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## Sophomore ND student reported missing

*Police searching for 19-year old Liu*

By KATE ANTONACCI  
Associate News Editor

Police are searching for a Notre Dame sophomore reported missing Thursday morning after his mother feared he was "leaving and not coming back," authorities said.

Stephen Liu, a 19-year old Asian male, was reported missing between 10:30 and 11:30 a.m. Thursday by his mother, said Capt. Philip Trent, public information officer for the South Bend Police Department.

"His mother was concerned because he is not thoroughly aware of his surroundings," Trent said.

Liu, from Cherry Hills, N.J., was last seen in the early hours of Thursday morning on the east side of South Bend, though Trent was uncertain with whom Liu was last seen.

Foul play is not suspected in the case, which is being handled primarily by South Bend Police Detective Albert DeRoo, Trent

said.

Liu, described by his freshman year roommate as "very, very introverted," lives alone at Park Jefferson Apartments, an off-campus apartment complex located at 3001 E. Jefferson Blvd. in South Bend, Trent said.

Only five percent of Park Jefferson residents are Notre Dame students, said Kathryn Mary, manager of the complex.

The student is thought to be driving a 1995 black, four-door Infiniti G-20 with a KWD53P New Jersey license plate. Liu was last seen wearing a white T-shirt with green lettering, tan shorts and green and brown tennis shoes. He is 5-foot-6 and approximately 165

pounds, with black hair and brown eyes.

"[Notre Dame Security/Police] are assisting South Bend police in any way that they ask," University spokesman Matt Storin said. "We're extremely concerned, although at this point we think it is premature to form any conclusions."

Liu's mother had been in South Bend all week moving her son into his residence, and became concerned Thursday morning when she noticed he was missing, Trent said.

"We're using [the Liu family's] level of concern as our guidelines," Trent said. "[Mrs. Liu] is concerned that he's a young man and a student, and she got the feeling that he was

leaving and not coming back."

Trent said police are primarily concerned with locating Liu and verifying the student's well-being.

"All we're interested in is his welfare. Normally we wouldn't involve ourselves in an adult choosing to leave," Trent said. "They're suspecting he was having problems adjusting, and his mother is concerned."

Trent said that though missing persons reports are usually filed after the subject is gone for 24 hours, the report can be entered at any time.

"This is not something we would normally do. We've entered him as a missing per-

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## Off-campus ordinance stirs controversy

*South Bend Common Council's amendment calls for fining of excessive student parties*

By MADDIE HANNA  
Associate News Editor

Party on, students, but don't get too loud, serve minors alcohol, sell beer from a keg or invite an unusually large number of your closest friends.

You might just lose your home.

That seems to be the message behind the disorderly house ordinance amendment passed by the South Bend Common Council on July 25, a change impacting Notre Dame and Saint Mary's students living off-campus in South Bend.

The revised ordinance allows the city of South Bend to send a notice to abate the gathering to both tenants and the landlord after "the first incidence of a loud and raucous noise violation," according to a pamphlet released by the City Attorney's Office. Previously, the disorderly house ordinance allowed for

three reported noise violations before the City could send a notice.

After the first notice, if the City receives no response and the prohibited activities reoccur, it can file a civil suit against the tenants and landlord resulting in fines anywhere from \$250 to \$2,500.

But if the landlord evicts the offending tenants within 30 days of the "receipt of notice of the prohibited conduct," the charges against him will be dropped.

"Everyone knows what's illegal here. Everyone knows what causes a disturbance. That's not news," Assistant City Attorney Ann-Carol Nash said. "What's news is the possibility of eviction."

Council member Ann Puzzello said the amendment was a result of a year of meetings with disgruntled residents desperate to curtail out-of-control student parties.

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PAMELA LOCKE/The Observer

A student residence on Miner Street sits beside a South Bend resident's home. The city recently passed an ordinance designed to curb excessively loud student partying.

## 'The Show 2005' sales appear successful

By KAREN LANGLEY  
News Writer

The Show 2005, which co-headlines Cake and Akon, will kick off at 8 p.m. tonight at the Joyce Center Fieldhouse. According to The Show chairperson Anja Smitz, ticket sales have been strong and could potentially be the highest to date. Half of sales usually occur at the door.

"[Sales] have been better than in previous years," said Smitz. "We're excited because we think it could be a record turnout this year."

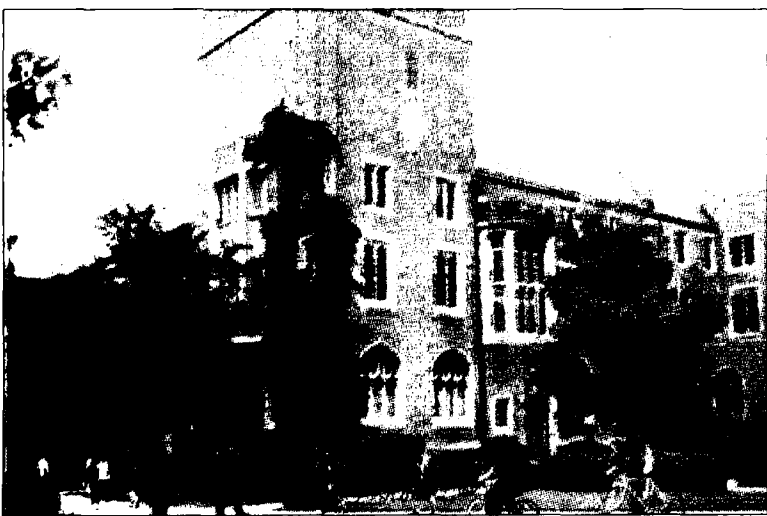
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## Law School receives \$21 million

By JEN ROWLING  
News Writer

On July 1, University President Father John Jenkins' first day in office, Notre Dame alumnus Frank Eck announced he would contribute \$21 million for the design and construction of a new building for the Notre Dame Law School, including a multipurpose center that will connect the new facility to the old law school building.

Not only was Eck's donation the largest in the history of the Law School, but it also ranks as the fifth-largest gift ever given to



TIM SULLIVAN/The Observer

Students leave the law school building on Thursday. A \$21 million donation was given to the Notre Dame Law School July 1.

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## SMC hires new V.P. in enrollment office

By KELLY MEEHAN  
News Writer

In a day and age where only one percent of high school females consider attending a woman's college, the task of recruiting students to such an institution may prove nearly



Meyer

impossible. However, things have just gotten a little easier for Saint Mary's with the hiring of Dan Meyer, who will serve the new vice president of enrollment management.

Meyer came to Saint Mary's from Saint Norbert College in DePere, Wis., where he served as the Dean of Enrollment Management. While there, he managed to increase the freshman class enrollment by nearly 30 percent, enroll the largest minority class in the college's history and achieve the higher

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## INSIDE COLUMN

# The ghosts of football past

I was walking by the stadium the other day on the way to class in DeBartolo when I noticed the huge new banners hanging in the concourses.

The sight of the old players got me to thinking. As Coach Charlie Weis and the players work hard preparing for the season opener in Pittsburgh, I realized I should

**Chris Khorey**

*Sports Writer*

take a moment and reflect on those players, coaches, and students that gave this school the greatest of all college football traditions.

There were the brave "footballists" in 1887 that learned the game from Michigan's experienced team in less than an hour and then proceeded to give the Wolverines all they could handle. As the members of the marching band looked on, Notre Dame lost just 8-0 to Michigan in the first ever intercollegiate game for the Irish.

There were the brothers Michael and John Shay, who wrote the Notre Dame Victory March and performed it for the first time in 1908.

There were students Gus Dorais and Knute Rockne, inventing the forward pass on the beach at Cedar Point and then torching opponents with it.

There was Rockne, after he became coach, leading the Irish to an astounding 105-12-5 record over 13 seasons as head coach.

There were Coach Frank Leahy's Lads, who returned from World War II to go undefeated over their four years under the Dome and win three national titles.

There was the Golden Boy, Paul Hornung, who won the Heisman Trophy despite playing with two broken thumbs.

There was the 1966 defense lead by Alan Page and Jim Lynch that allowed only 38 points all season en route to the national championship.

There was Rudy Reuttiger, the "5-foot-nothin', a hundred and nothin'" walk on that somehow reached his dream of playing football for Notre Dame.

There was Joe Montana, eating chicken soup to overcome hypothermia and then re-entering the 1979 Cotton Bowl in time to lead the Irish to a comeback victory over Houston.

There was Lou Holtz's 1988 team led by Tony Rice that won Notre Dame's most recent national championship by routing West Virginia 34-21 in the Fiesta Bowl.

There was the 1998 team that ran all over defending national champion Michigan in a 36-20 blowout victory.

There was the 2002 team that was left for dead before the season started but burst onto the national scene by winning the first eight games of Tyrone Willingham's tenure.

And now we have the 2005 Irish, led by Weis. Optimism is high on campus that he can lead the team back to the glory days of Rockne, Leahy, Parseghian, and Holtz.

So fellow Domers, get ready for Sept. 3, because here come the Irish!

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

## CORRECTIONS

In the Aug. 25 edition of The Observer, a headline read that Saint Mary's volleyball player Kristen Playko had recently returned from Germany. Playko actually spent the year in Austria. The Observer regrets this error.

## QUESTION OF THE DAY: WHAT DO YOU THINK OF THE NEW OFF-CAMPUS ORDINANCE?



**Chris Yanek**

*fifth year off-campus*

*"The Blue Zoo is immune to your ordinance!"*



**Colleen Mohan**

*fifth year off-campus*

*"Whatever's good for America and freedom."*



**Desiree Zamora**

*sophomore McGlinn*

*"I think it's bananas."*



**Isaac Garcia**

*sophomore Keenan*

*"I don't care because I'm not living off campus."*



**Matt Robins**

*senior off-campus*

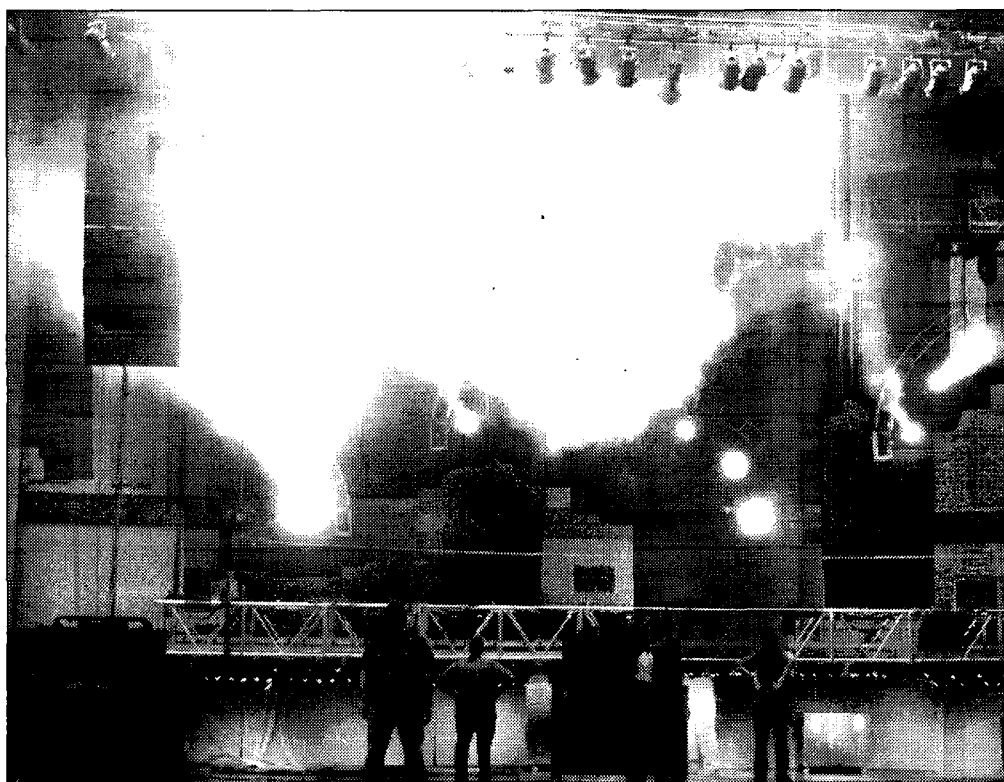
*"It's grrrrreat!"*



**Steven Peterson**

*junior Alumni*

*"Notre Dame: 15, Pitt: 11 ... I'm sorry, what?"*



TIM SULLIVAN/The Observer

**Crew members conduct a fog test Thursday for The Show, which takes place tonight at 8 p.m. in the Joyce Center Fieldhouse and features headlining acts Cake and Akon.**

## OFFBEAT

## Helicopter downed by rock-throwing illegal immigrants

Yuma, Ariz. — It could make aviation history: a helicopter downed by rock-throwing illegal immigrants just north of the US-Mexico border.

It was a close call for the Border Patrol pilot and an observer.

The A-Star helicopter was in California, several miles west of Yuma, Arizona, when a group of immigrants began throwing rocks at the aircraft. A Border Patrol spokesman says one baseball-sized rock gashed the rotor, forcing the pilot to

make an emergency landing.

No one was hurt.

## Researcher feels certain UFOs exist

HOPKINSVILLE, Ky. — Peter Davenport has received more phone calls than he cares to count that have an unusual opening: "Please believe me, I'm not crazy."

For Davenport, director of the National UFO Reporting Center in Seattle, it's part of the job.

Davenport spoke Sunday at the Little Green Men Festival in Hopkinsville with tales of what he believes are

some of the more fascinating, provable cases reported. The festival, at the Hopkinsville-Christian County Conference and Convention Center, commemorates the 50th anniversary of the Aug. 21, 1955, report of an alien invasion at Kelly.

After a lifetime of studying what many brush off as science fiction, Davenport is feels certain that UFOs exist and have been witnessed on Earth, and second, that the government has known about them for decades.

Information compiled from the Associated Press.

## IN BRIEF

**The Show**, featuring bands Akon and Cake, will take place tonight at 8 p.m. in the Joyce Center. Doors open at 7. Students must bring a valid ID card to gain admittance. Tickets are \$10 and may be purchased at the LaFortune Box Office.

Photographs by Sebastião Salgado will be exhibited from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. beginning Sunday in the O'Shaughnessy Galleries II and III of the Snite Museum of Art. The photographs are on loan from the Yancey Richardson Gallery in New York.

The volleyball team will face off against Michigan at 7 p.m. Saturday in the Joyce Center Arena.

The annual International Undergraduate Getting Acquainted Dinner will take place Sunday from 6 p.m. to 7:30 in the Welsh Family Hall lounge.

The International Welcome Back Picnic for international students, new and returning, will take place Monday from 5:30 p.m. to 7 on Holy Cross Field, across from the Grotto.

An exhibit entitled **Two Italian Hardbodies: Sports Cars Clad by Scaglietti and Frua** will be on display in the Snite Museum of Art Entrance Atrium Gallery until Sept. 18. The exhibit features a 1958 Ferrari and a 1955 Maserati. Admission is free.

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

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## Investigation continues at SMC

By MEGAN O'NEIL  
Saint Mary's Editor

St. Joseph County Police continued Thursday to investigate an alleged sexual assault on the Saint Mary's campus early last Saturday morning, officials said.

No arrests had been made as of Thursday, said Commander Brent Hemmerlein. He declined to comment on possible sus-

pects.

The alleged victim, a Saint Mary's student, told police she met a man at a local bar and then returned to campus with him to take a walk, police said in a statement. She told police she was then assaulted between 2 and 2:30 a.m. behind Holy Cross Hall, the statement said.

While Saint Mary's continues to communicate with investigators, all information has been turned over to the

St. Joseph County Police Family Violence and Special Victims Unit, College officials said.

"The student is back on campus and is attending classes, and we continue to offer her support as she deals with this situation," said Nick Farmer, Saint Mary's director of marketing communications.

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## World leaders to gather at ND

Special to The Observer

A panel of world leaders will convene at Notre Dame on Sept. 22 in a forum that provides an academic cornerstone to the inauguration of University President Father John Jenkins.

Titled "Why God? Understanding Religion and Enacting Faith in a Plural World," the forum will take place at 2 p.m. in the Joyce Center arena.

Panelists for the forum will include Prince El Hassan bin Talal of Jordan; Cardinal Oscar Andrés Rodríguez Maradiaga, S.D.B., archbishop of Tegucigalpa, Honduras; John C. Danforth, former U.S. senator from Missouri and former U.S. ambassador to the United Nations; and Naomi Chazan, professor of political science and African studies at Hebrew University of Jerusalem, a former member of Israel's parliament, the Knesset, and a three-decade participant in the Israeli-

Palestine peace process.

Former NBC Nightly News anchor Tom Brokaw will serve as moderator for the discussion, which will include participation by selected Notre Dame faculty and students. This event and others for the inauguration will be streamed from the University's Web site and can be watched live at <http://www.nd.edu>.

The forum, which will be a centerpiece of the events celebrating Father Jenkins' inauguration, will focus on the following questions:

♦ Why God? — In our globalized and religiously plural world, why should we consider religious and faith-based perspectives when addressing issues of general public concern?

♦ Understanding religion — How do we account for the increasing role of religion in 21st century societies, including those facing fundamental questions of human rights, economic development and violent conflict?

♦ Enacting faith — What do people of faith, including young intellectuals educated at Notre Dame, have to contribute to the solution of the world's pressing problems?

The panelists will first address each question individually and then discuss the issues in a structured conversation during the first hour of the forum. In the second hour, invited faculty and students will offer comments and ask questions of the panelists.

A set of readings on the themes of religious diversity and tolerance has been selected to give Notre Dame students and faculty the opportunity to explore these issues in depth during discussions to be held in the Notre Dame residence halls prior to and following the forum. The primary text is "When Faiths Collide," a reflection on religious pluralism and conflict by Martin E. Marty, professor emeritus of the history of Christianity at the University of Chicago.

## Funding for research continues growth

*Notre Dame professors earn notable grants totaling over \$80 million in 2004-05*

Special to The Observer

Continuing a trend of strong growth, incoming Notre Dame research dollars topped the \$80 million mark for the first time during the 2004-05 fiscal year. Notre Dame faculty earned more than 400 research awards and \$80.8 million in externally sponsored research funding during the last fiscal year.

Included in the \$80.8 million are some notable research awards:

♦ John Borkowski, psychology, \$2.7 million from two National Institutes of Health grants. The first is aimed at reducing the incidence of child maltreatment due to neglect and abuse by high-risk mothers. The second will go toward helping clarify neglect as a phenomena and its importance in determining child development in multiple settings.

♦ Malcolm Fraser, biological sciences, \$2.5 million from the Gates Research Foundation/National Institutes of Health to develop a novel approach to controlling dengue disease.

♦ Mary Ann McDowell, biological sciences, \$2 million from the U.S. Army and Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA) to develop a vaccine for use by the U.S. military to combat cutaneous leishmaniasis disease, which causes substantial mortality in developing countries.

♦ Jeanne Romero-Severson, biological sciences, \$2 million from the Indiana 21st Century Research and Technology Fund to develop genomic tools that will facilitate the study of a wide range of insects.

♦ Michael Wiescher, physics, \$2 million from the National Science Foundation to support JINA (The Joint Institute for Nuclear Astrophysics) an interdisciplinary approach to nuclear astrophysics that seeks to coordinate efforts between the astrophysics and nuclear physics communities, as well as joint efforts among experimentalists, theorists and observers.

"In the past five years, we

have more than doubled incoming research dollars and have experienced steady growth in all areas," said Mike Edwards, assistant vice president in the Office of Research.

Since 1999-2000, research dollars grew from \$38.9 million to the current \$80.8 total. Grants from the federal government represent nearly two-thirds of Notre Dame's research support.

"This continued double-digit growth in external funding is a great compliment to our researchers, and the exciting and significant research taking place at Notre Dame," Edwards said. "It is especially noteworthy considering that the federal government's funding available for research continues to remain relatively flat, if not decreasing slightly."

Researchers from science, engineering and arts and letters generate the most grant proposals and earn the bulk of research awards. According to Edwards, grants to the sciences have increased \$16.2 million in 2000 to \$37.6 million today, while engineering research awards have grown from \$12.6 million in 2000 to \$19.6 million.

College of Arts and Letters research funding grew from \$2.6 million to \$14.2 million.

"We have also experienced steady growth in intellectual property and patent activities," Edwards said.

These "technology transfer" activities involve faculty research which may have commercial applications. In 2001, University faculty submitted 12 intellectual property disclosures. That number rose to 41 in the last fiscal year. Six patents were issued to Notre Dame researchers this year, compared with three in fiscal year 2003-04.

Edwards noted that continued growth in research and in technology transfer by Notre Dame faculty contributes to the increased development of new products, technologies, and applications to improve our world.

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**Mike Edwards**  
assistant vice president  
Office of Research

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# Noise

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"When things get loud, it's a real problem for the neighbors," Puzzello said. "The huge parties are very dangerous and just not a good situation."

Student body president Dave Baron says he understands why some residents have been angry.

"When what you see of students is the worst side, you can probably get a wrong impression of student life," he said. But he believes different measures could have been taken.

"The whole situation of being a good neighbor is good communication," Baron said. "We worried that because [the amendment] was being done during the summer, there couldn't be communication."

Both Puzzello and Nash emphatically shook their heads "no" when asked if the amendment was designed to slip through during the summer in attempts to avert student uproar.

"I didn't think of it until a couple of students brought it up," Puzzello said, referring to the timing. "I'm perfectly happy to talk to anyone about it. I'm not trying to hide anything. It applies to anyone in the city."

Some students are skeptical. Pat Knapp and Jim Grace, both members of the Student Senate who stayed in South Bend for the summer, attended the July 25 meeting along with about 10 other Notre Dame students.

"After looking over the bill, I found that none of the 'prohibited conduct' was not already illegal," Grace said. "The parts that definitely bothered me were the final note about eviction as a way to alleviate the fine and the fact most of this occurred when students are home for the summer."

Knapp too said he felt the timing was "deliberate."

"But South Bend residents had legit complaints — students vandalizing property, urinating on homes, etc.," he said. "You couldn't really argue with it."

Nash said communication alone wasn't enough to solve the problem.

"I think for the most part, [communication] is effective, and most people don't want to create a disturbance," she said. "But we still come upon parties with hundreds of people a few feet away from other houses. If you want to have a party, please do. But you have to think about where you're doing it and under what circumstances."

Students aren't the only ones upset. Landlords like Mark Kramer fought the amendment during the discussion period and now plan to fight if and when lawsuits arise.

"I'm not sure how the city thinks they're able to hold landlords responsible for tenants' behavior," said Kramer, who runs Kramer Properties — formerly Domus — and rents to about 300 Notre Dame students within 10 blocks of campus.

"Besides that," he continued, "I think the whole ordinance is targeting Notre Dame students. I think it's awfully suspicious that they brought this ordinance to pass while all the students were gone for the summer."

Kramer, who said he has increased communication with his tenants and is planning a Sept. 7 barbecue for residents and students, fears neighbors calling the police unnecessarily.

He has never evicted anyone.

"And I don't intend to start now," he said. "No intentions."

Kramer said his attorney,

whose name he would not disclose, considers the ordinance "not enforceable" and "not constitutional."

He believes the main problem is students living in properties located in single-family zoning, which legally only allows two unrelated parties to live together. Kramer, who only rents properties to students in multi-family-one zoning, said residents in single-family zoning are the ones raising complaints.

"On St. Peter's Street, which is zoned properly, we don't get complaints," Kramer said. "I think the city needs to concentrate their efforts to resolve this. They say you can't prove it. But when you see seven cars from differ-

ent states [always parked outside], it's pretty obvious."

The University has "no cause to be involved" in an eviction lawsuit for one of its students, said Bill Kirk, Associate Vice President for Residence Life.

"I'm hopeful

that it's something students will take note of, abide by the law, not be subject to the sanctions," Kirk said, explaining that civil violations were handled by the city of South Bend. "We want students to work to be good neighbors."

Nash said she thought there wasn't as much of a problem in South Bend as in other towns surrounding major universities.

"I think most people who live

*"I've never felt so complimented. If I was wealthy and fornicating my life would be just great. I'm single, and I work two jobs."*

**Pat Knapp**  
off-campus student

near Notre Dame students like Notre Dame," Nash said. "South Bend benefits a great deal from having Notre Dame, Saint Mary's, Bethel, IU-SB and other schools in the community. We want the positive relationships to continue."

Knapp said he felt "tension" between students and residents at the July 25 meeting.

"One man who obviously had a bone to pick accused students of being wealthy and fornicating," he said. "I've never felt so complimented. If I was wealthy and fornicating, my life would be just great. I'm single, and I work two jobs."

The number of students renting properties off-campus has been slowly but steadily increasing, potentially contributing to the problem. In the past five years, students living off-campus increased from 17 to 19 percent, according to the 2004 Office of Institutional Research FactBook. From 1996 to 2003, the number of undergraduate students living

off-campus increased from 1,313 to 1,573.

It's hard to predict the impact of the amendment for today's approximately 1,600 off-campus students. Off-campus council president Matt Wormington said he thought it would probably depend on the police officers involved.

"We don't think it's going to be anything too bad, as long as people keep it under control," he said.

The five seniors living at 613 St. Peter's Street who attended Monday's Off Campus Fair said they were aware of the amendment to the ordinance. But they said it wouldn't change their social agendas.

"Not cool," senior Mike Scully said.

Senior Mike Tallarico agreed. "There's probably going to be more [parties] out of anger," he said.

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## INTERNATIONAL NEWS

### Iraqis miss third constitution deadline

BAGHDAD, Iraq — For the committee drafting Iraq's new constitution, it's three strikes ... and another trip to the plate.

The speaker of Iraq's parliament announced a one-day extension early Friday in talks on the constitution — a fourth attempt to win Sunni Arab approval. But he said that if no agreement is reached, the document would bypass parliament completely and be decided in an Oct. 15 referendum.

A Shiite power play would undercut one of Washington's goals for the constitution: to invigorate a political process that will lure disaffected Sunni Arabs away from the Sunni-dominated insurgency so that U.S. and other foreign troops can begin to go home next year.

### Iran calls for nuclear program talks

TEHRAN, Iran — Iran on Thursday called for more countries to join three European states in talks about its nuclear program, apparently hoping to bring in more sympathetic negotiators. The surprise call was part of Tehran's drive to win approval for what it says will be peaceful use of nuclear power.

The talks involving France, Germany and Britain suffered a blow earlier this month when Iran rejected the Europeans' central proposal — an offer of economic incentives in return for permanently giving up uranium development. Tehran also resumed uranium conversion at its plant in the central city of Isfahan.

Iran's new top nuclear negotiator, hard-liner Ali Larijani, said Thursday that more nations should join the talks.

"There is a serious question in Iran that asks why nuclear negotiations should be limited to just three European countries," he said.

## NATIONAL NEWS

### CIA watchdog urges Sept. 11 review

WASHINGTON — The CIA's independent watchdog has recommended disciplinary reviews for current and former officials who were involved in failed intelligence efforts before the attacks of Sept. 11, 2001, The Associated Press has learned.

CIA Director Porter Goss now must decide whether the disciplinary proceedings go forward.

The proceedings, formally called an accountability board, were recommended by the CIA inspector general, John Helgerson. It remains unclear which people are identified for the accountability boards in the highly classified report spanning hundreds of pages. The report was delivered to Congress Tuesday night.

### Heat causes Los Angeles blackouts

LOS ANGELES — Sweltering heat and the loss of key transmission lines Thursday forced power officials in Southern California to impose rolling blackouts, leaving as many as half a million people without power for about half an hour, officials said.

The California Independent System Operator, which operates the state's electric grid, declared a transmission emergency at 3:57 p.m., said ISO spokeswoman Stephanie McCorkle.

About 30 minutes later, power was being restored to people subjected to the blackouts, she said.

## LOCAL NEWS

### Indiana justices approve execution

A sharply divided Indiana Supreme Court cleared the way Thursday for Arthur P. Baird's execution next week, saying he might be mentally ill but he's not legally insane.

Baird is scheduled to die by lethal injection before sunrise Wednesday in the Indiana State Prison at Michigan City. He was sentenced to death for fatally stabbing his parents, Arthur and Kathryn Baird, in 1985.

Gov. Mitch Daniels could still spare Baird's life by granting clemency, a form of executive branch mercy. It's unclear if or when Daniels intends to act.

## Hurricane Katrina slams Florida coast

80 mph winds, rain cause massive damage, including at least two deaths

Associated Press

FORT LAUDERDALE — Hurricane Katrina slammed into Florida's densely populated southeastern coast Thursday with sustained winds of 80 mph and lashing rain. Two people were killed by falling trees.

The storm strengthened into a Category 1 hurricane just before it made landfall along the Miami-Dade and Broward county line between Hallandale Beach and North Miami Beach. Weather officials said flooding was the main concern as the storm dropped a foot of rain or more in some spots.

There were no immediate reports of major damage or flooding as the storm passed through the area. An estimated 5.9 million Florida residents were in Katrina's projected path.

Rain fell in horizontal sheets and blew gusts of up to 92 mph, toppling trees and street signs. Seas were estimated at 15 feet, and blowing sand covered waterfront streets. Florida Power & Light said more than 412,000 customers were without electricity.

The storm proved fatal for two people who ignored warnings from officials to stay inside until the worst was over. A man in his 20s in Fort Lauderdale was crushed by a falling tree as he sat alone in his car, while a pedestrian was killed by a falling tree in the Fort Lauderdale suburb of Plantation.

"The message needs to be very clear. It's not a good night to be out driving around," National Hurricane Center director May Mayfield. "The back side of the core of the hurricane has yet to come. It's not over yet."

The usually bustling streets of Miami Beach, a tourist haven, were largely



A tree was blown over on top of a car in Fort Lauderdale, Fla. as Hurricane Katrina came ashore late Thursday. Two deaths have been reported involving people trapped in cars and downed trees.

deserted as the storm pounded the area. The city is hosting celebrities and partygoers in town for the MTV Video Music Awards. MTV called off its pre-awards festivities Thursday and Friday.

"It's like a ghost town out here," said Mark Darress, concierge at The Astor Hotel in Miami Beach. "I see the random, not so smart people, riding scooters every now and then."

Tourists and others hoping to get out of town before the storm were stranded as airlines canceled flights at Miami and Fort Lauderdale airports, which both closed Thursday night.

On the entertainment strip along Las Olas Boulevard in Fort Lauderdale, Mango's restaurant manager Paul Wagner was closing down the business for the night as the weather worsened.

"That eye wall is coming through, but its pretty moderate here," Wagner said. "The only thing I can really see is tree limbs and some palm fronds in the road."

Before the hurricane struck, Floridians wary of Katrina prepared by putting up shutters, stacking sandbags in doorways and stocking up on supplies.

At a supermarket in Hollywood, Cassandra

Butler hefted two five-gallon bottles of water as well as a 24-pack of smaller bottles into her shopping cart Thursday.

"It's not that I'm worried. I've been in south Florida all my life," Butler said. "But this is a feature of life down here, and you are smart to deal with it."

At a Home Depot in Miami, Jose Guerrero, 68, loaded 4-by-8 sheets of plywood onto a metal cart. He and his family huddled in their Coral Gables home as Hurricane Andrew screamed by in 1993 and he has been boarding up the house during hurricanes ever since.

## PERU

## Scavengers remove possible clues from wreckage

Associated Press

PUCALLPA — Hundreds of scavengers combed through the wreckage of a Peruvian airliner Thursday, carrying away scrap metal, passengers' belongings and electronic equipment that could have offered clues into what caused the crash that left at least 37 dead.

Dozens of air force soldiers stood by and watched as residents of this Amazon jungle town dug through debris of the Boeing 737-200 that crashed Tuesday, looking for anything of value.

"I'm collecting this for my house to hang my laundry," said Rosario Dahua, 47, as she tugged at a tangle of heavy black wires next to a partially submerged turbine jet motor wedged in the water and mud.

Aviation experts warned the missing

parts could have yielded important crash details, and one compared the scavenging to contamination of a crime scene.

The airline has said wind shear likely forced the emergency landing and that the pilot's actions saved the lives of at least 58 people on board. But an aviation expert suggested pilot error was to blame. Officials will study both claims as they investigate the crash.

The airliner was carrying 98 people, including six crew members, on a domestic flight from the Peruvian capital of Lima to the Amazon city of Pucallpa when it crash-landed Tuesday in a marsh a few miles from the Pucallpa airport, company spokesman Jorge Belevan said Wednesday.

Belevan said three missing people might include survivors from Pucallpa who returned to their homes after the

crash without receiving medical assistance.

Air force Cmdr. William Rodriguez, in charge of security at the site, said Thursday he did not believe the people would impede the work of civil aviation investigators who had not yet arrived.

"We are verifying that all the bodies have really been recovered," Rodriguez said. "So if these people want to search for things, perhaps they'll encounter another body."

A "black box" hasn't been recovered. Officials said the flight voice recorder has been found but not the data recorder.

Seated behind Rodriguez in a pickup truck parked near the crash site was another officer who did not provide his name. He said that if people find the missing recorder "they'll turn it in."

## SMC

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average ACT scores of incoming freshman.

Meyer hopes to achieve similar goals at Saint Mary's.

"We need to meet the needs of students in every way possible," Meyer said. "I hope to shift our way of thinking so that students are our top priority at all times."

To become more in tune with the students' feelings towards the College, Meyer hopes to survey students to find out why they chose Saint Mary's and how they feel about it once they attend. He also will survey students who transfer out of the college, to see what made them decide to leave.

Once the administration is better in tune with the needs of the students, Meyer hopes that the College will become more appealing to prospective students. The goal is to have a gradual increase in the freshman class at a rate of approximately 25 students per year.

It is not only his goal to increase general admission, but

to also increase diversity within the student body, Meyer said. He does not wish to solely increase ethnic diversity, but social, academic and geological diversity as well.

"The students' academic experience will greatly increase as they interact [among] an increasingly diverse student body," he said.

To achieve these primary goals, Meyer is currently in the process of building an enrollment management team at the College. This team will consist of both the admissions counselors and financial aid employees. The purpose of this team, among other things, will be to work together to create a national Saint Mary's brand.

This brand will define the mission and critical values for all students and alumni.

Meyer feels that the College has been through several bouts of change and needs to gain more focus on a solid identity that will give off a message they can embrace. Once this is achieved, the College will develop a definite identity and have more of a stand in the national market, he said.

Meyer made the move from

Saint Norbert with great confidence in Saint Mary's.

"I believe the College has a strong future due to the fact that is has been educating bright, talented and motivated women with highly-educated professors for many years. It is a sound product, especially since it is a liberal arts and Catholic college — two mission-critical values," Meyer said.

Many faculty members, including Interim Director of Admissions Mona Bowe, are very excited for the anticipated changes Meyer will bring to the College within the next few years.

"The addition of [Meyer] to the College community will allow us to reach our goal to admit, enroll and retain quality students," she said. "While we have been able to accomplish this somewhat working separately, having a single person on campus that can bring together Admissions and Financial Aid under one roof, and be a leader in retention issues, can only make Saint Mary's stronger."

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## Law

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Notre Dame.

The new construction, Eck Hall, will be located at the site of the old post office. Eck Commons, designed with arches, will connect the new building with the existing school.

Notre Dame Law School was founded in 1869 and is the nation's oldest Catholic law school. Jenkins said he believes the gift will help the law school advance.

"We need to build an addition to our law school. It's important just to do the work for the law school, and that gift really put us forward," said Jenkins. "I hope we can complete that funding soon, maybe even next year or so."

Eck has made several previous gifts to Notre Dame — his contributions now total in excess of

\$35 million. His gifts have included a library collection in chemical engineering and construction of the Eck Tennis Pavilion in 1987, Frank Eck Baseball Stadium in 1994 and the Eck Center, which incorporated Hammes Notre Dame Bookstore, visitor's center and Alumni Association headquarters in 1999.

"Frank Eck is one of the most generous benefactors of this University, and it was very generous of him to choose my first day in office to give that gift," Jenkins said. "I'm grateful to him. He just encourages me; we have such support here."

Eck graduated from Notre Dame in 1944 with a degree in chemical engineering. He is currently a chairman of Advanced Drainage Systems in Columbus, Ohio. Since 1984 he has also been on the College of Engineering Advisory Council.

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## Show

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The Show committee puts on the annual concert, which has been run under the Student Activities Office since 2002.

Smitz has been leading organizational efforts since last winter.

"I was interviewed last January and given the job in February, and then we formed a committee," she said.

The 17-person committee includes subcommittees for marketing, finance and production, as well as Saint Mary's and Holy Cross liaisons.

The search for musical acts began late last year, when the committee talked with students and compiled a massive list of potential candidates. They then researched groups' touring schedules and fees before deciding upon Cake and Akon.

"These were two bands we thought everyone could get really excited about," Smitz said.

She noted that the University's reputation has played a part in getting big names to come to campus.

"We tried to sell some big bands on the experience of Notre Dame," she said.

This year's The Show will be held in the Joyce Center Fieldhouse instead of the Arena, where it has been held in past years. Scheduling conflict prevented The Show's use of the Arena, but this may

benefit students who wish to get up close to the bands. While the Arena was able to fit 1,000 people on the floor, the Fieldhouse is able to accommodate a larger audience near the bands.

"It can easily accommodate twice last year's audience that has direct access to the stage," Peggy Hnatusko,

assistant director of Student Activities, said.

Other new features of The Show 2005 include large projection screens over the stage, complete with a live feed filmed by NDTV.

Smitz stressed the unifying potential of an event like The Show.

"It's a great experience because it brings the school together with a big event where everyone can just have fun," she said.

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AMEX 1,627.72 +9.04  
NASDAQ 2,134.37 +5.46  
NYSE 7,434.58 +17.16  
S&P 500 1,212.37 +2.78  
NIKKEI(Tokyo) 12,405.16 0.00  
FTSE 100(London) 5,255.70 -19.50

COMPANY	%CHANGE	\$GAIN	PRICE
NASDAQ 100 (QQQQ)	+0.23	+0.088	38.588
CISCO SYS INC (CSCO)	-0.23	-0.04	17.48
BEACON POWER CORP (BCON)	-6.68	-0.29	4.05
SUN MICROSYS INC (SUNW)	+1.11	+0.04	3.63
MICROSOFT CP (MSFT)	+0.82	+0.22	27.03

Treasuries			
30-YEAR BOND	-0.75	-0.33	43.65
10-YEAR NOTE	-0.45	-0.19	41.60
5-YEAR NOTE	-0.17	-0.07	40.38
3-MONTH BILL	+0.15	+0.05	34.35

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Exchange Rates	
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EURO	0.8130
POUND	0.5546
CANADIAN \$	1.1921

## IN BRIEF

### Raycom purchases Liberty Corp.

MONTGOMERY, Ala. — Raycom Media of Montgomery agreed Thursday to buy Liberty Corp. of Greenville, S.C., in a \$987 million deal that will boost Raycom's holdings to 52 TV stations.

Liberty operates 15 network affiliated stations, including WFIE in Evansville, Ind., and Raycom, an employee-owned company, operates 37. The deal will give Raycom a highly rated station in its hometown, WSEA-TV.

Raycom President Paul McTear said the agreement "allows us to take an exciting and logical next step into an exceptionally attractive group of markets."

Raycom agreed to purchase Liberty's stock at \$47.35 per share, making the deal worth \$987 million. Raycom will keep its headquarters in Montgomery, McTear said.

Hayne Hipp, Liberty's CEO and chairman, said Liberty's stations "will benefit from greater scale and resources, which are necessary to compete effectively in today's increasingly competitive media market."

Company officials said they expect to complete the transaction by Dec. 31.

### EU clears Johnson & Johnson deal

TRENTON, N.J. — The European Union cleared Johnson & Johnson's planned purchase of heart device maker Guidant Corp. on Thursday, provided some operations are sold, but J&J said the deal closing will be delayed because key U.S. regulators have yet to sign off.

Johnson & Johnson spokesman Jeffrey Leebaw said the \$25.4 billion cash and stock deal could not be finished until after the U.S. Federal Trade Commission makes a decision.

"We're now focusing on obtaining the FTC clearance," said Leebaw. "We expect that in October."

In a regulatory filing Thursday afternoon, J&J said it hoped to complete the deal in the fourth quarter.

The New Brunswick-based maker of medicines, skin and baby care products, contact lenses and medical devices had been aiming to wrap up the deal by the end of September. That timetable became questionable when Indianapolis-based Guidant, which makes pacemakers and defibrillators, this summer had to issue several recalls covering tens of thousands of the devices.

## Banks to lend United Airlines \$3 billion

Parent company secured commitments from four financiers in order to resolve debt

Associated Press

CHICAGO — United Airlines' parent company said Thursday it has secured new commitments from banks for up to \$3 billion in debt financing that should enable it to emerge from Chapter 11 bankruptcy by late 2005 or early 2006.

While the financing is not yet final, UAL Corp. hailed the revised proposals as a strong endorsement of the new business plan it formulated this summer even as the steep increase in fuel prices continues to squeeze carriers' bottom lines.

The commitments from the four financiers — Citibank, JPMorgan Chase & Co., Deutsche Bank and GE Commercial Finance — were disclosed as the Elk Grove Village, Ill.-based airline updated its status in a filing Thursday with federal bankruptcy court.

United said it registered a \$274 million net loss for July. That pushed its losses to \$2.8 billion this year and more than \$7 billion since it entered bankruptcy in December 2002.

Chief Financial Officer Jake Brace said the fact the lenders are willing to provide more than the \$2.5 billion United sought testifies to the resilience of its new business plan even amid daunting conditions for airlines. He said United is continuing to negotiate the cost and terms of the financing, but has fully underwritten offers it could put into place now if it so chose.

United has not yet publicly disclosed its new business plan or laid out its strategy for returning to profitability for the



Passengers line up outside a United Airlines ticket counter Aug. 20. The company announced Thursday it has secured commitments from four banks to resolve its debt.

first time since 2000. Brace said only that it would be filed in the "not too distant future" with its plan of reorganization.

"This validates our business plan and demonstrates that despite the fact that the industry environment has gotten tougher, the United business plan can attract even more all-debt exit financing than it could last winter," Brace said in an interview.

Despite its long streak of money-losing, airline analyst Mike Mooney said

United remains a worthy investment risk for the banks because of several strengths: its international route network, strong U.S. hub structure, long-term labor deals in place and the shedding of its multibillion-dollar pension obligations.

"It's a tough business right now, and certainly one can critique the overall success of United's management team — the amount of time they've spent in bankruptcy," said Mooney of the Boyd Group in Evergreen, Colo.

"But United has a beautiful franchise. The banks see the opportunity to step in on that, which puts them in a very preferred position assuming there is a successful emergence."

The banks had tentatively agreed in January to provide up to \$2.5 billion in debt financing, but that was before soaring fuel prices forced United to devise a new business plan. Oil prices, now topping \$67 a barrel, have risen more than 50 percent this year.

## Miss America pageant leaves Atlantic City

Associated Press

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J. — Before the slot machines, before the cheap buffets, before The Donald, there was Miss America.

Born of a Boardwalk publicity stunt, she accidentally became an American icon, thanks to years of televised crownings viewed by little girls staying up late to watch the gowns and glamour in the telecasts from Boardwalk Hall.

For 84 years, Atlantic City was Miss America — and Miss America was Atlantic City.

But now, the town's sequin-clad claim to fame is shaking the sand off her high heels and hitting the road.

The Miss America Organization, which stages the pageant every year, called it an era Thursday, saying it could no longer afford to lose money staging the event in cavernous Boardwalk Hall, where the nonprofit group has been crowning

small-town girls since 1940.

After losing its network TV contract last fall, the pageant is now slated to air in January on Country Music Television, based in Nashville. Pageant CEO Art McMaster said no deal had been struck with another city to host the pageant, but the organization is entertaining offers.

The high price of outfitting Boardwalk Hall with the necessary lights, cameras and audio equipment made it impossible to stay at the 76-year-old arena; the organization was unable to sustain what he said was a \$500,000 loss on each production.

"We don't need to break even. We need to put money in our pockets," McMaster said.

One possibility: Move the pageant from city to city each year, like the Super Bowl, drumming up interest anew at each stop along the way.

Thursday's announcement, at a routine board meeting of the

Atlantic City Convention & Visitors Authority, came as a shock.

But it shouldn't have. Miss America's fortunes have been sagging for years, with viewers tuning out, sponsors backing off, and the Miss America Organization struggling to make the woman Bert Parks used to call "your ideal" relevant to today's TV audience.

"Does it hurt to leave Atlantic City? Sure. It has been our home since the beginning," said Heather French Henry, Miss America 2000.

But "when you represent every state and a territory, you have to look at a bigger picture. Maybe a bidding system would increase revenue and enhance the visibility of Miss America," Henry said.

Viewers used to seeing the parade of beauties, swimsuit contests and amateurish talent routines on television each September won't necessarily notice, or care, about the change of venue.

## Student

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son, which is no sweat for us," Trent said.

It is unknown what kind of access Liu has to funds, Trent said, adding that if police thought it necessary, the department could write up a "sincere, legitimate reason for a judge" and gain a subpoena to track any sort of credit card and banking information.

Liu's freshman year roommate in Siegfried Hall, sophomore Victor Oreskovich, said that a similar situation occurred last year.

"We were roommates last year, and all of a sudden, last spring, he stopped staying in the room," Oreskovich said. "A few weeks later, he came back and left me a note saying that he would be staying with friends for the rest of the year. That is the last time I heard from him."

According to Oreskovich, Liu is a "very, very introvert-

ed" man.

"He was very studious and kept to himself," Oreskovich said. "He didn't really socialize."

Though Oreskovich only met Liu's parents once, he described them as being "very hard on him." Oreskovich did not know how they reacted to Liu's spring disappearance.

"At this time, something doesn't feel right to the family," Trent said. "We want to help them out."

Notre Dame Security/Police director Rex Rakow and assistant director Philip Johnson declined to comment on the case, though they did confirm that NDSP met with Liu's family Thursday afternoon.

Storin and Johnson both declined to comment on details of the meeting. Trent said the future of the case depends on how the family wants to proceed with it.

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## 39 companies targets in California lawsuit

Associated Press

OS ANGELES — California regulators named 39 new defendants Thursday in a lawsuit against U.S. pharmaceutical companies accused of inflating drug prices and costing state taxpayers hundreds of millions of dollars.

Among those named were drug giants Amgen Inc., Bristol-Myers Squibb Co., GlaxoSmithKline P.L.C., Novartis AG, Sandoz Inc., Mylan Laboratories Inc. and Schering-Plough Corp.

"We're going to drag these drug companies into courts of law because they've been gouging the public," California Attorney General Bill Lockyer said at a news conference. "We estimate each of the pharmaceutical companies could be liable for up to \$30 to \$40 million."

Representatives of Bristol-Myers Squibb, GlaxoSmithKline, Novartis and its subsidiary, Sandoz, said the firms followed the pricing guidelines under the law.

A spokeswoman for Kenilworth, N.J.-based Schering-Plough said the company had yet to see the state's complaint and declined to comment.

Amgen spokeswoman Mary Klem said the company was added to the suit because of claims filed against a sub-

sidiary, Immunex Corp., before Amgen took it over.

Mylan did not immediately return calls seeking comment.

The state initially sued Abbott Laboratories Inc. and Wyeth Pharmaceuticals in 2003, accusing them of reporting false prices that California then used to set reimbursement rates for Medi-Cal, the state's version of the federal Medicaid program for disabled, elderly and low-income people.

Madison, N.J.-based Wyeth has since resolved the case, Lockyer said. Abbott, based in Abbott Park, Ill., was still listed as a defendant in the amended complaint filed Thursday. The company has previously denied any wrongdoing.

California's lawsuit is now combined with similar litigation from about a dozen other states that is pending in U.S. District Court in Boston. A final resolution could take years, Lockyer said.

An ongoing investigation led Lockyer to target the additional defendants.

In the new complaint, the state claims the drug companies inflated the average wholesale price of many drugs, creating vast spreads between the cost paid by health care providers and the reimbursement rates they received from Medi-Cal.

## P. Diddy to host MTV music bash

Rapper will replace red carpet with white at the Video Music Awards

Associated Press

MIAMI — Scoring an invite to one of Diddy's dazzling, decadent bashes is a notoriously difficult get.

But on Sunday, Diddy is relaxing his stringent admission rules for a celebration that's not just for the sexy people, but for everyone. The only requirement is to tune to MTV for the Video Music Awards, where Diddy is set to host what may be his largest, wildest extravaganza to date, with a guest list that includes Mariah Carey, Jessica Simpson, 50 Cent, Green Day, Kelly Clarkson, Usher, Eva Longoria and Kanye West.

"We've had so many different kinds of people hosting the show, and what Diddy brings to it is this incredible sense of party," said Christina Norman, president of MTV. "He's a showman, he's a master of ceremonies, his own parties are legendary. ... He's the one to get on the mike and rock the mike and make sure that everybody has a good time."

Though he's known for his braggadocio, Diddy seemed downright humble when he talked about his upcoming duties, despite joking (we think) about plans to run onstage naked during the festivities.

"It was definitely a privilege and an honor. The timing is right," Diddy told The Associated Press in an interview last week at MTV's midtown Manhattan studios. "I think a lot of things that I've done has built me up to this moment ... hosting is a certain art form, and hosting all those parties and showing people a good time is what I specialize in."

Like a Diddy party, the MTV

awards will incorporate his signature soiree style. The red carpet is out, Diddy's white carpet is in ("Hopefully my lawyers have finished trademarking it," he cracked). And while there will be no strict dress code, Diddy does expect celebrities attending — even the grungiest rockers — to be decked out in their most fashionable duds. He's even giving \$50,000 each to the best-dressed male or female celebrity, to go to their favorite charity — and he's coined it the Diddy Fashion Challenge.

"It's not even a thing that I want you to come in gowns and things. That's for the Oscars," said the Sean John designer. "I'm talking about be artistic in your fashion style and celebrate. We're celebrating each other that night, it's a celebration. And that's what I'm hosting, I'm not hosting an awards show, I'm hosting a celebration, and a moment in musical history."

The hip-hop mogul formerly known as P. Diddy, Puff Daddy and Puffy plans to start that moment even before the 8 p.m. EDT Sunday kickoff. He's set to host pre-parties in the days leading up to the event, helping transform the already club-centric city into an all-star party-hopping mecca. Among the other celebrities holding court at their own events: Ludacris, Nelly, Usher, Pamela Anderson and Missy Elliott.

"You're not just coming to an awards show, you're coming to a whole weekend. You can only compare this to Super Bowl Sunday — that's why I tagged it VMA Sunday, where you have youth culture converging on Miami," said Diddy.

Of course, Diddy has no say

over Katrina — not to be confused with Katrina & the Waves, one of the 1980s' pop sensations.

Katrina became a hurricane Thursday, forcing MTV and the Miami Beach mayor's office to suspend all outdoor activities at the temporarily set-up Hotel MTV for Friday. Saturdays events will be held, weather permitting.

Some artists originally scheduled for Thursday and Friday are being rescheduled and will be added to Saturdays lineup.

Green Day leads all nominees with eight for the videos "Boulevard of Broken Dreams" and "American Idiot," and rapper/producer Elliott has six for her clip "Lose Control." Gwen Stefani and U2 have five each. But focus of the night will be on the evening's performers, potential scene stealers and mayhem makers.

Prison-bound Lil' Kim is scheduled to be a presenter, while R. Kelly — trying to keep out of prison on child pornography charges — is due to perform. Those two alone are likely to be watercooler fodder the next morning.

Others slated to take the stage: Carey, Coldplay, Ludacris, the Killers, Green Day, Clarkson, 50 Cent and West.

Norman says this year marks the most performances ever booked for the event. "The show is all about wall-to-wall music," she said.

The missing element will be ongoing comedic commentary. Unlike previous hosts such as Chris Rock, Jimmy Fallon or Jamie Foxx, Diddy won't have a monologue and doesn't plan to crack jokes or poke fun at the evening's winners or losers.

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## Woman identifies BYU attackers

Associated Press

PROVO, Utah — An 18-year-old woman described for jurors Thursday how she woke up drunk in a Provo apartment for find at least two men raping her. One of them, she said, was one of two former college football players now on trial for the alleged attack.

"I blacked out, fell asleep and the very next thing I remember was the sound of voices and laughter," the woman said, sobbing.

She said she had been drinking vodka and doesn't know how long she was unconscious. When she came to, she said, one man was forcing her into oral sex and another was forcing her into intercourse.

"They kept saying, 'Shhh, you're fine, you're fine. Just be quiet,'" she testified.

The woman identified one of her attackers as former Brigham Young University football player B.J. Mathis. There were three, maybe four men,

she said, but she didn't remember Ibrahim Rashada, the other former BYU player on trial, being in the bedroom. She had identified him to police as one of her assailants.

Mathis and Rashada, both 19, are accused of raping the then-17-year-old in August 2004. They are charged with aggravated sexual assault, dealing harmful material to a minor, furnishing alcohol to a minor and obstructing justice.

Defense attorneys argued that the woman's story doesn't hold up, and they questioned whether she really drank enough to black out.

Rashada's attorney, Dean Zabriskie, told the jury in opening statements earlier Thursday that the woman was at the apartment voluntarily, and although the allegations are distasteful, the sex was consensual.

"What happened at that particular place in that particular time was not illegal," he said.

Jere Reneer, who is representing Mathis, told jurors the girl

waited more than 12 hours after the alleged attack before going to police, and only did so after her ex-boyfriend said there would be no chance of reconciling their relationship unless she pressed charges.

"It's a 'she said' versus the entire realm of evidence," Reneer said.

Prosecutor Dave Sturgill acknowledged that the girl voluntarily went with a group of football players to one of their apartments, but he said the players then got her drunk and raped her after she blacked out.

Two other players were also charged with rape; one took a plea agreement, and the other's case is in juvenile court. Two others were charged with lesser crimes in the case. All were either suspended or expelled for failure to comply with the school's honor code.

Mathis and Rashada, who are both black, sat quietly to the left of the all-white jury. Their trial is expected to take up to a week.

## Fallen soldier's mom marches on

Three-week vigil outside Bush's Texas ranch is not end, she says

Associated Press

CRAWFORD, Texas — A fallen soldier's mother said Thursday that the anti-war vigil she started nearly three weeks ago near President Bush's ranch won't end when she and other protesters pack up their camp next week.

Cindy Sheehan said the day after she leaves Aug. 31, she will embark on a bus tour ending up in Washington, D.C., on Sept. 24. Then the group will start a 24-hour vigil in the nation's capital.

"I am not alone," she said at a news conference Thursday. "There's the people standing behind me here, but there's thousands of military families ... who want the same answers to the same questions."

Sheehan began her vigil Aug. 6 on the road leading to Bush's ranch, vowing to stay through his monthlong vacation unless he met with her. She left last week to visit her 74-year-old mother in Los Angeles after the woman suf-

fered a stroke. Sheehan said her mother has started physical therapy for paralysis on her right side.

Sheehan returned on Wednesday to "Camp Casey," named after her 24-year-old son, Army Spc. Casey Sheehan, who was killed last year in Iraq.

On Thursday, Sheehan placed her son's combat boots by a cross bearing his name at the protest site. The boots had been part of the "Eyes Wide Open" exhibit, created by the American Friends Service Committee, a branch of the pacifist Quaker church. The traveling exhibit of rows of

black military boots is a reminder of the U.S. troops lost in Iraq.

Sheehan said she realizes that Bush has no intentions of meeting with the protesters, but that her vigil has accomplished other things.

"I absolutely think it's worthwhile because we've galvanized the peace movement," she said. "We've started people talking about the war again."

Sheehan's protest in Crawford has encouraged anti-war activists to join her and prompted peace vigils nationwide. She also continues to draw harsh criticism.

More Bush supporters arrived and pitched tents at the newly dubbed "Camp Reality," located in a ditch across the street from the war protesters' site along the main road leading to the president's ranch.

"People have said, 'Enough is enough — enough Bush bashing,'" said Gregg Garvey of Keystone Heights, Fla., whose 23-year-old son Justin died in Iraq in 2003. "This [protest] does not represent all of America."

Conservative activists and military families also were en route to Crawford from California on a tour called "You don't speak for me, Cindy!" The caravan coordinated by Move America Forward plans to hold a pro-Bush rally in town Saturday.

Bush has said he recognizes Sheehan's right to protest and understands her anguish, although she does not represent the views of many families he has met with.

Sheehan and other grieving families met with Bush about two months after her son died last year, before reports of faulty prewar intelligence surfaced and caused her to become a vocal opponent of the war.

*"This protest does not represent America at all."*

**Gregg Garvey**  
military father

## Sexual harrasssment still plagues military

Pentagon task force calls sexual assault training 'inadequate'

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Hostile attitudes and inappropriate treatment of women persist at the U.S. Military Academy at West Point and at the Naval Academy, a Pentagon task force says.

The panel called for better training of future officers at the academies, saying the value of women in the military should be better emphasized. It said present training regarding sexual harassment and assault issues is inadequate, resulting in misunderstandings by cadets and midshipmen about how to obtain medical care, counseling and legal assistance.

"The sexual harassment and assault training programs at both academies are not effective in conveying key concepts," the task force said in a report issued Thursday.

The study's authors included several military officers and experts on sexual harassment and assault issues.

The "Report of the Defense Task Force on Sexual Harassment and Violence and the Military Service Academies" is the latest to deal with sexual issues and cultural attitudes at those academies after a scandal at the Air Force Academy surfaced in January 2003.

Other studies have focused on the Air Force Academy, and its leadership has been replaced. But Congress also requested a look at the U.S. Military Academy and the U.S. Naval Academy at Annapolis, Md.

The new study credited both academies with making progress in addressing some sexual harassment and assault issues, particularly in improving services to victims. But it called for putting more women in leadership roles at the two academies and said more women should be admitted as cadets and midshipmen.

"Some research shows that a 'critical mass' can make a difference in creating an environment that has a markedly positive effect on the acceptance and integration of women in a mostly male community, resulting in decreased incidence of

sexual harassment and assault," the report said. "Admissions standards and service needs should not be compromised in this effort."

Women comprise 15 percent to 17 percent of the students at each academy.

The task force said harassment at the academies included jokes and offensive stories of sexual exploits, derogatory terms for women, offensive gestures, repeated, unwanted propositions for dates or sex, and offering to trade academic favors — like a positive evaluation — for sexual acts.

Delilah Rumburg, executive director of the Pennsylvania Coalition Against Rape and a co-chairwoman of the task force, blamed many of the problems on the sexually permissive civilian culture that produces the high school graduates who become cadets and midshipmen. Vice Adm. Gerald Hoewing, the chief of naval personnel and the co-chairman, said cadets and midshipmen have a hard time when those values run up against the gung-ho, yet disciplined, military culture.

The task force also called for new military law aimed at protecting the confidentiality of cadets and midshipmen who are victims of sexual misconduct when they speak with medical personnel or victims' advocates.

Task force members also said allegations of sexual misconduct were only rarely prosecuted to the maximum extent.

In March, the military released results of surveys at all three military academies. Women at the academies reported they have faced some 300 incidents of sexual assault since they enrolled, a figure the military says is comparable to civilian schools.

More than 50 percent of female respondents and 11 percent of male respondents indicated experiencing some type of sexual harassment since entering the schools, according to those surveys, which were conducted by the Pentagon's inspector general.

Last year, nearly 150 women came forward with accusations that they had been sexually assaulted by fellow cadets at the Air Force Academy between 1993 and 2003. Many alleged they were punished, ignored or ostracized by commanders for speaking out.

*"The sexual harassment and assault training programs at both academies are not effective in conveying key concepts."*

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## Ordinance a step backward

The relationship between Notre Dame and Saint Mary's students and South Bend, like that of any town-gown community, has had its tense moments. But the disorderly house ordinance amendment recently passed by the South Bend Common Council may mark a new low.

The ordinance, which if enforced strictly could cause off-campus students to face fines up to \$2,500 or even eviction, was intended to calm rowdy parties. Instead, both the timing of its passage and the University's reluctance to stand up for affected students will only fuel the fire.

It is stunning that Common Council member Ann Puzzello did not initially consider the fact that passing the ordinance during the summer — when the vast majority of students are away from South Bend — could be perceived as unfair. Not only has the ordinance's timing further alienated students from the decision, it has caused confusion about which actions are acceptable and which will result in police action, because students were not around to demand clarification.

Furthermore, even though students make up a large percentage of the population in some districts of the council, their views are not adequately represented because, as only temporary residents, they are unable to vote for their representative. While Notre Dame student body president Dave Baron and off-campus president Matt Wormington should be commended for their efforts to represent students in the discussion over the summer, more action should have been taken by the council to better include student views in discussions.

But while the council's disdain for the opinions of off-campus students is disappointing, the University's refusal to stand up for them is unacceptable.

Due to the current housing crunch, Notre Dame depends on 1,600 of these students to move into the South Bend community each year to make room for incoming freshmen.

And while these students move off-campus by their own

choice and for a variety of reasons, the fact remains they are helping the University and should not be abandoned when presented with the difficulties of living off-campus.

Notre Dame claims to serve "in loco parentis," in place of the parent. As a parent, the University is responsible for both punishing and supporting students. If an off-campus student is still subject to many of the same rules and regulations of the Office of Residence Life as on-campus students, that student should also

receive the same support from the University that on-campus students receive.

Notre Dame should have stood up for its off-campus students and at least fought against the ordinance's untimely passage, if not its unduly harsh consequences.

That said, students are not free from blame in heightening the neighborhood tensions that led to the ordinance's passage. The ordinance makes clear that immature, disrespectful behavior will not be tolerated, and it should not be. Students should remember that they are not living only amongst other students, and should act like responsible members of a greater community.

But it's a two-way street, and residents must not view students as invaders in their communities. Effort should be made on their part to get along with the students. If there is a problem, they should approach students and attempt to find a compromise. Calling the police should be their last resort, not the first option.

With a little more communication, South Bend residents can see eye to eye with students who are reasonable adults, not careless teenagers.

An effort should now be made to move away from the conflict between students and South Bend residents worsened by this ordinance. A good first step would be a forum — facilitated by a genuinely involved and concerned Notre Dame — that brings students together with council members to honestly discuss the ordinance that for now seems a misdirected and unnecessary source of division.

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## Superficiality: Frosh-O's real flaw

What's your name? Where are you from? What dorm are you in? What's your major?

Sound familiar?

If you've experienced Notre Dame's freshman orientation weekend, it should.

Conversations limited to these four questions are the rule of the weekend, an annual rite of passage for the University's newest students. And for every Ben-New Jersey-in Morrissey-studying French who becomes a lasting friend, there are countless more who fade into the background of scavenger hunts, ice cream socials and swing dances.

Such events are designed to encourage dorm unity, promote campus traditions and give freshmen a sense of connection to a new community — all of which highlight positive aspects of the Notre Dame experience. Dorm unity, especially, is invaluable to Notre Dame's identity.

But Frosh-O often instead serves as an introduction to a stressed gender culture that extends beyond freshman year.

As a mass of 18-year-old men and women face each other amid their Frosh-O commissioners' demands to mingle, the awkwardness of puberty and childhood gender segregation inevitably returns. Freshmen are forced to forge speed-dating style relationships based on little more than the "Four Questions" and physical appearances.

It wouldn't be so bad if the awkwardness ended after orientation weekend, but abnormal gender relations at Notre Dame far outlast the luau and karaoke.

An underclassmen culture of sweaty dorm parties fosters upperclassmen relationships that typically fall into

one of two categories: the superficial hook-ups or the serious ring-by-spring.

Perhaps this is the reason enthusiastic upperclassmen and members of Frosh-O staffs often give the impression that freshman orientation is a once-in-a-college-career chance to meet lifelong friends or maybe even that special someone.

Who could blame them? Two or three years ago, they were told the same thing.

This now-or-never pressure, combined with activities that unnaturally encourage freshman to pair off, creates an atmosphere that both student government and administrators have rightly recognized as problematic.

They responded this year by encouraging dorms to include more single-sex events in their Frosh-O schedules. But the reality is that many freshmen still want to meet members of the opposite sex — just without the awkwardness of being paired with the girl who picks your tie or the guy who's designated your Latin dance partner for the night.

There's a better way for Frosh-O to achieve the same goals of unity, tradition and acclimation without placing further pressure on already frazzled freshmen. And while recognizing and discussing the problem of "pairing off" is a constructive step, Frosh-O events suffer less from hypersexuality than from hypersuperficiality.

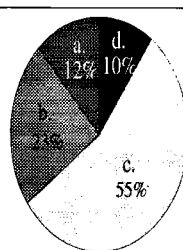
Notre Dame would be wise to examine the possibility of less-structured, group-based activities — such as a service project, sporting events or, God forbid, turning freshmen loose unsupervised to visit other dorms — that might promote more natural, meaningful and lasting relationships.

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### QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Personally I'm always ready to learn,  
although I do not always  
like being taught."

Sir Winston Churchill  
former British prime minister

## Who would Jesus assassinate?

August is James Bond month on the AMC cable television channel. So it should have come as no surprise to anyone hooked on 007 that earlier this week Marion Gordon "Pat" Robertson, founder of the Christian Broadcasting Network, advocated the assassination of Venezuelan President Hugo Chavez. It seems that the dog days of summer have overtaken sanity in some Christian circles with an illogically conceived question, "Who would Jesus assassinate?"



Gary Caruso

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On his "700 Club" television broadcast, originally conceived as a vehicle to spread God's word, Robertson described Chavez as "a terrific danger." In Robertson's view, a U.S. initiated assassination would be "a whole lot cheaper than starting a \$200 billion war ... and I don't think any oil shipments will stop." President Chavez has regularly criticized the United States, the largest importer of Venezuelan oil, for conspiring to topple his government and possibly backing plots to assassinate him.

Robertson has oftentimes wandered down many controversial political and social paths in the name of moral righteousness. His past is checkered with hypocrisy and human failings although he anoints himself as the moral spokesman for our nation. He preached against the evils of gambling while he owned a profitable race horse. After the attacks of September 11, he agreed with fellow evangelical preacher Jerry Falwell that feminists and gays were to blame for the attacks. Robertson recently reaffirmed his belief that judges appointed by Democrats are a greater threat to the United States than Al Qaeda, Nazi Germany or the Civil War.

First and foremost Robertson is a conservative Republican whose failed 1988 campaign for the Republican presidential nomination led to his founding of the Christian Coalition of America, a vast conservative political organization that aims to "give Christians a voice in their government again." He consistently manipulates scripture to promote his political agenda. Following the 2004 election, Robertson proclaimed that "George Bush has the favor of heaven" and that "God has honored him." When asked if former President Bill Clinton was also chosen by God, Robertson replied, "I think He [God] wanted to bring America to its knees so we'd start praying harder."

Catholics make a grave mistake when they embrace one-issue politics and are too lazy to formulate their own unique political messages. Last fall a Catholic mass televised from the Midwest featured a priest whose homily warned of many social dangers and pitfalls including "secular humanism," one of Robertson's more popular code phrases. The priest, to make his point, dipped into Robertson's entire

rhetorical stable of warped so-called moral values while identifying with Robertson's opposition to abortion. Unfortunately, those clever metaphors are nothing more than Robertson's personal opinions twisted for his own political impact and gain.

The New York Times recently examined so-called "mega" evangelical churches emerging throughout the nation. Like Robertson's "700 Club," every mega church emphasized coincidentally similar themes not often accorded to scripture by other Christian institutions but used to increase membership. Each promoted feel-good marketing initiatives as tenets of their ministries by offering secular advice for raising children, controlling weight, reaching career goals and eliminating personal debt. Each concluded that we can best serve God when we in turn have our personal houses in order.

Pope John Paul II coined the "culture of life" phrase now hijacked by the American conservative political movement. The Vatican consistently defines "culture of life" as one that opposes all forms of man-initiated death, namely abortion, capital punishment and warfare. Yet many conservative American Catholics themselves become "Cafeteria Catholics" by rejecting the Vatican in favor of the Robertson style of politics. As one-issue voters, they identify with Robertson's fight against abortion, but contrary to Catholic teaching turn a blind eye to embrace warfare and capital punishment.

The immediate challenge for Democrats is to ensure that each voter considers a variety of matters during an election cycle rather than rally around a single issue. It is a rouse for Catholics to accept Republicans as the party of life while not holding them accountable for warfare and capital punishment. With hope of overturning abortion laws, many hard working, one-issue voters will reject a whole slate of personally friendly Democratic economic and labor proposals (ones mega churches conclude helps them to best serve God) and band against their own personal interests in favor of the culture of life espoused by pro-business Republicans.

At times, missteps by those like Pat Robertson who manipulate scripture for political gain lose their cloaks of invincibility, laying bare their true motives and style of political discourse. Would Jesus ever advocate one government assassinating another's president? A spokeswoman for the Christian Broadcasting Network told the BBC, "We are at a time of war, and Pat had war on his mind when he made the comments."

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## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

## Gender issue exaggerated

Kudos to the Gender Relations Center and the Student Senate Gender Issues Committee for putting themselves on the bleeding edge of absurdity.

While it is true that I and students of my acquaintance have found cause to complain about the interaction between the sexes here at Notre Dame, it is clear that this sentiment reaches these groups — supposedly acting to rectify the situation — devoid of any context. In the Wednesday, August 25 article ("Frosh-O gender tensions tackled"), the Gender Issues Committee chairperson Ali Wishon states, "By encouraging events that reinforce typical gender stereotypes and the college 'hook-up' culture, we are setting a dangerous precedent for freshman to uphold."

I'll ignore the obvious point that no precedents of any kind are set during Frosh-O, because there are two much more substantial errors with her statement. Foremost, Wishon's term "typical gender stereotype" refers to the desire to dance and socialize with members of the opposite sex. The preferred term is not "gender stereotype," but rather, "student desire" or simply "fact." What possible benefit to gender relations can occur when ordinary socializing is viewed as a "stereotype."

Notre Dame's conservative archaicism may have banned the more colorful, physical forms of gender interactions, but it apparently takes the New Guard of college culture-creators to put a proscription on flirting, dancing and exchanging phone numbers. God help us.

Secondly, referring to the climate of this university as a "hook-up culture" is simply laughable. Trust me, nobody complains about gender relations in a

"hook-up culture." This is a desperation culture. The perceived malady she cites is the complete antithesis of that espoused by the clear majority of students. The article also quotes student government's characterization of Frosh-O events as "juvenile and hypersexualized."

While this is probably a fair description of our tepid mixers, it is a much, much more adept synopsis of every aspect of modern culture that young people actually enjoy. C'mon, if we weren't at those events then a good number of us would be watching "The O.C." Juvenile and hypersexualized is haute culture. However nobody who attended a co-ed high school or has friends at state school would describe Notre Dame at large as hypersexualized. "Developmentally arrested and sexually inept" is a far more common phenotype in our dating pool.

Poor gender relations are an inevitable side effect of living with both youthful physiology that drives us inexorably toward sex and cold, formalist policies and traditions that drive us away. It's a blessing that those of us who endured the upbringings we did can even muster the courage to fake relating to the opposite sex. Having to fling ourselves into contrived approximations of social situations with people who are considered contraband for a third of the day's hours is certainly not helping Domers come out of their Catholic shells. But robbing us of that and replacing it with sterile pseudo-theory sure won't do any better.

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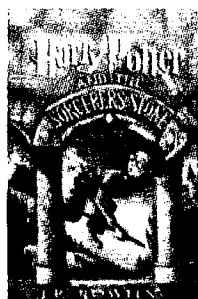


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## THE TALE SO FAR...



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## THE MAGICAL WORLD

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### HARRY POTTER IN COLLEGE

College is a time for growing up, transitioning into adulthood and looking toward the future. But there are a few vestiges from the past that most college students aren't quite willing to give up.

Most current college students began reading Harry Potter during junior high or high school and have continued not only to follow the series, but in some cases become more involved with the stories since entering Notre Dame.

While it is interesting that college students themselves are still reading the books, what is most surprising is how readily universities are embracing the books and incorporating them into courses. Colleges have begun to create not only literature courses based around Harry Potter, but have also started to spread out into other disciplines like science and philosophy. This has solidified the massive cultural impact that the series about a young wizard has had on world culture.

Considering the massive success of Harry Potter, it isn't entirely surprising that college students still enjoy it. Since the books are aimed at younger audiences, they can be a nice break from the heavy workload of most overburdened college students.

"I like the fantasy [elements] and the storylines," senior Mosey Nuccio said. "It's a nice break from the textual stuff I read at school."

The universal appeal of Harry Potter has less to do with magic and more to do with something more elemental in the books.

"I think that people read Harry Potter because it's a great story, not because they like reading books about casting spells and flying broomsticks," freshman Emerson Spartz, creator of the popular Harry Potter Web site MuggleNet.com, said. "It's the story, not the theme."

Most people, particularly young adults and college students, can identify with the experiences and changes with which Harry has to deal. The addition of witchcraft and wizardry might make it more interesting and exciting, but even non-magical people can identify with Harry's struggles.

"Most kids and adults have at some point dreamed about being someone like Harry Potter, a special person whose wonderful and important qualities have gone unrecognized for far too long, but who has finally gained the recognition he deserves," Heidi Lee, a teacher in the Notre Dame English department, said.

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**Emerson Spartz**  
freshman

As Harry Potter continues to be a huge influence and point of interest for college-age students, universities are beginning to tap into this interest and offer courses on the series. Some colleges are taking the Harry Potter phenomenon to a more serious level by offering courses that focus on the boy wizard and the world that J.K. Rowling has created.

Frostburg College, in western Maryland, is currently offering a class called, "The Science of Harry Potter," in which students learn about the science relating to such magical occurrences as flying and re-growing bones. Students at Kent State in Ohio can take "Literature for Young Adults," which features Harry Potter. Cerritos College in California devotes a class to "Words and Magic: Harry Potter and Vocabulary," and James Madison University has initiated a new class, "The World of Harry Potter: A Critical Cross-Disciplinary Examination."

It may initially seem strange that

professors are warming to a new literary phenomenon that hasn't had the chance to stand the test of time. But the interest generated by Rowling's books is undeniable.

"Professors generally try to design their courses to be as engaging, exciting and interesting as possible, and books full of wizardry, magic, romance and danger would surely help to hold students' attention," Lee said.

Harry Potter has slowly permeated various areas of the university system, and the series has seeped into areas beyond literature and literary criticism. Tufts graduate Shawn Kline wrote, "Harry Potter and Philosophy," a book of 16 essays on the philosophy behind the good, evil and magic in the series. Connie Neal's, "The Gospel According to Harry Potter: Spirituality in the Stories of the World's Most Famous Seeker," reconciles theology and the Potter stories, which are often criticized by religious groups for glamorizing witchcraft.

The true mark of an important novel, at least for a busy college student, is whether it is featured on Sparknotes.com, which is an online source for notes on books. The site now contains notes, chapter synopses, criticism and postings for all of the Harry Potter novels.

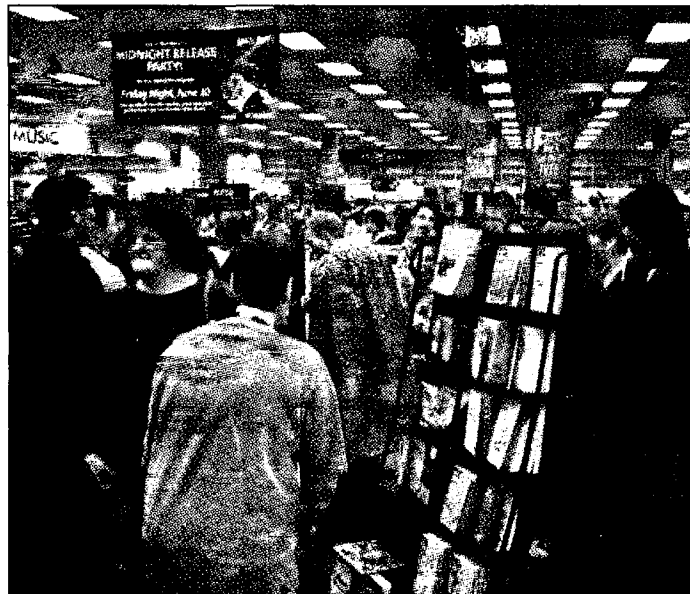
The embrace of Harry Potter by college students and some universities speaks to the universal nature of Rowling's books and also to the fact that some colleges are warming to new cultural trends as sources for classes.

The ability of Potter to completely transcend the normal age barriers of interest might be the most unique quality of the series.

"It's intriguing that so many people read the books — my parents read them, I read them, my sister reads them. It doesn't have age limits," Nuccio said.

*"Most kids and adults have at some point dreamed about being someone like Harry Potter."*

**Heidi Lee**  
English professor



Long lines and midnight release parties have become customary rituals for devoted Potter fanatics.



Midnight reading is nothing out of the ordinary for Harry Potter fans of all ages when the latest book is released.

## OF Harry Potter

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## BOOK REVIEW

"Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince," the penultimate book in J.K. Rowling's massively popular series, deals brilliantly with the difficult task of setting up the final tale of the boy wizard's adventures.

While not necessarily the best book of the series, it effectively brings together many of the multiple plot strings that arose in earlier volumes and pushes them forward for the final novel, which is no easy task. This book reveals the care and attention to detail with which Rowling planned the Potter series from the beginning.

The sixth book opens with a series of events that signals the massive changes that are occurring in the magical world. There's a sense of chaos due to the escalating war between the forces of good and evil.

The newly-appointed Minister of Magic meets with the Muggle (a term for a non-wizard) Prime Minister and reveals that the normally tight security separating humans and wizards is breaking down under the stress and tension. The Daily Prophet (the wizard newspaper) is full of obituaries and disappearances, and the ranks of the evil Voldemort are returning to their former strength.

In the midst of this chaotic outside world, Hogwarts, the wizarding academy, is both a safe haven and a seriously changed place. Harry and his friends, Ron and Hermione, are teenagers, learning to apparate (the wizarding equivalent of getting a driver's license). And just like normal teens, the romantic lives of the students become more prominent and complicated.

Harry becomes convinced of the involvement of his nemesis, Draco Malfoy, in a plot to help Voldemort, and he tries his best to prove it.

Following the theme of constantly rotating professors, there is a new Potions teacher and a new Defense Against the Dark Arts teacher. As usual, these changes are ultimately key

to the action in the novel. Students must not only deal with the trials of being teenagers, but also with losing family members and living in a state of fear.

The most significant new development in Harry's academic life is the addition of special classes with the headmaster, Professor Dumbledore, who reveals Voldemort's origins to Harry. This gives important background for both Harry and the reader to understand the evil of Voldemort and how he might potentially be stopped. He also learns of perhaps the most significant addition to Rowling's ever-expanding universe of magical items, the Horcrux.

The novel culminates with a battle between good and evil at Hogwarts, which is far more violent and adult than the others. But given that Rowling has taken to killing off central characters beginning in the fourth book, "Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix," it is not entirely unexpected that she chooses to escalate the violence and destruction.

The added violence actually makes the aura of fear and terror that pervades the sixth book more palpable. Without it, the action in the book, and ultimately the series, would not be as effective.

"Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix," the fifth book, presented Harry as a sullen and difficult teenager, and while he is not yet out of adolescence, he truly grows up in the sixth

novel. He begins to grapple with the evil that he must face in the near future, and he deals with very adult situations and decisions.

"Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince" is by far the bloodiest and most emotionally draining of the series so far, but it distinctly illustrates just how horrific the forces of evil are and how difficult his battle is going to be. The most difficult thing for Harry, and by extension, the reader, is dealing with a death that hits very close to home and drains the little sense of hope that seemed to remain.

One of the best and most difficult things about the Potter series is that Rowling makes him grow up, no matter how painful or terrifying it is.

When the book ends with Harry's realization that he has to finish his journey alone, it gives a sense that he has finally grown up and is ready to take on the arduous journey that awaits him in the final book of the series.

"Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince" doesn't have quite as interesting a plot as some of the earlier books, and it lacks some of the emotional intensity. It does fulfill the important role of setting up for the final installment of the series, and it allows Harry to grow as a character more than he has in previous novels.

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## Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince



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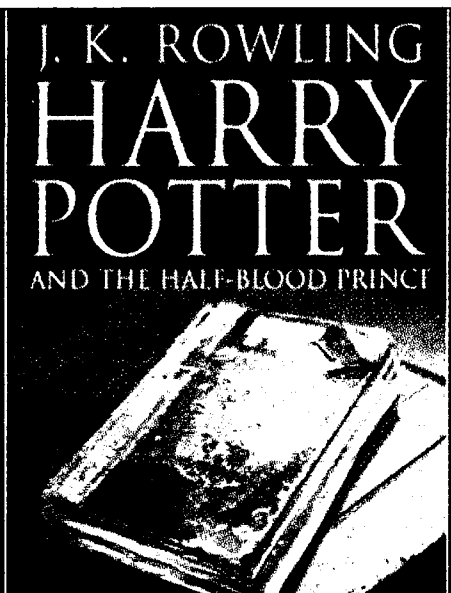
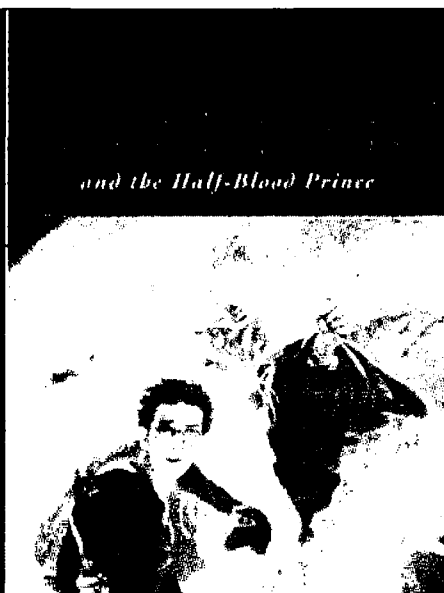
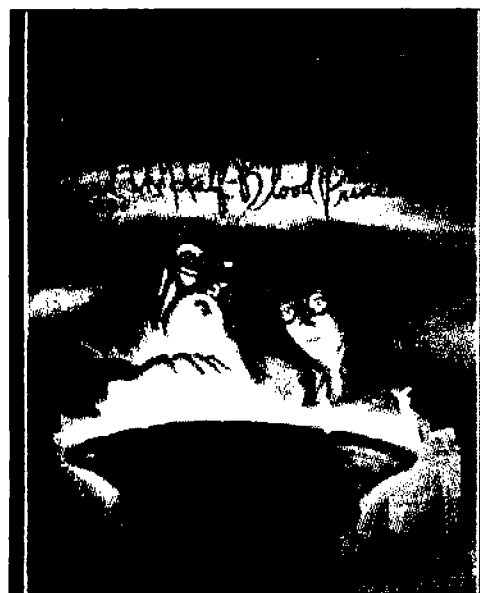


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"Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince" is the sixth book of author J. K. Rowling's massively successful series of children's books. The sixth installment has more violence and a darker tone than its predecessors.

## MAGICAL MENAGERIE

## THE MAIN PLAYERS:

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THE STAR OF THE SHOW, HARRY IS A RESPECTABLE WIZARD IN TRAINING. HE SPORTS A LIGHTNING-SHAPED SCAR AND A PENTHENT FOR ADVENTURE. THE FATE OF THE WIZARDING WORLD RESTS ON HIS YOUNG SHOULDERS.

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RON IS SARCASTIC AND HIS STUDY HABITS ARE LACKING, BUT HE IS A LOYAL FRIEND TO HARRY AND HELPS HIM WITH WHATEVER MISCHIEF IS NECESSARY TO ACHIEVE AN END.

## THE REST:

## DUMBLEDORE

DUMBLEDORE, THE KIND AND WISE HEADMASTER OF HOGWARTS, TAKES HARRY UNDER HIS WING AND GUIDES HIM THROUGH DIFFICULTIES, PREPARING HIM FOR HIS EVENTUAL CONFRONTATION WITH VOLDEMORT.

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SNAPE WAS FORMERLY ALLIED WITH VOLDEMORT BUT TEACHES AT HOGWARTS AFTER GIVING UP ON THE DARK SIDE. HIS LOYALTY IS STILL QUESTIONABLE AND HIS INTENSE DISLIKE OF HARRY MAKES FOR A CONSTANT SOURCE OF CONFLICT IN THE BOOKS.

## DRACO MALFOY

MALFOY EMERGES AS HARRY'S NEMESIS FROM THE VERY BEGINNING OF THE FIRST NOVEL, AND HIS FAMILY'S FORMER ALLIGENCE TO VOLDEMORT MAKES HIS ACTIONS SUSPICIOUS.

## VOLDEMORT

ALSO KNOWN AS HE-WHO-MUST-NOT-BE-NAMED, VOLDEMORT IS THE EVIL WIZARD WHO KILLED HARRY'S PARENTS AND ATTEMPTED TO KILL HIM AS A CHILD. HIS MENACING POWER CONTINUES TO GROW AS THE SERIES PROGRESSES.

## NATIONAL LEAGUE

# Pierre leads Marlins over Brewers 3-1 in 10th

Associated Press

MILWAUKEE — Juan Pierre is the best bunter in baseball. He's not bad when he swings away, either.

Pierre generated all of Florida's runs Thursday in a 10-inning win over Milwaukee that allowed the Marlins to avoid a three-game sweep by the Brewers.

Pierre slapped an RBI double off left fielder Carlos Lee's glove in the third inning and drove in the go-ahead run in the 10th when he hit a scorching ground ball off first baseman Lyle Overbay's glove.

Both hits came with two outs and two strikes.

"I was hoping he'd make a mistake," Pierre said of rookie Jose Capellan (0-1), who did just that by leaving a 94 mph fastball over the plate in extra innings instead of going high and outside.

Pierre's run-scoring single scored Alex Gonzalez from third. Gonzalez led off the inning with an infield single off Capellan, advanced to second on Paul Lo Duca's sacrifice and took third on pinch-hitter Lenny Harris' groundout to second.

Pierre then swiped second base, his 42nd stolen base of the year but first in 13 games and the Marlins' first in 11 games, and scored on Jeff Conine's single.

"It was good to create a little havoc on the bases," Pierre said.

Antonio Alfonseca (1-1) got the win with a perfect ninth inning, and Todd Jones pitched the 10th for his 29th save.

Milwaukee manager Ned Yost said there was nothing the Brewers could have done about either of Pierre's run-scoring hits, especially the double that sailed over Lee in the third inning.

"It kicked off his glove," Yost said. "With two strikes, we play in on Pierre on the opposite way anyway. About the last thing he will do is hit a ball the opposite way over an outfielder's head."

But he will smoke a knee-high fastball over the plate like he did in the 10th, Overbay said.

"It hit the end of my glove. It just sneaked out of there," Overbay said. "I know he was trying to throw up and away. You obviously don't want to throw it there. You don't want him to get the barrel on the ball. But that's not where we lost the game. We lost the game by not scoring a run with Wes Helms

leading off the seventh with a double."

Brewers hard-luck left-hander Doug Davis was denied of his 10th win for the 12th straight time despite allowing just one earned run on five hits in seven stellar innings. He escaped a jam in the seventh by inducing Mike Lowell to bounce out with runners at second and third after convincing Yost that he'd rather not walk Lowell to bring up Pierre.

"Pierre's too dangerous," Davis said. "He'll slap down a bunt with the bases loaded. I wanted Lowell."

In the bottom half, Helms batted for Davis and doubled off the wall in right-center but he was stranded there when Guillermo Mota struck out the side, including Rickie Weeks and Lee looking.

"We were really pressing for a run right there," Yost said.

Both for the sweep and for the sake of Davis, whose last win came June 22 against the Chicago Cubs. Since then, he's lost three and had nine no-decisions.

## Cincinnati 5, Washington 3

After all of the injuries, after the long power drought to start 2005, Ken Griffey Jr. is a 30-homer player once again.

And the instant offense he's providing day in and day out for the Cincinnati Reds is precisely the sort of clutch hitting the Washington Nationals can only dream about right now.

Griffey reached 30 homers in a season for the first time since 2000, Brandon Claussen won his fifth straight decision by becoming the latest unheralded hurler to shut down Washington.

"As you get older, stay around, you just go out and have fun and don't worry if you hit them out," the 35-year-old Griffey said after his solo shot off Livan Hernandez (14-6) gave Cincinnati a 3-1 lead in the seventh. "I'm not trying to hit it out, just trying to get good contact."

Oh, what the Nationals would give for that at key moments.

They left 10 runners on base Thursday, and twice failed to score after getting someone to third base with only one out, including when Hernandez grounded into a double play in the fourth inning.

Less forgivable was Gary Bennett's popup to shortstop in the sixth with runners at the corners and one out. It came on a curveball that was the last pitch

for Claussen (9-8), who gave up one unearned run, six hits and two walks over 5 2-3 innings. He is 5-0 with a 2.77 ERA over his last six starts.

"It's like a pasture out there," Claussen said. "It's a pitcher-friendly ballpark."

After Bennett, pinch-hitter Carlos Baerga grounded out against reliever Matt Belisle to end the inning.

"A real big spot for us," manager Frank Robinson said.

Why does Washington seem to have so much trouble getting runners home from third with less than two outs?

"That's a great question," Bennett said. "I wish had the answer to that. Or I wish somebody in here had the answer."

Robinson has lamented since spring training that his club lacks a true slugger, the sort of player who can alter the course of a game with one swing.

Someone like Griffey. But after getting at least 40 homers in seven of eight seasons from 1993-00, he struggled through injuries that limited him to a yearly average of fewer than 16 homers and 80 at-bats from 2001-04.

There was a torn knee tendon, hip and thigh strains, a dislocated shoulder, a bad ankle, and then the torn hamstring in August 2004 that had to be reattached to the bone with screws. He began 2005 by going 79 at-bats without a homer, the longest such season-opening drought of his career.

But he's turned things around, particularly of late.

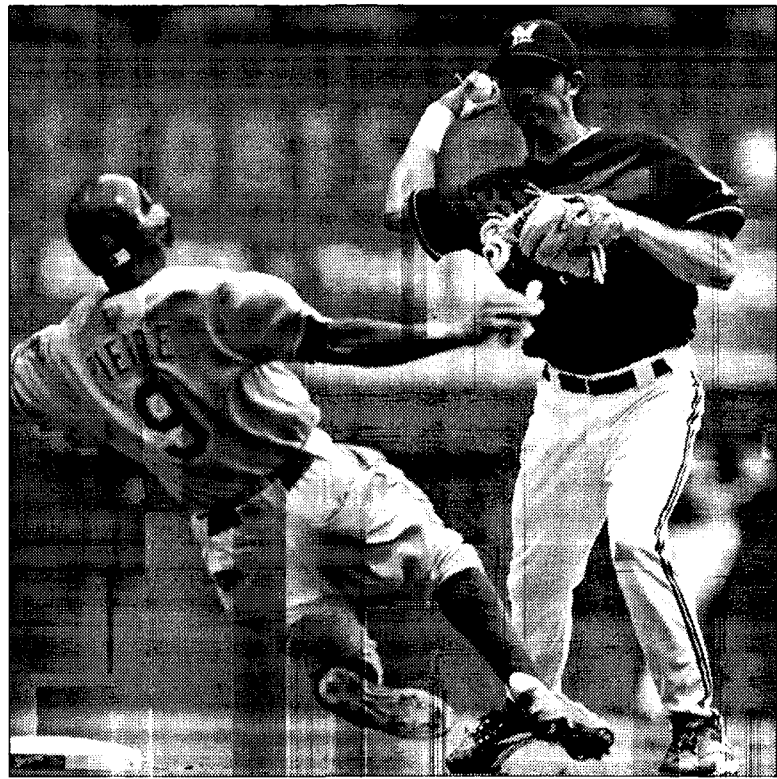
With two other hits Thursday, Griffey is batting .457 with five homers and 11 RBIs over an 11-game hitting streak that's lifted his average to .297. He's got a chance to hit .300 over a full season for the first time since 1997 with Seattle.

His two runs put him at 1,400 for his career, and he moved within nine hits of 2,300.

"I don't really think about those things. I just concentrate on one at-bat at a time," he said. "And if I can put a good streak together, then that's OK."

Sean Casey also had three hits for Cincinnati, and Felipe Lopez and Austin Kearns added two each.

After Griffey's line drive on a 3-2 pitch began the seventh, Hernandez hit the next batter, Adam Dunn, before being lifted. Dunn eventually came around to score on reliever Hector Carrasco's wild pitch. Carrasco



Florida's Juan Pierre slides into second on a double-play ball in the first inning of Thursday's game against Milwaukee.

also gave up Jason LaRue's RBI double that made it 5-1.

## New York Mets 18, Arizona 4

Mike Jacobs and David Wright are giving the New York Mets a glimpse of their future.

Both budding stars hit two homers, and Jacobs and Jose Reyes each had four RBIs as the Mets pounded Arizona for a second straight game, beating the Diamondbacks Wednesday night.

"I was just kind of like, 'Wow, you know, that's pretty tight,'" the 24-year-old Jacobs said. "That's awesome. I had a few multihomer games this year down in Double-A, but obviously doing it in the big leagues is so much more special."

The Mets, who beat the Diamondbacks 14-1 on Tuesday, set season highs for hits (20) and runs in their third straight win and seventh in nine games. The Mets set a team record with 13 extra base hits and 44 total bases and fell two short of the mark for runs in consecutive games.

They scored 34 in wins at Chicago on June 12-13, 1990.

New York scored five times in the second and fifth innings and had a run in every inning from the second through the seventh.

Jae Seo (6-1) held the Diamondbacks to seven hits and two runs over seven innings to win his fifth straight start, four

since he was recalled from Triple-A Norfolk on Aug. 6.

Seo and Ramon Castro each drove in two runs, Castro with a double and Seo with a double and groundout.

Mets manager Willie Randolph credited Seo with ignoring the huge lead and concentrating on moving the game along.

"That's very important," Randolph said. "I like my pitchers to stay focused and execute pitches and not get wrapped up in the score, but that's not very easy to do. Jae got a little tired at the end. We had some long innings, but he did keep us in the game as far as getting through the first five pretty easily."

The Diamondbacks trailed 17-0 when Conor Jackson had an RBI single and Kelly Stinnett added a run-scoring double in the seventh. Shawn Green had a two-run homer — the 300th of his career — off Aaron Heilman in the eighth.

"There wasn't a lot of good feelings about it, the way the last two games have gone," Green said. "I knew the 300th would come at some point and relatively soon, but tonight wasn't a real good night for it."

Reyes had a three-run homer off reliever Greg Aquino that made it 13-0 in the fifth. He also got his league-leading 13th triple and drove in a run with an infield single.

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## AMERICAN LEAGUE

## Sox edge Twins in extra innings, take series

Associated Press

MINNEAPOLIS — The Chicago White Sox have the best record in the American League because of games like this.

Timo Perez hit a go-ahead single in the 10th inning, and the White Sox defeated the Minnesota Twins 2-1 Thursday.

Geoff Blum doubled off Jesse Crain (9-3) leading off the 10th, and pinch-hitter Pablo Ozuna bunted to Crain. The pitcher's throw beat Rodriguez to third base, but Luis Rodriguez missed the tag on the sacrifice.

Perez followed with his single to left-center field.

"That's why they've got their record, because they take advantage of other teams' mistakes," Twins manager Ron Gardenhire said.

Closer Dustin Hermanson (1-2) blew just his third save in 34 chances but earned the victory. Bobby Jenks worked the 10th for his first major league save.

Chicago won the final two games of the three-game series and took an 11 1/2-game lead over Minnesota in the AL Central. The Twins lost for the third time in 11 games and dropped 3 1/2 games behind the New York Yankees and Oakland in the AL wild card race.

Jon Garland pitched 7 2-3 scoreless innings and was in position to tie the Angels' Bartolo Colon for the AL lead in wins at 17 before the Twins rallied in the ninth.

"The team came away with the win and took the series — what more can you ask for?" said Garland, who allowed six hits and struck out five.

Chicago, attempting to dethrone three-time defending

AL Central champion Minnesota, received its third straight strong starts. Freddy Garcia pitched a one-hitter in a losing effort Tuesday, and Mark Buehrle allowed one run in eight innings to win Wednesday.

"We're winning because our starting pitching has been great and our bullpen has done a good job," White Sox manager Ozzie Guillen said. "To win the series was really important to us."

## NY Yankees 6, Toronto 2

NEW YORK — Shawn Chacon was surrounded.

Everywhere the New York Yankees starter looked in the sixth inning on Thursday, there were Toronto runners. New York's two-run lead was hanging perilously in the balance, and on the Yankees bench, manager Joe Torre and his coaches considered their next move.

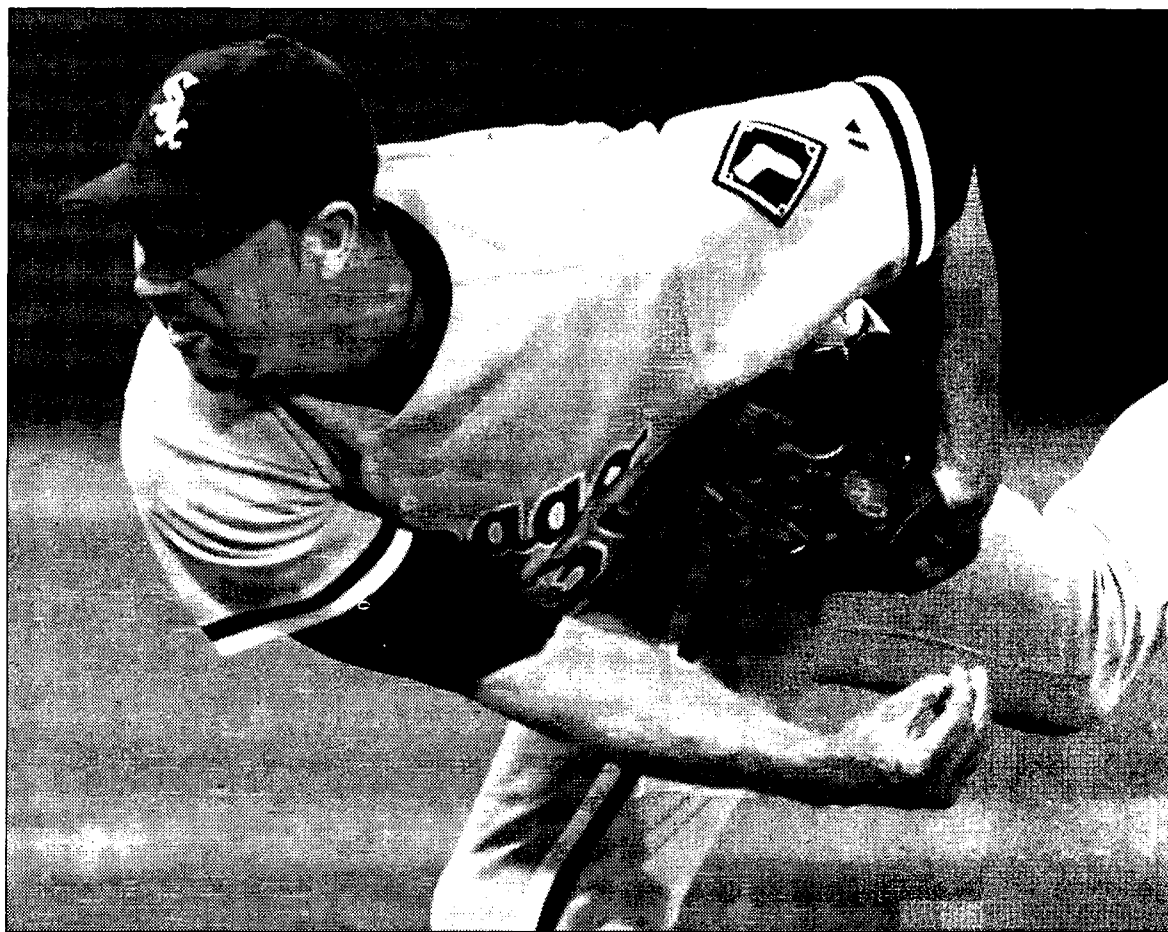
"I could have been persuaded to take him out," Torre admitted. Instead, he stayed with the pitcher who was obtained last month from Colorado and plugged into a patchwork Yankees pitching staff.

Chacon paid back the confidence, retiring the next two hitters, preserving the lead in what became a Yankees victory. Then he tacked on a 1-2-3 seventh before turning the game over to the bullpen.

And he did it without his best stuff.

"It was one of those days," Chacon said. "The sixth inning was scary but we got through it. Today was a grind. I didn't feel I had anything as far as command of my pitches."

So he threw plenty of them — 119 through seven innings, 66 for strikes.



White Sox closer Dustin Hermanson follows through on a pitch in the ninth inning against the Twins Thursday. Hermanson received the win in a 2-1 Chicago victory over Minnesota.

"It's difficult trying to figure it out," he said. "I didn't have command of my sinker. My breaking ball was not there. I had to grind it out."

"Chacon battled," Torre said. "He didn't have his best command but he fought his way through. He's not afraid to throw off-speed stuff. He had pitched so well to their 3-4 hitters, I felt secure sending him out for the seventh."

"He has a great variety of speeds. As long as he threw strikes, we didn't worry about him being tired. He has the ability to throw strikes."

Chacon improved to 3-1 with a 1.80 ERA with the Yankees after going 1-7 with a 4.09 ERA for Colorado. He has rescued a Yankees pitching staff torn apart by injury, winning three straight starts for the first time in more than two years.

"He's been pitching well," said Derek Jeter, who had three hits for the Yankees. "Today, he scuffled more than he has in the past. He battled us out of a couple of jams."

## Cleveland 12, Tampa Bay 4

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. — Ronnie Belliard hit his first career grand slam during a seven-run third inning, leading the Cleveland Indians to a victory over the Tampa Bay Devil Rays on Thursday night.

Jose Hernandez went 3-for-5 with three RBIs for Cleveland, which stayed less than a percentage point behind the New York Yankees and Oakland in the AL wild-card race. Hernandez had four hits in his last 31 at-bats.

The Indians have won seven of eight overall, and are 39-26 on the road.

Eduardo Perez homered and tied a career-high with four RBIs for Tampa Bay, which lost for the fourth time in 13 games.

An anticipated pitching duel between Cliff Lee of the Indians and 21-year old Tampa Bay rookie Scott Kazmir never happened.

Lee (14-4) allowed four runs and four hits over six innings. He

is 5-0 in his last eight starts.

Kazmir (7-9) lasted 2 1-3 innings, giving up eight runs — four earned — and eight hits. The left-hander had been 4-1 with a 2.44 ERA in seven starts since the All-Star break.

Lee and Kazmir faced each other in Cleveland on Aug. 14, when the Devil Rays won 1-0. Neither was involved in the decision that saw Lee work eight scoreless innings and Kazmir not allow a run over six innings.

## Baltimore 2, LA Angels 0

BALTIMORE — Rodrigo Lopez scattered seven hits over seven innings, Javy Lopez hit a two-run homer, and the Baltimore Orioles defeated the Los Angeles Angels on Thursday night to end a five-game losing streak.

Rodrigo Lopez (13-7) struck out five, walked one and worked out of several jams in helping the Orioles avoid a three-game sweep. The right-hander is 5-1 with a 1.70 ERA in seven career games against the Angels.

He outpitched Los Angeles starter John Lackey, who gave up nine hits in his first complete game of the season. Lackey (10-5) was 4-0 in seven starts since July 9.

Lackey extended his run of innings without yielding a home run to 62, the third-longest streak in the majors this season, before Javy Lopez connected in the fourth.

Javy Lopez went 3-for-3; the three hits matched a season high.

After Rodrigo Lopez left, Tim Lincecum gave up two singles in the eighth before Todd Williams got Bengie Molina to hit into an inning-ending double play.

B.J. Ryan worked the ninth for his 28th save.

Chone Figgins and Vladimir Guerrero each had two hits for the Angels, whose lead in the AL West shrunk to 2 1/2 games over Oakland, which beat Detroit 11-1 on Thursday. The defeat also ended Los Angeles' five-game road winning streak.

After Baltimore ended the first two innings by hitting into double plays, the Angels put runners

on second and third with two outs in the third before Rodrigo Lopez struck out Orlando Cabrera.

## Seattle 8, Texas 2

ARLINGTON, Texas — Jeff Harris pitched in minor and independent leagues from China to Mexico to Canada. He spent off-seasons doing construction jobs, just biding time until it was baseball season again.

Eleven years after being drafted, the 31-year-old Seattle Mariners right-hander finally has his first major league victory.

Harris, recalled from Triple-A Tacoma to make his second career start, limited the Texas Rangers to four singles and an unearned run over seven innings in the Mariners' victory on Thursday.

"This is the only thing I've ever wanted to do," Harris said. "I was just going to ride it out as long as I could. I always told myself I had the rest of my life to get a real job."

Ichiro Suzuki hit a grand slam in a five-run ninth inning, and Raul Ibanez also homered for the Mariners.

Seattle managed just three hits and three runs over the first seven innings against Joaquin Benoit (3-4), who retired 18 batters in a row at one point. He still lost his third straight start.

Harris was drafted by Minnesota in 1995, and stayed in the Twins organization until he was released after the 2000 season. After two years in an independent league in Chico, Calif., and failing to make a team in Taiwan, Harris played in leagues in China and Mexico before going to Quebec, where he was last summer when signed by the Mariners organization.

"It was definitely worth every bit of it," Harris said. "I wouldn't change what it took to get here for anything. ... To get that first win is just a really special feeling."

Harris went seven innings and threw 94 pitches on a day when the temperature was 95 degrees at game time. He benefited from four double plays.

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## AMERICAN LEAGUE

## Schilling shelled in return to Red Sox rotation



Red Sox pitcher Curt Schilling argues his case with umpire John Hirshbeck during Boston's 7-4 loss to Kansas City Thursday.

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Curt Schilling could find only one serious negative about his first start in four months — the final score.

The veteran right-hander, who had been in Boston's bullpen most of the season, got cuffed around in his first start since April and the Kansas City Royals beat the Red Sox 7-4 on Thursday night, their fourth win in five games since a franchise-record 19-game losing streak.

"I didn't feel like I had super stuff and I didn't feel like I had bad stuff," Schilling said. "I felt normal."

Schilling (5-6) went five innings, giving up six runs and nine hits. Making his first start since losing to Tampa Bay on April 23, he walked one and had five strikeouts, including the last two batters he faced.

"In the fifth inning I thought I got more comfortable," he said. "I didn't throw my first split until the ninth hitter of the

game, which is not something that happens to me a lot. I only think I threw three in the first four innings. A lot of that was confidence. I didn't feel real comfortable with it."

The six-time All-Star, who led the majors last year with 21 wins and then led the Red Sox to the World Series title, went on the disabled list on April 29 with a right ankle bruise after going 1-2 in three starts.

He missed 69 games, then was 4-3 with nine saves in 11 opportunities while filling in for injured closer Keith Foulke. It was his first regular bullpen work since 1992.

He got the save in all three of the Red Sox' victories over the Royals in Boston on Aug. 2-4.

"We got some hits off him early," said Emil Brown, who had three hits, including a 422-foot solo homer off Jonathan Papelbon in the eighth. "I wouldn't say he was a hittable pitcher. He didn't look ordinary."

While going 4-6 on their 10-

game road trip, the first-place Red Sox saw their lead over the New York Yankees in the AL East shrink from 4 1/2 games to 2 1/2.

"It's a loss," Schilling said. "I can't search for things and try to figure things out at the expense of this ballclub. Not now. Not in August."

Not with a 2 1/2 -game lead. Tonight was a night when I certainly had the stuff to win and just did not execute."

Denny Hocking and Paul Phillips, Kansas City's Nos. 8 and 9 hitters, had RBI singles to left in the second and Terrence Long followed with an RBI single to center for a 3-0 lead.

Mike Sweeney doubled leading off the second and eventually scored from third on a fielder's choice grounder by Mark Teahen.

In the fifth, Hocking scored from first on a close play at the plate on David DeJesus' double. DeJesus scored on Long's sacrifice fly to make it 6-2.

## NCAA BASKETBALL

## Negotiations continue in Cincinnati's Huggins buyout

*Coach spent 16 years with the University*

Associated Press

CINCINNATI — Bob Huggins tearfully thanked fans for their 16 years of support Thursday, while lawyers for the ousted coach and the University of Cincinnati failed to finish the details of his \$3 million contract buyout.

Huggins agreed to step down on Wednesday, a day after the school warned he would be fired if he didn't resign.

He agreed in principle to a \$3 million buyout for the rest of his contract, with details to be worked out.

"We're still talking about the (buyout) language," said Richard Katz, the coach's lawyer.

Katz said he and the university's lawyer have other obligations and probably won't complete the deal until next week.

The sides are discussing when Huggins will leave and how much he will get. The school is willing to let him stay in an advisory role for three months, easing the transition to an interim coach.

Huggins led Cincinnati to No. 1 rankings, a Final Four and 14 consecutive NCAA tournament appearances during his 16 seasons at Cincinnati.

The Bearcats also had numerous player arrests and violations during his tenure, earning an NCAA probation.

Huggins appeared at a supportive rally organized by a local radio personality on Thursday night, telling fans they were like family to him.

"I just wanted to stop by and say thanks, it was 16 wonderful years," Huggins told the crowd, pausing between sentences to collect his thoughts and his composure. "Give me a minute here. Honestly, I don't know what to say, but thanks. It's been 16 great years."

His arrest and conviction for drunken driving last year upset

president Nancy Zimpher, who was hired in 2003 to elevate the school's national profile.

She wanted Huggins and his coaches to be better role models and recruit studious players who would stay out of trouble.

The two sides have clashed over a contract extension since May, setting the stage for his forced departure.

At the rally held at a sports cafe, Huggins recalled some of the Bearcats' most successful seasons.

"But more important than that, the way our guys have turned out, the way they've represented this city, the way they've represented me, the way they've represent you — I'm extremely proud and certainly forever indebted to them," Huggins said. "Thanks."



Cincinnati athletic director Bob Goin, left, and school president Nancy Zimpher address the media Tuesday in Cincinnati. Basketball coach Bob Huggins was ordered to resign or be fired.

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### American League East

team	record	perc.	last 10	GB
Boston	72-52	.581	5-5	-
New York	70-56	.556	6-4	3
Toronto	64-63	.504	4-6	9.5
Baltimore	60-65	.480	4-6	12.5
Tampa Bay	52-75	.409	7-3	21.5

### American League Central

team	record	perc.	last 10	GB
Chicago	77-47	.621	2-8	-
Cleveland	70-57	.551	7-3	8.5
Minnesota	67-60	.528	8-2	11.5
Detroit	61-64	.488	7-3	16.5
Kansas City	41-83	.331	3-7	36

### American League West

team	record	perc.	last 10	GB
Los Angeles	73-53	.567	6-4	-
Oakland	70-56	.556	3-7	3
Texas	59-67	.468	3-7	14
Seattle	54-72	.429	4-6	19

### National League East

team	record	perc.	last 10	GB
Atlanta	72-55	.567	5-5	-
Philadelphia	69-59	.539	6-4	3.5
Florida	67-60	.528	6-4	5
New York	66-60	.524	7-3	5.5
Washington	66-61	.520	5-5	6

### National League Central

team	record	perc.	last 10	GB
St. Louis	80-47	.630	6-4	-
Houston	67-60	.527	4-6	13
Milwaukee	63-65	.492	7-3	17.5
Chicago	61-66	.480	5-5	19
Cincinnati	59-68	.465	4-6	21
Pittsburgh	54-73	.425	4-6	26

### National League West

team	record	perc.	last 10	GB
San Diego	63-63	.500	5-5	-
Los Angeles	57-69	.452	5-5	6
Arizona	58-70	.453	2-8	6
San Francisco	55-71	.437	5-5	8
Colorado	48-78	.381	4-6	15

## AP College Football Preseason Top 25

team	prev. record	prev. rank
1 USC (60)	13-0	1
2 Texas (4)	11-1	5
3 Tennessee (13)	10-3	13
4 Michigan	9-3	14
5 LSU	9-3	16
6 Ohio State	8-4	20
7 Oklahoma	12-1	3
8 Virginia Tech	10-3	10
9 Miami	9-3	11
10 Florida	7-4	NR
11 Iowa	10-2	8
12 Louisville (1)	11-1	6
13 Georgia	10-2	7
14 Florida State	9-3	15
15 Purdue	7-4	NR
16 Auburn	13-0	2
17 Texas A&M	7-4	NR
18 Boise State	11-1	12
19 California	10-2	9
20 Arizona State	9-3	19
21 Texas Tech	8-4	18
22 Boston College	9-3	21
23 Pittsburgh	8-4	25
24 Fresno State	9-3	22
25 Virginia	8-4	23

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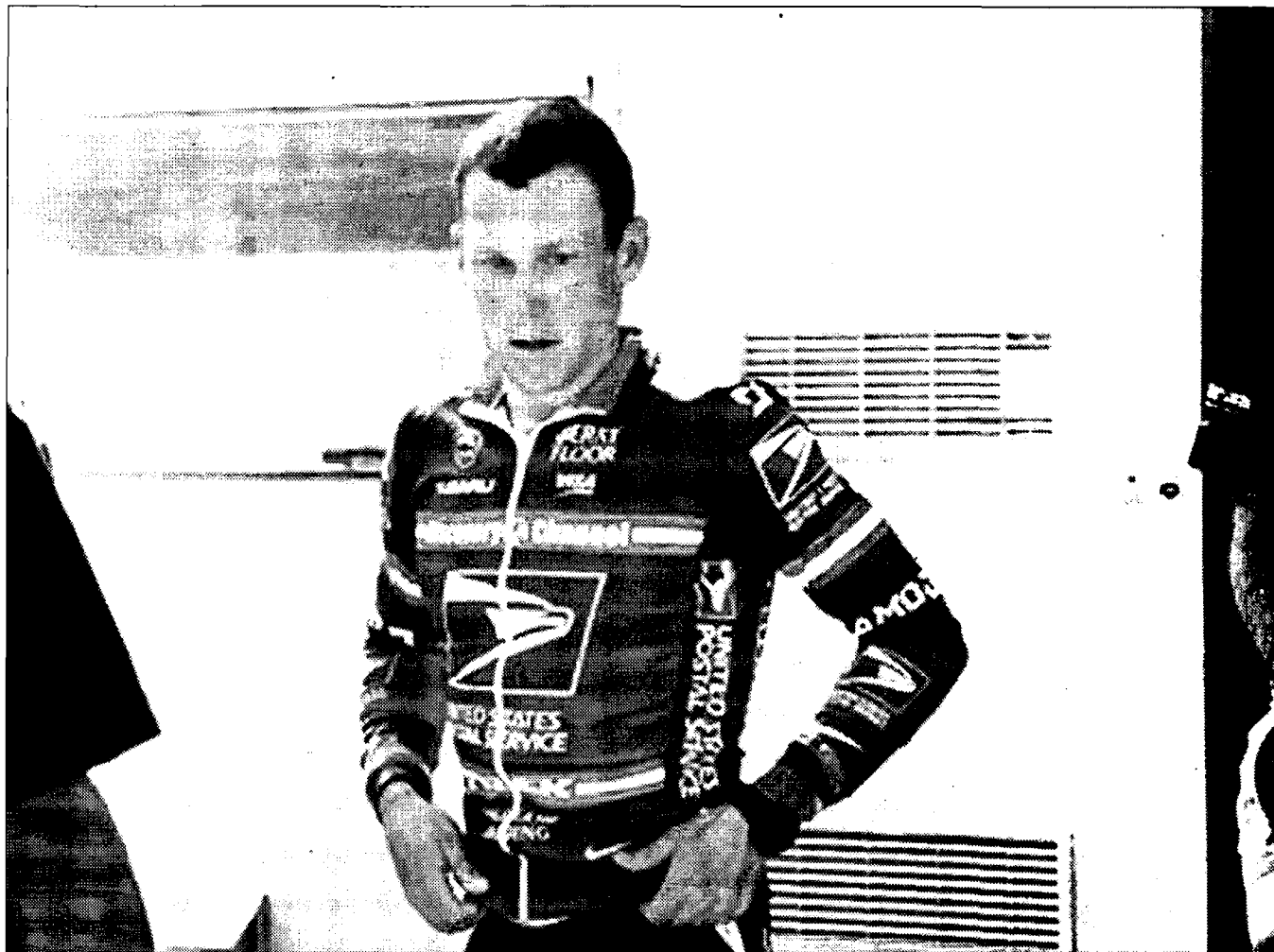
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## CYCLING



Lance Armstrong emerges from a doping control bus during the 2004 Tour de France. The seven-time Tour winner claims he was set up by the French laboratory that found a blood cell booster while testing Armstrong's urine.

## Armstrong denies latest drug accusations

Associated Press

PARIS — Lance Armstrong suggested Thursday that he's the victim of a "setup," saying he doesn't trust the French lab that released test results leading to blood doping allegations against him.

Armstrong's comments came after Dick Pound, head of the World Anti-Doping Agency, said officials had received the lab results and would review them.

"There's a setup here and I'm stuck in the middle of it," Armstrong said.

"I absolutely do not trust

that laboratory."

The French sports daily L'Equipe reported Tuesday that six urine samples Armstrong provided during his first tour win in 1999 tested positive for the red blood cell-booster EPO.

"If he had one, you could say it was an aberration," Pound said. "When you get up to six, there's got to be some explanation."

Armstrong, who retired after his seventh straight tour win in July, has angrily denied the L'Equipe report. He also said that while Pound might trust the lab that tested the samples, "I certainly don't."

Pound said the lab had asked WADA months ago if the agency was interested in reviewing its findings and that he agreed. He said the agency didn't expect names to be connected to the findings, but only wanted to see if the leftover samples from 1999 would show riders used EPO.

"They said it's simply research," Pound said.

Pound said he is waiting for WADA Science Director Olivier Rabin to return from Europe to review the results.

The lab report doesn't name Armstrong, but shows the results of tests

on anonymous urine samples. While the French newspaper said it was able to match Armstrong to the positive samples, Pound said the lab and WADA officials cannot do that.

The French report appears stronger than previous doping allegations raised against Armstrong, Pound said.

"There's been an awful lot of rumor and accusation about him for a number of years, always of the he-said, she-said variety. This appears — I haven't seen the documents myself — to have some documentary connection. That's a lot more serious."

## IN BRIEF

### Gooden surrenders to police

TAMPA — Former baseball star Dwight Gooden turned himself in at a county jail Thursday, three days after police said he fled a DUI traffic stop.

Gooden, 40, showed up at the jail warrants facility about 5 p.m., police spokeswoman Laura McElroy said. He had been missing since early Monday, when an officer pulled over his 2004 BMW near downtown Tampa on suspicion of drunken driving.

He twice refused to get out of the car for a field sobriety test, then drove away suddenly, police said.

Gooden, who has a history of substance abuse and currently has a domestic violence charge pending in the court, was booked on a felony charge of fleeing police, and misdemeanor charges of DUI and resisting arrest without violence.

He was being held without bond Thursday night. McElroy said Gooden is scheduled to appear in court Friday morning for a hearing

to revoke his bond on the March domestic violence charge.

"We're relieved that he has come forward, and this may be the first step toward him getting the help he needs," McElroy said.

### Suns sign D'Antoni to contract extension

PHOENIX — The Phoenix Suns have signed coach Mike D'Antoni to a two-year extension, the team announced Thursday.

The deal puts the reigning NBA coach of the year under contract through the 2008-09 season. D'Antoni directed Phoenix to a 33-game improvement in his 2004-05, his first full season as head coach. The Suns won an NBA-best 62 games but were eliminated by the San Antonio Spurs in the Western Conference finals.

D'Antoni, who spent 20 years in Italy as a player and coach, was the second Phoenix coach to be selected NBA coach of the year. The other was Cotton Fitzsimmons in 1988-89.

### Ponson arrested on DUI charge

BALTIMORE — Sidney Ponson was arrested early Thursday on a drunken-driving charge, the latest legal problem for the pitcher considered the ace of the Baltimore Orioles staff a year ago.

Maryland Transportation Authority Police arrested him on Interstate 95, just south of Baltimore, said Cpl. Pamela Thorne, a spokeswoman for the agency.

Authorities said Ponson was stopped for tailgating, given a field sobriety test and charged with driving under the influence and driving while impaired. At the station, he refused a breath test, which carries an automatic 120-day suspension of his license for a first offense.

The Orioles and Ponson's agent, Barry Praver, did not immediately return calls.

Ponson was charged in January with driving under the influence in Florida, and the case has not yet been resolved.



## NCAA BASKETBALL

## Ohio State argues to avoid transgressions

*University feels it should not be liable*

Associated Press

COLUMBUS, Ohio — Ohio State argued Thursday that it shouldn't be held liable for some NCAA rules violations because former men's basketball coach Jim O'Brien made it impossible for athletic administrators to know about them.

The university issued its formal response to the NCAA and conceded to nine violations, seven in the men's basketball program and one each for the women's basketball and football teams.

Among the most serious charges, the NCAA said administrators and compliance officials should have known about transgressions by O'Brien and one of his assistants, Paul Biancardi.

The school shifted responsibility to O'Brien.

"That the men's basketball staff intentionally concealed material facts from athletics and compliance administrators and disregarded specific instructions from the compliance office should not be deemed as evidence of a lack of appropriate monitoring by the institution," the response states.

Ohio State said the men's basketball team would have two fewer scholarships than the NCAA maximum of 13 this season. The school previously fired O'Brien and prevented its men's basketball team from playing in a postseason tournament last season — even though no players or coaches involved in any of the alleged violations were still affiliated with the university.

"The university believes that its corrective measures and self-imposed punitive actions presented herein, and any subsequent actions taken by the university, should be recognized and accepted by the NCAA as necessary, appropriate and sufficient," the response reads.

The university sent the 225-page document, along with about 1,500 pages of evidence and exhibits, to the NCAA offices in Indianapolis by overnight courier Wednesday, the day before it was due.

O'Brien's attorney, Joseph Murray, disputed the university's claims. "Unlike Ohio State, Jim O'Brien doesn't need 2,000 pages to explain why he didn't do anything wrong," Murray said.

The NCAA will collect information and then hold a hearing Dec. 9 or 10 to decide if Ohio State's self-imposed penalties are sufficient.

NCAA spokesman Kent Barrett said the organization doesn't comment on pending enforcement actions.

Ohio State fired O'Brien in June 2004 after he admitted he arranged a \$6,700 payment in 1999 to the family of a recruit, Aleksandar Radojevic. O'Brien has sued Ohio State for improperly firing him, saying he didn't violate NCAA recruiting rules because Radojevic had already been ruled ineligible to play for the Buckeyes.

The violations also included a booster who helped another basketball player with his schoolwork and gave him money.

Kathleen Salyers, who claims she housed Boban Savovic, has said she persuaded professors at Biancardi's request to change Savovic's failing grades so he would remain eligible to play.

She declined to comment on Ohio State's response, but released a statement on her Web site saying she regretted having had a role in the violations. She said she was involved as a "direct result of others whom were in a position of trust and authority. It was their breach of the trust and authority that they were given that has brought us here today."

## NFL

## Mourning Niners take field

Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO — A black, football-shaped decal featuring Thomas Herrion's No. 72 will be on the back of the San Francisco 49ers' helmets. The offensive lineman will be honored with words and pictures in a tribute before Friday's preseason game against Tennessee.

And then the 49ers will try to get back to the suddenly trivial business of earning an NFL roster spot.

Just six days after Herrion's locker-room collapse and death following a game in Denver, the 49ers will be back in action in the relentless NFL preseason. Jonas Jennings is among the 49ers who would have preferred to wait a bit longer, but the left tackle knows his teammates must move on eventually.

"We've just got to keep it simple and go out there, no matter how we feel," Jennings said. "We're going to think about him before the game, but you can't be thinking about anything else once the game starts, because that's how you get hurt."

Herrion was fighting for a spot on the team, and that's what many of his teammates will do against the Titans. Key jobs in San Francisco still haven't been awarded, particularly for receivers, defensive backs and linemen on both sides of the ball.

That competition provides a new focus for players like Tony Wragge, who has endured the deaths of two teammates — including Al Lucas, a lineman with the Arena League's Los Angeles Avengers — in less than five months.

"I think it will be somber, but at the same time energetic,



Niners lineman Thomas Herrion walks to practice Aug. 9. Herrion collapsed and died in the locker room after a game Aug. 21.

because we're going to want to do our jobs and represent the 49ers and Thomas Herrion the best we can," said Wragge, who's seeking a spot on the offensive line. "The man was like a brother to me and these guys, and I would never want to let my brother down."

The game also puts the Titans in a delicate position, mixing concern with competition. Coaches Jeff Fisher and Mike Nolan spoke over the phone this week about the difficulties of their situation.

"We haven't held anything back because of what they're going through," Fisher said. "I've talked to Coach Nolan, and we had a nice visit. He feels by kickoff they will be able pull things together and bring some

closure to this and go ahead and play."

The 49ers' starters will play well into the third quarter, which means Tim Rattay will get most of the playing time after reclaiming his starting job from No. 1 draft pick Alex Smith. Rattay, who's been healthy and nearly flawless since the Niners' final minicamp, forced Nolan to rethink his decision to throw Smith into competition early in his first NFL season.

Steve McNair and the Titans' starters probably will play through the first half, but Fisher prefers to save his starters' longest preseason outing until the final game. Nolan, like most coaches, uses the third exhibition to take the longest look at his starters.

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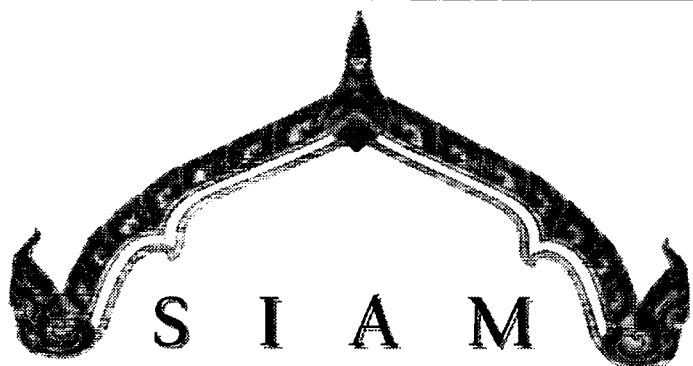


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## NFL

# Owens ready to play in first preseason game

*McNabb, Owens still not on speaking terms*

Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA — Terrell Owens and Donovan McNabb now can give each other the silent treatment in a game.

Owens and McNabb will play together for the first time since their public feud began when the Philadelphia Eagles host the Cincinnati Bengals on Friday night. Owens missed the first preseason game after he was sent home for a week following an argument with Eagles coach Andy Reid. He was held out of the second game because of a groin injury.

"He feels pretty good. He's running around good. He hasn't had a lot of pain in there," Reid said Thursday.

It'll be interesting to see if Owens and McNabb communicate on the field or along the sideline. The All-Pro receiver and the five-time Pro Bowl quarterback don't speak to each other. Owens started the friction in April when he took a shot at McNabb's performance in Philadelphia's Super Bowl loss to New England. He also called McNabb a "hypocrite" earlier this month.

"I think it's very important

that we be able to get some work," McNabb said, hoping the two can get along well enough to lead the Eagles to a championship.

The notoriously vocal Eagles fans will have their first chance to give Owens a real earful since he started demanding a new contract just one season into the seven-year, \$48.97 million deal he signed in March 2004.

Owens received mixtures of boos and cheers at training camp, but fans haven't been allowed at practice since Owens came back from his one-week banishment and the team returned to its practice facility in Philadelphia.

While Owens makes his season debut at home, Bengals rookie David Pollack will make his first preseason appearance after ending a 20-day holdout last week. Pollack, the 17th overall pick in the draft, is playing outside linebacker after setting a school record with 36 sacks as a defensive lineman at Georgia.

"He's had a good week," Bengals coach Marvin Lewis said. "Every time he steps on the field, he practices hard, and he's learning what he needs to learn. He's getting closer to doing the things he needs to do."

Pollack, who intercepted two passes in practice on Wednesday, is starting to adjust to his new position.

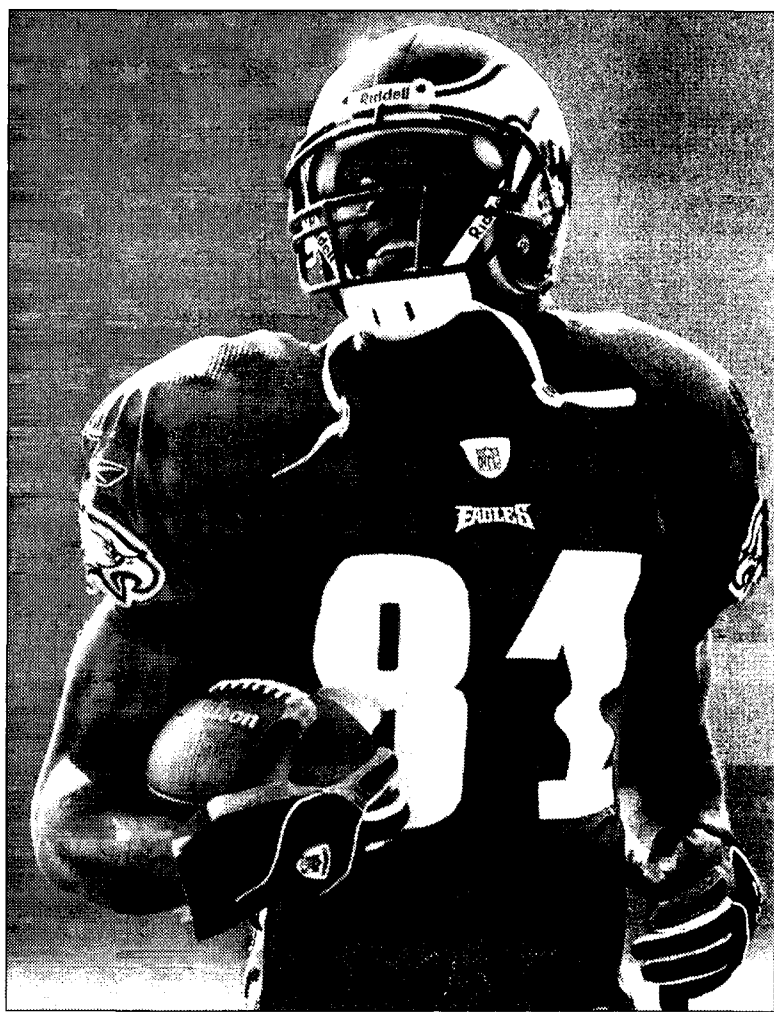
"I've been in different spots," he said. "There's so much talent here. We have a lot of guys who can move and a lot of guys who are really versatile."

On the offensive side, it could be an important game for Bengals wideout Peter Warrick. The former first-round pick is vying for playing time behind Pro Bowler Chad Johnson and T.J. Houshmandzadeh. Warrick is competing with Kelley Washington, Kevin Walter, and rookie Chris Henry.

Now that Owens is back, the Eagles can sort out their receiving corps.

Philly lost starter Todd Pinkston and reserve Justin Jenkins to season-ending injuries. Third-year pro Greg Lewis starts opposite Owens and rookie Reggie Brown is the No. 3 receiver ahead of third-year pro Billy McMullen. Carlos Perez took Jenkins' spot.

The Eagles also lost running back Correll Buckhalter to his third season-ending knee injury in four years. Pro Bowl running back Brian Westbrook is expected to play the first half with the starters, though it's likely rookie Ryan Moats will get plenty of action with the first team.



Eagles wide receiver Terrell Owens runs through drills Aug. 17, the first day he was allowed to return to practice.

## NHL

# Sabres' enforcer admits using androstenedione in 2005

Associated Press

BUFFALO, N.Y. — Sabres enforcer Andrew Peters briefly and legally used the steroidlike supplement androstenedione two years ago to help him make the team.

Peters did not break any laws or NHL rules at the time and has stopped using the performance enhancer since the Food and Drug Administration banned its sale in April 2004, his agent, Steve

Bartlett, said Thursday.

"It's obviously something that, looking back on it, he wishes in some ways he hadn't," Bartlett told The Associated Press. "And he's been very clear that knowing what he knows today, he wouldn't use it again."

Androstenedione, known as andro, was once used by slugger Mark McGwire and banned by baseball last year.

Peters, believed to be the first NHL player to admit using a performance-enhanc-

ing supplement, said he used andro from May to August 2003. The Buffalo News reported Thursday.

"No one said you can't, so why not?" Peters told the newspaper. "We didn't do anything illegal. It was a supplement. We weren't hiding anything. I had nothing to hide. My girlfriend at the time knew. My parents knew."

Peters was traveling to a hockey tournament in Ottawa and not available for comment. Bartlett confirmed his

client's statements.

The NHL Players' Association opposes performance-enhancing substances, union spokesman Jonathan Weatherdon said.

He noted that no NHL player tested positive during the last two Olympics and in numerous international competitions.

The NHL has introduced random tests for performance-enhancing drugs in its new collective bargaining agreement.

Players will be subject to a

minimum of two drug tests a year without warning. A first-time offender would receive a 20-game suspension. A 60-game suspension would be given to a repeat offender, with a permanent ban for a third offense.

"We are confident the education and testing policy under our new joint program, in addition to severe punishment for positive test results, will deter NHL players from using performance-enhancing substances," NHL spokesman Frank Brown said in response to Peters' admission.

Bartlett noted Peters passed all drug tests before he was allowed to play for Bodens IK, a second-tier Swedish team, last season.

Peters told The News he and brother Geoff Peters, a career minor leaguer, bought andro over the counter at a nutritional supplement store in Rochester.

Peters said he used andro to prepare for training camp and help overcome shoulder and ankle injuries that forced him to miss 23 games the previous season with the Sabres' minor league affiliate in the AHL.

Peters went from 224 pounds to 247. He made the team and appeared in 42 games as a rookie in the 2003-04 season. The left wing finished with two goals, no assists and a team-leading 151 penalty minutes.

"At the time, I thought it was totally harmless, so I would've recommended it to anybody," said Peters, a second-round Sabres draft pick in 1998. "Now I wouldn't recommend it. For two summers now, I haven't taken it."

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## SMC GOLF

# Hamilton working to keep Belles at top

By ANNA FRICANO  
Sports Writer

Ask any current member of the Saint Mary's golf program to recap her experiences with the team, and it is most likely that there would be very little disappointment of which to speak.

For three consecutive years — since coach Mark Hamilton has taken over the program — the Belles have not only captured the MIAA conference title every fall, but have also gone on to put themselves among the elite of college golf by capturing a bid to attend the Division-III NCAA Golf Championships in the spring.

It could easily be said that it has been sheer talent that has made Saint Mary's golf so successful in the past few years. Former members have taken home conference titles and been named all-conference players, and some have gone on to gain national recognition on both the team and individual level in the NCAA.

Hamilton, beginning his fourth season with the Belles, gives a lot of credit to the ability of his players for the success that he has seen as a coach.

"We've kind of had the players to make the score," Hamilton said.

After graduating three of the most successful golfers in the program last spring, it may be a bit of a challenge to maintain the same level of excellence that the program has seen in recent years. But the opportunity is still there for the members of the Saint Mary's team.

Seniors Nicole Bellino and Megan Mattia are both MIAA honorable mention players.

Kirsten Fantom began to come on especially strong last spring, and Erin McQueen seems ready to step-up to the challenge. Katie O'Brien, the only sophomore on the team, had a couple of opportunities to travel with the team last year and will have some experience to bring into the season.

Part of Hamilton's effectiveness as a coach comes from the dedication that he makes to provide an opportunity for the women to improve their skills. A good practice facility, combined with other approaches such as video equipment, allow the girls to use a variety of resources in order to improve their game.

Hamilton is especially pleased with the potential of this year's freshmen class, one he called the best since taking over three years ago.

If any new member of the team is unsure of the caliber of previous years' teams, they will soon learn based on the expectations placed on them.

"The bar has been set," Hamilton said. "I think the expectations are high, and the girls will do what it takes. The freshmen will need to step-up. That will be the factor."

While the team may not be at championship level yet, the golf season is long and no one is thinking about nationals just yet. The Belles will concentrate on winning the conference, making adjustments and getting better, and they have until May to get it right. Hamilton is confident that the talent and work ethic are there, and the Saint Mary's golf team will be able to maintain its position as one of the leaders in Division III Golf.

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## MLB

# La Russa moves into third in all-time wins

Associated Press

PITTSBURGH — Tony La Russa got the first of what could be several champagne showers this season. He can only hope the next one comes in very late October.

La Russa passed Sparky Anderson to move into third place on the manager wins list in the St. Louis Cardinals' 6-3 victory over the Pittsburgh Pirates on Thursday night, helped along by Jim Edmonds and Albert Pujols homers in the first inning.

The Pirates have lost 10 of 13 to the Cardinals, accelerating La Russa's climb during a season in which he has passed some of baseball's all-time best — Anderson, Bucky Harris and Joe McCarthy.

Afterward, La Russa had a surprise visitor: former White Sox general manager Roland Hemond, who hired him for his first big league job during the 1979 season. Hemond and Jim Leyland, who was on La Russa's

White Sox staff when La Russa was hired as Pittsburgh's manager in 1985, joined the Cardinals players in dousing La Russa with champagne.

"I've always felt it's not personal, it's organizational and being in the right place at the right time," said La Russa, who won his only World Series with Oakland in 1989, though he got the Cardinals there last season before losing to Boston. "But tonight I'm going to take a little personal tour. It was a very emotional day."

La Russa's victory No. 2,195 — he trails only Connie Mack (3,731) and John McGraw (2,763) — was Matt Morris' 101st in the majors, and it came in the home away from home for both the Cardinals and the right-hander. The Cardinals' 30 victories at 5-year-old PNC Park are the most of any opponent. St. Louis has won 17 of its last 20 in Pittsburgh, including three of four in this just-concluded series.

## ND GOLF

# Warren earns high praise

By CHRIS KHOREY  
Sports Writer

In the past few weeks, the University unveiled the Guglielmino Center, the football team's brand new practice facility. The building has been hailed as a dramatic step forward in the quality of athletic facilities at Notre Dame.

At this same time, however, another of Notre Dame's facilities has been quietly gaining national recognition as one of the top places to train or play in the country.

The Warren Golf Course, the five-year-old home of the Irish men's and women's golf teams, was recently rated the 15th best university course in the nation by "Golf Digest" magazine.

General Manager John Foster believes the course, which is located north of campus at the corner of Juniper and Douglas Roads, is still on the rise in the national picture.

"I think we have the potential to be the top collegiate facility in the nation," he said.

In its relatively short history, the course has hosted several prestigious amateur events, including qualifiers for the Western Amateur Championship, the U.S. Amateur Championship and an NCAA Regional. Despite such success, Foster is setting his sights even higher.

"We want to attract an NCAA final," he said.

One of the people pushing for more high profile events at the course is its benefactor and namesake Bill Warren, a 1955 Notre Dame graduate and avid golfer. Warren, who was not on the varsity golf team while

attending the University, realized a need for an upgrade the golf facilities in the late 1990's and offered to endow a replacement to the old Notre Dame Golf Course, which was located south of the Rockne Memorial.

Warren envisioned a world-class course, a vision he has worked with Foster to bring to life.

"Bill made it clear that the primary purpose of the golf course was to be top flight as far as university courses go," Foster said.

Warren has also contributed significant funds above and beyond his original endowment when the course has needed improvements.

"Mr. Warren continues to make investments so we attain even higher rankings and a high status," Foster said. "If there's ever any thing we need, Bill has always stepped forward and helped us."

Unfortunately, the course was not an immediate success. In its first few years, the course was unevenly kept and golfers complained of, among other things, inconsistent greens and rocky sand traps.

However, since Foster took over three years ago the course has undergone significant improvements. He hired Matt Zeilen in 2004 as superintendent and charged him with upgrading the facility.

Zeilen had previous experience at several nationally recognized courses, including Shadow Creek in Las Vegas and Wingfoot in New York.

"His resume told me that he knew what a quality product was and that he could attain that," Foster said of Zeilen. "In his short year here, we've come 180

degrees."

Varsity golfers have also noticed the difference.

"The greens are getting a lot better," sophomore Jane Lee said. "The sand traps are fine grain now. They were a lot rockier last year."

Another improvement for varsity golfers will be a new indoor practice facility adjacent to the course. The building, which is being funded mainly by donations from the Rolfs family, is scheduled to break ground in September and be completed by mid-fall 2006.

Foster said an indoor facility is key to building nationally competitive golf programs.

"If you're a cold weather golf team, in order to attract top players from across the country, they've got to know they can at least practice all year round," he said.

The old Notre Dame Golf Course still exists in an abbreviated nine-hole format, having been cut in half to accommodate new dorms on West Quad in the late 1990s. Foster said having two courses is a major convenience for both new and experienced players on campus.

"It's a unique situation in that we have a facility for people who are just beginning or don't want to spend a lot of money, but then those who are more advanced can use the [Warren Course]."

Both facilities are popular, attracting over 50,000 rounds of golf between them every year. Students, faculty and coaches all use the courses, and there is a tournament for Holy Cross priests every year.

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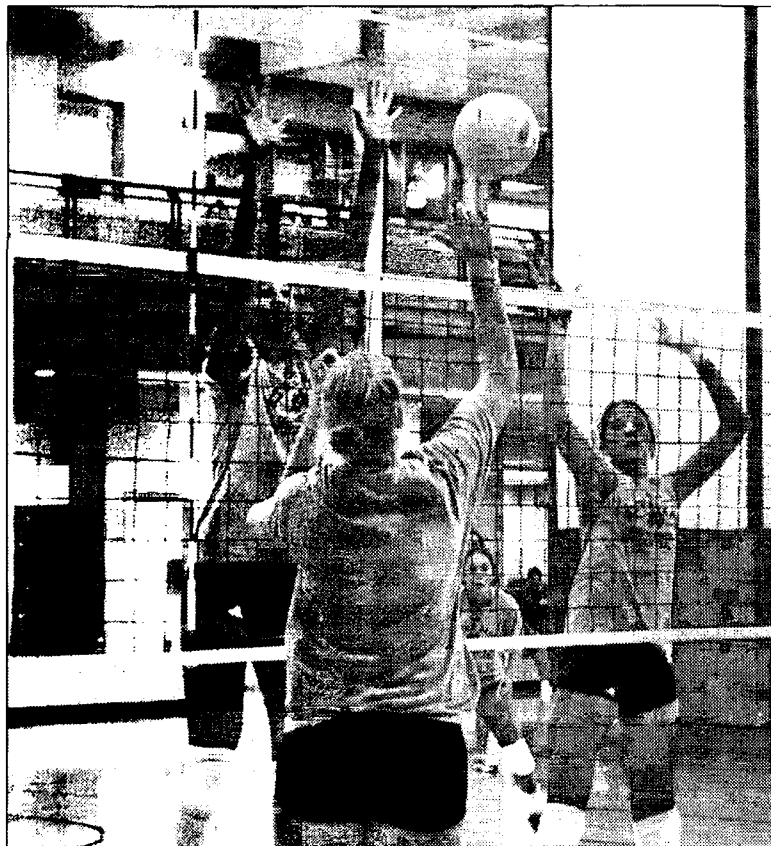
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Notre Dame volleyball players attempt a block during practice Aug. 17. The Irish host the Wolverines on Aug. 27.

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## Michigan

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the solid Wolverine squad. Michigan qualified for the NCAA tournament last year and, just like Notre Dame, bowed out in the second round. The Wolverines are one of eight 2004 NCAA tournament teams on the Irish schedule.

"I feel that if we play opponents with such a high level that will bring out our high level, and I'm just so excited because I think this team can go really, really far," said Tarutis, who is known for her intensity and vocal presence on the court.

Senior co-captain Lauren Brewster, when asked about her own court leadership, praised Tarutis.

"I know I need to be more of a vocal leader," she said. "Ashley

*"I feel that if we play opponents with such a high level that will bring out our high level, and I'm just so excited."*

**Ashley Tarutis**  
Irish setter

Tarutis, on our team, does a great job of that."

Clearly, there is a great amount of respect, understanding and reciprocity on the team this year.

"I'm feeling a ton more confident [this season]. We have five great seniors this year who have really worked hard the past three years to develop a strong core of a team," Tarutis said.

"And I'm really comfortable working with all of them this year."

Tarutis's sophomore counterpart, opposite/outside hitter Adrianna Stasiuk, was injured in the

preseason and will be out for at least another week. The versatile, second-year Stasiuk broke several ribs about two weeks ago.

"I got hurt in preseason, so I won't be playing," she said. "I haven't been playing at all in preseason. Next week I get to

take X-rays again, and then I can go from there."

After watching practice for a few weeks, Stasiuk is anxious to get back on the court.

"I can't wait to play," she said. "I just want to help the team as best as I can and to be a really good hitter and passer."

For the season opener, the Irish will be without a key player, but with such strong group of seniors and returning players, they hope to get off to a positive start.

Rather than stumbling as they did last year against their archrivals, the Irish look to use the first match as a jumpstart to the season, a season for which the Irish have high expectations.

"Our goals are to win the Big East and to advance farther than ever before in the NCAA tournament," Stasiuk said.

If the goal is to build a team capable of making a long stay in the NCAA tournament, what better place to start than against the nemesis from Ann Arbor?

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## SMC CROSS-COUNTRY

# Belles welcome new coach as team rebuilds

*Jackie Bauters, Class of 2004, enters her first season in charge*

By JUSTIN O'NEILL  
Sports Writer

The times are changing for the Saint Mary's cross-country team, and nobody knows it better than new head coach

Jackie Bauters. The 2004 college grad is entering her first season as head coach, and she's glad it is at her alma mater.

The captain of the team in 2003, Bauters expects her existing relationships with the runners to help ease her into the position.

"I'm really excited about the opportunity," Bauters said. "Knowing half the girls already helps the transition. It

would take longer to build relationships and get results if I were a face nobody had ever seen before."

Captain Becky Feauto couldn't agree more.

"It's great to have Jackie back — she was a good captain, and the girls respond well to her leadership," Feauto said.

Bauters spent the last year getting her Masters in sports psychology at Ithaca College,

where she was the assistant coach of the highly competitive D-III program. With her help, they ran to 15th place in the NCAA Championship in 2004.

Bauters replaces long-time head coach Dave Barstis, who has accepted assistant coaching duties. Bauters said they have a good relationship and expect to be a dynamic pair.

"We got along really well when I was on the team and stayed in touch the year I was in Ithaca," Bauters said.

She has a daunting task ahead of her but remains optimistic, as the Belles recently encountered some unexpected roster changes.

Standout Megan Gray suffered a serious leg injury last spring and recently started running again. Last season as a freshman, she finished first for the Belles at the NCAA Regionals. She has been working hard over the summer with therapy treatment and is expected to return this fall.

"We're just taking it slow, and as long as treatment continues to go well, she will return and be a strong member of the team," Bauters said.

Beyond Megan Gray, the Belles lost three runners who were expected to run this fall.

"It's tough," Feauto said. "We have a few kinks still to iron out, but we have a good group of freshmen coming in, and hopefully they'll balance things out."

Bauters agrees.

"We have a very young team, but I have my eye on the freshmen and think they'll have a good season," Bauters said.

Setbacks notwithstanding, Bauters aims to bring a much higher level of intensity than the team has known in the past. She intends to do so by instituting two mandatory

weight lifting sessions per week. She feels the strength they gain will help overcome the injuries that have plagued the team in the past.

Feauto likes the idea.

"In the past, we were supposed to work out on the side, but it'll be much easier to get

motivated when everybody does it," Feauto said.

With the higher intensity level, Bauters feels good about the season's outlook.

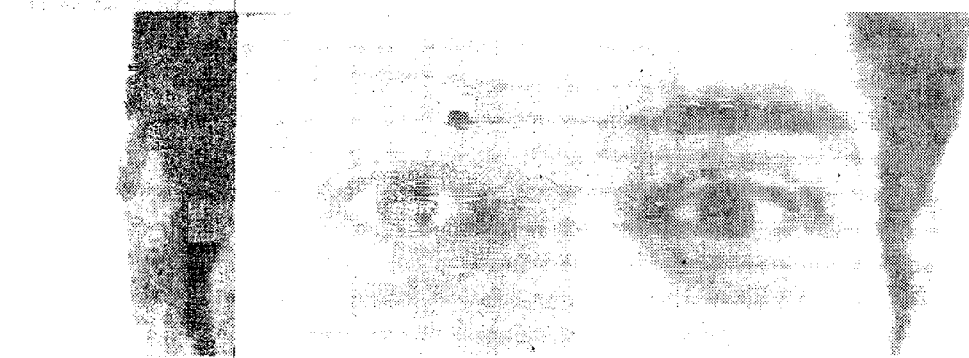
"We hope to consistently improve individually and as a team, and we want to be competitive in the MIAA's," Bauters said. "I expect that everybody will drop time throughout the fall, and we intend to peak at the conference championships and have a solid showing."

Bauters anticipates a good year and a solid team in the years to come.

With the young coach at the helm of a young team and a nasty outlook, the future is bright for Saint Mary's cross-country team.

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# Kickoff

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collective mind.

"There's no way we can look ahead — we've got to get through New Hampshire first," freshman Kerri Hanks said. "We can't even look ahead to the next weekend."

Right now, the Irish have to worry about getting the season started on the right foot, and that will start in the team's first two regular season games of the season this weekend.

"I think we're really good, and [despite] any problems, we think we can win," Hanks said.

Irish coach Randy Waldrum is excited about his team's performance so far this season, but is also aware of what his team needs to do to reach their high expectations.

He commented at length before the season started about how he was proud of his team for working hard throughout practice and not letting a drop off of any kind to occur.

The Irish should be up for this challenge, led by returning preseason All-Americans Katie Thorlakson, Candace Chapman and Jen Buczkowski.

Thorlakson was the 2004 Soccer America player of the year and Buczkowski earned All-American status last year, as well.

Returning in goal for Notre Dame is Erika Bohn, who is the 2005 preseason Big East goalkeeper of the year. Bohn led the nation with a 0.41 GAA last sea-

son.

With this type of returning talent, added to the impressive crop of freshmen, including Brittany Bock and Hanks, who have played well this summer, the Irish task should be that much easier.

Bock scored twice in Notre Dame's victory over Butler, and Hanks added a goal and an assist. Hanks also assisted

on the second goal against Virginia in the 2-0 win.

The season begins today at 6:30 p.m. against New Hampshire.

The Irish will play Vermont on Sunday at 1 pm.

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*"We've got to get through New Hampshire first."*

**Kerri Hanks**  
Irish forward



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Coach Randy Waldrum, shown here at an Aug. 16 practice, is ready to face the challenges of the 2005 season.



Photo courtesy of Notre Dame Sports Information

The wall featuring traditions and history of Notre Dame football reminds visitors of the storied past on the Irish gridiron.

# Football

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"It's an amazing place," senior Irish receiver Matt Shelton said.

There's even a recruiting lounge featuring 11 national championship banners and a second-floor picture window with a view of campus.

"When the recruits come in, they are going to see the football program has really taken a step up," Shelton said. "They are going to love it."

One complaint from potential recruits making visits in the past was the locker room's location at Notre Dame Stadium. This required the team to suit up in the stadium, then walk several blocks just to reach the practice field. This factor, combined with a weight room piling in comparison to places at schools like Texas and Nebraska, made choosing a school besides Notre Dame easier for many players.

But, according to current Irish players and recruits, the Irish football program does not lag behind any more.

"A new facility like this puts us on another level," sophomore running back Darius Walker said. "You now get the school with the tradition, and at the same time you get the new facility with the top notch weight room and training program."

Bartley Webb, an offensive lineman from Springdale, Ark., who verbally committed to Notre Dame on Aug. 6, was surprised and impressed when he

first saw the "Gug."

"It's an unbelievable, top-of-the-line facility," Webb said.

Webb, a four-star recruit (out of a possible five) by Scout.com, said the complex is in the "same ballpark" as facilities at Tennessee and Arkansas. But the school's history and tradition, combined with the new facility, convinced Webb to play for the Irish.

Before his unofficial visit to Notre Dame, Webb had heard Notre Dame's facilities were not in the upper echelon of college football. But when he arrived and found out the school was finishing up the

new complex, he was impressed.

"Looking at what they had compared to what they have now, it blew me away," Webb said. "It helped quite a bit knowing I'd be in a brand-new facility with state-of-the-art equipment."

## Notes

♦ Irish senior linebacker Brandon Hoyte is one of 65 players named to this year's Butkus Award watch list. The award honors the country's top linebacker. Hoyte, Notre Dame's defensive captain, tallied 74 tackles and three sacks last season.

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# Irish

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"They knocked us out of the tourney two years back," senior captain John Stephens said. "That's always sort of in the back of your mind."

Notre Dame opened the season Monday with a 1-1 tie with New Mexico at Alumni Field. The Irish struggled in the first half of the game, but looked increasingly impressive through the second half and two subsequent overtime periods.

In addition to being satisfied with his team's performance against New Mexico, Clark also appreciated the generosity displayed by Irish fans. All proceeds from Monday's exhibition match went to benefit Grassroot Soccer, a charitable organization dedicated to fighting AIDS in Africa through youth soccer clinics. An anonymous Notre Dame soccer alumnus and the Notre Dame soccer camp both pledged to match all donations collected at the game.

"I want to say a big thank you to everyone who came to the game on Saturday and contributed to Grassroot," Clark said. "Grassroot Soccer will benefit by over \$7,500, which is a terrific response from the Notre Dame community."

As with Monday's game, Clark is looking to use the contest in Ann Arbor to develop greater chemistry among his players.

"Going into every game we look to play well individually and collectively," Clark said. "We have to get into our rhythm. It's very important that we can start building up teamwork."

"I think in the second half on Monday we started to look a little more like a team. Hopefully we can continue to develop



DUSTIN MENELLA/The Observer

Forward Justin McGeeney carries the ball upfield against New Mexico on Aug. 21.

this."

The Irish also want to increase the speed at which they play the game. Clark stressed that he wants his players to pick up the pace, yet remain calm and collected. The coach will look for his team to "hurry slowly" against the Wolverines on Sunday.

Another focus for the Irish on Sunday will be the continued development of the defense. The Irish lost three top defensive players from last season's squad and look to improve upon a solid defensive effort against New Mexico.

Sunday's game will also feature Clark continuing to test the two goalkeepers competing to replace first team All-American Chris Sawyer. Senior Justin Michaud and junior Chris Cahill both played well on Monday.

The two will split time against Michigan.

Notre Dame hopes that Sunday's contest will prepare the team for the tough beginning to the regular season that looms only a week away. On Sept. 2 and 4, the Irish will compete in the Indiana University Credit Union Classic. The team will face two top 25 opponents in SMU and Wake Forest.

"The game we have to be ready for is SMU," Stephens said. "These games are kind of like learning experiences. We moved up one step on Monday. If we can move up another step on Sunday, I'll like where we are at."

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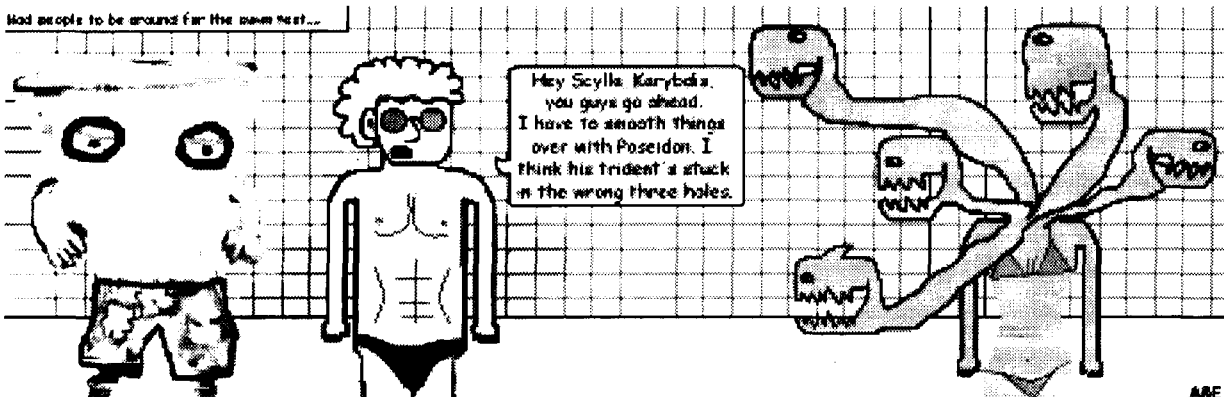
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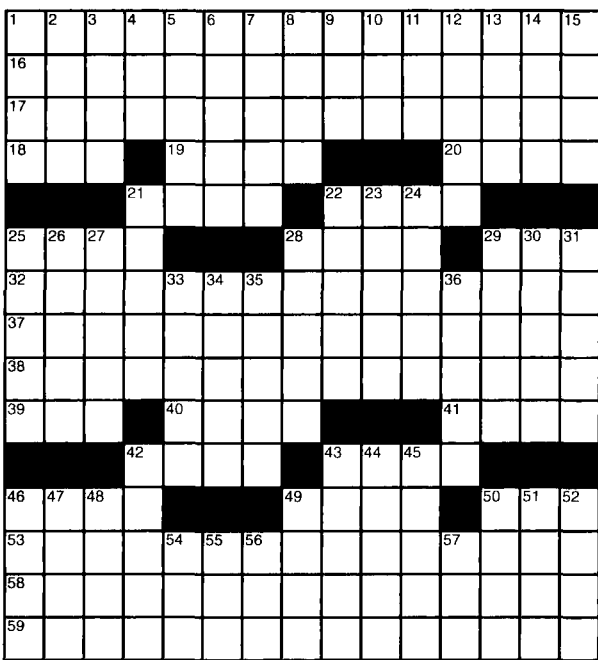
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**ARIES (March 21-April 19):** You may have to pick up the slack if a colleague is dragging his or her feet. Don't feel bad -- this person will do the same for you. A partnership looks promising. \*\*\*

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**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22):** Don't let things get you down. The more independent you are, the better you will do and the more respect you will gain. \*\*

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**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):** Don't let your emotions lead you down the wrong road today. Lots of good results will take place if you compromise and avoid unnecessary debates. \*\*

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## ND WOMEN'S SOCCER

### The first big test

*Irish look to defend 2004 title in season's kickoff away games*

By BOBBY GRIFFIN  
Associate Sports Editor

In Notre Dame's two exhibition games this August, the team won both games and scored 10 goals.

But when the season officially starts this weekend, when Notre Dame travels to the University of Vermont to take on New Hampshire and Vermont today and Sunday, respectively, the Irish will realistically only have one goal.

Win — and win often.

That should be expected for a team that earned its first pre-season No. 1 ranking in the school's history after five consecutive years at preseason No. 2.

It should also be expected for a team that defeated UCLA in last year's NCAA title game on penalty kicks.

But at this point in the season, even though Notre Dame returns nine starters and 13 of the top 15 players from last year's championship squad, the thought of repeating as the NCAA National Champions is not at the front of the group's



Freshman defender Carrie Dew takes a kick during practice on Aug. 16. The Irish will travel to New England this weekend to begin to defend their national title.

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## ND VOLLEYBALL

### Team will host rivals in opener

*Michigan featured in first fall match at the Joyce Athletic Center*

By TOM DORWART  
Sports Writer

It's the first match of the season, and the Irish already have revenge on their minds.

Notre Dame plays host to the Michigan Wolverines Saturday at 7 p.m. at the Joyce Center. Last season, the Irish traveled to Ann Arbor and fell in four games, 23-30, 25-30, 30-27 and 30-32. While the Wolverines improved to 11-2, the Irish staggered to 5-5.

This year, the Irish vow, will be different.

"Michigan is always a big opponent for us, and they always have a good team," sophomore setter Ashley Tarutis said. "This is our first game of this year, and I just really want to show Michigan what Notre Dame has to offer this season."

The Irish plan to offer more than just good competition for

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## FOOTBALL

### Recruits enjoy new facility



Photo courtesy of ND Sports Information

The spacious recruiting lounge in the Guglielmino Athletics Complex is an attractive feature for the Irish football program.

*Luxurious settings at the Guglielmino attract new players*

By MIKE GILLOON  
Sports Editor

So much of Notre Dame leaves visitors in awe. The Golden Dome, the Basilica of the Sacred Heart, the Grotto. But in past years, recruits haven't been overwhelmed by one aspect of campus — the football facilities.

That all changed earlier this month with the opening of the Guglielmino Athletics Complex, better known as the "Gug." The new facility houses every aspect of the football program from the coaches' offices to the locker rooms.

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## MEN'S SOCCER

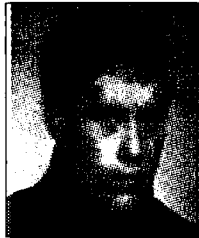
### Irish travel north to exhibition play

By KEVIN BRENNAN  
Sports Writer

When the Irish and Wolverines get together, it always seems to mean something extra.

Notre Dame coach Bobby Clark feels that the rich history between Notre Dame and Michigan raises the level of importance of Sunday's exhibition match in Ann Arbor.

"They're a good team," Clark said. "And then when you add the fact of the Notre Dame-Michigan rivalry, that makes it a



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game that is going to count in everybody's minds."

Michigan should prove to be a tough opponent for the Irish. Led by coach Steve Burns, the Wolverines return several players from last season's squad that finished second in the Big Ten and was eliminated by eventual NCAA champion Indiana in the second round of the NCAA tournament. Michigan returns two of its top three leading goal scorers from a year ago in senior forward Trai Blanks and junior forward Bobby Trybula. Starting goalie Peter Dzubay is also back after recording 62 saves in 2004.

The Irish players have some additional motivation for Sunday's game.

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## SPORTS AT A GLANCE

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**Belles hire new coach**

Jackie Bauters, Class of 2004, returns to coach at Saint Mary's.

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Golf Digest ranked the Warren Golf Course 15th among university golf courses.

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In his fourth season with the Belles, Saint Mary's coach Mark Hamilton hopes to lead the team to a fourth consecutive MIAA title.

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The team will honor Thomas Herrion with decals on their jerseys.

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Seven-time Tour de France winner Lance Armstrong called the latest doping allegations "a setup."

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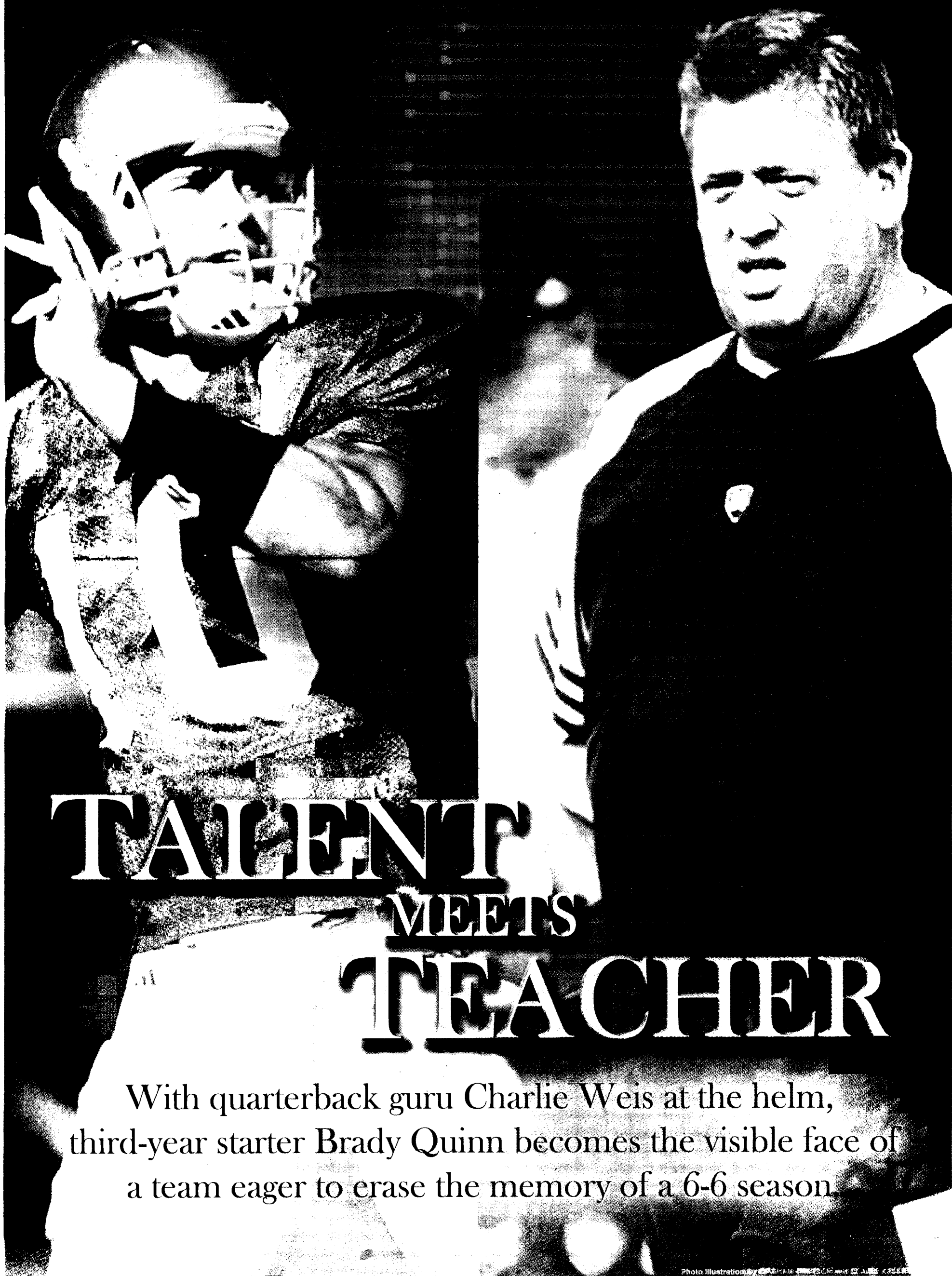
The Mets held off the Diamondbacks to stay alive in the wild card race.

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## TALENT MEETS TEACHER

With quarterback guru Charlie Weis at the helm, third-year starter Brady Quinn becomes the visible face of a team eager to erase the memory of a 6-6 season.

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# Weis' first year also provides Quinn's biggest test

Brady Quinn's been here before.

On Sept. 27, 2003, in his first career start on the road against Purdue, Quinn was in the exact same position as he will be come Sept. 3 against Pittsburgh.

He was playing away from home. He was at a new level of football than he'd been accustomed to the year prior (at Dublin-Coffman High School in Ohio). He was learning a new offense on-the-go.

But in 2003, Quinn was also a freshman.

Yes, he took his bumps (four interceptions against Purdue) and bruises (Notre Dame did not make a bowl). Critics fabricated a quarterback controversy and argued whether it was wise to throw Quinn into the fire.

But few people — if any — have pointed the finger at Quinn for Notre Dame's mishaps or its 11-13 record over the past two seasons.

Beginning with his 59 pass attempts against Purdue and ending this spring in a brief Blue-Gold game appearance, Quinn has had the Get-Out-Of-Jail-Free card in the game of

Notre Dame Football monopoly.

But now, with a championship-caliber offense in town under a head coach who specializes with quarterbacks, all eyes will focus on how well the junior — voted team co-captain with fifth-year linebacker Brandon Hoyte — can lead Notre Dame back to where everyone in and around the program expects it to be.

First, though, understand that Quinn deserved his Get-Out-Of-Jail-Free card. He rolled doubles his freshman year, and that earned him an extra turn.

The past two seasons, the overall and offensive coaching were lackluster. Last season, the secondary made few plays to help a quarterback with a 125.87 passer efficiency rating.

All three of those areas have been addressed. Head coach Charlie Weis brought a proven offense from the NFL, along with quarterback experience in assistant Peter Vaas, offensive intelligence in coordinator Michael Haywood and NFL-level secondary coaching in assistant Bill Lewis.

Can Notre Dame's coaches guarantee that the team's problem areas will altogether disappear? No. Has Weis promised to win every game? No, in fact, he has said the opposite. He will make no guarantee other than his team being completely prepared for every game it plays.

But then critics and fans read about the coaching experience, the fresh start, the past success of so many of the men on staff,

and it all comes down to one conclusion: People will expect Brady Quinn to play well under Weis, to score points and to win games — and they will expect it from him first, because during a dry spell in Notre Dame football greatness, Quinn remained a bright spot, and everyone will expect that to continue.

Right now, Weis and his assistants believe Quinn has the work ethic, intelligence, arm strength and touch of a starting college quarterback.

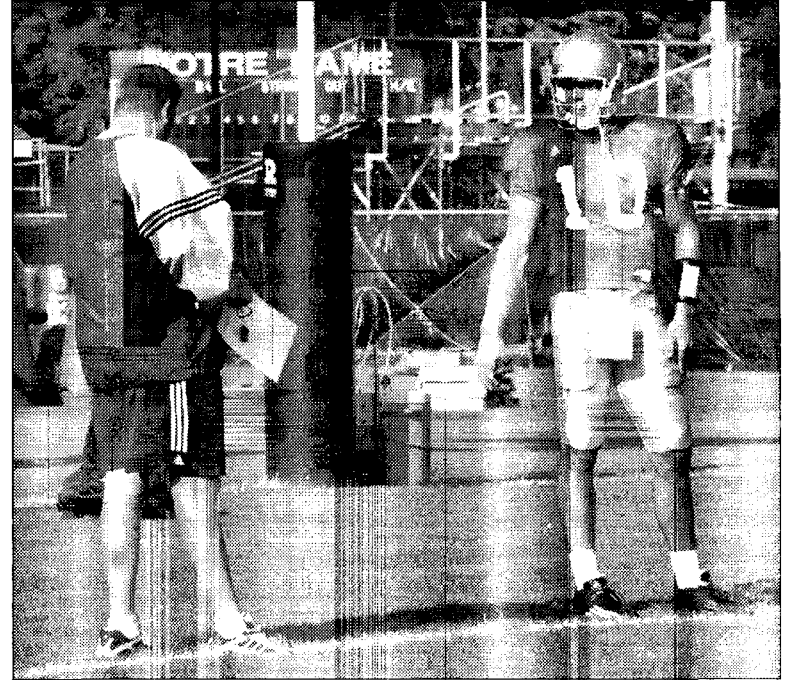
"Brady's a student of the game," offensive coordinator Mike Haywood said. "We watch film as a team usually, and every time there's a correction being made, he's the gentleman that is always writing down notes."

The nation knows Quinn has the tools, as well. He was named to Maxwell Award watch list in June as one of 53 prospective candidates for college football player of the year. All it takes is adjustment to the system.

"What he probably lacks is experience as far as reading coverages and really understanding schematically in my offense how plays are going to be run," Weis said. "In other words, [that means] where the ball is supposed to go based on what they do."

"The sooner that myself and Peter Vaas and Michael Haywood can get that conveyed to Brady, I think you're going to have a very good player."

What the coaches expect from Quinn is not a complete mystery.



GEOFF MATTESON/The Observer

Quarterback Brady Quinn talks with coach Charlie Weis during practice Aug. 23 at Cartier Field.

Weis expects efficiency, just as he did from Tom Brady in New England. But he also expects leadership, and Quinn has no shortage of that, either.

"The fact that the team voted for him as a junior to be the offensive captain in a landslide, it obviously tells me without me even having to say it myself, what the team thinks of his leadership ability," Weis said.

Quinn will hear what a lot of people think about his leadership, his adjustment, his skills and his presence this fall. But

that should be alright with him.

As a season approaches with expectations but no certainties, Quinn has proved he is the closest thing the team has to a sure thing.

And he will become — along with Weis — the new face of Irish football, for better or for worse.

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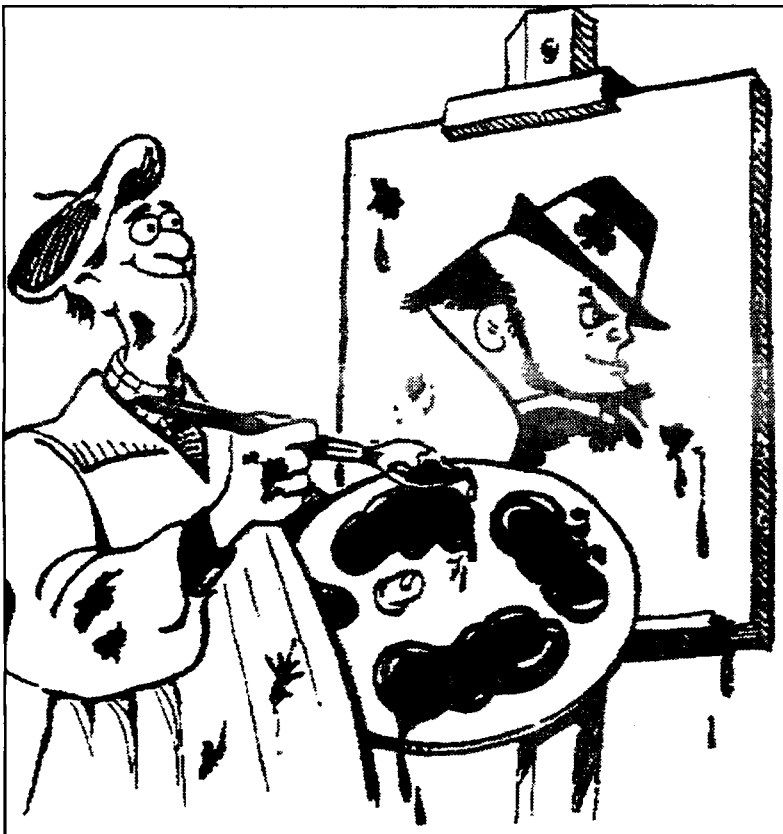
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# Turning a new page

*Changes in coaching staff and athletic facility mark 2005 season's tone*

By HEATHER  
VAN HOEGARDEN  
Sports Writer

There is a new coaching staff, a new facility and maybe most importantly, a new season. For this year's Irish, coming off a 6-6 campaign, these changes seem to be good things.

"I was excited [for the first game] as soon as I got back from summer," junior safety Tom Zbikowski said. "I've been waiting for Sept. 3 since the end of the season. I mean, we want to prove to the nation that we're not a 6-6 program."

## Welcoming fresh faces

When Charlie Weis was introduced as the new head coach on Dec. 13, he began to set the tone for his tenure at Notre Dame.

"I can tell you this," he said. "You are going to have a hard-working, intelligent, nasty football team that goes on the field because the attitude of the head coach will be permeated through the players. And I hate to include the nasty, but that is part of being a winning football team."

And since he was hired, Weis has worked to instill his attitude in his players and coaching staff.

"I think we definitely have taken on some of the attitude and personality that Coach Weis has, that Coach Weis has on the offensive side of the ball and on the defensive side of the ball," offensive lineman Ryan Harris said. "I think that's just a microcosm of us playing under his system."

And exactly what is that attitude that Weis tries to pass down?

"Definitely physical, definitely not accepting anything but perfection," Harris said. "If you have a good play you can still get coached up on it. Never be satisfied with what you are — always get better.



Irish head coach Charlie Weis looks on during practice Aug. 16. Weis takes the helm after winning three of the past four Super Bowls as offensive coordinator with the New England Patriots.

And work through the tough times at practice and the hard days."

Weis, however, hasn't been exactly what Harris expected coming in.

"The way he spoke to us in camp and the way he coaches us definitely is contradicting to how player-friendly he is," Harris said. "Sometimes he coaches us hard, but at the same time, if we do what he asks, he has no problem being a player's coach."

Besides his own philosophies, Weis brought along with him an experienced coaching staff. From director of personnel development Ron Powlus, who played at Notre Dame, to defensive

backs/assistant head coach for defense Bill Lewis, who coached nine seasons in the NFL, the Irish have a variety of coaches from a range of backgrounds.

Quarterbacks coach Peter Vaas replaced David Cutcliffe in June when Cutcliffe resigned due to health reasons. Vaas came from NFL Europe, where he was a head coach. Third-year quarterback Brady Quinn describes Vaas as a detailed-oriented coach much like Weis.

"They've been on us all camp about different things with the offense or with our technique," Quinn said of Vaas and Weis.

There's also recruiting coordinator/wide receivers coach Rob Ianello, who has helped Weis land 12 verbal commitments thus far. But Ianello came to Notre Dame for a different reason.

"I think the opportunity now to take Notre Dame to its rightful place in college football was too great of an opportunity to pass up," he said.

## Playing catch-up

Many major Division I college football programs have breathtaking facilities. Take Syracuse, a 2005 Irish opponent. The Orange has a computer cluster for its student-athletes as well as a cafeteria all in the same building as its weight room, meeting rooms and more.

And at Notre Dame, thanks to a donation from Don F. and Flora Guglielmino, the Irish were able to enter the facilities race.

The Guglielmino Athletics Complex opened earlier this month on the campus, adjacent to the Loftus Center. It houses all of the football locker rooms and coaches' offices. Its facilities are state of the art, with a brand new weight room, training room, recruiting lounge and meeting

rooms. "We wanted a clean slate — new coaches, everyone's new, new facilities, new everything," Zbikowski said.

"It's awesome," freshman Paul Duncan said. "Everything's right here. It's really nice."

And with only a week until the first game, the Irish offense is starting to feel better about its abilities. "We feel very confident right now," senior wide receiver Maurice Stovall said. "We expect to win a lot of games and go out and compete everyday and we try to bring that to practice everyday, also. I like the way we're approaching the game now. Guys are more confident and we're going to be more effective this year."

## Proving a point

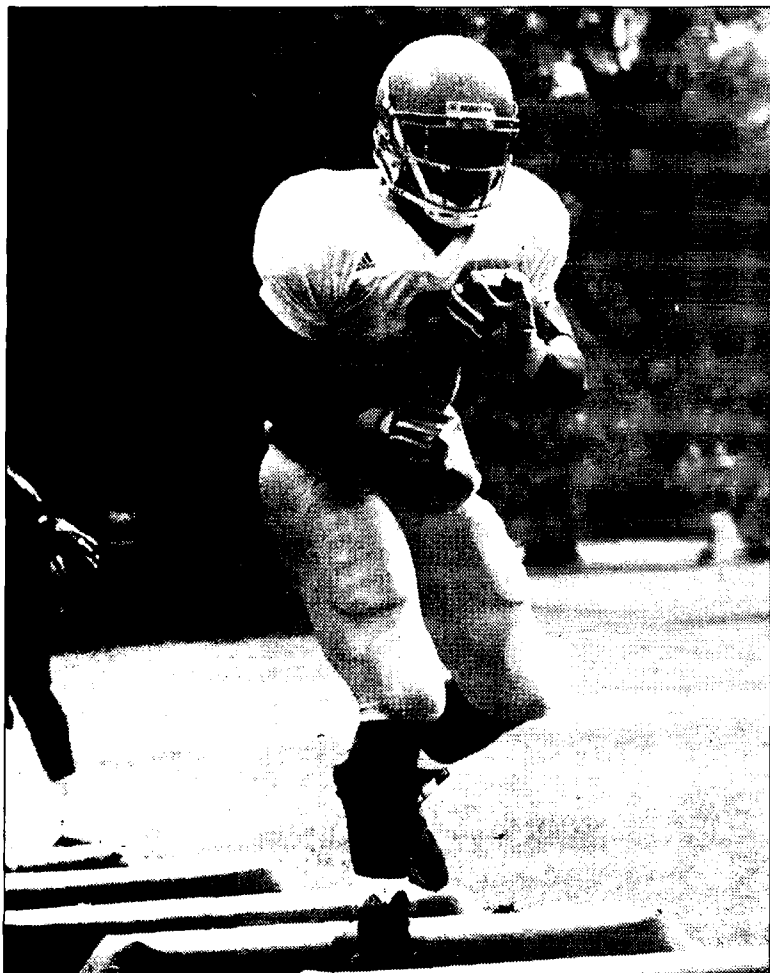
For the past two years, the Irish have had disappointing seasons, with a 5-7 record in 2003 and a 6-6 record last season. This year's team is on a mission to show that is not its kind of team.

"If anything, we have to prove a lot to ourselves, each other, the coaching staff has been putting a lot of effort into it," Stovall said. "We had to overcome all the troubles we had in the offseason as far as coaching changes. But we're more focused now, and yeah, we have a lot of facilities, but if anything, we have to prove it to ourselves."

Zbikowski, the leader of a secondary that was especially picked on last season — giving up an average of 281.2 yards per game in the air — said the team has extra motivation to do well this season.

"It's also we want to prove to ourselves," he said. "We put in so much work, the coaches put in so much work — we deserve to win and that's what we want to do."

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Notre Dame running back and projected starter Darius Walker runs through drills Aug. 16 at Cartier Field.



Then Guglielmino Athletics Complex, a \$21.25 million project, is Notre Dame's new state-of-the-art athletic facility.

Photo courtesy of Notre Dame Sports Information

# SCOUTING



## Free Safety: Tom Zbikowski, Junior

A USA Today first-team All-American out of high school, Zbikowski didn't see the field in 2003 but started all 12 games at strong safety last year, recording 70 tackles (37 solo), including a team-high nine against Michigan State last September.



## Cornerback: Terrail Lambert, Sophomore

Nicknamed "Lamborghini" by his teammates, Lambert garnered All-Big East honors in track last spring in the 60-meter dash. While he did not see the field last year, Lambert was selected as an ESPN top 100 player (85) coming out of high school.



## Apache Linebacker: Maurice Crum Jr., Sophomore

A Blue team starter at Apache linebacker in the annual Blue-Gold game last spring, Crum Jr. picked up three tackles in the contest. Crum Jr. did not play as a freshman.



## Middle Linebacker: Corey Mays, Senior

Ready to step in at middle linebacker, Mays spent most of this time last year on special teams where he made 219 appearances, good for the highest on the team. Mays recorded 15 sacks and picked up a pair of sacks in 2004.



## Right End: Victor Abiamiri, Junior

A first-team USA Today prep All-American out of high school, Abiamiri sat out most of the spring with a leg injury, but he returns healthy this fall. Abiamiri has played in 24 straight games and is the team's most reliable pass rusher.



## Nose Guard: Derek Landri, Senior

After missing all of spring football with an injury, Landri is healthy again and set to return to nose guard, a position he started at in all 12 games last season. Landri had 40 tackles (19 solo) and seven tackles-for-loss, including a pair against Pittsburgh last November.



## Defensive Line: The Defensive Line

The Defensive Line sat out most of the spring with injuries. Laws sat out in all 12 games last season, recording a fumble against Brigham Young.



## Left Tackle: Ryan Harris, Junior

Winner of Notre Dame's offensive lineman of the year award for 2004, Harris has started in each of Notre Dame's last 20 games, including all 12 games last season and the final eight of his freshman year.



## Left Guard: Bob Morton, Senior

A versatile, veteran lineman who has played both center and guard, Morton has started 22 of Notre Dame's last 23 contests, missing only the Insight Bowl against Oregon State last December.



## Center: John Sullivan, Junior

The 2002 Gatorade Player of the Year in Connecticut, Sullivan started all 12 games at center last season after red-shirting his freshman year. Sullivan was slowed by injury during the spring.



## Right Guard: Dan Stevenson, Senior

Another Irish veteran on the offensive line, Stevenson started in all 12 games last season, logging 40 special teams appearances.



**Wide Receiver: Maurice Stovall, Senior.** A first team USA Today All-American out of high school, Stovall has played in 34 games over the past three seasons, including 11 starts. Stovall had 21 catches for 313 yards and one touchdown last season, and he reportedly enters this season 10 to 15 pounds lighter.



## Quarterback: Brady Quinn, Junior

The leader of the Irish offense, Notre Dame is counting on the co-captain to take them to the next level. Quinn, who was the starting quarterback last season, throwing for 2,586 yards and tossing 17 touchdown passes and 11 interceptions.



## Fullback: Rashon Powers-Neal, Senior

The starting Irish fullback each of the past two years, Powers-Neal has been working with the tailbacks in camp and should contribute to the Irish backfield again this season.



## Running Back: Darius Walker, Sophomore

After sitting out the season-opening loss to Brigham Young last year, Walker played in all eleven of the Irish games last season, rushing for 1,000 yards and seven touchdowns. Notre Dame freshman rushing record, racking up 786 yards and seven touchdowns.

### IRISH 2005 OPPONENTS

**Pittsburgh**  
Sept. 3  
Head coach: Dave Wannstedt  
Last year's record: 8-4  
Last game vs. ND: Nov. 13, 2004; Pittsburgh 41, Notre Dame 38

**Michigan**  
Sept. 10  
Head coach: Lloyd Carr  
Last year's record: 6-3  
Last game vs. ND: Sept. 11, 2004; Notre Dame 28, Michigan 20

**Michigan State**  
Sept. 17  
Head coach: John L. Smith  
Last year's record: 5-7  
Last game vs. ND: Sept. 18, 2004; Notre Dame 31, Michigan State 24

**Washington**  
Sept. 24  
Head coach: Tyrone Willingham  
Last year's record: 1-10  
Last game vs. ND: Sept. 25, 2004; Notre Dame 38, Washington 3

**Purdue**  
Oct. 1  
Head coach: Dave Wannstedt  
Last year's record: 7-5  
Last game vs. ND: Oct. 2, 2004; Purdue 41, Notre Dame 16

**USC**  
Oct. 15  
Head coach: Pete Carroll  
Last year's record: 13-0  
Last game vs. ND: Nov. 27, 2004; USC 41, Notre Dame 10

**Brigham Young**  
Oct. 22  
Head coach: Bronco Mendenhall  
Last year's record: 9-5  
Last game vs. ND: Sept. 4, 2004; Brigham Young 17, Notre Dame 10

# THE IRISH

## Strong Safety: Chinedum Ndukwe, Junior

A CBS Sportsline All-American out of high school, Ndukwe played in nine games last year, mostly on special teams, where he logged 87 appearances. Ndukwe played at both safety and Apache linebacker during spring football.



## Cornerback: Mike Richardson, Senior

A veteran in the Notre Dame secondary, Richardson has played in all 12 both games both of the last two years, including a team-high 242 special teams appearances in 2004. Richardson was credited with 33 tackles (25 solo) and intercepted a pass last season.



## Will Linebacker: Brandon Hoyte, Senior

The leader of the defense, co-captain Hoyte is looking to best a solid 2004 season in which he posted a team second-high 78 tackles (38 solo), eight tackles-for-loss, three sacks and three forced fumbles. Hoyte played in all 12 games last year, including four starts.



## Left End: Chris Frome, Senior

A veteran defensive lineman, Frome started for the Blue team in the annual Blue-Gold game and turned in a four-tackle (two solo), two-and-a-half sack performance. Frome saw the field in seven games last year and five the previous



## Right Tackle: Mark LeVoi, Senior

A strong, experienced lineman, LeVoi has started each of Notre Dame's last 24 games, including all 12 at left guard in 2003 and all 12 at right tackle last year.



## Tight End: Anthony Fasano, Senior

A candidate for the John Mackey Award (as the nation's top tight end), Fasano started nine games last season, posting a team second-best 27 catches for 367 yards and four touchdowns. Against Purdue, Fasano set an Irish tight end receiving yards record with 155.



## Wide Receiver: Rhema McKnight, Senior

The leading Irish receiver each of the past two seasons, McKnight is currently No. 7 in Notre Dame history in both receptions (98) and receiving yards (1,301). Last year, McKnight caught 42 passes for 610 yards and three touchdowns.

## Predictions

Tyrone Willingham got all the breaks during his first year as Irish coach in 2002. Charlie Weis won't be so fortunate. A brutal schedule including games against Michigan, Tennessee and USC will prove just how inexperienced the Notre Dame secondary is. But a loaded defensive line along with a talented, experienced offense will keep the Irish close in every game. Weis' savvy play calling will be a weapon itself and is worth at least two wins. But if the new coach and his squad find those breaks, this will be a magical season.



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Sports Editor

Prediction:  
9-3  
Bowl win

Matt Puglisi  
Associate  
Sports Editor

Prediction:  
8-4  
Bowl win

Heading into the 2005 season, the excitement surrounding Notre Dame football has hit a fever pitch — and with good reason. Head coach Charlie Weis has brought a new attitude to a program in desperate need of regaining the swagger of its glory days. Ten returning offensive starters, Weis' expertise and the continuing development of quarterback Brady Quinn will put points on the board. Stopping the opposition on defense — especially against strong aerial attacks — will be a different story. Should the young secondary come together under experienced former NFL coach Bill Lewis, it could be a special season in South Bend, if not a huge step forward.



Heather Van  
Hoegarden  
Sports Writer

Prediction:  
8-4  
Bowl win

The Irish offense will thrive under head coach Charlie Weis — that is no secret. The question is can the defense do enough? And they will do enough because Brady Quinn will have a career year and Darius Walker will continue to improve. Scoring points will no longer be a struggle. The secondary will not have to be outstanding — just better than last year — and they will be. The Irish won't win a National Championship but this year will be a step in the right direction. Notre Dame has found the right coach to bring the program back.



Pat Leonard  
Sports Writer

Prediction:  
8-4  
Bowl win

Notre Dame has a new coach, and that will mean the world to sending this program in the right direction. The Irish will not blow many teams out, but Notre Dame will win games it isn't supposed to this season. Though many players have left the team this fall, their departure only indicates one thing: the guys remaining are ready to play. Though the Irish may not have the talent to completely turn things around right away, Weis and staff will show athletic director Kevin White this season that missing on Urban Meyer was a blessing in disguise.

Young	Tennessee	Navy	Syracuse	Stanford
Nov. 22	Nov. 5	Nov. 12	Nov. 19	Nov. 26
Head coach:	Head coach:	Head coach:	Head coach:	Head coach:
Phillip Fulmer	Phillip Fulmer	Paul Johnson	Greg Robinson	Walt Harris
Last year's record:	Last year's record:	Last year's record:	Last year's record:	Last year's record:
10-3	10-3	10-2	6-6	4-7
Last game vs. ND:	Last game vs. ND:	Last game vs. ND:	Last game vs. ND:	Last game vs. ND:
Nov. 6, 2004;	Nov. 6, 2004;	Oct. 16, 2004;	Dec. 6, 2003;	Oct. 9, 2004;
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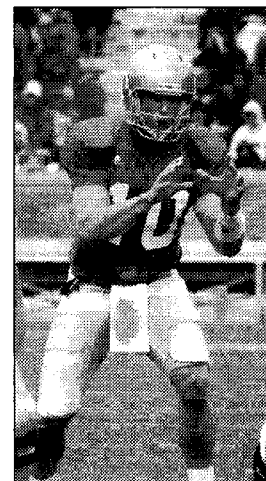


# Sizing up last year's performance

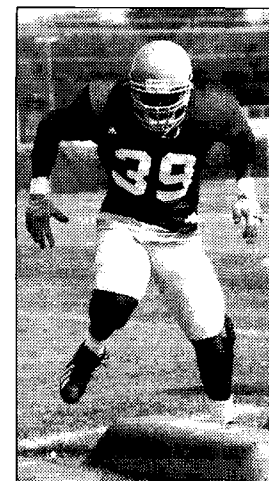
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passing yards gained	2617
passing yards allowed	3375
first downs	217
first downs allowed	225
field goals scored	11
field goals against	22
Irish time of possession	30:50
Opponents' T.O.P.	29:10
yards penalized	548
Opponents' yards penalized	496

## PLAYERS TO WATCH

**BRADY QUINN**  
QUARTERBACK



**BRANDON HOYTE**  
LINEBACKER



Co-captain Brady Quinn, in his second full season and third overall under center, spearheads an Irish offense that returns 10 starters. On pace to break nearly every Irish passing record, Quinn will be instrumental in determining whether or not Notre Dame can best last year's 6-6 mark.

Co-captain Brandon Hoyte leads an inexperienced defense that was decimated by the pass last season. While many would argue he's already done so, Hoyte is eager to prove himself all over again.

## by the numbers

Notre Dame's all-time winning percentage. The Irish fell just behind Michigan (.7459) last season. **.7434**

**4** Super bowl rings owned by Notre Dame coach Charlie Weis. He won one with the New York Giants in 1990 and three with the New England Patriots.

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# Irish look to 'twin towers' Stovall, Samardzija

By MATT PUGLISI  
Associate Sports Editor

Height is typically associated with the advantage it gives basketball players.

But they're not the only ones benefiting.

A pair of giants in 6-foot-5 receivers Maurice Stovall and Jeff Samardzija, in addition to 6-foot-2 Rhema McKnight, gives quarterback Brady Quinn a trio of tall targets.

Samardzija said Irish coach Charlie Weis is constantly looking for the mismatches that can lead to big plays — mismatches that are significantly easier to find when two of the team's tallest players are lining up at wide receiver.

"Coach is real big with matchups around the field, and if he sees a mismatch between heights between a receiver and a [defensive back], he likes those things," Samardzija said. "I think, in his eyes, he sees it as an advantage for the offense — if guys want to come up and press Mo, me or even Rhema, it's going to be a little bit tougher, having 20-30 pounds on the [defensive backs]."

Although separation exercises are essential to the development of any receiver, the drills take on additional importance for the Irish considering the unique circumstances presented by their tall frames.

"We do a lot of one-on-one and a lot of release drills," Samardzija said. "We try to

cover every phase of every different situation that we might see on the field that people are going to try to put upon us as big receivers to make us feel uncomfortable."

But the specific techniques that Samardzija and Stovall employ to utilize their height differ.

"Obviously there's two different ways to use that type of size, and I think that they both have their own defining way of using that to their advantage," Weis said. "Mo uses his size mainly by his strength, whereas Jeff uses his size in what I call more torque — more body position."

Whether or not Weis and the Notre Dame offense are able to take advantage of the height remains to be seen.

While Stovall played in three fewer overall games last season than during his sophomore campaign, he actually started five more contests but regressed in all notable statistical categories. After posting 22 catches for 421 yards and three touchdowns in 2003, Stovall caught 21 passes and racked up only 313 yards and one touchdown last season.

However, Stovall lost 10 to 15 pounds over the summer to hopefully have the breakout season projected by his selection as a first-team USA Today All-American coming out of high school.

"I think that we definitely will use our size as an advantage, and that Coach Weis will put us in a position to make

plays using our size," Stovall said. "Losing weight over summer has helped me a lot, running routes or just having more stamina on the field. It's made a big difference for me, and I think it will help me be more effective on offense."

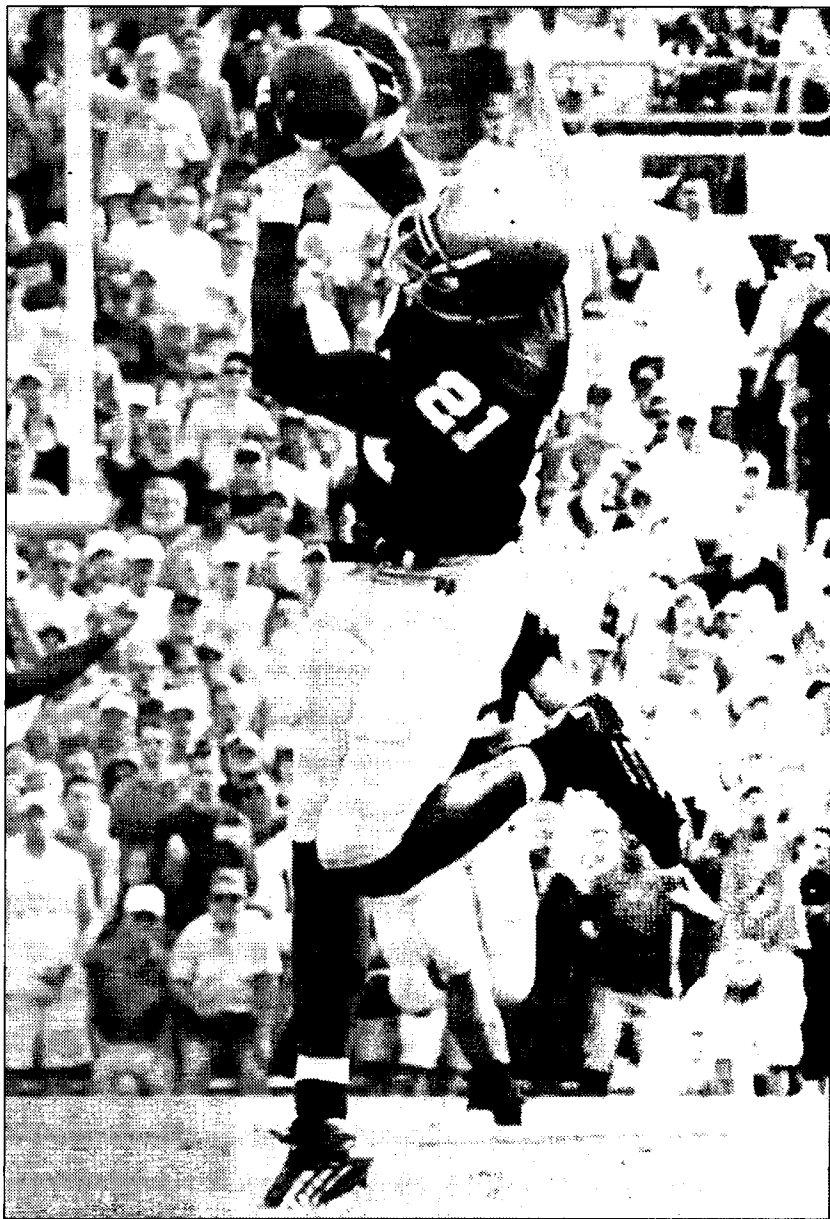
As the days tick down to the season opener next Saturday against Pittsburgh at Heinz Field, Quinn and his receivers continue to iron out any remaining wrinkles and work on the little things that can make a world of difference.

"It's kind of funny how much we know each other on the field when it comes to little mannerisms," Samardzija said. "You have to have that type of communication to be successful, and I think we're getting there — we're not quite there yet — but every day we're just getting more on the same page."

While Weis' arrival has resulted in even greater fanfare than already accompanies a new Notre Dame football season, Stovall and company have some big expectations of their own.

"I feel like we're very much ready to go," Stovall said. "We've had a lot of experience — the offense was pretty difficult, as is learning any offense, but the way that it was explained to us, it makes it easier. We have a lot of confidence going into the season, and we expect big things from each other."

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Notre Dame receiver Maurice Stovall makes an over-the-shoulder catch in a 28-20 Irish win over Michigan last Sept. 11 at Notre Dame Stadium.

## Zbikowski leads inexperienced secondary

*Defensive backs coach Bill Lewis must rebuild 116th-best passing defense*



By MIKE GILLOON  
Sports Editor

When named head coach at East Carolina in 1989, Bill Lewis inherited a program that had gone 2-9, 5-6 and 3-8 in the three years previous to his hire. The Pirates had not been to a bowl game since 1978 and had earned a spot in the year-end AP poll only once — a No. 20 ranking in 1983.

When he left East Carolina in 1991, he had just led the squad to an 11-1 record, a No. 9 final national ranking and a 37-34 victory over North Carolina State in the Peach Bowl.

Still, even for a coach as accomplished as Lewis — the first-year Notre Dame defensive backs coach/assistant head coach (defense) — turning around a secondary that ranked 116th in the country in pass defense in 2004 is no small task.

"All of our guys, both older guys and younger guys, have a lot of work to do," Lewis said on media day Aug. 8. "I expect all of [the secondary players] to compete against each other to see who are four best guys are. This is as competitive a spot as there is anywhere on the team."

*"All of our guys, both older guys and younger guys, have a lot of work to do."*

**Bill Lewis**  
Irish defensive backs coach

But the secondary lacks severely in experience. Only two players in the Irish defensive backfield have ever started a college football game — Mike Richardson and Tommy Zbikowski.

The position was depleted even more this off-season with the transfer of junior Freddie Parish IV to Division I-AA Stephen F. Austin State University. Sophomore Junior Jabbie also switched last week from cornerback to running back.

Weis has not released a depth chart, but Zbikowski and sophomore Anthony Vernaglia are the frontrunners for the free and strong safety spots, respectively. Richardson and sophomore Terrail Lambert, who never set foot on the field last season, have a hold on the two cornerback roles.

Zbikowski looks at the lack of experience as something that can be overcome in one sure way — success. "We've got a lot of fresh faces that don't have a lot of experience from last year," Zbikowski said. "But if we start off good that confidence is going to build really fast."

Though scanning the roster

might give some coaches reason to go into panic mode, Lewis has remained calm and steady throughout fall camp.

"[Lewis] is actually a patient coach," freshman safety David Bruton said. "I really enjoy that. He gives us younger guys time to learn because he knows our heads our spinning with all this installment coming in all at once."

Lewis, with nine years of experience as the defensive backs coach with the NFL's Miami Dolphins, has plenty of knowledge to share with his players. Zbikowski also feels he has an important role as one of only a few upperclassmen in the secondary.

"I'm obligated to help those younger guys," Zbikowski said. "Those guys with that lack of experience to try to bring them up and help them as much as possible."

Counting down the days to the Sept. 3 season opener against Pittsburgh since December's Insight Bowl loss to Oregon State, Zbikowski is set on proving to the nation that Notre Dame is not the program its record might have suggested last year.

"We want to prove it to ourselves," Zbikowski said. "We've put in so much work. The coaches have put in so much work. We deserve to win."

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Notre Dame safety Tom Zbikowski brings the ball up the field during spring practice April 5.

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