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SMC student dies at 19

Friends remember Seeberg for displaying commitment to service

By MADELINE BUCKLEY
News Writer

First year Saint Mary's student Elizabeth "Lizzy" Seeberg, described by loved ones as having a heart for service, died suddenly Friday afternoon. She was 19.

Seeberg, originally from Northbrook, Ill., was a resident of McCandless Hall and an intended nursing major at the College.

Friends say Seeberg was committed to helping others



Lizzy Seeberg

and always had a smile on her face.

Kalyn Fetta, a sophomore at Notre Dame who attended high school with Seeberg, said she had a "contagious joy."

Fetta recalled spending time at a pool with Seeberg one summer, when Seeberg decided the girls were wasting their day. She suggested they cook dinner for about 40 at a soup kitchen nearby.

"Right then, she insisted we get up, grocery shop and start cooking — and we followed through," Fetta said.

Fetta and Seeberg also attended a Habitat for Humanity service trip in Michigan together as well as a Kairos religious retreat.

"I always saw Lizzy giving herself to others with a smile o

n her face," Fetta said. "I will always remember all she taught me and the happiness she brought to so many people."

Fr. Chris Devron, president of Christ the King high school in Chicago, said Seeberg was integral in raising money for the Jesuit high school that sponsors students on Chicago's west side who would otherwise not have access to a college preparatory education.

Christ the King opened in August of 2008 and follows the Cristo Rey model, which makes it affordable for students from low-income backgrounds to matriculate from the small, Catholic high school.

Devron said when Seeberg

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Morrissey, ultimate team host frisbee event

By CALIE MOHAMED
News Writer

The ultimate frisbee club team and Morrissey Hall teamed up to hold an all day frisbee event Sunday on South Quad to raise funds for the Robinson Community Learning Center.

The ultimate team members took shifts from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. to keep a 12-hour game of ultimate frisbee ongoing. Regular frisbees were used throughout the length of the day, while a light up disc was used when it got dark in order to keep the game going.

"We wanted to keep [the donations] in the community and make it local, so that

everyone on campus could relate to the event," senior Megan Franke, co-captain of the girls' team, said.

She said they like to give back to South Bend, particularly to the people with whom they have relationships. The team has a long-standing relationship with the Robinson Center, and many of the team members have tutored and worked there.

In previous years, the ultimate team has had similar fundraisers for the Robinson Center, but they were located at Stepan Fields. The women's team co-captain, senior Amy Bilek, said moving the location of the event

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Déjà Blue

By SAM STRYKER
News Writer

Notre Dame fans experienced football déjà vu on Saturday.

For the second year in a row, the Michigan Wolverines scored a go-ahead touchdown in the final minute of play. With 27 seconds left on the game clock, Michigan quarterback Denard Robinson sealed the come-from-behind victory with a two-yard touchdown run, sending Notre Dame fans home disappointed.

Irish fans had strong hopes for victory earlier in the quarter after quarterback Dayne Crist connected with Kyle Rudolph for a 95-yard touchdown pass with 3:41 left in the game that put Notre Dame ahead 24-21.

Sophomore Michael Schultz said the energy inside the stadium after the touchdown was electric.

"I almost fell off the railing from jumping up when Notre Dame scored," he said. "It was wild."

Sophomore Emily Hefferon said she felt the touchdown gave Notre Dame a shot at victory, but once the Wolverines got the ball back things started to turn for the worse for the Irish.

"When Rudolph scored our last touchdown, I felt pure euphoria," she said. "But once Michigan started moving the ball I started to feel dread. It was like we couldn't get over the hump of those final minutes."

Even though there was time left on the clock, Schultz said he knew the Michigan touchdown

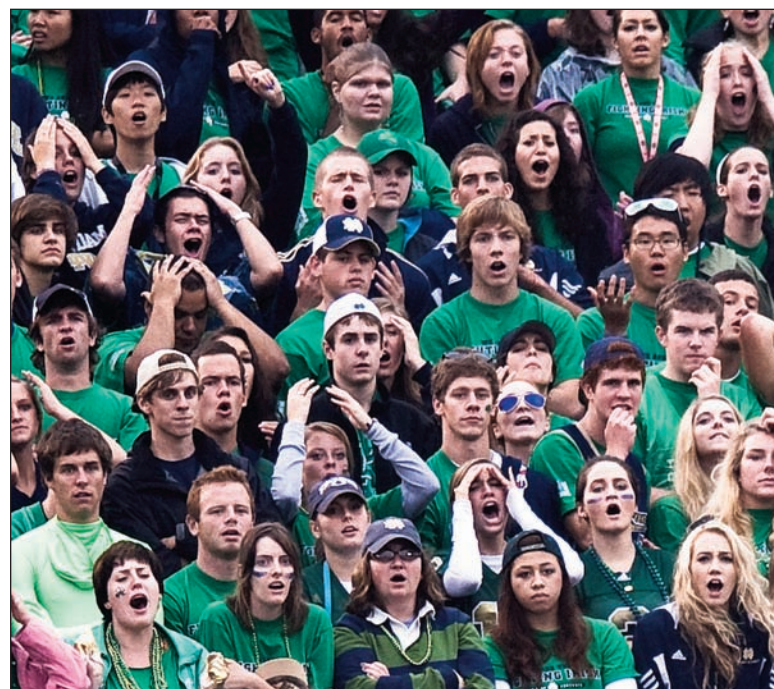
had sealed Notre Dame's fate.

"They did not leave us with enough time to score. It was like, 'Wow, this just happened two years in a row,'" he said.

The Irish looked sharp on the first offensive series, which ended when Crist ran the ball into the end zone for a touchdown. However, Crist had to leave the game for the rest of the first half after experiencing blurry vision in his right eye. Schultz said Irish fans experienced unnecessary confusion when they realized Crist was not behind the center the next time Notre Dame had the ball.

"We didn't know why all of a sudden [freshman quarterback] Tommy Rees was in," he said.

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YUW WU/The Observer

Students react to Notre Dame's 28-24 loss to the Michigan Wolverines on Saturday.



SUZANNA PRATT/The Observer

Former Secretary of Homeland Security Tom Ridge speaks at Mendoza College of Business Friday.

Ridge reflects on American brand

By SCOTT ENGLERT
News Writer

"We all knew what we were doing the day and morning of Sept. 11," Tom Ridge began.

Speaking in the Jordan Auditorium in Mendoza on the weekend of the anniversary of the terrorist attacks of Sept. 11, 2001, Ridge offered a presentation that fittingly tied both business and national security.

Ridge, whose many titles have included the governor of Pennsylvania and Secretary of Homeland Security, now serves as president and CEO of Ridge Global, LLC.

"Everyone in the organization has value," he said. "All work has dignity."

Addressing leadership, Ridge informed students on the importance of communication skills and the importance of not only knowing, but also being able to articulate one's

mission statement.

"Titles get compliance," he said. "Leaders get commitments."

In addition to leadership, brand name also transcends the fields of business and national security.

"Notre Dame has a brand ... America has a brand as well. It's our value system," Ridge said. "We have to be consistent with [our value system]."

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QUESTION OF THE DAY: WHO IS YOUR BEST FANTASY FOOTBALL PICK?



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“Charlie Weis.”



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Have an idea for Question of the Day? E-mail observer.questions@gmail.com



SUZANNA PRATT/The Observer

Workers paint the Irish football helmets with gold paint Friday before the Michigan game. The Irish lost to the Wolverines 28-24 Saturday. For more football recap, turn to page 16.

OFFBEAT

Angry musician hits man with guitar

MADISON, Wis. — Wisconsin police say a street musician apparently upset by criticism of his music bashed a man over the head with his guitar, slammed another person into a wall and wrestled with an officer before being arrested.

Madison police spokesman Joel DeSpain tells The Capital Times that 31-year-old Brandin Hochstrasser, known as “Bongo Jesus,” was performing Thursday when a 54-year-old man knocked his music. DeSpain says the two argued and police were called when Hochstrasser began hitting his critic with his guitar.

DeSpain says Hochstrasser then charged the man, knocking him down. An officer used a stun gun to subdue and arrest Hochstrasser.

Online court records show no formal charges had been filed by Sunday.

Chesnut breaks burrito-eating record, downs 47

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. — Competitive eater Joey Chestnut is now king of the burrito. Chestnut, also known as “Jaws,” downed 47 burritos in 10 minutes at the New Mexico State Fair in Albuquerque on Saturday, beating the previous record of 33 1/2.

Known for his hot-dog

eating, Chestnut won the annual July Fourth hot dog eating contest at New York’s Coney Island for the fourth year in a row this summer.

Chestnut, of San Jose, Calif., won \$1,500 for the feat in New Mexico Saturday. The burritos in the Garcia’s World Burrito Eating Championship were stuffed with beef, beans and the state’s famous green chile.

The event is sanctioned by the Major League Eating & International Federation of Competitive Eating, the world body that oversees all international professional eating contests.

Information compiled from the Associated Press.

IN BRIEF

FTT Talks presents Katie O’Connell: “Navigating the TV Landscape — Jobs and the Business of Making Television” today at 6 p.m. in room 158 in the Mendoza College of Business. The event is free.

Professor John O’Callaghan will lecture on the works of Walker Percy, the first lecture in the Catholic Culture Literature Series: “Strangers in a Strange Land: Four Catholic American Authors.” The event will be tomorrow in Debartolo 141, beginning at 8 p.m. The event is free.

Author Salvador Plascencia will read from 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. Wednesday at the Hammes Bookstore. He is the author of The People of Paper. In 2010, Poets and Writers named Plascencia one of the Fifty of the Most Inspiring Authors in the World. The event is free.

A lecture, “The Passion of Leadership,” will be given by Henry Givray, President and CEO of SmithBucklin Corporation. It will be from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. in Jordan Auditorium in the Mendoza College of Business. Question and answer will follow. The event is free and open to the public.

Ricardo Pau-Llosa will give a lecture at the Annenberg Auditorium at the Snite Museum of Art from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday, followed by a 30 to 45 minute reception in the Ashbaugh Decorative Arts Gallery. The event is free and open to the public.

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Lecture honors JFK speech

By LAURA MITTELSTAEDT
News Writer

President John F. Kennedy took negative tones and harsh political stances to distance himself from the Catholic Church, said Michael W. McConnell, Professor of Law at Stanford University and former federal judge, Friday, at a lecture titled “Remind Me: Why Did Anyone Care if JFK was a Catholic?”

The lecture was held in the H e s b u r g h Center auditorium Friday to kick off Notre Dame’s James P. Riley series on religion and public life.

The lecture commemorated the 50th anniversary of John F. Kennedy’s historical Houston Speech, which M c C o n n e l l called one of the most effective speeches ever made by a candidate. McConnell said it both neutralized anti-Catholics and rallied American Catholics to vote for Kennedy in the 1960 presidential election.

“[Though] JFK won a great victory for inclusion and

against bigotry ... Kennedy fell headlong into the most bitter misconceptions of his political opponents,” McConnell said.

The speech, given on Sept. 12, 1960, addressed the issue of separation of church and state, which McConnell called the most delicate problem for Kennedy to address.

At the time, American citizens feared a Catholic president would be incapable of making public policy decisions without being influenced by the Church.

Kennedy hoped to quell the anti-Catholic sentiment.

“I do not speak for my church on public matters; and the church does not speak for me,” Kennedy said in his famous speech.

W h a t e v e r issue may come before me as President...I will make my decision... without regard to outside religious pressure or dictates.”

After a brief history of discrimination against American Catholics, and what McConnell called “the oldest prejudice in America,” he led the audience through the footage of Kennedy’s speech,

pausing occasionally to analyze his language. McConnell explained several reservations he held about Kennedy’s speech.

“[The speech is] entirely and surprisingly negative and defensive,” McConnell said.

With help from his Houston speech, Kennedy won 83 percent of the Catholic vote and 34 percent of the white Protestant vote in the 1960 election.

“In his speech, Kennedy states that he is merely the Democratic party’s candidate for president who happens also to be a Catholic,” McConnell said.

According to McConnell, religion is too deep and important to be happenstance, and people should have been more concerned about what JFK was disavowing.

“By stating, ‘I believe in an America where the separation of church and state is absolute,’ Kennedy adopted the vocabulary of his opponents,” he said. “Everyone is for separation of church and state, but when you add the term ‘absolute separation,’ it adds a degree of hostility.”

The hour-long lecture was followed by a question-and-answer session, where McConnell addressed modern politics and the current role of religion in public policy.

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Michigan

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“The stadium needs to announce what is going on because no one had any idea why Crist was out.”

Junior John Rozema was initially scared not only for the result of the game, but for the well-being of Crist.

“I was worried about Crist. I thought he was seriously injured,” he said. “He had his helmet off with the baseball cap on, and he just seemed very far away from the action.”

Rozema also said it might not have necessarily been a good idea to bring back Crist in the second half.

“I don’t know much about injuries, but it seemed like Notre Dame was taking a lot of risks with their players,” he said. “There was a run by Crist that just looked dangerous. If he had been seriously injured, that could have ended our season.”

Michigan led coming out of halftime 21-7, and Hefferon said initially she felt things could only get worse for the Irish.

“Going into halftime, Michigan had all the momentum,” she said. “I didn’t think it was going to be close. I thought for sure, we were going to lose.”

Hefferon said part of the reason people seemed to be dreading the outcome of the game after the first half was the lack of tenacity by Notre Dame after Crist left.

“Michigan was on the ball the whole way,” she said. “I just didn’t see as much of an effort from Notre Dame in the first half.”

However, Notre Dame scored 10 points on a touchdown and a field goal in the third quarter. After the downpours prior to the game and the overcast skies through the first half, the skies

begin to clear. Junior Katie Carter said the play of the Fighting Irish in the second half was more upbeat, which coincided with the change in weather.

“Michigan had the momentum for a while. But when the sun came out and hit the stadium, and we started to score, it just felt like we were meant to win,” she said.

The final run by Robinson capped off an amazing day for the Michigan quarterback, who set a school record for total offense with 502 yards. Despite Robinson’s play, Hefferon felt the Notre Dame defense played well.

“Denard Robinson was moving the ball fast, but I was impressed with our defense, especially compared to last year,” she said “There were a lot of close defensive plays that we came out on top of.”

Carter, however, said while Robinson seemed to be putting his success on the field ahead of his teams.

“Denard Robinson is talented, but he seemed like a ball hog. He was selfish, like he thought he should be doing everything,” she said. “Notre Dame played more like a team.”

Notre Dame had one final series to score, but on the last play Crist tossed the ball long into the stands.

Rozema said while the final play left a bitter aftertaste, he is looking forward to the next Notre Dame game against Michigan State.

“Obviously that last throw that ended the game from Crist that landed in the audience, that was soul-crushing,” he said. “We will come back strong next week against Michigan State.”

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Seeberg

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heard Christ the King would open in Chicago, she organized several fundraising and service projects to benefit the school, working with her parish youth group to “adopt” Christ the King.

“Lizzy had a real sense that God had blessed her, and she wanted to give back to those who were not fortunate to have equal access to a solid education,” Devron said. “For her youthful age, she had a mature awareness about injustice, and wanted to make the world a better place.”

Seeberg visited Christ the King several times, and made and sold picture frames to raise money.

“Our students were blessed to benefit from her quiet but strong efforts on their behalf, and I’m grateful to have had the opportunity to get to know such a special young woman,” Devron said.

Caitie Young, a junior at Notre Dame who also attended high school with Seeberg, said the 19-year-old had a great sense of humor.

“I have countless memories of us driving around, wasting gas and singing Taylor Swift at the top of our lungs together,” Young said. “I miss her terribly.”

When Young started as a freshman at Notre Dame, Seeberg was still a senior in high school and would mail Young the police blotter from their hometown paper.

“It would always make me laugh,” Young said.

The Saint Mary’s community will commemorate Seeberg’s life with a memorial service at 5 p.m. today in Regina Hall Chapel.

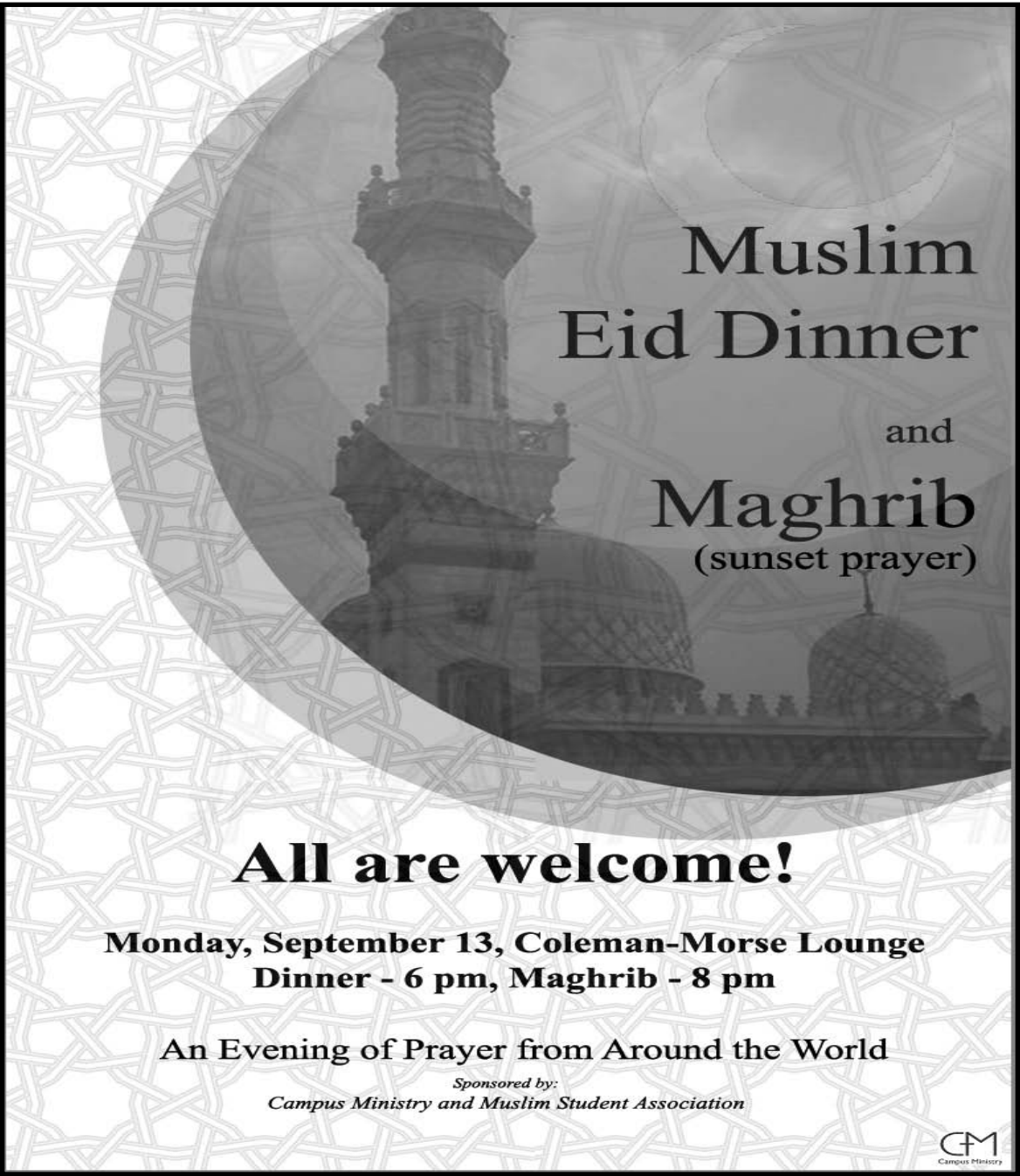
“On behalf of everyone at Saint Mary’s College, I extend my deepest condolences to the family and friends of our student,” College president Carol Ann Mooney said. “Our prayers are with them during this difficult time.”

Seeberg’s visitation is Thursday at N.H. Scott & Hanekamp Funeral Home, located at 1240 Waukegan Road in Glenview, Ill. from 4 to 9 p.m. The Funeral Mass is at 10 a.m. Friday at St. Norbert Church, located at 1809 Walters Ave. in Northbrook, Ill.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Christ the King Jesuit College Prep at www.ctkjesuit.org or Erika’s Lighthouse at www.erikaslight-house.org

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SMC offers community course

By MEGHAN LONEY
News Writer

Saint Mary's students will now have the opportunity to earn class credit while working with the local community.

Saint Mary's justice education program and Campus Ministry have joined together to offer a one-credit course, titled "The Church in the City," which presents a first-hand experience within the South Bend community for Saint Mary's students. This is the first time the course has been offered.

Jan Pilarski, director of the justice education program, said she believes it is important for students to learn more about the communities of South Bend.

"Building bridges with the local community is an important piece of the course," Pilarski said. "Although we are just a couple miles from downtown, it feels more distant than that."

The 15 students who are accepted into the course will be given the opportunity to spend the weekend of Nov. 5 in the heart of the South Bend Latino community as guests of La Casa de Amistad and St. Adalbert's parish.

"[La Casa de Amistad works] to empower the Latino/Hispanic community within Michiana by providing educational, cultural and advocacy services in a welcoming, bilingual environment," according to the organization's mission statement on its website.

St. Adalbert's Parish is a

Roman Catholic community founded by Polish-Americans. Now the church population is a mixture of those who worship in English, Polish and Spanish.

The actual goal of the weekend is not to do physical work in the community, and Pilarski said it is not a mission trip. The goal is to offer the people in the neighborhood the chance to share their stories with the students.

"That may sound minimal, but it is life-changing," Pilarski said. "I would really emphasize that it is one of the best services we can offer people who don't have their story heard by the majority of the population. This course presents an opportunity to share in their struggles and learn the experience of poverty how it is to be an immigrant, why they came to diffuse some of the myths of immigration and to see them as they are."

Pilarski held two informational meetings this week on the course. She introduced the foundation on which the course was designed and gave the students an idea of what their weekend in the South Bend community might entail.

The structure of the course is a combination of four informational and reflection sessions, a weekend spent in the community of focus and a four to five page reflection paper.

Friday, Nov. 5, students will travel downtown in a group where they will arrive on site, get their bearings and meet individuals who are hosting them for the weekend. This

night will be one to socialize and perhaps share in music or dance, Pilarski said during one of the information meetings.

There will be an opportunity on Saturday to take a tour of the community in order to get a sense of the housing and organizations. The rest of the day will be spent encountering key leaders from the Latino community who are immigrants themselves.

La Casa de Amistad has a group called La Collectiva, made up of about two dozen middle and high school students who are engaged in leadership development. Saint Mary's students would have the opportunity to take part in a leadership training session with them on Saturday, Pilarski said.

Saint Mary's students will also have the chance to meet with another organization heavily involved in the community, Transforming Action Through Power. This organization is made up of 15 congregations in South Bend and focuses on leadership training as well as working on key issues that greatly affect the community — immigration, education within South Bend public schools and poverty, Pilarski said.

The course is a one-credit, pass/fail course. For more information and to pick up applications, students can see Jan Pilarski or Judy Fean. Applications are due by Wednesday.

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MAGGIE O'BRIEN/The Observer

Members of the ultimate frisbee team and Morrissey Manor residents play frisbee on South Quad Sunday.

Frisbee

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this year helped to get more donations and more people involved in the event. She said the event was successful and a lot of fun for team members and participants alike.

Bystanders of all ages were invited by the ultimate team members to join in on the game, watch or just donate to the Robinson Center. Participants in the game were allowed to play as much as they wanted throughout the 12 hours and were allowed to leave and return to play as long as they wore their wristband.

The day was mainly a way for the ultimate team members to have fun with each other and give back to the community, Bilek said. The score was not kept during the 12-hour long game because there were so many participants and team

changes. The goal was to get students and non-students alike to join in on the fun and donate to a good cause.

Fun variations of ultimate frisbee were tested out to keep the game interesting and participants on their toes, Bilek said. The team's goal was to get a dorm rector or any students' parents involved in the game at some point during the day.

The ultimate frisbee club team is made up of about 70 members who are from Notre Dame and Saint Mary's. The teams are separated by gender and within each gender there is an "A" team and a "B" team.

The team practices twice a week and competes in local contests and tournaments in places like Las Vegas, Baton Rouge and Tallahassee, Fla. Their first tournament takes place on Oct. 2 in South Bend where roughly 40 other collegiate ultimate frisbee teams will compete.

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Ridge

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The rest of the world is watching."

Ridge explained that America does not always abide by its value system. This is perhaps most evident in the recent controversy over Guantanamo Bay. While recognizing the complexities of the situation, Ridge said he believes the prison's occupants are entitled to due process.

Yet, despite America's shortcomings, Ridge maintains a positive and optimistic view of the nation he loves.

"I can say to you in good faith that we have been true to our values," Ridge said. "Americans live in freedom. We don't live in fear ... People all over the world still love the idea of America."

In part, the idea of America involves risks, he said. In a way similar to that of a business, America must manage its risks.

Ridge invoked images of the first pioneers, the lunar landings and the millions of

American servicemen and women as examples of American risk-takers.

"America has always had risk management — we're a country of risk-takers," he said. "We manage our risks."

When answering audience questions, Ridge expanded upon previous answers and addressed other new topics, including the relationship between the economy and national security, the challenge of cooperation between national agencies and the need for a more effective use of America's soft power.

"[My proudest accomplishment is that] I've been given that many opportunities and my service was valued," he said.

Ridge said homeland security has an objective to secure and preserve freedom — including religious expression.

"Complacency [is the single greatest danger to national security] — the notion that as time elapse we forgot that we are at war with a belief system and leaders of a belief system who patient and persistent."

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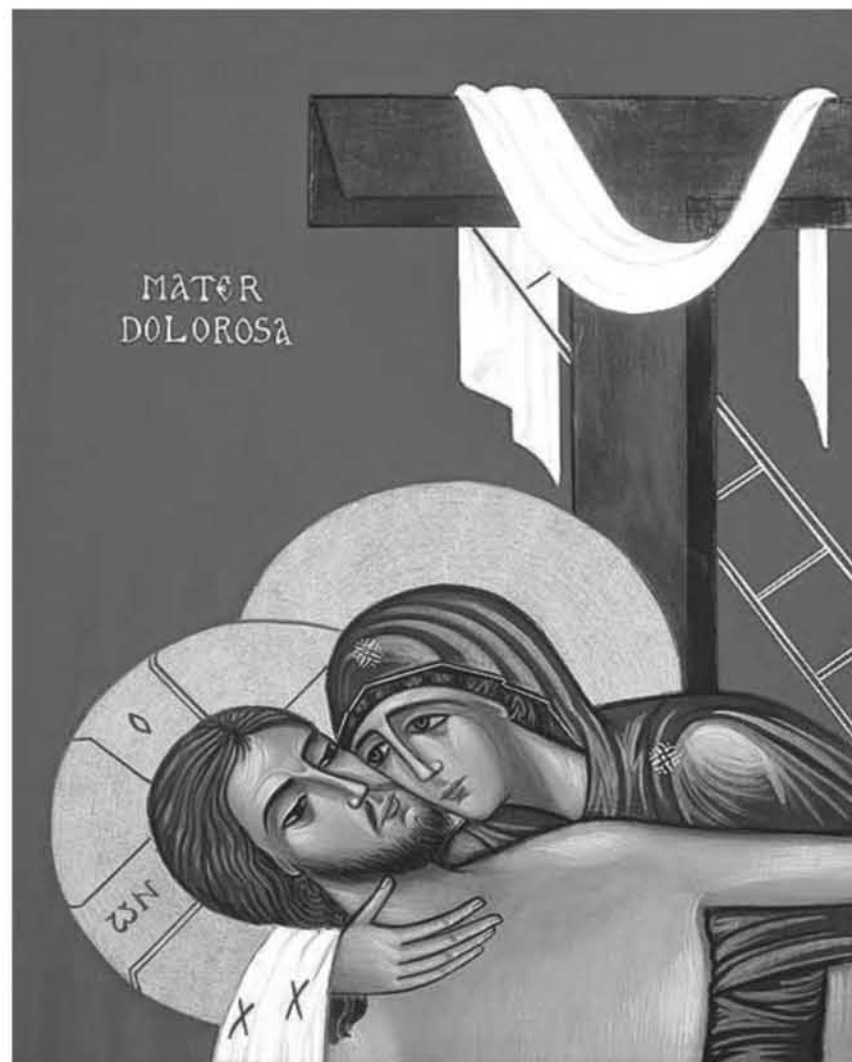
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INSIDE COLUMN

Too open?

Besides “ethics, ethics, ethics,” there is probably nothing discussed within the Mendoza College of Business (MCOB) than the fact that “we are No. 1.” Naturally, people outside of the university who see BusinessWeek’s ranking probably imagine that the college is especially rigorous and exclusive and that business students are the cream of the crop at the already prestigious University of Notre Dame.

However, the sentiment among students is quite the opposite. It is often assumed that business students either could not handle pre-med or engineering, or that education is only secondary for them, whether it falls after partying, a varsity sport or sleeping.

I believe this thinking is perpetuated, in part, by the fact that Mendoza places no floor for limiting which students can enter the college. If you ask students who have attended the college’s various mandatory events since last spring, they will probably agree that the massive crowds herded into the packed auditoriums left them feeling like “just another business student.”

Students again felt the side effects of overcrowding during the debacle that was DART last spring. Most, if not all rising-sophomore business classes immediately shut out students after filling up and had to be manually overenrolled by Mendoza advisors. Unless the University plans on expanding MCOB in both quantity of classes and professors, I think it is time to consider limiting the number of available seats in the college.

While I understand and appreciate the MCOB’s commitment to allowing students to pursue whichever academic path they feel drawn to, I still think it is reasonable to set cutoffs. I am not suggesting they simplify the decision with standardized testing or solely consider GPA, nor do I think an elaborate application process is necessary. I believe anyone who put in a reasonable level of effort in FYS, which could be fairly judged by a combination of course rigor and GPA, should certainly be allowed and encouraged to study business at Notre Dame.

Outside of crammed classrooms and inflexible schedules, by allowing overcrowding in the college, MCOB is sending a message to students that whether they put in 100 percent effort throughout freshman year or resell their textbooks in the original packaging, they will still squeeze anyone and everyone into the No. 1 undergraduate business program in the country.

Of course there will be exceptions: obviously freshman engineering or premed courses are especially difficult for most students, and those changing to business should not be penalized for pursuing a challenge. I do not think a GPA defines students nor do I think the college should encourage students to take an easy course load in FYS to secure a high GPA. I simply believe that Mendoza should push students to strive toward the level of effort and to get the results consistent with being a part of the nationally top-ranked business program.

I do not support making cuts as another way for students to feel elite or impressive; rather, it is becoming a practical necessity. A No. 1 ranking is sure to draw even more students to the college, but at some point the open-door policy of the Mendoza College of Business is going to begin taking a toll on the quality of education and graduates that it produces.

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Navigating the dining hall

In my quest to inform the Notre Dame community/bubble about their own senseless behavior, I have arrived at a topic that is of epic proportions. While the things that freshmen do to embarrass

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Bursting the
Bubble

themselves (see last column) do plague our campus, the inability of most South Dining

Hall goes to actually navigate the area effectively is a problem of epic proportions. So I write to you this time to enlighten you about the atrocities you have probably both experienced and have knowingly or unknowingly committed. Note that because North Dining Hall does not offer sliced apples, of which I can then put cinnamon sugar on top, I will not refer to it as a real dining hall.

The following list consists of the crimes most often committed, arguably more so than those nights when two of the best foods are served simultaneously (i.e. peppered flank steak and chicken poppers). Those guilty of committing these crimes against humanity are not specific to a certain gender, year, college, major, or dorm, though Keough Hall inhabitants have been known to suffer significantly in areas where common sense is required. As much as every student at Notre Dame loves to complain about South, we know we have it good; in fact, it is ranked high in several lists of the best dining halls on college campuses. Therefore, we should strive to make it better in all aspects.

Being Picky: It always amazes me to stand in line behind someone who takes more than 30 seconds to put some food on their plate. And why is that you might ask? Because they search through the whole container to find the ‘one’ that is for them. I hate to inform you that the chicken patty you just spent two minutes trying to find is probably just as good as the one that

was at the front of the others. I have literally stood behind someone who picked sliced apple by sliced apple until they were done, and it was one of the most obnoxious things I have ever seen. Just get your food and go.

Line Cutters: You would think by college, everyone would have learned that lines are there for a reason. No, I do not care that what you want in the pasta line is the last thing; stand in line like everyone else and get what you want. Nothing more needs to be said here; just remember what you learned in kindergarten.

Socializing: This is by far one of the biggest issues. The serving area is not the time for you to be holding up lines and causing collisions to scream to your friend about that awesome dorm party you went to last night, much of which you probably do not accurately remember anyways. Save it for when you sit down.

Random Stopping/Lack of a Plan: The one thing I think would solve almost every problem mentioned is if everyone developed their own game-plan for attacking the dining hall. Establish your route and be sure you cover all your bases. This will alleviate random stopping, which tends to cause six-tray pileups. Here’s a suggested route, one I have perfected: Enter on the west side (go right to slide); grab your tray and utensils and head past the Chinese food; continue walking straight checking the fruits and vegetables; proceed onto the desserts, hit left to pass the Pan-American section; continue walking past the desserts and bread area; complete the circle by going left to pass the Stir-Fry section; check out what’s for dinner in the homestyle and meat sections; walk past the grill; stop at the sandwich aisle; see if any of the pizzas look fresh; run through the pasta line; get your drink on the eating side that is closed; have a seat.

‘Supposable’ Stigma of Eating Alone: There is this idea that one is a ‘loser’

or has no friends if they ever eat alone, but this is far from the truth. There are many reasons people eat alone — weird class breaks, everyone went already, etc. Or maybe it’s that they do not want to eat with you! I eat alone from time to time with just me and the paper, and I love watching people I know walk by and wave because I know they are simply jealous that they are not able to eat with me instead of the people they have eaten with approximately every day of the week for every meal.

Same-Siding: Now, if we would truly like to talk about stigmas, same-siders are up for grabs. As lanyard wearing is a fashion faux pas, so too is sitting on the same side of the table as your one dining partner. It is a complete failure to do this, not just from a social norm point of view but from a technical point of view. How in the world does one carry a conversation while eating with the person to their left or right and no one across from them? Same-siding it only calls for inappropriate behavior that needs to be kept to the dorm rooms, ladies and gentlemen.

I hope this has served you well. Unfortunately, not all 6,000-plus students who will eventually go through the hallowed South Dining Hall will read this. As for my practical advice: steer clear of the 15 minute gaps after classes for lunch and the 5:45-6:30pm slot for dinner, hold onto your drinks and perfect what I like to call the glare, a technique that is not mean or nice but let’s another know they are contributing to a serious problem. See you on the battlefield!

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

“A little sincerity is a dangerous thing, and a great deal of it is absolutely fatal.”

Oscar Wilde
Irish novelist

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

“Taint’t worthwhile to wear a day all out before it comes.”

Sarah Orne Jewett
U.S. author

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Wearing Kelly green

Great letter to the editor by David Zimmer (“Game weekend support,” Sept. 8) Only two additional suggestions:

1. We should all wear kelly green to EVERY game, not just to the Michigan game; and
2. We need to be able to get the word out to the alumni and other fans (i.e., not just the students, who will be wearing their kelly green shirts to the game anyway) who will be in attendance at the game. My suggestion: Put up a lot of signs around campus regarding the “wear kelly green to the game” cry, similar to the type of signs the men’s and women’s soccer teams do when they place signs around campus encouraging football fans to come to their home games on football weekends.

One other suggestion, while I am at it: at the Michigan State game next weekend, let’s not make the same mistake we made last year, when we had no members of the band in attendance at the Purdue game, located just an hour or so down the road. Even if the entire band will not be making the trip to Michigan State (i.e., due to budget issues), let’s at least have any member of the band who wants to volunteer to pay their own way up to East Lansing, make the trip, to help encourage our team onward to victory against the Spartans. I implore the band management and administration to please allow this to happen.

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UWIRE

Modern-day slavery

Our history books told us that slavery ended in the United States after the Civil War. But despite over half a million Americans losing their lives in a war we have been told was fought to end slavery, tens of millions of us live in slavery today.

How many people do you know who are currently in debt? How many of them could not pay that debt if they sold everything they own? How many of them spend at least 40 hours a week at a job, or two, that they do not enjoy because they have to pay the bills or they risk jail, lawsuit, homelessness, and even more debt?

This is what I call modern-day financial slavery.

In America, this form of slavery became the norm after owning another person directly became illegal. After the Civil War, freed slaves and poor white farmers made up the majority of our population, especially in the South.

These men and women were no longer considered property to another man, but they were no more free than the men and women Lincoln emancipated in his famous proclamation. They did not own land, had no money saved and did not know how to do anything but farm.

The wealthy one percent weren’t willing to share their land or profits, so they came up with a new form of slavery: sharecropping, keeping the farmers in perpetual debt. And little has changed.

Today, all Americans have the opportunity to get an education and even move across the country. But don’t be fooled into thinking this makes us free.

Of those who do get the chance at a higher education, 86.3 percent require loans to get that education. The average four-year graduate borrows more than \$23,000 by graduation day.

The banks and government are

happy to loan the money out, to the tune of more than \$110 billion a year, because they will get far more in return.

So as soon as graduation day comes, we have bill collectors badgering us for the money we owe, which will be thousands more than we borrowed by the time we can pay them off.

After school, most graduates get the first job we can working for a wealthier man or major corporation to pay the bills. In today’s job climate, few actually find a career they enjoy.

If we want to own a home or business, which millions never get the chance to do, we have to take out more loans that will take 10, 20, 30, or even more, years to pay off. So we cannot afford to leave the job we do not enjoy, because we are in too much debt.

No matter where we move in our country, we cannot escape the debtors, so we are left to work for them as the precious hours, days, weeks, years and decades of our lives tick away.

As the housing collapse showed us, millions of Americans are never able to pay off those mortgages.

And instead of helping those middle-to-lower class citizens pay off their debt, our government came to the aid of the billionaire banks with trillions of dollars in taxpayers’ money.

To defeat this slavery, we must first end the ignorance to it by opening our eyes and educating ourselves.

Slavery has never slowed down in this country. It has continuously grown and is at an all-time high.

If you don’t believe it, you are exactly where the debtors want you: hopelessly enslaved.

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Opportunities available

Dear Editor,

As the internship coordinator for the Department of Film, Television and Theatre, I would like to respond to Michael Burke’s comments regarding the Notre Dame Career Center in Wednesday’s Observer (“Thanks Career Center,” Sept. 8)

Over the past several years, the staff at the Career Center, including director Lee Svete, associate director Rose Kopec, program director LoriAnn Edinborough and others, have gone above and beyond in reaching out to companies and organizations that provide internships and ultimately jobs for students who major in film, television and theatre and other areas of the liberal arts. In addition, the Career Center supports and administers a variety of grants, stipends and initiatives which help fund summer internship opportunities for students who could otherwise not afford them. I work very closely week in and week out with the staff at the Career Center to exchange and post information about internship opportunities for FTT majors both here in the Michiana area and all over the world. The opportunities are there, but many students fail to take advantage of those or to actually make an appointment with someone at the Career Center (or with me) to help them through the process. All of us are here to help, but we can’t do our jobs if no one comes to see us.

I have worked and been associated with the television industry since 1984. The one thing that hasn’t changed — and perhaps the only thing that hasn’t changed in television — is that the people who succeed and find jobs in the industry are those who have the most experience and are willing to work their way up the ladder. A resume littered with a variety of internship experiences is still the only way one can break through the door. Waiting until the second semester of your senior year to get an internship is often too late to impress someone in a position to hire — there are many other students with a lot

more experience as “the competition.” Plus, the television and film industries operate and hire in a much different way than traditional businesses do. Many are small or under tight budgets, so coming to a career fair is not an option for them. Jobs aren’t available in six months or a year — organizations hire when and if they have an immediate need. And this is such a competitive industry, companies or production houses don’t have to “recruit” or solicit resumes to find qualified people to do the job.

Jen Sharron, a 2001 FTT grad who works as a field producer for Jimmy Kimmel Live, recently returned to campus for a visit and spoke to my class. When Jen was at Notre Dame, she spent two semesters working as an intern at Golden Dome Media (a former video production company at WNDU-TV), did another unpaid stint in the sports department at WNDU-TV and had a minimum wage summer job at a small production company in Los Angeles — all while earning All-America honors as a key member of the Irish women’s softball team. If anyone didn’t have the time to do an internship, it was Jen. Yet, she understood how important it was for her to have experience on her resume, and she sought out every opportunity that she could. She also told my class how important each and every one of those experiences has been to her career. It’s amazing to me that there are several wonderful internship opportunities for students interested in the television business right here in our area that go unfulfilled semester after semester.

So, FTT and liberal arts majors, take note. There are lots of people at Notre Dame (especially those in the Career Center) who will help you in your search for a job or internship in your particular field. All you have to do is ask and listen.

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Make ND stadium intimidating

As Rocket Ismael said at last year’s USC pep rally, THIS IS NOT A GAME. As students, we do not watch Notre Dame football games dispassionately. We are there not only to observe football but to affect the outcome of the game. It is this mindset that differentiates diehard fans from mere spectators. Unfortunately, the typical Notre Dame fan is known as observant and quiet. This makes it vitally important for us students to get loud if we want to give our team the home field advantage that they deserve. I think that there are two important ways in which we can improve our performance.

The first thing that we can do is to get rid of the “Celtic Chant” while on defense. This mindless moving up and down of fists may be cute and cool to look at from a distance but does not make Notre Dame Stadium an intimidating place to play. This cheer, where no one but the band makes noise, is fine when the Irish are on offense. But when the opposing quarterback is in the huddle trying to communicate a play, we cannot allow silence! This cheer also has the propensity to be

vastly overplayed. At least play something that we can sing to while on defense. Livin’ on a Prayer, I Believe in a Thing Called Love and Africa would be loud and fun songs to sing to in these situations.

The second thing that we can do to make Notre Dame Stadium a more intimidating place to play is to bring vuvuzelas. Imagine the opposing quarterback attempting to call out a play over thousands of 120 decibel noise machines. Sure the noise would damage our hearing, but isn’t that a price that we are willing to pay as loyal sons and daughters of Notre Dame? In fact I believe that Notre Dame should be handing out vuvuzelas to every Notre Dame fan who enters the stadium. If so, Notre Dame would instantly become the loudest and most intimidating place to play in the nation.

Don’t flinch. Go and get it. This is not a game!

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In his upcoming documentary, “What the Pope Knew,” CNN national correspondent Gary Tuchman takes an unflinching and in-depth look into one of the most controversial scandals in the history of the Catholic Church — pedophilia in the priesthood.

Tuchman is specifically interested in attempting to discover how current Pope Benedict XVI, formerly Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger, handled this scandal in his positions of power as Bishop and later as Cardinal.

The documentary is, at the least, unsettling. From a filmmaking standpoint, one of its strongest attributes is that Tuchman, in journalistic style, does not offer opinion or analysis, but merely uncovers information and leaves his audience to draw their own conclusions. But the information presented is far from flattering for the Pope.

As the Prefect of the Sacred Congregation of the Doctrine of the Faith, a position he held in the discipline office of the Vatican from 1981 until he was elected Pope in 2005, he often dragged his feet and delayed punishments and defrocking for pedophile priests.

Adding to the frustration of victims, Ratzinger was anything but sluggish in dealing with priests who strayed from the doctrines of the Church. The documentary asserts that the Cardinal was swift in rebuking priests who discussed controversial topics in any different perspective than that expressly approved by the Vatican.

And even though the Vatican has made significant progress in the last decade in the handling of these scandals, it still falls short in the eyes of many.

Despite the extensive amount of negative information presented in the documentary, Tuchman does not allow his film to become a biased attack on the Pope or the Catholic Church. He allows the Vatican, via Monsignor Charles Scicluna, the Vatican’s prosecutor, to defend every accusation.

The documentary also looks into the transformation of the Church’s handling of sex abuse cases, spearheaded by Ratzinger. At the turn of the century, the Cardinal, frustrated with the red tape and restrictions placed on his power to discipline pedophile priests, pushed for and received changes in policy that allowed him to more effectively bring about justice in these cases. And as Pope, he has made it a point of emphasis to deal with the controversy head-on.

“Everyone acknowledges that Pope Benedict is doing a lot more now than any other Pope has done before him,” Tuchman said in an interview with The Observer. “He’s had meetings with victims, public apologies for what’s hap-

pened. But back ... when he was the head of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith ... there were many cases where ... bishops wanted [known pedophile priests] defrocked, wanted them gone, and action was not taken in Rome.”

The documentary very effectively balances its information and sources, which range from abuse victims to Vatican officials to objective analysts, and comes together to create a revealing picture of what has been done in the past and how the Church still needs to progress.

But with such a sensitive topic, and with interviews that at times are critical of the man who now leads one of the largest religions in the world, Tuchman is sure to be the target of some criticism himself. The fact that the Pope could not be interviewed for the documentary undermines its integrity to some degree, but since the Pope does not grant inter-

views, this was an unavoidable flaw.

And certainly, the constant repetition of dramatic background music may reveal, if not a slight amount of bias, at the least an unnecessary injection of tone to accentuate the controversy in the film. Tuchman insists, however, that this documentary was not intentioned as an accusation of wrongdoing by the Pope.

“We’re dedicating this hour to the victims of child molesters, but ... also very specifically to the hundreds of millions of faithful Catholic lay people and clergy,” Tuchman said. “They deserve better than to have tiny portions of pedophile priests violate the human decency that this great religion stands for. ... That’s why getting things out in the open is critically important.”

As for the picture that the documentary itself paints of Pope Benedict XVI, perhaps David Gibson, the Pope’s biographer, summed it up best.

“[Cardinal] Ratzinger was not and is not the villain of the sexual abuse crisis in the Catholic Church in no way, shape or form. Yet, he’s not the hero either. He was part of the culture,” Gibson said in the documentary.

“What the Pope Knew” airs on CNN and CNN International on Sept. 25 at 8:00 p.m. and 11 p.m. ET.

What the Pope Knew

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This Week’s Mix – Study-friendly Rock



by Alex Kilpatrick

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| 1 | ✓ “Campus”- Vampire Weekend |
| 2 | ✓ “Fake Empire”- The National |
| 3 | ✓ “I’m Amazed”- My Morning Jacket |
| 4 | ✓ “Missed The Boat”- Modest Mouse |
| 5 | ✓ “Impossible Germany”- Wilco |
| 6 | ✓ “Reckoner”- Radiohead |
| 7 | ✓ “Mykonos”- Fleet Foxes |
| 8 | ✓ “Phantom Limb”- The Shins |
| 9 | ✓ “So Here We Are”- Bloc Party |
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Loose shoelaces

Denard Robinson's 502 yards and late touchdown upend Irish

By ALLAN JOSEPH
Sports Writer

Irish coach Brian Kelly made his thoughts on Saturday's 28-24 loss to Michigan very clear with his first words after the game.

"This is certainly a disappointment," he said. "It was a hard-fought game."

Sophomore Wolverines quarterback Denard Robinson was virtually unstoppable in the wet conditions, rushing for 258 yards and two touchdowns, including the game-winning score with 27 seconds remaining, while passing for 244 yards and another touchdown. The all-purpose athlete even pinned the Irish deep in their own territory with a 30-yard punt in the third quarter. All told, Robinson accounted for 502 of the Wolverines' total of 535 offensive yards and methodically led Michigan down the field in the last five minutes of the game to hand Notre Dame its first loss of the season.

"I'm speechless right now," Robinson said afterward. "That was amazing."

The Irish started the game in convincing fashion, opening the game with a 13-play, 71-yard drive capped by a one-yard touchdown run from junior quarterback Dayne Crist. On the drive, Crist tallied 29 rushing yards and 30 passing yards.

When Notre Dame next took the field, freshman Tommy Rees lined up at quarterback while Crist was on the sideline, being attended to by trainers. The starting quarterback, whom Brian Kelly had deemed so important to his team's success, had been injured on an earlier play in the scoring drive.

"When we were in the huddle to go back out for that next series, I could tell that he was not focused," Kelly said. "We thought it was best until he really got his bearings back. ... We weren't going to play him under those circumstances."

Rees' first pass in a Notre Dame uniform landed in Michigan linebacker Jonas Mouton's hands. It took Robinson only one play to capitalize on the miscue, as he threw a 31-yard strike to receiver Roy Roundtree to tie the game and silence the home crowd.

With less than four minutes to go in the half, Robinson broke loose for an 87-yard touchdown run.



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Irish junior quarterback Dayne Crist, 10, stands with his teammates after Saturday's 28-24 loss to Michigan. Crist missed most of the first half after a blow to his head left him unable to see clearly out of his right eye.

Facing second-and-10 on his own 13-yard line, Robinson was able to find some open space on the right side and break loose for an 87-yard touchdown run in front of the Wolverine sideline.

Notre Dame responded with a drive marked by a 37-yard pass from Montana to sophomore receiver Theo Riddick that placed the Irish on the Michigan 3-yard line with three seconds remaining in the half.

"I thought we were, two scores down, I thought that was an opportunity," Kelly said. "We had the right look, we just read it wrong."

Montana's pass into the end zone as time expired never had a chance, as it soared over everyone's heads out of bounds.

"We challenged our football team at halftime to make sure that everybody knew the kind of football that we were going

to play," Kelly said. "That was pretty clear."

When the teams took the field for the second half, it was clear that the Irish had found a new mentality. Buoyed by Crist's imminent return, the defense bottled up Robinson and force a three-and-out. On his second play of the half, Crist found true freshman receiver TJ Jones for a 53-yard touchdown pass.

"We were constantly doing things to adapt to what they were doing," Crist said. "That was just a great call for that situation."

For the rest of the second half the Irish offense sputtered, unable to sustain any long drives and only mustering a David Ruffer field goal in the third quarter to pull the score to 21-17.

Michigan let Notre Dame stay in the game by missing two field goals that rendered much

of Robinson's output moot.

Late in the fourth quarter, Notre Dame faced first-and-14 on its own 5-yard-line when Crist was able to connect with junior tight end Kyle Rudolph for a 95-yard touchdown pass that sent the crowd into a frenzy.

"Kyle did a great job getting open," Crist said. "The read took me there late in the down and he did a great job making the play."

But with 3:41 on the clock, the Irish had left Robinson too much time.

"I was ready for that drive," Robinson said. "We let them stick around too long, and it was time for us to put the game away."

Robinson did just that, methodically picking apart the Notre Dame defense on the ground and through the air, finally scoring on a two-yard touchdown run to cap off a 72-

yard drive that ate up 3:14. Though the Irish were able to take one last shot into the end zone from 27 yards out on the last play, Crist's pass sailed harmlessly out of the back of the end zone and Michigan escaped with a narrow victory.

After the game, the Irish were rife with praise for Robinson.

"I'm not going to compare him to anybody else," senior running back Armando Allen said. "He deserves his own category."

Crist summarized the feelings of many on the Irish sideline and of many sporting kelly green in the stands.

"Obviously, I'm incredibly disappointed," he said. "I'm proud of the way the guys battled back, but at the end of the day, we're never happy with a loss."

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player of the game

Denard Robinson
Michigan quarterback

Robinson ran for 258 yards and two touchdowns and threw for another 244 yards with a touchdown

stat of the game

502

The Notre Dame defense had no answer for Robinson as he tallied 502 yards, with the final two coming on the winning touchdown

play of the game

Denard Robinson's two-yard touchdown run with 0:27 left in the game

Robinson capped the clinching 72-yard drive with a dive into the end zone

quote of the game

"I have to do a better job to put those guys in there. ... I just have to do a better job getting them ready."

Brian Kelly
Irish coach on ND's back-up quarterbacks

report card

C+

quarterbacks: Dayne Crist played well, when he played, but barely completed 50 percent of his passes. Tommy Rees and Nate Montana disappointed when they stepped in for Crist in the first half.

B

running backs: Armando Allen averaged 5.9 yards per carry on his 15 attempts, but since the Irish went down early, they abandoned Allen, Cierre Wood and the running game.

C+

receivers: Drops plagued the Irish throughout the game. If it were not for TJ Jones' 53-yard touchdown and Kyle Rudolph's 95-yard score, the receiving corps would have had nearly no impact Saturday.

B+

offensive line: If anything, the offensive line gave the Irish quarterbacks too much to make decisions. When Notre Dame ran, there were holes available, and the line only allowed one sack.

A

defensive line: Robinson may have run wild, but the Irish defensive line brought pressure throughout the game. Kelly said Kapron Lewis-Moore may have even played his best game.

B-

linebackers: Robinson's success was partly due to the linebackers' failures, but Manti Te'o and Carlo Calabrese combined for 23 tackles, and limited any other threats from the Wolverines.

C

defensive backs: The Irish secondary lost track of receivers time and time again, including Michigan's opening score when Zeke Motta — replacing injured Jamoris Slaughter — was far out of position.

B+

special teams: David Ruffer remained perfect on field goals, knocking in a 24-yarder, and sent his kickoffs deep as usual, but the Irish allowed 101 return yards on only four kick returns.

B

coaching: The back-up quarterbacks' failures can be traced to Brian Kelly, but the Irish game plan was solid. Without a Crist injury, Kelly would have seemed much smarter.

2.89

overall: A disappointing loss could have been an uplifting win for Notre Dame with a bit better execution at nearly any point in the game.

adding up the numbers

Michigan quarterback Denard Robinson's 87-yard touchdown run in the second quarter was the longest in Notre Dame Stadium history.

87

19 First loss after a streak of 19 consecutive regular season victories for Brian Kelly, dating back to Oct. 25, 2008.

Armando Allen's 29-yard run in the third quarter set a new career long, topping a 26-yard rush against Connecticut on Nov. 21, 2009.

29

9 Senior walk-on kicker David Ruffer has now converted all nine of his career field goal attempts, after drilling a 24-yarder Saturday.

By scoring on the opening drive of 71 yards, Notre Dame scored on its first drive for the first time since November 2009.

71

95 Kyle Rudolph's 95-yard touchdown reception in the fourth quarter was the second-longest reception in Irish history.

By accounting for 502 of Michigan's 532 total yards, Denard Robinson produced 94.4 percent of the Wolverines offense.

94.4

7 Dayne Crist completed passes to seven different targets, including eight completions to Kyle Rudolph and five to Michael Floyd.



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Junior quarterback Nate Montana looks for an open receiver during Saturday's loss to Michigan. In his first action in a Notre Dame uniform, Montana filled in for starting quarterback Dayne Crist when Crist could not see out of his right eye after taking a helmet-to-helmet blow in the first quarter.

Failure is not simply one loss

Many complaints could be heard after the Irish loss Saturday.

Without Dayne Crist, Notre Dame is hopeless. Denard Robinson isn't human. The Notre Dame defense hasn't improved. Rich Rodriguez outcoached Brian Kelly.

Well, Tommy Rees and Nate Montana did not inspire any confidence in Notre Dame fans. Denard Robinson was utterly breathtaking and is now a bona-fide Heisman contender, and the Irish defense let him do whatever he wanted.

But, Rich Rodriguez did not outcoach Brian Kelly.

One coach had a very easy job Saturday: snap the ball to a dynamic quarterback and let him make you look like a football genius. Then, hold your breath that your quarterback outscores the other team on his own.

One coach had a very difficult job Saturday: try to minimize the effect of a player who has already tallied 885 total yards this season. Then, put your offense in a position to put lots of points on the board.

After the first series of the game, the coach with a difficult job lost his own starting quarterback for the majority of a half, and Brian Kelly suddenly had to find a way to put his offense in a position to score without its commander or primary playmaker.

Was that Kelly's fault? Should he have been better prepared for a Crist injury?

"We know who our back-up quarter-

backs in terms of candidacy, who they are," Kelly said immediately after the game. "I just have to do a better job getting them ready."

So yes, Kelly overestimated the capabilities of both Rees and Montana, but what coach enters a rivalry game planning on his starting quarterback missing most of the first half?

Crist's injury was unfortunate and frightening, but Kelly cannot be faulted for that.

In fact, the Irish appeared to be very well-coached on Saturday, and the Wolverines looked undisciplined, unorganized and entirely too dependent on Robinson.

Notre Dame punter Ben Turk placed four of his eight punts inside the 20-yard line, and the Irish only committed four penalties, for a total of 29 yards — after committing only two penalties for 15 yards against Purdue last week.

Meanwhile, Michigan missed two field goals and committed eight penalties for 99 yards, including one on Notre Dame's final drive which played a large factor in the Irish having a chance as time expired.

Michigan coach Rich Rodriguez, the man with a very easy job, is now in his third season with the Wolverines. By now, the team should start to show signs of discipline and of understanding his system.

Kelly has been at Notre Dame for nine months now, and already the Irish don't give away games like they did in the past, with turnovers or penalties in crucial situations.

Already the Irish play, or, in Kelly's wording, "battle," for four quarters, no matter how the game is going.

So yes, Notre Dame lost to Michigan on another last-minute drive. Irish fans have reasons to be upset, but, for the first time since Lou Holtz left, the coaching is not one of those reasons.

Saturday's loss illustrated just how much Kelly has brought to the Irish.

Facing a first-and-14 from its own five-yard line, Notre Dame did not wither. Instead, Crist hit Kyle Rudolph for an exhilarating 95-yard touchdown.

Did the defense then proceed to collapse and allow a 72-yard touchdown drive? There are two answers to that question. One — yes, the defense did collapse, painfully so. Two — no defense has managed to stop Robinson yet, and no defense is about to.

Thus, Rodriguez handed the ball to "Shoelaces" time and time again, and let the athletic dynamo run wild.

Nonetheless, there stood Kelly with three seconds left in the game, having gotten the Irish into a position where they could still snag the win. That accomplishment reflects upon Kelly's last nine months as much as it does upon his Saturday.

In only nine months, Kelly has inspired these Irish to toughen up both mentally and physically. In only nine months, Kelly has installed a game-plan strong enough to match Denard Robinson blow-for-blow Saturday, and nearly to top him.

In only nine months, Kelly has changed the attitude in the football program. Now the program acts with confidence, smarts and skill, as opposed to the arrogance, hope and talent that once prevailed.

Anybody can act with confidence, smarts and skill when they are winning. How Notre Dame handled the tough game, the tough loss, shows it is more than an act.

In many ways, it is the coaching.

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Robinson raises questions for Irish



Michigan quarterback Denard Robinson evades the Notre Dame defense during Michigan's 28-24 victory Saturday. Robinson tallied 502 total yards in the victory, including the longest touchdown run in Notre Dame Stadium history, an 87-yarder.

By CHRIS MASOUD
Sports Writer

If winning a football game is a team effort, Michigan quarterback Denard Robinson produced this season's most convincing counterexample. The sophomore accounted for 502 of the Wolverines' 532 yards of total offense, led his team 72 yards for the game-winning drive and muscled his way into the end zone from the 2-yard line for the game's final score.

The verdict on Robinson is clear. Pundits are touting him as the season's first legitimate Heisman contender. Yet for the Notre Dame defense, which limited Purdue to just 322 yards of total offense in the season opener, the answers are far less apparent.

"We obviously would have liked to have tackled better in that last drive," Irish coach Brian Kelly said. "We had some missed assignments that we had not had. So we obviously were fatigued, and it might have been just being on the field a little bit too long. That's a great excuse. We didn't give them that excuse in the locker room."

Kelly's game plan heading into Saturday's contest was simple — limit Robinson's impact on the game, but do not sacrifice coverage by sending too many extra blitzers to do it.

While the first half numbers hardly suggest a successful strategy at work — Robinson tallied 281 yards and two touchdowns through the game's first 30 minutes — adjusting to a player of Robinson's caliber isn't exactly a straightforward process.

"It's unfair to replicate [his ability] in practice, because it's not possible," junior defensive end Ethan Johnson said. "It's more challenging with what he does than just somebody trying to imitate him."

But for much of the second half, the Irish defense managed to bring pressure on the mobile quarterback without the use of the blitz. Despite zero sacks, solid penetration from the front three led to several rushed throws, and great containment kept Robinson from breaking loose.

"Our defense really kept us in the ball game, even while we were mucking it around on offense there," Kelly said. "And other than the last drive, I thought our defense competed."

Yet the Irish abandoned that strategy for the game's final drive, instead opting for a defensive package designed to provide additional pressure on both Robinson and his receivers.

"Well we brought some edge pressures, and felt like the bubble slant combination zone is a tough play to defend when it happens so far out on the perimeter

because the safety's engaged," Kelly said. "So we had to play a little bit more man-to-man to take away the passing game."

Yet 3:41 is more than enough time for a college quarterback to march a team down the field, especially when he has a knack for breaking tackles. Robinson rushed for just 17 yards on the final drive, but exposed the Irish secondary for 55 yards through the air.

"Obviously if somebody has that many yards on you, that's pretty embarrassing," senior safety Harrison Smith said. "It's up to the players to execute, and we just didn't do that on every play. We gave up some big plays, and that's how a team like that will beat you."

While Irish fans are ready to question a defense that showed promise in its season opener, they can take heart in the fact that the stalwarts of the defense continued their strong play.

Sophomore inside linebackers Manti Te'o and Carlo Calabrese tallied 26 tackles, and the secondary prevented the Wolverines receivers from reaching the end zone in the second half.

"We did good," Te'o said. "I don't know if I can grade anything off a loss. A couple of plays we let go, but overall we did good. We'll fight for four quarters. It doesn't matter what the score is."

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scoring summary

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
Notre Dame	14	7	0	7	28
Purdue	7	0	10	7	24

- First quarter**
- Notre Dame 7, Michigan 0
Dayne Crist 1-yd run (David Ruffer kick) with 11:19 remaining.
Drive: 13 plays, 71 yards, 3:41 elapsed.
- Notre Dame 7, Michigan 7
Roy Roundtree 31-yd pass from Denard Robinson (Brendan Gibbons kick) with 8:06 remaining.
Drive: 1 play, 31 yards, 0:06 elapsed.
- Notre Dame 7, Michigan 14
Stephen Hopkins 1-yd run (Gibbons kick) with 1:26 remaining.
Drive: 5 play, 65 yards, 1:40 elapsed.

- Second quarter**
- Notre Dame 7, Michigan 21
Robinson 87-yd run (Gibbons kick) with 1:51 remaining.
Drive: 5 plays, 98 yards, 1:56 elapsed.

- Third quarter**
- Notre Dame 14, Michigan 21
TJ Jones 53-yd pass from Crist (Ruffer kick) with 12:42 remaining.
Drive: 2 plays, 53 yards, 0:12 elapsed.

- Notre Dame 17, Michigan 21
Ruffer 24-yd field goal with 8:48 remaining.
Drive: 8 plays, 66 yards, 2:14 elapsed.

- Fourth quarter**
- Notre Dame 24, Michigan 21
Kyle Rudolph 95-yd pass from Crist with 3:41 remaining.
Drive: 1 play, 91 yards, 0:34 elapsed.

- Notre Dame 24, Michigan 28
Robinson 2-yd run with 0:27 remaining
Drive: 12 plays, 72 yards, 3:14 elapsed.

statistics

total yards	
ND	535
UM	532
rushing yards	
ND	154
UM	288
passing yards	
ND	381
UM	244
Time of Possession	
ND	25:51
UM	34:09



passing			
Crist	13-25-277	Robinson	24-40-244
rushing			
Allen	15-94	Robinson	28-258
Crist	4-30	Smith	7-17
Montana	4-23	Shaw	5-12
		Hopkins	1-1
receiving			
Rudolph	8-164	Odoms	7-91
Jones	3-73	Roundtree	8-82
Floyd	5-66	Stonum	4-33
Riddick	2-39	Shaw	3-28
Eifert	1-17	Grady	1-7
Gray	1-13	Smith	1-3
Allen	1-9		

Despite tough loss, Irish win two recruits

By DOUGLAS FARMER
Sports Editor

Future gains

Despite the loss to Michigan, Notre Dame reportedly earned two recruiting commitments from one family. Twins George and Josh Atkinson committed to Notre Dame on Sunday, according to Rivals.com.

The Atkinsons' official visit continues through Monday, and their commitments bring the Irish recruiting class to 18 members already.

Josh, a 6-foot, 180-pound cornerback, long favored Oregon, but the lack of depth in the Notre Dame secondary could provide him a chance to play sooner than at Oregon.

George, a 6-foot-2, 194-pound athlete, could play at running back or receiver, fitting a role similar to the role Percy Harvin fit at Florida in years past, Irish recruiting expert Mike Frank said before the weekend.

"I think Notre Dame envies him in a Percy Harvin role — you put him at wide receiver or running back," said Frank, who heads the online ESPN-affiliate Irish Sports Daily. "The main thing is you just want to put the ball in his hands, because he has the ability to score from anywhere."

Three other four-star recruits were on campus for the weekend: safety Wayne Lyons, defensive end Stephon Tuitt and offensive tackle Antonio Richardson.

Like father, like son

Making his first career appearance in an Irish uniform, junior quarterback Nate Montana completed eight of 17 pass attempts, and rushed for 23 yards on four carries.

Montana became a part of the first father-son quarterback tandem in Notre Dame history to complete passes for the Irish. Joe Montana, an NFL Hall of Famer, played for Notre Dame from 1975-78.

Close calls

Notre Dame and Michigan should be getting used to close games with late lead changes. Half of their last 20 meetings have been decided by five points or less, and seven of the last 25 games

have come down to the final two minutes. Four of those seven — 1980, '94, '09 and '10 — were decided in the final seconds.

Starting success

Freshman receiver TJ Jones, who enrolled early in the spring, became the first Notre Dame receiver to catch a touchdown pass in each of his first two games. Jones and quarterback Dayne Crist hooked up for a 53-yard score in the third quarter, the longest score of the season for the Irish until Crist found tight end Kyle Rudolph for a 95-yard touchdown in the fourth quarter.

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A familiar story

Michigan quarterback Denard Robinson racked up 502 yards and three touchdowns, including the game-winner with only 27 seconds left, reminding Irish fans of Tate Forcier’s heroics a year ago.

Irish quarterback Dayne Crist missed most of the first half after leading Notre Dame to a touchdown on its opening drive.

Without Crist, Notre Dame sputtered throughout the remainder of the half, until he returned to lead the team to another touchdown on the opening drive of the second half.

Crist finished the day with 277 passing yards and two touchdowns.



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Clockwise from top: Quarterback Dayne Crist evades the Michigan rush; tight end Kyle Rudolph extends for a pass from Nate Montana; Rudolph races down the sideline on his way to a lead-taking 95-yard touchdown in the fourth quarter; linebacker Manti Te’o makes one of his 13 tackles; receiver Michael Floyd heads up field after pulling in a Crist pass.

NOTRE DAME

style spotter



COURTNEY COX/The Observer

By COURTNEY COX
Scene Writer

Name: Dan Marsh and Nora
Goebelbecker

Spotted: On South Quad

Dan attends University of Illinois and
Nora lives in Pasquerilla West

Wearing matching plaid flannel, Nora is
wearing skinny jeans, pink headphones,
and is rocking a sick Razor scooter.

She is ready for autumn and loves
wearing flannel in fall. She likes wear
ing loose comfortable shirts and skinny
jeans - it's the perfect blend of comfort
and fashion.

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I have always been a shameless
clotheshorse. My passion for fash-
ion has led me, on a high note, to
small boutiques, unknown vintage
purveyors, mega-stores (hello my
sweet Zara and
H&M!) and
fashion shows.

**Felicia
Caponigri**

Scene Writer

It has also led
to overstuffed
suitcases, seri-
ous lower-back
issues from running through air-
ports with said luggage because I
was up too late the night before try-
ing to cram all those irreplaceable

accessories
into the top
compartment
and loud argu-
ments with
check-in
attendants as to
the validity of
my having
said number
of suitcases.
Finally, it
gave me a
nickname of
“girl with
eight suitcas-
es” for a
whole month
from my
poor fellow
male stu-
dents who
had to lug
said luggage
up the many
flights of
stairs while
moving into
my temporary
dorm room in
the City of Lights.

Yes, the quest for style never did
run smoothly. However, it has lead
me to some really cool places (Paris
and Florence, the altar of
Ferragamo at which I worshipped

as an intern for a
whole blessed sum-
mer), which I feel
leaves me quite
qualified to
expound on its
importance.

Some will tell you
it is a waste of time
— why do you take
an extra 30 min-
utes to do hair and
make-up every
morning? Why con-
template the
options of what to
wear and color-
coordinate the out-
fit?

Well, darlings, why did you stare
in awe at that European woman
whom you saw sashaying on Via
Condotti or Boulevard Saint
Germain while you were studying
abroad? Why were your eyes wide
with the contemplation of continen-

tal savoir-faire? Because it is irre-
sistible, and we all want to be a
part of a greater glory, something
that inspires us to be more than
what we are at that moment.

Part of the life-changing aspect of
the study abroad experience lies in
its exhortation to enjoy every
moment of every day, to take a
slower pace and take greater care.
That may mean taking the scenic
route to class or taking the time to
match that bag with a proper shoe.
All of us return from our study
abroad experience eager to incor-
porate these newfound lessons into

our American way
of life, yet soon find
it difficult if not
totally impossible.

For many, one of
the emulated expe-
riences is the “je
ne sais quoi” (“I
don’t know what,”
or, a quality that
makes something
distinctive) chic-
ness and personal
style of our coun-
terparts from
abroad. The goal of
this column is to
help this emulation
flourish, and to
highlight certain
parts of the
European
wardrobe which
can easily translate
to this side of the
pond. So, voila! We
will commence
with the scarf!

The square silk
scarf is an indis-
pensable part of any wardrobe. It
can be tied traditionally around the
neck, or used as a headband, belt,
purse or even, for the very brave
(and this is my personal favorite),
as a halter top to be worn alone in
summer, or underneath a warm

sweater in cooler
temperatures. A pat-
terned scarf instantly
finishes an outfit,
allowing your viewer
to perceive your
whole look as a com-
plete canvas. While a
Parisian woman
would run to her local
Hermès to buy this
luxury item,
American Apparel
has just begun to
make them for an
affordable college
student price of \$18.
What more could a
girl ask for?



FELICIA CAPONIGRI/The Observer
**Aubry Skorich, a senior, models the
scarf as a halter top**



Photo Courtesy of American Apparel

**California Select
Vintage Scarf,
americanapparel.com, \$18**

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NFL

Texans upset Colts as Foster sets team record

Patriots offensive attack overwhelms Bengals; Packers top Eagles despite strong performance by Michael Vick

Associated Press

HOUSTON — It took a record day by an undrafted running back for the Houston Texans to end years of frustration against Peyton Manning and the Indianapolis Colts.

Arian Foster, who spent most of last season on the practice squad, ran for a team record 231 yards and scored three touchdowns to carry the Texans to a 34-24 victory over the defending AFC champion Colts on Sunday.

“Coming into the league, you don’t know what to expect, especially if you are not heralded and there’s not a lot of publicity,” Foster said. “You see guys like Andre Johnson and Matt Schaub and the way they carry themselves, and you try to mimic it and make your own personality. I feel privileged to be here.”

Foster had the NFL’s second-best opening weekend rushing performance since 1933, topped only by Buffalo’s O.J. Simpson’s 250 in 1973 against New England. He also surpassed Domanick Davis’ team record of 158 yards, set in 2004 at Jacksonville.

The Texans (1-0) ran for a franchise record 257 yards and backed up their bold talk in the offseason that they were ready to challenge Indianapolis. The Colts came into the game with 15 wins in 16 games in the series, including rallying from 17 points down in the previous two meetings in Houston.

“We had to have patience,” Foster said. “It didn’t feel like I was going to be able to get going early, but you keep

pounding and pounding, and they start getting a little tired and we start getting a little tired. It’s a test of wills.”

Foster, acquired by the Texans last summer, had 33 carries in gaining the most yards by a Colts’ opponent.

“We failed to rise to the occasion, which we don’t normally do,” Colts linebacker Clint Session said. “We normally get out of these kinds of games, but we couldn’t do it.”

Manning completed 40 of 57 passes for 433 yards and three touchdowns, the fourth-highest opening weekend passing yards total since 1933, and three touchdowns. He threw a 10-yard TD pass to Dallas Clark with 4:52 left to cut Houston’s lead to 27-17.

But Foster ran for 41 yards on the Texans’ next series and capped his day with an 8-yard TD run.

The Texans ranked 30th in rushing last season, and building a ground attack was a focal point at training camp. Foster beat out Steve Slaton for the No. 1 running back spot, despite spending the first 10 games of last season on the practice squad.

“We heard all offseason that our running game wasn’t efficient,” Foster said. “You can either let it get to you, or let it get in you, and I feel like we let it get in us, and we used it.”

Houston led 13-10 at halftime and turned the offense over to Foster to start the third quarter. He rushed 10 times for 49 yards on the drive, finishing the eight-minute march with a 1-yard touchdown run.

“At halftime, we talked about

the key to the game being the most physical team and our offensive line,” Houston coach Gary Kubiak said. “That’s what you want as a coach. You want those guys walking the sideline saying, ‘Run the ball, coach.’”

The Colts’ offensive line protected Manning better in the second half than it did in the first, and Manning guided Indianapolis inside the Texans 30.

Mario Williams sacked Manning on third down from the Texans 27, driving the Colts out of field-goal range. Williams has sacked Manning six times since 2006, the most by any player.

“We had great preparation this week,” Williams said. “We studied film and figured stuff out for ourselves. It was pretty much on-the-go. Some of the things we did out there was, ‘Hey, you do this, and I’ll do that.’ It was unorthodox, but it worked.”

Patriots 38, Bengals 24

Tom Brady was back where he’s most comfortable, on the field with Wes Welker grabbing touchdown passes.

The headline-making quarterback threw two of his three touchdown passes to Welker, who returned from a serious knee injury, and led the New England Patriots to a win over the Cincinnati Bengals on Sunday.

The season-opening victory came just three days after Brady was unhurt in a two-car crash then agreed to a contract making him the NFL’s highest paid player.

His day was made smoother by Welker, who caught eight passes for 64 yards less than eight months after surgery for a torn knee ligament.

Chad Ochocinco and Terrell Owens combined for 19 receptions for 212 yards and a touchdown for the Bengals, but their impact fell short of the hype that accompanied their partnership.

The Patriots’ dominance was complete as they also scored on defense with Gary Guyton’s 59-yard interception return and on special teams on Brandon Tate’s 97-yard runback of the second-half kickoff.

Welker led the NFL with 346 receptions the past three years, the last coming on Jan. 3 in the regular-season finale at Houston. He tore a ligament in his left knee on the play and missed New England’s 33-14 first-round playoff loss to Baltimore.

The Ravens led that game 24-0 in Gillette Stadium. On Sunday



New England quarterback Tom Brady attempts a pass during the Patriots’ win over the Bengals on Sunday

in the same stadium, the Patriots led the Bengals by the same score.

New England quickly boosted a 24-3 halftime lead to 31-3 on Tate’s touchdown.

Cincinnati cut that to 31-17 on Carson Palmer’s scoring passes of 1 yard to rookie tight end Jermaine Gresham midway through the third quarter and 28 yards to Ochocinco with 22 seconds remaining in the period.

Then, Brady took back control by leading a 14-play, 81-yard march capped by a 1-yard scoring pass to Rob Gronkowski, another rookie tight end. It was his first pro touchdown and, before lining up to block for the extra point, he handed the ball to Brady for safekeeping on the sideline.

Brady completed 25 of 35 passes for 258 yards. Palmer, forced to throw because of the big deficit, finished 34 for 50 for 345 yards and two touchdowns. Ochocinco had 12 catches for 159 yards, and Owens added seven receptions for 53 yards.

Cedric Benson scored on a 1-yard run for Cincinnati with 3:57 left in the game.

While the Patriots’ offense was expected to be strong, the young defense was suspect but was very stingy in the first half. The Bengals first five possessions ended with three punts, a lost fumble and Guyton’s touchdown that made it 24-0 with 5:38 left in the half.

On their first offensive play, Palmer threw about 35 yards down the left sideline toward Owens. Rookie cornerback Devin McCourty, a first-round draft pick, stayed with him step for step and broke up the play.

Ochocinco gave Owens the nickname “Batman” after the Bengals signed him as a free

agent and assumed the “Robin” identity for himself.

On the Patriots’ first offensive play, Welker caught a 5-yard pass over the middle. He ended that drive with a 9-yard touchdown. Stephen Gostkowski’s 32-yard field goal made it 10-0, and Welker struck again with a 4-yard scoring catch

Packers 27, Eagles 20

Not even a vintage performance by Michael Vick — yes, Michael Vick — could stop the Green Bay Packers.

Aaron Rodgers threw a pair of touchdown passes, Mason Crosby kicked a team-record 56-yard field goal and the Packers beat the Philadelphia Eagles on Sunday.

In their first game since trading Donovan McNabb to Washington, the Eagles (0-1) started with Kevin Kolb and finished with Vick. Kolb left with a concussion at halftime, so Vick played meaningful snaps for an extended period for the first time in nearly four years.

Vick, a three-time Pro Bowl quarterback during six seasons in Atlanta, invigorated an offense that was awful in the first half. He finished with 175 yards passing and ran for 103, reminiscent of his “Superman” days with the Falcons.

Vick’s last NFL start came on Dec. 31, 2006, in Philadelphia. He missed the next two seasons while serving an 18-month sentence in federal prison for his role in a dogfighting operation. Vick signed a two-year contract with the Eagles last summer, and saw limited action mostly in a variation of the wildcat formation.

He finally got his chance, and made the most of it. Still, it wasn’t enough against Green Bay (1-0).



Houston running back Arian Foster dashes past Colts safety Melvin Bullitt on the way to his second touchdown on Sunday.

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I'm pretty sure there's a lot more to life than being really, really, ridiculously good looking. And I plan on finding out what that is.

- Zoolander

"Name's Barf. I'm a Mog, half man half dog. I'm my own best friend."

-Spaceballs

"Joey, have you ever been in a Turkish prison?"

-Airplane

"I am so clever that sometimes I don't understand a single word of what I am saying."

- Oscar Wilde

"If it weren't for electricity we'd all be watching television by candlelight."

- George Gobel

Two things are infinite: the universe and human stupidity; and I'm not sure about the universe.

- Albert Einstein

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MLB

Cabrera lifts Tigers to victory over Orioles

Associated Press

DETROIT — Thanks to an untimely walk in the eighth inning, the Baltimore Orioles ended up facing Miguel Cabrera with the bases loaded.

On the first pitch he faced, Cabrera turned a one-run deficit into a two-run lead and sent the Detroit Tigers on to a 6-2 victory Sunday.

"When you hit in the middle of the order, those are the situations you want," said Cabrera, who leads the major leagues with 116 RBIs. "He threw me a fastball, and I got a good piece of it."

With the Orioles ahead 2-1, Will Rhymes led off the eighth with a single against Mike Gonzalez (0-3) and took third on Ryan Raburn's double. Orioles manager Buck Showalter brought in David Hernandez, who got ahead 1-2 in the count to pinch-hitter Austin Jackson before loading the bases with a

walk.

That foiled Showalter's plan to intentionally walk Cabrera. He already has 30 intentional walks this season, four short of Ted Williams' AL record.

"Obviously, at that point, we're hoping David can strike Jackson out so that we can walk Cabrera, but it didn't work out that way," Showalter said. "You don't want to pitch to him in a situation like that — you've seen what he has done to every team in the major leagues this year."

Two outs later, Brandon Inge hit a two-run homer off Alfredo Simon.

"It was huge when Will got the hit to start the inning, but Miggy got us the big hit again," Inge said following his 11th home run this season. "If I were managing against him, I'm not sure I'd even pitch to him with the bases loaded. He just kills everyone."

Justin Verlander (16-8) struck out 11, matching his season

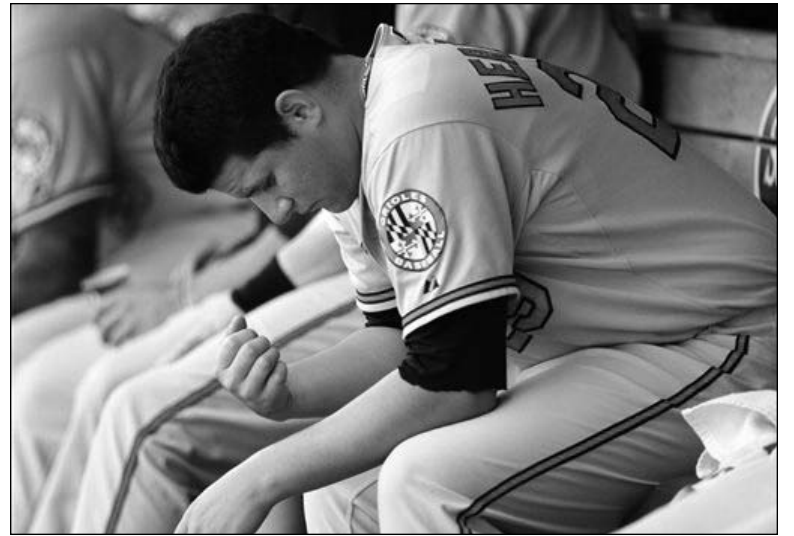
high set June 16 against Washington. He allowed both runs and five hits in eight innings, and walked one.

"I felt great out there — as good as I've felt all year," said Verlander, who is 11-3 at Comerica Park this season. "My fastball was good, and I could throw my curveball wherever I needed it — for strikes or balls."

Phil Coke finished with a hitless ninth.

Orioles starter Chris Tillman only allowed one hit — Inge's clean single to center in the second — but walked a career-high six in his 6 2-3 innings. The Orioles are 23-15 since Showalter took over after a 32-73 start.

"Chris got himself into some trouble with the walks, but he kept making enough pitches to get himself out of trouble," Showalter said. "He didn't get intimidated by facing Verlander, even though he knew that meant he didn't have much



Orioles pitcher David Hernandez hangs his head in the dugout after giving up a three-run double in the eighth inning to the Tigers

margin for error out there."

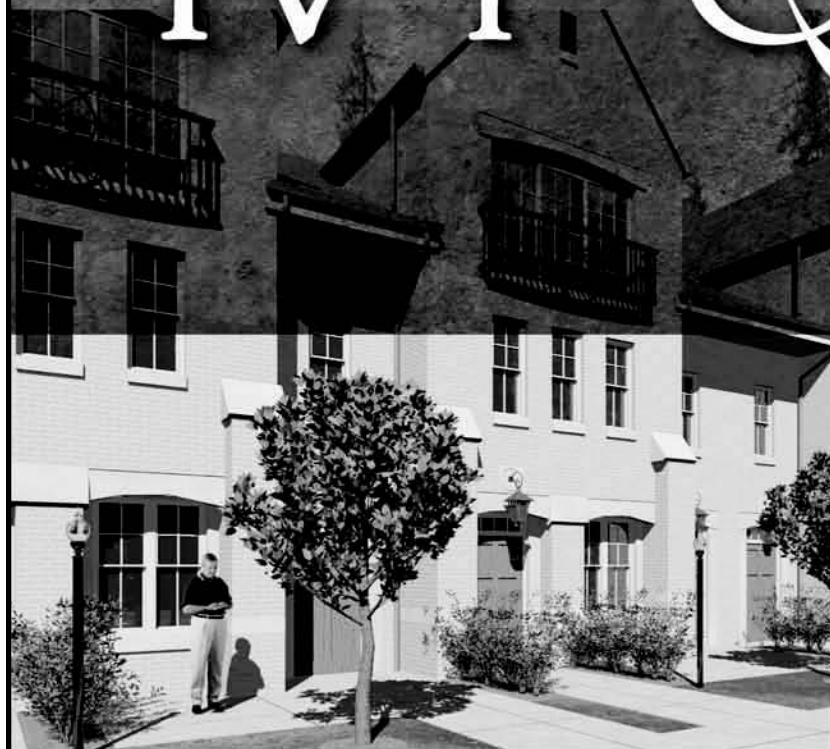
Detroit, which got back to .500 at 72-72, began the game without Jackson, Johnny Damon, Magglio Ordonez, Carlos Guillen

and Gerald Laird — either due to injury or rest. The lack of offense showed, with the Tigers managing one hit in the first seven innings.

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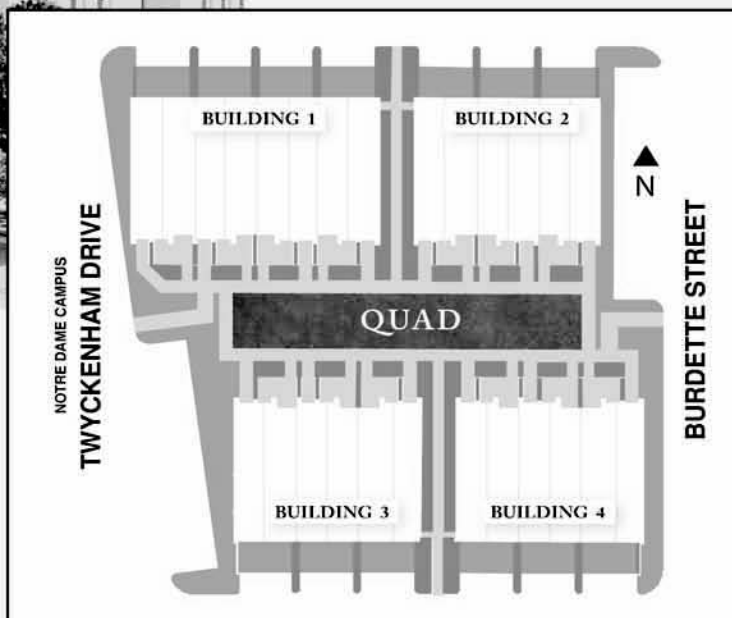
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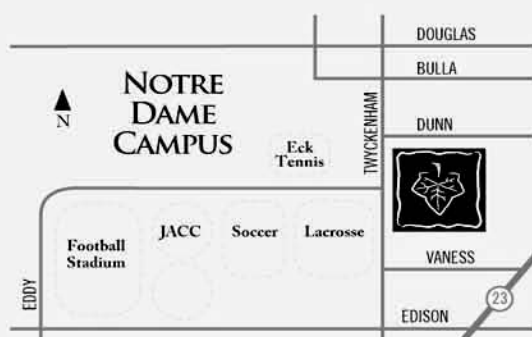
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NFL

Moss not happy in situation

Associated Press

FOXBOROUGH, Mass. — Patriots receiver Randy Moss lashed out in a lengthy and passionate news conference after Sunday's 38-24 victory over the Cincinnati Bengals, saying he doesn't feel appreciated in New England and that waiting until after the season to get a new contract would be "a smack in my face."

Bristling at reports this week that said he was unhappy, Moss promised not to be a distraction even though he doesn't think the Patriots appreciate his contributions since arriving in 2007. He has had three straight 1,000-yard seasons, including a record-setting '07 in which he caught 23 touchdowns while helping New England to a perfect 16-0 mark in the regular season.

"It's not that I'm mad or trying to be disgruntled. I'm hurt. You give me a word," he said. "Sometimes you want your boss to tell you you're doing a good job. That's every man or woman who works for somebody. ... And that's just the way with football. If you do a good job and think that you're doing a good job, you want to be appreciated. I really don't think that — me, personally — that I'm appreciated."

But Moss, who complained that reporters twist his words around, also said in a 16-minute back-and-forth: "I'm not saying that I'm not appreciated here."

After a week in which quarterback Tom Brady was made the highest-paid player in the NFL, Moss said he would consider an extension to stay in New England. But Moss said there have been no new talks about a new deal to replace the one that expires after this season.

MLB

Red Sox rally to beat A's; Pujols powers Cards

Associated Press

OAKLAND, Calif. — Pinch-hitter Ryan Kalish hit a go-ahead two-run single in the sixth, J.D. Drew had a two-run double one batter earlier and the Boston Red Sox rallied for a 5-3 victory over the Oakland Athletics on Sunday.

Josh Beckett (5-4) settled down after a rocky start as Boston avoided its first sweep by the A's since May 23-25, 2008. The Red Sox have been swept in the series only three times in the last 18 years.

Dallas Braden (9-12), still trying to reach double digits in wins for the first time in his career, lost his third straight start. All the damage came in that tough sixth inning. The left-hander also struggled with location, walking four after issuing two or fewer walks in each of his previous 20 starts.

Oakland's Coco Crisp stole six bases in the series against his former team, including his career-high 29th and 30th on Sunday.

The Red Sox added an insurance run in the eighth on pitcher Jerry Blevins' wild throw past first trying to get Drew on a single. That allowed pinch-runner Josh Reddick to score.

Boston won for only the fifth time in its last 13 road games. The Red Sox still have three games in Seattle starting Monday to conclude their second-to-last trip of the year.

Jonathan Papelbon worked a perfect ninth with three called strikeouts for his 36th save in 43 chances, pitching for the first time in seven days. He threw 48 pitches in his career-high seventh blown save and loss to the White Sox on Sept. 5.

Daric Barton was ejected after the final out by home plate umpire Hunter Wendelstedt for arguing the called third strike.

Crisp got his 29th steal in the third for a new career high, topping his 28 for the Red Sox in 2007. He stole No. 30 in the sixth — and on a day Hall of Fame speedster and Crisp mentor Rickey Henderson gave a pushup demonstration in the clubhouse pregame to show he still has it at 51.

This marked the first time the Red Sox gave up six steals to an A's player since Henderson had six from July 2-4, 1984.

Mark Ellis hit a two-run double in the fifth to put the A's up 3-0. Ellis extended his hitting streak to a career-high 12 games with an infield single in the second.

Cliff Pennington hit a two-out triple in the bottom of the sixth after the Red Sox took the lead, but Oakland couldn't capitalize.

Beckett ran into trouble in the third, when he walked four straight batters and issued Jack Cust's free pass to force in the first run of the game. After Kurt Suzuki drew a walk for Beckett's third consecutive base on balls, he received a mound visit from

pitching coach John Farrell. Then catcher Victor Martinez came out to chat during Cust's plate appearance.

Yet Beckett got out of the inning without further damage, retiring Ellis on a called third strike and Jeremy Hermida on a liner. It was the first time he walked so many in one inning since issuing five walks in the top of the first on Sept. 23, 2004, while with Florida against Philadelphia — but those didn't all come in order. He walked four in a row for the first time in his career.

Beckett allowed three runs on five hits in six innings, struck out seven and walked five to win for the first time in three starts. He had lost two of his last three decisions but was coming off a season-best nine-strikeout performance in a no-decision against the White Sox his last time out.

The right-hander has allowed three or fewer earned runs in each of his last seven outings against Oakland, four of those at the Coliseum.

Cardinals 7, Braves 3

Albert Pujols hit two home runs to power the St. Louis Cardinals past Atlanta on Sunday night, dropping the Braves out of first place in the NL East.

Atlanta fell one game behind the Philadelphia Phillies, who beat the New York Mets 3-0 behind Roy Oswalt.



Braves shortstop Alex Gonzalez fails to make the tag on the Cardinals' Brendan Ryan as he steals second base Sunday.

Pujols passed Hall of Famer Stan Musial for the most multi-homer games in Cardinals history with 38, including five this season.

Kyle Lohse (3-7) allowed nine hits but only two runs in 5 1-3 innings to beat Tim Hudson (15-8), who gave up six runs in five innings in his third straight loss.

The second-place Cardinals gained a game in the NL Central but still trail Cincinnati by six. With a split of the four-game set, St. Louis won the season series 6-2.

Nate McLouth had a homer and a double for Atlanta. Cardinals center fielder Colby Rasmus robbed McLouth of

another possible homer with a leaping catch at the wall in the fourth.

Pujols had three RBIs on Saturday, giving him 10 straight seasons with more than 100. He leads the NL with 39 homers and 104 RBIs. He also hit a homer Thursday in the opening game of the four-game series.

Cardinals manager Tony La Russa said before the game that Pujols' left elbow is feeling better, allowing the first baseman to follow through on his swings. Pujols had difficulty after landing on the elbow while making a catch in Pittsburgh late last month and hurting the elbow again a few days later.

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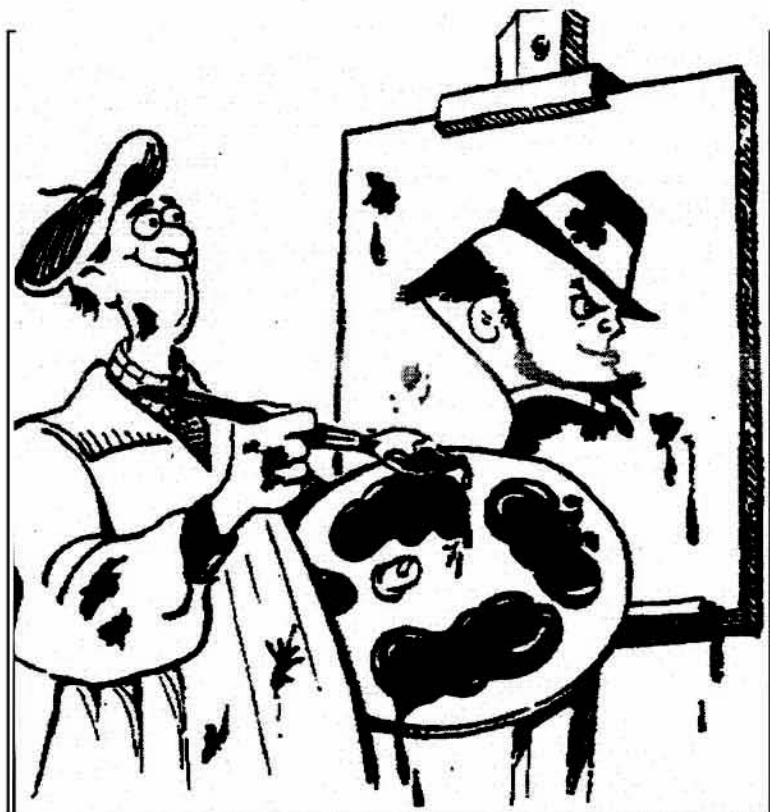
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Waldrum

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had turned things in our favor in the second half,” Waldrum said to UND.com in a press release after the loss. “We had a couple of break-downs that ultimately led to their goals, but it’s nothing we can’t fix. It’s a good opportunity for us to learn from our mistakes and get

better the next time out.”

The Irish salvaged the weekend, however, with a 1-0 win over Loyola Marymount in the first ever meeting between the two schools.

The Irish put the pressure on early, as junior forward Melissa Henderson scored the game’s only goal just 71 seconds into the match. The goal was her third of the season, all of which have been game-winners.

Senior goalkeeper Nikki

Weiss made four saves in the match and posted her fifth shutout in six games this year.

Despite the low score, Notre Dame dominated the Lions offensively, sending off 17 shots as opposed to Loyola Marymount’s 7. The Irish also had four corner kicks while the Lions had just one.

Waldrum was encouraged that his team was able to respond positively their first time out after the tough loss

on Friday.

“This was an important win for us on the road and coming off the disappointment of Friday’s overtime loss at UCLA,” Waldrum said.

With the weekend split, Notre Dame’s record stands at 5-1 this season. The Irish travel to Chicago this Friday for their Big East opener against DePaul.

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Clark

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they didn’t let them settle.”

It was also a successful weekend for junior goalkeeper Will Walsh, who gave up only one goal in two games over the weekend. The goal came six seconds before the end of regulation against Cal Poly. Walsh, who is filling in for senior Phil Tuttle, has given up only two goals this season, and added seven saves to his tally this weekend.

The Irish will be tested once again this weekend as they take on Michigan Friday in Ann Arbor before returning home to face No. 23 Michigan State Sunday at Alumni Field.

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Alumnae

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the girls on the course since we raced against Goshen,” Bauters said. “It was nice to see them working hard although there was limited competition.”

Improvement was particularly noticeable at the front of the lineup, as each of the top three Saint Mary’s runners shaved two minutes off of their total time since the team’s first two invitational races against Goshen and Wabash.

Belles runners Junior Joanne Almond (21:01), soph-

omore Julia Kenney (21:12) and senior Sam Wassel (21:15) were the first competitors to cross the finish line.

The Alumnae Race marked the end of the Belles’ pre-season. In this week of practice, they will focus on staying healthy for their first competitive meet, the Calvin University Invitational in

Grand Rapids, Mich. Saturday.

“This week is another week towards our end goal of performing well at the end of the season at championships,” said Bauters. “We will be looking to have our first competitive 5K.”

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SMC VOLLEYBALL

Belles go 1-1 for weekend

By KATHARINE MACK
Sports Writer

The Belles split this season’s first weekend of MIAA conference play, as they beat Albion 3-0 Friday and fell Saturday to another conference foe, Olivet 3-1.

“The whole team played really well on Friday night,” senior Ellen Huelsmann said. “We did a great job of communicating together and had a lot of energy,”

Sophomore Stephanie Bodien raked in a match-high 12 kills and 14 digs, and added two assists for the Belles (5-2). Bodien’s standout evening also included a .423 attack percentage, the best on the court. Junior Danie Brink had an evening-best 30 assists, and Huelsmann also made an important contribution with 11 digs.

Saturday, the Belles headed to Olivet College (5-1) to face off against the Comets in their second straight conference match.

Although Saint Mary’s did not leave victorious, losing 1-3, the first two sets were lost by a score of 22-25, and the third set was won 25-19. However, the momentum shifted back to Olivet as the Comets won the fourth set 25-16 for the overall win.

“Communication had been a big help for us winning on Friday. We didn’t have as much communication and energy as we did in our victory on Friday,” Huelsmann said.

The Belles see Saturday’s loss as a learning opportunity and a way to grow as a team.

“The loss really helped us to know what we need to work on as a team” Huelsmann said. “We did-

n’t play as well as we did Friday night. It was a good experience to learn from, in terms of knowing our mistakes and finding out what we need to improve upon.”

With only two days left to practice before their next match, the Belles plan to work on eradicating the mistakes they made that cost them the Olivet game.

“We’re going to work on a lot of the basics,” Huelsmann said. A lot of our mistakes were our own errors. We will definitely be working on defense as well as aggressive serving.”

Saint Mary’s will face their third conference opponent in five days Wednesday when the Belles travel to Grand Rapids, Mich., to face undefeated No. 9 Calvin College.

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SMC GOLF

Belles finish second in first MIAA match

Observer Staff Report

The Saint Mary’s golf team put up another solid outing on Saturday for a second place in the first of four MIAA Jamborees hosted by Alma College at Pine River Country Club in Alma, Mich.

The No. 5 Belles fell to Olivet College 335-331. Hope College (353) and Trine University (357) distantly followed Saint Mary’s on the leaderboard.

Saint Mary’s showed once again that it has a lot of talent all around the team. Senior Mary Kate Boyce and freshman Marin Beagley led the Belles as each shot an 83, good enough for a tie for sec-

ond place on the day. Four other golfers tied with Boyce and Beagley. Olivet’s Lauren Campbell took the prize as she finished in first place, seven strokes ahead of the second-place group with a 76.

Senior Rosie O’Connor finished third for the Belles one stroke behind Boyce and Beagley. The 84 O’Connor shot put her in eighth place overall. Freshmen Doyle O’Brien and Paige Pollak rounded out the top five Belles’ golfers and shot an 85 and an 88, respectively.

The Belles will compete in the second MIAA Jamboree hosted by Calvin College at Thornapple Pointe Golf Club Tuesday.

SMC SOCCER

Belles fall to Otterbein, Ohio Northern in tournament

By JOSEPH WIRTH
Sports Writer

The Belles fell twice at the Otterbein Tournament in Westerville, Ohio, this weekend, for their fifth and sixth losses of the new season. They have yet to win a game.

Though the young Belles’ defense put up a tough fight, the No. 7 Cardinals’ attack was too

much for Saint Mary’s (0-6) to handle as it fell 2-0 Friday.

Otterbein got on the board early, when Cardinals’ Abby Misch capitalized on a Belles’ defensive mistake and scored in the second minute. St. Mary’s righted the ship for the remainder of the first half and went into the intermission trailing 1-0.

The Cardinals notched their second goal 15 minutes into the

second half as junior Adrienne Novak unleashed a shot that finished in the back of the net and quelled the Belles’ comeback hopes.

The game marked the first start at goalkeeper for Belles’ sophomore Caitlin Walsh. She stopped 16 of the 18 shots she faced.

The Belles continued play Saturday against Ohio Northern. They did not fare much better

on Saturday, however, suffering their sixth loss in six total games this season.

The Belles were unable to contain the Polar Bears’ freshman Sami Atkinson who notched her first collegiate hat trick. The goals came in the 3rd, 47th and 53rd minutes.

Walsh made 15 saves for the Belles in her second start on goal.

The Belles were unable to sus-

tain any offensive momentum as the Polar Bears’ suffocating defense held them to only five shots and only one on goal. Offensively, it has been a struggle all year for the Belles.

The Belles’ quest to find their first win this season will take them to Elmhurst, Ill., to take on Elmhurst College Wednesday.

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NFL

Kolb goes down with concussion, Vick plays

Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA — Kevin Kolb’s head slammed into the turf, his eyes closed for several seconds and he was slow to get up and walk to the sideline.

Stewart Bradley flew head-first into a teammate’s leg. He

was on all fours, struggled to get up on his own power, stumbled for a few steps and toppled to the ground.

Both Philadelphia Eagles briefly returned to play after the punishing collisions.

Both had concussions.

They weren’t the only aching Eagles.

Pro Bowl fullback Leonard Weaver and center Jamaal Jackson could both be out for the season after they were seriously injured in the Eagles’ 27-20 loss to the Packers on Sunday. Weaver has a torn ACL in his right knee and Jackson has a torn biceps on his right arm, part of a lengthy

injury list that darkened an already abysmal opener.

Coach Andy Reid defended his decision to let Kolb and Stewart return because “they were fine” after early testing.

“All the questions that they answered with the doctors registered well,” Reid said. “But as it went on, they

weren’t feeling well, so we took them out.”

Kolb’s game was cut painfully short after his three-year wait to succeed Donovan McNabb. Kolb’s injury allowed Michael Vick his first chance to play meaningful minutes in four years when he was with Atlanta.

MEN'S GOLF

Irish to kick off season in South Carolina

By CORY BERNARD

Sports Writer

The Irish will kick off the 2010-11 season with a chance to play at one of the nation's top courses, The Ocean Course, in Kiawah Island, S.C., Monday and Tuesday.

The Ocean Course was the site of the 1991 Ryder Cup and will be the host of the PGA Championships in 2012.

With the honor of playing at The Ocean Course also comes the challenge, as wind consistently affects play.

Irish coach James Kubinski played the course in the summer and said he is looking forward to the opportunity for his team to play at The Ocean.

"It's a great test for our guys," Kubinski said. "If the wind blows it can be very difficult."

Kubinski's confidence stems from the exciting mix of return-

ing veterans with valuable experience and a trio of talented freshmen.

"All three of [the freshman] are hard-working and are adjusting well to the new college environment," senior Connor Alan-Lee said. "It's only a matter of time until they are big assets to our team"

Among the returning golfers are junior leaders Max Scodro, Tom Usher and Chris Walker, each of whom played in at least

seven tournaments for the Irish last season.

"There's lots of talent," Kubinski said of his group. "They have all been playing really well."

Though Scodro and Usher finished in a tie for first in last season's Big East Championship, the Irish fell by one stroke to Georgetown.

"Our biggest goal, obviously, is winning a Big East Title," Alan-Lee said. "Losing by a shot coming down the stretch was tough.

We're itching to get back to the post season."

To ensure a good postseason performance, the Irish will focus on the challenge in front of them.

"This year we're taking it one tournament at a time," Alan-Lee said.

The College of Charleston Invitational participants will tee off at 8:30 a.m. Monday.

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Olsen

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Freshman Andie Olsen made her first start this weekend for the Irish — a possible prelude of big things to come for the middle-hitter from Oakland, Calif.

"Andie had a really strong showing this weekend," Brown said. "She allows us to open up our offense and is a strong hitter. If she is able to get comfortable on the court, she could really contribute this year."

The Irish return home next weekend for the Notre Dame Invitational, their last tournament before Big East play begins.

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26 Clarinet, oboe and saxophone

27 Ham it up

32 Swap
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34 Boozehounds

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37 Emcee's spot

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42 Comedy, sci-fi or romance

43 Fall for a flimflam

48 Site of many Chicago touchdowns

49 The other woman

50 Suffix like -like

51 Understand what's happening

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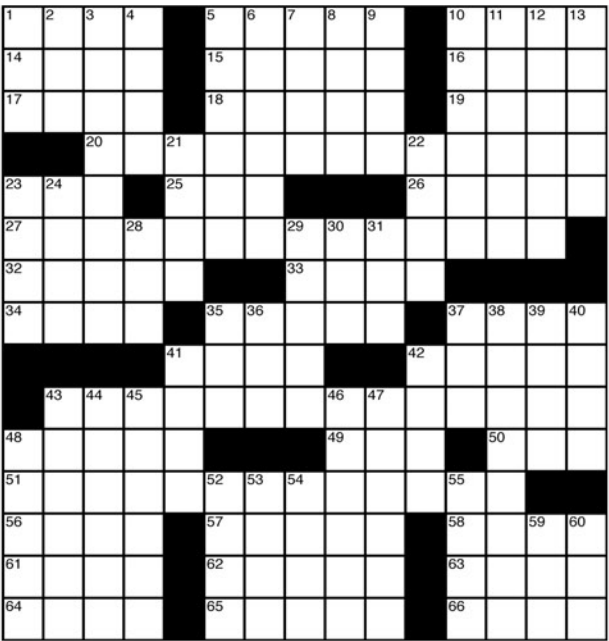
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37 Society girl, for short

38 "Delta of Venus" author

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40 Actor Rogen of "Knocked Up"

41 Pub quaffs
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45 Craggy mountain ridges

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MEN'S SOCCER

Defending home turf

Irish defeat No. 22 Drake and Cal Poly in Mike Berticelli Memorial Tournament

By ERIC PRISTER
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The Irish had a successful weekend as they hosted the Mike Berticelli Memorial Tournament, winning a pair of games against No. 22 Drake and Cal Poly.

Notre Dame's offense, which had not scored in two regular season games, turned it around this weekend, scoring seven goals in two games, including a five-goal second half against Cal Poly Sunday afternoon.

Senior forward Steven Perry was the star of Notre Dame's Tournament opener against Drake. Perry scored both goals as the Irish defeated the Bulldogs 2-0 Friday night. Notre Dame outshot Drake 32-9, and though Irish coach Bobby Clark said he was pleased with the outcome, he said that it could have been even more lopsided.

"I thought we played very well," Clark said. "We put two shots on the board, and we should have had more in many ways. But at the end of the day we were happy we had two. I think we need to work on finishing, but I thought that it was a

very good game, with just a couple of little lapses."

The Irish had no trouble finishing in their second game of the tournament, a 5-1 blowout against Cal Poly Sunday afternoon. After a scoreless first half, Notre Dame came out firing, scoring five straight goals, each tallied by a different player. Junior Aaron Maund started the onslaught in the 51st minute, and sophomore Dillon Powers capitalized six minutes later off of a pass from senior Jeb Brovsky to give the Irish a two-goal lead.

Junior Brendan King scored the third goal for the Irish, and was followed by senior Greg Klazura and sophomore Grant Van De Castele, who each scored their first career goal.

"I thought it was a game of two halves," Clark said. "I was worried at halftime that we were getting into a malaise. We were just slowing down and just going through the motions, but we talked about a few things at half time, and I thought the second half was just terrific. They took the tempo up, put a lot more pressure on than earlier, and

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SARAH O'CONNOR/The Observer
Junior midfielder Brendan King sprints past a Cal Poly opponent during Notre Dame's 5-1 domination Sunday.

SMC CROSS COUNTRY

Belles host invite for alumnae

By KATHARINE MACK
Sports Writer

The Belles held their 3rd annual Saint Mary's College Alumnae Race Saturday for friendly competition between former and current members of the team to prepare for the upcoming regular season.

"The alumnae race was fun despite the rain and cooler weather," Belles coach Jackie Bauters said. "The race ended up being about fifteen alumnae against the team."

Though this event did not count towards the regular season for the Belles, it provided a chance for the girls to experience their home course before their MIAA conference events commence.

"I thought we saw some nice improvements from some of

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ND VOLLEYBALL

Irish end weekend in Denver undefeated

Freshman Olsen makes first career start

By MICHAEL TODISCO
Sports Writer

The Irish took first place at Denver's Pioneer Classic this weekend, defeating Gonzaga, Jacksonville State and Denver for their first undefeated tournament since 2005.

"To sweep a weekend you have to show consistency and concentration," Irish coach Debbie Brown said. "Winning three days in a row is very difficult. We didn't let any distractions or fatigue set in."

The Irish kicked off their weekend with a Friday night matchup against Gonzaga. Notre Dame took down the Bulldogs in convincing fashion, winning 3-0, (25-12, 25-15, 25-21). The attack was led by senior middle hitter Kelly Sciacca, who had 14 kills in only 21 attempts, for an impressive .619 hitting percentage.

After dropping the first set against Jacksonville State on Saturday, the Irish stormed back and won the next three sets to win 3-1 (18-25, 25-15, 25-11, 25-19). Notre Dame was deadly from the service line, with seven different players notching aces.

Notre Dame capped the weekend with a Sunday after-

noon victory over tournament host Denver. The Irish took the match in straight sets, winning 3-0 (25-16, 25-17, 25-14).

Middle hitters Sciacca and Hilary Eppnick led the Irish offense all weekend, and both were named to the Denver Invitational All-Tournament team. Brown said Sciacca and Eppnick benefited from solid team play the entire weekend.

"When two middles hitters had the success that Kelly and Hilary this weekend, it is not just an individual effort," Brown said. "The passing and setting was very solid this week, and we were consistently able to put them in position to get kills."

Superb serving catalyzed Notre Dame's undefeated weekend. Brown said that area had previously been an issue, but the Irish serving improved greatly this weekend.

"Even when we weren't getting aces, we hit our spots and took teams out of their system," Brown said. "It really limited our opponents offensively and put pressure on them over and over again."

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ND WOMEN'S SOCCER

UCLA hands Irish first loss



YUE WU/The Observer
Senior midfielder Rose Augustin makes a move on a Texas Tech defender during a Sept. 5 matchup. The Irish fell to UCLA 2-1 this weekend, but beat Loyola Marymount 1-0.

By MIKE GOTIMER
Sports Writer

Notre Dame returns home from its first ever trip to southern California with its first loss of the year after splitting two games at the UCLA Women's Cup.

The No. 3/4 Irish began play on Friday night against No. 13 UCLA, dropping a heartbreaker to the Bruins after Jenna Richmond notched her second score of the game in overtime to defeat Notre Dame 2-1.

Richmond put UCLA on the

board with her first goal just 19:09 into the match. Senior midfielder Erica Iantorno responded for the Irish with a tally in the final minute of the first half for Notre Dame that tied the score and seemed to swing momentum in their favor.

For the remainder of regulation, the Irish outshot the Bruins 7-2. Notre Dame even had a chance to win it in the final minute when UCLA goaltender Chante' Sandiford challenged freshman midfielder Elizabeth Tucker near the goal, who

then passed the ball to senior midfielder Rose Augustin. Augustin had a seemingly open net to score on, but UCLA's Lauren Barnes deflected her shot out of bounds.

Despite the tough loss, Irish coach Randy Waldrum was able to find some positives in his team's performance.

"Losses are never easy to take and really, I thought we probably deserved a better fate based on the way we

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Loose shoelaces

Denard Robinson's 502 yards and late touchdown upend Irish

By ALLAN JOSEPH
Sports Writer

Irish coach Brian Kelly made his thoughts on Saturday's 28-24 loss to Michigan very clear with his first words after the game.

"This is certainly a disappointment," he said. "It was a hard-fought game."

Sophomore Wolverines quarterback Denard Robinson was virtually unstoppable in the wet conditions, rushing for 258 yards and two touchdowns, including the game-winning score with 27 seconds remaining, while passing for 244 yards and another touchdown. The all-purpose athlete even pinned the Irish deep in their own territory with a 30-yard punt in the third quarter. All told, Robinson accounted for 502 of the Wolverines' total of 535 offensive yards and methodically led Michigan down the field in the last five minutes of the game to hand Notre Dame its first loss of the season.

"I'm speechless right now," Robinson said afterward. "That was amazing."

The Irish started the game in convincing fashion, opening the game with a 13-play, 71-yard drive capped by a one-yard touchdown run from junior quarterback Dayne Crist. On the drive, Crist tallied 29 rushing yards and 30 passing yards.

When Notre Dame next took the field, freshman Tommy Rees lined up at quarterback while Crist was on the sideline, being attended to by trainers. The starting quarterback, whom Brian Kelly had deemed so important to his team's success, had been injured on an earlier play in the scoring drive.

"When we were in the huddle to go back out for that next series, I could tell that he was not focused," Kelly said. "We thought it was best until he really got his bearings back. ... We weren't going to play him under those circumstances."

Rees' first pass in a Notre Dame uniform landed in Michigan linebacker Jonas Mouton's hands. It took Robinson only one play to capitalize on the miscue, as he threw a 31-yard strike to receiver Roy Roundtree to tie the game and silence the home crowd.

With less than four minutes to go in the half, Robinson broke loose for an 87-yard touchdown run.



YUE WU/The Observer

Irish junior quarterback Dayne Crist, 10, stands with his teammates after Saturday's 28-24 loss to Michigan. Crist missed most of the first half after a blow to his head left him unable to see clearly out of his right eye.

Facing second-and-10 on his own 13-yard line, Robinson was able to find some open space on the right side and break loose for an 87-yard touchdown run in front of the Wolverine sideline.

Notre Dame responded with a drive marked by a 37-yard pass from Montana to sophomore receiver Theo Riddick that placed the Irish on the Michigan 3-yard line with three seconds remaining in the half.

"I thought we were, two scores down, I thought that was an opportunity," Kelly said. "We had the right look, we just read it wrong."

Montana's pass into the end zone as time expired never had a chance, as it soared over everyone's heads out of bounds.

"We challenged our football team at halftime to make sure that everybody knew the kind of football that we were going

to play," Kelly said. "That was pretty clear."

When the teams took the field for the second half, it was clear that the Irish had found a new mentality. Buoyed by Crist's imminent return, the defense bottled up Robinson and force a three-and-out. On his second play of the half, Crist found true freshman receiver TJ Jones for a 53-yard touchdown pass.

"We were constantly doing things to adapt to what they were doing," Crist said. "That was just a great call for that situation."

For the rest of the second half the Irish offense sputtered, unable to sustain any long drives and only mustering a David Ruffer field goal in the third quarter to pull the score to 21-17.

Michigan let Notre Dame stay in the game by missing two field goals that rendered much

of Robinson's output moot.

Late in the fourth quarter, Notre Dame faced first-and-14 on its own 5-yard-line when Crist was able to connect with junior tight end Kyle Rudolph for a 95-yard touchdown pass that sent the crowd into a frenzy.

"Kyle did a great job getting open," Crist said. "The read took me there late in the down and he did a great job making the play."

But with 3:41 on the clock, the Irish had left Robinson too much time.

"I was ready for that drive," Robinson said. "We let them stick around too long, and it was time for us to put the game away."

Robinson did just that, methodically picking apart the Notre Dame defense on the ground and through the air, finally scoring on a two-yard touchdown run to cap off a 72-

yard drive that ate up 3:14. Though the Irish were able to take one last shot into the end zone from 27 yards out on the last play, Crist's pass sailed harmlessly out of the back of the end zone and Michigan escaped with a narrow victory.

After the game, the Irish were rife with praise for Robinson.

"I'm not going to compare him to anybody else," senior running back Armando Allen said. "He deserves his own category."

Crist summarized the feelings of many on the Irish sideline and of many sporting kelly green in the stands.

"Obviously, I'm incredibly disappointed," he said. "I'm proud of the way the guys battled back, but at the end of the day, we're never happy with a loss."

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player of the game

Denard Robinson
Michigan quarterback

Robinson ran for 258 yards and two touchdowns and threw for another 244 yards with a touchdown

stat of the game

502

The Notre Dame defense had no answer for Robinson as he tallied 502 yards, with the final two coming on the winning touchdown

play of the game

Denard Robinson's two-yard touchdown run with 0:27 left in the game

Robinson capped the clinching 72-yard drive with a dive into the end zone

quote of the game

"I have to do a better job to put those guys in there. ... I just have to do a better job getting them ready."

Brian Kelly
Irish coach on ND's back-up quarterbacks

report card

C+

quarterbacks: Dayne Crist played well, when he played, but barely completed 50 percent of his passes. Tommy Rees and Nate Montana disappointed when they stepped in for Crist in the first half.

B

running backs: Armando Allen averaged 5.9 yards per carry on his 15 attempts, but since the Irish went down early, they abandoned Allen, Cierre Wood and the running game.

C+

receivers: Drops plagued the Irish throughout the game. If it were not for TJ Jones' 53-yard touchdown and Kyle Rudolph's 95-yard score, the receiving corps would have had nearly no impact Saturday.

B+

offensive line: If anything, the offensive line gave the Irish quarterbacks too much to make decisions. When Notre Dame ran, there were holes available, and the line only allowed one sack.

A

defensive line: Robinson may have run wild, but the Irish defensive line brought pressure throughout the game. Kelly said Kapron Lewis-Moore may have even played his best game.

B-

linebackers: Robinson's success was partly due to the linebackers' failures, but Manti Te'o and Carlo Calabrese combined for 23 tackles, and limited any other threats from the Wolverines.

C

defensive backs: The Irish secondary lost track of receivers time and time again, including Michigan's opening score when Zeke Motta — replacing injured Jamoris Slaughter — was far out of position.

B+

special teams: David Ruffer remained perfect on field goals, knocking in a 24-yarder, and sent his kickoffs deep as usual, but the Irish allowed 101 return yards on only four kick returns.

B

coaching: The back-up quarterbacks' failures can be traced to Brian Kelly, but the Irish game plan was solid. Without a Crist injury, Kelly would have seemed much smarter.

2.89

overall: A disappointing loss could have been an uplifting win for Notre Dame with a bit better execution at nearly any point in the game.

adding up the numbers

Michigan quarterback Denard Robinson's 87-yard touchdown run in the second quarter was the longest in Notre Dame Stadium history.

87

19 First loss after a streak of 19 consecutive regular season victories for Brian Kelly, dating back to Oct. 25, 2008.

Armando Allen's 29-yard run in the third quarter set a new career long, topping a 26-yard rush against Connecticut on Nov. 21, 2009.

29

9 Senior walk-on kicker David Ruffer has now converted all nine of his career field goal attempts, after drilling a 24-yarder Saturday.

By scoring on the opening drive of 71 yards, Notre Dame scored on its first drive for the first time since November 2009.

71

95 Kyle Rudolph's 95-yard touchdown reception in the fourth quarter was the second-longest reception in Irish history.

By accounting for 502 of Michigan's 532 total yards, Denard Robinson produced 94.4 percent of the Wolverines offense.

94.4

7 Dayne Crist completed passes to seven different targets, including eight completions to Kyle Rudolph and five to Michael Floyd.



MACKENZIE SAIN/The Observer

Junior quarterback Nate Montana looks for an open receiver during Saturday's loss to Michigan. In his first action in a Notre Dame uniform, Montana filled in for starting quarterback Dayne Crist when Crist could not see out of his right eye after taking a helmet-to-helmet blow in the first quarter.

Failure is not simply one loss

Many complaints could be heard after the Irish loss Saturday.

Without Dayne Crist, Notre Dame is hopeless. Denard Robinson isn't human. The Notre Dame defense hasn't improved. Rich Rodriguez outcoached Brian Kelly.

Well, Tommy Rees and Nate Montana did not inspire any confidence in Notre Dame fans. Denard Robinson was utterly breathtaking and is now a bona-fide Heisman contender, and the Irish defense let him do whatever he wanted.

But, Rich Rodriguez did not outcoach Brian Kelly.

One coach had a very easy job Saturday: snap the ball to a dynamic quarterback and let him make you look like a football genius. Then, hold your breath that your quarterback outscores the other team on his own.

One coach had a very difficult job Saturday: try to minimize the effect of a player who has already tallied 885 total yards this season. Then, put your offense in a position to put lots of points on the board.

After the first series of the game, the coach with a difficult job lost his own starting quarterback for the majority of a half, and Brian Kelly suddenly had to find a way to put his offense in a position to score without its commander or primary playmaker.

Was that Kelly's fault? Should he have been better prepared for a Crist injury?

"We know who our back-up quarter-

backs in terms of candidacy, who they are," Kelly said immediately after the game. "I just have to do a better job getting them ready."

So yes, Kelly overestimated the capabilities of both Rees and Montana, but what coach enters a rivalry game planning on his starting quarterback missing most of the first half?

Crist's injury was unfortunate and frightening, but Kelly cannot be faulted for that.

In fact, the Irish appeared to be very well-coached on Saturday, and the Wolverines looked undisciplined, unorganized and entirely too dependent on Robinson.

Notre Dame punter Ben Turk placed four of his eight punts inside the 20-yard line, and the Irish only committed four penalties, for a total of 29 yards — after committing only two penalties for 15 yards against Purdue last week.

Meanwhile, Michigan missed two field goals and committed eight penalties for 99 yards, including one on Notre Dame's final drive which played a large factor in the Irish having a chance as time expired.

Michigan coach Rich Rodriguez, the man with a very easy job, is now in his third season with the Wolverines. By now, the team should start to show signs of discipline and of understanding his system.

Kelly has been at Notre Dame for nine months now, and already the Irish don't give away games like they did in the past, with turnovers or penalties in crucial situations.

Already the Irish play, or, in Kelly's wording, "battle," for four quarters, no matter how the game is going.

So yes, Notre Dame lost to Michigan on another last-minute drive. Irish fans have reasons to be upset, but, for the first time since Lou Holtz left, the coaching is not one of those reasons.

Saturday's loss illustrated just how much Kelly has brought to the Irish.

Facing a first-and-14 from its own five-yard line, Notre Dame did not wither. Instead, Crist hit Kyle Rudolph for an exhilarating 95-yard touchdown.

Did the defense then proceed to collapse and allow a 72-yard touchdown drive? There are two answers to that question. One — yes, the defense did collapse, painfully so. Two — no defense has managed to stop Robinson yet, and no defense is about to.

Thus, Rodriguez handed the ball to "Shoelaces" time and time again, and let the athletic dynamo run wild.

Nonetheless, there stood Kelly with three seconds left in the game, having gotten the Irish into a position where they could still snag the win. That accomplishment reflects upon Kelly's last nine months as much as it does upon his Saturday.

In only nine months, Kelly has inspired these Irish to toughen up both mentally and physically. In only nine months, Kelly has installed a game-plan strong enough to match Denard Robinson blow-for-blow Saturday, and nearly to top him.

In only nine months, Kelly has changed the attitude in the football program. Now the program acts with confidence, smarts and skill, as opposed to the arrogance, hope and talent that once prevailed.

Anybody can act with confidence, smarts and skill when they are winning. How Notre Dame handled the tough game, the tough loss, shows it is more than an act.

In many ways, it is the coaching.

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Robinson raises questions for Irish



Michigan quarterback Denard Robinson evades the Notre Dame defense during Michigan's 28-24 victory Saturday. Robinson tallied 502 total yards in the victory, including the longest touchdown run in Notre Dame Stadium history, an 87-yarder.

By CHRIS MASOUD
Sports Writer

If winning a football game is a team effort, Michigan quarterback Denard Robinson produced this season's most convincing counterexample. The sophomore accounted for 502 of the Wolverines' 532 yards of total offense, led his team 72 yards for the game-winning drive and muscled his way into the end zone from the 2-yard line for the game's final score.

The verdict on Robinson is clear. Pundits are touting him as the season's first legitimate Heisman contender. Yet for the Notre Dame defense, which limited Purdue to just 322 yards of total offense in the season opener, the answers are far less apparent.

"We obviously would have liked to have tackled better in that last drive," Irish coach Brian Kelly said. "We had some missed assignments that we had not had. So we obviously were fatigued, and it might have been just being on the field a little bit too long. That's a great excuse. We didn't give them that excuse in the locker room."

Kelly's game plan heading into Saturday's contest was simple — limit Robinson's impact on the game, but do not sacrifice coverage by sending too many extra blitzers to do it.

While the first half numbers hardly suggest a successful strategy at work — Robinson tallied 281 yards and two touchdowns through the game's first 30 minutes — adjusting to a player of Robinson's caliber isn't exactly a straightforward process.

"It's unfair to replicate [his ability] in practice, because it's not possible," junior defensive end Ethan Johnson said. "It's more challenging with what he does than just somebody trying to imitate him."

But for much of the second half, the Irish defense managed to bring pressure on the mobile quarterback without the use of the blitz. Despite zero sacks, solid penetration from the front three led to several rushed throws, and great containment kept Robinson from breaking loose.

"Our defense really kept us in the ball game, even while we were mucking it around on offense there," Kelly said. "And other than the last drive, I thought our defense competed."

Yet the Irish abandoned that strategy for the game's final drive, instead opting for a defensive package designed to provide additional pressure on both Robinson and his receivers.

"Well we brought some edge pressures, and felt like the bubble slant combination zone is a tough play to defend when it happens so far out on the perimeter

because the safety's engaged," Kelly said. "So we had to play a little bit more man-to-man to take away the passing game."

Yet 3:41 is more than enough time for a college quarterback to march a team down the field, especially when he has a knack for breaking tackles. Robinson rushed for just 17 yards on the final drive, but exposed the Irish secondary for 55 yards through the air.

"Obviously if somebody has that many yards on you, that's pretty embarrassing," senior safety Harrison Smith said. "It's up to the players to execute, and we just didn't do that on every play. We gave up some big plays, and that's how a team like that will beat you."

While Irish fans are ready to question a defense that showed promise in its season opener, they can take heart in the fact that the stalwarts of the defense continued their strong play.

Sophomore inside linebackers Manti Te'o and Carlo Calabrese tallied 26 tackles, and the secondary prevented the Wolverines receivers from reaching the end zone in the second half.

"We did good," Te'o said. "I don't know if I can grade anything off a loss. A couple of plays we let go, but overall we did good. We'll fight for four quarters. It doesn't matter what the score is."

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scoring summary

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
Notre Dame	14	7	0	7	28
Purdue	7	0	10	7	24

- First quarter**
- Notre Dame 7, Michigan 0
Dayne Crist 1-yd run (David Ruffer kick) with 11:19 remaining.
Drive: 13 plays, 71 yards, 3:41 elapsed.
- Notre Dame 7, Michigan 7
Roy Roundtree 31-yd pass from Denard Robinson (Brendan Gibbons kick) with 8:06 remaining.
Drive: 1 play, 31 yards, 0:06 elapsed.
- Notre Dame 7, Michigan 14
Stephen Hopkins 1-yd run (Gibbons kick) with 1:26 remaining.
Drive: 5 play, 65 yards, 1:40 elapsed.

- Second quarter**
- Notre Dame 7, Michigan 21
Robinson 87-yd run (Gibbons kick) with 1:51 remaining.
Drive: 5 plays, 98 yards, 1:56 elapsed.

- Third quarter**
- Notre Dame 14, Michigan 21
TJ Jones 53-yd pass from Crist (Ruffer kick) with 12:42 remaining.
Drive: 2 plays, 53 yards, 0:12 elapsed.

- Notre Dame 17, Michigan 21
Ruffer 24-yd field goal with 8:48 remaining.
Drive: 8 plays, 66 yards, 2:14 elapsed.

- Fourth quarter**
- Notre Dame 24, Michigan 21
Kyle Rudolph 95-yd pass from Crist with 3:41 remaining.
Drive: 1 play, 91 yards, 0:34 elapsed.

- Notre Dame 24, Michigan 28
Robinson 2-yd run with 0:27 remaining
Drive: 12 plays, 72 yards, 3:14 elapsed.

statistics

total yards	
ND	535
UM	532
rushing yards	
ND	154
UM	288
passing yards	
ND	381
UM	244
Time of Possession	
ND	25:51
UM	34:09



passing			
Crist	13-25-277	Robinson	24-40-244
rushing			
Allen	15-94	Robinson	28-258
Crist	4-30	Smith	7-17
Montana	4-23	Shaw	5-12
		Hopkins	1-1
receiving			
Rudolph	8-164	Odoms	7-91
Jones	3-73	Roundtree	8-82
Floyd	5-66	Stonum	4-33
Riddick	2-39	Shaw	3-28
Eifert	1-17	Grady	1-7
Gray	1-13	Smith	1-3
Allen	1-9		

Despite tough loss, Irish win two recruits

By DOUGLAS FARMER
Sports Editor

Future gains

Despite the loss to Michigan, Notre Dame reportedly earned two recruiting commitments from one family. Twins George and Josh Atkinson committed to Notre Dame on Sunday, according to Rivals.com.

The Atkinsons' official visit continues through Monday, and their commitments bring the Irish recruiting class to 18 members already.

Josh, a 6-foot, 180-pound cornerback, long favored Oregon, but the lack of depth in the Notre Dame secondary could provide him a chance to play sooner than at Oregon.

George, a 6-foot-2, 194-pound athlete, could play at running back or receiver, fitting a role similar to the role Percy Harvin fit at Florida in years past, Irish recruiting expert Mike Frank said before the weekend.

"I think Notre Dame envies him in a Percy Harvin role — you put him at wide receiver or running back," said Frank, who heads the online ESPN-affiliate Irish Sports Daily. "The main thing is you just want to put the ball in his hands, because he has the ability to score from anywhere."

Three other four-star recruits were on campus for the weekend: safety Wayne Lyons, defensive end Stephon Tuitt and offensive tackle Antonio Richardson.

Like father, like son

Making his first career appearance in an Irish uniform, junior quarterback Nate Montana completed eight of 17 pass attempts, and rushed for 23 yards on four carries.

Montana became a part of the first father-son quarterback tandem in Notre Dame history to complete passes for the Irish. Joe Montana, an NFL Hall of Famer, played for Notre Dame from 1975-78.

Close calls

Notre Dame and Michigan should be getting used to close games with late lead changes. Half of their last 20 meetings have been decided by five points or less, and seven of the last 25 games

have come down to the final two minutes. Four of those seven — 1980, '94, '09 and '10 — were decided in the final seconds.

Starting success

Freshman receiver TJ Jones, who enrolled early in the spring, became the first Notre Dame receiver to catch a touchdown pass in each of his first two games. Jones and quarterback Dayne Crist hooked up for a 53-yard score in the third quarter, the longest score of the season for the Irish until Crist found tight end Kyle Rudolph for a 95-yard touchdown in the fourth quarter.

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A familiar story

Michigan quarterback Denard Robinson racked up 502 yards and three touchdowns, including the game-winner with only 27 seconds left, reminding Irish fans of Tate Forcier's heroics a year ago.

Irish quarterback Dayne Crist missed most of the first half after leading Notre Dame to a touchdown on its opening drive.

Without Crist, Notre Dame sputtered throughout the remainder of the half, until he returned to lead the team to another touchdown on the opening drive of the second half.

Crist finished the day with 277 passing yards and two touchdowns.



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Clockwise from top: Quarterback Dayne Crist evades the Michigan rush; tight end Kyle Rudolph extends for a pass from Nate Montana; Rudolph races down the sideline on his way to a lead-taking 95-yard touchdown in the fourth quarter; linebacker Manti Te'o makes one of his 13 tackles; receiver Michael Floyd heads up field after pulling in a Crist pass.