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Activist decries executions

Sr. Helen Prejean lectures on death penalty, right to life



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Sr. Helen Prejean voices her concerns regarding the death penalty and discusses her bestselling book, "Dead Man Walking," in Geddes Hall on Monday evening.

By VIENNA WAGNER
News Writer

Sr. Helen Prejean said she is "not a brave person."

Yet she stood by the side of a convicted murderer — her friend — as he received the death penalty in the electric chair and prayed for him.

Prejean, a Catholic nun and a mentor for inmates on death row, called for the Notre Dame community to speak out against the death penalty during her lecture in Geddes Hall

on Monday evening.

"A big part of education is awakening to the gifts that God has given us and learning to develop them for service to the community," Prejean said.

This "awakening" led Prejean to her outspoken activism against the death penalty.

"The best definition of 'justice' is 'just us,'" Sr. Prejean said. "When we wake up, it's a dangerous point because if we don't act we become paralyzed, sink down into the

whirlpool and don't do anything. It doesn't matter where you start because grace is going to lead you."

Each human being deserves the basic right to life, Prejean said.

"Even those among us who have done terrible crimes have a dignity that must not be taken from them," she said. "Do we only uphold the dignity of innocent lives? There is no dignity in death row deaths."

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Former Irish assistant coach serves time in jail

Observer Staff Report

Former Irish assistant football coach Corwin Brown spent the weekend in jail on felony charges related to a seven-hour standoff at his Granger home in August.

Brown posted \$5,000 bond Monday afternoon following an arraignment hearing to formally read his charges, which were filed Aug. 16.

Brown was charged with domestic violence, a Class D felony, and two counts of confinement, according to court documents. The two confinement charges are Class C and Class B felonies.

Brown spent nearly a month in a secured medical facility after the standoff, but records at the St. Joseph County Jail stated he was booked there Friday.

St. Joseph County Police responded to a call Aug. 12 from Melissa Brown, Corwin Brown's wife, reporting domestic violence at the home. Law enforcement arrived at the home in the early afternoon and remained outside the resi-

dence until early evening, according to police reports.

Melissa Brown told police at the scene that her husband threatened her while he had a handgun in his pocket and refused to let her leave their home.

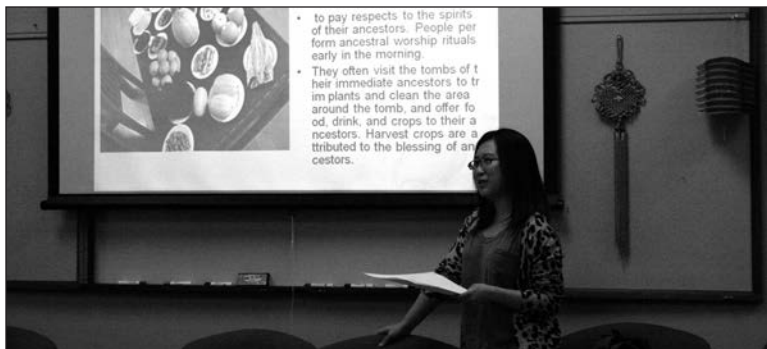
A SWAT team negotiated with Corwin Brown during the standoff.

Officers continued to negotiate with the former defensive coordinator during the seven-hour standoff, and the report stated several gunshots were heard before Corwin Brown exited the home after 7 p.m. He suffered a self-inflicted wound in his side, police said.

Corwin Brown was treated at Memorial Hospital before police transported him to a local psychiatric facility, according to St. Joseph County police.

Brown was a member of the Notre Dame football staff from 2007 to 2009. He then served as a defensive backs coach with the New England Patriots during the 2010 season, but he was relieved of his duties on the team in February.

SMC promotes Asian study abroad programs



COURTNEY ECKERLE/The Observer

Foreign exchange student Soojin Lee delivers a presentation Monday on the Chinese Zhongqui Jie and Korean Chuseok festivals.

By REBECCA O'NEIL
News Writer

Saint Mary's promoted its Asian study abroad programs with mooncakes and music at a celebration of Chinese and Korean harvest festivals Monday afternoon in the Student Center.

The event, sponsored by the Center for Women's Intercultural Leadership (CWIL), commemorated the Chinese festival

Zhongqui Jie, or "Mid-Autumn Festival," and the Korean festival Chuseok.

Alice Yang, assistant director for global education, said she hopes students take advantage of the College's four study abroad programs in Asia.

"We have summer and semester programs in China and Korea, and we've been looking for

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Professors support Jobs Act

By AMANDA GRAY
News Writer

After President Barack Obama proposed his new job plan last week, Notre Dame professors said they are optimistic that the American Jobs Act could help improve unemployment and encourage economic growth.

Obama outlined the proposed act in a speech to a joint session of Congress last Thursday. The \$447 billion plan would put Americans back to work with tax breaks for citizens and businesses, infrastructure spending and increased unemployment benefits, he said in his speech.

If the plan passes in Congress, finance Professor Jeffrey Bergstrand said it would encourage the nation's financial outlook.

"This is positive — especially in a global economy," Bergstrand said. "We're all interlinked."

Bergstrand said 60 percent of the \$447 billion plan is allotted for tax breaks and cuts.

These breaks would last longer and tax less than a tax



AP

President Barack Obama, center, details his \$447 billion job plan to a joint session of Congress on Thursday.

break implemented in the beginning of the year, and Bergstrand said the plan allows the same breaks for businesses.

John Stiver, an associate professional specialist in the Mendoza School of Business, said these tax breaks would be a critical piece of the plan.

"The tax breaks for businesses are the most direct in terms of promoting hiring," Sti-

ver said. "Further, tax breaks for businesses can be implemented immediately and should have an impact rather quickly. Spending on infrastructure in principle could put people back to work, but typically take too long to start — we need 'shovel-ready' projects. Tax relief can be implemented quickly and

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HIGH
LOW

Class explores local Latino challenges

By **HALEY KOTH**
News Writer

For the second year in a row, a small group of Saint Mary's students will spend a weekend with local Latino families on South Bend's west side this fall.

The College's Justice Education Studies program is now accepting applications for its "Church in the City" seminar, a program designed to bring students face-to-face with challenges in the Latino community.

Education Professor Nabila Bhatti is involved with coordinating the seminar. She said the program's goal is to "explore the specific issues of poverty and immigration through reflection, analysis and immersion into the Latino community."

Bhatti said Campus Ministry and the Justice Education Studies program created the program as a way for students to become more aware of the impoverished conditions of South Bend immigrant families.

The students who participate in the seminar need to be willing to listen to members of the local area that are sometimes forgotten, she said.

"We approach our immersion with humility," Bhatti

said. "[We are] open to hearing the stories and perspectives of those within society whose voices are seldom heard ... Together we will reflect and learn with those on the margins of society, knowing that it is in the midst of these that we encounter the face of Christ."

Last November, 14 Saint Mary's students participated in the seminar.

While "Church in the City" was only recently added to the College's course listings, senior Bridget Gartenmeyer, one of last year's participants said the program is more than an average college class.

"The experiential learning course is a great way to break out of the Saint Mary's and Notre Dame bubble and experience the challenges and concerns for South Bend communities," Gartenmeyer said. "As a political science major, I learned a great deal about what it means to be a faithful citizen and how to incorporate social justice and human dignity into my public participation."

Gartenmeyer said the 14 students worked closely with La Casa de Amistad, a Latino group in South Bend, as they talked with community leaders about social justice.

"We got the chance to

speak to affected families and students and advocates to get a personal perspective on the difficulties involved with immigration," Gartenmeyer said.

La Casa de Amistad also works with members of the Latino population in South Bend to provide education and literacy programs, health education and social services.

The six local host families that worked with the program made the Saint Mary's students feel welcome in their homes, Gartenmeyer said.

"By far my favorite part was staying with the families for the weekend," Gartenmeyer said. "Our entire experience was built on trust because the family opened up and let us in to every part of their life."

Bhatti said the Justice Education Studies office would accept applications for the seminar until Wednesday. The course is worth one credit hour and is open to all majors.

"We hope it will again be a great opportunity for students at Saint Mary's College ... to be more involved in local and global issues of justice, peace and development," Bhatti said.

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IEI building to serve as office, study space



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The Remick Commons area in the new Institute for Educational Initiatives building recently opened as a new student study area.

By **AUBREY BUTTS**
News Writer

The new Institute for Educational Initiatives (IEI) building not only serves as a new office space for the Alliance for Catholic Education (ACE), but it also opens another study space for students on campus.

Sarah Greene, assistant director in the ACE Service Through Teaching Program, said her office moved into the newly constructed Carole Sandner Hall this summer.

"It's a beautifully renovated area with inspiring historic origins," Greene said. "It's wonderful to see how Notre Dame has utilized the space to make this connection between past initiatives and current programs in service to Catholic education."

The new study room connects to the building's historical roots, Greene said.

"Remick Commons was constructed out of the building's original chapel, where Holy Cross Sisters in the novitiate once received their training for teaching in Catholic schools," Greene said.

The new office, relocated from Badin Hall, is located near Brownson Hall and the Earth Science Building.

"The entrance to ACE's historic new home, located just north of the Basilica, opens into the Remick Commons area," Greene said. "The IEI welcomes students to view Remick Commons as a location for small events or group discussions, especially concerning matters of service or education."

The study room, full of couches and tables for students, is located on the building's first

floor.

The ACE staff will handle reservations for large groups using the space, she said.

Even if students do not use the study room, Greene said she hopes they will seek out the ACE office to ask questions about the program.

"[We invite] interested students to stop by their office on the second floor, whether to have specific questions answered or simply to become acquainted with the service program's staff and faculty," she said.

The University founded the IEI program nearly 20 years ago as part of its commitment to revitalize American education, Greene said.

As part of the IEI offices, the new building houses many programs, including the Mary Ann Remick Leadership Program, Teaching Exceptional Children, Play Like a Champion Today and Service through Teaching, Greene said.

The building also accommodates other IEI departments, including the Education and Schooling Society minor.

Bill Schmitt, the office's communications and media specialist, said University President Fr. John Jenkins would dedicate the building Friday at 5 p.m. The dedication will be followed by a keynote address from Va. Gov. Bob McDonnell and a Mass with Bishop Kevin Rhoades.

"The center hopes the public events will spark the interests of all on campus and particularly prospective applicants to ACE's Service through Teaching program," Schmitt said.

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will have an immediate impact on the average American's budget, but it's unclear what ultimate impact these tax cuts will have on employment."

These benefits would not mean much for college graduates looking for jobs, Stiver said.

"I'm not sure that this jobs plan will have a big impact on your typical Notre Dame graduate," Stiver said. "The unemployment for college graduates is around 4.5 percent — this will be a little higher for new college graduates looking for their first job. The problem areas for job creation lie in manufacturing and construction. Further, most, if not all, of these initiatives will probably expire in the next year or two."

Economics Professor Jim Sullivan predicted some Republicans would support Obama's plan.

"Many of the key proposals from Obama's jobs plan have received support from Republicans in the past," Sullivan said. "Temporary reductions in payroll taxes and tax deductions for companies making investments in new plants and equipment, for example, are likely to receive support from some Republicans."

Bergstrand said the political split between the Senate and the House of Representatives could impede the overall act.

"The part that will probably go through unscathed will be the payroll tax cuts," Bergstrand said. "With the other sections, maybe half will be approved of what's been offered."

The biggest challenge with implementing the proposals, Bergstrand said, will be footing the bill.

In his Thursday speech, Obama said the cost would be covered long term by future spending cuts.

However, Bergstrand said that would increase the nation's short-term deficit and debt.

"There's currently a bipartisan committee that has to come up with a plan to cut \$2 billion [in spending] by Thanksgiving," Bergstrand said. "We're borrowing on the future, but now is the time to cut unemployment."

Bergstrand called current unemployment numbers "extraordinarily high," and any reduction in those rates would be a start in the right direction, he said.

"[The American Jobs Act could make] a dent, but only a small one in the output gap — meaning we're still operating below our potential," Bergstrand said. "We still face, even if all of this is passed, sluggish economic growth for several years down the road."

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a partner in India to exchange students with as well," Yang said. "Each culture has its own uniqueness and different viewpoints. [Study abroad] encourages students to broaden their viewpoints, especially when the economy in Asia is growing so fast."

Past participants in the Asian programs gathered at the celebration to commemorate the Mid-Autumn Festival, an ancient Chinese tradition to commemorate the moon.

Junior Alyssa Carty studied in Seoul, Korea, during her sophomore year. She said her experi-

ence tasting new foods and working with 300 other international students at the Seoul Women's University was invaluable.

"We became a big family," Carty said. "Now I feel like I can go anywhere in the world and find someone I've bonded with."

Junior Kari Keller works as the peer advisor for the Chinese study abroad programs. She shared her experiences of the Forbidden City, Hong Kong, Shanghai and Tianamen Square when she was in China last year.

Her favorite part of the trip was a visit to Buddhist nuns, Keller said.

"They said their rice would be the best meal we had ever tasted because they prayed over it," she said. "I was like, 'sure,' but tasting it was something else. I had a

lot of rice that trip."

Junior Pei Zheng, a Chinese native, explained the Mid-Autumn Festival traditions to the group as everyone sampled mooncakes, songpyeon, egg rolls, hot oolong and green tea.

"Although thousands of years old, [the festival] is really important in modern Chinese culture," Zheng said.

During the Zhongqiu Jie, Zheng said the Chinese munch on mooncakes, a delicacy made from lotus seed paste, under a full moon. She added that those who are unable to see their families on the special festival take comfort knowing they are looking at the same moon as their loved ones.

This year, Zheng said the Korean Chuseok festival fell on the

same date as the Chinese festival. Chuseok is a three-day festival celebrated near the autumn equinox.

The festivities ended with a Chinese song featuring the lyrics, "No matter how far away we are, we enjoy the same moon," and a Korean pop song by the group First Generation.

Yang praised the study abroad experience as an opportunity to learn about another culture and to make international connections.

"That's the point," Yang said. "Students have the opportunity to come here, and we are able to send our students there. Everyone learns from each other."

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Activism

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In her bestselling book "Dead Man Walking: An Eyewitness Account of the Death Penalty in the United States," Prejean wrote about her experience as a spiritual advisor to a man awaiting the death penalty in Louisiana.

Prejean said words from a fellow nun prompted her to serve others more often.

"[She said,] 'Integral to the news that Jesus taught the poor was that they would be poor no longer,'" Prejean said.

After she became an advisor for a death row inmate in the 1980s, Prejean said "God's sneakiness" took her on a journey she never expected.

"I had no way of knowing

that two years ago from then he would be electrocuted at midnight, that I would be with him in the last hours to the electric chair and [that] he would look at my face and try to protect me," Prejean said.

A judge sentenced the man to death row after he participated in the cold-blooded murder of two teenagers on their way to a football game. However, Prejean said she saw goodness in him.

"We want to make the person [who commits a crime] evil," Prejean said. "Acts are unspeakably evil. It's ethical to be outraged over an act that's

evil. However, people have faces."

Prejean continues to mentor death row inmates today. During her talk, she emphasized the way she has seen culture blur facts in the justice system.

She cited the case of an African-American boy with an IQ of 65 who was tried and unfairly convicted of murdering a white woman by an all-white jury.

"Culture blinds us," Prejean said. "Culture is like the air we breathe. One of the problems of society is that we're so separated. Our racism, assault of poor, and penchant for trying to solve our problems with vio-

"The reason I stand before you today is that I became a witness. When we see suffering, we've got to stand up."

Sr. Helen Prejean
activist

Memorial honors victims of 9/11 attacks

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Exactly 10 years ago, ground zero was a smoking, fire-spitting tomb, a ghastly pile of rubble and human remains. On Monday it was a place of serenity — an expanse of trees and water in the middle of a bustling city — as the 9/11 memorial opened to the public.

As they walked through a grove of oaks and traced their fingers over the names of the nearly 3,000 dead, visitors were deeply moved by the monument, whose centerpiece is two sunken pools ringed by bronze plaques.

"When we walked in, those images were popping in my head from 10 years ago," said Laura Pajar of Las Vegas. "But when I saw the memorial, all

of that went away. This is so peaceful, and you kind of forget about what happened and you look toward the future."

About 7,000 people registered online for free tickets to visit on opening day, and 400,000 are signed up for the coming months, according to the nonprofit organization that oversees the memorial.

Many visitors made pencil-and-paper rubbings of the names to take back home. Others sat on benches or clustered for photos. Some people cried; others embraced. Some left flowers or stuffed messages into the letters.

"There were no words," Eileen Cristina of Lititz, Pa., said as she wiped away tears. "The enormity of the loss, the enormity of human kindness, the enormity of the suffering."

The site was opened on Sunday — the 10th anniversary of the Sept. 11 attacks — to the 9/11 families. Monday marked the first day since the tragedy that ground zero was opened to the public.

Security was airport-tight, with visitors forced to empty their pockets, go through a metal detector and send their bags through an X-ray machine.

The memorial takes visitors on a kind of journey. First they walk through a promenade of more than 200 white oak trees. Then, like hikers coming upon a canyon, they arrive at two 30-foot-deep pits on the exact spots where the World Trade Center's twin towers stood. Water cascades into the two



AP

A woman puts her hand on the wall of one of the memorial pools at the National September 11 Memorial and Museum on Monday.

voids, evoking the dust cloud that accompanied the towers' fall.

The falling water creates a constant whooshing, muffling the noise of the city and nearby construction.

"It's like an entrance to eternity," said Wojtek Ballzun, a rail worker from Warsaw, Poland.

Jim Drzewiecki, a retired volunteer firefighter accompanying a current team of them from Lancaster, N.Y., said he was trembling as he stood next to the pools.

"I'm actually still shaking," he said. "It could have been me on that flight. On any one of the flights. ... There's not much that separates us."

The bronze plates carry the names of the 2,977 people killed in the terrorist attacks in New York, at the Pentagon and in Pennsylvania, plus the names of the six who died in

the bombing of the trade center in 1993. The letters have been cut all the way through the metal, with empty space beneath them.

Nearby are a half-dozen electronic directories to help visitors find names, which are grouped not alphabetically but in ways that show the connections between co-workers, firefighters, airplane flight crews and other victims.

The memorial's architect, Michael Arad, said the plaza next to the pools was inspired by gatherings of mourners that he saw in New York's Washington Square and Union Square after the attacks.

"These places don't just bring us together physically in one spot, they brought us together emotionally," Arad said. "We've recreated that opportunity for that to happen here."tstairway that enabled hundreds to escape.

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Fall TV

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Maija Gustin

Scene Editor

“The Vampire Diaries,” for example. You might think this vampire show is just broadcast television’s answer to the “Twilight” craze currently plaguing popular culture. Wrong.

“The Vampire Diaries,” despite being on the teen-centric The CW, features some of the best storytelling on television today. You’re liable to see more blood and gore in an episode of “The Vampire Diaries” than in an episode of “CSI” and it never shies away from death and destruction. Sometimes those dead come back to life thanks to the mysterious rules of supernatural law, but the writers on “The Vampire Diaries” sure know how to deal with annoying characters and generally weave a compelling plot.

Despite its premise of melodramatic love and teen angst, every episode of “The Vampire Diaries” is high-octane and action-packed. There is no such thing as a dull episode and the plot twists and cliff-hangers are some of the most compelling on TV. Let’s not forget that the entire cast, be they male or female, is generally not bad to look at either.

Don’t let the premise of a show about vampires on a teenage girl-oriented channel keep you away — if you give “The Vampire Diaries” a chance, it is sure to draw you in and will probably never let you go, either.

While all talk of NBC comedies has been focused on “The Office” and its new lack of Michael Scott, many viewers are missing the pure comedy genius that is “Parks and Recreation.” The comedy, similar in style to the fake-documentary feel of “The Office,” started slow in its first handful of episodes, but has since found its stride and continually turns out more comedic punches than any show on television.

The premise may sound dull — the inner-workings of a Parks and Recreation department in small-town Indiana and the lives of its workers. Wrong again.

Amy Poehler leads her stellar castmates, including Aziz Ansari, Rashida Jones, Chris Pratt, Aubrey Plaza, Rob Lowe, Adam Scott and the deadpan god himself, Nick Offerman, in one of the kookiest, funniest shows television has ever seen.

Last season, particularly episodes focused on the Harvest Festival and Li’l Sebastian, was a fantastic string of hilarity and this season promises even more of the same. Nick Offerman was unjustly snubbed by the Emmy Awards this year, so to find out why this is so wrong, and to help right that wrong in your own way, tune in on Thursday nights to “Parks and Recreation.”

Clearly, Thursday nights will be tough this season as “The Vampire Diaries” and “Parks and Recreation” compete for viewers in the same time slot. But that’s what DVRs and Hulu are for. And if you don’t have one, come hang out with me and I will make sure you don’t miss any of television’s best offerings.

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

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Where are we now?

Ten years ago the United States went through a transformative moment. When the Twin Towers fell, the Pentagon was struck and a plane crashed in Pennsylvania, we all knew that the world would never be the same. However, it was hard to imagine then what would happen next. The United States has subsequently embarked on a campaign to rid the world of al Qaeda and organizations like it. In doing so we have gone to war in Afghanistan, launched an invasion of Iraq, cracked down on Hamas and Hezbollah, used drone strikes in Pakistan, Yemen and Somalia and engaged militants in the deserts of North Africa.

William Miller

Guest Columnist

However, it is far from clear that the benefits of this massive endeavor have outweighed the costs. Although al Qaeda has been weakened, it continues to operate in lawless areas of Somalia and Yemen, as well as the tribal areas of Pakistan. Hamas and Hezbollah maintain a firm grip on Gaza and southern Lebanon, respectively, and continue to hamper efforts to negotiate a sustainable peace between Palestine and Israel. Meanwhile, a new generation of terrorists seems to have emerged. Known colloquially as the “Lone Wolf Terrorist,” these individuals, as exemplified by Nidal Malik Hasan (the Fort Hood shooter), are inspired by the example set by radical extremists elsewhere and seek to copy their methods. Although these individuals are not capable of striking on a large scale, they are also much more difficult to identify and track.

This leads us to an important fact: The War on Terror is not about fighting any one organization. It is a war of public opinion, a battle to convince people around the world, and in the Middle

East in particular, that the means used by terrorists like al Qaeda are not legitimate and should be disavowed. Ironically, al Qaeda has been its own worst enemy in this battle. By killing innocent Muslims in terrorist attacks around the world, al Qaeda has delegitimized itself in the eyes of many. In fact, large majorities of citizens across the Middle East ranked Islamic extremism as one of their top concerns in a recent poll by the Pew Research Center.

Alarming, however, large majorities also said that al Qaeda was not responsible for the attacks of 9/11. Reconciling these two viewpoints can be difficult. The evidence for al Qaeda’s involvement in 9/11 is overwhelming, and deep down most Muslims in the Middle East probably know this. The problem is that while most Muslims are anti-al Qaeda, they are certainly not pro-U.S. This is because many people across the Middle East believe that the United States has acted only in its best interests and has disregarded the opinions and interests of ordinary citizens in the region.

So where do we go from here? The answer is a three-step process. First, the United States must broker a peace deal between Israel and Palestine. The only way to do this is to pressure Israel to give up its settlement building in the West Bank while simultaneously coercing the Palestinians into recognizing the legitimacy of Israel. The U.S. holds all the cards in both cases. Israel relies on the U.S. for weapons, and a U.S. threat to not deliver them would force the Israelis to cave. Palestine, meanwhile, wants to be recognized as a state by the United Nations, but an American veto at the Security Council will prevent this from happening. As a result, the U.S. can set the terms for ending this conflict.

Second, the United States must en-

courage regimes in the region to liberalize their political processes. Doing so would open up the political spectrum to youth-led political organizations, which tend to idealize western values but lack the opportunity to broadcast their message. These groups have the potential to transform the region and to introduce new ideas and norms into a stultified political scene, but they will only get that chance if the United States puts pressure on its clients, such as Jordan and Kuwait, to allow this to happen.

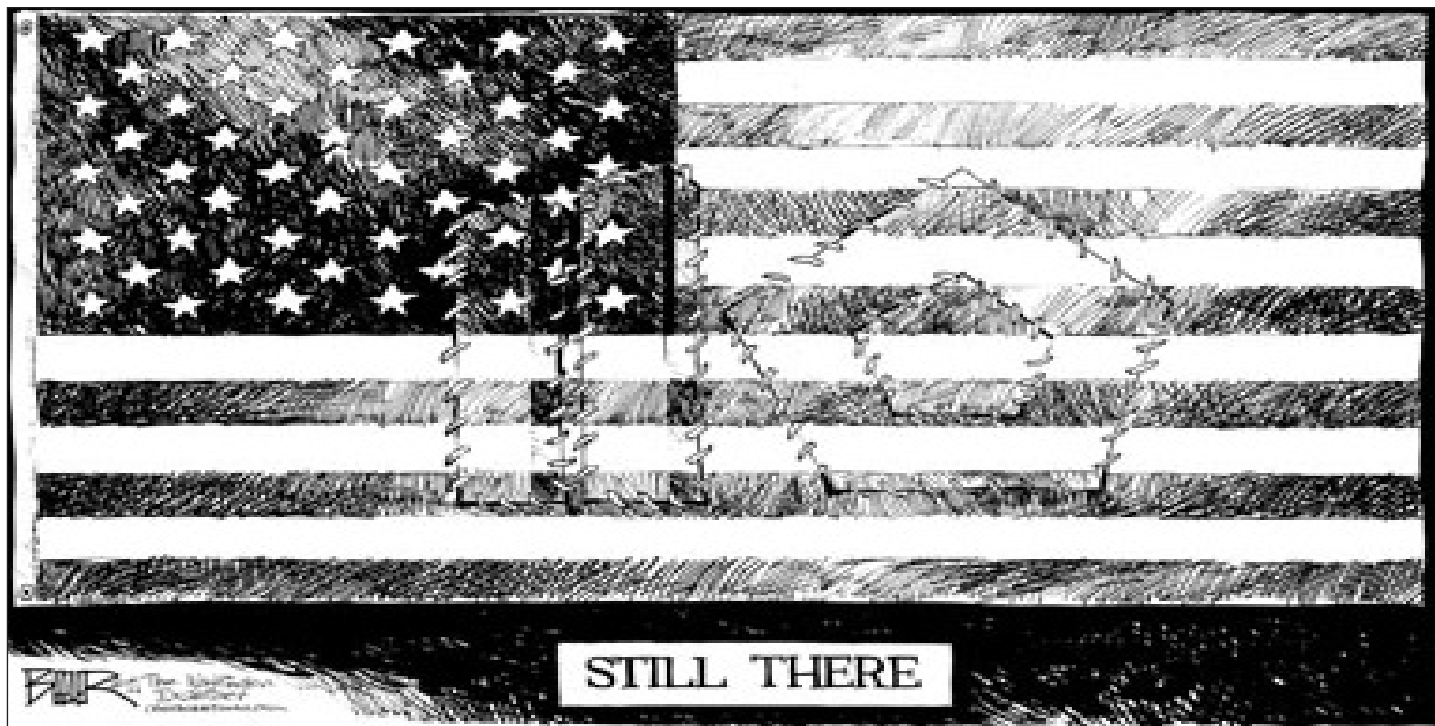
Finally, the U.S. must be much more careful in applying force around the region. I am by no means suggesting that the U.S. cannot use force at all; raids such as the one that killed Osama bin Laden are justified when your enemy seeks to kill innocent civilians and fights by no rules. However, we have to be smart about when we strike. Killing low-level operatives in Pakistan creates more enemies than it disables, since the civilian casualties these strikes inevitably lead to spark local outrage and create new opponents.

Following these steps will not end terrorism, but they could create circumstances in which terrorists’ means become delegitimized in the eyes of the Muslim world. This would strike a deathblow to organizations like al Qaeda, which rely on popular support and funding to exist and operate. America is safer now than it was ten years ago, but it can be safer still if we take positive steps to end the Israel-Palestine conflict, liberalize the region’s political systems and prevent unnecessary loss of life.

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

“Some things have to be believed to be seen.”

Ralph Hodgson
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The dreaded double-dip

A double dip seems like such a good thing.

The first thing I think of when I hear “double dip” is ice cream. Two scoops of ice cream is always better than one.

Growing up, the ice cream store near my house used to give free second scoops if it was raining or snowing. Given that I lived in Pittsburgh, it was usually raining, snowing or threatening to rain or snow, in which case it was worth it to sit in the parking lot for fifteen minutes just to see if something wet would fall out of the sky so we'd have an excuse to eat so much ice cream that we felt a little sick.

There's a second kind of double dip that is just as delicious but slightly more controversial — the chips and salsa double dip. For those occasional times when a single dip just won't cut it, a double dip is necessary to ensure the perfect salsa-to-chip ratio.

To be perfectly clear, I am in no way advocating the public double dip. Double dipping should never be done out of a communal salsa bowl even if the chips are huge and the opening of the salsa container too narrow for adequate

salsa coverage. But, there are definitely ways to get around the double dipping problem. Breaking up the chips into more manageable pieces is probably the most hygienic alternative. Double end dipping is another good option, but one that should probably be cleared with the other dip participants, just in case there are any objections.

The list of double dips goes on.

Double dips in roller coasters are fun. Yes, there's a great thrill factor in the newfangled roller coasters that are designed to shoot you as high as possible as fast as possible with as few restraints as the regulators will allow. But, there's something so satisfying about the simplicity of a double dip.

So double dips are great, right?

Not always. There is one very undesirable type of double dip: the dreaded double dip recession.

Unless you've been living under a rock (or at the Rock) lately, I'm sure you've seen the headlines.

No new jobs created in August. Unemployment remains above nine percent.

GDP growth revised down. Recession deeper than first estimated.

Fed weighs options for further easing. Obama announces another plan to create jobs.

The National Bureau of Economic Research, the arbiter of the official dates of business cycles in the United States, says that the recession that started in December 2007 ended in June 2009, but these headlines certainly don't seem to indicate that the economy has moved on.

The NBER defines a recession as a period of diminishing economic activity lasting more than a few months. Recessions start the month after a peak of economic activity (which is broadly measurable by Gross Domestic Product or GDP) and end when the activity arrives at a trough and the economy begins to grow again. Although there is no formal definition of a double dip recession, it's usually characterized as a recession followed by a short period of growth followed again by another recession. If you picture a graph of the GDP, it looks like a W.

Hence, the question on everyone's minds: Are we headed for a double dip?

It's obvious that the economy is sputtering, but the recession was deep and recovery takes time. Government stimulus can only do so much to encourage consumer spending, and with unemployment so high, interest rates so low and credit so tight, consumers just aren't willing to spend.

Large corporations have all but recovered, but now they're hoarding cash in defensive fear. Time will repair confidence, but time requires patience, which is not something markets have.

Even if we do slip into a recession again, I would argue that it would not be a double dip, if only because the causes would be different. The recession that started in December 2007 and ended in June 2009 was caused by a housing bubble and deepened by a credit crisis. This time, the debt issues in Europe are the flavor of the week. If Greece defaults on its debt, it could drag down Portugal, Ireland, Italy, Spain and the entire European banking sector. International, not domestic, fears have been roiling markets lately.

We may still be getting two scoops of ice cream, but the first one tastes like mortgage backed securities and the second like Greek bonds with a little spaghetti sauce on top. Anyone want sprinkles?

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Mike Lee fight week

To the Student Body,

It is plain that we love to win here at Notre Dame. Unfortunately, our Fighting Irish are still looking for their first one when they host the Spartans this Saturday. However, there is one Domer who will be competing here this weekend who has done nothing but win. I am talking about Mike Lee, of course. The recent Notre Dame grad is fighting in the main event of the first ever professional boxing match to be hosted on campus. Not only is there the fight Friday night starting at 9 p.m., but you can also see Lee work out Tuesday at 4 p.m. and his weigh-in Thursday at 5 p.m. on the Irish Green. This is a truly unique experience that we as the students of Notre Dame have an opportunity to take an active role in.

One of the reasons Our Lady's University is so special is that we have a proud history of supporting our own. This week is another chance to demonstrate that spirit. Whether or not you have any interest in boxing as a sport, I say we use

this week to show Lee and all the people who will see highlights of the fight on NBC at half-time of the game Saturday that we will always cheer on a fellow Domer, especially one who perfectly exemplifies what it means to be the Fighting Irish because not only is he going to be fighting in the ring, but he is donating the profits from the fight to the Ara Parseghian Medical Research Foundation and the Robinson Community Learning Center.

In summary, if you like boxing, you should go. If you like new experiences, you should go. If you like helping others, you should go. And finally, if you like the University of Notre Dame, you should go. I hope to see the Joyce Center rocking come Friday night to help Lee stay undefeated.

Sincerely,

Will Peterson
sophomore
O'Neill Hall
Sept. 11

Outlined against a dark blue September sky ...

Notre Dame reigned victorious this past weekend. No offense to Coach Kelly and the hard work of his entire team, but this is a contest that could not be won on any field, a contest no amount of turnovers could change the outcome of, for life is not just a game. Life is all we have. What I experienced this Sunday could have no proper post-game analysis. No television personality could critique it, for it truly was the work of the spirit, the work of the spirit of Notre Dame and the work of the Holy Spirit. On Saturday night, the entire campus, myself included, and the body that makes up the family of Notre Dame across the entire nation was looking out for one thing — itself. We were hoping, through means of a meager game, to increase our stock in this world. But no simple game combated on the gridiron will ever truly be able to do such.

Notre Dame reigned victorious this past weekend on Sunday night. Jesus was our quarterback, proclaiming “Touchdown” with arms spread wide open, exclaiming that he is “The Word of Life.” In the shadow of Rockne's House, the Notre Dame community gathered together in memorial of all of those involved in what happened on Sept. 11, 2001. We followed Christ as he continuously leads not only the Notre Dame community, but all of humanity into “the endzone,” participating in the Paschal Mystery, Christ's life, death and resurrection.

As our community gathered there sharing the candlelight with one another, we literally shared the light of Christ. We let go of our identity as the Fighting Irish and embraced our identity as members of the Body of Christ. In this gathering, we relinquished our desire for self-gratification and self-importance and found ourselves embracing the pain and sorrow of a world remembering tragedy. It is only in this losing of ourselves that we are truly able to become the people that we are created to be. That is what I felt on Sunday as we processed from the library to the Grotto. What I experienced as the trail of lights meandered to Our Lady made me more proud to be a part of the Notre Dame community than any athletic victory ever could.

I offer up a great thank you to Fr. Jenkins, Fr. Malloy, the Congregation of Holy Cross and the Department of Campus Ministry for allowing us this sacred expression of our identity as we learn to lose ourselves for the good of others. But there are many contests yet to be won. Let us continue to grow and be the light of Christ for one another, for other universities and for the world. Let us continue to pray for peace, and to remember all those that have suffered as the victims of terror, war, or any violence.

Peace be with you all,

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SCHULBERG PRESENTS “NUREMBERG” YEARS AFTER ITS CREATION

By MAIJA GUSTIN
Scene Editor

Tonight, the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center will be hosting a very special event, sure to be one of the hallmarks of its Fall 2011 season. At 7:30 p.m., filmmaker Sandra Schulberg will present her restoration of her father's important documentary, “Nuremberg: Its Lesson for Today.”

The film follows the events of the infamous Nuremberg Trials, held over the course of 11 months in the aftermath of World War II. It is most notable for the prosecution of various political and military leaders of the Nazi government and for the use of the charge of “Crimes Against Humanity” in response to the Holocaust and other serious offenses not prosecutable under the charge of “War Crimes.”

Marine Corps Sergeant Stuart Schulberg, as well as his brother Budd Schulberg, was asked by military officials to compile and provide much of the photographic and video evidence used by Justice Robert H. Jackson against the Nazi leaders in these trials. The head of film at the War Department's Civil Affairs Division, Pare Lorentz, then commissioned Schulberg to make a film of the Nuremberg Trials themselves.

What came together was a fascinating documentary that provided unprecedented insights into the course of the trial. It features not only footage from the trial itself, but also clips from the Nazi films used by the prosecution to support their charges.

“Nuremberg: Its Lesson for Today” proved a remarkable glimpse into the trial and the importance of the Allied governments' decision to hold a trial, rather than execute Nazi war leaders. Unfortunately, much of its significance was lost on American audiences, who never had an opportunity to see the completed film.

The film was suppressed by the U.S. government under ambiguous circumstances. Sandra Schulberg writes, “‘Nuremberg’ became a victim of the Cold War. By the time it was completed in 1948, we were enemies with the Soviets, yet the film shows us as allies ... In April 1948, the Marshall Plan was enacted by the US Congress. European recovery was the new policy, and Germany's industrial and agricultural resources were essential to that recovery. This public policy shift required a new public relations campaign that stressed the importance of rebuilding Germany and looking forward.” Presenting a film that might bring up buried feelings about Nazi Germany suddenly seemed counter-productive and efforts were made to prevent the film's release.

In an effort to protect the legacy of her father's work, Ms. Schulberg discovered a document that substantiates these claims of governmental suppression. She writes, “It is a letter from Secretary of the Army Kenneth Royall, and it is addressed to Justice Jackson. Jackson had wanted the film made so that the whole world could see what had happened at Nuremberg.” The letter reads, “In this country no general release is under consideration. It is my opinion that the theme is contrary to present policies and aims of the government.”

Over 60 years later, Sandra Schulberg is now presenting “Nuremberg” to American audiences for the first time. The process of restoring the film, though, has been a painstaking one. Ms. Schulberg's first challenge was finding an adequate print to use as the basis of restoration. She was determined that no film footage would be changed, and after a lengthy search, she was provided with a high-quality print from the German Bundesarchiv.

The sound provided another challenge to the “Nuremberg” restoration team. Ms. Schulberg writes, “Our goal was to create an international soundtrack that would permit modern audiences to hear the voices of the English-, French-, and Russian-speaking



Courtesy of Schulberg Family Archive

Marine Corps Sgt. Stuart Schulberg, youngest member of the OSS Field Photo-War Crimes unit, later wrote & directed “Nuremberg: Its Lesson for Today.”

prosecutors, and those of the German witnesses, defendants and defense attorneys.”

Due to the footage obtained from the original trials, Stuart Schulberg and the other filmmakers working on the original “Nuremberg” had to insert voiceover narration throughout much of the film to offer explanation not presented by the filmed events. Therefore, much of the sound from the trial itself was obscured by this narration.

Sandra Schulberg and her partner on “Nuremberg,” Josh Waletzky, decided to take original sound recordings from the trial and add them with a new narration, done by Live Schreiber, to create the soundtrack.

“The newly-reconstructed soundtrack gives you the feeling of being in the courtroom, and — thanks to the fact that my father's original narration told you verbatim what the courtroom participants were saying — we managed to do this without changing the content of the original film,” Ms. Schulberg writes.

The Notre Dame community has been vital to the restoration and presentation of “Nuremberg: Its Lesson for Today.” Professor Jill Godmilow of the Film, Television and Theatre department invited Ms. Schulberg to screen the unrestored version of the film several years back at Notre Dame. It was through this screening and an association with Professor Luc Reynders of the Political Science Department that the “Nuremberg” restoration received generous funding from the Nationaal Archief of The Netherlands. A final philanthropic donation provided the final piece of funding and the restoration began in full and Ms. Schulberg was able to present “Nuremberg” as part of the Erasmus Prize Ceremony in 2009.

Though Ms. Schulberg did not choose the title “Nuremberg: Its Lesson for Today,” (it was the title of Stuart Schulberg's original film) it has proved relevant yet. She writes, “I'd like to stress that I think Germany has learned the lessons of Nuremberg better than any other country in the world, including the U.S. Germany is now in the forefront of support for the International Criminal Court, while the U.S. is not



Courtesy of Schulberg Productions

Sandra Schulberg, daughter of “Nuremberg: Its Lessons for Today” writer-director Stuart Schulberg, restored the 1948 film with collaborator Josh Waletzky.

even a member.”

The U.S. Ambassador for War Crimes Issues, Stephen Rapp, attended the U.S. premiere of “Nuremberg” in June

and Ms. Schulberg sees this as a sign of positive changes within the Obama administration toward the ICC. She writes, “My hope is that ‘Nuremberg’ will help awaken American interest in the legacy court of Nuremberg, which really is the ICC, and want to become involved as world citizens and as a nation in supporting the international rule of law.”

Ms. Schulberg also believes that her father's film contains a powerful anti-war message, one that she hopes contemporary audiences will learn from. She writes, “The first Nuremberg Trial is probably best known for creating the breakthrough indictment of ‘crimes against humanity’ (Count 4), which had never been prosecuted before. But Jackson was even more focused on the ‘crime of aggression’ (Count 1), the very act of starting war ... My father chose to end ‘Nuremberg’ with Jackson's words to this effect: ‘Let Nuremberg stand as warning to all who plan and wage aggressive war.’ Thus, I have come to see Nuremberg not only as a compelling film about the conduct of the trial — what some have called the greatest courtroom drama in history — but also as a powerful anti-war statement. I hope audiences take that anti-war statement to heart.”

“Nuremberg: Its Lesson for Today” will be screened tonight at Notre Dame in collaboration with Indiana University/Purdue University Fort Wayne, where the film will be presented Sept. 15.

Steven Carr, Director of the Advanced Holocaust Studies at IU/P Fort Wayne, writes, “Given the tenth anniversary of 9/11, this film is as powerful and as timely as ever. If there were ever a time to see a film about the importance of international human rights and learn in person from the daughter who went to the trouble to restore a film her father directed and that the American public should have seen but didn't, the tenth anniversary of 9/11 should be it.”

The Notre Dame screening of “Nuremberg: Its Lesson for Today” will be held in the Browning Cinema at the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center tonight at 7:30 p.m. Sandra Schulberg will be present to screen her new restoration.

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On campus

What: “Nuremberg: Its Lesson for Today”

Where: DeBartolo

Performing Arts Center

When: Sept. 13, 7:30 p.m.

How Much: Free but ticketed

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London Actors Return to Notre Dame in “THE TEMPEST”

By COURTNEY ECKERLE
Scene Writer

Actors from the London Stage, one of the oldest touring Shakespearean companies, will be gracing their home campus again this fall, this time bringing the Shakespearean classic “The Tempest” with them. Performances will be held at 7:30 p.m. this Wednesday, Thursday and Friday in Washington Hall.

In a typical performance from the Actors from the London Stage, the group of five players portray as many as four characters each on a stage free from the confines and restrictions of superfluous props or wardrobe.

Often characters will only be distinguished from one another with a single identifying wardrobe piece, such as a scarf or a cane. Actors from the London stage have been performing and self-directing the Bard’s work in this simple, sleek and cleansing manner for 35 years.

They visit 16 to 20 universities in one year, doing a tour in the fall and one in the spring.

While at Notre Dame, the actors do a week’s worth of in-class workshops with students, sharing their experienced knowledge of the stage, as well as numerous tricks of the trade from their training in London.

The troop members will visit the Audition Seminar class during the week stay. After attending past troop productions and a workshop two years ago, Sloan Thacker, a senior theater major in the class, said she is excited for the workshop.

“Their presence here is always a great opportunity for theater students, as well as other students, to talk to professional actors and learn from their experience,” Thacker said. “They’re such talented people, so it’s great. It is definitely going to be a good learning experience for our class.”

“The Tempest” is Shakespeare’s last work. The play “is set on a re-

mote island, where Prospero, the exiled Duke of Milan, plots to restore his daughter Miranda to her rightful place — using illusion and skillful manipulation,” according to the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center description.

Utilizing that illusion and skillful manipulation, Prospero organizes a small reunion with his brother and some of his colleagues, many of which wronged the former Duke on his way out of power.

The performance offers a unique experience to see Shakespeare in a rare minimalist setting.

Tickets for the performances can be purchased through the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center, and cost \$12 for students, \$18 for seniors and \$20 for regular tickets.

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On campus

What: Actors from the London Stage presents “The Tempest”

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SPORTS AUTHORITY

The perfect crime

After last night’s double-header, Week 1 of the NFL season is officially in the books. The weekend’s games offered a slew of memorable images, from the Packers game-ending goal line stand, to the Bills giving Buffalo something to cheer about, to Kerry Collins looking really, really old in Indianapolis. However, the weekend will be remembered mostly for the remembrance and honoring of those affected by the terrorist attacks of 9/11. And with the eyes of the country on them in primetime, the Jets gave (at least half of) New York something to cheer about with a dramatic, fourth-quarter comeback win.

Look a little closer at that highlight package though, and something very interesting can be seen. Amid the national anthem, flyover, and South Quad-sized flag in the pregame was Plaxico Burress, carrying an American flag and leading the Jets out on to the field. In a way, that seems totally inappropriate, but it also seems somewhat fitting.

After all, it was Plaxico .45 who broke the law, possessed an illegal firearm that fired in a crowded space, and was sentenced to a heavy prison term. But it was also Mr. Burress who served time, persevered and bounced back, admitting his mistakes. Isn’t that what America, the land of resilience and second-chances, is all about? The Jets faithful must have agreed, as they cheered Burress’ late touchdown grab as if he were Wayne Chrebet.

Where is the line in the behavior of professional athletes, our heroes and role models? What can be written off? What is unforgivable? The answer is a tricky one, and it’s a little surprising.

This issue may be best illustrated by contrasting Burress with his former teammate in New York, Tiki Barber.

Barber was a very solid player, a career Giant, and holds every notable franchise rushing record. But Barber constantly feuded with teammates, spoke out in the media, and never seemed like a good locker room presence. Barber’s reputation

only got worse in 2006, when he announced he would retire after the season. In October, the season came off the rails, and the fans saw Tiki as the main reason.

Upon retirement, Barber started broadcasting and ripped into his former teammates, while that team won a Super Bowl on a Plaxico Burress touchdown catch.

Fast forward three years to this summer. Burress got out of prison and Barber unretired. Both were rumored to be headed back to the Giants.

The fan and team reaction couldn’t have been more polarizing. While the Giants and fans actively recruited a reformed Burress, people were lining up to rip Barber on sports radio. Barber was not signed by a single team this year.

The conclusion seems to be this: Breaking the law can be forgiven, as long as an undoubtedly heartfelt and sincere apology is given. But breaking the unwritten laws of the sport, like badmouthing teammates or cheating, cannot be forgiven.

Examples of this can be seen in nearly every major sport. I mentioned “wrongdoing in baseball” to my friend, who is an MLB employee.

He mentioned steroid-pushers Bonds and McGwire, gambling Pete Rose, and the 1919 Black Sox. Notably absent were recent felons Miguel Cabrera and Francisco Rodriguez, both of whom are making playoff pushes.

And while LeBron James is unanimously the most hated player in the NBA, the league’s jersey sales have been led for the past two seasons by Kobe Bryant, who was accused of rape before a large settlement led to the dropping of a civil lawsuit.

The NFL may be the worst offender though, where the suspension for a repeat steroid offense is the same as one for killing a pedestrian in a DUI.

Don’t get me wrong. This is not a holier-than-thou piece, and I’ll be cheering the same as everyone else for these players, if not more. But athletes, there’s a lesson to be learned here.

It’s okay to get arrested, to put others in harm’s way, to break the rules. Just don’t break the wrong ones.

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Jack Hefferon

Sports Writer

What can be written off? What is unforgivable?

NFL

Eagles face questions despite win

Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA — A convincing 18-point victory in the season opener would leave most teams feeling satisfied about their performance.

Not the Philadelphia Eagles. Not this year.

The Eagles have a long way to go if they’re going to fulfill their goal of winning the Super Bowl. Beating the St. Louis Rams 31-13 on Sunday was a nice start. Still, there’s plenty room for improvement.

“We’ve got a lot of things to work on after the game yesterday,” coach Andy Reid said Monday. “The players, I could tell by the comments that they were humble and they understand the situation that we’ve got to continue to get better.”

The revamped defense struggled mightily against the run. St. Louis rushed for 154 yards, including Steven Jackson’s 47-yard touchdown on the Rams’ first play from scrimmage.

The overhauled offensive line had problems protecting Michael Vick. He was sacked three times and took several hits.

Vick was off, too, despite a solid all-around effort. He made several big plays, especially scrambling, but also had his worst passing game (14 for 32) as a starter with the Eagles. Vick threw for 187 yards and two touchdowns, and ran for 100 until two kneel-downs cost him two yards.

“The only thing I can dwell on right now is the things that we didn’t do so well,” Vick said.

“I felt like I could have done better. I’m thankful for the victory, don’t get me wrong, but I could have been a little cleaner and I told [coach] Andy [Reid] that.”

With three new starters on the offensive line, including a rookie center, and one starter playing a new position, it’s going to take some time for the group to get used to each other. Vick did his best to handle blitzes by doing what



AP

Eagles’ running back LeSean McCoy runs past Rams’ defender Craig Dahl for a 49-yard score in the fourth quarter Sunday.

he’s always done under pressure. He ran away from it.

Teams had success blitzing the Eagles late last season and the Rams tried it. But Vick doesn’t plan to stay in the pocket and absorb hits.

“If teams want to do it each and every week, we’ll have counters for it or we’ll have ways to beat it,” he said. “That was part of the reason I was able to run for a 100 yards. I trained myself this offseason to be able to do that. So, however it happens, however we get it done, that’s what it’s going to be. I’m pretty sure we’re going to do a great job at getting better with the blitzing. It’s all about situations and putting guys in the right positions at that right time.”

LeSean McCoy ran for 122 yards, including a game-sealing 49-yard score. DeSean Jackson brushed aside all the talk

about him not being happy because he doesn’t have a new contract, and caught six passes for 102 yards and one touchdown.

“I think it speaks for the heart and determination I have to play this game regardless of off-the-field issues,” Jackson said. “I’m here to work, I’m here to play football and do it at a high level. Any time I can go out there and perform and help my team win, I think it speaks for itself.”

On the defensive side, it was a positive debut for new coordi-

nator Juan Castillo in his first game since switching over from coaching the offensive linemen.

Led by Jason Babin, who was the first of the big-name free agents signed by the Eagles, the pass rush put plenty of pressure on Sam Bradford and took him down five times.

Nnamdi Asomugha, the biggest of the free-agent signings, wasn’t perfect. He committed a pass-interference penalty and allowed a long gain. But the star-studded secondary held the Rams to 181 yards passing and no scores.

“It’s the first game and everybody is amped up and we just needed to calm down and just start to focus,” Asomugha said. “Early in the game, everybody was all over the place. They got that long run, and after a while, we started to calm down and it got better.”

The Eagles stay on the road in Week 2 and have an even tougher matchup in another dome when they face the defending NFC South champion Falcons (0-1) in Vick’s first game returning to Atlanta as a starter.

Vick went to three Pro Bowls and led the Falcons to the 2004 NFC championship game in his six seasons in Atlanta before he went to prison in 2007. He played at the Georgia Dome with the Eagles in 2009 when he was the No. 3 quarterback, and scored his first touchdown following his release from jail.

“I was just getting back to football, not starting, so it was a bit emotional,” Vick said of his last visit. “This time, I think it’s going to be exciting. “It does feel different because I’m going to be out there four quarters, and that makes a difference. It definitely makes a difference in the outcome of the game.”

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NFL

Romo shoulders blame for Cowboys collapse

Associated Press

IRVING, Texas — All that time off watching from the sideline last season, all those offseason practices he led, even getting married — none of it could shake Tony Romo from his habit of reckless gambles that turn into costly late-game mistakes.

Twice in the final 10 minutes Sunday night, all Romo had to do was throw the ball away, or simply fall down. Had he done the smart, safe thing on either play, the Dallas Cowboys likely would've come away with a stunning start to their season.

Instead, he fumbled 3 yards from the end zone and threw an interception that set up a field goal, leaving the Cowboys with a different kind of stunning finish: a loss to the New York Jets that marked the first time in 248 tries that Dallas couldn't cash in on a fourth-quarter lead of at least 14 points — according to STATS LLC.

"I cost us a football game,"

Romo said afterward.

Cowboys fans and critics took to the Internet and airwaves Monday to wholeheartedly agree, dredging up all his past mistakes. The tone of the bashings was that this meltdown is further proof Dallas will never win a Super Bowl as long as Romo is playing quarterback, that he's too much of a gunslinger and not enough of a leader.

Inside the locker room Monday, the view was completely different. Teammates insisted the Cowboys wouldn't have been in position to win had Romo not played so well the first 50 minutes, and that there were plenty of other mistakes that contributed to the loss. They also considered his mea culpa as proof that he is a leader.

"That is him trying to create his identity and show, 'I am going to be responsible for how far this team goes,'" defensive end Marcus Spears said. "I think that is something he put on his shoulders and I personally like it. ... It will

only help him to feel that way."

Linebacker Keith Brooking didn't even know Romo took the blame, or that the quarterback has a reputation for making risky decisions with a game on the line.

"That's not the rap in this locker room," Brooking said. "Who cares what everybody else thinks? ... That wasn't Tony Romo's loss. ... That's not the way this team looks at it."

Brooking said Romo picked apart one of the best defenses in the league. He considered it as Romo continuing a roll that began in training camp.

"I'll take that guy over anybody in this league," Brooking said. "Y'all might think I'm crazy, but I'm telling you right now, he's going to have an all-time year. He'll probably shatter every record. ... I've seen enough football to know the guy's ready for the next level."

Romo is 31 and going into his sixth season as a starter. His storybook rise from an undrafted player to a Pro Bowler has been



Tony Romo celebrates after throwing a touchdown pass to Dez Bryant during the Cowboys' 27-24 loss to the Jets on Sunday.

overshadowed by what he hasn't done (1-3 in the playoffs), and how he hasn't done it. A common theme in all his disappointing losses has been late-game turnovers, usually while trying to

force a play he probably shouldn't have tried.

Having grown up in Wisconsin during Brett Favre's heyday, it's no surprise Romo is wired that way. But he also has the talent to make those kind of plays, which is why then-Cowboys coach Bill Parcells gave him a chance back in 2006. It's worth noting that Romo's career passer rating of 95.5 is fourth best in league history; his 64.1 percent completion rate is eighth best.

"His gift is his curse," Parcells said Monday on ESPN.

Romo cut way down on his mistakes in 2009 and the Cowboys went 13-3, won the division and picked up his first playoff win. He broke a collarbone six games into a disappointing 2010 season, and has said his time on the sideline left him craving the competition.

Jon Kitna did an admirable job filling in, sparking talk of what a great leader he was — and Romo wasn't. But Romo took charge during the lockout, organizing workouts attended by more than 40 players. And the former gossip-rag cover boy disappointed single women everywhere by walking down the aisle this summer.

Tight end Jason Witten broke into the league with Romo and remains a close friend. Nothing he saw Sunday night dimmed his opinion of Romo.

"Obviously, it was a disappointing couple of plays, but that doesn't define who he is," Witten said. "We know what type of player he is, so we'll get back on track. We have all the confidence in the world in him."

Witten said he has "no filter" when talking to Romo, so he would tell his buddy if he thought the quarterback blew it. Witten described the emotion as "more of a disappointment than it is more anger, frustration toward him."

"I think that's across the team," he said. "That's not just the tight end talking, or a teammate or a buddy. You go around this room there is a lot of confidence in him and what he does and what he creates for the team. Nobody is pointing the finger, and it's not just saying the right thing. I think everybody in this room believes it." As for Romo, he didn't speak with local reporters Monday, but he did conduct a conference call with San Francisco reporters. He said he got home around 5:15 a.m. and was at team headquarters by 10 a.m. to start getting ready for the 49ers.

"You have to get ready for the next one and we have to put that one behind us," he said. "I have to come out and play my best game this week and make sure that what happened last week doesn't happen again, and I'll do that."

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NBA

Lockout reaches critical juncture as season nears



NBA players union executive director Billy Hunter leaves talks between player and owner representatives in New York on Aug. 31.

Associated Press

NEW YORK — A pivotal stretch in the NBA lockout begins Tuesday, when full bargaining committees return to the table.

That could move players and owners closer to a new labor deal, but it also could send things in the wrong direction with time running down if more voices in the room leads to discord.

Any setback now would diminish hopes of the preseason opening without delay.

“The reality is our training camp would be scheduled to start on Oct. 3rd I believe, and so if there’s any intention of trying to get that started on time, then we both have to figure some things out very quickly,” players’ association president Derek Fisher of the Lakers said last week. “That’s just the reality of the situation.”

The process toward getting a new collective bargaining agreement seems to have gotten back on track after three meetings in the past two weeks between top negotiators from each side.

They decided their full committees have to return before they can go any further, so the owners’ labor relations committee and the union’s executive committee were told to come to New York for a session Tuesday, and perhaps even Wednesday. That should more than double the number of people in the room from last week, when there were nine.

On Thursday, both sides will report back to their memberships, with owners meeting in Dallas and players headed to Las Vegas, where more than 40 are taking part this week in a series of games at the Impact Basketball academy.

If things go poorly in New York, the message may include warnings that camps might have to be postponed, even though Commissioner David Stern said last week he didn’t expect any vote to be taken among owners Thursday. Nor would he say what he needs to hear before then to know if the schedule is in jeopardy.

“We have no conditions of any kind,” he said.

Stern hasn’t revealed much else, as both sides vowed to

keep details of the process quiet until a deal is done. Clearly intent on sticking to his word, he gave more than a half dozen one-word answers during two brief meetings with reporters last week.

That has created a guessing game about how far along things really are, not only among fans and the media, but even with players themselves.

“I wish that I was in a position to say we knew when NBA players would be back on the court and we’re getting close, but we’re just not at the point where we can make those type of statements,” Fisher said. “It wouldn’t be fair to the players, it wouldn’t be fair to the fans to get any false sentiments or hopes up at this point.”

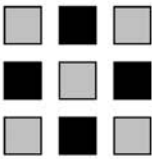
It’s even unclear if any new proposals have been made since owners locked players out at the end of the day June 30. Fisher has said there haven’t, but Deputy Commissioner Adam Silver, the lead negotiator for the owners, indicated last Thursday that there have.

The only certainty is that any adjustments to the 2011-12 calendar would have to be made sometime by late this month. The first postponements came on Sept. 24 during the 1998 lockout, when camps were scheduled to open Oct. 5.

Large groups from each side haven’t met since late June, when players expressed frustration that owners were still sticking to points from their original proposal from back in January 2010. That included changes to the current salary cap system along with pay cuts and shorter contracts for the players.

The process has been more cordial, even if not significantly more productive, with smaller groups. But Fisher said expanding them will allow both sides to know how to proceed going forward.

“To think about where we were July 1 to now in terms of just the process itself, not what’s being discussed and what type of deal it will end up being, just the process itself, we’ve put in a lot of time,” he said. “And we’re going to try to continue that process and see if we can get a fair deal done as soon as possible.”



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Sophomore Julie Sabacinski backhands a shot during Notre Dame's 4-3 loss to Baylor on March 6 last season.

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outdoors there are so many other factors that can affect your play, like wind and sun," senior Kristy Frilling said. "They may seem like not a big deal, but they can actually really affect how you play. I'm from Ohio so I grew up playing indoor tennis — and I love it."

Senior Shannon Mathews agreed that adjusting to indoor tennis is a huge part of playing for Notre Dame and other schools with harsh weather.

"A huge part of practice as well as most of our matches that we play toward the beginning of our season are indoors,"

Mathews said. "It's kind of unfortunate because there's a time or two when you'd like to be outside, but it comes along with going to school here."

The indoor game is much more difficult for players other than Mathews from southern areas.

"For Julie and Britney and [freshman Katherine White] from Florida, California and Georgia, it's probably been a little bit different because they're used to going outside and being outside all the time, but in South Bend it's a stinky winter and stinky weather for a lot of the year so you have to balance what you can do," Mathews said.

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Holt

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"We've been focusing on short game drills and putting drills, because we can save a lot of strokes around the green," Holt said. "We've also been trying to get our yardages down, especially with our wedges. You're able to get that consistency through lots of repetition."

In addition to working on their swings, the Irish have also been working on their fit-

ness. By building up their endurance, workouts ensure they won't come to the 18th hole exhausted after a day of playing and carrying a bag.

"We've been working out every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday morning in the [Guglielmino Athletic Complex]," Holt said. "Each individual has been working on what they need to be ready, and we're excited about that."

The season opens in less than a week with the first chance to determine if the preseason practices prepared Notre Dame enough. Holt says that her team is chomping at the bit

to begin tournament play, and is more than ready for another championship year.

"This week, we're just going to keep the same routine we've had going," she said. "We've gotten out for practice rounds a couple of times a week, and I've liked what I've seen, but it's not the same as tournament play. We're ready to get out there and start competing."

The Irish will open play at the Golfweek Conference Challenge next Monday in Wolcott, Colo., at the Red Sky Golf Club.

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NFL

Brady torches Miami Defense

Associated Press

MIAMI — Chad Henne had the best game of his Miami Dolphins career.

Problem was, so did the other former Michigan quarterback on the field — turning a Monday night opener into a Monday nightmare for a Dolphins' defense that expected to rank among the NFL's best this season.

Tom Brady embarrassed the Dolphins' secondary by throwing for a career-best 517 yards and four touchdowns — including a 99-yarder to former Miami receiver Wes Welker to seal the game in the fourth quarter — and the New England Patriots beat Miami 38-24, handing the Dolphins their 10th loss in 11 home games dating back to December 2009.

"It's embarrassing. It's embarrassing. That should never happen," Dolphins safety Yeremiah Bell said when told of Brady's final numbers.

"It's really embarrassing. It goes back to us challenging guys. That's on us. We can give him credit for what he did, but at the same time we've got to go out and challenge guys. That's the bottom line."

Henne completed 30 of 49 passes for 416 yards, 53 more than his previous best of 363 set last season. All for naught, thanks to Brady, the NFL's unanimous MVP last season who picked up right where he

left off.

"We did some good things," Henne said. "We have to watch the tape, see what we can correct and get better at. The best thing about this is the team's not quitting. Offensive guys, defensive guys, special teams, we didn't quit out there."

Combined, the former Wolverines threw for 933 yards in the game, the 906 yards of net passing one of numerous records set Monday night.

"Unfortunately, those numbers don't really matter," Dolphins receiver Davone Bess said. "We lost."

New England finished with a team-record 622 yards of offense, the most allowed by a Miami defense, the previous record being 597 against the New York Jets in 1988.

"They made some plays on us," Brady said. "We made a few more than them."

Brady completed 32 of 48 passes, and perhaps in the most ironic of footnotes, his NFL record for consecutive passes without an interception ended with 13:13 left in the third quarter when Jared Odrick grabbed a deflected ball and rumbled 40 yards to set up a Miami touchdown.

Brady had thrown 358 straight passes without being picked off in a regular season game, a streak that began last October.

By the end of Monday night, that mistake — and it wasn't

even his mistake — was long forgotten.

So too, in many respects, was Henne's spectacular night. According to STATS LLC, it was the 16th time in Dolphins history that a quarterback threw for at least 400 yards: Dan Marino did it 13 times, and Joey Harrington and David Woodley both did it once.

The game turned completely New England's way with just under 6 minutes left in the fourth quarter. Henne's fourth-and-goal pass from the 1 intended for Brian Hartline fell incomplete, and the Patriots took over.

"The right play," Henne insisted afterward.

Maybe, maybe not. The next one, however, couldn't be argued. On the first play of the ensuing New England series, Brady lofted the ball out to Welker, who took off on a 12-second sprint that ended up as the longest play from scrimmage in Patriots history.

It pushed Brady over the 500-yard mark, and sent Miami fans flocking to the exits.

"This is the first game, man," Dolphins linebacker Karlos Dansby said. "We've got 15 more. Know what I'm sayin'? We've just got to play well from here on out. It's just the first one."

Brandon Marshall finished with 139 receiving yards on seven catches for Miami.

Henne also was Miami's leading rusher with 59 yards and a touchdown, and Reggie Bush finished with 38 yards on 11 carries in his first regular-season game with the Dolphins.

Bush and Hartline caught Henne's touchdown passes.

"We said it all week," Dolphins coach Tony Sparano said. "Big plays are going to kill you against this team."

The Dolphins had a star-studded series of pregame ceremonies, including orange-carpet arrivals for the likes of Fergie — a limited partner with the organization — and Hank Williams Jr.

A statue of original Dolphins owner Joe Robbie was rededicated outside the stadium he built, and a flag was hoisted in honor of former Miami tight end and radio commentator Jim Mandich, who died of complications from cancer earlier this year.

And like in every stadium that hosted NFL games Sunday, the night was tinged with patriotism.

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accolades build his ego.

“It’s definitely an honor. It shows how hard our team works, and you don’t get those awards without good teammates,” Maund said. “Now, it’s all about going out and proving you deserve it.”

On the international stage, Maund has proved he belonged on multiple occasions, first with the Trinidad & Tobago U-17 national team before joining the United States U-20 squad. Maund, whose father is Trinidadian, has traveled to both Egypt in 2007 and South Korea in 2009 for the age-specific World Cups.

“Egypt was nice, but South Korea was really cool. The technology and the amount of people there were amazing,” Maund said. “The hotel we stayed in had the biggest underground mall in Asia in the basement.”

For the U-20 World Cup, Maund was forced to miss five games during his sophomore campaign. Those matches marked a rare absence for Maund, who has started all 64 games he has played in for the Irish.

“I don’t like sitting out of games,” Maund said. “It’s been tough but definitely rewarding.”

Irish coach Bobby Clark admired Maund’s athleticism and determination as a freshman, viewing it as a great base to begin with. Maund, Clark said, also received a glowing recommendation from his high school coach.

“He came highly recommended from Paul Sugg, his coach at Roxbury Latin, who I knew since my days at Dartmouth,” Clark said. “Whenever he recommends a player, I take a serious look at him.”

Clark netted Maund and subsequent Roxbury Latin product Leon Brown, currently a sophomore forward for the Irish.

While forward is a flashy, glorified position, central defense is an almost thankless and stat-less job. Maund has nevertheless enjoyed the position he has owned for the past three years at Notre Dame.

“You can watch the game develop and see what’s going on [as a central defender],” Maund said. “I like having the ball and being comfortable. It’s kind of like a safety in football.”

Maund is joined in the center of the pitch by Irish junior midfielder Dillon Powers, who joins Maund in a musical undertaking.

Luck or Skill, consisting of Maund, Powers, Irish senior midfielder Michael Rose and Michigan State student Chris Burgess, is a hip-hop group that originated in Dallas and has migrated to the Midwest. They are currently working on their first mixtape, tentatively titled “Call it a Night.”

Maund, a rapper in the group, counts Jay-Z and Kanye West among his influences along with old-school Motown music.

“They are so into their music,” Maund said of the rap giants. “Some of the samples they use are really soulful.”

Like Powers, Maund would like to extend his playing career into the professional realm after Notre Dame, whether it be in America’s Major League Soccer or overseas in one of Europe’s many leagues.

Wherever Maund plays, hopefully they have an Olive Garden, so Maund does not need to disregard his pregame ritual.

The Irish resume play Friday night when they welcome Michigan to Alumni Stadium.

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Lead

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day,” Kubinski said. “But this year he seemed more relaxed and composed going into that final round. He just ran into a bad hole and pressed a little too hard afterward to try to make up for it.”

Meanwhile, senior Max Scodro and sophomore Niall Platt led the Irish in individual competition. They tied for eighth after shooting a 220 (+4) for the three rounds. Platt was Notre Dame’s most consistent player over the two days, finishing Sunday’s 36 holes with eight birdies to put him in seventh place with a 145 (+1).

“It was good to see Max and Niall battle throughout,” Kubinski said. “Being the first full-length tournament, the guys might have been a little worn down, but it was a good opportunity to see where we stand and what we still need to work on.”

Scodro got off to a quick start in Sunday’s opening round after going two-under par but was shackled by a



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Sophomore Niall Platt takes a swing during the Battle at the Warren on April 12. Platt finished in a tie for eighth with teammate senior Max Scodro at the Gopher Invitational on Monday.

second round that featured five bogeys and one double-bogey. The senior rebounded from a rough second round Sunday to jump five spots on the leaderboard.

The Irish will have a chance to bounce back Friday with the Olympia Fields Invitational at the Olympia Fields Country Club in Chicago, Ill.

“We have got to get Paul and [senior Tom Usher] back to where they should be, and I think that they will do that this weekend at Olympia,” Kubinski said.

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1 One of the Pleiades

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9 Pickpocket, e.g.

14 ID in a library vol.

15 Dunce cap shape

16 Three-wheeled Asian cab

17 "Peanuts" figure ... or some fabulous fall soup?

20 "For rent"

21 Figure in academia

22 Nein : German :: ____ : Russian

23 Subway turners

25 Much-derided 1980s-'90s car

27 Calif. setting for "Stand and Deliver"

30 Words to swear by

34 Off-road wheels, for short

36 Rhyme scheme for Frost's "Stopping By Woods on a Snowy Evening"

38 Onion-flavored roll

39 Early 1970s dance ... or some smelly soup?

43 Kenyan tribesman

44 Suffix with opal

45 Key to get out of a jam?

46 At a chop shop, perhaps

48 Tennis's Graf

51 Exam for an aspiring Esq.

53 Ray of "GoodFellas"

56 Ways to the Web: Abbr.

59 It may be put on a pedestal

62 Gloomy, in verse
- Down**

1 Baseball gloves

2 "Give it ____!" ("Try!")

3 "Yes, if you ask me"

4 German chancellor Merkel

5 Score 100% on

6 "The Grapes of Wrath" family name

7 The "a" in a.m.

8 Compensate for loss

9 Channel for old films

10 Like a swinging pendulum, say

11 "Eww! Gross!"

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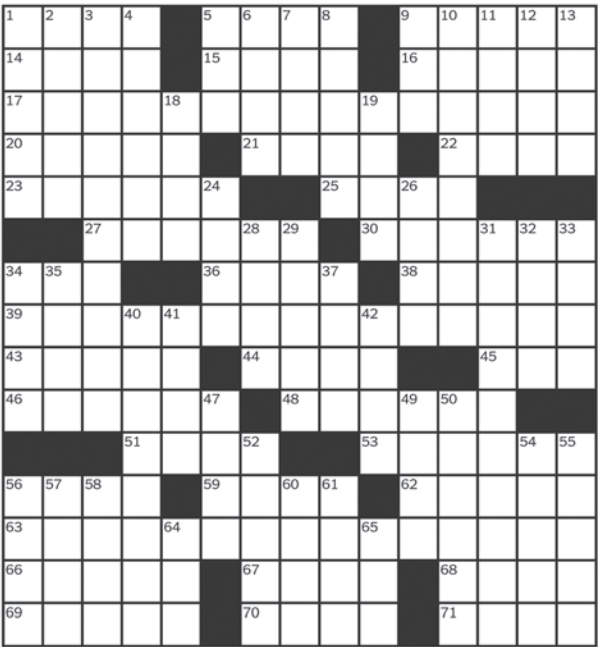
18 Hwys.

19 "One" on a penny

24 Lee of Marvel Comics

26 Mongolian desert

28 Okeechobee, e.g.



Puzzle by Tony Orbach

- 29 Chasm

31 "Calm down!"

32 Shouts at a futbol game

33 Harmony

34 \$20 dispensers

35 "What's ____?"

37 No. at a brokerage

40 Becomes smitten by

41 Sometimes-illegal turns, in slang

42 Dog command

47 The Midshipmen

49 Relative of Rex

50 Not casual

52 Corrupt

54 One of a Turkic people

55 Got out of bed
- 56 Allergic reaction

57 One-horse carriage

58 Be in limbo

60 Author C. P. ____

61 Frozen waffle brand

64 Grazing ground

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ARIES (March 21-April 19): React practically rather than emotionally or you will face a situation that will require far more attention than you anticipate. Sharing your plans will lead to meddling and a slowdown. Take on responsibilities on your own to avoid interference. ★★★

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Focus on finishing what you start. Do your best to get along with colleagues and authority figures. Appeal from the heart and you will be given extra privileges. Good fortune will develop through networking or socializing. ★★★★★

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Lend a helping hand, but don't allow anyone to take advantage of you. Slow down and think about consequences before you do or say anything that will affect others. Impulsive or willful action will result in a loss that will affect your reputation and finances. ★★

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Participate in social activities or take a day trip to interact with friends or relatives. The conversations you have will reinforce what you should do in your personal life. An offer to make a professional move may also entail relocation. ★★★★★

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Seek out as much information as you can. Visit destinations that are conducive to discovering what you need to know. Adapt and make changes to your life that will encourage greater freedom to follow through with creative ideas that you have been contemplating. ★★

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): You can accomplish much as a team player. Interact with people from different backgrounds and you will come up with a plan that will benefit everyone. Offering assistance will lead to long-term partnerships and good fortune. Love is in the stars. ★★

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Expect to face opposition. A partner will question your motives and strategy. Share your thoughts openly and deal with any negative response upfront. Partners may not agree with you, but once it's revealed why, you will be given greater leeway. ★★★

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Don't waste time. Put work first and you will reap rewards. Your way of doing things will draw attention from people who have something unique to contribute. Change is good, and you are overdue to begin the process. A partnership will bring good fortune. ★★★★★

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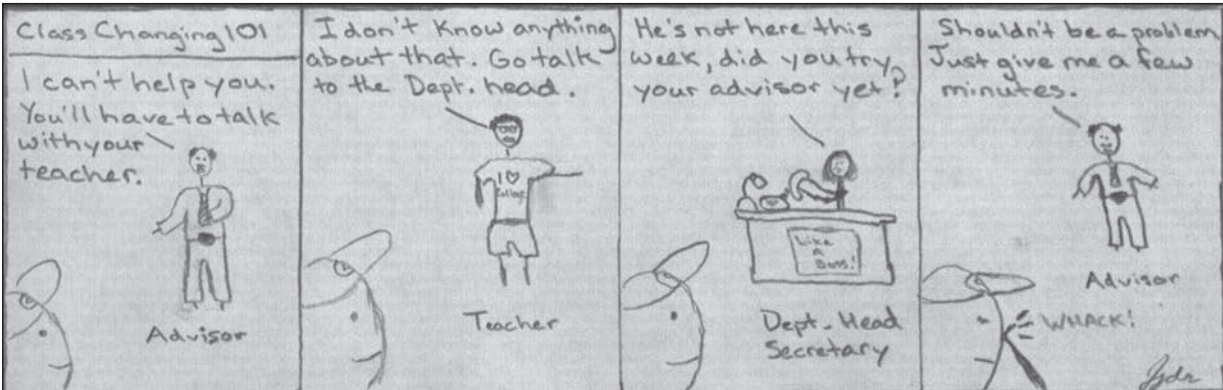
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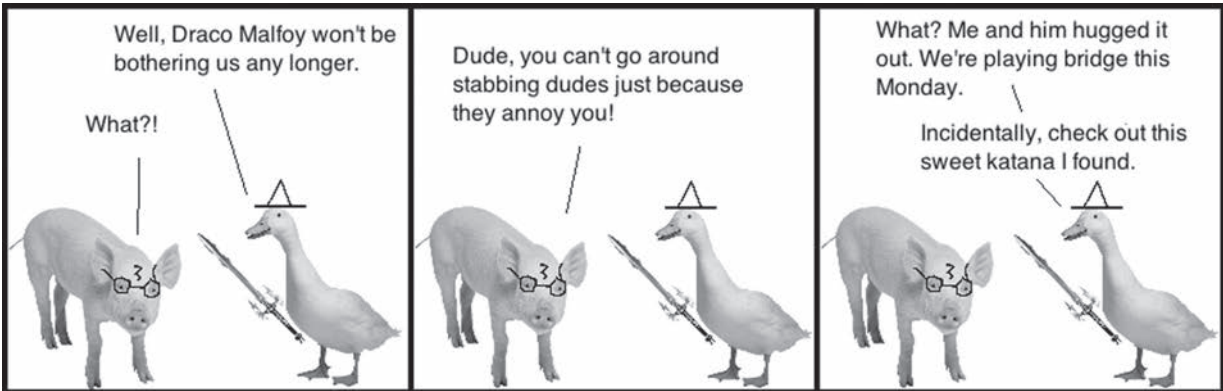
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MEN'S GOLF

Case of the Mondays

Irish give up four-stroke lead on final day at Gopher Invitational as Arkansas takes title

By ANDREW GASTELUM
Sports Writer

Notre Dame fell from first to third in the final day of the Gopher Invitational in Wayzata, Minn. The Irish entered the closing day at Spring Hill Golf Course with a four-stroke lead, but a 20-over-par round of 308 left them five strokes behind champion and 10th-ranked Arkansas.

The Irish quickly became tournament favorites after posting a 282 (-6) on the opening 18 holes Sunday, for an eight-shot lead with two rounds remaining. They followed that effort with a 295 (+7) in the second round, before losing the lead Monday. After entering the final day with the lead, Irish coach Jim Kubinski was disappointed to leave with anything less than the championship.

"Going into this season it is a good way to start off, but it is how we gave up the lead that

was disappointing for us," Kubinski said. "[Monday] we had gusty conditions with winds up to 25 m.p.h. so the margin of error became even smaller on that particular course, which is tough as it is."

The Irish were atop the team and individual leaderboards heading into the last round, led by a stellar effort from junior Paul McNamara III. McNamara fired off an opening round 66 (-6) highlighted by an eagle and seven birdies. He continued with a 73 (+1) in the second round to put him in first place at five-under with a single stroke advantage. But McNamara struggled in Monday's final round, squandering the lead with six bogeys, two double-bogeys and a triple bogey that led to a 85 (+13).

"Paul had a similar situation [at the College of Charleston Invitational] where he sort of gave up the lead on the second

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Senior Chris Walker competes during the Battle at the Warren on April 12. Walker climbed five spots on the Gopher Invitational leaderboard Monday, but the Irish finished in third place.

ND WOMEN'S TENNIS

Sophomores return for second year with increased confidence

By VICKY JACOBSEN
Sports Writer

Freshman year of college is all about adjusting to a new lifestyle. But for freshman tennis players, learning to love dining hall food and dorm life is far less a concern than getting used to an entirely new way of playing tennis. Playing tennis as part of a team and playing inside can be equally shocking at Notre Dame.

Last year's squad had four freshmen — half of the eight-

member team. Now that sophomores Jennifer Kellner, JoHanna Manningham, Julie Sabacinski and Britney Sanders have a full year of experience at the collegiate level, Irish coach Jay Louderback expects the team to be stronger physically and mentally.

"At the end of last year I think our kids had really come a long ways as far as competing," Louderback said. "We had so many freshmen that just weren't used to college tennis, and it takes them awhile.

That's something we'll continue with this fall and I feel good about it, since we only have one freshman this year and we have a lot [of athletes] returning."

Sabacinski agreed that she's now more prepared to deal with the stress that accompanies matches.

"In pressure situations, I think I'll be ready way more than I was last year," Sabacinski said. "Tennis is a very individual sport, and playing as part of a team is hard. It's a lot

more pressure than I expected it to be."

While Sabacinski and her teammates faced more challenging competition together, the Florida native is one of the few team members who came from an area where tennis could be played outside for the entire year, and was one of the few who was unfamiliar with playing indoors.

"Coming here was the first time I ever played indoor tennis; it was a big change," Sabacinski said. "The ball is much

quicker when you're inside. It's a lot faster, for sure."

Sabacinski's teammates — even those who grew up in colder areas where indoor tennis was a necessity for year-round play — understand why playing on the indoor courts of the Eck Tennis Center can be difficult for those from the south.

"Playing indoors and outdoors are two completely different games. When you play

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MEN'S SOCCER

Maund looks to back up awards

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Before each game, Irish senior defender Aaron Maund takes a seat at Olive Garden. He orders mussels as an appetizer. Next comes the chicken parmesan as an entrée. And why change?

The superstition has helped the Dorchester, Mass. native sizzle as an All-American performer and assisted in cooking up a winning recipe for No. 17 Notre Dame (2-1-2).

Maund was named a third-team All-American as well as an All-Big East performer prior to this season but refuses to let the

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JULIE HERDER/The Observer

Senior defender Aaron Maund passes the ball during No. 14 Notre Dame's 2-1 victory over Bucknell on Sunday.

ND WOMEN'S GOLF

Irish sharpen skills as fall season approaches

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When the Irish arrived on campus just a few weeks ago, there was much work to be done at practice to prepare for the fall season. After being scattered around the country during the summer months, they needed to shake off the rust and getting back to playing winning golf.

"With the fall season, we really try to get them back into the swing of things," Irish coach Susan Holt said. "They've all been doing dif-

ferent things over the summer, whether that be summer school, working or playing golf. So right now, we've just been trying to get their overall games ready."

Daily practices provided lots of time to bring back the team's skill and prepare them for the season, which begins Monday at the Golfweek Conference Challenge in Wolcott, Colo. Holt employed several different drills to get her team on its game for the tournament.

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