maura Clougherty said. Saint Mary's students are encouraged to go on PRISM, an online student account system, and place their votes. Students can vote for every hall regardless of where they live.

Saint Mary's will be having a "Date for the Cure," an NCAA event for breast cancer, Saint Mary's Director of Student Development Patrick Daniel said. During the soccer game at 4 p.m., there will be a picnic by the soccer fields. Then during the volleyball game at 7 p.m., there will be pink desserts such as cotton candy and pink lemonade.

The run-off for the first year board elections was held Tuesday, Elections Commissioner Francesca Johnson said. The winners will be announced today.

"Love Your Body Week" will have activities Monday, Tuesday and Thursday next week, Women's Issues Commissioner Becki Faunce said.

Saint Mary's Communications Studies professor Teri Russ, will have a national book release of her work "Bi**ing Bodies" Thursday, and she will give a speech on body image. A reception to follow.

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Panel observes Constitution Day

Speakers discuss role of country's leaders, protections under law

By SARAH MAYER
News Writer

For 2001 Notre Dame graduate Peter Gehred, his job as a field representative for Rep. Joe Donnelly (D-Ind.) means the United States Constitution plays a daily role in his life.

"We live in a republic," Gehred said. "The authority is by the people. That is why I have a job; that is why my boss has a job."

Gehred spoke Wednesday on a panel in Haggard Parlor at Saint Mary's College to celebrate the 221st anniversary of the signing of the Constitution.

He stressed the importance of having a democracy instead of divine right.

"We live in a land of unimaginable wealth, but our power flows from the bottom up," he said.

Gehred reminded the audi-

ence that much of the brilliance of the Constitution came from English philosopher John Locke and French political thinker Charles de Secondat, baron de Montesquieu.

"One of the geniuses of America is that we steal from everyone else," Gehred joked.

"We live in a republic. The authority is by the people. That is why I have a job; that is why my boss has a job."

Peter Gehred
field representative
Rep. Joe Donnelly

But that borrowing, he said, has produced "the best government we could possibly have."

Michael Kramer, a professor in Saint Mary's Communication Studies, Dance and Theatre department

emceed the panel session. He reminded the audience that Constitution Day is a time for Americans to remember to continue the legacy of the Founding Fathers and develop habits of citizenship in a new generation of Americans.

Former St. Joseph County deputy prosecutor and current criminal defense attorney Brooks Grainger described the

importance of the Constitution's Fifth Amendment.

"If you think person X committed a crime, you have to prove it," Grainger said.

But one of the problems with the United States government, he said, is that there are too many laws and regulations.

"We have over 10,000 laws but there are so many regulations under those laws that there is no way to tell how many crimes actually exist," he said.

Saint Mary's political science professor Amy Cavender spoke about the primacy of the freedom of religion in the Constitution.

"Religion is listed first in line. The national government cannot restrict religion," she said.

Cavender described court cases where the Supreme Court interpreted what the Constitutional framers meant by freedom of religion.

"The government can have some influence on religion, but it has to be in a non-discriminatory way," she said.

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exist without each other.

Using Duncan Hall as an example, Affleck-Graves emphasized the teamwork and mutual responsibilities that the staff contributes to the University's visions and goals.

He mentioned custodial services, landscape services, the Office of Residence Life and Housing and academic departments, since Duncan is the first residence hall with a classroom, as well as University architects, to name a few of the departments involved in the project.

The teamwork that goes into every part of University life was continually emphasized in Affleck-Graves' presentation, using services for undergraduate students and the current construction of Stinson-Remick Hall as examples of the ways different departments work together.

A hallmark of Notre Dame is its Catholic character, Affleck-Graves said, and that can be seen in many forms, citing specifically maintenance services that worked on the renovations to the Basilica of the Sacred Heart, human resources that help familiarize employees with Notre Dame, Campus Ministry and the new Office of Sustainability with its many initiatives.

He said he encouraged all who comprise the campus community to "act responsibly" in advancing the University's sustainability by recycling and turning off lights.

"There are 15, 16 thousand people on this campus; together we can all make an impact," he said.

Notre Dame is working to "provide a comprehensive employee experience," Affleck-Graves said, with competitive wages within the market, wellness programs, benefits like health and life insurance and employee development and training. A main focus of the University is creating a safe work environment, he said.

As an employer, the University is very passionate in its need to offer benefits to its employees, Affleck-Graves said.

The University addressed several of the issues raised by the ND Voice survey administered to employees in 2006.

One such issue regarded pay rates at the University, and how they compare to other positions with similar work. After analyzing data from a compensation service of 51 organizations in the Michiana area including, for example, the City of South Bend, Indiana University South Bend (IUSB) and Western Michigan University, Affleck-Graves said 40 percent of Notre Dame employees are compensated at rates significantly above the market range, 57 percent are com-

pensated within the market range and three percent are below the market range.

The University is continually working to expand its employee development and training programs, including its learning at work program, which offers employees the opportunity to take broad education courses, as well as career management courses, Affleck-Graves said.

The ND Voice 2008 survey will be administered Oct. 6-27 by an outside consulting organization called Towers Perrin-ISR. The University "only gets data amalgamated by at least 10 people," Affleck-Graves said, so employee responses are kept confidential.

Affleck-Graves concluded his presentation by briefly discussing a major University initiative: the Eddy St. Commons, which "will make a big difference to the South Side of campus," he said.

Companies that have already signed lease agreements for lots in the Commons include Follett, White Lodging Marriot, Kildare's Irish Pub, Doc Magrogan's and Hot Box Pizza.

Other possible tenants may include restaurant chains, especially a sandwich or coffee shop, a cellular phone provider, clothing retailers, a bank and a salon or day spa.

'Great progress'

Jenkins thanked those in attendance for their hard work, dedication and service to the University.

The feeling of welcoming that the staff gives to people at the University is "what makes Notre Dame special," he said. "When someone visiting campus meets one of you, they meet Notre Dame."

He addressed three of the University's central goals in his portion of the presentation, namely: to offer an unsurpassed undergraduate education, to become a pre-eminent research university and to ensure that the University's Catholic character informs all its endeavors.

His presentation was "a summary of things we have been doing to move us forward," Jenkins said. "We have farther to go, but we've made some great progress."

Undergraduate education, Jenkins said, is "the core of Notre Dame."

He presented three strides the University is making toward pursuing that goal: providing students with the best teachers possible, new opportunities for undergraduate research and continued opportunities for service.

The recent changes to the course/instructor feedback system will allow for "efficient, effective and informative feedback," resulting in

"better teachers," he said.

The University is also aiming to expand its undergraduate research opportunities, which provide students with a different sort of education than the kind that occurs in the classroom.

"We learn best by undertaking our own inquiries," Jenkins said. "[Research] is really where true learning goes on."

He said the Office of Undergraduate Research was established to help students as much as possible in pursuing those inquiries.

This year marks the 25th anniversary of the Center for Social Concerns, which has encouraged the incorporation of service in education during its history at the University, Jenkins said.

"Students are able to use their talents and abilities to serve," he said. "At Notre Dame, we educate not only the mind, but the heart."

In working to become a premier research University, Notre Dame is working to expand opportunities for research funding and fellowships. It currently participates in research partnerships with other universities and organizations, like the Midwest Institution for Nanoelectronics Discovery (MIND) and the National Ecological Observatory Network (NEON).

The planned Innovation Park, an addition south of campus, will "help make more discoveries" and has the potential to create a better local economic situation, he said.

The Catholic mission of Notre Dame should be seen as "a guide, something that makes the University distinctive," Jenkins said.

An articulation of Catholic values to all employees is important, Jenkins said.

"We should all embrace the dignity of individual service to the world," he said.

Transitions

Using a PowerPoint, Jenkins introduced some of the newer faces in the University's central administrative group, including: Janet Botz, the new vice president for Public Affairs and Communications; Marriane Corr, vice president and general counsel; Greg Crawford, dean of the College of Science; Erin Hoffman Harding, associate vice president for strategic planning; Peter Kilpatrick, dean of the College of Engineering; John McGreevy, dean of the College of Arts and Letters; Gregory Sterling, dean of the Graduate School; and Jack Swarbrick, director of Athletics.

"This is a time of growing opportunities with new energy and fresh perspectives," Jenkins said.

A short question and answer session followed the presentation. The town hall meeting was followed by refreshments on the new Irish Green at the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center.

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"We learn best by undertaking our own inquiries."

Father John Jenkins
University president

"There are 15, 16 thousand people on this campus; together we can all make an impact."

John Affleck-Graves
Executive vice president

Assault

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Wednesday.

Chapman said he could not give more detail than provided in the e-mail to protect the victim and the victim's rights.

NDSP is currently investigating the reported assault, he said.

The crime alert page on NDSP's Web site shows the last reported sexual assault on campus occurred on July 6, when a student reported that an assault, committed by

an acquaintance, occurred on campus in a residence hall.

More information about sexual assault prevention, as well as resources for survivors of sexual assault, can be found at ndsp.nd.edu or at the Office of Student Affairs Web site osa.nd.edu/departments/assault/, the e-mail said.

To report crimes, suspicious activity, fire or a medical emergency, dial 911 or dial 574-631-5555 from a cell phone, the e-mail said.

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Theology

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candidate Sen. Joe Biden has this view, Bradley said.

The pluralistic outlook on abortion leads to two different attitudes regarding voting for a pro-choice candidate, Bradley said.

The first view will lead a voter to the conclusion that he or she cannot take Church teachings to heart and still vote for a presidential

candidate with a pro-choice ideology. The second view contends that Catholic voters should not deny a pro-choice candidate their vote simply because that candidate is pro-choice, and that supporting a pro-choice candidate is possible if there is a proportionate reason to do so.

Bradley argued that many Church teachings should be studied during the voting

process, and voters should choose the candidate that will promote the common good the most. Voters need to look at the big picture, he said.

"Is it OK to accept the status quo on abortion in order to bring about the other changes that a candidate promises?"

"Is it okay to accept the status quo on abortion in order to bring about the other changes a candidate promises?"

Gerard Bradley
law professor

Bradley asked the audience.

After a brief pause for refreshments, the audience was given the opportunity to ask Bradley questions regarding faith and politics. Among the topics discussed were ways to lessen the need for abortions, the candidates' views on the war in Iraq, and whether Catholics have a moral obligation to vote in the election.

The topic of the next Campus Ministry-hosted Theology on Tap discussion will be announced at a later date.

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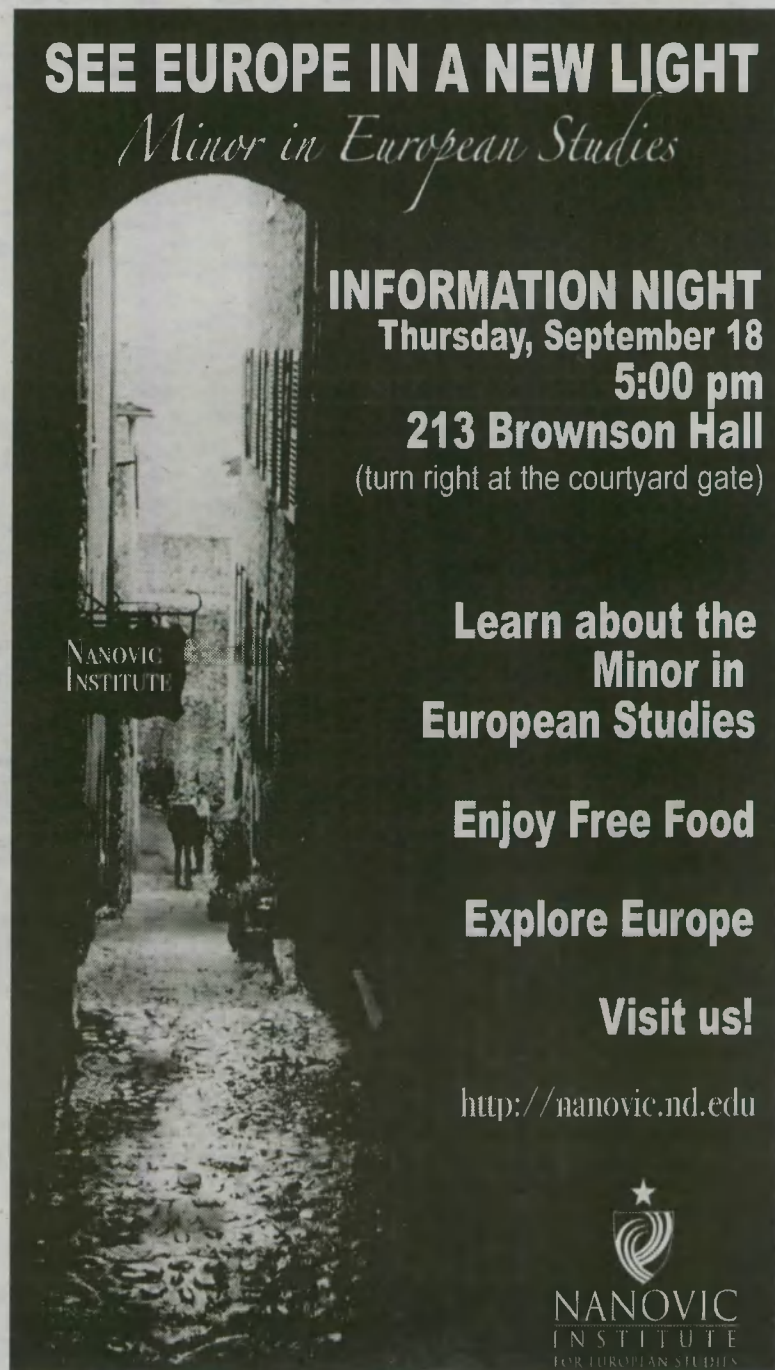
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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Somchai tries to mend political rifts

BANGKOK — Thailand's new prime minister showed his determination to mend political rifts by quickly shaking hands with the opposition leader Wednesday. But the gesture didn't appease anti-government protesters, who called him unfit for the job because of ties to a disgraced former leader.

Many analysts said the negative reaction to Somchai Wongsawat's election by Parliament presaged further turmoil from activists who seized the prime minister's office compound three weeks ago. Others, however, said the soft-spoken Somchai might help open the door to dialogue.

China faces life after the Olympics

BEIJING — The Olympic flame is out, the smog is back, and traffic again clogs the roads.

Welcome to what commentators are calling China's "post-Olympic era," in which euphoria over the Beijing Games is slowly giving way to economic worries, new safety crises and a future both brimming with confidence and tinged with uncertainty.

So far, it's off to a rocky start. China received widespread praise for organizing the games, which formally ended Wednesday with the Paralympics' closing ceremony.

Even before then, however, reality reasserted itself with the collapse earlier this month at an illegal mine waste dump that killed at least 259 people and forced the resignation of a provincial governor. Since then, a product safety scandal has roiled the nation, with contaminated milk powder causing the death of three infants and sickening more than 6,200 others.

NATIONAL NEWS

Traffic halts return to Galveston

GALVESTON, Texas — Residents of this hurricane-wrecked island city launched an ill-advised attempt to return to their crippled hometown Wednesday, but instead fumed in hours of gridlocked traffic only to be turned away at the bridge.

Traffic backed up for 20 miles along Interstate 45, the one route onto Galveston Island, jockeying for position with utility workers, repair crews and police trying to begin repairs to the city wrecked by Hurricane Ike five days ago.

The city announced Tuesday that people could briefly return under a new "look and leave" plan, causing evacuees all over the state to pack up and head for the coast. Hours later, it abruptly halted the policy out of fear of just the sort of roadway chaos occurring on Wednesday.

Colonoscopy alternative effective

ATLANTA — A long-awaited federal study of an X-ray alternative to the dreaded colonoscopy confirms its effectiveness at spotting most cancers, although it was far from perfect.

Medicare is already considering paying for this cheaper, less intrusive option that could persuade more people to get screened for colon cancer. And some experts believe the new method may boost the 50 percent screening rate for a cancer that is the country's second biggest killer.

LOCAL NEWS

Projects to speed up Indiana travel

LAKEVILLE, Ind. — Construction is under way on two projects to speed the trip between South Bend and Indianapolis.

Groundbreaking ceremonies were held Wednesday in Lakeville and Kokomo for projects to reroute U.S. 31.

One project will create a new roadway between South Bend and Plymouth in northern Indiana. The more than \$418 million project is expected to take more than six years to complete.

Officials also broke ground on a U.S. 31 bypass around Kokomo, one of the most congested parts of the highway.

ELECTION 2008

Candidates address economic anxiety

McCain, Obama talk about ways that they will help financially struggling voters

Associated Press

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich. — With economic anxiety rising, Republican John McCain and Democrat Barack Obama scrambled Wednesday to adjust their messages to connect more directly with financially struggling voters.

Obama talks directly into the camera in a new, two-minute television ad on how he'll fix an economy in which "paychecks are flat and home values are falling." McCain and running mate Sarah Palin softened opposition to government bailouts, accepting the U.S. takeover of the nation's largest insurer as unfortunate but necessary to protect ordinary Americans.

"The shot that has been called by the Feds — it's understandable but very, very disappointing that taxpayers are called upon for another one," Palin told reporters during a visit to delicatessen in Cleveland.

Both McCain and Obama advocated cracking down on freewheeling Wall Street practices and for tough new regulations on financial institutions.

Obama ridiculed McCain's calls for more regulation as an eleventh-hour conversion for one who has long championed deregulation.

Too many in Washington and on Wall Street "weren't minding the store. They sat on their hands until it was too late," Obama told a rally in Elko, Nev. He challenged McCain's vow to take on the "old boy's network...He hasn't taken them on for the last 26 years."

The increased emphasis on the faltering economy came on a day when stocks resumed their downward plunge following Tuesday night's government takeover of American International Group Inc. with an \$85 billion two-year loan from the Federal Reserve in return for a majority stake in the company.

"The focus of any such action should be to protect the millions of Americans who hold insurance policies, retirement plans and other accounts with



AP

Presidential candidates Sen. John McCain and Sen. Barack Obama greet one another at a forum at Columbia University Sept. 11. Both discussed the economy this week.

AIG," McCain said in a statement. "We must not bail out the management and speculators who created this mess."

The turnabout came a day after McCain strongly opposed additional government relief and praised the government's decision not to rescue Lehman Brothers after it had intervened to help investment bank Bear Stearns and mortgage giants Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac.

His Democratic rival addressed the AIG takeover in Elko, saying the government acted "to prevent an even larger crisis." Arguing that the U.S. housing market was "in a shambles," Obama said it was important now for the Federal Reserve to ensure that families with AIG insurance are pro-

tected. "It must not bail out the shareholders or the management of AIG that were making big profits when times were good."

Obama, in his own change of tactics, speaks directly to voters in a new commercial to air Wednesday on national cable and in some battleground states.

"In the past few weeks, Wall Street's been rocked as banks closed and markets tumbled. But for many of you — the people I've met in town halls, backyards and diners across America — our troubled economy isn't news," Obama says in the ad, taped Tuesday in a living room-like setting.

"Paychecks are flat and home values are falling. It's hard to pay for gas and gro-

ceries and if you put it on a credit card, they've probably raised your rates," he adds.

Obama also laments rising health insurance costs. He details major elements of his economic plan, including its proposal for a \$1,000 tax cut for working couples, steps to reduce reliance on imported oil, bringing a "responsible end" to the war in Iraq and ending anything goes culture on Wall Street.

"Doing these things won't be easy. But we're Americans," Obama says.

Obama also discussed the AIG takeover

McCain campaigned in Michigan, one of the states hardest hit by eight straight months of rising unemployment.

YEMEN

Car bomb hits gate of U.S. embassy

Associated Press

SAN'A, Yemen — A car bomb targeting the U.S. Embassy hit the front gate of the compound in Yemen's capital Wednesday, a U.S. spokesman said. A senior Yemeni security official said six Yemeni guards and four civilians were killed.

The Yemeni guards were assigned to sentry duty outside the embassy by the Interior Ministry. The civilians were three Yemenis and one Indian national, the Yemeni security official said.

The official spoke on condition of anonymity because he was not authorized

to speak to the media.

Ryan Gliha, the embassy spokesman, told The Associated Press by telephone that there was a second explosion that followed the initial one, but did not know what caused it.

Another Yemeni security official said the embassy was hit by two car bombs and that heavy gunfire lasting around 10 minutes followed the blasts.

Several nearby homes were badly damaged by the blasts, he said, but had no information on whether the heavily guarded embassy sustained damage too.

A medical official, meanwhile, said at

least seven Yemeni nationals were wounded and taken to the city's Republican hospital. They are residents of a housing compound near the embassy and included children, he said.

Both the security and medical officials spoke on condition of anonymity because they were not authorized to release the information to the media.

Explosions and heavy gunfire were heard near the embassy in the eastern section of San'a and police swiftly cordoned off the area, according to a government security official and an AP reporter at the scene.

Senate

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This amendment comes soon after members of the College Republicans were forced to use their own money to attend a John McCain-Sarah Palin rally in Sterling Heights, Mich.

"I really agree with this," Alumni Hall senator Zach Reuvers said. "A lot of members of College Republicans approached me after the Student Activities Office (SAO) didn't allow them to go to the rally [using University funds.] I think it's just common sense."

The amendment stipulates that only the three clubs directly associated with political parties may support a specific candidate, and other groups which may have political interests, including the campus's Right to Life and NAACP clubs, cannot endorse anyone running for office.

Senate Social Concerns committee chair Gus Gari said it made sense for only the three political clubs to have the right to endorse a candidate.

"Right to Life is not exclusively affiliated with the Republican Party," Gari said. "We kind of had this laid out because their groups are based on the parties. Personally, I'm happy we're going to have a more politically-aware campus."

Schmidt said student government must give all three clubs the same funding, which is \$2,606.04.

"All three groups must have the same resources," Schmidt said.

Senate Campus Technology committee chair Devin Fee, who previously worked on the allocation of funding for clubs with the Club Coordination Council (CCC), said this new stipulation will affect how much money CCC chooses to allocate to the clubs in the future.

Not every senator was pleased with the idea that tuition money

for campus organizations was going to be used to support candidates in Indiana. Carroll Hall senator Nick Ruof said he thought the idea was great for the presidential election, but that he didn't like the idea of tuition money being used to support local candidates.

"I feel like the student body is not all from Indiana and our money could be used for something greater on campus," Ruof said.

After passing the resolution, Schmidt briefly mentioned that the student government-sponsored Mock Election is tentatively scheduled for Oct. 8. But he said it may be pushed back until after Fall Break. Schmidt said student government needs to decide whether students would cast their votes online or at designated booths.

In other Senate news:

◆ Reish said he is working with Notre Dame Security Police (NDSP) director Phil Johnson and has planned a meeting with South Bend Police Department (SBPD) spokesman Capt. Phil Trent to discuss student safety during tailgates and while off campus. Reish said he wanted to make sure people understood policies regarding alcohol at tailgates.

"We're hoping to become more transparent regarding regulations concerning tailgates," he said.

◆ Fee said in the past few weeks he has met with representatives from the Office of Information Technology (OIT) several times to discuss campus cell phone service. He said they were encouraging companies such as Sprint and T-Mobile, who have not yet upgraded their service on campus, to do so. The OIT is also preparing a student survey to find out where service is weakest on campus, Fee said.

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Ryan

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University to disclose no further details beyond the name of the dorm.

"At this time, there is nothing to announce," he said.

Construction on Ryan Hall began last spring and is on schedule to be completed in time for students to move into the hall next August, Office of Residence Life and Housing Director Jeff Shoup said Wednesday.

Crews are currently constructing the third floor, Shoup said, with the goal of getting the roof on the building before bad winter weather hits South Bend.

The new hall will house 246 students and will be 74,600 square feet.

Ryan Hall will be similar in layout and look to Duncan Hall, Shoup said, with a few key differences. Ryan will have similar size rooms to Duncan, including "super quads"—two doubles connected by a common area, complete with bay windows, a bathroom and a shower. But there will be more singles in Ryan and fewer triples.

"When we talked with students when we first looked at this building a number of years ago, the thing we heard loud and clear was that women didn't like being in triples," Shoup said.

Duncan's chapel is on its second floor, a featured shared by only one other Notre Dame residence, St.

Edward's Hall. Ryan's chapel will be on its first floor, down a long corridor from the lobby, Shoup said.

Ryan Hall, like Duncan, will have an exercise room in the basement and a study and social lounge on each wing.

The process of filling Ryan Hall with female students will be very similar to the lottery system male students could enter last year for Duncan Hall.

In January, students can apply online to live in Ryan Hall, Shoup said. The lottery system for Duncan was supposed to be binding last year, but the University relaxed that rule, recognizing that people might want to back out if their friends were not admitted to the dorm. The lottery for Ryan will not be binding, Shoup said, so if people decline the offer to live in Ryan, the University will hold a second lottery.

Shoup said he expects the number of applicants to live in Ryan to be akin to the number that applied to live in Duncan—350 students. But now that many have seen Duncan Hall, more female students might apply to Ryan.

"[Duncan] will be a little bit of an advertisement in itself," Shoup said.

About 100 spots in Ryan Hall have been reserved for freshmen, he said.

Notre Dame has long-term plans to build one more men's and one more women's hall.

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NASDAQ	2,098.85	-109.05
NYSE	7,440.39	-352.74
S&P 500	1,156.391	-57.20
NIKKEI (Tokyo)	11,377.31	-357.01
FTSE 100 (London)	4,912.40	-291.80

COMPANY	%CHANGE	\$GAIN	PRICE
S&P DEP RECEIPTS	-4.50	-5.49	116.61
AMER INTL GROUP INC (AIG)	-45.33	-1.70	2.05
FINANCIAL SEL SPDR (XLF)	-9.60	-1.97	18.55
POWERSHARES (QQQQ)	-5.19	-2.20	40.21

Treasuries

10-YEAR NOTE	-2.32	-0.0810	3.410
13-WEEK BILL	-97.67	-0.84	0.02
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5-YEAR NOTE	-6.81	-0.1820	2.489

Commodities

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IN BRIEF

Mayor warns against foreign entities

WASHINGTON — New York Mayor Michael Bloomberg warned Wednesday a "next wave" of financial pain may come from overseas if foreign entities stop buying U.S. debt.

The billionaire mayor spoke before an audience at Georgetown University, telling them it's not clear who is going to continue buying U.S. debt as financial firms try to cope with a crisis of confidence on Wall Street.

The mayor is scheduled to meet Thursday morning with Treasury Secretary Hank Paulson and Securities and Exchange Commission Chairman Chris Cox.

Before becoming mayor, Bloomberg made a fortune by launching a financial information company that bears his name, and he has more credibility than most politicians on economic matters.

Bloomberg said he was concerned that the credit crisis in the United States may scare off foreign investors that, until now, have been willing to buy debt that the U.S. uses to maintain a deficit.

"It's not clear who's going to be buying our debt," said Bloomberg. "It may very well be that the next wave is going to come back and bite us."

Company makes "fastest" camera lens

NEW YORK — Before camera manufacturers one-upped each other with the number of megapixels, they one-upped each other with the zoom range of their lenses. And before that, in the 1960s, the "speed" of the lens, its ability to gather light, was the big selling point.

Now, Leica Camera AG, a prestigious but small German maker of high-end cameras and lenses, is going for the speed crown again, making the world's "fastest" lens for still cameras.

This week, Leica said it has created a new version of its Noctilux lens with an aperture number of 0.95, which in the inverted math of optics means it gathers 11 percent more light than the old version, which had an aperture of 1.

Investors worry as market drops again

Dow Jones industrial average loses 450 points; banking system seems shaky

Associated Press

NEW YORK — The stock market took another nose-dive Wednesday as the American banking system appeared even shakier and investors worried that the financial crisis is spinning so far out of control that even government rescues can't stop it.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which only two days earlier had suffered its steepest drop since the days after the Sept. 11 attacks, lost another 450 points. About \$700 billion in investments vanished.

One day after the Federal Reserve stepped in with an emergency loan to keep American International Group Inc., one of the world's largest insurers, from going under, Wall Street wondered which companies might be the next to falter.

A major investor in ailing Washington Mutual Inc. removed a potential obstacle to a sale of the bank, and stock in two investment banks, Morgan Stanley and Goldman Sachs, was pummeled.

It was the fourth consecutive day of extraordinary turmoil for the American financial system, beginning with news on Sunday that another venerable investment house, Lehman Brothers, would be forced to file for bankruptcy.

The 4 percent drop Wednesday in the Dow reflected the stock market's first chance to digest the Fed's decision to issue an \$85 billion taxpayer loan to AIG, which it could convert into a majority stake in the company. AIG is important because it has essentially become a primary source of insurance for the entire financial industry.

As the stock market staggered, the price of gold, which rises in times of panic, spiked as much as \$90.40 an ounce. Bonds, a traditional safe haven for investors, also climbed.

"The economy is not short



Trader Vincent Picciotto studies his handheld device as he works on the floor at the New York Stock Exchange Wednesday.

of money. It is short of confidence," said Sung Won Sohn, an economics professor at California State University.

The financial stocks in the Standard & Poor's 500 dropped even more, falling 10 percent, and insurance that backs corporate debt soared for the last two surviving independent U.S. investment banks, Morgan Stanley and Goldman Sachs.

"It seems as though banks are hoarding cash, no matter what rate they could be lending it at," said David Rosenberg, North American economist at Merrill Lynch.

Markets around the world also tumbled, with stocks

dropping from Hong Kong to London. Brazil's benchmark index saw the largest drop, losing nearly 7 percent in a day.

Worse, the short-term credit markets remained frozen, with overnight interest rates soaring for loans between banks and for overnight loans to businesses. Long-term loans, however, didn't rise as much.

"The worry on short-term loans is you're not sure who the ultimate borrower is," said Brian Bethune, chief U.S. economist at Global Insight Inc.

And in case anyone needed additional symbolism, a glass

panel near the top of a Bank of America skyscraper in Midtown Manhattan fell more than 50 stories onto the street below and shattered. No injuries were reported.

In the United States, the faltering economy and banking system have begun to dominate conversations at dinner tables, bars and online, not to mention seizing the campaign trail.

One blogger, Michele Catalano of Long Island, posted this on Wednesday: "Dreamed about AIG and the stock market, woke up with the urge to stock up on canned goods and shotguns."

Washington Mutual moves toward sale

Associated Press

Ailing bank Washington Mutual Inc. appeared headed toward a sale Wednesday after a major investor removed a potential stumbling block and nervous banking regulators began approaching the most logical buyers.

The New York Times, citing unidentified people familiar with the matter, said an auction of the bank was already under way, and The Wall Street Journal reported Wells Fargo & Co. and Citigroup Inc. expressed interest in a takeover.

WaMu, Wells Fargo and Citigroup all declined to comment.

A concession by investment firm TPG, which injected \$7 billion into WaMu five months ago, may have opened the way to a sale — or, failing that, made it easier for the bank to

raise another round of capital.

TPG could have stymied the process because of protection when it bought its stake in April. A clause in its agreement could have required a buyer or another major investor to pay TPG hundreds of millions, if not billions, of dollars in addition to whatever money was injected into WaMu.

But TPG agreed to waive the clause after concluding WaMu needs all the help it can get.

"It became clear that it would be in the best interests of Washington Mutual and our investors to waive the ... provisions," Fort Worth, Texas-based TPG said in a statement. "Our goal is to maximize the bank's flexibility in this difficult market environment."

The efforts to find a buyer, though, were being complicated by uncertainty about the magnitude of losses still

lurking in Washington Mutual's home loan portfolio.

"No one knows what's in their books," said a person briefed on the talks between regulators and banks, speaking Wednesday on the condition of anonymity because of the sensitivity of the matter.

Citing unidentified sources, the New York Post said the potential buyers include JPMorgan Chase & Co. and HSBC Holdings PLC., as well as Wells Fargo. The banks all declined to comment.

Federal regulators would like to sell WaMu to a healthy bank, rather than risk a failure that would drain an already depleted deposit insurance fund. By some estimates, a WaMu failure could cost the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp.'s fund more than \$20 billion. At \$45.2 billion, the fund is already at a five-year low.

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Moving beyond the 'us' and 'them'

When I biked back to my Stadium Club apartment last Monday afternoon, I caught a rare glimpse of South Bend. It was Labor Day; nobody was at work. For the first time since arriving, I saw my neighbors. We exchanged how-are-yous, as if either of us cared.

The house with the bench press on the porch was the most crowded, five or six men and a woman lounging, plus another walking by the mailbox. Mailbox man was shirtless. The type with a Budweiser belly. Sparse, premature gray hair on his chest. Jean shorts that hung just low enough that I could see his ... lower middle-class, if you know what I mean.

These are not the sorts of people we have at Notre Dame. Let's get this out of the way early: I have no delusions of joining arms with all the residents of Bulla Road and singing Kumbaya. I know we're different, and I don't mind that. But I do mind hiding behind that difference to justify continued self-segregation.

I like to make fun of how much of a "Stuff (Affluent) White People Like" kinda guy I can be, as if jokingly turning myself into a stereotype mitigates my embarrassing "Stuff White People Like-ness." I'm not like those other kids from Connecticut because I know I'm one of those other kids from Connecticut. I can tell myself. I use words like "unfortunate" to describe my Volvo.

Consciousness of privilege may be a first step, if done right, but it often serves as little more than a cover for discomfort over actually engaging those

with different backgrounds. It allows us to be reductionist, to fit our experiences and backgrounds and their experiences and backgrounds into set stereotypes. It reconfirms an us and a them.

We spend a lot of time bemoaning the so-called Notre Dame bubble. In fact, I'd bet I just lost whatever sparse readership I still had by the mention of the phrase. In theory, we have a number of programs to try to break out of it, beyond "awareness." We tutor in South Bend, and then we have seminars where we talk about it.

But service, like consciousness, doesn't do the job. We can't make significant progress when our only relationship with the South Bend community is one in which Notre Dame serves non-Notre Dame. Obviously, service allows you to engage some. Kids always learn from their service experiences, gain new perspectives. It's still us and them, though.

What to do, then? I can't pull my shirt off, wear loose jean shorts, and invite myself to the Budweiser-fueled Labor Day block party, as much as I might enjoy that. And an invitation to my Budweiser-fueled Kegs and Eggs probably wouldn't be well received.

Maybe this isn't so bad. Maybe there isn't a major problem with separate spheres. People are different. We have disparate interests that socioeconomic status helps define, and the existence of different cultures is not in itself bad. But that is not an excuse to segregate. Not celebrating Labor Day together is one thing. Never saying more than 'hello' is another.

But short-term, it is a reality. As long as we live effectively segregated lives, there is no easy way to bridge that gap. There's little I can do at Notre Dame today that will change my interaction with much of South Bend.

Long term, though, there's one solution: interact on as equal a level as we

can. It sounds trite, always, to wax philosophic about why we need this. Without it, we still produce high-achieving, high-quality graduates, after all. But we graduate students who are, by and large, happy to parody themselves as Volvo-driving, Starbucks-drinking insulated eggheads and parody others as, well, not like us.

People from Fairfield, Connecticut are not sushi-obsessed specimens to be observed, though, nor are the other residents of Bulla Road all NASCAR-loving mimeographs of My Name is Earl characters. We're people with disparate interests and experiences, nuanced beyond the stereotypes into which we each cleanly fit ourselves and others. And without equal-footed engagement, we lose this nuance. We're out-of-touch, realize it, but never feel compelled to systematically act on it.

We need to — get ready for the buzzword — diversify. We need to find a way to recruit from a wider economic pool and, specifically, from a more economically diverse pool of South Bend high school students.

This is easier said than done, of course, and requires sacrifice of other populations. But if we ever really want to break out of the bubble, opportunities for community service and awareness of difference won't be enough. It's a first step, but we have a long way to go.

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Andrew Nesi

Spicy Sea Nuggets

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"I'm not so good with the advice ... Can I interest you in a sarcastic comment?"

Chandler Bing
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The whole truth, and nothing but the truth

The truth is harder to come by than law courts may hope for. The “whole truth and nothing but the truth” may be God’s alone. We pursue with difficulty a multiplicity of truths. “What is truth,” Pontius Pilate said, and as a governor he was well versed in partisan politics. Truth is always a bit more complicated. I tell my students on the first day of class the following caution: “I do not always say what I mean; I do not always mean what I say, and what you heard is not what I said.” Perhaps that disclaimer is an exaggeration, but it should give pause. Pursuit of truth is fraught with the complications of saying and hearing. I also tell my students what window I claim to have on the truth. I am a white, middle-class, American, male, cleric. That’s my background and my viewpoint, and I am fully aware that viewpoint is enough to peeve the whole world. My viewpoint, however, is neither worse nor better than

Fr. Nicholas Ayo

Faithpoint

another, all things being equal, but it is limited. Everyone else sees from a limited viewpoint as well, though perhaps not everyone will recognize his or her own situation. No one knows the whole truth and nothing but the truth but God alone. Uniquely God does not observe the truth; God is the truth. God creates the truth that we discover.

Propaganda, ideology, advocacy, special interests, advertising, and political rhetoric do not tell the whole truth and nothing but the truth. Such discourses tell what is good about their position and what is not good about their opponent or competitor. What is not good about their own position and what is good about their opponent or competitor is passed over in silence. Resumes tell what is strong about their authors and overlook what is weak. Sacramental confession tells our sins but is silent about our virtues. The whole truth and nothing but the truth may still elude us.

Post-modernism has urged a “hermeneutics of suspicion.” One need not conclude, however, that the pursuit of truth is impos-

sible. One need conclude only that truth comes with historical baggage and packaged in language that is opaque. Christianity for many centuries was cozy with slavery in its midst, and today is appalled by slavery. Christianity for many centuries was cozy with no freedom of religion, and today is appalled by lack of religious freedom. I like to think such changes were changes to stay the same. The truth of human dignity was never denied and always acclaimed, but it was not understood that slave people were human. The persecution of heretics was thought to be quarantine of a spiritual “Typhoid Mary,” who might infect unto spiritual death a whole population, but it was not understood that neither the faith that saves nor personal conscience can be compelled. Notre Dame became a coed university in 1972. It changed to stay the same. Notre Dame was devoted to educating the leaders of society — doctors, lawyers, mayors, professors, bankers, editors, et al. When women became involved in those professions, then women belonged at Notre

Dame, which changed in order to stay the same.

Human beings can know truth, but in this world not “the whole truth and nothing but the truth.” Whether we quote Sacred Scriptures or appeal “to what the Church teaches,” or whether we cite empirical science or claim human wisdom, human beings are limited in knowledge and often spin the truth because sin taints us all. That should come as no surprise to those who know our human minds are darkened and our wills are weakened, and that we need the Holy Spirit, given to all people, who illumines our minds and enkindles our hearts. A deep humility befits us all, believer and unbeliever alike, in our pursuit of the “whole truth, and nothing but the truth.”

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Diversity comes at a cost

As described by yesterday's front-page article, “Jenkins calls for increasing faculty diversity,” Fr. Jenkins's goal for increased diversity is certainly very noble, but the implications are certainly not.

How does Fr. Jenkins suggest increasing the percentage of minority and women faculty members without taking race and gender into consideration when hiring? What does the University care more about, hiring faculty who will best be able to educate their students and make important discoveries, or faculty that fit their preconceived notions?

If there had been a disproportionately high number of minorities, would the University turn away highly qualified minorities to hire white men? Surely not. Why then the other way?

I by no means suggest that women and minorities are not as qualified as white men, but it is naive to believe that in the hiring phases in the coming years, the best person for each job will necessarily be a woman or minority. To aim to hire that way puts an unfair disadvantage to each white man looking for a job.

I understand that affirmative action is intended to reverse discrimination of the past, but the men and women the University will hire have advanced degrees from top institutions. They already possess an enormous advantage over the vast majority of Americans. Do they really still need reconciliation

when they've conquered so many obstacles?

Jenkins also reaffirmed Notre Dame's commitment to hiring Catholics. I can understand to an extent the desire to maintain a high number of Catholic educators, but that also is a form of discrimination.

The University strives to maintain the deep Catholic tradition of the University, true. But I personally believe that men and women of all faiths could respect that, and need not be discriminated against.

It's a shame to think that if Albert Einstein, a white, Jewish man, was to apply in the coming years, he would potentially be turned down because of “a commitment to diversity.”

(By the way, I don't hear anyone complaining about the lack of homosexual faculty members. I guess that's one kind of “diversity” the University isn't too hung up on).

Discrimination is discrimination. Period. I for one am a half-white, half-Latino Protestant man who hopes that one day, universities, employers, voters and society in general will truly be blind to race, gender, religion and the such, and just choose the best man (or woman) for the job.

Alex Griswold

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Sept. 17

A Christian approach to war

I thoroughly appreciated the point of view that Jim Napier expressed in his letter, “Raytheon important aspect of national defense,” (Sept. 17) and I mean this without the usual would-be-satirical sarcasm that seems to be so in vogue for Viewpoint counterarguments.

However, just because I can appreciate and understand his point does not mean that I agree with him. While it may seem impossible that peace could be achieved without force and threat of violence, that is exactly what we as Christians (and a Catholic University) are called to believe and practice. Jesus' teachings speak overwhelmingly against violence. During the Sermon on the Plain, He famously taught us to, “love your enemies, do good to those who hate you ... to the person who strikes you on one cheek, offer the other one as well” (Luke 6:27,29).

I don't believe that it is much of a stretch to say that “love your enemies” probably means not to kill them, or even to threaten to kill them, so that you can have your own way (even if your own way is such a noble thing as “liberty”). Turning the other cheek is Jesus' proposition for how to deal with your enemies instead. By turning the other cheek, we can expose the greed of our enemies' violence, looking them in the eye showing the world that we are brave enough to stand and courageous enough

not to fight. By fighting back we only vindicate them and perpetuate the pattern of violence.

Still, it has become commonplace in American Christianity to tolerate militaries and threats in response to increasing patterns of violence as more and more people come to hold the same views as Napier: that these things are necessary to preserve peace.

But that is not the way of Christ himself. Christ was, after all, opposed to the Pax Romana and the rest of Rome precisely because its “backbone always consisted of its legions.” Instead, He taught non-violence and love of enemies as creative ways to disarm those who hate us.

To think that Jesus is being impractical, or that He just doesn't know how the world works these days, is to lose faith, a faith that I have lost myself on occasion. But we must continue to believe that Christ knew what he was talking about. Contrary to what Napier seems to believe, peace will never be achieved through war and violence, only by defeating hate with love and greed with compassion.

That's what Jesus would do.

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Sept. 17

Necessity no excuse for immorality

Enough with this nationalism!

Charles Cossell (“Removing Raytheon not enough,” Sept. 17) asserts that “it is blood money that has brought about our nation's freedom.” Before spewing more nationalistic, logically empty rhetoric (old news), how about a look at some other things that have brought about rights and freedoms?

1. Freedoms: of speech, of religion, to keep and bear arms, of assembly, to petition, from unreasonable search and seizure ... you know the rest (hopefully).

Method: A bunch of really smart, good, respectable people (like Notre Dame students are supposed to be?) sit in a room and intelligently debate what government should do.

Outcome: a republic that would become increasingly democratic.

2. Right: free public education.

Method: social movements for education reform.

Outcome: educated citizens create a more democratic democracy.

3. Freedoms: female, poor and minority people gain the vote.

Methods: Marches, petitions, assemblies, civil disobedience, declarations of conscience.

Outcome: even more democracy.

4. Freedom: to be an irresponsible citizen.

Methods: ad hominem attacks, sarcasm, fundamentalism, false comparison and false simplification; belief that there is a single (military) solution for any threat; corporate control of the media; ignorance about social problems; and excess power in the hands of the executive.

Outcome: the dissolution of democracy and its freedoms.

So war profiteering has never been a preferred or successful method for gaining freedom in this country nor in other lands. Maybe people want to make weapons over wealth, political power or another idol, but those are not freedom. A positive form of freedom (“freedom to” rather than “freedom from”) is strengthened by debate and people with strong consciences.

To Jim Napier (“Raytheon an important aspect of national defense,” Sept. 17) and Cossell, both of whose responses try to convince us of the necessity of violence to freedom: remember that not all who want integrity from institutions are pacifists.

On an institutional level, Notre Dame has a chance to tell these folks to get their moral acts together — obviously, Notre Dame opposes torture, extraordinary rendition, war profiteering and indiscriminate killing (by cluster bombs, for example). “You can do better,” we can say, without even threatening the existence of those companies — let alone taking an institutionally pacifist stance.

The argument against Raytheon and other morally inept institutions stands; arguing that violence is necessary for freedom does nothing against it.

Let's suppose someone did make an argument based on pacifism. During Pax Romana, which Napier uses as evidence in his letter, many Christians chose martyrdom because they could not in good conscience participate in the military pursuits of the empire.

The Catholic Church still affirms both pacifist and just war stances.

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Sept. 17

The Wonderbread Guy Comes to Campus

By STEPHANIE DePREZ
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He's one of Showtime's five funniest people. He's appeared on "Seinfeld" and is a veteran on Jay Leno. Thursday, he comes to campus with a bag of tricks so big you won't be able to help laughing.

Pat Hazell is the go-to guy for today's corporate comedy, as in, he will appear at your business awards show or convention and, given one night, turn it upside down. He has spent 25 years in the business writing, producing and performing. He hosts, emcee's and speaks at events all over the country. His latest endeavor, a stage show entitled "The Wonderbread Years," was awarded Jerry Seinfeld's funny seal of approval.

Pat Hazell's self title is that of Boomer Humorist (with jokes that appeal to everyone from baby boomers to our crowd) and Pop Culture Anthropologist. He taps into Americana humor and is always well-received for his take on American life that is not so much crude and dirty (as is the majority of stand up humor today), but rather funny for its verisimilitude. He puts a lens on life and manages to spin it into comedy without depraving or exaggerating it.

He manages to make people really look at themselves, their culture and the idiosyncrasies that contribute to their lifestyle, and that manages to be the one of the funniest things of all.

He's not just a comedian, but also an entertainer. Hazell can stand in front of a crowd in any situation and spin your

perspective so that suddenly you're seeing it his way.

Born in Omaha, Neb., Hazell was a high school drama geek and attended the University of Nebraska in his hometown, where he

majoring in dramatic arts. After college he moved to Los Angeles and attempted to pursue a career as a magician. The jury is still out on whether his tricks were any good, but fellow comedians encouraged him to pursue stand-up and he got himself a gig opening for Mr. Seinfeld himself. He appeared on The Tonight Show with Johnny Carson in 1989 and has since

then appeared on it with Jay Leno six times.

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Hazell wrote a comedic play about two brothers growing up called "Bunk Bed Brothers." It ran in Los Angeles and was optioned by Columbia Pictures, which turned it into a sitcom.

"The Wonderbread Years" is his latest work, and he's been taking it all over the country. The show presents a down-to-earth look at the American life we all know and love and has been playing to packed houses and garnering glowing reviews. It is a salute to baby boomers, but manages to appeal to all ages. Much of the humor crosses generations, and we can all laugh about dealing with trick-or-treaters on Halloween. "The Wonderbread Years" lies somewhere between theatre and

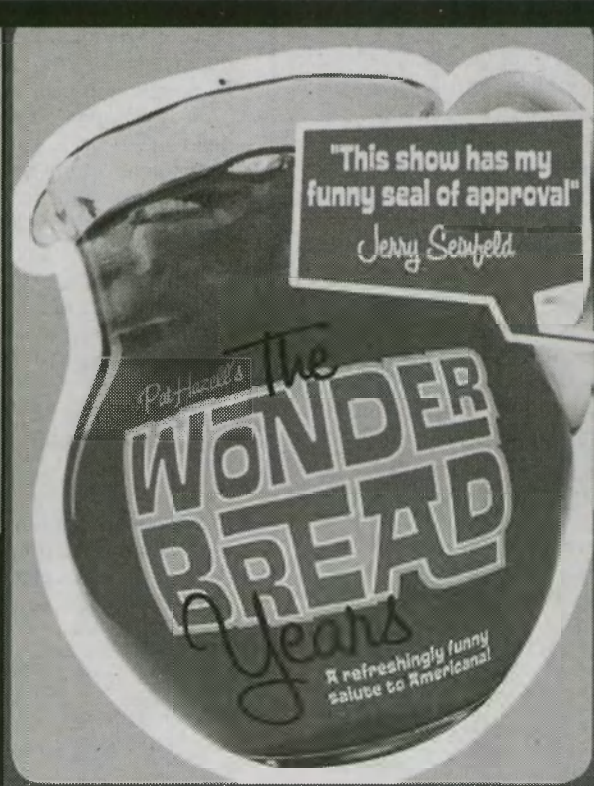
stand-up, with a sparse set and just enough props to hint at all the places we've ever been. Hazell not only looks at our lives and lifestyle, but also manages to relay a sense of wonder about our

selves that we have, over the years, lost.

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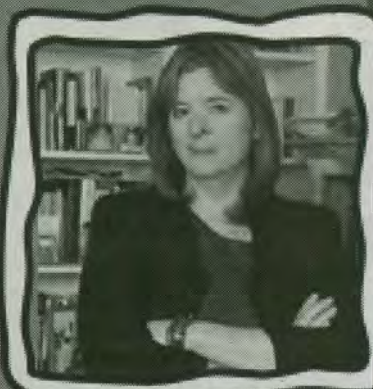
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Weekend Events Calendar

THURSDAY

FRIDAY



Thursday, Sept. 18 FTT Talks present Theresa Rebeck at 5 p.m. Browning Cinema. Theresa Rebeck is a celebrated writer and graduate of the Notre Dame from 1980. She has published a book of comedic essays based on her experiences writing for show business entitled "Free Fire Zone." In it, she draws upon her history as a television screenwriter for shows such as "Dream On," "L.A. Law," and "Third Watch." Rebeck was also a writer and producer for "Canterbury's Law," "Law and Order: Criminal Intent" and "NYPD Blue" and she also produced the feature film "Harriet the Spy." Random House/Shay Areheart Books recently published Rebeck's first novel, "Three Girls and Their Brother." She is a widely produced playwright with many New York productions on her résumé. In her talk, Rebeck will address what she considers to be a writer's primary concerns: How to tell a story with truth and vision and how to maneuver as a dramatic writer in a difficult world. This is a free but ticketed event. Tickets can be reserved by calling the ticket office at 574-631-2800.

Friday, Sept. 19: Comedians Theo and Bert at Legends 10 p.m.

You may recognize Theo Von and Bert Kreischer from Comedy Central's "Reality Bites Back" competition, in which 10 comedians competed in reality show spoof competitions. Von won the competition. He is a comedian you might also know from NBC's "Last Comic Standing (Season 4)," Comedy Central's "Live at Gotham" or my personal favorite MTV's "Road Rules." Von was a regular on the Road Rules/Real World challenges in which he usually dominated physically while also cracking everyone up with his humor. He has been performing stand up comedy for five years with nightly shows in Los Angeles when he is not traveling. His bits range from ranting about his dysfunctional family, the South and poking fun of his own life.

Bert was discovered by Rolling Stone Magazine while attending Florida State and named "The #1 Party Animal in the Country" which sparked his comedy career. He has worked with Will Smith for television projects, co-hosted "The X-Show" on FX, and starred in the TV pilot "Life with David J." Bert currently hosts Spike TV's "Fresh Baked Video Games." This is event is free, but requires a ND/SMC/HC ID.



Sunday, Sept. 21: Gianna Commito Art Exhibit at Saint Mary's College Moreau Art Galleries.

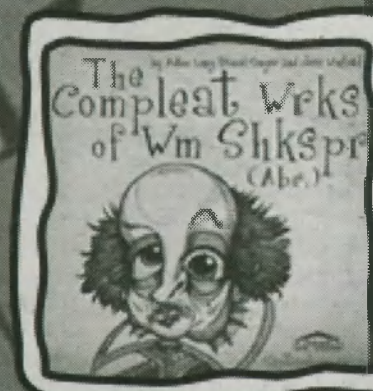
This new art exhibit displays the new work of Gianna Commito. The solo exhibition is on display at three galleries at SMC: Hammes, Little Theatre and Sister Rosaire. Commito is currently an Assistant Professor of Painting at Kent State University. She received her MFA from University of Iowa and her BFA from Alfred University. Her paintings and drawings are derived from architectural sources and she is known to build a complex matrix of color, form, transparency and texture on a two-dimensional surface. Her drawings are dynamic and pull the viewer in closer to examine the interesting spaces and planes of the work. The exhibit, which runs until Sept. 26, is open to the public.

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SATURDAY

SUNDAY



Saturday, Sept. 20: The Compleat Wrks of Wm Shkspr (Abridged), South Bend Civic Theatre at 3 p.m. and 8 p.m. Also on Sunday at 3 p.m.

This outlandish, fast-paced play was first performed in 1999. Three actors, Matthew Bell, Cecil Eastman and Ted Manier, present all of Shakespeare's 37 plays in 97 minutes. The play is a hilarious production of some of Shakespeare's best-known lines and stories. It satirizes theater, academia and Shakespeare's classic, but often outlandish plots. Highlights of the show include Othello as a rap, the histories as a football game and Hamlet presented in all sorts of crazy ways. The play should be outrageous and fun and even elicits audience participation. The play, written by Adam Long, Daniel Singer, and Jess Winfield, has fielded rave reviews. Tickets are \$15 and can be purchased at www.sbct.org

Dining Hall Dish

By **MICHELLE FORDICE**
Assistant Scene Editor

Sitting in the dining hall with a copy of "Gourmet" magazine is probably never a great idea. Football weekend or not, the dining hall is never going to be on par with the best of the world's restaurants and chefs. Still, I tried to stay content with my macaroni and cheese and look forward to the chance to try out some of the recipes found in its covers over the weekend and to what I might be able to create for this week's column, always striving to create something new with what the dining hall hands us. This week we have our first non-sandwich entrée, so give it a try.

Shepherd's Pie

Full of vegetables, meat, and potatoes, this traditionally English

dish is a meal all to itself. Since you have already covered most of the food groups it doesn't need much of a side, but is good with something like cornbread. Of course, get it in a pub and it will probably be matched with a good beer, but you won't find that in the dining hall.

Fill a bowl with ground beef from the Mexican bar. (Shepherd's Pie is frequently done with turkey as well; you can try this on the occasions the dining hall offers it.)

Add in chopped onion (or sliced red onion, if that is all that is available, or you like the spicier flavor) and cooked vegetables. Carrots, peas and corn are the most common in this dish, but feel free to experiment with ingredients such as stewed tomatoes and red bell peppers. You can also choose things from the salad bar, but you might want to reheat the bowl if you don't think it will be hot enough for your

tastes.

Mix together.

Top with mashed potatoes and gravy. Some recipes add cheese to the top as well, try it!

Ice Cream Cookie

How can we forget dessert? This recipe is so easy, I'd be surprised if half of you haven't figured it out already, but it's always a good one sure to fulfill your sweet tooth.

Select two of your favorite cookies from the dessert bar.

Fill a bowl with a good scoop of your favorite ice cream. Toss in some of your favorite mix-ins. Some good combinations: vanilla ice cream and caramel inside oatmeal-raisin cookies, chocolate-chip cookies with mint chocolate chip ice cream and hot fudge or peanut butter cookies with chocolate ice cream for that Reece's effect.

Heat up the cookies in the

microwave.

Fill the two cookies with your ice cream mixture and take a messy bite! (Or if you're of the more delicate variety, go after it with a fork.)

Quick Tip

Don't forget to mix up your drinks as well! Plenty of students walking around the dining hall have strange concoctions in their hands that we at least hope are tasty. It's like when you were a kid making suicides in McDonald's. Try mixing Sprite into your slushy to make it more fizzy, combining lemonade with cranberry juice or making a dining hall mocha by sweetening your coffee with hot chocolate.

Have your own dining hall recipe? We would love to feature it! E-mail mfordice@nd.edu. Thank you to Diana Jones for providing inspiration for the Shepherd's Pie.

MLB

Koshansky powers Rockies past Padres

Harang pitches six-hit shutout to lead Cincinnati over St. Louis; A-Rod homers in Yankee victory over White Sox

DENVER — Joe Koshansky made the most of some rare playing time Wednesday.

Koshansky homered and five Colorado Rockies pitchers combined for a five-hitter in a 1-0 win over the San Diego Padres.

Koshansky, who clubbed 31 homers in Triple-A this season, has backed up Garret Atkins at first base since being called up on Sept. 2. Wednesday was his first start, and he responded with a 2-for-4 day at the plate.

"The situation he's in right now, he hasn't accepted it, but he understands it," manager Clint Hurdle said. "We haven't forgotten about him, it's a tough fit right now."

Koshansky played seven games for the Rockies in July before heading back to Triple-A. He entered with only five pinch-hit at-bats since being recalled two weeks ago, but he looked sharp when he sent Josh Geer's 3-2 fastball over the center-field wall with two out in the fourth.

"He got it up, and I figured he was going to throw a fastball," Koshansky said.

Koshansky said he has stayed sharp by taking extra batting practice and swinging in the tunnel during games.

"I've actually taken a lot of swings," he said. "It's a matter of remembering what it feels like. It's the same game I've played for 20-plus years."

Koshansky's 435-foot drive was enough for Colorado's pitching staff. Starter Livan Hernandez and Glendon Rusch, Ryan Speier, Manny Corpas and Brian Fuentes shut down the Padres' offense.

Hernandez (2-3) was named the starter late Tuesday after the Rockies decided to shelve left-hander Jeff Francis for the season. On short notice, Hernandez went five innings, struck out two and walked two in his sixth start since joining the Rockies on Aug. 10.

Hernandez hadn't pitched in a week and said he had nothing to prove despite going 1-3 with a 9.85 ERA in his first five starts with Colorado.

"I don't have to show my ability to nobody," he said. "The last start I didn't pitch that bad. The only bad games I've had are the first two games."

Geer (2-1) scattered five hits over five innings, struck out five and walked three. His only mistake was the pitch to Koshansky.

"He was battling up there," Geer said. "I threw a fastball, and he was able to flip it up there, just over the center-field fence."

Chris Iannetta and Ian Stewart had two hits apiece for the Rockies, who won the last two games of the three-game series.

The Padres struggled to score after getting 10 runs and 18 hits Monday night.

"Yeah, we're fatigued, but pitchers are fatigued this time of year, too," Padres left fielder Chase Headley said. "Good pitching beats good hitting every time."

The Padres' best threat came in the seventh. Sean Kazmar reached on a one-out single to third and advanced on a throwing error by Stewart. Pinch-hitter Drew Macias walked, and the runners moved up on Will Venable's groundout. But Speier got out of the jam when Edgar Gonzalez grounded out to third.

"We couldn't break through their bullpen," Padres manager Bud Black said. "Their bullpen did a nice job. Speier, Corpas and Fuentes did a nice job."

Corpas pitched a perfect eighth inning and Fuentes struck out two in the ninth for his 28th save in 32 chances.

Reds 3, Cardinals 0

Aaron Harang pitched a six-hitter and the Cincinnati Reds hit back-to-back homers to beat St. Louis and send the Cardinals to their seventh straight loss Wednesday night.

Andy Phillips and Jay Bruce opened the fourth inning with consecutive home runs and Paul Janish added the first of his career later in the inning to help Harang to his first win since Aug. 22, snapping a personal losing streak that had left him 0-3 with a 3.00 ERA in his previous four starts.

Harang's threw 111 pitches — 79 strikes — in his first shutout since beating Pittsburgh 4-0 on Aug. 29, 2007.

The Reds have won four straight and seven of their last nine games.

The Cardinals were shutout for the fifth time this season while extending their longest losing streak since they lost nine straight last September.

Albert Pujols went 0-for-4 and is hitless in his last eight at-bats since a 10-game hitting streak.

St. Louis starter Todd Wellemeyer (12-8) didn't allow a hit until Phillips led off the fourth inning with a home run to center, his second homer of the season. Bruce followed with another homer to center, his 19th this year. Janish connected two outs later.



Colorado Rockies first baseman Joe Koshansky celebrates after hitting a home run against the San Diego Padres in the fourth inning of the Rockies' 1-0 victory Wednesday.

That was enough for Harang (5-16), who allowed singles to the first two batters he faced and scattered four hits the rest of the way. He didn't walk anybody and had four strikeouts for his fifth career shutout.

The slumping Wellemeyer is 1-4 in his last five starts and has given up all three sets of back-to-back home runs allowed by St. Louis this season. The right-hander allowed just one other hit besides the home runs — Harang's fourth-inning single. Wellemeyer walked two and struck out six.

Yankees 5, White Sox 1

Alex Rodriguez became the first player with 35 homers and 100 RBIs in 12 seasons — one more than Babe Ruth — and the New York Yankees slowed the Chicago White Sox's pursuit of the AL Central crown with a victory Wednesday night.

Johnny Damon hit a two-run homer, Robinson Cano had three hits and Xavier Nady had a tying RBI single in the seventh inning. Nady then scored on a wild pitch as New York rallied against rookie Clayton Richard in the fifth to last regular-season game at Yankee Stadium.

Jermaine Dye had an RBI groundout off Phil Hughes, who was making his first start since

April 29. That was all the White Sox could muster against Hughes and four relievers, who threw five shutout innings. The White Sox entered the night with a two and a half game lead over Minnesota.

With his homer in the eighth inning, A-Rod became the first player to have at least 35 in 11 straight seasons (1998-2008), snapping a tie with Sammy Sosa (1995-2004). Rodriguez has 101 RBIs this season.

Ruth had at least 35 homers and 100 RBIs for the Yankees 11 times in the 1920s and 30s.

White Sox manager Ozzie Guillen said he would keep Richard, who came in 2-4 with a 6.94 ERA, on a very short leash, and the 25-year-old rookie Richard earned every inning.

He induced double-play grounders in the first, after a leadoff walk, and in the third, after a leadoff single, and struck out Derek Jeter in the fifth after giving up two singles to start the inning.

But Guillen left him in a batter too long. After a visit to the mound that left Richard with a big smile, the rookie gave up a tying single to Nady. Cano followed with a double down the right-field line to end the rookie's night.

Mike MacDougal relieved and threw a wild pitch that allowed

Nady to score and give the Yankees a 2-1 lead.

Johnny Damon hit a two-run homer in the eighth off Scott Linebrink and Rodriguez lined his 553rd homer to right two batters later for a 5-1 lead.

Hughes' return to the mound was cut short after just four innings. Considered a future ace by the Yankees, Hughes earned a spot on the staff out of spring training. But he went 0-4 with a 9.00 ERA before sustaining a stress fracture in a rib, and he hadn't pitched since April 29. Manager Joe Girardi was hoping to see him show better command of his fastball Wednesday.

Wearing glasses instead of contacts and No. 65 — his old number — instead of 34, which he wore to start this season, Hughes needed 33 pitches to get out of the first inning. He threw 89 pitches — 57 strikes — overall. The 22-year-old right-hander gave up a run and four hits and two walks. He struck out four.

The Yankees bullpen pitched five scoreless innings in relief. Phil Coke pitched two-plus innings, Brian Bruney came on with a runner on second in the seventh and got three straight outs. Joba Chamberlain worked the eighth before Edwar Ramirez got the final three outs.

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It was only a matter of time, Tavaris.

Philly fans are soft.

RIP Sean Taylor.

Next question...

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NCAA Football AP Poll

	team	points	record
1	USC	1,596	2-0
2	Oklahoma	1,485	3-0
3	Georgia	1,437	3-0
4	Florida	1,414	2-0
5	Missouri	1,389	3-0
6	LSU	1,274	2-0
7	Texas	1,140	2-0
8	Wisconsin	1,076	3-0
9	Alabama	982	3-0
10	Auburn	958	3-0
11	Texas Tech	904	3-0
12	South Florida	801	3-0
13	Ohio State	800	2-1
14	Brigham Young	788	3-0
15	East Carolina	781	3-0
16	Penn State	779	3-0
17	Oregon	679	3-0
18	Wake Forest	482	2-0
19	Kansas	445	2-1
20	Utah	428	3-0
21	West Virginia	179	1-1
22	Illinois	163	2-1
23	Clemson	160	2-1
24	Florida State	146	2-0
25	Fresno State	121	1-1

NCAA Football USA Today Poll

	team	points	record
1	USC	1,518	2-0
2	Oklahoma	1,423	3-0
3	Georgia	1,393	3-0
4	Florida	1,335	2-0
5	Missouri	1,294	3-0
6	LSU	1,233	2-0
7	Texas	1,128	2-0
8	Wisconsin	1,027	3-0
9	Auburn	955	3-0
10	Texas Tech	887	3-0
11	Brigham Young	846	3-0
12	Oregon	783	3-0
13	Alabama	771	3-0
13	Ohio State	736	2-1
15	Penn State	724	3-0
16	South Florida	685	3-0
17	East Carolina	508	3-0
18	Wake Forest	498	2-0
19	Kansas	416	2-1
20	Utah	400	3-0
21	Clemson	233	2-1
22	West Virginia	159	1-1
23	Illinois	127	2-1
24	Arizona State	113	2-1
25	Florida State	110	2-0

MIAA Women's Volleyball Standings

	Team	Record
	team	league overall
1	Hope	4-0 9-3
2	Calvin	3-0 9-2
3	Alma	4-1 9-4
4	Adrian	2-1 6-5
5	SAINT MARY'S	2-2 6-3
6	Albion	2-3 6-6
7	Kalamazoo	1-4 4-9
8	Trine	1-4 4-9
9	Olivet	0-4 3-10

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NCAA FOOTBALL

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NFL



Kansas City Chiefs' quarterback Tyler Thigpen narrowly avoids being tackled by Oakland Raiders defensive end Derrick Burgess in the second quarter of the Chiefs' 23-8 loss Sunday.

Thigpen to replace Huard as starter

Associated Press

KANSAS CITY — Tyler Thigpen, the first player from Coastal Carolina selected in the NFL draft, will be the first to start at quarterback.

The 24-year-old Thigpen will be under center on Sunday for Kansas City when the Chiefs go to Atlanta. It will be exactly 11 months after the struggling young Chiefs (0-2) last won a game.

A 23-8 loss to Oakland on Sunday, in which Thigpen came off the bench and finished 14-for-33, was their 11th straight regular-season defeat.

"For what we're trying to

do, I think he can do a good job of it," coach Herm Edwards said. "He'll be limited in some things but we want to take a look at him."

After coming in for Damon Huard against Oakland, Thigpen looked every bit like the inexperienced second-year pro that he is, and sent several passes glancing off the hands of defensive backs.

But he appeared to settle down, and eventually hit tight end Tony Gonzalez with a short touchdown pass and converted the 2-point conversion. He also threw an interception and finished 14-for-33 for 151 yards.

"He's another young player, a quarterback we want

to look at, see where he's at. If he struggles, obviously Damon comes in," Edwards said.

Brodie Croyle, the strong-armed but injury-prone young quarterback the Chiefs are hoping to build around, has a separated shoulder and will be out at least one more week and possibly more. Huard, a 12-year veteran and the only quarterback in Kansas City who has won in the NFL, made the start against the Raiders but came out in the first half with a sore neck.

Now Huard is OK, but Thigpen will join several inexperienced young Chiefs who are getting a cram course in the NFL.

"We're trying to look at young players, it's part of the process," Edwards said. "Is (Thigpen) a two? Is he a one? Is he always going to be a three? You don't know until they play, until they have an opportunity to play."

With 15 rookies and 32 players of three years of experience or less, the Chiefs are the NFL's youngest team. Branden Albert, a rookie, will start at left tackle and be tasked with protecting Thigpen from Atlanta's John Abraham, who has four sacks in two games. Both starting cornerbacks and a starting defensive tackle are also rookies.

IN BRIEF

Penn State players charged with possession of marijuana

STATE COLLEGE, Pa. — Two suspended Penn State football players were charged with one count each of possession of a small amount of marijuana.

University police filed the misdemeanor charges Wednesday against defensive linemen Maurice Evans and Abe Koroma, who have been held out of the last two games by coach Joe Paterno.

Police said officers searched the players' apartment after responding to a call about loud noise on Sept. 2. Investigators said in court papers that they found "three small clear plastic baggies containing marijuana" and a "burnt roach" in Evans' room, and a "burnt roach" in Koroma's room.

The cutoff for the charge of possession of a small amount of marijuana is 30 grams.

Kentucky Derby adds new qualifying race to schedule

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — The Kentucky Derby could have a more international feel next year.

Churchill Downs has partnered with Kempton Park Racecourse in England to create the \$150,000 Kentucky Derby Challenge Stakes, a 1 1/8-mile race over Kempton's synthetic surface that will guarantee the winner a spot in next year's Derby.

The move is a departure from the usual Triple Crown nominating process. The entrants to the Derby have traditionally been selected on graded stakes earnings. The winner of the Kentucky Derby Challenge will get an automatic spot in the Derby if the owner agrees to pay the entry fee and shipping costs.

The only foreign-based horse to win the Derby was Canonero II in 1971, and overseas challengers have been few and far between in recent years.

Hurricane's Williams tears tendon, to miss six months

RALEIGH — Carolina Hurricanes right wing Justin Williams might miss up to six months after tearing his Achilles' tendon on Wednesday.

General manager Jim Rutherford said Williams will have surgery this week and is expected to be sidelined at least four months. Rutherford said Williams injured the tendon in his right leg while running during an off-ice workout three days before the start of preseason camp.

The 26-year-old Williams — one of the team's most durable players, and a key member of the No. 1 line that also includes star center Eric Staal and left wing Ray Whitney — already was coming back from knee surgery that cost him 43 games last season.

"You can't really tell (how that injury had healed) until you get in a number of games," Rutherford said. "He looked good, his conditioning was good — he really appeared ready to go again. But that's going to be set back for a while now."

NFL

Frerotte to start at QB for Vikings

Associated Press

EDEN PRAIRIE, Minn. — Out with the new, in with the old.

With the passing offense sputtering in two losses to open the season, Minnesota coach Brad Childress decided the Vikings can no longer afford to let 25-year-old quarterback Tarvaris Jackson learn on the job.

On Wednesday, Childress turned to 15-year veteran Gus Frerotte to run the offense for the rest of the season.

"I'm just not seeing right now the aggressiveness from Tarvaris that I saw throughout the off-season, training camp, the two pre-season games that he played in," Childress said. "And part of it may be experience. I know Gus will give us that. And I know his approach will also lend itself to that."

Jackson completed just 51 percent of his passes this season. He threw a game-ending interception at Green Bay that sealed the Packers victory and was partly responsible for the offense settling for five field goals and scoring no touchdowns in an 18-15 loss to the Colts.

"I know there's many other plays, there's a lot of other people that have to step up," Childress said. "But then when you go back through and look at the tape, and most importantly to be able to sit across from the young man and want to be able to verify what you're feeling — it's kind of like looking in your kids' eyes and saying one (thing) and feeling another."

It's an abrupt and drastic move for a team that entered the season with sky-high expectations after spending \$60 million in guaranteed money to position itself as an NFC contender.

Only two weeks in, the Vikings already are two games behind NFC North-leading Green Bay with games against Carolina, at Tennessee and at New Orleans coming up.

"We're 0-2 right now, and the key thing, probably one of the reasons Coach made the decision, was maybe because we need to get something to get us over the hump to get us a win," the 37-year-old Frerotte said.

Jackson admitted to "inconsistent play to say the least," but also said he was surprised and

upset by the move.

"I could easily hold my head low, keep my head down, you know, be a cancer to the team," Jackson said. "I'm still frustrated and mad about the situation, but I'm going to use that as motivation to try to get better and just better myself for the future."

The passing offense has struggled mightily through the first two weeks, not only with Jackson's accuracy, but also with receivers dropping passes and conservative play calling.

After the loss to the Colts on Sunday dropped the Vikings to 0-2, Childress said Jackson "is definitely our quarterback this week."

But that stance started to soften on Monday, when he said coaches were "chewing on a bunch of things right now and making sure that he's the best guy for us to go forward."

By Tuesday, the decision was made to give the job to Frerotte.

"I wish I had more time, but it's coach's decision," Jackson said. "I don't want all my work to go to waste. I felt like I've come this far and I've worked so hard to get to where I am now and I'm going to continue to work hard and keep trying to get better and take it one day at a time. Whatever happens, happens."

Childress said he still believes Jackson has a "bright future."

"While I know he doesn't like it, I'd worry about him if he did like it," Childress said. "I know he'll make the most of it."

Frerotte has played with seven teams, including Minnesota twice, in his 15 years in the league.

"I was very surprised," receiver Bobby Wade said. "I didn't anticipate that. Obviously it's the coach's decision and the administration's decision and we have to run with that."

Last season, Frerotte started three games with St. Louis and played in five others, completing 56.3 percent of his passes for 1,014 yards, seven touchdowns and 12 interceptions.

Frerotte showed in training camp this year that his 37-year-old arm still has plenty of juice in it. Wade said the playbook may open up with a veteran in there as opposed to a guy who has 16 total starts.



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NFL

Colts' Bob Sanders out of action indefinitely

Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — Tony Dungy doesn't doubt Bob Sanders will be back in the Colts lineup this season. He's just not sure how long Sanders will be out.

The 2007 defensive player of the year could miss up to six weeks after spraining his right ankle last weekend at Minnesota, and team officials are contemplating whether Sanders may need arthroscopic surgery on his knee, too.

"It's kind of similar to [receiv-

er] Roy Hall's injury," Dungy said. "He had his knee scoped, too, so he's going to be out a while longer. If it's going to be two or three weeks, then it makes sense to get it scoped. But [defensive tackle] Keyunta Dawson had the same kind of thing and he told me he was going to practice today, so we're not really sure."

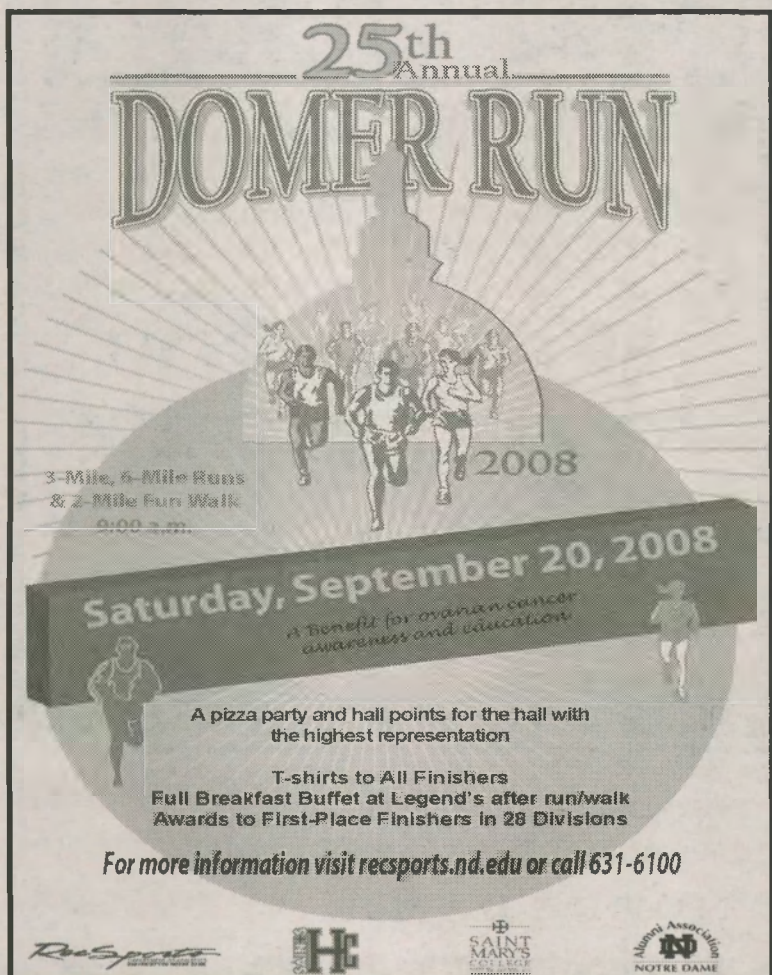
Team president Bill Polian was more definitive Tuesday night while taping a segment for his Saturday night television show on WISH-TV. Polian said Sanders

would miss four to six weeks.

Dungy has been wary of establishing ironclad timetables since he told reporters that tight end

Dallas Clark was expected to go on injured reserve after tearing his ACL during the 2006 season. Two days later, the prognosis

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SMC VOLLEYBALL

Belles take down Albion

By MICHAEL BLASCO
Sports Writer

After struggling in conference play early this season, Saint Mary's has bounced back, claiming its second consecutive MIAA victory Wednesday over Albion (6-6, 2-3 MIAA).

The Belles (6-3, 2-2 MIAA) moved into fifth in the conference standings with the four-set win (25-23, 23-25, 25-11, 25-17) at the Angela Athletic Facility. Albion, who has lost six of its last eight matches, sunk to sixth in the league.

Saint Mary's, which has won three of its past four matches, kept the Britons on their heels with smothering defense and opportunistic offense. Leading the Belles' defensive effort was junior hitter Lorna Slupczynski and sophomore defensive specialist Meghann Rose, who each contributed 28 digs on the night.

Offensively, Saint Mary's

turned in a workmanlike .219 attacking percentage. Senior hitters Kaela Hellman and Cathy Kurczak, along with Slupczynski, finished the night with double-digit kills for the Belles. Freshman setter Danielle Brink also kept the offense chugging with 48 assists and no errors. Slupczynski and Brink each added three service aces, and sophomore hitter Jacee

Watson led the squad with a .333 attacking percentage, finishing the match with eight kills and one error in 21 attempts.

Belles coach Julie Schroeder-Biek has praised her squad

for defensive prowess throughout the season, but the team has faltered at times offensively.

"What I think it comes down to is connections," Schroeder-Biek said. "We need to stay connected with our teammates. We need to celebrate our successes on the court and pick each other up when we are down. We

need to connect as teammates before we can expect to really compete as a team."

Albion and Saint Mary's traded points in the early going, splitting the opening sets. However, the Britons offense collapsed under the weight of 17 errors in the final two sets to give the match to the Belles. Albion, who turned in a woeful .085 attacking percentage, were led offensively and defensively by junior Morgan Watler. She ended the match with 20 kills and 23 digs, but also a team-high 10 errors.

Saint Mary's, who is 6-1 in non-conference play, opened the season 0-2 in the MIAA. After a win over Olivet last week Wednesday against the Britons, the squad seems to have turned a corner mentally.

"The key factor for us is simply playing our game as a team, with the intensity to win," Schroeder-Biek said. "That is the area of our focus: bring not only our skill but [also] our heart to the court."

The Belles return to action Friday and Saturday at the Depauw Invitational Tournament at Depauw University in Greencastle, Ind.

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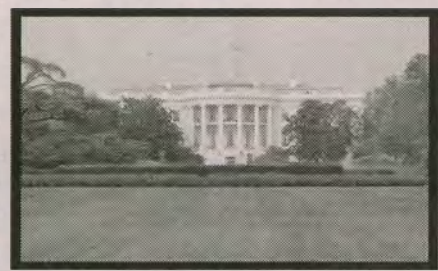
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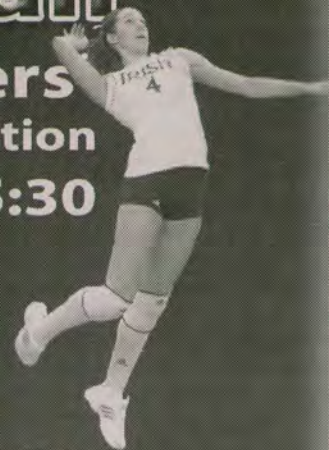
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NFL

Tomlinson sits out practice

Associated Press

SAN DIEGO — Maybe the fantasy geeks should be worried after all.

With his toe injury lingering, LaDainian Tomlinson sat out Wednesday's short practice as the winless San Diego Chargers began preparing for their home game against Brett Favre and the New York Jets on Monday night.

Tomlinson, who has yet to find his way into the end zone this season, said his jammed

right big toe isn't as sore as it has been, but he didn't sound overly confident.

"Well, with another day of rest and treatment, it's feeling a little better today, so hopefully, I'm just going to play it by ear this week, see how it feels later in the week," he said. "I'm hoping that it's going to make big progress this week and by Monday night hopefully I'll be as close to 100 percent as possible."

Tomlinson was held to 26

yards on 10 carries in a 39-38 loss at Denver on Sunday. In the second quarter, a team trainer was examining Tomlinson's toe on the sideline.

"I feel better than last week," Tomlinson said. "If I'm judging by last week, I should be able to play."

Tomlinson hurt the toe on the Chargers' last drive of a 26-24 home loss to Carolina on opening day. He said he aggravated it against the AFC West rival Broncos.

"A little bit. But I expected that," he said. "That's going to happen, especially so much contact you take. I took a couple of shots on it. That's the thing, when teams know you have a problem, they're going to attack that certain area sometimes, to test it out, make sure you're healthy."

So that's why NFL teams like to lie about injuries?

"Exactly," Tomlinson said.

During the AFC championship game, the Chargers announced Tomlinson had a "sore knee" and "can return," even though he was sidelined for good with what he revealed afterward was a sprained ligament.

O.J. SIMPSON TRIAL

Authenticity of tapes called into question

Associated Press

LAS VEGAS — An FBI expert testified via videotape Wednesday in O.J. Simpson's armed robbery trial that it's impossible to tell whether an audio tape of the hotel room confrontation was altered, but the judge said she still might let jurors hear the recording.

FBI forensics audio examiner Kenneth Marr said in prerecorded testimony that the tiny digital recorder secretly used by collectibles broker Thomas Riccio to record the alleged robbery last year didn't have advanced features that would ensure the security of the information on it.

But Marr did authenticate another tape that Riccio

said he obtained with a separate analog recorder at a pool at the Palms hotel and casino. That recording was made several hours before the conflict between the former football star and two sports memorabilia dealers at the Palace Station hotel.

Prosecutors say the analog tape includes the voices of Simpson and several other men planning to confront the memorabilia peddlers, Bruce Fromong and Alfred Beardsley.

Marr's appearance was videotaped Aug. 25 because he was scheduled to be out of the country. Asked by Clark County District Judge Jackie Glass if he could say whether the digital recording contained edits or manipulations, Marr replied: "I could not determine if those files had been altered or not."

A key question is whether any of the tapes contain mention of guns being used. Both Simpson and co-defendant Clarence "C.J." Stewart say they saw no guns.

Stewart's defense lawyer, Brent Bryson, lost a bid to have both recordings disqualified as evidence because of problems including who had custody of them. The digital recorder was kept from police for eight days while Riccio sold the tape to an Internet gossip site.

"The device itself is inherently untrustworthy," Bryson said.

Glass said she would allow the poolside recording and let the recording from the hotel room be used if the voices on the tape could be individually verified.

Simpson's lawyer, Yale Galanter, said he wants jurors to hear all 10 hours of Riccio's recordings but has questions about a written transcript that will be given to jurors.

Simpson and Stewart have pleaded not guilty to 12 charges including armed robbery, kidnapping, assault with a deadly weapon and coercion.

A kidnapping conviction could result in a sentence of life in prison with the possibility of parole. An armed robbery conviction could mean mandatory prison time.

Simpson maintains that he was trying to retrieve personal items that had been stolen from him.

The former NFL star escaped prison time in the 1990s after his acquittal in Los Angeles on charges of murdering ex-wife Nicole Brown Simpson and her friend Ron Goldman. A civil jury later found him liable for \$33.5 million in damages.

Riccio, who was waiting Wednesday to testify, has said that prosecutors told him to expect to be on the stand for as long as a day and a half.

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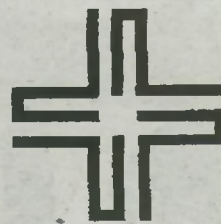
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The team will head to Ann Harbor for the Michigan Invitational on Sept. 19.

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Hope

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contest, one more than Hope sophomore goalie Kelsey Bos.

Belles coach Ryan Crabbe was upset about the heartbreaking loss, but said he did see bright sports in the game.

"Overall I thought the team performed well against such a strong opponent," Crabbe said. "I have been pushing with the team over the last few days to finish games, and unfortunately that did not happen this afternoon. I take responsibility for not making some late adjustments in an effort to protect our lead."

Despite the loss, Crabbe said the Belles walked away from the match with increased confidence.

"The team certainly showed today that we can compete at the top of our conference, and we will begin preparations for our first conference match at Olivet in just over a week's time," Crabbe said.

With the loss, the Belles dropped to 1-4-1 on the season while Hope's 4-3 record puts them above .500 for the first time this season. The two teams will face off again at Hope College on Oct. 4 in a game with league implications.

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Waldrum

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the Olympic Developmental Program, to part-time gigs with small college programs.

Waldrum spent six seasons coaching both the men and women's programs at the University of Texas, continuing to learn. From Tulsa, Waldrum went on to coach at Baylor, his last pit stop en route to Notre Dame.

And coaching at a program like Notre Dame is equivalent to gold for Waldrum.

"I don't know when I first started [here] if I would have thought I would have made it 10 years or not," he said. "It's really special to me to be here that long, it's kind

of one of those jobs [that is] the end-all job, it's what you worked hard at. I spent 19 years coaching before I really got this opportunity and it's one of those things you always aspire to get. It's a special place, and 10 years means a lot."

There's a reason Waldrum has stayed at Notre Dame for 10 years and brought the Irish so much success — his commitment to the sport. And for Waldrum that means traveling to as many seminars and schools as he can to keep learning about the game. And he relays that information to his players, seeing himself not solely as a coach.

"I'm a coach, but I'm an educator, I'm a teacher," Waldrum said. "And what I'm doing instead of teaching biology, I'm teaching soccer, so I'm teaching the tactics,

and I'm teaching the skills of the game ... that's kind of allowed me to keep my composure a little bit and keep that progression."

His desire to teach the game has taken Waldrum to Europe to obtain his UEFA license, something few American coaches can boast. But that's just another way to deepen his love for soccer, and in the process create a team like the current No. 1 Irish.

"I fell in love with the coaching aspect as much as I did playing and that's kind of what's kept my competitiveness going strong," Waldrum said. "That will to develop players and try to get the best teams I could on the field [is] the way I found my outlet."

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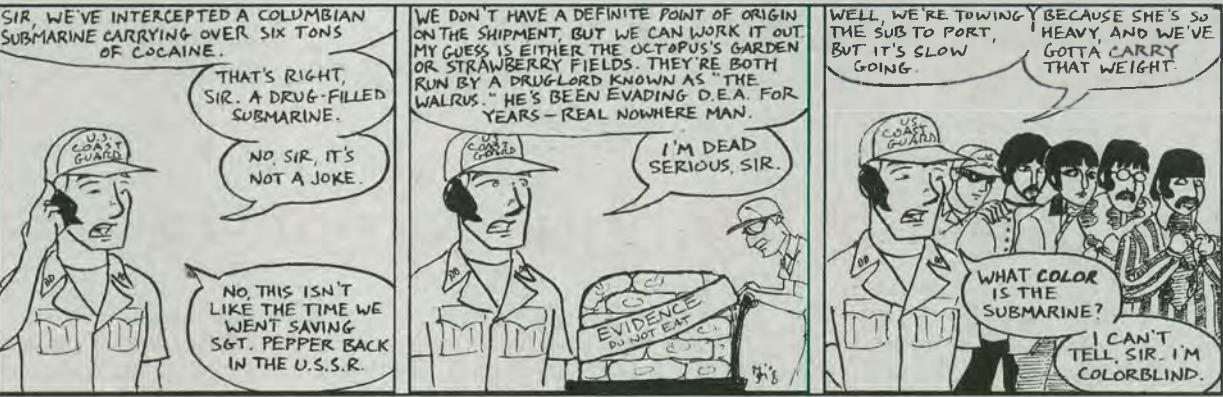
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1 Mythical hammer wielder

5 Nickname for a namesake of Mary's husband

9 Burn, in a way

14 wave

15 First name in folk

16 "Institutiones Calculi Integralis" writer

17 Castle stronghold

18 Like some interest

20 Unauthorized preview, say

22 Ocask of the Cars

23 Apology starter

24 Resettle

28 Serious

30 Strip joint, euphemistically

31 My

32 Joan Miro's "L"

33 Prefix for many cold-weather product names

34 Glacial ridges

38 Like 1-Across

41 Lee of Hollywood

43 Position

44 Part of a veterinarian's job

46 Aegean island near Naxos

48 The Tigers of the Ohio Valley Conf.

49 General for whom a style of chicken is named

50 Crab

53 Roly-poly

56 Defiling

57 German pronoun

58 Lawyers' org.

60 Faithful, to a Scot

61 Went on

65 Goddess in the hand of the statue of Athena in the Parthenon

68 Poe-ish

69 Call to Rover

70 Taking care of things

71 Some histrionics

72 Career division, in sports

73 Capt.'s inferiors

Down

1 Finger wagger's sound

2 Speed

3 Comic's stock

4 Adjusts, as a currency rate

5 Crooks' lackeys

6 Sch. in Tulsa, Okla.

7 State tree of Massachusetts

8 Not their

9 Port locale

10 Director's cry

11 Out on

12 It holds water

13 Gloomy, literarily

19 Thread type

21 Fly ball's path

24 Fix

25 Little brother's cry, perhaps

26 Deli sandwich choice

27 Vernacular that came into prominence in 1996

29 One of a candy box duo

35 Making necessary

36 Balsam, e.g.

37 Burned

39 In (positioned naturally)

40 Tangles

42 Sticky stuff

45 "with you" (parting words)

47 Smoke a little

51 "American"

52 Grasslands

53 More red, maybe

54 Papery sheath on a plant stem

55 Protective protrusion

59 Wan

62 "Shoo!"

63 Match

64 Reconstruction, e.g.

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TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Don't settle for less than what you want and deserve. An old friend will help you make the right choices by playing devil's advocate. A career change may be daunting but it's worth looking at what's available in your field. 3 stars

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Doors will open if you talk about your ideas, plans and intentions. Position yourself with creative people. Develop new friendships and you may find someone to partner with in a financial venture. 3 stars

CANCER (June 21-July 22): The youngsters, friends and lovers in your life will cause some emotional upset if you get wrapped up in their melodramas. Realize that everyone around you, including yourself, is overreacting. Rely on an older relative to get you back on track. 2 stars

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Make your home the place everyone congregates. Your space will give you the edge when it comes to group decisions. A creative change will inspire future projects. Love is evident, so talk about the way you feel. 5 stars

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Don't get sucked into a deal because of the people involved. If you have a little extra money to play with, you are better off putting it into something that will enhance you personally, professionally or mentally. Do things for yourself today. 3 stars

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Your next move will determine your future, so take your time and think matters through. If you let your emotions or partners in your life decide for you, regrets will be the result. You are likely to underestimate what's involved — do your own research. 3 stars

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): It's nice to be praised but don't let compliments skew your way of thinking, causing costly mistakes. A business associate will assume you have the answers. Ask questions even if what you need to know seems obvious. Let your past experience guide you. 3 stars

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): If someone thinks you are being misleading, it will cause a showdown. Use your charm and creative expression to bring people into your plans. Someone you meet at an event will make a difference to your life. 5 stars

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Protect your heart and your assets by not letting your emotions guide you. Travel will lead to dissatisfaction with your life, causing you to second-guess what you are doing. Don't choose someone else's lifestyle; get past your uncertainties. 2 stars

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Start thinking about your future and what you can do to improve your finances. A chance to make some extra money is apparent if you help someone out. Love and romance will lead to a decision about a relationship you are in. 4 stars

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Strive for professional and personal stability. Discard people and plans that are not a positive influence in your life. Your emotions will not lead you in the right direction, especially where partnerships are concerned. 3 stars

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MEN'S TENNIS

Team depends on young talent to continue recent success

By KATE GRABAREK
Sports Writer

Notre Dame will try to continue its success of recent years despite losing two of their top three players from last season — Sheeva Parbhu and Andrew Roth.

"Prospects for this season revolve around many of our younger guys," Irish coach Bobby Bayliss said. "We lost significant experience with the graduation of Sheeva Parbhu

and Andrew Roth. The gap will, by necessity, be filled with players unaccustomed to playing at No. 2-3, whether they be juniors who did not play much a year ago, others who played in lower positions, and freshmen who are new to the scene entirely."

The Irish are coming off their second straight Big East championship and return last year's No. 1 Brett Helgeson, who will try to lead the squad to the title again this season.

Bayliss said his team is deep-

er than it was a year ago, but he cannot expect anyone to replace Parbhu, who left with All-American credentials.

Bayliss, who signed a multi-year contract with the University earlier this month, is entering his 22 years at the helm of the Irish.

After completing its training regimen, the team is preparing to open the season at the Michigan Invitational on Sept. 19.

"This fall we have begun a weightlifting and conditioning

program," Bayliss said. "The training is primarily to guarantee healthy bodies and has been very successful in the past. It combines strength work with running and stretching. Last week we began formal practice, which has combined match play, drilling, and tactical strategic dynamics."

Bayliss said many of the team's matches this season will be decided by the doubles matchups, which were also crucial in many of the team's

victories last season.

Bayliss feels his team has had a lot of good intrasquad competition early in the season.

"We have several great returners in Brett Helgeson, Dan Stahl and David Anderson," Bayliss said. "On the other side, Tyler Davis and a few others are getting to the net well, so that makes for some interesting confrontations. Casey Watt, Matt

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ND WOMEN'S SOCCER

Celebrate good times

Waldrum enjoys
10th year with Irish

By DEIRDRE KRASULA
Sports Writer

The 2008 season is one full of milestones for the Irish, and some of them have nothing to do with their No. 1 ranking.

This year marks the 20th anniversary of the Notre Dame women's soccer program as well as Randy Waldrum's 10th year as head coach. And those two decades have seen a lot of change for women's soccer under the golden dome.

The women have gone from borrowing men's uniforms and playing in a pasture to awaiting the arrival of a new stadium. And their skill level hasn't suffered either.

The 20 years have seen numerous NCAA Final Fours and a national title in 2004. And Waldrum has been there for the

height of the Irish glory.

Waldrum took over for the Irish in 1999 after a stint coaching at Baylor, and immediately made a mark. The Irish entered postseason play that year ranked No. 5 and Waldrum led them all the way to the title game. The Irish fell 2-0 to North Carolina, but even in losing, Waldrum had made a name for himself. Waldrum had taken his team further than any first-year coach in Div. I women's history. But his soccer career had started long before that.

Waldrum grew up in Irving, Tex., at a time when soccer was far from a national game. He went on to play at Midwestern State University in Wichita Falls, Tex. Waldrum played professionally in the American Soccer League a few years before the league folded. He realized the only way to stay with the game he loved was to take up coaching — and that's just what he did. Waldrum returned to Irving to teach political science and coach at his old high school. But moving to the sideline didn't come easy.

"The transition part was difficult



Waldrum



ALLISON AMBROSE/The Observer

The Irish celebrate after a goal during Notre Dame's 3-2 win over Duke during the NCAA Tournament on Nov. 30, 2007. The Irish are currently ranked No. 1 in the country.

from a player to a coach because you want to hang on to your playing career as long as you can," Waldrum said. "So I had to change

my whole thought process from a player to a coach."

So Waldrum gathered as much coaching experience as he could,

at times coaching four teams at once, from the high school level, to

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SMC SOCCER

Belles suffer defeat in heartbreaker to Hope

By MIKE GOTIMER
Sports Writer

On Wednesday, Saint Mary's went up against a familiar foe in Hope and suffered a familiar fate, dropping a tightly contested 2-1 match to the Flying Dutch, a match that didn't count toward the teams' MIAA records.

The teams were scoreless after the first half, but Saint Mary's was able to find the back of the net early in the second half. The Belles took the lead with a goal from senior co-captain Lauren Hinton in the 50th minute, assisted by freshman Julie Hamilton. The

Belles held the lead until Hope sophomore Katie Lovinger tied the score at one with her goal in the 83rd minute.

The match appeared to be headed to overtime as the clock wound down. But with less than two minutes left in the match, Hope senior Allison Van Beek nailed a one-timer into the net to lift the Flying Dutch over the Belles by a score of 2-1.

The Saint Mary's defense, led by junior goalie Patty Duffy, helped keep the Belles in the game despite being outshot by Hope 20-8. Duffy racked up six saves in the

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JACC RENOVATIONS

Pavilion now being built

Purcell lead donor for \$26.3 million facility due to open in 2009

By MATT GAMBER
Associate Sports Editor

Sandwiched between the unveiling of Lou Holtz's statue and the wet, wild win over Michigan, groundbreaking ceremonies for the \$26.3 million Purcell Pavilion were held Saturday.

According to a University press release, the entire project is scheduled for completion in Jan. 2010. The arena is expected to reopen by mid-Oct. 2009 — in time for both the men's and women's basketball seasons.

The project's first phase will begin this month with exterior changes to the Joyce Center that include a three-story addition on

the building's south end.

The third-floor addition will include the stadium club and hospitality area.

The revamped first floor will include a 3,000 square-foot varsity shop for apparel and souvenirs and nearly 4,500 square feet for ticket offices, including four exterior and 10 interior ticket windows.

The arena's new main entrance, situated between Gates 8 and 10, will include displays that highlight Notre Dame's athletic programs.

Renovations will affect the interior of the Joyce Center, including new, blue chair-back seating throughout the entire arena. The wooden bleachers in the upper bowl will be replaced by treads,

risers and permanent arena seats. New student seating options are being considered, according to the release.

Capacity will decrease from the current 11,418 to approximately 9,800, which includes the 800-person premium club seating located in new third-floor stadium club area.

The arena, which will be named Purcell Pavilion at the Joyce Center, is a part of the \$68.5 million designated for new athletics facilities as a part of the Spirit of Notre Dame campaign.

Notre Dame alumnus and trustee Philip J. Purcell III, the retired chairman and CEO of

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