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Fans optimistic after Irish win over Purdue



Fans cheer on the Fighting Irish Saturday at Ross-Ade Stadium as Notre Dame beat Purdue 49-28.

By JENNY HAMES
News Writer

Notre Dame fans boiled over with excitement Saturday as the Irish racked up a big win over the Purdue Boilermakers in West Lafayette, Ind.

Notre Dame fans who traveled to watch the in-state rivalry and who caught the game in the South Bend were pleased by the team's performance against the Boilermakers.

Freshman Dan Canders said he believes the win over Purdue Saturday bodes well for the next game, when Notre Dame will take

on No. 1 University of Southern California at home on Oct. 15.

"I think [this win] is a big momentum boost for us," Canders said.

Senior Eric Hles agreed and added that head coach Charlie Weis's coaching tactics proved to be stellar against Boilermaker head coach Joe Tiller.

"If our offense keeps playing like this, there's no reason we won't beat USC," he said. "I think the [Indianapolis Star] said it best when it noted, 'The pro game requires an entirely different level of sophistica-

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Internet sluggish at SMC

IT says problem will not be fixed this year

By LAUREN LAVELLE
News Writer

More than just a month into the academic year, Saint Mary's students are still experiencing problems with the campus Internet connection — and the Department of Information Technology says the glitches will not be fixed anytime soon.

The slow connection speed can cause students to wait up to several hours to load Web sites. Many said they are upset because the slow connection prevents them from completing online tasks such as checking e-mail or doing research for class.

"I get really frustrated when I need to use the Internet to do homework and I have to sit and wait for what feels like hours," junior Kirsten Kensinger said.

The Internet problems have also caused students to change their schedules to fit the times when their computers will be most effective.

"I end up staying up late or getting up early to do work because that is when the Internet is fast," said freshman Amanda Jaszowski. "It is frustrating because when I want to do my homework in the afternoon, I can't. It is just really inconvenient."

With no recent improvement in the connection speed, many

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Athletes balance sports, studies

ND achieves excellence on and off the field

By KATIE PERRY
Assistant News Editor

Imagine holding two full-time jobs — working a long, hard day at a primary job then heading straight to a second eight-hour shift.

In many respects, this scenario is analogous to the demanding life of a collegiate student-athlete at Notre Dame.

The University was only one of three schools to crack the top 20 on both the 2006 US News & World Report list of America's Best Colleges and the National Association of Collegiate Directors of Athletics Director's Cup rankings released last June.

Joining Stanford and Duke in this class, Notre Dame —

which ranked No. 18 on the academic list and No. 16 on the athletic — is one of only a small number of schools that has achieved excellence in both scholarship and sports. The weight of this feat is largely borne by Notre Dame's student-athletes.

A balancing act

Unlike most college students, who ideally have one main focus — their schoolwork — student-athletes must grapple with two.

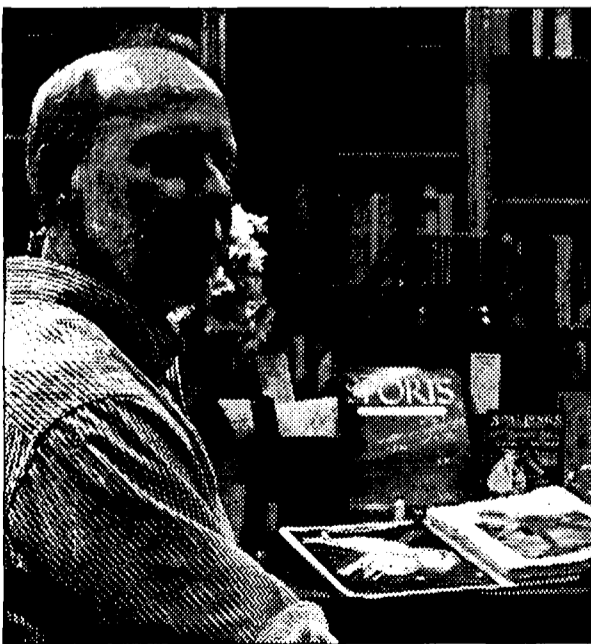
Third-year law student Bobby Brown, who serves as student representative on the Faculty Board of Athletics (FBA) said the University gen-

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Lacrosse player John Duffy, right, and mentor Mark Hockley work together on homework Sept. 29.

Sports archive attracts attention



Curator George Rugg displays memorabilia from the Joyce Sports Research Collection.

By HEATHER VAN HOEGARDEN
News Writer

From an autographed copy of boxer Jack Dempsey's autobiography to the first book on American football, written by Walter Camp, the Joyce Sports Research Collection houses hundreds of thousands of sports archives.

The research collection, located in Notre Dame's Hesburgh Library, is used more than one would think. With about 700 visitors in the past year, curator George Rugg finds it easy to keep busy.

"The collection's used pretty intensively," said Rugg, who has held the position since 1994. "It's certainly not unusual for people to travel to Notre Dame to use this collection."

Authors and moviemakers use the collection for research as well, including those involved with the movies "Cinderella Man" and "Unforgivable Blackness," a Ken Burns film.

"If you're working in college football, or boxing especially, this would be among the first places, if not the first place one would go to do research,"

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SMC posts dining information online

By EMILY LAVELLE
News Writer

In comparison to the pressures of earning good grades, adjusting to life away from home and keeping up with work-study jobs, the challenge of eating healthily is generally the least of a student's concerns. But Sodexo, the food service provider at Saint Mary's, has

made it easier for students to make good decisions when it comes to the dining hall.

Barry Bowles, the general foods manager of the Noble Family Dining Hall at Saint Mary's, said he understands the difficulty in making healthy choices. In an effort to aid students with this problem, Bowles has worked to get the nutritional information for all the foods offered in the dining hall posted online.

"We posted the information because students wanted it," Bowles said. "We received comment cards

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INSIDE COLUMN

Sorry, wrong exit

When I woke up two Thursdays ago, it seemed like it was going to be just another average day. This day turned out to be far from average, though. The day began as I woke up at 7 a.m. to take a test on the other side of campus. I stumbled out of bed in a daze and finally made my way down to the bike rack and made my way to the test. I arrived there, though, only to find that the test had been cancelled. After standing there in shock at the news I just heard, I made my way back to my dorm, and then the day proceeded on as normal for a while.

Jenny Hames

Wire Editor

My day proceeded to be normal, I should say, until I tried to leave DPAC. I had just finished taking a test in the Browning Cinema, and I decided to go out the door in the front of the cinema rather than the door that I usually go out of in the back. I had seen people leave this way many times, so I figured it couldn't be that hard to figure out how to get out of the building from there. In fact, my roommate is in my class, and she has gone through this door many times before and always makes it out all right.

Somehow, though, I encountered a problem when I went through this door. As my friends like to tell me, I ended up getting locked behind an open door in a stairwell. In order to get myself into this situation of being locked in the stairwell, I went through a second door that had a sign on it that stated "This door will lock behind you." I figured it was only logical that a door that locks behind you would lead to an exit at some point, and it did — only it was an emergency exit.

Not wanting to go through an emergency exit and set off an alarm that would call attention to my predicament, I went up and down the stairwell and knocked on every door hoping someone would let me out. After about 10 minutes of being trapped, I decided it was time to try the emergency exit. I moved the handle of the door ever so slightly, and the alarm began to blare, but I hadn't pushed the handle hard enough to open the door. From that experience, I made the erroneous conclusion that this door was not going to open either. I continued to knock on the other doors in the stairwell for a few more minutes, but then I decided to go back and try the emergency exit again. This time it opened quite easily, and I finally saw the light of day and was able to take a breath of fresh air.

After taking that first breath of fresh air, I realized that the alarm was still buzzing from the door being opened. I informed DPAC about what had happened, and from that point, I continued on with my day, hoping that nothing else out of the ordinary would happen.

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

CORRECTIONS

Due to a reporting error, the article "With hard-won tickets, students flock to Purdue" in the Sept. 30 issue of The Observer contained several inaccurate statements. The Student Union Board did not say they were sponsoring buses to West Lafayette for Saturday's game. The Observer regrets the error.

The Observer regards itself as a professional publication and strives for the highest standards of journalism at all times. We do, however, recognize that we will make mistakes. If we have made a mistake, please contact us at 631-4541 so we can correct our error.

QUESTION OF THE DAY: WHAT WAS YOUR REACTION TO SATURDAY'S FOOTBALL GAME?



Pat Schaefer

junior
Keough

"Samardzija for Heisman!"



Jake Imm

senior
off campus

"We should play the Purdue game 10 times a year!"



Doreen Mirchandani

freshman
Keough

"It was like Christmas morning when you want that train set and you don't get it, but it turns out your dad was hiding it the whole time."



Patrick Brown

sophomore
Morrissey

"If Michigan had a radio, it would have been sweet."



Lupe Plineda

freshman
Welsh Family

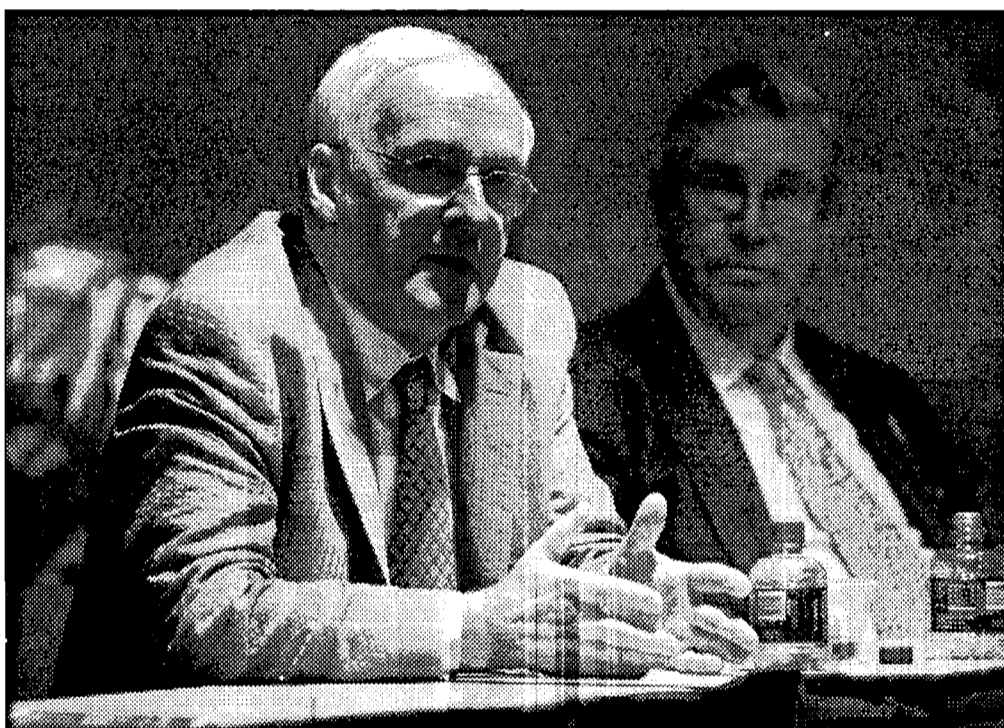
"I thought the offense was spectacular."



Erlinn Mulee

freshman
Pasquerilla East

"I wish I had gone, but it was an amazing game anyways."



CLAIRE KELLEY/The Observer

Tomas O'Cathasalg speaks to a panel at the "Why Irish?" seminar Friday. The international colloquium was held by the Department of Irish Language and Literature to discuss the role of the Irish in American studies.

IN BRIEF

The Medieval Institute will sponsor a lecture titled "After Notker: New Poets, New Composers, and New Poetry" today at 5 p.m. in the Eck Visitors Center Auditorium. The event features speaker Calvin M. Bower and is part of the 2005 Conway Lectures series, "Grasping the Wind: Words for Melodies in South-German Liturgical Music, 800-1200."

1985 Notre Dame graduate Doug Regan, chairman and CEO of Northern Trust Bank, will be featured in the presentation "Time, Talent and Treasure: The Contributions of the Arts & Letters Major to Society, Business and Global Relations" at 6 p.m. tonight in the McKenna Hall Auditorium. A panel discussion will follow. The event is free and open to students and faculty.

Cass Sunstein, Karl N. Llewellyn Distinguished Professor of Jurisprudence at the University of Chicago Law School, will give a rescheduled lecture on his recently published book, "Radicals in Robes: Why Extreme Right-Wing Courts Are Wrong for America" at 4 p.m. Tuesday in the Notre Dame Law School Courtroom.

The Department of Film, Television and Theatre (FTT) will open its 2005-06 theater season with Arthur Kopit's "Wings" Tuesday to Saturday at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday at 2:30 p.m. in the Decio Mainstage Theatre of the DeBartolo Center for the Performing Arts.

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

OFFBEAT

Bar made with ice opens in London

LONDON — A chilly bit of Scandinavia is coming to the heart of London's West End Saturday with the opening of Absolut Icebar, a bar made entirely out of ice right down to the art on the walls and the glasses for the drinks.

Situated next to the accompanying but room temperature Below Zero restaurant, the bar is kept at minus 23 fahrenheit year round. For a cover charge of 12 pounds (\$22.20), patrons are given a thermal cape, thick gloves and a glass made out of ice before entering the second of two airtight doors designed

to keep heat out.

"It's an experience rather than a traditional bar. We feel we're really offering something different," said Anette Eliasson, manager of market communications for V&S Absolut Spirits vodka company, which is opening the bar with partner company Icehotel.

Wis. man smashes case to read rare book

MADISON, Wis. — A man smashed a display case at the Wisconsin Historical Society to steal a Revolutionary War-era book worth \$5,000, authorities say.

Matthew Brooke, 26, was charged Friday with felony theft of library materials and criminal damage to property. He went to the Historical Society on Thursday, according to a criminal complaint, and smashed the window on a second-floor antique display case with his elbow. He allegedly swiped the "Pennsylvania Evening Post" from inside the case.

The book is a collection of the newspaper's issues dating from January to April 1777.

Information compiled from the Associated Press.

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Nutritionist keeps students focused

By LISA SCHULTZ
News Writer

New Notre Dame students are under an immense amount of pressure learning to adapt to college life — they must learn to navigate campus, courses and the Irish social scene. Most accomplish this successfully by the end of the first semester and by senior year can consider themselves professional Domers.

One area most students do not learn to navigate well, however, is dining on campus.

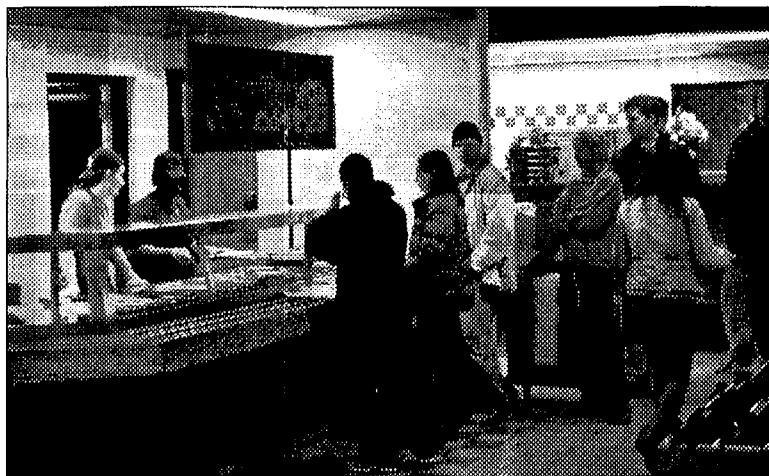
A 2001 study about eating disorders at the University indicated that the seriousness of high-risk eating behaviors and patterns is ignored.

In an effort to combat unhealthy habits, Notre Dame Food Services provides a professional resource for students who want to become educated on how to eat healthily in college — nutritionist Jocie Antonelli.

Antonelli said students can see her if they want help regarding anything to do with eating habits — gaining weight safely, avoiding the dreaded “freshman 15” or hints on how to eat healthily in the dining halls.

According to a July 2005 University press release, 72 percent of the class of 2009 lettered in at least one varsity sport during their senior year of high school. The high level of participation often drops when students reach Notre Dame, where gaining a spot on a sports team is far more competitive.

While many students choose to participate in interhall sports, their level of physical activity is no longer regulated by conditioning or daily practices. The change in exercise routines and inevitable change in eating patterns makes the healthy eating



CLEMENT SUHENDRA/The Observer

Faced with a variety of food options, students opt to stand in the make-your-own pizza line at North Dining Hall.

education Antonelli offers especially useful.

Antonelli said a nutritionist's main goal is not to figure out a good diet for an individual, but to develop a healthy life plan.

“I focus on general health,” she said.

Antonelli said healthy eating — not calorie counting or extreme exercising — is a big part of a healthy lifestyle for everyone from varsity football players to sedentary freshmen who may be 25 pounds overweight.

She also said she attempts to help students avoid eating disorders through education.

When a student goes to see Antonelli, she tries to get a general picture of the student's eating pattern and general lifestyle. Standard questions for students are, “What is your biggest meal of the day?” and “How often do you exercise?”

Antonelli said she also typically asks students who seek her help to keep track of their eating patterns for three days so she can get a better idea of their behaviors in order to come up

with an individually specific plan for each student.

This is especially important at a large university like Notre Dame. The 2001 study found that Notre Dame's residential environment, coupled with extremely high-achieving students, can even cause the behaviors of some students to impact others significantly. The study also indicated that eating disorders on campus are largely underrated.

Jessica Weiner, who authored “A Very Hungry Girl” to raise eating disorder awareness, told students that discussion about eating is the key to figuring out a healthy life plan when she visited campus during Eating Disorders Awareness Week last spring.

“The need to talk about this issue is profound,” she said. “Like many college campuses, [Notre Dame] is an incredibly tough school, and you all are perfectionists. There is incredible pressure on you.”

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requesting the information and decided that students should have access to it.”

The information is taken from a large database provided by Sodexo, the food service supplier of Saint Mary's. It includes serving size, calorie content, sodium, protein and carbohydrate information. Bowles said that although this is the second year the information has been posted, the majority of students are unaware of this online feature.

“We are working to promote the fact that students now have access to the information,” he said. “We are also working on educating students on how to access it and use it.”

In order to promote the new Web page, Bowles hopes to add a computer kiosk with instructions on how to access and use the site in the dining hall.

Kate Wallach, the Student Services Commissioner for Saint Mary's, said she hopes that once students are aware of this feature, they will take advantage of it.

“The information can be extremely beneficial for athletes and other students who are concerned about eating a healthy, balanced diet,” she said.

Although the information may be useful, some students are doubtful they will use the online feature. Many, like junior Kristin Kania, said they will not have time to look up the information.

“Although I would like to know about [the nutritional information], I am too busy to look it up online,” Kania

said.

However, many students have positive responses to the availability of the information.

“I wouldn't look at [the nutritional information] everyday, but I would look at it every once in a while to see how balanced my diet is,” senior Jennifer Robbins said.

Freshman Chevonn Fant said she would probably consult the site “about every two weeks.” Junior Kristin Heath, who already checks the dining hall menus online about twice a week, said she will start checking the nutritional information whenever she checks the menu.

Junior Molly White said although she is in favor of posting the information online, she worried it might enable students with disordered eating habits.

“I think someone who did [have an eating disorder] might use this information to further hurt themselves,” she said.

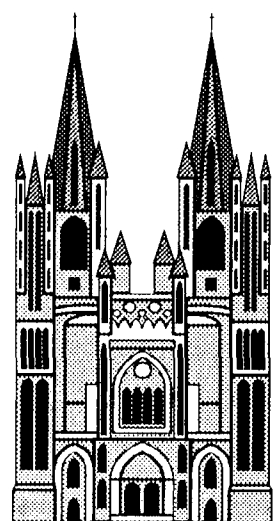
Wallach said she felt this would not be a problem.

“This [online feature] is designed to help, not hurt people,” she said. “Instead of avoiding the dining hall, now students will know what they can eat to have a balanced diet and be healthy.”

Bowles said if more students access the Web site, its usefulness can be logged. However, he said he does not believe posting the information will have any negative effects on students.

“This Web site is only designed to educate,” he said. “I encourage students to log on and see what it's all about and learn about living healthy lifestyles.”

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tion. Weis was playing chess Saturday night and Tiller was playing Candy Land."

Some Irish fans were able to travel to West Lafayette over the weekend to see Weis's tactics in action.

Sophomore Brendan Ryan, who attended the Purdue game, said he also attended the Michigan and Pittsburgh games this year. Ryan said he was quite impressed by the way the Purdue fans received the Notre Dame fans in attendance.

"The fans there were pretty classy," he said. "They weren't giving us as hard of a time as they were at Michigan and Pittsburgh."

Other fans were not lucky enough to attend the game, but watched the game on the Notre Dame campus. Game watches were held on South Quad and at Legends, as well as in many dorms. Most showed a high level of enthusiasm during the high-scoring game — the scene on South Quad after the Irish scored a touchdown looked as though it was pulled straight out of the student section of the stadium, with students doing push-ups and cheering as if they were really

at the game.

As the Irish scored touchdown after touchdown and the starters were given a break near the end of the game, fan excitement did not wane. Many fans commented on secondary players who do not often get to play.

Junior Jon Brewis said he was especially happy about Weis's decision to put tight end John Carlson in the game, saying Carlson showed he can benefit the team in future games.

"John Carlson is our most underused asset on offense, and his touchdown Saturday proves his ability," he said.

Freshman K a t e Crecelius — originally from West Lafayette — was in attendance at the game in her hometown Saturday. While Crecelius's family has always had season tickets to the

Purdue games, Crecelius said she changed her loyalty to Notre Dame this year when she became a student.

"It wasn't hard for me to switch loyalties," she said. "All my friends made fun of me for cheering for Notre Dame, but they were pretty quiet after the game was over."

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"The fans there were pretty classy. They weren't giving us as hard of a time as they were at Michigan and Pittsburgh."

Brendan Ryan
sophomore

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students said they want an explanation.

"I don't know why the Internet is so slow this year," junior Kristin Heath said. "I don't understand why [the Department of Information Technology] hasn't addressed the issue yet. Students have no idea what the problem is."

Director of Information Technology Keith Fowlkes said the connection is slow because the College does not currently have the capacity to accommodate the amount of Internet traffic moving through campus circuits. Fowlkes attributes the recent increase of traffic to the popularity of movie downloads, file transfers and music programs like iTunes.

"Purchasing music through iTunes and other legitimate online music providers is good, but it puts a real strain on our off-campus Internet connections," he said.

Sharing iTunes and using Internet radio programs requires a constant connection to the network circuits. These constant connections drain available space for other traffic to flow through the system, Fowlkes said.

Fowlkes also said this is also a problem with other legitimate downloading and purchasing sites like Napster.

"These programs trample the connection," he said.

Fowlkes rejects speculation that personal wireless routers slow the system.

"If the problem was with something like wireless routers, the entire network would be slow, not just the Internet connection," he said.

Fowlkes also said it is unlikely the Internet connection will improve this year. While Saint Mary's annually increases the size of its Internet circuits, "as soon as we add more capacity, it gets taken up," Fowlkes said.

To remedy the problem, Saint Mary's would need to increase the amount of Megabytes on which the current system operates. Such an increase in space would cost an additional \$15,000 annually — an expense not budgeted for the 2005-06 academic year.

"We do have plans in place to address the problem for next year," Fowlkes said.

In the meantime, Fowlkes advises students to limit their use of programs like iTunes and Internet radio and use of downloading sites such as Napster.

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STUDENT DIVERSITY BOARD BONFIRE

WHAT: BONFIRE WITH FOOD AND LIVE PERFORMANCES FROM ND AND SMC
MULTI-CULTURAL CLUBS
WHERE: SAINT MARYS SOCCER FIELDS
TIME: 7:30-10PM
WHY: TO PROMOTE DIVERSITY AWARENESS AND GIVE TO HURRICANE RITA

Sports

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Rugg said. "We work routinely with networks such as ESPN and so on."

The collection contains primary sources for many different sports-related subjects, mostly dating back to the 19th and early 20th centuries.

"It's a collection of older, primary source, sports-related materials," Rugg said. "I think it's a collection really that's more

appropriate for people doing advanced research, writing books, scholars and graduate students who are working in the history and sociology of sports, journalists and filmmakers."

Rugg emphasized that the collection exists not for sports fans, but rather for academic purposes.

"What it is, first and foremost, it's a research collection," he said. "It's not a collection of memorabilia, of autographs, of uniforms or sports equipment. It's here first and foremost as a

research collection."

Within the collection as a whole, there are different groupings of items. One collection is that of 64 autographed baseballs, which includes signatures from almost 50 Hall of Famers. 7,500 boxing photos from the 1920s and '30s — almost all unpublished — comprise the Harry Winkler collection. There are also scrapbooks

of the All-American Girls Professional Baseball League that contain clippings, correspondence and programs from the WWII league.

However, the core of the collection comes from a purchase the University made in 1977, Rugg said.

Notre Dame bought the Goodwin-Goldfadden collection almost a decade after beginning to solicit donations for its new sports library. Rugg said that hundreds of thousands of items were shipped to Notre Dame because of the purchase.

"That really continues to be the core of the collection," he said.

But the biggest break for the collection came in 1987 when it was endowed, which enabled it to continue to grow.

"Not only was there money to develop the collection, but also

the money to build a collection, with purchased acquisitions," Rugg said.

The collection was able to add something else recently with the purchase of a business ledger of the Birmingham Black Barons, a Negro League team. It contains all the financial information of the team, including players' salaries and the business records.

"Records of these leagues are extremely scarce, so this was really a wonderful item," Rugg said. "This is a great thing to have — it will be studied."

And for those who don't use the collection for research, occasionally some of the archives are put on display in the lobby of the library.

"We did [an exhibit] last winter on our boxing related collections," Rugg said. "That would be another way people can experience the collections. The reason these things aren't out in stacks and don't circulate is because we're trying to make them available for research on the one hand, but we're trying to preserve them as artifacts on the other."

Even with the opportunity to experience the displays, Rugg said he would like more Notre Dame undergraduates to be able to utilize the collections.

"We certainly want to encourage undergraduate use," he said. "It's just that most undergraduates writing papers don't use primary sources."

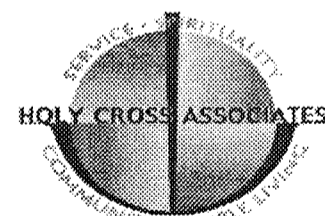
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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Storm weakens, heads for Mexico

LA PAZ, Mexico — Hurricane Otis weakened to a tropical storm Sunday and headed north toward an unpopulated stretch of the Baja California Peninsula, while a tropical depression strengthened to a tropical storm just before hitting land in southern Mexico.

Tropical Storm Stan formed before dawn Sunday and then plowed into land about 40 miles southwest of Tulum, on the Yucatan Peninsula. It carried maximum sustained winds of 45 mph, the National Hurricane Center in Miami said.

The storm was expected to dump up to 15 inches of rain in some areas of the Yucatan Peninsula and Belize before weakening to a tropical depression. No major damages or injuries were immediately reported, and the storm was expected to move mostly south of the popular resort of Cancun.

Along the Pacific coast, the Mexican government issued a tropical storm warning for the southern tip of the Baja California peninsula as Otis continued to sideswipe the narrow stretch of land. No injuries have been reported.

Female chancellor a real possibility

DRESDEN, Germany — Conservative challenger Angela Merkel's party gained a seat Sunday in the last remaining district in parliamentary balloting, boosting her chances of becoming Germany's first female chancellor and giving the party extra momentum in coalition talks to form a new government.

With all 260 electoral districts reporting, Andreas Laemmel from Merkel's Christian Democrats won the contest for a seat in Dresden with 37 percent of the vote. He defeated Marlies Volkmer from Chancellor Gerhard Schroeder's party, who had 32.1 percent.

NATIONAL NEWS

Suicide takes place near stadium

NORMAN, Okla. — One person was killed in an explosion near a packed football stadium at the University of Oklahoma on Saturday night in what authorities said appeared to be a suicide.

The blast, in a traffic circle about 100 yards from Oklahoma Memorial Stadium, could be heard by some in the crowd of 84,000, but university President David Boren said no one inside the stadium was ever in danger.

"We are apparently dealing with an individual suicide, which is under full investigation," Boren said in a statement. There was no information about the person who was killed, and no reports of any other injuries.

A police bomb squad detonated explosives found at the site of the blast. The area near the stadium was searched by bomb-sniffing dogs.

Firefighters make progress on blaze

LOS ANGELES — Firefighters gained ground Sunday against three wildfires burning across Southern California but worried about a forecast for hot winds.

A 1,045-acre fire in Burbank was 67 percent contained after firefighters were aided by cooler, overnight breezes, said Capt. Ron Bell of the Burbank Fire Department.

Residents returned to about 70 evacuated homes in Sunset Canyon. But firefighters were concerned about a forecast for warmer winds that could bring 50 mph gusts and re-ignite what appeared to be a "cold mountain," Bell said.

LOCAL NEWS

Human remains to be examined

RENSELAER, Ind. — Forensic experts will gather Monday for a detailed examination of human remains believed to be those of an Indiana woman missing and presumed dead since 1999.

The body was unearthed Friday on a northern Indiana farm after David Malinski, who was convicted in 2000 of murdering Lorraine Kirkley, 34, told authorities he buried her body on property owned at the time by his father.

Malinski was sentenced to 155 years in prison, but had steadfastly denied killing Kirkley until two weeks ago, when he told authorities about the killing and the burial site.

INDONESIA

Alert level high after Saturday's attack

Video image shows bomber casually walking through diners before deadly explosion

Associated Press

BALI — Police raised the alert level for Indonesia's capital and the president warned of more attacks Sunday as a chilling video shot the day before showed a suspected bomber clutching a backpack and strolling past diners moments before one of three suicide bombings killed 26 people on Bali.

The near-simultaneous bombings on the resort island also injured 101 people, including six Americans.

The attacks apparently were planned by Southeast Asia's two most-wanted men, who are believed to be connected to an al-Qaida-linked group, said Maj. Gen. Ansyad Mbai, a top Indonesian anti-terror official.

Fear of more attacks on tourists prompted Israel to warn its citizens Sunday not to travel to Egypt's Sinai desert during the upcoming month of Jewish holidays, saying it has information that Arab militants planning strikes against Israelis already are located in the resort area.

The alleged masterminds of the Bali attacks were believed to be Azahari bin Husin and Noordin Mohamed Top, both Malaysians who fled to Indonesia after a crack-down on militants following the Sept. 11 attacks, officials said.

The masterminds were not among the suspected bombers, whose remains were found at the scenes, officials said. All three bombers were believed to be wearing belts of explosives, police said.

"All that is left is their head and feet," Mbai said. "By the evidence we can conclude the bombers were carrying the explosives around their waists."

President Susilo Bambang Yudhoyono warned that terrorists could be planning



Soldiers hold back spectators at the site of Saturday's deadly bombings in Kuta Square, Bali. At least 26 people were killed and more than 100 were injured.

more strikes in the world's most populous Muslim nation as Jakarta's police chief put the capital on top alert, with two-thirds of its police force on standby.

"The terrorists are still looking for soft targets," Yudhoyono said at a news conference after viewing the devastation.

Western and Indonesian intelligence agencies have warned repeatedly that Jemaah Islamiyah was plotting more attacks despite a string of arrests.

Last month, Yudhoyono said the extremist network might strike Jakarta during September or October. He

explained Saturday that his warning was based on intelligence the terrorists had already prepared the explosives.

There were no claims of responsibility for Saturday night's coordinated attacks on two packed seafood cafes in the Jimbaran beach resort and the Raja Cafe noodle and steakhouse in the bustling tourist center of Kuta.

Video footage shot by a vacationer at the three-story Raja Cafe captured a suspected bomber in a black T-shirt walking past foreign and local tourists eating dinner, sipping drinks and

chatting at candlelit tables.

The man clutches his backpack, adjusts it slightly, then walks out of view. Moments later there is an explosion from his direction, followed by gray smoke and terrified screams. Police said the video, obtained by Associated Press Television News, was part of the investigation.

Suspicion for the blasts fell on the Southeast Asian terrorist group Jemaah Islamiyah, which wants to establish an Islamic state across Southeast Asia and has been linked to Osama bin Laden's terrorist network.

Second nomination awaits Bush

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Bush is watching his first Supreme Court nominee, Chief Justice John Roberts, take the helm of the high court Monday while weighing his options for nominating a second justice who also could shape the bench for years to come.

"He's still working," White House chief of staff Andy Card said Sunday about the president's effort to choose a replacement for retiring Justice Sandra Day O'Connor. "Still considering lots of options."

The White House will not disclose who is on Bush's short list, or hint when an announcement will be made.

Legal experts who are in touch with administration officials say the presi-

dent is most likely to choose a woman to replace O'Connor, even though many of the often-mentioned candidates are white men.

There continues to be talk in legal circles that he could pick one of three longtime Bush loyalists: White House counsel Harriet Miers, the first woman president of the Texas State Bar and Bush's former personal attorney; Attorney General Alberto Gonzales, Bush's longtime friend, who would be the first Hispanic on the court; and corporate lawyer Larry Thompson, who was the government's highest ranking black law enforcement official when he was deputy attorney general during Bush's first term.

Other candidates mentioned most frequently in recent days include conser-

vative federal appeals court judges J. Michael Luttig, Priscilla Owen, Karen Williams, Alice Batchelder and Samuel Alito; Michigan Supreme Court justice Maura Corrigan; and Maureen Mahoney, a well-respected litigator before the high court.

On Monday, Bush is going to the Supreme Court for a formal ceremony at which Roberts, who was confirmed by the Senate 78-22 and sworn in at the White House on Thursday, assumes the role of chief justice. Following tradition, Roberts will don his robe for the first time and take the center seat last held by the late former Chief Justice William Rehnquist.

The president declined twice on Sunday to say whether he'd made up his mind about a second nominee.

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NASDAQ	2,151.69	+10.47
NYSE	7,632.98	+0.48
S&P 500	1,228.81	+1.13
NIKKEI(Tokyo)	13,574.30	0.00
FTSE 100(London)	5,477.70	-0.50

COMPANY	%CHANGE	\$GAIN	PRICE
NASDAQ 100 (QQQQ)	+0.66	+0.26	39.46
JDS UNIPHASE CP (JDSU)	+3.74	+0.08	2.22
MICROSOFT CP (MSFT)	-0.81	-0.21	25.73
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Treasuries			
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10-YEAR NOTE	+0.91	+0.39	43.28
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IN BRIEF

Corporation to launch defibrillator

INDIANAPOLIS — Guidant Corp. said Friday it had received regulatory approval for a new model of implantable heart defibrillator.

The approval of the Vitality IIE follows a string of announcements since June as the Indianapolis-based company has recalled or issued warnings about 88,000 heart defibrillators — including its leading seller, the Contak Renewal 3 — and almost 200,000 pacemakers because of reported malfunctions.

Pacemakers use mild electrical current to speed a slow heartbeat; defibrillators use a bigger jolt to correct life-threatening irregular heartbeats.

Guidant said that its U.S. launch of the Vitality IIE is planned for early October.

The troubles with Guidant's devices have raised questions over its reporting of potential problems and a planned \$25.4 billion acquisition by New Jersey-based Johnson & Johnson.

Guidant shares closed up 72 cents at \$68.89 in trading Friday on the New York Stock Exchange, after tumbling on Thursday following a report that the medical device maker might be the subject of a criminal investigation by the Food and Drug Administration.

Dollar rises amidst political limbo

NEW YORK — The dollar rose against the euro Friday as concerns about the inconclusive German election continued to weigh on the 12-nation currency.

The euro fell to \$1.2018 in late New York trading, from \$1.2044 late Thursday, but traders said it has shown resilience above the psychologically important \$1.20 level.

Leading members of Chancellor Gerhard Schroeder's party say they are optimistic of forming a new government with their conservative rivals, although it was unclear the two sides might resolve their dispute over the country's leadership.

The British pound fell to \$1.7633 from \$1.7636. The dollar rose to 1.2944 Swiss francs from 1.2921, and fell to 1.1615 Canadian dollars from 1.1691.

The dollar rose against the Japanese currency amid upbeat economic figures out of Japan, rising to 113.60 yen from 112.86 yen.

Evidence of recession surfaces

Low home, car sales, high energy costs prompts concern among economists

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Things are going so badly for President Bush and his fellow Republicans that it is hard to imagine what could come along and make it worse.

Think recession.

With Bush's approval ratings near a low point, he is running near empty on political capital and finds himself presiding over a restive GOP.

A recession could hasten his status as a lame-duck president ahead of the 2006 midterm elections and jolt the party that controls both ends of Pennsylvania Avenue.

The "R" word is being heard more often among economists, especially after recent reports showed tumbles in consumer spending and confidence.

New home sales are down. Auto sales have slowed. Higher energy prices — due partly to the hurricanes that damaged drilling and refining installations along the Gulf Coast — have eroded consumers' buying power. Inflation is trending higher. Interest rates, too.

"Recession risks are rapidly rising," said Mark Zandi, chief economist of Economy.com, an economic analysis service in West Chester, Pa. The last recession was in 2001.

Zandi is not forecasting a recession. But he said a cold winter, a further pullback in consumer spending, a terrorist attack and other variables could tip the scales. "And if we are going into a recession, by time we get around to figuring that out, it will be too late," he said.

Bush's pledge to spend "whatever it costs" to rebuild the Gulf Coast and the high bill for the Iraq war will keep swelling the deficit and limit his options for



Construction crews continued to work to clean up New Orleans Sunday. President Bush has pledged millions of dollars to help with economic recovery in the region.

fighting an economic downturn.

A recession would mean fewer dollars flowing into the treasury and force the government to pay out more benefits to the poor and those idled by the hurricanes.

If the economy slides into a recession because of inflation driven by energy prices, that could restrict the Federal Reserve's ability to stimulate the economy with lower interest rates. The scenario could unfold just as the central bank's chairman,

Alan Greenspan, who has helped to keep the economy on an even keel during his 18-year term, nears his retirement in January.

Attention lately has focused on Bush's filling out the Supreme Court. But his selection of a new Fed chief ranks right up there in terms of far-reaching consequences.

Private economists and market watchers are suggesting that Bush follow the pattern he set in naming John Roberts as chief justice: Pick someone with solid

credibility and experience to succeed Greenspan, in an effort to calm market jitters.

The betting is that Bush will not wait until January and will announce his choice in the fall. The post requires Senate approval.

Eventually, the economic damage from the hurricanes will wear off, replaced by a boost from reconstruction.

"We're fortunate that the economy is very, very strong now. It will continue to be strong," said Al Hubbard, chairman of Bush's National Economic Council.

Wal-Mart employees unite efforts

Associated Press

TAMPA, Fla. — It's not a union, but some Wal-Mart workers say it might be the next best thing.

Searching for a voice in their work lives, employees of some central Florida Wal-Mart stores have formed a workers group to collectively air complaints about what they claim is shoddy treatment by the retail giant.

About 250 employees and former employees from 40 central Florida stores have joined the fledgling Wal-Mart Workers Association, spurred by what they say is a reduction of hours and schedule changes recently that may jeopardize health care benefits for some. Organizers say the word-of-mouth campaign is attracting 15 to 20 new members every week.

The members say they hope their efforts will persuade the company to lis-

ten to its people and make some changes.

"Management seems like they don't really respect the associates," said Carl Jones, acting chairman of the new group, who makes \$9.40 an hour as the lead cart-pusher at a store outside Orlando. "We don't have a voice. We don't have any rights at all."

The company, however, says most of its associates are happy, and characterized the effort in Florida as another attempt by the unions to get their hands in the pockets of some of its 1.3 million workers in the United States.

"It's within (employees') legal rights to do that, but this group is a wolf in sheep's clothing," Wal-Mart spokeswoman Christi Gallagher said. "This is a labor organization attempting to masquerade as something else."

The world's largest and most profitable retailer has heard the employees' complaints before. Stores around the

United States have been accused of everything from paying lousy wages and locking workers in overnight to discriminating against women, while foiling attempts by labor groups such as the United Food and Commercial Workers Union to organize workers.

The food and commercial workers union is among the sponsors of the new workers association, along with the Service Employees International Union, and Acorn, an advocacy group for the poor. Central Florida was chosen for the launch because of Wal-Mart's aggressive expansion here.

Nine Wal-Mart Supercenters have opened in Florida so far this year to go along with a dozen new stores last year, according to the company. The state has 170 Supercenters and discount stores, 39 Sam's Club stores, eight neighborhood markets and six distribution centers. More than 92,000 people work in the company's Florida facilities.

Students

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erally appeals to prospective students who have the ability to handle classes in addition to competition.

"I believe that ND attracts the type of athletes that are willing, able and anxious to take on the multiple roles," he said.

Senior Erika Bohn, starting goalkeeper for the nationally-ranked women's soccer team, was named the 2005 Preseason Big East Goalkeeper of the Year. She was also a Collegiate Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA) First Team Academic All-American in 2004 and earned a 3.74 GPA her junior year.

Bohn found success both on and off the playing field — but not without some struggle.

"I think in many ways college life is more difficult for student-athletes ... because we have so many roles to fulfill," she said.

"Student' comes first in the title student-athlete, so we definitely have to stay on top of our grades. Being an athlete on top of this can be difficult because not only do we have to perform on the athletic field, but we also represent the school so we have to be careful of what type of image is being portrayed."

Junior swimmer Tim Kegelman — who holds Notre Dame records in the 100-butterfly and the 200-individual medley — agreed that the life of a student-athlete is often challenging.

"At times, it is more difficult [to be a student-athlete], but the main thing is that it's just different," he said. "You have to like what you're doing to be motivated enough to dedicate the time for both school and athletics ... There's a balance there you have to achieve so you can excel at both while still enjoying the time you have [in college]."

Kegelman, like Bohn, has

achieved academically as well as athletically. Last year as a sophomore the standout made the College Swim Coaches Association of America (CSCAA) Academic All-American team and was named a Big East Academic All-star.

"[Performing well in school and at a varsity sport is] something you just have to get through one step at a time, and when you look back at the bigger picture, it's something to be proud of," Kegelman said. "Notre Dame is the highest level of both academics and athletics. That's part of why Notre Dame is so unique."

Bohn said although there are times when she feels overwhelmed, the overall rewards of her academic and athletic endeavors are "great."

"I'm going to leave here with a degree from one of the top universities," she said. "And on the athletic side, all of my hard work has been rewarded in the greatest ways — being

part of a great team and winning a national championship. I think the two worlds [of academics and athletics] can definitely coexist as long as you can manage both sides and work hard at both."

Brown said he does not feel most student-athletes on campus feel overwhelmed.

"They thrive at both [academics and athletics] and enjoy doing it," he said. "The ability to deal with athletic and academic pressures might be the reason so many ND athletes go on to unlimited success beyond graduation."

Setting the standard

Last March, the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) introduced a new set of guidelines for major Division I sports programs to keep student-

athletics scholastically on track for a degree. The Academic Progress Rate (APR) — which will go into effect December 2005 — will penalize schools unable to retain athletes.

The APR point system requires a school to score 925 or higher out of a possible 1,000 to avoid penalty from the NCAA. Each player begins with a worth of two points. If the student-athlete stays in school and maintains an adequate GPA, they lose no points. If a player's GPA drops below a certain level or if he or she departs school early, one point is lost. Two points are deducted if both scenarios occur. Points for each athlete are tallied and added to a team total, which is then divided by the total number of points possible and multiplied by 1,000.

Once the plan is implemented, penalties will go into effect immediately, and no school will be exempted unless it applies for a waiver. A March

report on the PBS program NewsHour with Jim Lehrer said more than half of the 328 Division I schools affected by the plan would have failed under the APR standards last year.

Tex Dutille, who serves as FBA Chair and NCAA Faculty Athletics Representative, said he is a proponent of the new standards.

"I fully support this reform — too many schools have used student-athletes for athletics achievement without their having a realistic chance to graduate," he said. "Happily, as last year's APR scores indicated, Notre Dame will most likely never get penalized for an APR failure."

A March statement released on the official Notre Dame athletics Web site said the University's collegiate sports programs more

than met the new NCAA standards.

The statement said all 22 programs "exceeded" the not-yet-implemented APR. Notre Dame's overall score was 979 — 35 points higher than the national average for Division I sports programs. The University also boasted the third highest percentage of teams with perfect scores, as 13 Irish teams earned 1,000 points.

Results could have been even better. The statement also said Notre Dame's overall APR would be higher if the University used solely the NCAA standards instead of its own, more "stringent" guidelines for student-athletes — for example, releasing the academic records of student-athletes every semester instead of the once-per-year requirement imposed by the NCAA. If Notre Dame abandoned its tougher policy, the overall APR would have been 990, the statement said.

Above and beyond

Dutille said the University "asks a lot from its student athletes," who must adhere to guidelines mandated by the FBA. Launched in 1898, the 15-member panel dedicates itself to the goal of "maintaining that delicate but critical balance between the academic and the athletic at an institution that aspires to excellence in each."

The board's mission catalogs such obligations as promoting academic as well as athletic excellence, reviewing admissions data, tracking academic performance and serving as an official liaison between faculty members and the athletics department.

In conformity with Notre Dame's strong academic tradition, the FBA holds high academic expectations for its student-athletes. Because prospects are only admitted to the University if they "demonstrate the capacity to earn a degree," the FBA expects all student-athletes to maintain the necessary number of courses and

GPA needed to graduate.

Kegelman said the biggest challenge in the dual role of student-athlete is time management.

"There are times before big tests and when assignments are due that gets you wondering where the time is going to come from," he said. "You can't stay up all night studying and then wake up for 6 a.m. practice."

Dutille said student-athletes must manage their time and effort in order to give their studies — as well as their sports — the necessary attention.

But despite its high standards, the board recognizes the rigors of being a student-athlete and consequently provides support services required to meet these demands.

"Notre Dame provides outstanding support for our student-athletes, not only through the help available to all students, but also through the Office of Academic Services for Student-Athletes," Dutille said.

Student-athletes are provided with counselors who are regularly available to help foster effective study habits, enforce time management skills and monitor academic performance. Tutors are also accessible to assist student-athletes.

Academic Services for Student-Athletes Director and FBA member Pat Holmes said academic success is ultimately the responsibility of the student-athletes.

"Our job is to not only support, but also to challenge," he said. "We want to develop both the student and the athletic side and maximize their potential ... and make sure they're getting the most out of [Notre Dame]."

Dutille said he is confident in the ability of Notre Dame's student athletes to flourish in the classroom.

"I am continually impressed by how many of our student-athletes compete well both in their sport and in the classroom," he said.

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Recording industry wants to curb piracy

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The recording industry and copyright experts urged Congress on Wednesday not to intervene with legislation to curb online piracy of music or movies after a recent ruling from the Supreme Court.

The unanimous decision from the high court in June cleared the way for the film and music industry to file piracy lawsuits against technology companies caught encouraging customers to steal copyrighted material.

At Wednesday's hearing, Senate Judiciary Committee Chairman Arlen Specter said some language in the ruling cast doubt on what the standards are for illegal use, and he asked whether legislation might be necessary.

The overriding answer from the two panels representing the recording industry, copyright experts and entrepreneurs was "no" — at least in the short term.

"My own preference would be to see how courts deal with this [decision] at this point in time," Marybeth Peters, register of copyrights at the U.S. Copyright Office, told the committee. "That could better inform any legislative fix."

The recording industry also encouraged lawmakers to wait.

Cary Sherman, president of the Recording Industry Association of America, said the court's decision in the Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Studios v. Grokster case has provided everyone with clarity — from those who make the music and movies to those who make the software to access the works.

Sherman said the court ruling has helped focus attention on illegal downloading of music, especially on college campuses. He said nearly 70 schools now have deals with legitimate online music services, a more than threefold increase from last year.

Marty Roe of the country group Diamond Rio told the Senate committee that artists can't earn a living when makers of file-sharing software, like Grokster, allow for copyrighted music to be shared online with millions of people for free. He said estimates suggest that Nashville has lost nearly half of its songwriters because of online piracy.

Prior to the Grokster ruling, entertainment companies estimated that online thieves traded 2.6 billion songs, movies and other digital files each month.

Rapper's album tackles issues

Slug takes on personal demons, earns 'emo-rapper' label and female fans

Associated Press

MINNEAPOLIS — The title of Atmosphere's new album is "You Can't Imagine How Much Fun We're Having." The rappers, it seems, are being sarcastic.

It's hard to think otherwise after a few spins of songs that cover tortured father-son relationships, America's over-reliance on antidepressants and the 2003 murder of a 16-year-old fan after an Atmosphere show in Albuquerque.

"I thought I was making a happier record than I was," said Slug, the 33-year-old mastermind behind the Minneapolis-based group. "It wasn't until the end of the day that I realized, you know, this record is kind of dark."

A fixture for almost a decade in the underground rap scene, Slug's forays into his conflicted psyche have brought greater commercial success with each release. As the latest prepares to launch the first week in October, Atmosphere — after years of touring and new distribution by the Los Angeles punk label Epitaph Records — is poised to find an even larger audience among young fans who seek out music that reflects issues in their own lives.

"When it comes to dealing with

kids that I don't know but they know me, I've learned that I'm into it — I have a thing for it," said Slug, whose real name is Sean Daley. "I try to end up steering it, instead of into a fandom thing, into more of a faux-mentorship or whatever."

Mainstream hip-hop is often criticized for glamorizing violence and wealth and objectifying women. The first two are of little interest to Slug, who's more likely to be sporting a black T-shirt than bling. But when it comes to women, things get a little more complicated. The topic of many of Atmosphere's

songs, women to Slug are an alternating source of fascination, confusion, regret and scorn.

"I'm over 30, can't maintain relations, all these women wanna hurt me and I just don't have the patience. I can't trust 'em and they're not much

help, when they start to push and pull the buttons I don't trust myself," Slug raps in the new song "Little Man."

Despite — or perhaps because of — Slug's professions of vulnerability, he has built up a large female following.

Slug's interest in tackling his demons has gotten him labeled by some as an "emo-rapper," tying him to emo-rockers like Death Cab for Cutie and Dashboard

Confessional, which have landed scores of teenage and young adult fans with their nakedly confessional lyrics.

"It's real live stuff, not trying to rap about a fake life," said Nate Kranz, head booker at the famed Minneapolis nightclub First Avenue, a regular stop for Atmosphere. "It's songs that me, you, anybody can identify with."

Atmosphere has also gotten a boost from being in heavy rotation on Minnesota Public Radio's new alternative music station, The Current, and its popular Webcasts. The station debuted in January with the band's "Say Shh."

It earned Atmosphere followers that diverge from the usual hip-hop fan base. City Pages, the Twin Cities' alternative newspaper, once put it bluntly: "Atmosphere is hip-hop for people who don't like hip-hop."

But, even though he eschews many of its conventions, Slug's relationship to hip-hop is nearly as complicated as his relationship with women. The son of a white mother and a black father who divorced when he was a teenager, Slug spent his youth idolizing rappers like KRS-One and LL Cool J.

"Me and my friends, we were like Trekkies about it," Slug said. "We were fanatics. I still collect every ... book that comes out about hip-hop. When I was a kid and if KRS-One or Chuck D even mentioned a book — even if it wasn't about hip-hop — I ran out and read it."

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Boat overturns in lake, killing 21

New York cruise capsizes, sends additional two dozen seniors to hospital

Associated Press

LAKE GEORGE, N.Y. — A boat carrying tourists on a senior citizens' cruise overturned Sunday on a lake in upstate New York, killing at least 21 people and sending more than two dozen others to a hospital.

Authorities were investigating whether a large passing tour boat created a wake that caused the accident, Warren County Sheriff Larry Cleveland said.

The 40-foot, glass-enclosed Ethan Allen capsized around 3 p.m. on Lake George about 50 miles north of Albany in the Adirondack Mountains.

The accident apparently happened so fast that none of the passengers was able to put on a life jacket, Cleveland said.

Patrol boats that reached the scene within minutes found other boaters already pulling people from the water. All passengers had been accounted for within two hours.

Twenty-seven people were taken to a hospital in nearby Glens Falls. All of the injured were cold and wet, some with broken ribs and some complaining of shortness of breath. Five people were to be admitted, hospital spokesman Jason White said.

The 21 bodies were laid out along the shore, and the scene was blocked off by police with tarps. The Ethan Allen lay at the bottom of the lake in 70 feet of water.

At the time of the accident, the weather was clear and in the 70s. The water tempera-



Rescuer Brian Hart is thanked by one of the women he saved after a tour boat capsized on Lake George Sunday afternoon.

ture was 68 degrees. "This was as calm as it gets," said Jerry Thornell, a former Lake George Park Commission patrol officer and a lake enforcement officer for the county sheriff's department.

Representatives of Shoreline Cruises, which operates the boat, could not immediately be reached for comment.

The boat's owner, Jim Quirk, whose family has operated Shoreline Cruises for decades, told the Glens Falls Post-Star: "It is a tragedy and it's very unfortunate."

The boat was carrying a

tour group from Canada, Cleveland said. A language barrier was slowing the process of notifying victims' families.

"Nothing of this magnitude has ever happened," state police Superintendent Wayne Bennett said. "It's unprecedented."

As dusk fell, several police boats were on the water, and at least half a dozen divers were in a small cove on the west side of the lake.

Cleveland said the captain, who was well known and well liked by law enforcement officials, survived. He was the only crew member aboard.

Hurricane hampers Jewish celebrations

Associated Press

Bad luck keeps following Stephen Richer.

Last year at the start of Rosh Hashana, a hurricane evacuation sent him and a cantor at his tiny Biloxi, Miss., synagogue on an odyssey across the state to find a congregation where they could mark the Jewish New Year.

This year, as the High Holy Days begin Monday night, Richer will once again be searching for a spiritual home. His Conservative synagogue, Congregation

Beth Israel, is one of many across the Gulf Coast that have been shuttered by extensive damage from Hurricane Katrina.

"I'm very happy to have this year over," Richer said. "We've had a lot of tragedy."

The 10-day period of repentance and renewal, among the most important in the Jewish calendar, arrives as Jewish evacuees are scattered throughout the country, their homes destroyed, their jobs gone and their future unclear.

Victims say the generosity of religious leaders in cities where they've sought refuge has helped ease discomfort about celebrating the holidays in an alien environment. Orthodox Jews have found housing for evacuees near congregations so they can observe the Jewish prohibition against driving on the High Holy Days. One Florida rabbi packed his Cessna with kosher meat and cheese, Sabbath candles and challah and flew the supplies to Biloxi, where members of Beth Israel may hold services at a military base. Other Jewish groups have sent prayerbooks, while Baptist, Roman Catholic and Unitarian churches have offered space for services.

Still, many displaced Jews say the pain of having lost everything will only be compounded by observing sacred rituals among strangers.

"I think the word is bitter-sweet," said Ruth Kullman, president of Touro Synagogue in New Orleans, a Reform congregation that was damaged and will not reopen for the holiday period, which ends with Yom Kippur, the Day of Atonement.

Kullman, her husband and her 93-year-old mother-in-law fled to Memphis where Kullman's sister lives. "We're all so grateful to be here and together. We're just sad

that we can't be celebrating the way we always had," she said.

Jewish leaders don't know when — if ever — their communities will reunite.

About 10,000 Jews lived in the New Orleans area and Eric Stillman, executive director of the Jewish Federation of Greater New Orleans, has been trying to track them. Working out of the Jewish Federation of Greater Houston, he has contacted about 1,400 of the 3,600 families who were in his organization's database. Synagogue leaders have started their own online lists, but many families still have not been reached.

"It's hard to predict," said Stillman, who fled New Orleans with his wife and two children. "Some people have said they're not going to come back. ... Some people have already returned."

Those able to get home have found their synagogues with shattered roofs, flooded basements, and mold and mildew growing in sanctuaries. As Katrina battered the region, anxiety spread among Jewish leaders about the Torah scrolls inside the buildings. The scrolls, which Jews believe contain the word of God, are the holiest objects in Judaism.

About a week following the storm, a caravan of Jewish volunteers, accompanied by armed officers from outside New Orleans, went into the city to retrieve the scrolls. Some members of the mission had to swim through floodwater to reach their buildings, but all the Torahs were retrieved intact.

Stillman drove about a dozen of the Torahs to Houston, where they will be used in worship over the next 10 days. Rabbis and cantors from New Orleans area congregations will be leading some of the services in college auditoriums, churches and other sites around the region.

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Eric Stillman
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"I'm very happy to have this year over. We've had a lot of tragedy."

Stephen Richer
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America's pastime heats up

As October rears its Jack-O-Lantern Head, we all realize what is coming up right around the bend: baseball playoffs. Yes, those 150+ games your team logged all through the spring and summer?

They don't really mean much, not when the playoffs come to town. Hopefully your team won enough of those games to earn a slot amongst the select few who will be shagging flies as the leaves turn. If they didn't, you'll get them next year, you always will. But if they did, it doesn't matter if they won 148 or just a shade over half of them; because all bets are off when it's time to play for keeps.

As always, the Braves are in the playoffs, winning their 14th straight division title. Of course, the Braves are only poking their heads into the party that is the playoffs to say "Hi" before exiting in the second round; they've got a thing that they need to do. And then you've got the Padres, a team that everybody looks at and says, "Really? These guys made the playoffs? But they almost lost more games than they won. Is this a joke? Where's the hidden camera?" Yes, the Padres are in the playoffs, and even they aren't exactly sure why.

The Anaheim Angels At Los Angeles Who Play At Anaheim Despite Stating That They're From Los Angeles clinched their division as well, with Vladimir Guerrero leading the charge. There are a lot of questions surrounding this baseball team. Will the pitching hold up? Can they score the runs when they need

to? Why is the Dominican star of the team named Vladimir? But that's the beauty of the playoffs; we always find answers to our questions, except that last one. That just doesn't make any sense.

The White Sox have clinched their division finally, preventing a meltdown that would make Three Mile Island look like a glow stick. Of course, with a playoff spot in possession, NOW they decide to start winning games, shooting down the Cleveland Indians' wild card hopes like it is target practice. And as always, the St. Louis Cardinals cruised into the playoffs. If I'm not mistaken, I believe that they clinched their division sometime in the B.C. period, shortly after the Cenozoic Era. They didn't have a magic number to win the division because they hadn't been invented yet.

Of course, nobody cares about those teams right now, we only care about the spots on the dance card that as of now are still unfilled. As I pen this, the playoff chase has reached epic proportions, with the Houston Astros and the Philadelphia Phillies racing for the final spot in the National League. The New York Yankees clinched their division and a playoff spot, preventing George Steinbrenner from biting Joe Torre's ear off, and the Red Sox and Indians are playing to grab that last American League Wild Card.

With that in mind, I desperately need the Indians to grab that final playoff position like the last chicken wing at Kirstie Alley's house. I can't take another year of "Red Sox-Yankees: This Series Is Bigger Than Every Other Series, Ever, Including The One They Had Last Year That We Said Was The Biggest Ever. This One's Bigger." Whenever these two teams meet, it's like the world stops

spinning on its axis and the other 28 teams in the Major Leagues just fade into the distance along with everything else. "What's that? A cure for cancer? No time, Jason Giambi is adjusting his cup." "You don't say, we found Osama bin Laden in an Oklahoma Hardee's? Can he hit a slider, because Unfrozen Caveman Johnny Damon can."

I hoped that the Red Sox World Series win last year would blow off some of the hype around this match-up, but it's only exacerbated it. Before, it was Rocky Balboa against Ivan Drago, the Russian boxer capable of killing Carl Weathers with his bare hands. Now the Red Sox have cut the Yankees, and we all can see that they're not a machine, they can be beat! The Red Sox fans are extra excited because they don't want to lose the sweet taste of winning, and the Yankees are pumped because they have something to prove. I can't take these games, and certainly not when there's a trophy at stake.

If the Red Sox manage to get the American League Wild Card, the playoffs become a two team show; every other game is simply a prelude to Yankees-Red Sox, a match-up we'll be lead to believe is bigger than Moses-Egyptians.

By the time you read this, the entire playoff picture will be complete, with the Red Sox or Indians filling in the last spot. Either way, we'll never know why the heck his name is Vladimir.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Discussion of gay rights

I'm more than willing to grant Jacob Zipfel's suggestion that the anti-homosexual passages in the Bible are still relevant. Not that I necessarily agree with his analysis, but when it comes to the issue of legalizing gay marriage, whether the Bible says homosexuality is wrong or not is irrelevant. Religious justifications for discrimination are never adequate. The secular reasoning Mr. Zipfel hides in the middle of his discussion of demagoguery, however, leaves much to be desired.

Mr. Zipfel suggests that "Homosexuals do have the exact same rights as heterosexuals. A man can marry a woman, and a woman can marry a man ... What the gay rights movement is attempting to do is to create a new right. Redefining marriage to allow same sexes is to change the very definition of what marriage has historically been." Certainly, however, this is equivalent to claiming before interracial marriage was legal because even people attracted to members of different races had equal rights, everybody had the right to marry a person of the opposite gender and the same race. Don't like the analogy to race? How about going back even further to a truly traditional definition of marriage, that is, when you could only marry within your socioeconomic class? Certainly, it is absurd to claim those who were attracted to members of a different social class had the same rights then. After all, everybody could marry someone of the opposite gender, provided that they were of the same race and same class. There is no notion, then, of creating new rights for homosexuals

here, merely extending marriage to allow greater equality under the law, just as has been done repeatedly in the past.

Mr. Zipfel then suggests that the logical extension of the argument for same-sex marriage, that is, that there must be some check on the majority to allow for basic freedoms, is to allow NAMBLA the legalization of sex with 6 year old boys (I have to admit, a month and a half ago I never thought I'd be discussing NAMBLA in my first editorial letter). There are a few fundamental differences. Mr. Zipfel is right that majority rule in America, or any "democracy" is essential to stopping NAMBLA's claims. The exception to majority rule, however, comes when enforcing the will of the majority has such a disparate impact that it limits the fundamental rights of the minority. Allowing gay marriage has no significant negative social impacts, while disallowing it blatantly tells homosexuals they are inferior and treats them as such. NAMBLA's claims, on the other hand, have considerable social impacts, certainly, at least, on the 6-year-old boy who is unable to fully consider the impacts of having sex with a full-grown man.

So there you have it, Mr. Zipfel, respectful discussion of the issues at hand. Let's have at it.

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"There is more hunger for
love and appreciation in this
world than for bread."

Mother Teresa of Calcutta
humanitarian

U-Wire

Put DeLay away

The House of Representatives just lost its idiot: Republican and former House Majority Leader Tom DeLay.

DeLay, who represented Texas in the House, was charged with conspiring to use corporate money for Republican candidates in a state election. The representative had to resign temporarily as the House majority leader.

CNN said that DeLay called this fiasco the result of blatant political partisanship. Funny that he would say that, since DeLay is known for his rigid conservatism.

Whether the congressman is guilty or not is anybody's guess right now, but when you look at DeLay's stances and his history, the evidence points to guilty.

Coincidentally, this man charged with using money illegally in an election has opposed attempts to reform campaign finance. The Texas Observer said he may be the staunchest opponent of campaign finance reform.

Not only that, DeLay's view of money takes away from his plea of innocence with his quote from the Congress Daily: "Money is not the root of all evil in politics. In fact, money is the lifeblood of politics." When I read that, I couldn't decide whether I had read the words of a man who loves his country or the wisdom of a gangster.

Obviously, if DeLay believes money must run politics and that evil can't spring from it, we might see the congressman serving a couple of years in jail soon.

And if that does happen, Americans should rejoice because DeLay is a man with skewed priorities.

Of course, I mainly laugh at his Neanderthal gargling of phlegm. CNN and FoxNews provided me with DeLay's gameplan in the court: "My defense in this case will not be technical or legalistic. It will be categorical and absolute."

What is he talking about? It doesn't matter what you believe in a court. Courts work within a legal system; you must be legalistic in your case. DeLay should be lobotomized.

Although I don't mean to downplay DeLay's unfortunate dumbness, his arrogant statements and disregard for the American people shine through his expensive clothes as well.

The New York Times reported that after being asked by a waiter not to smoke on government property (in accordance with a no smoking policy), DeLay said, "I am the federal government." This guy should have been removed from his position a long time ago.

Perhaps DeLay had a significant role in Bush's tax cuts favoring the rich, as some say. He would not extend the president's tax cuts to those who make between about \$10,500 and \$26,500, according to wikipedia.org.

However, we can only hope that DeLay will be convicted. Maybe he didn't do it, or maybe he can buy his way out if he did.

You should just know that he's a roguish imbecile.

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How to save Democrats

I'm jumping ship. No more Democrat or liberal bashing, no more endless conservative Republican rants, and no more urges to throw things when you read my columns.

I'm becoming one of you — I am now a liberal Democrat.

My sister and her husband will now declare victory, and quite possibly throw a party or something. But I'm not only just joining, I'm planning on being an active participant. To kick off, I've come up with a foolproof plan that will make us Democrats the dominant party in America.

My plan is a little complicated, so you might want to grab a crayon and a tablet and take some notes. The first and most fundamental change that we are going to make is that we are actually going to stand for something and abandon our long-time strategy of being against everything. I'm not just talking about the lip service we have always given — I'm talking about really standing for something. We have always pretended to be for the people, so let's go with that. You can't get much more fundamental than being the people's party.

We have always been bottom-up, or grassroots, fund-raisers, but unfortunately, we have been top down as far as the policies and politics we have claimed to stand for. Our leaders have been so far removed from the everyday person, it's no wonder we have so much trouble being successful. Since we are now grassroots, we are going to build up from our neighborhoods, our districts, our cities, our states and finally our country, and we are going to elect the people who best represent us personally in each respective venue.

We are going to make them explain exactly what is in it for us individually if they are elected and what will it cost us. As Socrates taught, sane people will always act in their best interest in the end. We, being the people's party, are going to assume people are sane and know what's in their best interest. The decision made by the majority of individuals acting in their best interest is, by definition, in the best interest of the whole — put a little crayon star by that point.

No longer will the so-called elite pat us, the people, on the head and tell us what is best for us. We are going to abandon the soft

bigotry of low expectations that our former leaders practiced. We are going to be represented by the people who best represent us personally, not ambitious professional politicians. If I'm from New York, I want to be represented by someone from New York, not from California or Arkansas or wherever.

We are going to truly separate religion from government. This includes earth and animal worshippers. If we want to sit on leather chairs and eat fried chicken, we are damn well going to do it. If there is any credible non-faith-based evidence that the tales of impending doom being preached by earth worshippers are true, then of course we will follow our best interests and go with their suggestions.

Until then, let's drill for oil on our own property and build regional refineries for gasoline. Do we really need 40 different blends of regular unleaded? They say unrefined gas will kill sea turtles and the like, and I love sea turtles as much or more than the next guy, but I am not so arrogant as to think that anything that I do will destroy them. After all, they are pretty tough, and have been around a lot longer than us. Isn't it more dangerous for us to try and control natural selection and the survival of the fittest?

Finally, since we are only going to elect officials at all levels that we believe are going to act in our individual best interest, we need to unsubscribe to all polling companies and fire the publicists. We don't need them anymore. We can dismantle the political war room, because our representatives will be so busy doing stuff for us that there will no longer be the need for their failed partisan schemings.

Also, when we enter into political debates, we will first find out if the person with whom we are debating is an American citizen and if they are registered to vote. Frankly, if he or she is a non-citizen or not registered to vote, they are too irresponsible to have a credible opinion.

If my fellow Democrats will just follow my simple plan, I know it will change the world.

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Who is Justice Roberts?

John Roberts is the 17th chief justice of the United States, and most of us barely know him.

The weather headlines overshadowed Roberts' confirmation hearings, and most people heard little about it. All of a sudden, William Rehnquist has been replaced before an uneducated public.

There wasn't much of a disagreement between Senators about Roberts, which voted him in by a 77-22 vote. Half of the Democrats approved him.

Even if the hurricane hadn't drawn our attention away from the confirmation hearings, we still probably wouldn't know much about Roberts. He's only been on the bench for two years, so he doesn't have an extensive history that we can dissect.

Although he does seem to

be more moderate than his forerunner, many of Roberts' views line up with Rehnquist's.

In other words, don't expect the court to change that much. We don't know what direction Roberts will take the Supreme Court, but if he follows in Rehnquist's footsteps, it won't drastically affect the court.

However, the exciting nomination will be the person who must replace Sandra O'Connor. Before that judge gets in, we should all try not to let anything lull us away from that appointment.

Otherwise, we'll be taken off-guard, and it will be far more serious than Roberts' swearing in.

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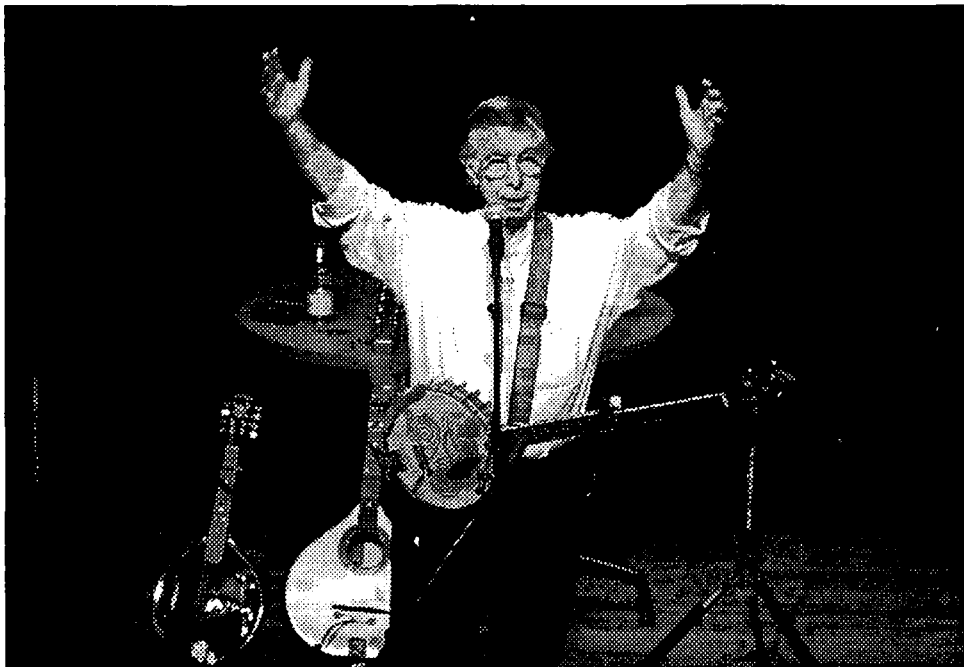
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DPAC REVIEW

The art of Celtic music

Tommy Makem and the Makem Brothers blend tradition with musical innovation

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Tommy Makem, a Celtic music legend, played a mix of traditional Irish music with some original pieces. He is known for blending music with storytelling.

By GRACE MYERS
Scene Writer

The performance of Tommy Makem and the Makem Brothers was incredibly enjoyable.

The Leighton Concert Hall's audience was a mixture of long-time Celtic music followers, musicians and aficionados, as well as many people who had almost no idea of what to expect. Tommy Makem and the Makem Brother's highly energized performance was engaging, fun and interesting, even to the most inexperienced audience member. It was a lively and charming combination of music and story telling — a fine introduction to the Celtic music scene.

The Makem Brothers — Shane, Conor and Rory Makem — along with Mickey and Liam Spain, performed first. The quintet began with an upbeat number, which was similar to music that would be heard in a Celtic pub. They then introduced themselves formally and played a slow-

er, more traditional song. Their sound was dynamic in that they each played different instruments and synthesized their diverse voices to fulfill each of the song's particular moods.

Undoubtedly, the act's greatest strength was their vibrant stage-presence. They obviously loved the music that they were playing, but also loved playing it with each other. They joked around about being brothers, about their hometown, alcohol, the Irish Catholics, the game against Purdue and Rudy. They essentially talked about things that anyone at Notre Dame can appreciate. It was evident that, despite their lineage of Irish musicians, they have established a new identity for themselves and have gained

their own unique appreciation for the music.

One of the best songs performed was one written by Conor Makem. It was slower and more eloquent, dealing with the remembrance of one's history and culture, despite the progression of



CLAIRE KELLEY/The Observer

The Makem and Spain brothers opened for Tommy Makem. They played music and made jokes about being brothers, Irish Catholics and Notre Dame.

life and technology. It was interesting to see him continue the making of and love for Irish music through a song that dealt with the continuation of tradition. It was particularly poignant in lieu of the fact that he is the son of a legendary Irish musician.

After intermission, Tommy Makem performed, with his son Rory on the guitar. From the moment he walked onto the stage, it was obvious that Tommy Makem is a legend and a pro. He also resembles what one would expect a typical Irishman to be. His first words to the audience were, "Is everybody sober?" This indicated that his presence would display his fun-loving and endearing nature, while maintaining still retaining the ability to engage the audience. His thin frame and thick glasses did not hinder him from belting out the complicated lyrics or playing the banjo with great technical ability.

He played an array of traditional songs including drinking songs, songs about war, children's songs and several

well-known classic songs. He told a story or a joke before each song. He also made a point of giving a background to that song that helped to explain what the song addresses, which helped set the tone so that the

audience could appreciate it to a greater extent. He also played numerous songs that he had written, which were equally enjoyable. They displayed his great pride for the history and culture of Ireland. Celtic music is his means for spreading this pride and inciting interest, not only to his

sons but also to every audience for which he plays.

Many times, he taught the audience the chorus of the song he was going to sing, so that they could join in the singing. There were a few songs that the audience sang along with while he stepped back from the microphone. It was an example of why Tommy Makem is a legend, and it showed his unique ability to pass on an interest and love for the music he makes.

Undoubtedly the act's greatest strength was their vibrant stage presence.

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Tommy Makem embraces his Irish heritage by performing traditional songs and writing new songs that celebrate the history, people and culture of Ireland.



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The Makem and Spain brothers joined together to form a Celtic music quintet. They perform at a wide variety of music festivals and Irish culture celebrations.

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Notre Dame 49, Purdue 28

Boiling hot

Notre Dame defeats Purdue 49-28 as Quinn throws for 440 yards and three scores

By KEVIN BRENNAN
Sports Writer

WEST LAFAYETTE, Ind. — The Notre Dame offense exploded Saturday, propelling the team to a 49-28 victory over Purdue as quarterback Brady Quinn orchestrated an Irish attack that amassed 621 total yards and had the Irish on top 28-0 at halftime. Quinn completed 29-of-36 passes for 440 yards and two touchdowns, setting a new Notre Dame record for most 300-yard games in a season.

"I thought [Quinn] had an exceptional game," Notre Dame head coach Charlie Weis said.

Wide receivers Jeff Samardzija and Maurice Stovall were Quinn's primary targets. Samardzija hauled in seven passes for 153 yards and two scores, while Stovall added eight receptions for 134 yards.

"The receivers made plays and made them miss," Weis said. "We got a lot of yards after catch. We're taking three yard passes and turning them into 10-, 15-, 20-yard gains."

Illustrating its offensive efficiency, Notre Dame's only punt in the first half came after its initial drive stalled at midfield. The Irish scored a touchdown on four of their six first-half drives.

Notre Dame pulled away in the second quarter after Irish defensive tackle Trevor Laws blocked a 44-yard field goal attempt by Purdue kicker Ben Jones. The block set up a 73-yard drive which ended in a 4-yard Samardzija touchdown catch. On Notre Dame's next possession, tailback Darius Walker, who finished the game with 80 yards rushing on 23 carries, scored on a 10-yard draw to put the Irish up by four touchdowns.

Notre Dame opened the game's scoring on its second possession, which started from the Irish 10-yard line and did not feature a single third down. Samardzija made an athletic diving one-handed catch on a 41-yard scrambling pass from Quinn that gave Notre Dame first and goal from the 1-yard line. On the next play, senior fullback Rashon Powers-Neal took a handoff from Quinn into the end zone for the touchdown.

Purdue responded with a long drive of its own. Tailback Kory Sheets carried the ball 38 yards down the sideline before being knocked out at the 1-yard line by Irish cornerback Ambrose Wooden.

The Boilermakers looked



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Notre Dame wide receiver Jeff Samardzija makes a one-handed catch on the Purdue 1-yard line Saturday that set up a Rashon Powers-Neal touchdown. Samardzija had 153 yards in the game.

poised to even the score, but the Notre Dame defense forced another red zone turnover when senior linebacker Brandon Hoyte jarred the ball loose from Purdue running back Jerrod Void on the following play. Cornerback Mike Richardson recovered the loose ball at the Notre Dame 2-yard line.

"I guess that's sort of their M.O. this year," Notre Dame tight end Anthony Fasano said of the Irish defense. "They really do well in the red zone when their back is up against the

wall."

The Notre Dame defense has forced seven turnovers in the red zone this season.

The Irish offense capitalized on the takeaway with a 98-yard, 15-play drive that took 5:36 off the clock. Quinn completed 7-of-9 passes for 99 yards during the possession. On fourth and goal from the 1, Powers-Neal found the end zone for the second time, bringing his season touchdown total to six.

Weis was thrilled with the team's play in the first half.

"I think that one quick out early in the game to [Stovall] we'd like to have back," Weis said. "But other than that it was a hell of a performance."

Purdue's offense came to life in the second half and began to move the ball on the Notre Dame defense. Quarterback Brandon Kirsch hooked up with receiver Dorian Bryant for touchdowns on both of Purdue's first two second-half possessions.

Kirsch finished the game 29-of-44 for 274 yards and added

47 yards on the ground. Bryant had a career day, totaling 127 yards on 14 receptions.

Weis came away impressed with the Boilermaker offense. Purdue has added an option running game this season to complement its traditional high-flying passing attack.

The Irish defense was proud of the way it handled Purdue's multi-faceted offense.

"We knew we had to step up with the versatility Purdue was going to show us," Richardson said. "And I'm just happy that we actually made the plays when we needed to."

Late in the third quarter, Richardson recorded another takeaway for the Irish, intercepting Kirsch in the end zone.

"I think it gives us the confidence," safety Tom Zbikowski said. "And I think offensively they're going to be worrying about that. When they get down to the one-yard line, it's not going to be an automatic touchdown."

The Irish offense continued to roll in the second half. On Notre Dame's first drive, Quinn found Samardzija on a deep post that went for a 55-yard touchdown. After making the catch, Samardzija managed to stay in bounds and then break four tackles on his way to the end zone — his second score on the night.

"When you get those chances to make plays, you've got to make those plays because its going feed off into the coaches and the quarterback, and everyone is just going to have confidence," Samardzija said.

Weis emptied his bench in the fourth quarter, giving Notre Dame's reserves a chance to log minutes and gain experience. Backup quarterbacks David Wolke and Marty Mooney saw time, as did freshman offensive tackles Paul Duncan and Michael Turkovich.

With 6:17 left in the game, tailback Travis Thomas carried the ball 10 yards for a touchdown. Weis was impressed with the performance of the second-team offense.

"I think that sooner or later you are going to have to play those guys," Weis said. "I was as happy as anything to have that second offense go down and score a touchdown."

Notre Dame's other fourth quarter score came on a 22-yard play action pass from Quinn to tight end John Carlson. The touchdown was the first of Carlson's career.

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player of the game

Brady Quinn

Quinn completed 29-of-36 pass attempts for 440 yards and three touchdowns before being pulled early in the fourth quarter.

stat of the game

440

The number of yards Brady Quinn passed for, his third 300-yard game of the season and second 400-yard game.

play of the game

Brandon Hoyte's forced fumble on the goal line

The linebacker forced the turnover that led to a 98-yard Notre Dame scoring drive.

quote of the game

"We thought sooner or later we were going to play a more complete game, which I thought this performance was."

Charlie Weis
Irish coach

report card

A

quarterbacks: Quinn's numbers have been nothing short of brilliant in his last three games. His 20-of-23 first half was one of the best performances by an Irish quarterback ever, despite Purdue's poor pass defense.

B+

running backs: Walker did not get his fifth consecutive 100-yard game, but Powers-Neal looked strong in short yardage situations, and Thomas scored for the second consecutive week.

A

receivers: Samardzija and Stovall continued to make the claim that they are among the top receivers in the nation. If it wasn't for one Stovall drop, Quinn might have had 500-plus yards.

B+

offensive line: Playing in their first full game without center Bob Morton, the offensive line looked strong despite a lack of depth. Quinn had time to throw for most of the day.

B

defensive line: Laws and Abiamiri had quiet statistical games, and the quick drops from Kirsch didn't give the group enough time to get into the backfield in the second half when the game was out of reach.

B

linebackers: Hoyte forced a big fumble that led to a 14-point swing and set the tempo for the rest of the game. However, when Purdue ran the option in the first half it took time for the unit to adjust.

C-

defensive backs: Richardson had an interception, but quarterback Brandon Kirsch was able to pick apart the secondary when Purdue went to the pass in the second half.

B+

special teams: Last week's special teams problems were nonexistent as the Irish blocked a field goal and converted on all seven extra points.

A

coaching: Weis was able to make the right play calls all day against a Purdue pass defense that he was expected to exploit. There was nothing Purdue's defense could do to contend with Weis' expertise.

3.28

overall: The Irish looked explosive on offense, but the team did give up 28 points and had trouble adjusting to the pass. Quinn's performance alone is enough to be excited about.

adding up the numbers

Notre Dame's highest point total of the season, and the school's highest point total since a 52-20 victory over Boston College on Oct. 25, 1997.

49

8 Touchdown receptions on the season for wide receiver Jeff Samardzija. His eight touchdowns are only three shy of Derrick Mayes' total in 1994.

Brady Quinn's passing yards against Purdue. So far this season, Quinn has thrown for 1,621 yards.

440

287 The number of receiving yards that Stovall and Samardzija combined for in Notre Dame's victory over Purdue.

The number of yards Brady Quinn needs to pass Ron Pawlus for the Notre Dame career passing record.

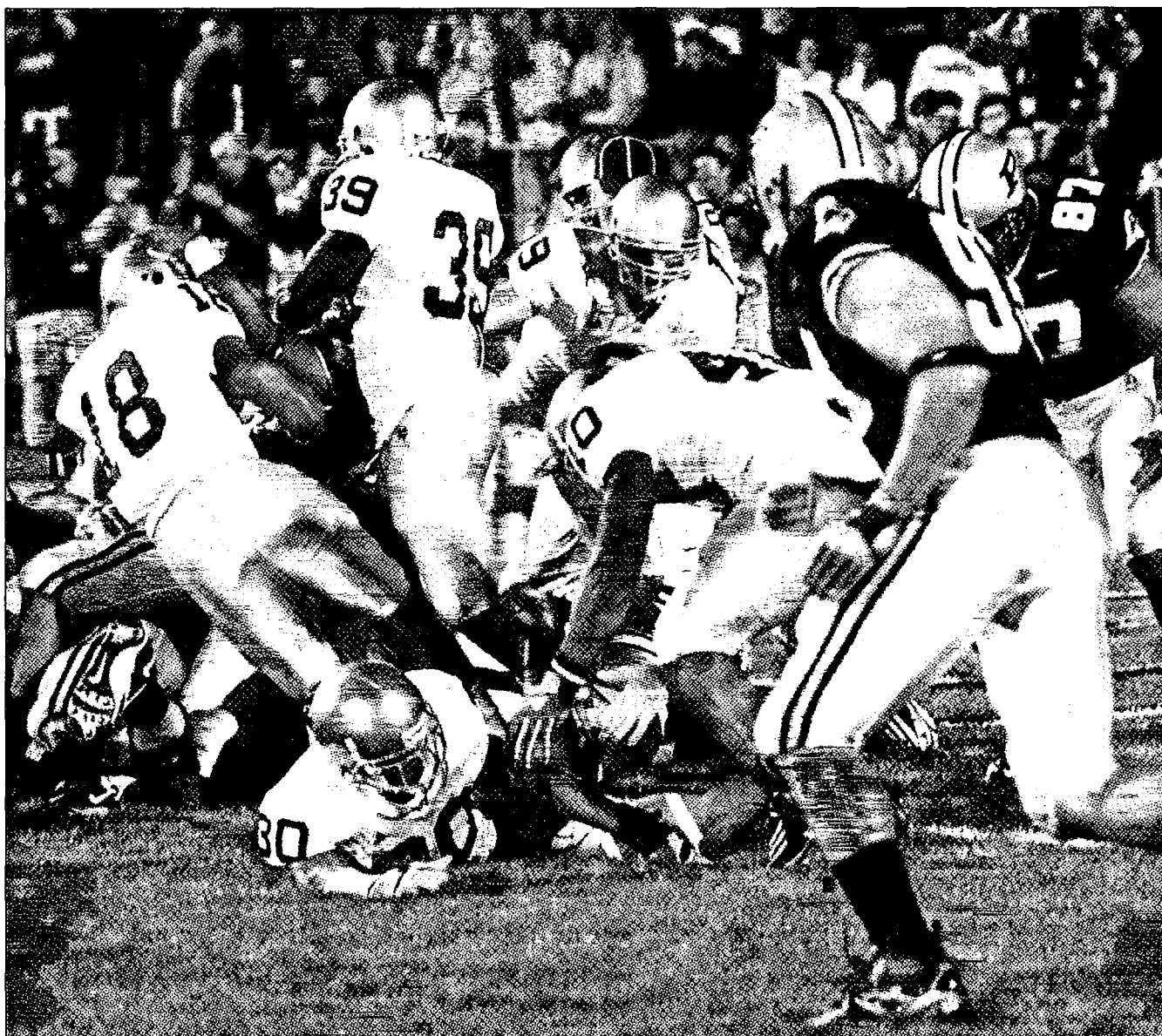
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0 Other quarterbacks in Irish history with three 300-yard games in one season, something Quinn accomplished Saturday.

Purdue quarterback Brandon Kirsch's passing yards against the Irish. Most of them came in the second half.

274

2 The number of 90-plus yard scoring drives the Irish put together in the first half of Saturday's game against Purdue.



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Defensive back Mike Richardson, on the ground, and Maurice Crum, above, pounce on a fumble in the second quarter of Notre Dame's 49-28 win Saturday against Purdue. The Irish recovered the fumble, which led to a 98-yard scoring drive and a 14-point swing that gave Notre Dame the momentum for the rest of the game.

Irish defense best in red zone

WEST LAFAYETTE, Ind. — There must have been a lot of eye-rubbing, head-shaking and antenna-adjusting — déjà vu, to say the least — with about five minutes of play left in the first quarter of Saturday night's 49-28 Notre Dame romp over host Purdue.

With the Irish holding an early 7-0 advantage, Purdue running back Kory Sheets took an option toss from quarterback Brandon Kirsch and sprinted 38 yards down the right sideline, fully expecting — along with the 62,500 in attendance — to put the Boilermakers on the board with the game-tying score.

But Sheets forgot about Ambrose Wooden.

After setting up a game-changing fumble against Michigan Sept. 17 by catching and knocking Wolverine receiver Jason Avant out of bounds at the 1-yard line, for the second time this season, the Irish cornerback raced down what appeared to be a sure-touchdown gallop, pushing Sheets out inches from the goal line. And once again, the Irish turned the effort-laden play into a red zone turnover.

Oftentimes, plays like Wooden's serve as prime examples for the kind of intensity players should bring on each and every play — ideal film room footage for coaches stressing the importance of unwavering exertion — but the end results seem to diminish the effort.

Nine times out of 10, Purdue running back Jerod Void punches the ball into paydirt on the next play. But this wasn't those first nine times. It was that one-out-of-10 that can change the complexity of the game, plant seeds of doubt in

the opponent and most importantly, give the defense that confidence and little bit of swagger to do it again the next time.

"Seems like every time [the opponent] gets down in the red zone in a critical situation, [the defense] comes up and makes a play," Irish coach Charlie Weis said.

While the Notre Dame defense has been vulnerable to the air attack all season — the Irish surrendered 327, 408 and 350 passing yards against Michigan State, Washington and Purdue, respectively, in their last three contests — they continue to make the big plays when they need them, most notably in the red zone, where the Irish have created five turnovers this season.

The unit was up to old tricks Saturday night, forcing a trio of turnovers inside its own 30-yard line.

With an offense clicking on all cylinders, the Irish may not have needed those three turnovers.

"We scored 49," Weis said. "I don't know how much different the game would have been."

But while the red zone defense may not have been the single key to victory Saturday, it certainly was against Michigan, and will undoubtedly play a major role in Notre Dame's success — or lack thereof — when powerhouses including No. 1 USC and No. 8 Tennessee come to town in the next month.

Not only do those goal line stands keep the opposition out of the end zone, but they can also give an already-potent Notre Dame offense that extra confidence that a three-and-out isn't cause for panic — a recipe for an offensive explosion.

Cornerback Mike Richardson's goal line fumble recovery set the tone for the contest early in the first quarter and his leaping interception in the right corner of the end zone midway through the third quarter — immediately following a Purdue interception of its own — returned the momentum to the Irish.

"The interception was big,"

Richardson said. "I knew they were going to come back with a big play after they got their play on defense, and I just knew our defense had to make a big play first. They actually ran that play in a previous game and got a big gain on it, so I knew that it was coming."

With Purdue driving late in the third quarter, a crucial Boilermaker turnover on downs just inside the Notre Dame 30-yard line ended any hopes of a dramatic comeback.

The true "bend but not break" defense hasn't gone unnoticed.

"We're starting to make a little trademark on it," Irish safety Tom Zbikowski said. "As long as we know we have a yard or two or stand with, we're going to make something happen."

Yet, as effective as the Irish have been with their backs against the end zone, there isn't a single, overriding reason for their success in do-or-die red zone situations.

"It's hard to pinpoint what exactly it is," Zbikowski said. "I guess we're taking over a characteristic of our defensive coordinator [Rick Minter] teaching us and making sure we keep people out of the end zone."

Richardson pointed to an intangible as the root of the gritty, backs-to-the-wall defense.

"It's just instinct," Richardson said.

Whatever the force behind the inspired defensive play, the Irish certainly expect to carry it the rest of the season.

"We try to be tough every time we come out," Richardson said. "You can never be happy when you give up a lot of passing yards like that, but our main goal is to win the game, and that's what we focus on."

And in the red zone, that's exactly what Notre Dame did.

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Quinn's solid play leads offense

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WEST LAFAYETTE, Ind. — Welcome to the upper echelon of college quarterbacks, Brady Quinn.

After Quinn's 29-of-36 passing, 440 yards and three touchdowns — 20-of-23 in the first half — Saturday at Purdue, the Irish quarterback has solidified his position as one of the elite passers in the nation.

And for good reason.

His 13 touchdowns to three interceptions this season show that Quinn is playing up the expectations that were set for him upon his arrival two years ago as a highly-touted prospect from Dublin, Ohio.

He is completing 65.26 percent of his passes, and his 1,621 yards passing place him second in the nation behind Sam Keller of Arizona State, who has thrown for 1,790 yards in a traditionally pass-first conference.

Matt Leinart, Vince Young, Chad Henne and Chris Leak? Quinn is trumping all four in passing yards and touchdowns.

And most importantly, he is winning, and winning big.

"When we go out there obviously we just have the mindset of keep putting points on the board," Quinn said. "That's one of our goals coming into the game, just allowing ourselves to keep our defense off the field."

So far this season the Irish have done exactly that.

With the exception of its 17-10 win at Michigan, Notre Dame has scored no fewer than 38 points in a game this season. Notre Dame put up 42 against Pittsburgh, 41 in a loss against Michigan State, 38 against Washington and now 49 against Purdue.

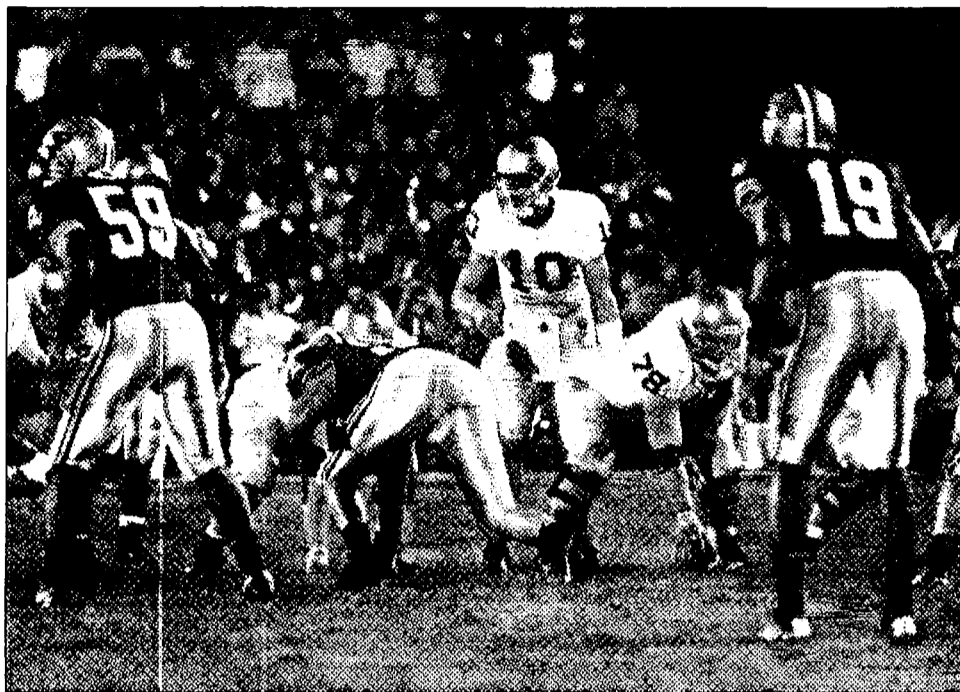
"I really expected Brady to have a good game," Irish coach Charlie Weis said. "This kid's a hard worker and it's important to him. Each week he has signs of evolving and getting better, and I thought today, I thought that was his best performance."

After two years of adjusting to the college game, Quinn has stepped up his play when it has mattered most this season.

His growth and maturity have extended from his ability to read a defense's pass coverage to his tendency to escape pass rushes to his overall control of the offense.

And he looks as if he is doing it with relative ease.

When considering some of the balls that Quinn threw Saturday, including the



Irish quarterback Brady Quinn commands the offense during Notre Dame's 49-28 win at Purdue Saturday. Quinn was 29-of-36 for 440 yards against the Boilermakers.

off-balance toss to Jeff Samardzija that resulted in the one-handed grab at the Purdue 1-yard line, it is clear that Quinn is playing with a new degree of confidence, almost willing balls into tight spots.

An interception last year is a 30-yard first down this year.

Following Saturday's win, Weis spoke about the number of plays that Quinn changed with audibles when he got to the line of scrimmage. The mark of a mature quarterback, Quinn has shown leadership in his ability to take a run-pass option from his coach and go with what the situation calls for.

"We have a lot of plays in there that were run-pass option," Weis said. "I probably called 15 more runs in the game than we actually ran. And then Brady just picked them apart."

Quinn points to Notre Dame's offensive line, running backs and receivers for his development this season.

"You have to give a lot of credit to our wide receivers," Quinn said. "[Samardzija, Stovall,] Shelton and Fasano, all those guys. Those are the guys who make me look good."

"Everyone overlooks [the play of the offensive line.] Every time there is a big statistical game like today you have to give the O-line credit."

He also pushes aside his own play in

order to give credit to Weis, and his coach's lessons about playing quarterback.

"I think the biggest thing is his relationship," Quinn said. "He has taught me so many things about the quarterback position, how to run an offense, and be a leader. I think a lot of the things that made him successful in the NFL he's kind of brought down."

But as quick as Quinn is to defer the attention away from himself and to credit those that surround him, his teammates are just as quick to throw the attention right back at the 6-foot-4 junior quarterback.

"He's shown great improvement," tight end Anthony Fasano said. "He puts us in great situations on the line and in different calls. Our game plan going in each week is different and he really handles it well."

Maurice Stovall, a senior receiver who has improved this year with Quinn's emergence, feels that his quarterback has grown as a player, and takes pride in the fact that the team is somehow partly responsible for this development.

"We definitely take a lot of pride in it," Stovall said. "He plays a big part in our offense. We're going to be just as well as he is."

"[If] he's having a great game, then we're going to be more efficient."

After all, as Quinn goes — so does the Notre Dame offense.

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scoring summary

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

First quarter

Notre Dame 7, Purdue 0

Rashon Powers-Neal 1-yard run with 8:54 remaining. (D.J. Fitzpatrick kick)

Drive: 7 plays, 90 yards, 2:26 elapsed

Second quarter

Notre Dame 14, Purdue 0

Powers-Neal 4-yard run with 14:16 remaining. (Fitzpatrick kick)

Drive: 15 plays, 98 yards, 5:36 elapsed

Notre Dame 21, Purdue 0

Jeff Samardzija 4-yard reception from Brady Quinn with 6:24 remaining. (Fitzpatrick kick)

Drive: 13 plays, 73 yards, 5:29 elapsed

Notre Dame 28, Purdue 0

Darius Walker 10-yard run with 2:57 remaining. (Fitzpatrick kick)

Drive: 5 plays, 63 yards, 2:23 elapsed

Third quarter

Notre Dame 28, Purdue 7

Dorien Bryant 18-yard reception from Brandon Kirsch with 11:31 remaining. (Ben Jones kick)

Drive: 12 plays, 85 yards, 2:49 elapsed

Notre Dame 35, Purdue 7

Jeff Samardzija 55-yard reception from Quinn with 8:48 remaining. (Fitzpatrick kick)

Drive: 6 plays, 80 yards, 2:43 elapsed

Notre Dame 35, Purdue 14

Bryant 3-yard reception from Kirsch with 6:37 remaining. (Jones kick)

Drive: 10 plays, 80 yards, 2:11 elapsed

Fourth quarter

Notre Dame 42, Purdue 14

John Carlson 22-yard reception from Quinn with 11:31 remaining. (Fitzpatrick kick)

Drive: 9 plays, 74 yards, 3:30 elapsed

Notre Dame 42, Purdue 21

Kory Sheets 5-yard run with 8:58 remaining. (Jones kick)

Drive: 10 plays, 80 yards, 2:33 elapsed

Notre Dame 49, Purdue 21

Travis Thomas 10-yard run with 6:17 remaining. (Fitzpatrick kick)

Drive: 6 plays, 45 yards, 2:41 elapsed

Notre Dame 49, Purdue 28

Kory Sheets 8-yard run with 1:52 remaining. (Jones kick)

Drive: 7 plays, 54 yards, 0:55 elapsed

statistics

total yards

PURDUE	514

rushing yards

PURDUE	164

passing yards

PURDUE	350

return yards

PURDUE	144

time of possession

PURDUE	23:57



passing			
Quinn	29-36-1	Kirsch	29-44-1
rushing			
Walker	23-80	Sheets	6-66
receiving			
Stovall	8-134	Bryant	14-127
Samardzija	7-153	Ingraham	7-91
Shelton	7-68	Noel	3-41
Powers-Neal	3-35	Chattams	3-22
tackling			
Richardson	9	Hall	8
Wooden	7	Pollard	8

Samardzija four scores away from record

Derrick Mayes holds the Irish record for most touchdowns

By KEVIN BRENNAN
Sports Writer

WEST LAFAYETTE, Ind. — With his two touchdown receptions Saturday, Jeff Samardzija upped his season total to eight. The receiver currently leads the nation in touchdown catches, along with Bowling Green wideout Steve Sanders.

"Samardzija seems to find the end zone, so I guess I should throw to him more often," Weis said.

Samardzija is the first player in program history to record a touchdown reception in each of the first five games of the season. He is the first Notre Dame receiver since Malcolm Johnson to score in five consecutive games.

Johnson had six straight games with a touchdown reception in 1998.

Samardzija is only four touchdown receptions away from breaking the Notre Dame single-season record for touchdown receptions set by Derrick Mayes in 1994.

Morton stays out

Starting center Bob Morton, who went down with an injury against Washington, was available Saturday, but did not see the field.

Weis held Morton out in order to allow the senior to more fully recover before the Oct. 15 match-up with No. 1-ranked USC.

"He was ready to go," Weis said. "But I told him that I wanted to hold him from this game if I could."

"He got himself ready to play, but I was happy we didn't have to use him."

John Sullivan started at center in Morton's place.

Quinn sets more records

With 440 passing yards, Brady Quinn has become the first Notre Dame quarterback to throw for more than 300 yards in three consecutive games.

Quinn passed for 487 yards against Michigan State and 327 yards at Washington.

Quinn's 283 first-half passing yards was also a program best.

Quinn now has thrown for 6,038 yards in his career.

He is only the third signal-caller in Notre Dame history to reach the 6,000-yard mark. Steve Beurlein recorded 6,527 yards from 1983-86.

Ron Powlus, the current director of personnel development for the football program, holds the all-time record with 7,602 passing yards from 1994-97.

Weis creature of habit

Weis commented that many of the plays called Saturday grew out of the New York

Giants' offense of the late 1980s and early 1990s.

Weis began his NFL coaching career with Bill Parcells' Giants in 1990.

"I'm a trained pig," Weis said. "I just go with what I know."

Irish move up in polls

With the win, Notre Dame moved up to No. 12 in both the AP and USA Today polls. They were previously No. 13 and 14, respectively.

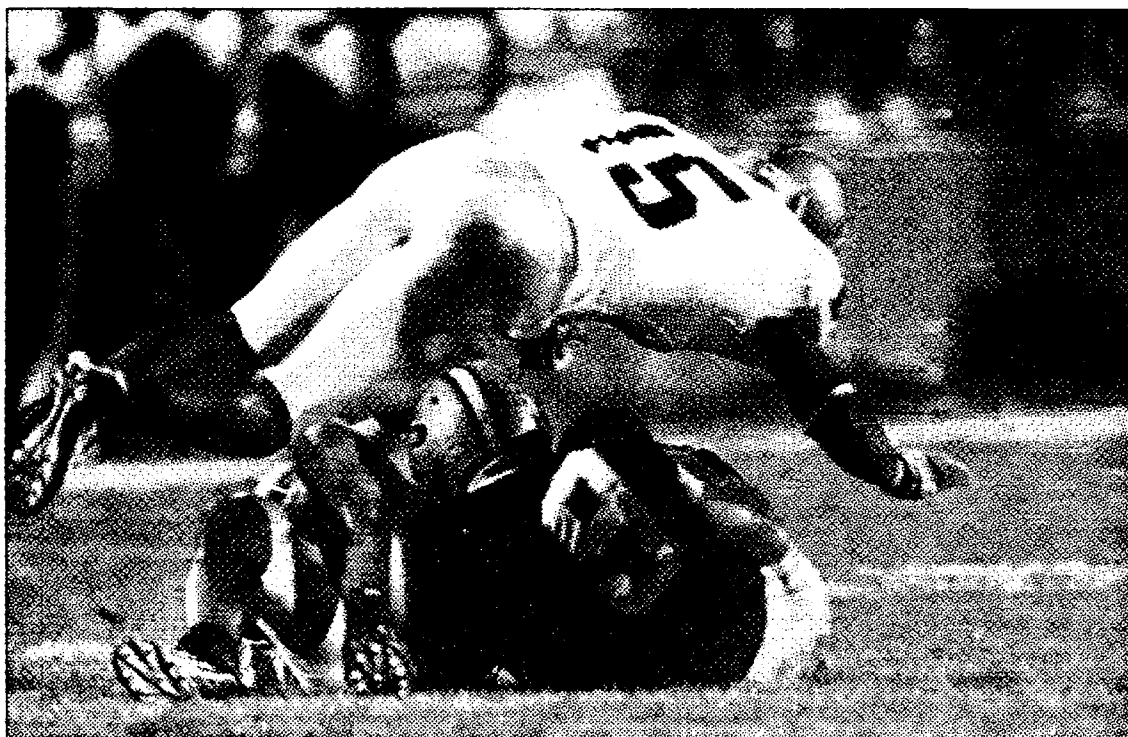
Game has record crowd

The attendance at the game Saturday was 65,491. It was the largest crowd in Ross-Ade Stadium since its renovation in 2003.

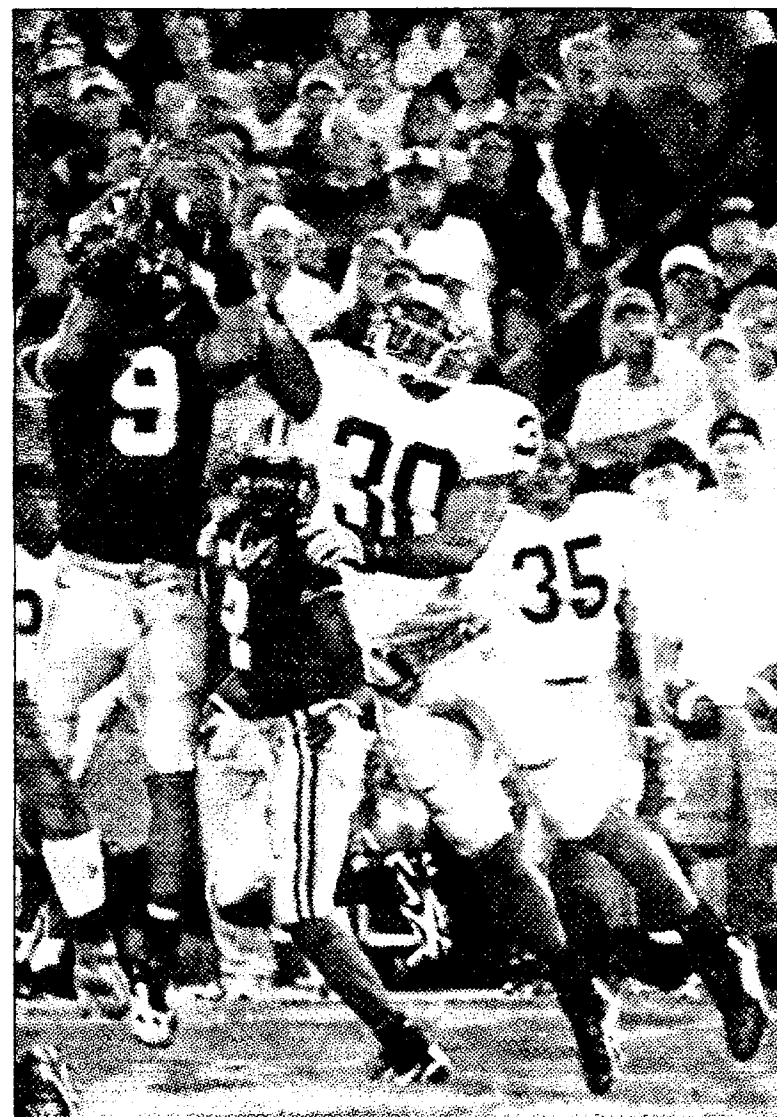
Captains

Saturday's captains were Quinn on offense, Brandon Hoyte on defense and Chase Anastasio on special teams.

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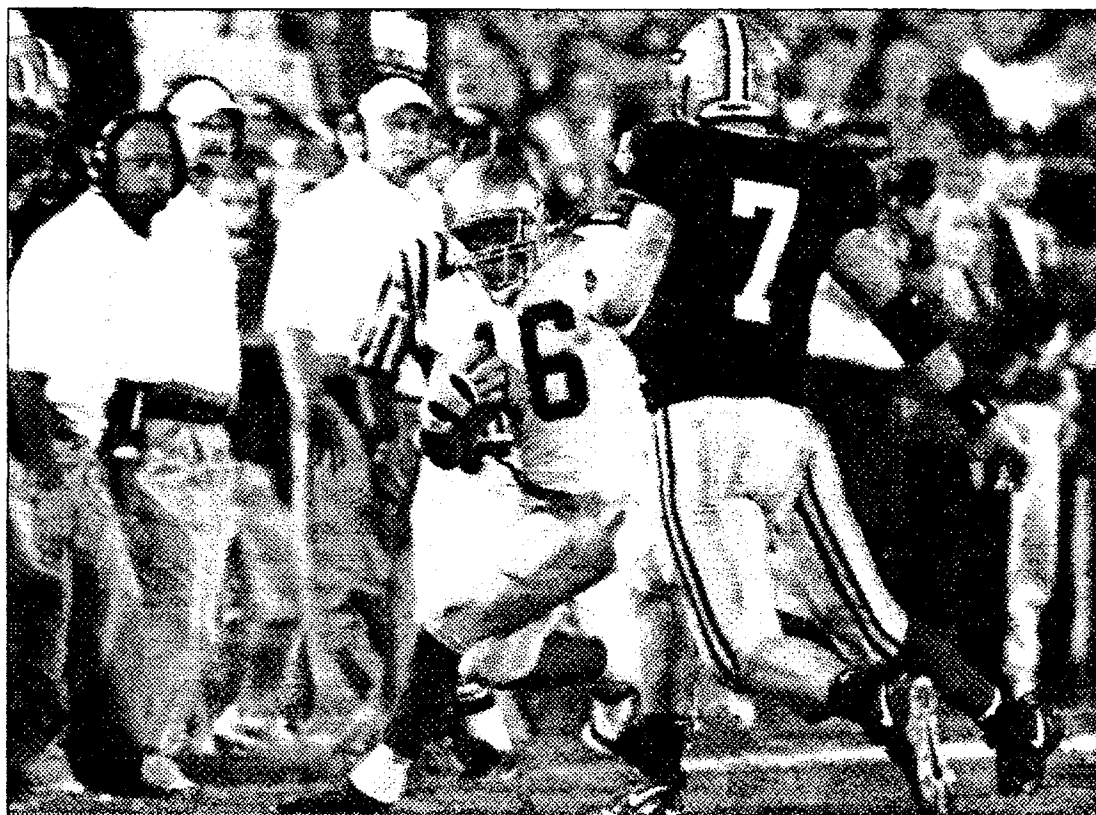


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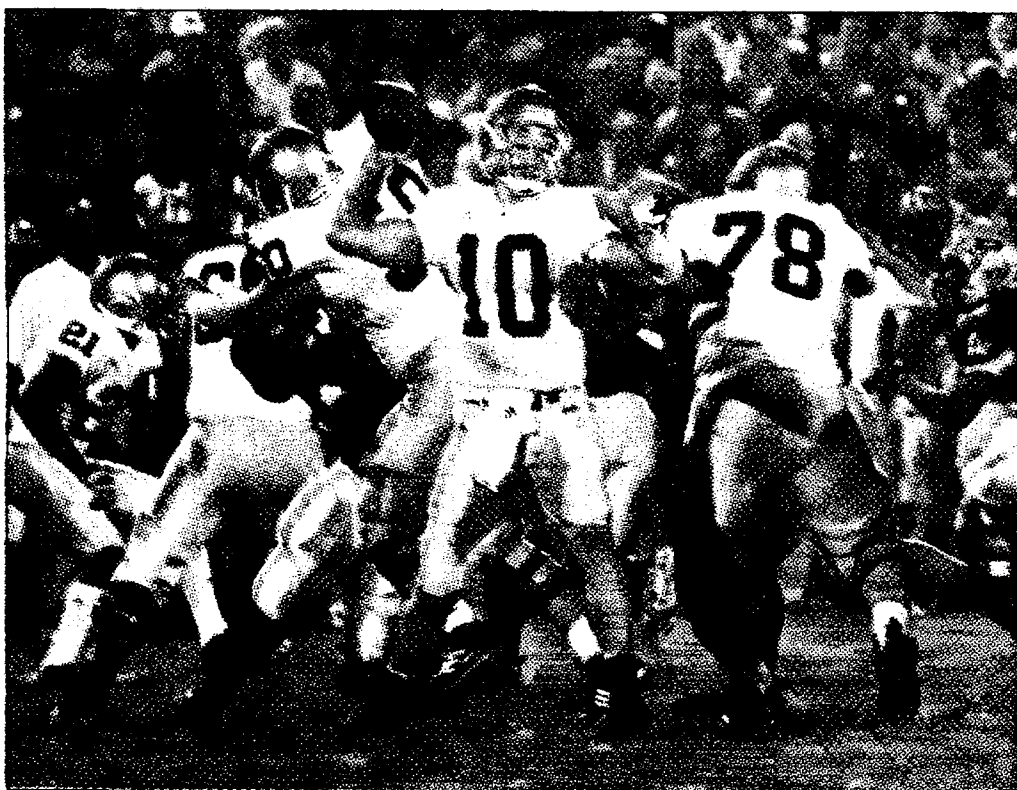
Clicking on all cylinders

Notre Dame knew that in many ways it was playing its biggest game of the season's first half coming off a blowout win at Washington, and that is exactly what the Irish got as Brady Quinn completed 29-of-36 passes for

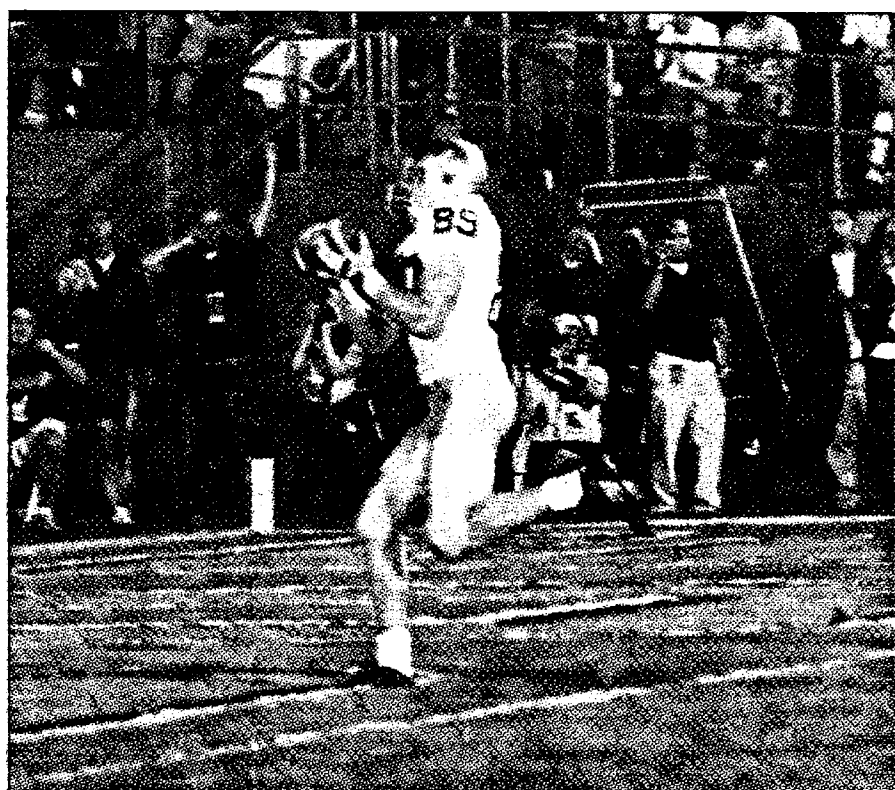
440 yards in the 49-28 victory over Purdue. Notre Dame linebacker Brandon Hoyte forced a big turnover when Purdue was on the Irish 2-yard line, which set up a 98-yard scoring drive. The 14-point swing was all the Irish needed to control the rest of the game, scoring 21 second quarter points and taking a comfortable 28-0 lead into the half. Jeff Samardzija continued his storybook season, totalling seven catches for 153 yards and two touchdowns, including one in which he broke four tackles before sprinting down the sideline into the end zone. Notre Dame again had trouble defending the pass, and Purdue was able to exploit that when quarterback Brandon Kirsch came out throwing in the second half. In the end, the Irish offense was too much, as the unit put up 621 total yards and won the time of possession battle 36:03 to 23:57.



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Leo Ferrine makes a tackle on Purdue receiver Dorian Bryant, top left. Mike Richardson attempts to break up a pass, top right. Rashon Powers-Neal breaks a run outside, middle. John Carlson catches a touchdown pass in the fourth quarter, bottom right. Brady Quinn throws a screen pass in Notre Dame's 49-28 win.

DPAC REVIEW

'Last Days' depicts rock star's final hours

By JONATHAN RETARTHA
Scene Critic

In "Last Days," Gus Van Sant offers a stunning portrait of humanity in his depiction of a rock star's final hours.

The film surrounds a rock star named Blake (Michael Pitt), a drug addict who spends his time at his poorly kept mansion wandering around, passing out, fumbling with music, dressing up in women's clothing and occasionally going on trips into the woods. Blake's friends or groupies come and go, but most of the film is centered upon Blake's everyday activities.

While Van Sant never explicitly describes Blake as a direct reference to Kurt Cobain, the similarities are striking enough to give the correct impression without Van Sant having to say so. Blake is clearly channeling Cobain in his

appearance and performance, with the straggly blonde hair, cutoff jeans and flannel shirt that were signatures of the former Nirvana front man who committed suicide on April 5, 1994 after battling a long addiction to cocaine.

What makes "Last Days" different from other rock biopics or programs like "Behind the Music" that sensationalize celebrity deaths with flashy news

headlines and dramatic buildups to epic death scenes is the static, almost portrait-like framing of the film.

Most scenes happen either inside or outside of Blake's decrepit northeast mansion, and in the film's 90 minutes, very little happens plot-wise. Time is often skewed and jumbled, and most scenes are dialogue-free and simply follow the clearly stoned Blake stumble around as his lackey friends shuffle in and out while paying little attention to him.

The purpose of such a technique, one that is similar to Van Sant's other films "Elephant" and "Gerry," is to eliminate the hype and conspiracy theories that surround high profile deaths like Cobain's or the Columbine shooters

in "Elephant." For Van Sant, it is impossible and unnecessary to try and understand the psyche of such socially polarizing people. Therefore, Van Sant connects the audience with Blake by showing

everything that was going on in his world at the time of his death, instead of focusing on Blake's psychological state.

The littlest things, from watching TV to dealing with visitors to wandering around in the woods presents a complete picture without trying to explore Blake's motivations. Blake rarely speaks, and when he does, it is in the mumbled, barely understandable jar-

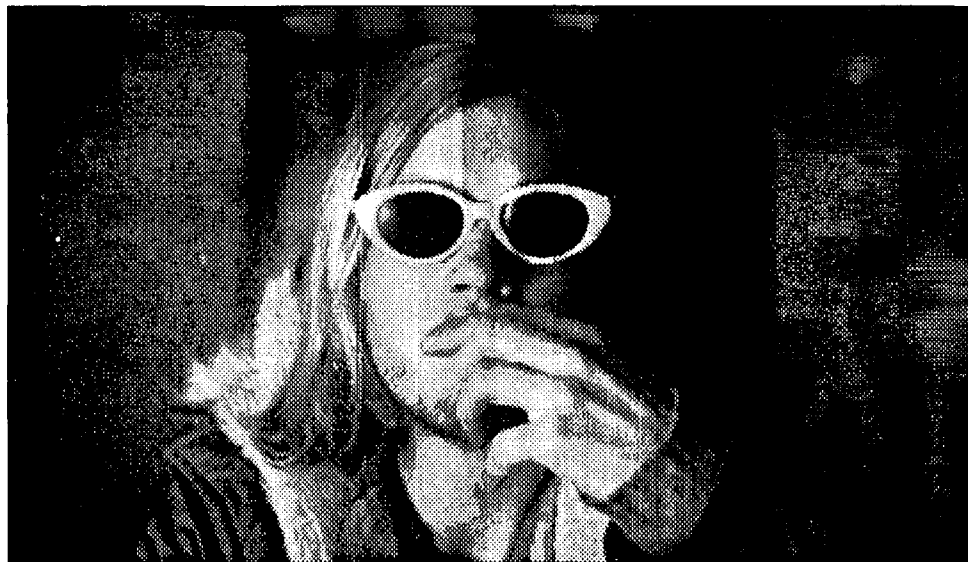


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"Last Days" centers around Blake (Michael Pitt), a reclusive rock star who resembles Kurt Cobain. The film follows the events that precede his suicide.

gon reminiscent of Cobain.

The only revelation that the audience is given into the psychological world of Blake, therefore, is through visually experiencing his world. The film moves at an extremely slow pace, and the fluctuations in time and space are meant to impart the experience of Blake's drug induced stupor onto the audience.

Blake's death comes at a slightly unexpected time, but is played matter-of-factly, like every other event in the film.

Van Sant refuses to address any of the theories of murder or conspiracy that surrounded Cobain's death. He does fairly explicitly suggest that it was

suicide, but does not create a bloody, graphic death scene out of it. Instead, the final shot of Blake is one of the most complex and beautiful shots in the film. To Blake and the viewer, his death is more liberation than termination.

"Last Days" is a complex film that is unlikely to appeal to anyone outside avid Van Sant fans or the art film community. In its simplicity, though, Van Sant probably provides the best glimpse anyone could have into the final hours of Cobain or those like him.

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Last Days



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Writer: Gus Van Sant
Starring: Michael Pitt, Lucas Haas, Asia Argento, Scott Green

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The Fondue! offers unique dining experience

By JESSICA STOLLER
Scene Critic

After visiting restaurant after restaurant, all eating establishments started to look the same. There was very little to differentiate one restaurant from another. If you have fallen into this restaurant rut as well, then The Fondue! is the place for you.

Located in the One Hundred Center off of Lincoln Way in Mishawaka, The Fondue! (formerly called the Fondue Parlor) is a small restaurant featuring different forms of ... you guessed it, fondue. Though they have other meal options, fondue definitely seemed to be their main attraction. The Fondue! is nestled between two other restaurants in an old warehouse or factory setting.

The inside of the restaurant is composed of painted brick walls and mixed seating of booths and tables. Also, two levels are available for upstairs or downstairs dining in the noticeably dark restaurant. My friends and I were seated at a booth, and it is worth mentioning that it was quite possibly the most comfortable restaurant seating I have ever encountered. The seats were very cushiony.

The only unfavorable atmospheric element at The Fondue! was the odor of fried food and smoke that followed me out of the restaurant and remained on my clothes until laundry day. The total atmosphere score is about 4 out of 5 sporks.

The service at The Fondue! was a bit unpredictable at times. Though our waiter accomplished all wait tasks, the intervals between courses grew longer and longer, which inevitably caused a bit of frustration. Our particular waiter fruitlessly attempted to be humorous on several occasions, which did not endear him to us any more than his lack of punctuality. The waiter did, however, explain the fondue process to my friends and me in a very helpful and experienced way, which is necessary if you have no previous fondue skills. The service during our time at The Fondue! is worthy of 3 sporks.

The food at The Fondue! is more than just nourishment, but entertainment as well. With each fondue order, four courses are standard: an appetizer, a salad, a main course and dessert.

The first course is an amazingly delicious cheese fondue with white wine and garlic that comes with a variety of breads and apples to dip in the sauce. After this portion of the meal has been completed, a small but tasty salad is served (I recommend the tomato bacon dressing).

Next, the main course fondue is served. The menu exhibits many main course fondue choices, including chicken, scallops and shrimp, steak, vegeta-

bles or a combination of any of these. When the main course begins, two portable flames are ignited at the table, and pots of hot oil are placed on top. Meats and vegetables for dipping are served raw on plates and are to be cooked thoroughly in the hot oil with fondue forks. There are also about 6 dipping sauces served with which to eat the cooked food.

Not only is the food amazing, but it is also very entertaining to watch your friends lose their food in the fondue pots and use various techniques to retrieve the lost morsels. The dessert course involves a delectable chocolate sauce served with pieces of cake and fruit for dipping. The unique and extremely appetizing food at The Fondue! receives 5 sporks.

Though The Fondue! requires a substantial financial and time commitment (fondue meals range from \$16 to \$30 and take about two hours to complete), the experience is completely worth it. If you have fallen victim to frequent chain

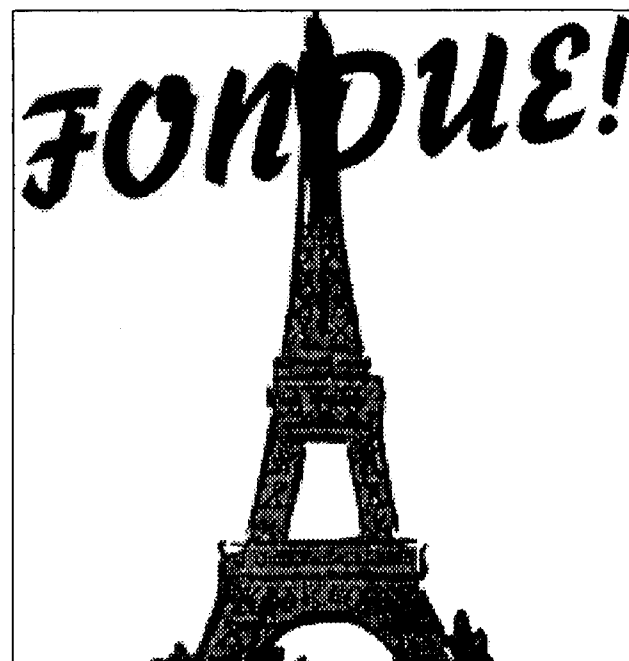


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The Fondue! allows diners to dip food in a variety of cooking elements, including cheese and chocolate.

restaurant visits, give The Fondue! a try. It is a great alternative to campus food options and is sure to provide an unforgettable time with your friends.

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NFL

Running games lifts Oakland over Cowboys

Vick leaves Falcons' 30-10 victory over Vikings with ankle injury; McNabb leads Eagles to comeback win over Chiefs

Associated Press

Randy Moss burned Dallas early, catching a 79-yard pass on Oakland's second play. After that, his biggest contribution to the Raiders' first win came in the running game.

But the talented receiver didn't run a long reverse or throw a big downfield block. Instead, his presence kept the Cowboys' safeties away from the line.

Enter LaMont Jordan.

The Raiders' other big acquisition on offense ran for a career-high 126 yards and a score. Sebastian Janikowski kicked four field goals and Oakland's defense mounted a late goal-line stand in a 19-13 win Sunday.

"I will forever look at it as teams saying we can't run the ball," said Jordan, who bounced back from a 19-yard performance last week against Philadelphia. "I encourage defenses to play that way. If you play two-deep defense against

us with the way we're capable of running the ball ... we are going to run the ball down your throat. I think today was a true test of that."

A week after gaining just 21 yards as a team, Jordan and the offensive line took it upon themselves to fix the running game. They succeeded from the start, as Jordan frequently got tough yards up the middle.

"We were determined to get running yards, especially after being shut down last week," offensive lineman Barry Sims said. "We really wanted to get LaMont going. And you can't go when there's no where to go, so we really wanted to get some lanes opened up for him."

Falcons 30, Vikings 10

Michael Vick felt good enough to go back in the game.

No need. In about a quarter and a half, he did enough to lead the Atlanta Falcons past the hapless Minnesota Vikings.

Vick went down with a sprained right knee Sunday, turning it over to backup Matt Schaub and the Falcons' defense to finish off a 30-10 rout of the Vikings.

"It feels fine. I just tweaked it a little bit," Vick said. "We had a good cushion, so it made sense to keep me on the sideline."

Warrick Dunn rushed for 126 yards, including his 50th career touchdown on a 37-yard run, to lead a 285-yard performance on the ground. Vick ran for 58 yards and threw a touchdown pass before getting hurt. The Falcons' defense made things miserable for Daunte Culpepper, who was sacked nine times, intercepted twice and lost a fumble.

The Minnesota quarterback has gone down 16 times the last two weeks and looked especially gun-shy on his fumble. Rod Coleman brushed Culpepper's hip as he drew back to throw, the ball fell out of his hand and Patrick Kerney recovered.

"I took some good shots," Culpepper said. "It's definitely disappointing. There's a lot of talent on this football team."

It hasn't showed up so far. The Vikings (1-3) were beaten at home by Tampa Bay and have been outscored 67-18 in two road losses.

Coleman, Brady Smith and Demorrio Williams had two sacks apiece for the Falcons (3-1), who had their most sacks since a franchise-record 10 against New Orleans in 1997.

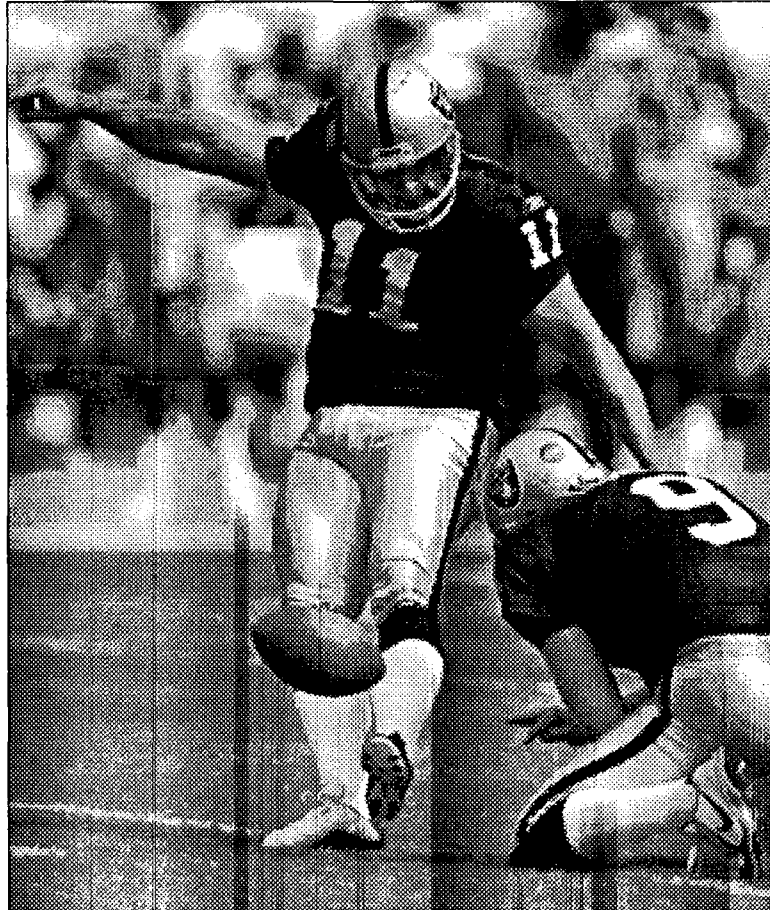
"To get nine sacks and with our crowd behind us like they were, that would fluster any offensive line in the league," said Keith Brooking, who had nine tackles, a sack and an interception.

Eagles 37, Chiefs 31

Donovan McNabb can dish out pain as well as he can endure it.

Playing with a bruised chest, a sore leg and an aching abdominal strain, McNabb rallied the Eagles on Sunday from an 18-point deficit for a 37-31 victory over Kansas City.

The five-time Pro Bowler hit 33 of 48 passes for 369 yards and three touchdowns as the Eagles (3-1) scored 28 straight points. That run followed a 96-yard kickoff return by Dante



Oakland Raiders kicker Sebastian Janikowski boots a field goal Sunday against the Dallas Cowboys. The Raiders won 19-13.

Hall that put the Chiefs on top 24-6 with 4:27 left in the first half.

Terrell Owens fueled the comeback by consistently getting open and making 11 catches for 171 yards and a TD.

The Chiefs (2-2) closed to within six points with 1:24 left on Trent Green's 15-yard TD pass to Hall, but the Eagles recovered the onside kick.

The Chiefs started hot, taking a quick 17-0 lead.

Then Sheldon Brown stopped the momentum with a 40-yard interception return for the Eagles' first TD, and Hall took the ensuing kickoff all the way back and the Chiefs led 24-6 when the extra point was no good.

But Owens and McNabb awakened the defending NFC champs. After Sam Raburn recovered a Larry Johnson fumble on the 50, McNabb hit Owens for 28 yards and then capped the quick drive with a 7-yard TD pass to the Eagles' top receiver.

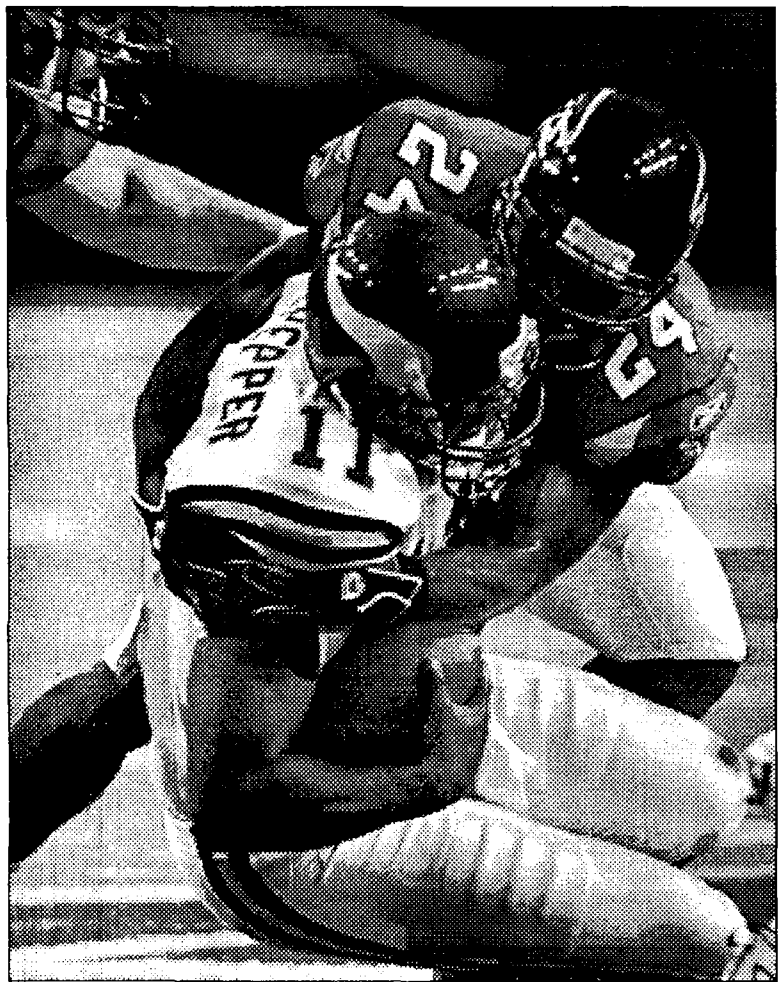
Todd France, making his NFL debut in place of the injured David Akers, had his first field goal attempt blocked. But he made good on a 44-yarder to bring the Eagles to within 24-16.

Then McNabb hit Owens twice for a total of 58 yards in a 4-play, 60-yard drive capped by Mike Bartrum's 3-yard TD catch.

A 2-point conversion pass to Brian Westbrook tied it 24-all with 1:54 left in the third and hushed the sellout crowd that had become almost deafening a few minutes before.

McNabb is the first Philadelphia quarterback to pass for more than 300 yards in three consecutive games.

France put the Eagles ahead 27-24 with a 37-yarder in the fourth quarter. Then Hall fumbled away the ensuing kickoff and McNabb needed just six plays to cover the 25 yards, hitting L.J. Smith with a 1-yard TD toss after Smith had made a circus catch of a tipped ball on



Atlanta Falcons cornerback Bryan Scott sacks Minnesota Vikings quarterback Daunte Culpepper Sunday. The Falcons won 30-10.

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1	USC	4-0	1,619
2	Texas	4-0	1,564
3	Virginia Tech	5-0	1,494
4	Florida State	4-0	1,391
5	Georgia	4-0	1,318
6	Ohio State	3-1	1,279
7	Alabama	5-0	1,150
8	Tennessee	3-1	1,143
9	Miami	3-1	1,118
10	California	5-0	988
11	LSU	2-1	978
12	NOTRE DAME	4-1	966
13	Florida	4-1	792
14	Wisconsin	5-0	773
15	Texas Tech	4-0	588
16	Penn State	5-0	493
17	Arizona State	3-2	491
18	Boston College	4-1	464
19	Michigan State	4-1	455
20	UCLA	4-0	412
21	Michigan	3-2	335
22	Auburn	4-1	298
23	Louisville	3-1	288
24	Georgia Tech	3-1	226
25	Oregon	4-1	121

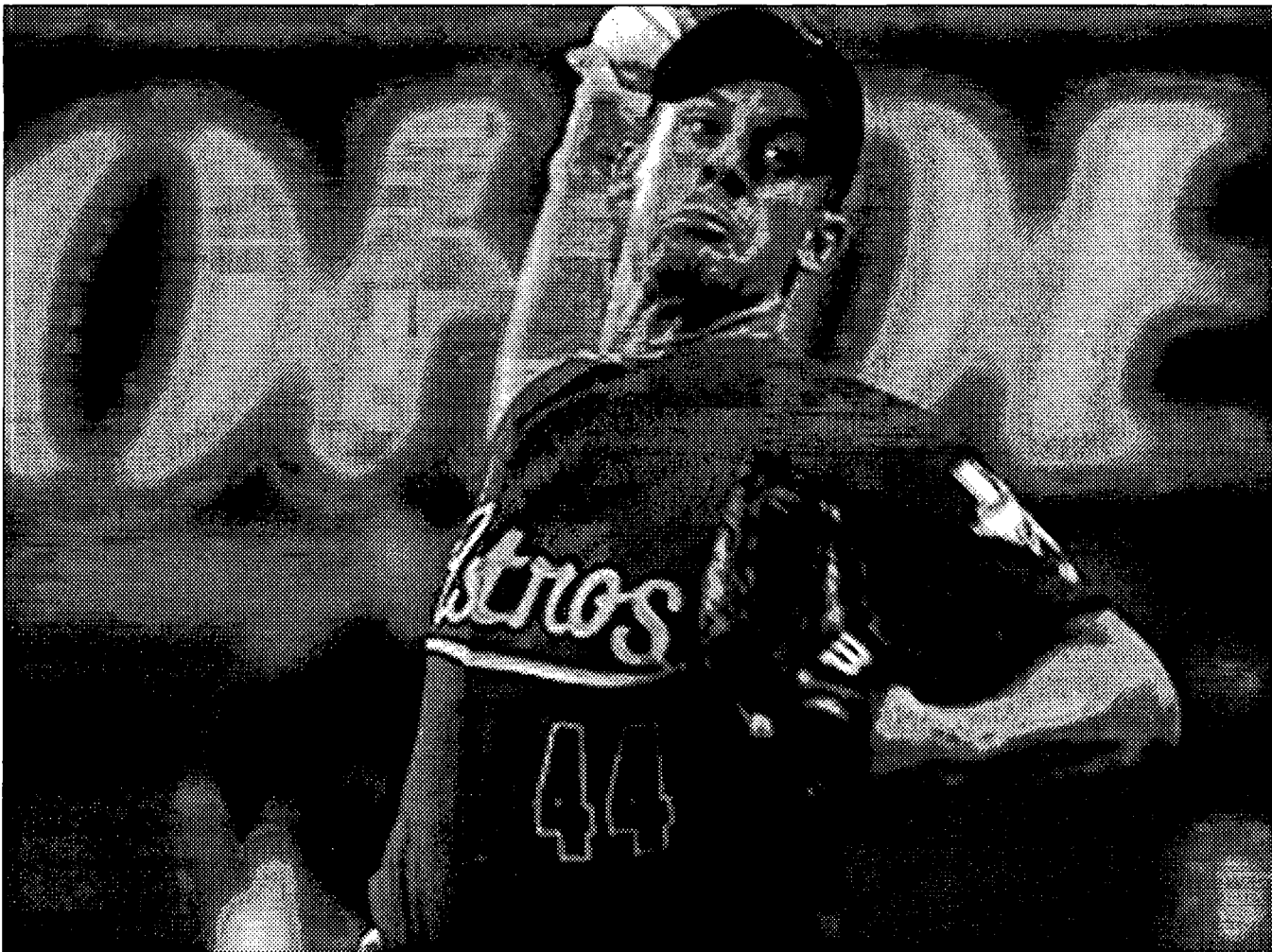
ESPN/USA Today poll

	team	record	points
1	USC	4-0	1,547
2	Texas	4-0	1,483
3	Virginia Tech	5-0	1,425
4	Georgia	4-0	1,332
5	Florida State	4-0	1,287
6	Ohio State	3-1	1,169
7	Tennessee	3-1	1,124
8	Miami	3-1	1,081
9	California	5-0	993
10	Alabama	5-0	982
11	LSU	2-1	953
12	NOTRE DAME	4-0	850
13	Texas Tech	4-0	770
14	Wisconsin	5-0	737
15	Florida	4-1	717
16	UCLA	4-0	497
17	Boston College	4-1	449
18	Penn State	5-0	438
19	Michigan State	4-1	418
20	Arizona State	3-2	374
21	Auburn	4-1	336
22	Louisville	3-1	326
23	Georgia Tech	3-1	182
24	Michigan	3-2	175
25	Oregon	3-1	111

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SAINT MARY'S	6-2-0	6-4-0	21
Olivet	4-4-0	4-6-0	13
Albion	3-3-0	3-5-0	11
Kalamazoo	3-3-0	4-4-1	5
Alma	2-5-0	3-6-1	5
Adrian	1-6-0	1-9-0	3
Tri-State	0-7-0	2-8-0	5

MLB



Astros' Ray Oswalt delivers a pitch in the first inning on Sunday against the Chicago Cubs. Oswalt got the win to help the Astros clinch the NL wild-card, and is the first pitcher since 2001-2002 with consecutive 20-win seasons.

Astros take NL wild-card, move on to Playoffs

Associated Press

HOUSTON — Once again, the Houston Astros waited to the final day. And once again, they're going to the playoffs.

"That's the Astros' way," Craig Biggio said. "The only way we know how to get it done."

Roy Oswalt got his 20th win to lead the Astros over the Chicago Cubs 6-4 Sunday, clinching the NL wild-card berth and capping a historic comeback.

Houston started the season 15-30 and became the first team to make the postseason after falling 15 games under .500 since

the 1914 Boston Braves.

"This one has to rank up there as maybe the best, coming from a long way back," said Biggio, part of five of the Astros' eight previous playoff teams. "That just tells a lot about the guys in this clubhouse."

Just like last season, when manager Phil Garner replaced Jimmy Williams at the All-Star break, the Astros waited until the last day of the regular season to clinch.

Oswalt became the first pitcher since 2001-02 with consecutive 20-win seasons, throwing six innings and driving in a run for

the Astros (89-73).

Houston lost the first two games of the weekend series, but avoided a tie with Philadelphia for the wild card, and having to go on the road for a one-game tiebreaker. The Phillies (88-74) won 9-3 at Washington and finished a game back.

"When I thought we were going to take off, we didn't. When I thought we were going to crater, we didn't," said Garner, who preferred to sip the champagne rather than be doused by it. "We came down to the last game, and we did what we had to do."

Houston will play at Atlanta starting Wednesday in a rematch of last year's NL division series, won by the Astros in five games for their first postseason series victory in eight tries. The Braves were 5-1 against Houston this season, including a four-game sweep in Atlanta.

"We know we have a daunting task," Garner said.

Houston trailed 4-3 when Oswalt (20-12) threw his last pitch in the sixth. The game was tied by time Jeff Bagwell pinch hit for him in the bottom of the inning.

IN BRIEF

Choi gets first PGA victory since 2002 at Chrysler Classic

GREENSBORO, N.C. — K.J. Choi had the look of a champion from the start.

"You can tell when someone is in the zone by his eyes," said Choi's caddie, Andy Prodder. "And you could see it in his eyes."

That determination — and four consecutive birdies to open the final round — helped the South Korean star win the Chrysler Classic of Greensboro on Sunday. He cruised to a two-shot victory over Shigeki Maruyama to snap a three-year losing streak.

"I really focused on my game," Choi said through an interpreter. "In Korea, in all the times, every since the last one, anytime I'm in the last group, I won it except once."

It was Choi's first PGA Tour victory since 2002, when he won two tournaments during a breakthrough season. He finished with a 6-under 66 for a 22-under 266.

Patriots' home winning streak ends due to injuries

FOXBOROUGH, Mass. — Injuries finally caught up with the New England Patriots. San Diego's explosive offense added to the misery.

Even Marty Schottenheimer knew something wasn't right with the defending Super Bowl champions.

After his Chargers beat New England 41-17 Sunday, the San Diego coach suggested the win may have had as much to do with who wasn't playing for New England as the superior performances of Drew Brees, LaDainian Tomlinson and Antonio Gates.

"What they've done is remarkable," he said of the Patriots, who had their 21-game home winning streak ended. "But at what point in time do you keep responding when you have to keep putting in new players? They've done it wonderfully over the last four years, but there comes a time where it has to catch up with you."

Yankees clinch the AL East, Red Sox take Wild Card

BOSTON — The champagne had a brief wait and a short trip after the New York Yankees clinched the AL East at Fenway Park.

A day later, across the diamond, the Boston Red Sox joined their long-time rivals in the playoffs.

"Both of these teams went through a lot this year," said Curt Schilling, who shut the Yankees down long enough for the Red Sox to win 10-1 on Sunday and grab the AL wild-card berth. "To be where we are says as much about the people as it does about the talent."

Reigning World Series MVP Manny Ramirez hit a three-run homer and also threw out Derek Jeter from the outfield to put Boston in the playoffs for a franchise-record third consecutive year. The Red Sox open on Tuesday at Chicago with Matt Clement facing Jose Contreras.

New York's loss meant it will start the postseason Tuesday in Anaheim.

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Manning throws four TDs as Giants beat Rams

Wide receiver Burress redeems self after suspension last week with two touchdowns in 44-24 New York victory

Associated Press

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — A week after spending the first quarter on the sideline for violating team rules, Plaxico Burress redeemed himself with one of the best days of his career.

The sixth-year wide receiver had two touchdown catches among a career-high 10 receptions Sunday as the New York Giants defeated the St. Louis Rams 44-24. In addition to Burress' two touchdowns, Giants quarterback Eli Manning threw scoring passes of 1 yard to Amani Toomer and 31 yards to Jeremy Shockey.

The Giants (3-1) overcame a 40-for-62, 442-yard performance by the Rams' (2-2) Marc Bulger that represented the most passes attempted and completed by a Giants opponent in the team's history. Bulger threw touchdown passes to Steven Jackson and Torry Holt, but was hampered by his team's inability to establish a running attack.

St. Louis was held to zero net

yards in the first half and finished with 42 yards on 15 carries.

The 6-foot-5 Burress, the Giants' major free-agent offseason acquisition, has caught four touchdown passes this season, or twice as many as all the Giants' wide receivers caught last season.

He has developed into Manning's favorite target, and his height has added another weapon to the Giants' receiver corps.

He wasn't on the field in the first quarter of the Giants' 45-23 loss at San Diego last Sunday after being benched by coach Tom Coughlin for being late to two team meetings. The move was questioned by some Giants players and became a focus of attention leading up to the Rams game.

"He was taking a lot of heat last week about things, and I think he just came out and had a good week of practice," Manning said. "He didn't say anything about it, he didn't apologize to

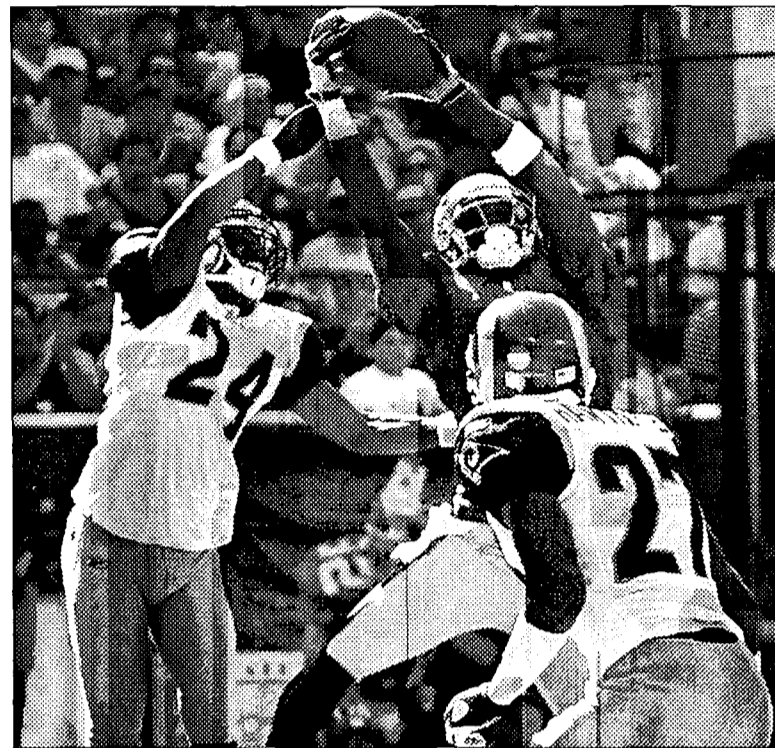
me; he didn't have to. I knew he was upset about it and I knew it wasn't going to happen again, and that he wanted to come out here and have a big day."

Burress and Manning hooked up for both touchdowns in the first half. The first came on a 31-yard catch-and-run that Burress leaped high to snare and then ran untouched into the end zone. On the second, Manning laid the ball between two defenders on a post pattern.

"Last week is last week," Burress said. "I treat each day like a new day, and I'm pretty sure everybody else does, too."

Manning picked up where he left off after last week's career-best 352-yard performance against San Diego.

His four touchdowns against the Rams were also a career high for the second-year quarterback, who now has a 9-6 edge in TD passes over older brother Peyton, who has been to the Pro Bowl five times in eight seasons and is a two-time league MVP for Indianapolis.



New York Giants receiver Plaxico Burress makes a catch over two St. Louis Rams defenders Sunday. The Giants won 44-24.

Harrison and Manning equal record as Colts blast Titans

QB/receiver duo ties Young and Rice for most TD connections

Associated Press

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — It's time to quit doubting the Indianapolis offense. The Colts showed they can be methodical and score lots of points at the same time.

Peyton Manning threw for 264 yards and four touchdowns, including two to Marvin Harrison that tied the NFL record for most TDs between a quarterback and receiver, and the Colts beat Tennessee 31-10 Sunday.

Harrison caught nine passes for 109 yards, and Edgerrin James also ran for 90 yards in helping the Colts improve to 4-0 with their highest point total this season.

"I guess we won't have to answer the question what is wrong with the offense now," Colts coach Tony Dungy said.

The Titans (1-3) are the NFL's youngest team, and their inexperience showed. Drives ended repeatedly with dropped passes, including one that turned into an interception, costly penalties and two timeouts wasted in a march that finished with a missed field goal.

Tennessee coach Jeff Fisher said he was disappointed by the lack of execution. Center Justin Hartwig was much more succinct.

"Today they just blew us out of the water. When we didn't come out in the second half and put points on the board right away, it was pretty much over," Hartwig said.

Manning and the Colts were numbingly efficient and had fans streaming to the exits midway through the third quarter. They rolled up 364 yards with four drives that stretched 69 yards or longer.

"It's tough," Titans linebacker Peter Sirmon said. "You can't stop it. Peyton Manning knows what he's doing with the ball

every time, and you've got to give him credit."

Manning tied Ron Jaworski with his 116th consecutive start, which ranks second among quarterbacks behind Green Bay's Brett Favre. He came into Sunday with a two-game drought without a TD pass that was his longest since his rookie season.

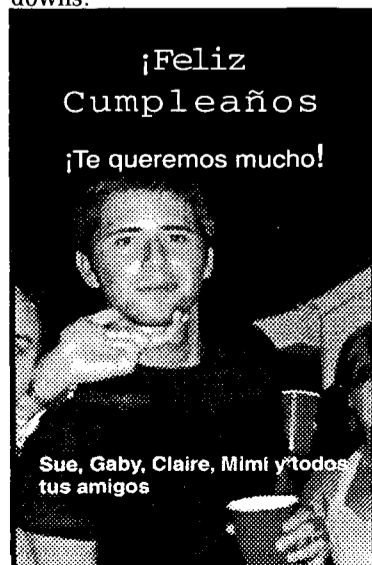
It didn't last long.

Manning was a perfect 4-of-4 for 64 yards on the opening possession and capped the drive with a 25-yard toss to Reggie Wayne, who was wide open with Titans safety Tank Williams late sliding over to cover.

"Last week people were kind of making a big deal," Manning said of scoring 47 points in the first three games. "I overthrew it a couple times. The real mind-set is to finish drives into the end zone, and we did that today. And that really was the difference."

The Titans chose to spend most of the game in their basic defense instead of filling up the secondary to guard against the pass. They did stop James three times inside the Tennessee 7, forcing the Colts to settle for a 20-yard field goal by Mike Vanderjagt in the second quarter.

That was the only big stop from a defense that watched the Colts convert seven of 10 third downs.



Steve McNair did his best to carry the Titans as he scrambled four times for 40 yards, but he was the Titans' leading rusher. He was 28-of-37 for 220 yards, and his only touchdown pass came on a 6-yarder to rookie Bo Scaife with 4:31 left in the game.

That ended the Colts' chance to become only the second team since World War II to hold oppo-

nents to single digits in each of their first four games.

Tennessee looked like it might have a chance to rally at the end of the first half. Trailing 17-3, McNair found Drew Bennett on a 28-yard toss to the Colts 2, but the ball bounced out and appeared to be an interception by Bob Sanders.

Officials originally ruled the ball down for Tennessee, but

Indianapolis took a timeout, then the replay official buzzed for the review. Referee Walt Anderson overturned the ruling and gave the ball to the Colts.

Tennessee coach Jeff Fisher found Anderson and talked to him as they walked off the field after halftime. Fisher called that a huge momentum swing even though he said the call was correct.

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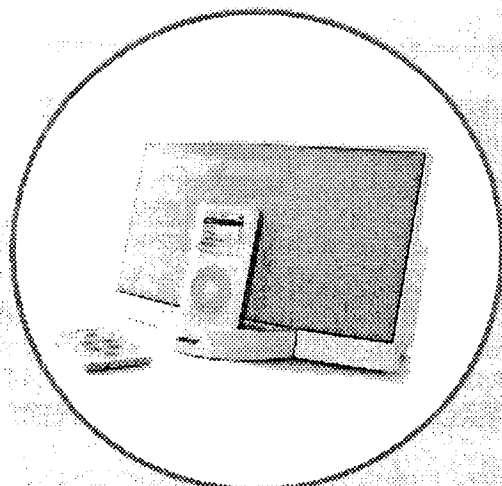
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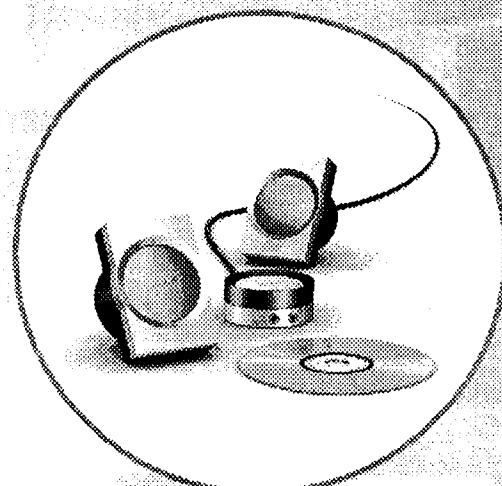
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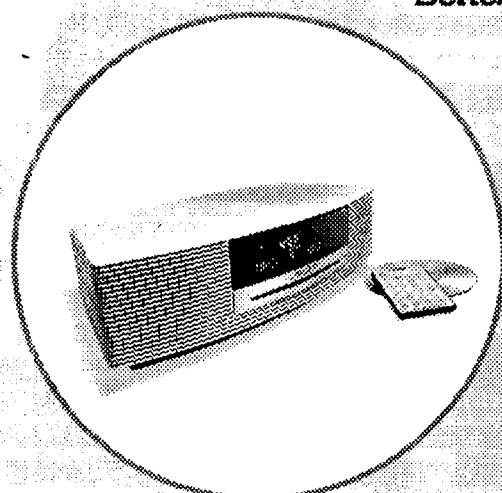
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Indians' comeback falls short vs. Sox

Cleveland loses in must-win situation, will miss playoffs

Associated Press

CLEVELAND — In the end, the Cleveland Indians' unexpected comeback came up a little short. With playoff baseball again in their sights, and when games mattered most, they simply collapsed.

Needing a win and then help from the New York Yankees to force a one-game playoff with Boston for the AL wild card, Cleveland dropped its season finale 3-1 to the Chicago White Sox on Sunday.

The loss concluded a disastrous final week for the Indians (93-69), who dropped six of their last seven games and missed the playoffs for the fourth straight season. The defeat also handed the wild card to the Red Sox — a post-season spot that appeared to belong to Cleveland just a few days ago.

"We played so well for so long, we were bound to hit a tough stretch," Indians pitcher C.C. Sabathia said in a somber Cleveland clubhouse. "It just happened in the last week of the season."

After the final out, several Indians lingered in the dugout, simply staring out to the field as the sellout crowd gave the team one last standing ovation, acknowledging a season few thought possible.

Rookie Brandon McCarthy (3-2) took a shutout into the sixth, Jermaine Dye homered and the White Sox tuned up for their first-round series with Boston. Game 1 is scheduled for Tuesday in Chicago.

The White Sox (99-63) had already clinched the AL Central by the time they arrived on Friday for a series that was mostly meaningless for them, and many wondered how hard they would play with their fate

determined.

On Friday, they clinched home-field advantage throughout the playoffs with a 3-2 win in 13 innings. On Saturday, they held on for a 4-3 win, and Sunday they completed a three-game sweep to finish 14-5 — 8-1 at Jacobs Field — against the Indians.

Cleveland, on the other hand, fell apart.

Entering last Sunday's game at Kansas City, the Indians were 1 1/2 games ahead in the wild card and 1 1/2 behind the free-falling White Sox, who led the division by 15 games on Aug. 1.

But beginning with a 5-4 loss to the Royals, a defeat that was sealed when center fielder Grady Sizemore lost a ninth-inning fly ball in the Missouri sunshine, the Indians played more like the team that went 9-14 in April, not the one that was baseball's hottest team for the final two months.

Cleveland fans will look back and remember the clutch hits that never came despite countless chances in the past few days.

The Indians went just 7-for-56 (.125) with runners in scoring position in the final seven games — five of them one-run losses.

They'll also remember the wasted pitching performances by starters Cliff Lee, Kevin Millwood and Jake Westbrook, who did their parts but didn't get enough offensive support.

And sadly, the Indians' surprising season — they were just 80-82 in 2004 — will be overshadowed by one week when it all went wrong.

"We ended like we started," said closer Bob Wickman, who is eligible for free agency. "We came up one game short. But the guys should be very proud of what they've accomplished."

Trailing by three, the Indians tried to rally in the sixth as Travis Hafner and Victor Martinez hit consecutive doubles to pull Cleveland to 3-1.

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Tennis

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125th-ranked Natalie Braveman of Pepperdine, 6-3, 6-1. Thompson then finished her weekend up nicely by topping 102nd ranked Kelly Anderson 6-3, 6-2.

"It's going to be one match at a time; after every round she has gained a lot of confidence," said Irish assistant coach Michelle Dasso, who is currently with the Thompson sisters in Los Angeles for the tournament.

"Last year she was hurt and struggling with a knee injury. She's just really played to her potential again," she said.

Christian and Catrina Thompson will need to win another three matches in order to secure a berth in the main draw of 32 competitors later in the week. Catrina Thompson is ranked 27th nationally and had gained an automatic berth into the qualifying round.

When put together, the two sisters form an even greater threat to their opposition, as they are ranked second in the nation in doubles. The two will try to make a run for the All-American doubles title in the main draw of 32 starting Thursday.

"[The Thompson twins] are extremely talented and can compete with anyone in the country," Dasso said. "It's just a matter of having confidence in them and staying positive with them. Their athleticism and competitiveness are their two biggest assets."

The Thompson aces were not the only members of the women tennis team in action this weekend. The rest of the team traveled to Bloomington, Ind. to take part in the Hoosier Classic, put on by Indiana University.

Freshman Kelcy Tefft came through strong in her collegiate debut, after knocking off Indiana's Brianna Williams, 6-2, 6-2, in the 'C' flight championship. Senior Kelly Nelson won her fifth straight match to take the 'D' flight final against Kansas State's Vivian Yrureta, 6-3, 6-3. Nelson is returning after well over a year's absence from competitive tennis and shows no signs of stopping.

Tefft didn't slow down after taking the singles title in her flight, as she teamed up with junior Brook Buck to win the Hoosier doubles championship. The two were partners in junior tennis prior to college, where they were formerly the top-ranked tandem in the 18-and-under bracket.

The Irish pair upset the 19th-

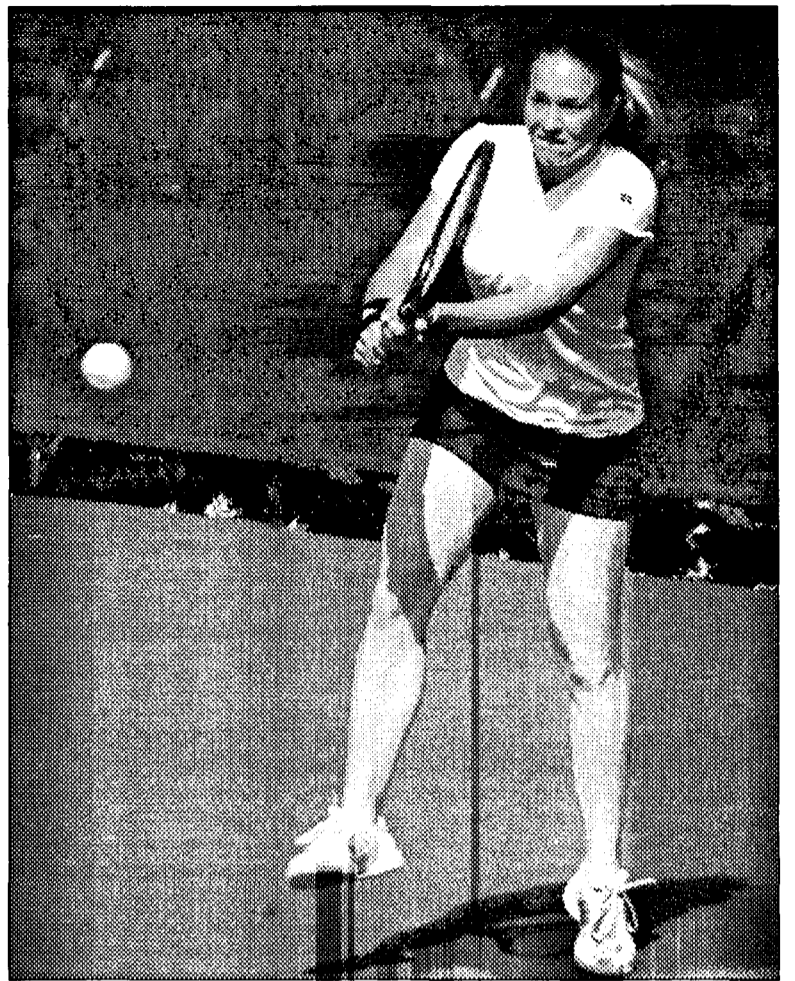
ranked team in the country, Indiana's Sarah Batty and Laura McGaffigan, 9-7 in the championship match. Prior to that the women knocked off another Indiana team, 8-6, in the semifinals.

Another Irish tandem of Kristina Stastny and Lauren Connelly gained a consolation victory over Kansas State's Fernanda De Valle and Vivian Yrureta, 8-2, but not before falling to the Indiana tandem that Buck-Tefft defeated in the championship.

Buck nearly won in singles play, in addition to doubles competition. Buck fell in the 'A' flight final to Indiana's Batty 6-2, 6-2 after exhibiting solid play and victories over several fierce opponents. Freshman Katie Potts challenged for a title on the weekend as well, losing a nail-biter to Indiana's McGaffigan in the 'B' flight final 6-3, 4-6, 1-0 (10-4).

The Irish women will next welcome the University of Southern California on Oct. 14 in an exhibition head-to-head matchup. The Thompson twins will continue All-American play on Tuesday and could finish with a singles and doubles victory in hand by Sunday.

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Christian Thompson returns a ball against William & Mary in a match on April 9. She is currently competing in Los Angeles.

NFL

Cardinals down 49ers in first NFL game outside of U.S.

Associated Press

MEXICO CITY — The NFL threw a fiesta at Azteca Stadium, and the biggest regular-season crowd in league history turned up wearing vibrant colors and singing raucous cheers.

Mexico's 103,467 fans created a thrilling atmosphere at the league's first regular-season game outside the United States — even though the Arizona Cardinals' 31-14 victory over the San Francisco 49ers wasn't exactly the most savory version of "futbol americano."

Josh McCown passed for a career-high 385 yards and two touchdowns against the Niners' pathetic pass defense, and Neil Rackers kicked a career-best six field goals through the 7,700-foot air.

But the sloppy play and one-sided result in a game between two of the NFL's worst teams seemed secondary to the goodwill and international exposure of a foreign venture the league hopes to turn into an annual affair.

The cavernous arena was packed to the rafters with a crowd that exceeded the league's most optimistic projections two days ago, proving the sport's avid following in Mexico is second to none outside the United States.

"The experience in Mexico City has been wonderful, and this capped it off," said Rackers, who fell one short of the NFL record for field goals in a game. "It was wonderful. They're great fans, really into the game, more knowledgeable than I thought they would be. It was probably the best crowd I've been around."

The Cardinals (1-3) agreed to give up a home game to make history, and the NFC West rivals played in front of 68,398 more fans than they drew for last season's meeting at Sun Devil Stadium. The crowd topped the

previous NFL record for a regular-season game, when 102,368 fans saw the Los Angeles Rams play the 49ers at the L.A. Coliseum on Nov. 10, 1957.

Derek Smith and Derrick Johnson scored on fumble recoveries for San Francisco (1-3) in the first quarter, with Smith scoring on the game's first play and Johnson returning his 78 yards. But Arizona scored the rest of the night's points, with Larry Fitzgerald and Anquan Boldin making tough catches for scores as the Cardinals avenged two overtime losses to the NFL's worst team last year.

Rackers loved the mountain air in a city 2,000 feet higher than Denver, connecting from 40, 45, 48, 23, 43 and 24 yards — but the Cards decided not to kick one last, late field goal to tie the league record held by four players.

"I'd rather be a gentleman and not kick a field goal against a team we've got to play again this season," Rackers said.

Mexico's biggest city was a natural choice for this trailblazing game. The NFL is widely popular south of the border, with nearly one in five Mexicans claiming an interest in the league. The NFL opened an office in Mexico in 1998, with an eight-person staff overseeing its growing profile.

The league's popularity was evident to visitors arriving at Azteca, where the number of fans wearing replica jerseys — more Dallas Cowboys than Niners or Cardinals — nearly outnumbered the hundreds of police and security officials ringing the stadium.

Both teams took the field to wild cheers amid cheerleaders and fireworks, but free safety Robert Griffith got the biggest roars when he led the Cardinals out of their giant inflatable helmet wildly waving a Mexican flag.

Only a few empty seats were

visible in the upper deck of the famed soccer venue. Mexican fans showed they know football, cheering for surging ball-carriers and whistling at San Francisco's poor offensive execution.

And when the game got a bit dull early in the second quarter,

they did "La Ola" — the wave. When McCown made a spinning move to dodge a tackler in the fourth quarter, the fans shouted "Ole!"

Two-time MVP Kurt Warner was on the cover of the game programs, but Arizona's veteran quarterback missed the

game with a groin injury. McCown, who started 13 games last season, started slowly but became the game's star when he realized the Niners' pass defense, with three fringe NFL players among its top five defensive backs, wouldn't stop anybody.

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SMC SOCCER

Belles dominate thin and outgunned Tri-State

Hinton scores hat trick, Logan nets two goals, Orr chips in two assists as Saint Mary's blasts Thunder 9-1

By KYLE CASSILY
Sports Writer

Sometimes being the better team isn't always as rewarding as it sounds.

The Belles soccer team scored early and often in a dominating 9-1 defeat of the Tri-State University Thunder at home on Saturday. The Thunder were a drastic mismatch for a far superior Belles squad — Tri-State had no substitutes to fill in for tired starters and have yet to win a MIAA game thus far this season.

The win may prove beneficial to the Belles' win column, but the lack of decent competition has head coach Carolyn Mackenzie worried that, once play resumes with solid opponents, her team will be off-speed.

"I think that basically you don't like to play a lot of games like we just played, but it does boost morale a bit for people to put the ball in the back of the net a bit," she said.

Freshman offensive powerhouse Lauren Hinton led the way for the Belles by notching a hat trick past flustered Thunder

goalkeeper Jackie Bercaw. Bercaw faced a diversified attack from all corners of the field, as the Belles maintained fluid ball control throughout the Thunder's zone for the duration of regulation play.

Carolyn Logan followed Hinton on the scoring chart with two goals, while midfielder Carrie Orr contributed two assists. The Belles scored their first two goals within the opening three minutes of play, an act that set the tone for the remainder of the game.

"It was just a really good team effort," Mackenzie said.

"We moved the ball well. We stayed really organized in the back despite the fact that they didn't pressure us."

Freshman Jenny Ferguson scored her first

career collegiate goal in the win and was joined by Ashley Hinton, who tallied a lone goal amidst the Saint Mary's domination. By the end of the first half the Belles held a commanding 6-0 lead and began to substitute starters out of the game.

"We moved some people around and put some people in positions they don't normally play in," Mackenzie said,

describing the re-organization of the Belles fielders. Every player on the Belles gained playing time and the crucial experience needed to field a contending soccer team.

The lone Thunder goal came midway through the second half on a fluke letdown of the tenacious Saint Mary's defense. It scooted into the corner of the net past Belles' goalkeeper Nicole Leach. Leach and Laura Helene split halves, Helene's playing time coming in the first half.

"When you are playing a team that barely presses you offensively, you get lulled," Mackenzie explained of the Thunder goal. "Girls in the back tend to over-commit a bit to get into the action on the other end."

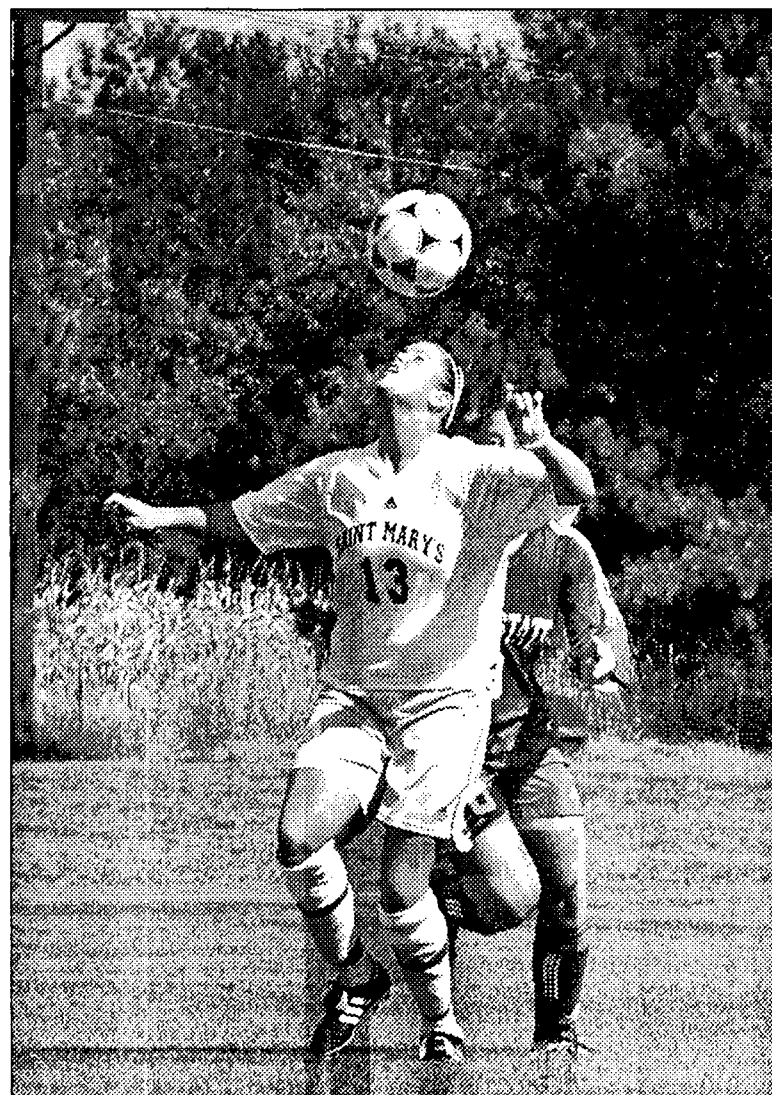
But no matter the level of competition, the Belles notched another win in the tough MIAA conference and moved to 5-2 on the season. The record is good enough to earn them a third-place standing behind current leader Calvin and second-place Hope College.

"It was a real sleeper of a game — it isn't a great measuring tool for us," Mackenzie said. "The one bonus I can say about the weekend overall is that we didn't lower our standard of play to their standard of play."

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"It does boost morale a bit for people to put the ball in the back of the net."

Caryn Mackenzie
Belles head coach



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Belles forward Lauren Hinton heads the ball against Tri-State Saturday. Saint Mary's won 9-1.

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SMC VOLLEYBALL

Taller Bethel downs SMC

By RYAN KEIFER
Sports Writer

The Bethel College volleyball team has four players six feet or taller. The Saint Mary's volleyball team has none.

A distinct height advantage, combined with powerful hitting, led Bethel College to a three-game win over Saint Mary's Saturday, 30-24, 30-27 and 30-22.

Belles coach Julie Schroeder-Biek knew her team would face match-up problems even before Saturday's contest with the Pilots began.

"We knew going in that with their height, our floor defense was going to have to pick it up. We knew they were going to be a challenge," she said.

Despite the outcome, the Belles played a solid match, using scrappy floor defense to make Bethel, an NAIA powerhouse, sweat, especially during game two.

"That team fully expects to go to nationals in their division," Schroeder-Biek said.

Saint Mary's made use of different defensive rotations to combat Bethel's attack. Schroeder-Biek was pleased with her team's ability to adapt to the changes, especially dur-

ing the second game, which nearly fell the Belles' way.

Big Bethel kills and timely defense marked the first two games. Saint Mary's never let Bethel get too far ahead, consistently keeping the Bethel lead at two or three points. The Belles trimmed the game one lead to 26-24 before losing four straight points to end the game.

Saint Mary's played its best volleyball of the match in the second game, winning several long points. With the score tied at 14, Saint Mary's played a ball off the rafters after deflecting a Bethel kill attempt and came back to win the point. The point characterized the Belles' determination that allowed them to take a 26-25 lead late in the game. Five of the next six points would fall Bethel's way, however, putting the Belles in a two-games-to-none hole.

Bethel's size and potent offense wore on Saint Mary's in game three. A 9-0 Pilot run turned a 7-5 Saint Mary's lead into a 14-7 Belles deficit. Saint Mary's would not get any closer than five points for the rest of the game.

Schroeder-Biek was proud of her team's effort, despite the loss.

"We weren't as strong in game three, but overall I thought we played well," she said. "I thought we really challenged them today. In past years we have go into Bethel and laid down. We didn't do that today."

Schroeder-Biek said that Pilot coach Julia Reninga complimented her on the Belles' play after the match.

Kristen Playko and Michelle Turley led the Saint Mary's offense with 12 kills apiece, while setter Amanda David led the passing game with 34 assists. Libero Anne Cusack anchored the defense with 19 digs.

The Belles have completed their non-conference matches for the season and will now turn their focus to MIAA opponents beginning with Adrian College Wednesday.

Schroeder-Biek thought the Bethel match would prepare her team for this week's match.

"This match was good for us heading into Adrian because they have a very good transfer hitting on the outside. Our defense will have to play well again," she said.

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Schroeder-Biek

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Julie Schroeder-Biek
Belles head coach

SMC CROSS COUNTRY

Belles get 18th at Sean Earl Lakefront Invite

By KEN FOWLER
Sports Writer

Senior Becky Feauto led the Belles to an 18th-place finish at the non-conference Sean Earl Lakefront Invitational in Chicago Sunday.

Feauto finished the hilly, five-kilometer course in 20:39 and placed No. 92 in the individual competition of approximately 500 runners.

Junior Sara Otto finished 11 seconds behind Feauto and captured 100th in the individual race.

The Belles began their workouts for this race more than a month ago, as the team ran hills every week during practice to prepare itself for courses like the one it faced on the campus of Loyola University Saturday.

Freshman Alicen Miller finished fourth for the Belles with a time of 21:48, continuing the success she has earned in her first year.

"Individually, I felt like I personally ran my best," she said. "It was a very tough course."

Miller said that head coach Jackie Bauters and assistant coach Dave Barstis prepared Saint Mary's well for the meet.

"We have been doing hills every week for the past month or so, preparing for any race with hills," Miller said.

She said the team tapered this past week to prepare for the gru-

eling competition in Chicago.

Miller's time was the same as junior Katie White, who was fifth for Saint Mary's.

Fellow freshman Kelly Biedron placed third for the Belles with a time of 21:22.

Sophomore Elizabeth Johnson crossed the finish line just three seconds and four spots behind White, and freshman Grace Fey finished just two seconds after that.

For the second straight week, four underclassmen were among the Belles' first seven finishers, thus counting in the scoring system.

Miller said she is impressed with the young talent on the team. She also said that Feauto and Otto and the other team veterans have helped the younger runners.

"We've got great leaders to keep us under their wing," she said. "They tell us ... about the courses, where a tough part is going to be and where it's easy to pass people."

Miller and her teammates needed that information Saturday more than ever, as 27 teams — a very high total for a meet — participated in the annual race.

Of the schools competing, though, the only other MIAA team in the field was Kalamazoo, which finished 12th.

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ND SOFTBALL

Two solid victories highlight fall play

Strong offense, good pitching bring wins

By ANNA FRICANO
Sports Writer

The Notre Dame softball team concluded its fall schedule on Saturday with two victories over Southern Illinois and Wisconsin-Parkside in the first and last games of a four-team exhibition tournament. The Irish beat Southern Illinois by a score of 3-1 in the first game of the day and defeated Wisconsin-Parkside later in the afternoon in a lopsided 8-0 victory. Western Michigan University was also at the tournament but did not play against Notre Dame.

The Irish defense played two solid games on Saturday, making no errors in the field. Head coach Deanna Gumpf said the team has put much of its practice time so far this year into its defensive play and she's pleased with the way that they players have responded.

"We've been focused more on defense [this fall] because of the weather," Gumpf said. "When we're outside, we like to work on a lot of defensive things. November through February is when we'll be working on hitting."

The second game of the day for the Irish was pushed back half an hour from its 4 p.m. scheduled starting time, as a game between Western Michigan and Wisconsin-Parkside went into extra innings, eventually resulting in a 3-1 victory for the Broncos.

Discouraged by its loss, Wisconsin showed little offense against the Irish and could not keep up with Notre Dame's batting lineup. The home team took advantage early in the game, scoring all eight of its runs in the first four innings.

Stephanie Brown got the offense going in the first inning with a single, and Katie Laing got the first RBI of the game shortly thereafter.

The Irish could have made a third out at that point and still had a good inning, but when junior Jessica Hufnagle got up with one runner on, she drove in a two-run homer, which gave Notre Dame a comfortable 3-0 lead after only one inning of play. The hits kept on coming for the Irish, who scored another run in the second inning.

Laing gave the team a last burst of offense in the fourth inning with a three-run home run over the left-field fence.

Notre Dame's pitchers gave another strong performance throughout the day, allowing only one run in 14 innings of play. Brittney Bargar, a freshman out of Corona, Calif., credited a lot of the success on

the mound to the fundamentally sound defense.

"It's so nice to know that even when you do make a mistake the defense is there to back you up," Bargar said. "[The defense] backed up all the pitchers yesterday. It was awesome."

Bargar threw a no-hitter for the first four innings of the second game and was relieved by junior Kenya Fuemmeler.

With four exhibition games under their belts, the Irish are off now for the next five months. Regular season play for the team will begin on Feb. 17, 2006, when the Irish kick off their season at the UNLV tournament.

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thought we played well throughout with the exception of a 15 minute spell through the first half," Irish coach Bobby Clark said.

Joe Lapira led the Irish out of the gates with a goal in the fifth minute. He collected a free kick from John Stephens and put the Irish ahead 1-0 early in the game.

The lead didn't last long, however, as a messy goal-line situation resulted in the Mountaineers tying the game for the first time since play began. After a shot deflected off the crossbar, Chris Cahill attempted to punch out the ball, but West Virginia's Zak Boggs put into the net.

"I thought we in many respects played very well," Clark said. "At the start we had a very good goal, it got us going."

After halftime, the Irish again started out strong. Lapira fed Justin McGeeney a pass, which the forward put away less than two minutes into the period.

The Irish offense appeared poised to explode, as several golden chances to get a game-sealing goal were missed.

"We made the chances very well, but if we had taken just one of these chances — and there were good chances — it would have put the game at 3-1, and I think that would pretty well have sealed the result," Clark said.

The lead would stand for nearly 40 minutes, until Cahill gave up the Mountaineers' second goal on a corner kick.

With less than five minutes remaining in regulation, midfielder Nate Norman sent home his third goal of the season to give the Irish their last point.

But the Irish attempt to bunker down for four minutes of defense failed, as the Mountaineers found the net for the final time. West Virginia's Jarrod Smith tallied his second goal of the contest only 27 seconds after Norman's score.

Throughout two overtime

periods, neither team was able to gain a game-winning advantage. The contest ended in a 3-3 tie.

"You make your own luck," Clark said. "[But] having been ahead three times in the game and losing the lead on each occasion, we maybe should have done a better job at that — at holding onto the lead."

The tie takes some momentum out of Notre Dame's play in the middle of the conference season.

However, Clark thinks the team can rebound on the road against Marquette on Wednesday.

"It's disappointing not taking all the points, but at the same time I think we've got to keep in mind it's certainly one of our better performances of the year," Clark said. "Hopefully we can take some of the quality play into Wednesday's game with Marquette."

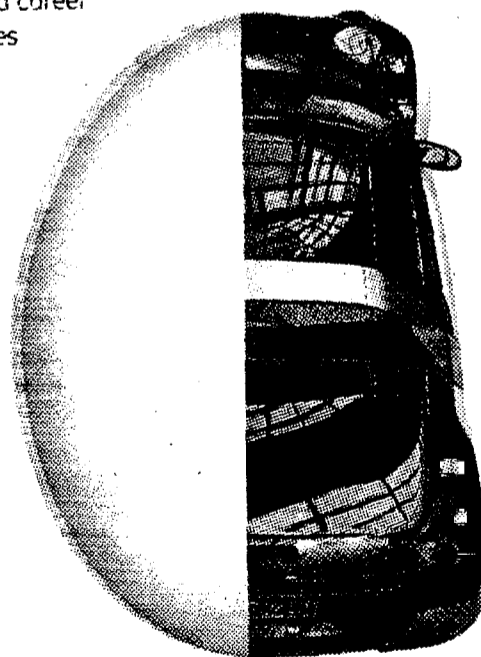
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or like they've finally done better.

Over the weekend, Notre

Dame beat its two opponents by a combined 6-1 game score. The defense dominated Friday, recording 68 digs and 10 blocks in just three games, while the offense took over Sunday. The Irish swept the Syracuse Orange 30-17, 30-23,

30-20 for their 13th consecutive victory over their Big East rival and then eased past the Marquette Gold 30-24, 28-30, 30-21, 30-21 to improve to 11-1, 3-0 in Big East play.

But coach Debbie Brown still isn't satisfied.

"The offense was balanced against Marquette ... but we didn't play one of our best matches. We didn't play great," she said matter-of-factly. "We still feel we can play a lot better."

The Irish traveled to Syracuse, NY Thursday evening, played Friday night, flew to Chicago Saturday morning, bussed to Milwaukee later that day and played Marquette Sunday afternoon.

They had plenty of reasons for being fatigued. They had plenty of excuses for flat play.

But their coach wasn't buying any of them.

"I don't think the traveling had any effect on them," Brown said. "We were able to get enough rest."

That's the attitude that's helped Notre Dame to one of its best starts in school history — the attitude that there's always work to do and always something to critique.

In the match against the Orange, senior libero/outside hitter Meg Henican led the defense with 26 digs, the second-highest total ever for an Irish player in a three-game match. She finished the weekend with 18 against the Gold.

"I do think Meg played very, very well," Brown said. "She has been playing really great defense. Overall, Meg had a really strong weekend for us."

Senior Carolyn Cooper added two to her block total, as she still leads the Big East in the

category. The offense was solid as well. Freshman Mallorie Croal led all players with 17 kills and hit .400. Sophomore outside hitter Adrianna Stasiuk nailed 11 kills, her first time in double-figures this season and senior Lauren Kelbley finished with 15 kills and hit .324.

The Notre Dame offense was more balanced in the quick victory over Marquette. Sophomore setter Ashley Tarutis paced the offense with 51 set assists, while four players had double-digit kills. Croal smashed 11. All-Big East picks Kelbley and fellow senior Lauren Brewster pounded 13 and 16 apiece, and Stasiuk exploded for 14. Stasiuk also had 21 digs.

"Offensively, we were balanced, and that was good," Brown said. "We had a solid third game against Marquette."

"We're looking forward to, right now, getting a little bit more consistent play, playing the match all the way through."

Syracuse dropped to 10-6 overall and 2-1 in the Big East, while Marquette fell to 8-7 overall and 2-2 in the Big East.

Still undefeated in the challenging Big East, the Irish will face Valparaiso Wednesday at the Joyce Center before hitting the road for four straight matches.

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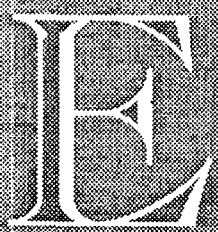
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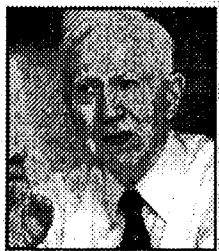
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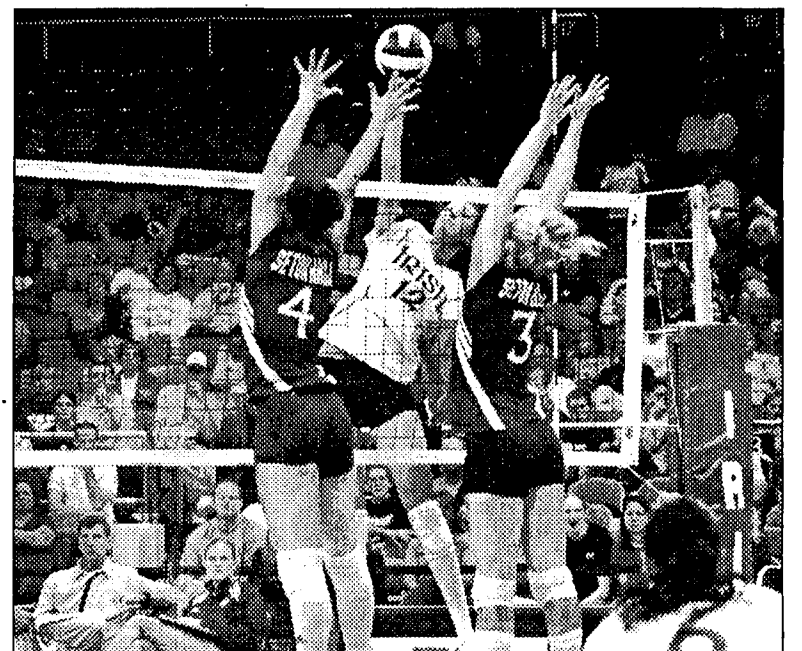
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Lauren Brewster goes for a spike against Cincinnati on Sept. 25. The Irish are currently ranked No. 10.

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got free at the top of the box and beat a charging Lauren Karas for the goal. Julie Thompson assisted on the score, which left Notre Dame trailing an opponent for only the second time all year. The Irish have lost both contests.

"From there, things snow-balled on us," Irish head coach Randy Waldrum said.

Karas started her sixth consecutive match in place of injured preseason All-Big East goalkeeper Erika Bohn. Karas had allowed just one goal in her previous five games, but would be victimized by Loughrin twice Friday.

Less than six minutes after staking her team a lead, Loughrin found pay dirt again, netting her sixth goal on the season on an assist from Meghan Connelly.

Loughrin was not the only star of the game for the Golden Eagles. The goalkeeping of Marquette goalie Laura Boyer prevented the Irish from mounting a comeback. Boyer saved 13-of-14 Irish shots on goal in a stellar performance.

Waldrum said Boyer's play was impressive, but his team didn't force her to make enough difficult saves.

"What she handled, she handled everything clean and didn't give up any second chances," he said. "[But] we didn't make her have to do any quality work. Most of what she had to handle were just crosses coming in or soft shots — high balls to her. We didn't really make her have to extend herself."

The Irish needed to convert their shots because Marquette's offense continued its attack in the second half. Julie Thompson scored 20 minutes into the second half to give Marquette a 4-1 lead, which would hold up as the final score.

The Irish opened the scoring at 20:01, with Brittany Bock and Kerri Hanks assisting on Jen Buczkowski's fourth goal of the season. Bock delivered the ball up field to Hanks on the left side, and Hanks sent a cross through the box, where Buczkowski trailed the play and nailed a one-timer for a 1-0 Irish lead.

Marquette tied the game five minutes later when Connelly scored an unassisted goal to make the score 1-1.

The Irish had several chances to regain the lead, and later tie the game, but Boyer and the Marquette defense held the nation's leading-scoring team to just one goal on 24 shots.

Waldrum said that if the

Irish converted on one of several opportunities early and taken a 2-1 lead or tied the game at 2-2, his team would have fared much better.

"If we get that second goal, I'm convinced we walk away winning that game," he said.

"We had some missed opportunities that we could have taken the lead on. Every mistake we made, they pounced on."

"Once they believed they could hang with us and stay in the game, you could see their confidence growing."

The Golden Eagles used that confidence and had a remarkably efficient night. They totaled a meager five shots, but converted all four shots on goal.

The four goals allowed were the most by an Irish team since allowing the same total to Georgetown in the 2002 season.

Notre Dame 4 South Florida 0

After nearly 20 hours of travel Saturday to get from Milwaukee, Wis., to Tampa, Fla., the Irish utilized almost their entire available roster to beat South Florida Sunday.

The Bulls kept the Irish off the board for the first 28 minutes but couldn't stop senior forward Katie Thorlakson once she came off the bench for Notre Dame.

Waldrum said he tried to

rest his players as much as possible because of the heat in Tampa and the extensive travel time the team accumulated the day before. He kept Thorlakson and Hanks on the bench to start the game and had Nikki Westfall start in goal for the first time of her career.

Westfall was successful for all 90 minutes for the Irish, saving all three of the Bulls' shots on goal.

Thorlakson capitalized on an Amanda Cinalli pass in the box and netted her 15th career game-winning goal at 28:33, a shot to the right corner of the net.

She scored again 10 minutes later, this time assisted by Hanks.

"You know we got it from our leaders, that's the response that we want," Waldrum said of Thorlakson's performance Sunday. "That's where you hope you've got the leadership on the team."

Waldrum was even happier that Thorlakson and the Irish did not slow down in the second half with the game out of reach.

At 85:57, Thorlakson found

Susan Pinnick in good position in the left corner, and Pinnick netted her fourth goal of the season on a shot inside the near post.

The Irish defense played exceptional after the tough outing against Marquette. South Florida tried to attack, but Candace Chapman lead the back line and prevented the Bulls from getting good scoring opportunities.

Waldrum singled out Chapman as the Irish's best player of the weekend on the road.

Waldrum said the strong defensive performance for

all 90 minutes Sunday was crucial for the team to get back on track after its second loss of the season.

"It was really important to get a good solid win and keep the shutout," Waldrum said. "The last thing we needed to do today, even if we won, is to give up a couple of goals."

Westfall maintained the shutout in the second half, and the Irish cruised to a rebound victory.

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Runners

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Curran, who was 37th in 24:37, rounded out the scoring runners for Notre Dame.

The next Notre Dame runner to cross the finish line was junior Todd Ptacek, who clocked a time of 25:02 and finished 61st. Sophomore Brett Adams rounded out the lineup for the Irish, crossing the line in 25:08 and finishing 69th.

Arizona won the meet, led by Obed Mutanya's second place finish. Florida and Florida State took third and fourth, respectively.

Madia and Huddle led the women, finishing first and second with times of 16:36 and 16:39, respectively. The Irish had two more runners, sophomore Sunni Olding (ninth place with a time of 17:14) and freshman Ramsey Kavan (eleventh place with a time of 17:16), finish in the top 11.

Unfortunately for the Irish,

fifth runner Jean Marinangeli got off to a poor start and was unable to catch up to the front runners, finishing 68th with a time of 18:06.

"I knew our top four would be good, but that we'd need to work on finding a fifth runner. I didn't think it would be that bad though," Irish women's head coach Tim Connelly said. "Quite honestly, a course like this for a kid like Jean, she couldn't get out very well. She closed well, but it's hard to come from behind on a course like this."

Connelly said he was disappointed that his team, which would have won the meet if its fifth runner had placed higher, did not have the depth to be successful Friday. Senior Elizabeth Webster and Junior Katie DeRusso also competed for Notre Dame, but neither finished higher than 88th.

"We've got people capable of running well at five, but today they just didn't get it done," he said.

Michigan won the women's race, followed by Illinois. Wake

Forest finished a distant fourth to the Irish.

Both Irish teams entered runners in the Gold race, in which mainly smaller schools competed.

Senior A.J. Andrassy, freshman Mark Moore, freshman Robbie Barany, sophomore Dan Bradley, sophomore Jake Watson, freshman Chris

Rodriguez, sophomore Zach Einterz and sophomore Mike Popejoy competed on the men's side.

Freshman Morgan Shulz, sophomore Julie Opet, freshman Becca Baumen, sophomore Ally Parker, senior Loryn King, freshman Heidi Rocha, sophomore Mary Debevec and freshman Elena Brandwie competed

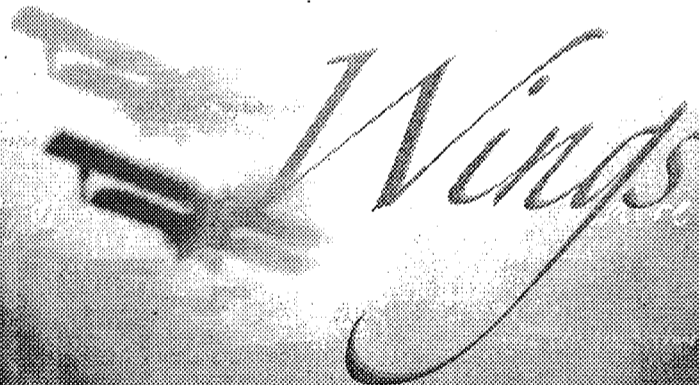
on the women's side.

The men's team also entered senior Tom Longo in the open race for individuals.

Both Irish teams will next be in action Oct. 15 at the Pre-National Championships in Terre Haute, Ind.

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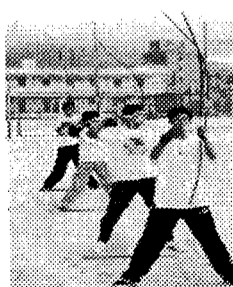
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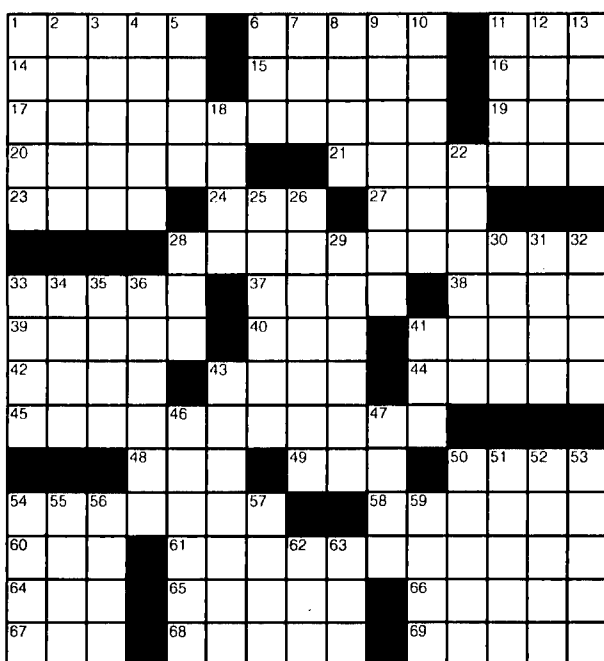
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- ACROSS**
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 - 6 High Ottoman official
 - 11 Boeing 747, e.g.
 - 14 Hawke of Hollywood
 - 15 Speck in the sea
 - 16 Lode deposit
 - 17 Keep cool
 - 19 Break a Commandment
 - 20 Fraternity hopeful
 - 21 Twisted in pain
 - 23 Gorillas and such
 - 24 "The most trusted name in electronics," once slogan, once
 - 27 Three: Prefix
 - 28 Conclude negotiations
 - 33 Large feather
 - 37 Knights
 - 38 Unadorned
 - 39 Second chance for viewers
 - 40 Scheduling abbr.
 - 41 Ambulance sound
 - 42 Egg-shaped
 - 43 Smelting waste
 - 44 Rand McNally product
 - 45 Be just what's needed
 - 48 "So there!"
 - 49 11-pointer, in blackjack
 - 50 Slugger Willie
 - 54 Woolen blankets
 - 58 "In" group
 - 60 (The) bug
 - 61 Be a lulu
 - 64 B-ball official
 - 65 Amazed
 - 66 Shady retreat
 - 67 Bumbler
 - 68 Overfull
 - 69 Horses of a certain color
- DOWN**
- 1 Zoo equine
 - 2 Consumed eagerly
 - 3 Developmental stage
 - 4 Trajectories
 - 5 Gambler's stake
 - 6 Word with cutie or sweetie
 - 7 _____ Wednesday
 - 8 Whole bunch
 - 9 Cozy spots by the fire
 - 10 Get-up
 - 11 Tease
 - 12 Lake near Niagara Falls
 - 13 Watch over
 - 18 _____ and now
 - 22 Morsel
 - 25 Fairy tale dwelling
 - 26 "Arabian Nights" hero
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 - 29 Heartbreaking
 - 30 British nobleman
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- 47 Polish Nobel laureate
- 50 Small: Prefix
- 51 Mideast's Gulf of _____
- 52 1890's gold rush destination
- 53 Prophets
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TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Everything will depend on how well you take care of yourself. A problem you face at work may baffle you. Do a little research and you will be prepared to take care of it early next week. ***

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CANCER (June 21-July 22): You will have to be very careful how you handle personal issues today. Someone will argue with you, regardless of the position you take. Don't make changes at home if you don't have to. **

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Get out and do things in your community or neighborhood and meet interesting people. Someone from your past will be on your mind. Stop procrastinating and get in touch. ****

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Your mind will be on work and your future. If you have an idea, act on it. You can make professional moves if you do your homework. ***

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Don't fret if you have promised to do too much for too many. Call in the troops and get some help. You need an outlet for your nervous energy anyway. ***

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ND WOMEN'S SOCCER

Up and down

Team splits two games on road this weekend

By KEN FOWLER
Sports Writer

The Irish took care of business Sunday, but Friday was another story for the No. 5 team in the country.

After taking a 1-0 lead on No. 15 Marquette, Notre Dame allowed four unanswered goals to the Golden Eagles, and the Irish suffered their first loss in Big East play since Oct. 6, 2002 — a 3-0 loss at the hands of West Virginia.

Marquette's Alison Loughrin came off the bench for the Golden Eagles and scored the go-ahead goal for her team at 37:51. Loughrin

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Molly Iarocci pursues a Cincinnati player on Sept. 23 in a 4-0 win for the Irish. Notre Dame lost to Marquette but defeated South Florida this weekend.

TIM SULLIVAN/The Observer

MEN'S SOCCER

Irish give up 3-3 tie to WVU

By KATE GALES
Associate Sports Editor

Two overtime periods weren't enough for a decisive conclusion on Sunday, as the Irish squandered a high offensive output and settled for a tie.

Each time the Irish went ahead by a goal, West Virginia managed to answer almost immediately, resulting in a 3-3 tie through two overtime periods. The tie put the Irish at 6-3-1 on the year (2-2-1 Big East).

"We could consider ourselves a little unlucky not to take all the points, because I

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ND CROSS-COUNTRY

Madia and Huddle lead the Notre Dame pack

By CHRIS KHOREY
Sports Writer

Together, Stephanie Madia and Molly Huddle sprinted towards the finish.

The pair of Irish seniors edged Michigan's Aly Kohlmeier by four seconds and one second, respectively, to take the first two spots in the

women's Blue race to lead their team to a third place finish in the Notre Dame Invitational Friday at the Burke Memorial Golf Course.

On the men's side, senior Kurt Benninger led the Irish with a time of 23:42 and a fifth-place finish, as Notre Dame took second.

Irish men's head coach Joe Piane was pleased with the

result but said his team will continue to improve. Frontrunners Benninger and Tim Moore were competing in their first race of the season after Piane sent young lineups to the Valparaiso Invitational and National Catholic Championships.

"They looked a little bit flat because they haven't raced, but in this sport you can't race

every weekend," Piane said. "They'll get better."

Notre Dame was also without third runner Kaleb Van Ort, who would have been expected to finish near Moore, who took 10th.

"We didn't run Kaleb Van Ort because he's coming off a stress fracture injury. If we had Kaleb in there, we would have had four in the top 15," Piane said.

"He's [practicing] right now. God willing, he'll be back for our next meet."

The third finisher for the Irish was fifth-year senior Sean O'Donnell, who finished 18th at 24:08. Freshmen Patrick Smyth was the fourth runner for the Irish Friday, finishing 34th with a time of 24:32. Sophomore Dan

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ND WOMEN'S TENNIS

Thompson twins move ahead in All-American

By KYLE CASSILY
Sports Writer

Christian Thompson has it all. A mean baseline attack, a nasty drop shot and bulls-eye accuracy all mixed in with a natural flair for the game of tennis. And now she has three crucial All-American wins under her belt.

The Notre Dame junior on the women's tennis team completed a clean sweep of the pre-qualifying draw in the Riviera/ITA Women's

All-American

Championships this weekend. The Championships are the first of three events on the collegiate grand slam tour, where Thompson will join her sister Catrina in qualifying draw play on Tuesday.

Christian Thompson started her run towards the later rounds with an opening round 6-3, 6-2 victory over Colorado State's Emily Kirchem, who is ranked 120th nationally. She then followed that up with a win over

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ND VOLLEYBALL

Irish take two road matches

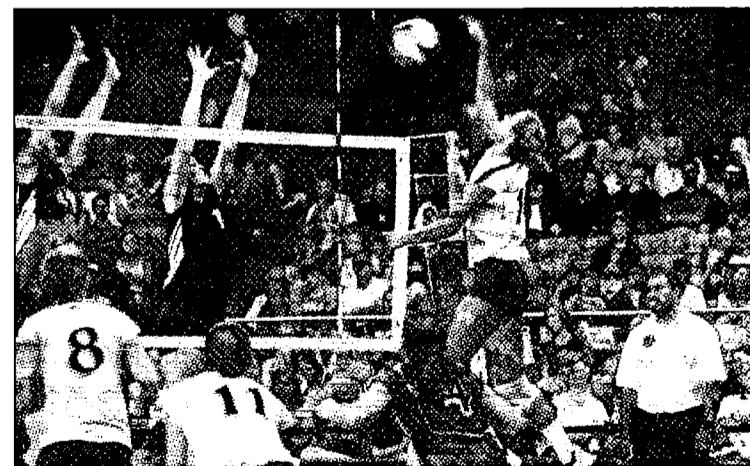
By TOM DORWART
Sports Writer

It's been said before — the No. 10 Irish know they can do better.

At times, they know they make mistakes they shouldn't and aren't aggressive when they should be. They know they can be more consistent.

Still, after each nearly flawlessly-played match, it might seem as if the Irish are finally going to be happy with themselves — like they'll finally give themselves a pat on the

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Adrianna Stasiuk, who had 14 kills on Sunday, spikes the ball against Seton Hall on Sept. 25.

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AT A GLANCE

SMC CROSS COUNTRY

Belles take 18th in race

The Belles ran to a top-20 finish in the Sean Earl Cake Front Invitational.

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SMC VOLLEYBALL

Bethel players used a height advantage to overpower the Belles.

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The Belles blasted Tri-State and hold onto third in the division.

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NFL

Eli Manning threw four touchdowns in a win over the Rams.

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IRISH INSIDER

Notre Dame dominated Purdue in 49-28 win in which Brady Quinn threw for 440 yards.