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ND trustee, benefactor Siegfried dies at 62

Notre Dame alumnus underwrote residence hall, business building

By MADDIE HANNA
Associate News Editor

Raymond Siegfried II, a University benefactor and member of the Board of Trustees widely known for his passion for Notre Dame, died Thursday in Tulsa, Okla. He was 62.

Siegfried was a 1965 Notre Dame graduate whose family served as benefactors of Siegfried Hall, underwrote the Siegfried Building in the

Mendoza College of Business and established the Ray and Milann Siegfried Chair in Entrepreneurial Studies, a position now held by Dean of the Mendoza College of Business Carolyn Woo.

Siegfried suffered from amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS), also known as Lou Gehrig's Disease.

"The Notre Dame family today lost one of its most cherished members, a man whose wisdom, leadership and generosity will be

felt on this campus for all time," University President Father John Jenkins said in a statement. "We will miss his warm friendship and will be inspired by the courage he showed while tested by medical challenges in the past few years. Along with our prayers, our deepest sympathy goes to Milann, his wife, and all the Siegfried family."

Senior resident assistant and former Siegfried Hall president Dan Carey, who met Siegfried twice, described him as "an all-around great guy."

"He had several loves in his life and they've become apparent," Carey said. "First, his family and his kids. He was a great family man and had a great love

for his wife."

His second great love, Carey said, was Notre Dame.

"His father was also an alum here and this place means the world to him," Carey said. "He was still active on the Board of Trustees until the day he died."

This active role in the University and in campus life was a constant for Siegfried, who Carey said had a strong connection to Siegfried residents and the dorm's community.

"Even through his personal struggles he still took the time to come out and meet the guys," Carey said. "He always went out of the way to make it feel like you lived in the best place on campus."

Carey never actually spoke with Siegfried due to the severity of his ALS.

"The first time I met him, he was able to mumble maybe a thank you," Carey said.

But this inability to speak didn't stop Siegfried from communicating with the men of the hall that bears his name.

"Since then he has spoken to the guys in the dorm through letters," Carey said. "He has this technology, this computer on his wheelchair" that allows him to write.

Siegfried also connected with students through his regular presence at Siegfried interhall

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Push for research underway

Editor's Note: This is the first article in a two-part series examining the presence and future of undergraduate research within different colleges at Notre Dame.

By JOE TROMBELLO
News Writer

In the wake of University President Father John Jenkins' inaugural address calling for an increase in the number of undergraduates involved in research, representatives from a number of colleges indicated that undergraduates are taking part in research activities but stressed that more work needs to be done to promote and fund research opportunities.

Provost's office

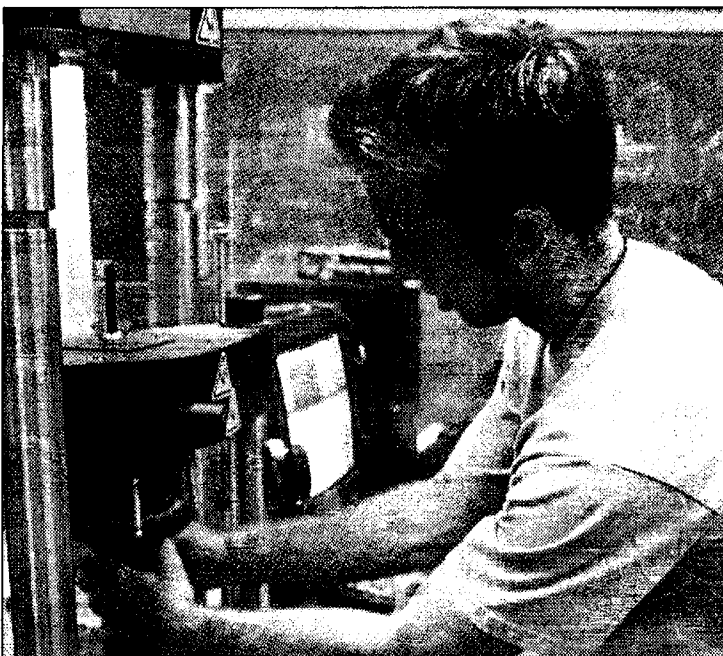
Vice president and associate

provost Dennis Jacobs said one of the challenges in discussing undergraduate research is accurately identifying the percentage of undergraduates who are currently involved.

According to the 2004 senior exit survey, 30 percent of graduating seniors identified themselves as having worked on undergraduate research with a faculty member at some point during their four-year tenure.

However, in counting the number of students who sign up for academic credit in research, special studies or a senior thesis, only 10 percent of Notre Dame students are currently involved in research. Jenkins cited this 10 percent figure in his inaugural speech as evidence that more undergraduates need to be

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DUSTIN MENNELLA/The Observer

Kane Pithey, a junior, tests the strength and stiffness of concrete, a research project with engineering professor Wilasa Vadakan.

SMC will upgrade Internet

By MEGAN O'NEIL
Saint Mary's Editor

Just days after warning students to buckle down for a year of slow Internet connections, Saint Mary's director of Information Technology Keith Fowlkes announced Thursday the reallocation of \$17,000 to increase the College's bandwidth.

Currently operating at 6.5 Megabits, the Internet connection will expand to 45 Megabits, providing for substantially faster maneuvering of the Web and legal downloading of music.

Student frustration with the slow Internet connection increased in recent weeks. Many students said the situation was hindering their ability to complete schoolwork.

Upon student government officers' request, Fowlkes attended Monday's Board of Governance meeting and answered questions about the cause of the sluggish connection and possible solutions.

Fowlkes told Board members he was unsure when the situation would improve and encouraged students to be "frugal" with the Internet.

But after the meeting, Fowlkes communicated students' concerns to vice president and dean of faculty Pat White and vice president for finance and administration Laurie Stickelmaier, who authorized him to reallocate the necessary funds.

"Students come here to get the best education possible and they expect certain services," Fowlkes said. "[The decision] wasn't because we had a lot of upset students. It was because

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Fifth Blue Mass honors emergency workers



KIRSTEN HOELMER/The Observer

Officers stand during opening prayer at Thursday's Blue Mass in the Basilica of the Sacred Heart. The Blue Mass is held annually in honor of police and firefighters.

By KAITLYNN RIELY
News Writer

Notre Dame police, fire and emergency personnel celebrated the annual Blue Mass Thursday in the Basilica of the Sacred Heart.

The Blue Mass, which earns its name from the predominately blue-colored uniforms of police officers and firefighters, was first held at Notre Dame on Oct. 11, 2001.

After Sept. 11, 2001, Director of Campus Ministry Father Richard Warner proposed to then-University President Father Edward Malloy the idea of a special Mass in memory of the fire fighters and police officers that died as a result of the terrorist attacks.

The memorial Mass, called a "month's mind," was held 30 days after the attacks following Catholic tradition. Since 2001, it has been held every October.

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INSIDE COLUMN

A column
from the
inside

I realized a while ago that I work for The Observer, and that gives me the opportunity to write a column on the inside. This is the inside column where you get the inside story on things you are on the outside of, right? OK.

Adam Fairholm

What I'm going to say is that if you haven't already gone totally berserk over the infrared paper towel dispensers in the North Dining Hall bathrooms, there is probably something wrong with you.

Cartoonist

Man has always been contemplating, saying, "What if we didn't have to touch things to get dry hands?" For about six million years the best thing anyone could come up with was a guy who sits in the bathroom and hands you towels. Psh, lame. Absolutely lame-o. Thanks history, thanks a lot. If history were here right now, I'd say, "Thanks a lot." I'd say it in a way that history would know that I am being sarcastic.

Worst of all is the big blast of air things. If I wanted a blast of air to dry my hands, I'd go to an alternate universe where everyone loves to dry their hands with a blast of air, but unfortunately in this alternate universe, everyone eats nothing but garlic bread and is boring. That's the point I'm trying to make. If you like the blast of air, you are boring.

This is off-topic, but if you are reading this in the dining hall and you are one of those people who likes to walk really slowly in front of me when I'm trying to get around, one day I'm going to pour milk down your back.

Our forefathers probably thought advanced robots would give us paper towels in the bathroom, but they could never imagine such a simple and beautiful machine like the infrared dispensers. With one wave of the hand, it not only sends you a piece of paper towel, you have also inadvertently flicked a moderate amount of water off your hands, essentially pre-drying your hands for paper towels. If you have noticed this before, I bet you are a happier person for it.







So get happy about these dispensers. When you come out of the bathroom, tell the card swipers how nice it was in there. Especially tell the nice one who looks at your card and says your name. That makes me feel good. If you are reading this, lady who goes the extra mile and says everyone's name, that's cool. If not, it would be nice if someone could bring this column to her attention.

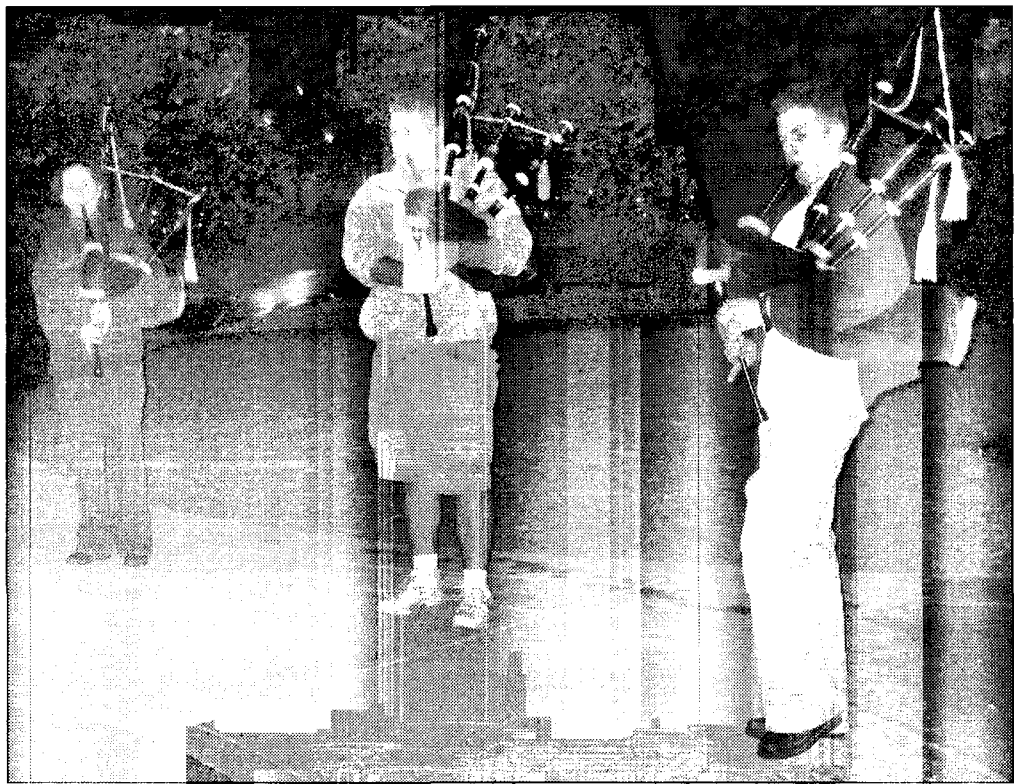
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QUESTION OF THE DAY: WHAT FAMOUS PERSON WOULD YOU LIKE TO COME TO CAMPUS? WHY?

					
Tara Makowski and Kelly Czaja juniors Breen Phillips	Tim Roats junior Sorin	Andy Martin sophomore Alumni	Peter Privon freshman O'Neill	Catherine Twetten freshman Pasquerilla East	John Park senior Zahm
"Jason Lewis from Sex and the City, because he's beautiful."	"The pope, because wasn't he supposed to teach here?"	"Wesley Willis, to be raised from the dead and play at Legends."	"Robin Williams. We need to ease everyone's day a little while we're working hard."	"Brett Favre. He's the best quarterback ever."	"Fire it in, pal."



Rachel Murphy, left, Bill Jenista, center, and Michael Kelley, members of Notre Dame's Bagpipe Band, practice outside LaFortune Thursday night.

OFFBEAT

The winner is ... fake dog testicle creator

BOSTON — Gregg Miller mortgaged his home and maxed out his credit cards to mass produce his invention — prosthetic testicles for neutered dogs.

What started 10 years ago with an experiment on an unwitting Rottweiler named Max has turned into a thriving mail-order business. And on Thursday night Miller's efforts earned him a dubious yet strangely coveted honor: the Ig Nobel Prize for medicine.

"Considering my parents thought I was an idiot when I was a kid, this is a great honor," he said. "I wish they were alive to see it."

The Ig Nobels, given at Harvard University by Annals of Improbable Research magazine, celebrate the humorous, creative and odd side of science.

Miller has sold more than 150,000 of his Neuticles, more than doubling his \$500,000 investment. The silicone implants come in different sizes, shapes, weights and degrees of firmness.

Church youth swallow live goldfish

FLORENCE, Ala. — The First Assembly of God Church has a Fear Factor ministry that lets youths swallow live goldfish in order to teach them about fear.

"We need to be realistic about what the Bible says about fear and not be afraid to share our faith in school," youth minister Anthony Martin told the TimesDaily in a story Thursday. "We can't let that fear rule our lives."

Information compiled from the Associated Press.

IN BRIEF

The 13th annual American Cancer Society Great Lakes Symposium will be held today from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. at McKenna Hall. Titled "Cellular and Molecular Mechanisms of Cancer," the event is open to the public.

Bernd Sturmfels, professor of mathematics and computer science at the University of California at Berkeley, will give a lecture titled "Algebraic Statistics for Computational Biology" at 5:30 p.m. today in Hayes-Healy Hall.

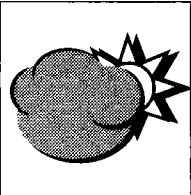
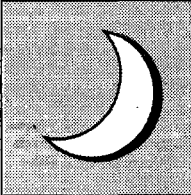
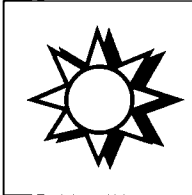
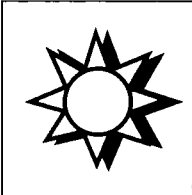
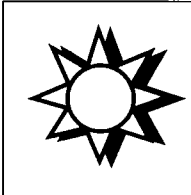
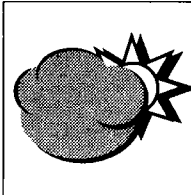
José Miguel Insulza, secretary general of the Organization of American States, will be the keynote speaker at a conference titled "Democratic Governance in Latin America" at 4:45 p.m. today in the Hesburgh Center auditorium.

"Wings," written by Arthur Kopit and directed by Mark Pilkinton, will play at 7:30 p.m. today and Saturday and at 2:30 p.m. Sunday at the Decio Mainstage Theatre. The play is presented by the Department of Film, Television, and Theatre. Tickets are \$12 for the general public, \$10 for faculty and staff, \$10 for seniors and \$8 for students.

The Notre Dame men's soccer team will play Connecticut at 7 p.m. Saturday at Alumni Field.

The Blue/Gold Hockey Game will take place at 7:05 p.m. Saturday in the Joyce Center.

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

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LOCAL WEATHER						
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Student-run Relay for Life will support cancer research

By COLLEEN SHULA
News Writer

It's no surprise to see students pulling all-nighters at this time of year in preparation for midterms, but a different kind of all-nighter will take place this Friday.

This weekend marks the third annual Relay for Life sponsored by the American Cancer Society Club of Notre Dame. Participants will walk around the Stepan Center track from 6 p.m. Friday until 10 a.m. Saturday.

Last year the event attracted 1,300 participants and raised \$102,000, said Relay co-chair Dee Dee Sterling, whose goal is to raise a minimum of \$100,000 this year. Thursday night, the Relay Web site reported a total slightly over \$33,000.

Stanford sophomore Chris Rohrs was in the lead Tuesday for money raised at Notre Dame. He said he collected about \$3,400 of Stanford's \$3,700.

"I've seen cancer affect so many lives of people I know, and it hit close to home for me recently, so I felt I needed to do what I could to help," said Rohrs, who was involved in

Relay during high school.

Rohrs said he will make sure that a member from the Stanford team is walking around the track at all times, although he will do plenty of walking himself.

Notre Dame students and faculty as well as area families form teams to participate in the event. As of Wednesday, 65 teams were signed up for the Relay.

Each team member pays a \$10 registration fee and collects donations that are given to the American Cancer Society. At the relay, teammates walk in shifts around the track from the start of the event Saturday evening to the closing ceremonies the next morning.

"Everyone [who's] in it wants to be there and has a good time doing it," Lewis team captain Amanda Flynn said.

Many students take the initiative to enlist members to represent the different dorms on campus.

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Amanda Flynn
Lewis team captain

"I hope to motivate the dorm to show their support for people who are fighting and have fought cancer," Siegfried team coordinator Terence Merritt said.

The Relay will kick off with a red carpet walk up to Stepan Center. Opening ceremonies will begin at 6:30 p.m. with an invocation and welcoming remarks. Distinguished members of the Notre Dame community, including University President Father John Jenkins, University Provost Thomas Burish and former Notre Dame quarterback Ron Powlus, will be in attendance.

The night's events will include a silent auction, pumpkin contest, musical entertainment, karaoke singing, hayrides and a luminaria ceremony. The Relay will conclude Saturday morning with awards, an announcement of the grand total, a musical performance by violinist Allis Tweed-Kent and a concluding lap around the Stepan track.

A number of other Notre Dame fundraisers are also collecting money for the American Cancer Society. Volunteers are gathering quarters to line the track this weekend and selling items ranging from wristbands



KIRSTEN HOELMER/The Observer

A billboard at the Freimann Life Science Center displays promotional items for the Relay for Life, which will occur today at Stepan Center.

and chemo caps to mini-golf passes. Physics professor Ikaros Bigi is offering tutoring in physics, math, history, German and the history of art in exchange for a \$15 donation for each hour.

Some businesses outside of Notre Dame, like the Roseland Pizza Hut, donated a portion of each customer's bill on four days in September to the American Cancer Society.

The American Cancer

Society's Relay for Life has three million participants in 4,200 communities across the U.S. who will raise millions of dollars in this year alone. Proceeds from these events support cancer research, spreading the word, political lobbying for cancer issues and support for victims and survivors.

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involved in research.

"The Provost's Office is studying the extent to which undergraduate research is currently taking place, investigating in what areas student demand outstrips available opportunities, and exploring what resources could be leveraged to strategically seed greater research opportunities for undergraduates," Jacobs said.

Jacobs stressed the benefits of undergraduate research as allowing students to pursue novel lines of inquiry.

"In my own experience ... being involved with this kind of work is one of the more authentic ways of learning because it presents all the richness ... of real problems without all the answers," he said. "It requires students to think creatively about how we generate new knowledge."

Jacobs laid out a four-stage framework for the promotion of undergraduate research. The first step is a new Web site — undergradresearch.nd.edu — that has been live since this week.

The Web site lists funding and mentoring opportunities available to students in four dimensions: internships, research and travel grants, fellowships and opportunities by academic departments.

"My hope is that students will visit this site early and often," Jacobs said.

He also stressed that the Web site could be valuable for prospective students to learn that "when they come to Notre Dame, they are entering a

research University."

The second stage of promotion — to be completed by early spring 2006, Jacobs said — will be a more expansive version of the "opportunities by academic departments" tab. Students will be able to search that Web site by keyword, and individual professors can add specific information about current research projects.

"Professors can go online and post a description of that project that would appear to be almost like an ad," Jacobs said.

Stage 3 will involve collaboration with the library to host a Web space where selected undergraduate research projects will be displayed. Such examples may include a senior thesis as a word document or a collection of jpeg images from an art project. Jacobs said he hopes this portion will be completed by the end of the spring 2006 term.

"Whatever they [students] work in, we want to find a way to archive it and display it. Today a lot of good work is lost or gathers dust on a shelf," Jacobs said. "This is a way of making it more publicly available. My hope is that it will help more students think about being involved in undergraduate research."

The final promotional step plans for a University-wide research and creativity fair to exhibit undergraduate research. Jacobs said these displays would take place by department, noting that there would not be one comprehensive display time or location. However, he said all colleges and departments could allow for student presentations over a several week period.

"Hopefully we can make

some attempt at this by spring 2006," he said.

Jacobs said his office is currently attempting to determine where undergraduate research experiences are not as prevalent and to find ways to increase funding in those areas.

"I understand that opportunities are not uniformly available to students in all majors ... certain areas have more opportunities than others," he said. "Where it is not happening [we] will work to see if there are ways to seed opportunities."

Arts and Letters

Gretchen Reydam-Schils, director of the Institute for Scholarship in the Liberal Arts, said the College of Arts and Letters is at the forefront of sponsoring undergraduate research.

"The College of Arts and Letters is ahead of the game at this point," she said.

Reydam-Schils directs the Undergraduate Research Opportunity Program (UROP), a college funding agency that provides grants for undergraduates to travel to conferences, conduct their original research, travel to undertake research, or stay in South Bend for the summer to work on research projects with a professor.

Interim grants of up to \$1,500 provide support for conducting original research or conference travel, while the summer grants provide \$1,200 per month for up to three months to permit students to earn income while assisting a professor with summer research or to travel to conduct research during the summer.

The 2004 Dean's Report said UROP funded 103 student grants for a total of \$145,221 during the 2004-05 academic year. The Report notes that this total does not include some students who are sup-

ported by faculty grants through such agencies as the National Science Foundation. A survey of undergraduate research revealed that 15 percent of Arts and Letters students participated in a research project in 2004-05, the Dean's Report said.

Reydam-Schils said the College made undergraduate research a priority after a report on undergraduate education at research universities called the Boyer Report was released in 1998.

The report stressed that universities could do a better job of funding and promoting undergraduate research. She said UROP grant applications have increased significantly in the last three years.

"[Undergraduate research] is part of a major developmental initiative on the part of the college," she said. "We are also looking at endowed contributions [to provide additional funding]."

Reydam-Schils said in addition to a Web site that explains the UROP program, her office is working on further ways to promote the opportunities.

A presentation from past UROP winners will be held Nov. 3, and Reydam-Schils said she speaks to individual classes or departments whenever asked by an instructor or department chair. The College is also working with the College's Office of Publicity, News and Information to promote UROP through a video.

Reydam-Schils stressed the importance of research for undergraduates.

"Undergraduate research brings the teaching and research together," she said. "It allows one to make

stronger connections between teaching and research, to make faculty think about how to bring research into teaching and undergraduates to see how research relates to teaching."

She also said research and teaching do not need to be at odds with each other.

"I think it is wrong to see teaching and research pitted against each other. The best research is done in connection with teaching concerns," she said.

Mark Roche, dean of the College of Arts and Letters, said students are also involved in non-UROP-funded "research" projects like a senior thesis or an art exhibition. He said 14 out of 18 departments within the College

currently have an honors program that involves a major paper or senior thesis.

Roche said undergraduate research will continue to be a priority for the College and is, in fact, the number one developmental priority.

"There will be more funding with or without Father Jenkins' largesse," he said.

Since only 18 percent of UROP applications were accepted last year, Roche said he would like to increase the number of funded summer grants. He also said some individual departments have also received endowments that can fund undergraduate research.

Research involvement, Roche said, is an essential part of undergraduate education.

"Those experiences tend to be the most formative and memorable experiences of their undergraduate days," he said.

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director
Institute for Scholarship
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the students presented an intelligent and honest argument to us about their needs."

Updated technology, Fowlkes said, is considered a "core service" of the College and is critical to academic life.

Fowlkes is hoping the project will be completed by the end of December, but said he was unable to provide a specific date. He also said when it does occur students will see an immediate improvement in connection speed.

"We are in the process of getting [a] quote," Fowlkes said. "A

request was made [Wednesday] to our service provider and we are waiting for information from them."

The slow Internet connection is not a result of any internal network problems, Fowlkes said.

"On campus all the network connections are brand new and very fast,"

Fowlkes said. "It is the connection of our network to the Internet that is slow."

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Keith Fowlkes
director
Information Technology

Fowlkes attributed much of the problem to the increasing popularity of Web sites such as iTunes, which allows students to legally download music files off the Internet. Such files fill enormous amounts of space and drastically slow down the system.

Information Technology did anticipate problems with the College's connection capacity and slightly increased it over the summer, Fowlkes said.

"It worked fine for the first few weeks but it just got saturated like our other lower speed circuits," Fowlkes said.

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director
Information Technology

Due to financial constraints, Fowlkes did not believe he would be able to significantly increase the bandwidth in the near future. But by cutting back on internal operating costs, the College was able to come up with the money.

While the increase to 45 Megabits this year will certainly speed up the College's Internet connection, Fowlkes said he anticipates having to add an additional 45 Megabits in the next couple of years.

"We needed bandwidth badly not only for student Internet traffic but also for new technologies that are coming down the road and for the library's need for expansion of electronic resources," Fowlkes said.

Communication with the College's foreign campuses in Italy and Ireland should also improve with the faster connection, Fowlkes said.

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Notre Dame Security/Police (NDSP) assistant director Phil Johnson served as a lector and delivered an introduction about the increased respect given to those in uniform since the 2001 attacks.

"This was an event that made us more mindful of those many who serve and make risks every day," Johnson said.

John Antonucci, the operations chief of the University's fire department, also served as a lector. Although the first three Blue Masses were held primarily in remembrance of the victims of Sept. 11, Antonucci said the Mass has developed to demonstrate the gratitude of the community for law enforcement and emergency workers.

"Now as we move away from the event, we move the focus of the event to being a celebration of life and to honor those who protect us every day," Antonucci said.

NDSP, the University Fire Department and South Bend fire fighting and police departments attended the Mass, as well as some police officers and fire fighters from around the country.

University President Father John Jenkins presided at the Mass, which he called a "significant ND tradition." He welcomed the opportunity to "honor and appreciate and thank police officers, fire fighters, and emergency personnel in our community."

In his homily, Warner honored the members of the police and fire departments and emergency personnel who "place the common good above all."

Warner called those in uniform "men and women of the beatitudes." He paid special tribute to the families of the men and women in uniform and their unique sacrifice.

Warner asked Mass attendees to remember especially the victims of terrorism, members of the armed forces and all those who have died in the course of duty.

The Blue Mass tradition closely resembles the long-standing Catholic tradition of the Red Mass, a special service for lawyers, judges and politicians that is held at the beginning of the judicial year. Cardinal McCarrick of Washington, D.C. celebrated a Red Mass with the Supreme Court justices.


Notre Dame celebrated its own Red Mass Oct. 2 with lawyers and judges from surrounding communities.

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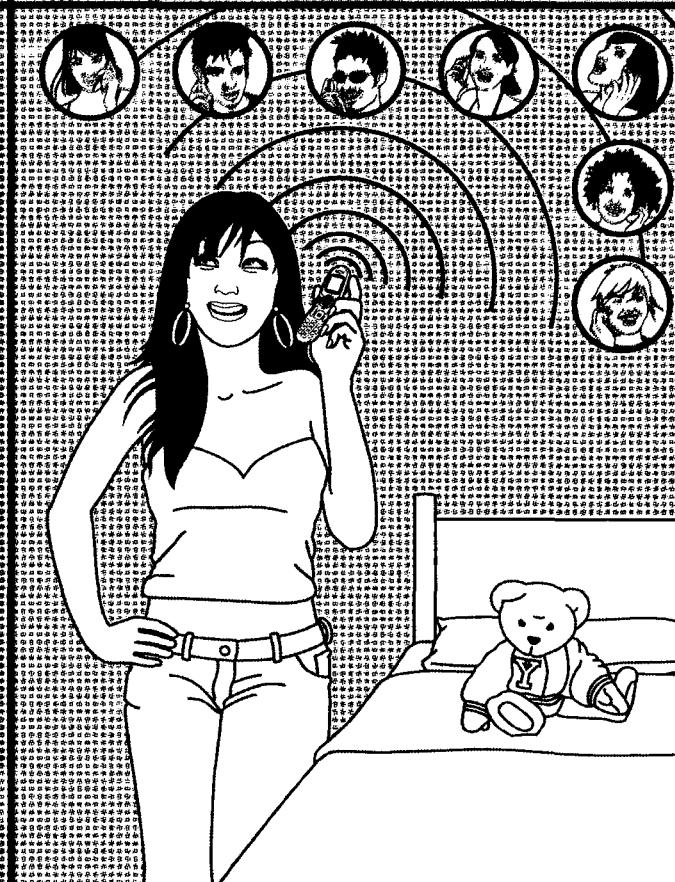
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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Draft constitution distributed in Iraq

BAGHDAD — Residents of one of Baghdad's most insurgent-hit neighborhoods received copies of Iraq's draft constitution Thursday, though some refused to take it and some shopkeepers balked at passing it out, fearing reprisals by militants determined to wreck the crucial Oct. 15 referendum.

Insurgents continued their wave of violence with attacks in and around the capital, including the suicide bombing of a minibus, that killed at least 20 Iraqis and an American soldier.

Despite the bloodshed, Iraqis in the southern Baghdad neighborhood of Dora had their first look at the document they will vote on in nine days, though distribution of the U.N.-printed blue booklets — emblazoned "The constitution is in your hands" — got off to a slow start elsewhere.

"If we like it, we will vote 'yes.' If we don't, we'll say 'no,'" said Lamia Dhyab, a Shiite woman in a head-to-toe veil.

Bali restaurants previously warned

BALI — Restaurants on a Bali beach hit by terrorists were warned a month ago that they could be targets following the discovery of a partially made bomb at a nearby hotel, but village leaders delayed plans to bolster security, an official said Thursday.

Cafes along Jimbaran Bay were told in August to station guards and to check bags and cars entering the area, but the village decided to wait until after a Hindu holiday celebrated on the resort island Wednesday — four days after the deadly Oct. 1 attacks by three suicide bombers, police Capt. D. Dharmada told The Associated Press.

"If those measures had been implemented, this attack probably wouldn't have happened," he said.

NATIONAL NEWS

Rove to give additional testimony

WASHINGTON — Presidential confidant Karl Rove will testify for a fourth time before the federal grand jury investigating the leak of a CIA officer's identity even though prosecutors have warned they can no longer guarantee he will escape indictment, lawyers said Thursday.

Rove's offer was accepted by Special Prosecutor Patrick Fitzgerald in the last week as the grand jury's wraps up its work and decides whether Rove, Vice President Cheney's chief of staff I. Lewis "Scooter" Libby or any other presidential aides should face criminal charges.

Rove's lawyer said Thursday that Fitzgerald has assured him that he has made no decisions yet on charges and that his client has not received a so-called target letter, usually the last step before a grand jury indictment.

Bush prepares for bird flu pandemic

WASHINGTON — President Bush summoned vaccine manufacturers to a White House meeting Friday, hoping to personally boost the rickety industry amid increasing fears of a worldwide outbreak of bird flu. It's the latest in a flurry of preparations for a possible pandemic after criticism of the government's response to Hurricane Katrina.

This month, vaccine maker Sanofi-Pasteur begins the first mass production of a new vaccine that promises to protect against bird flu, producing \$100 million worth of inoculations for a government stockpile.

LOCAL NEWS

Water company invites scrutiny

INDIANAPOLIS — Veolia Water Indianapolis officials said today they would never intentionally violate water-quality or operational rules and expect the company will withstand any level of scrutiny. It was their first public comments since federal officials earlier this week confirmed a criminal investigation of the company's operations.

Company President Tim Hewitt said the French-owned company — which has a 20-year contract to run the city's water system under the country's largest public-private partnership — has every intention of making the Indianapolis operation successful.

Islamic terror empire growing

Bush warns that radicals seek to expand their force; 10 al-Qaida plots foiled

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Bush sought Thursday to rally flagging public support for the war in Iraq, accusing militants of seeking to establish a "radical Islamic empire" with Iraq as the base. He said the U.S. and its allies had foiled 10 plots by the al-Qaida terror network in the past four years.

In remarks clearly aimed at those seeking a withdrawal of U.S. troops, Bush warned of continuing danger, saying Islamic radicals are being sheltered by "allies of convenience like Syria and Iran."

"There's always a temptation in the middle of a long struggle to seek the quiet life, to escape the duties and problems of the world and to hope the enemy grows weary of fanaticism and tired of murder," Bush said in a speech before the National Endowment for Democracy.

"We will keep our nerve and we will win that victory," he said.

Polls show declining American support for the war that has thus far claimed the lives of more than 1,940 members of the U.S. military. Bush's policy faces a crucial test in Iraq's Oct. 15 referendum on a new constitution, a vote that Bush has said terrorists will try to derail.

Asked about the president's singling out of Iran and Syria as "allies of convenience," White House spokesman Scott McClellan said, "They continue to move in the wrong direction."

Likewise, British Prime Minister Tony Blair said in London that explosive devices that have killed U.S.-led troops were similar to those used by the Iranian-linked militant group Hezbollah.

"There is no justifica-



AP

Bush spoke before the National Endowment for Democracy on Thursday, stating that Islamic radicals are seeking to enslave whole nations and intimidate the world.

tion for Iran or any other country interfering in Iraq," Blair said at a news conference with Iraqi President Jalal Talabani.

Iran's ambassador in London, Seyed Mohammad Hossein Adeli, said the charges were not supported by evidence and that "we are against any kind of action which might jeopardize or destroy the stabilization process of Iraq."

At the White House, McClellan was asked about Bush's reference to 10 foiled terror attacks, including three in the United States. He said some of the information

the president based his remarks on remains classified.

McClellan mentioned the conviction of Lyman Faris, a Columbus, Ohio, truck driver who authorities said plotted attacks on the Brooklyn Bridge and a central Ohio shopping mall. Administration officials have previously claimed success in breaking up terror cells in New York, Oregon, Virginia and Florida.

He also mentioned Jose Padilla, a former Chicago gang member who converted to Islam and allegedly plotted with top al-Qaida commanders to detonate a radioactive

"dirty bomb" in a U.S. city. Padilla, whose plot never materialized, was designated an enemy combatant by Bush and is being held without criminal charge at a Navy brig in South Carolina.

"We have been successful in disrupting certain plots. Some have been made public or are in the public domain, like Richard Reid," Attorney General Alberto Gonzales told reporters. "Others are classified." Attempted shoe-bomber Richard Reid is serving a life sentence after a failed try to blow up an American Airlines flight in 2001.

New York increases subway security

Associated Press

NEW YORK — City officials stepped up mass transit security Thursday, saying they had received a credible threat that New York's subway system could be the target of a terrorist attack in coming days.

Mayor Michael Bloomberg said the threat originated overseas, and was the most specific terrorist threat city officials had received to date. No one in New York has been arrested or detained, he said.

A law enforcement official, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said the threat is "specific to place, time and method" and involved a bombing.

Some officials in Washington appeared to be taking the threat less

seriously.

"I've spoken with top-level authorities in Washington, and the threat, while specific in terms of location, does not have the highest level of credibility or corroboration," Sen. Charles Schumer, D-N.Y., said in a statement. "Nonetheless, in a post 9/11 world you cannot be too careful."

New York Police Commissioner Ray Kelly urged the public to report suspicious people or activities. Police planned to look through bags, briefcases, baby strollers and luggage in a large-scale search of the mass transit system.

"We have done and will continue to do everything we can to protect this city," Bloomberg said, adding that he planned to take the subway home Thursday night. "We will spare no resource, we

will spare no expense. We have increased our police presence on our subways."

Some commuters took the threat in stride.

Paul Radtke, 45, of Hoboken, N.J., said he had heard similar warnings before and found it hard to take them all seriously.

"Unless it's something dramatic that's happening, I've got to go to work," Radtke said after getting off a subway train at Penn Station. He said the only travel habit he is changing is trying not to make eye contact with police officers so they won't search his bag.

An estimated 4.5 million passengers ride the New York subway on an average weekday. The system has more than 468 subway stations.

Siegfried

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sports games.

"These last two years his ALS got really bad ... but he would still come with the family and watch the interhall football games," Carey said.

Siegfried rector Father John Conley said Siegfried, who attended interhall baseball games as well and until recently hosted annual dinners for Siegfried residents, truly cared about the dorm.

"I think he took a great deal of pleasure knowing that the family name was associated with a dormitory on campus because of what residence halls mean to Notre Dame students," Conley said. "He took special pride in having a residence hall bear the family name ... it's not the same as someone taking two graduate classes in Mendoza and seeing the Siegfried name on a plaque on the wall."

Carey recalled a "little initiation" Siegfried gave to incoming Siegfried freshmen in front of Main Building.

"[ALS] had already started to take a toll on his body, but he has addressed the freshmen the last two years," Carey said. "This year his son Terrell [a second year Notre Dame law student] read that on behalf of his father."

Siegfried was chairman of the board of the NORDAM Group, an international aerospace manufacturer. He received an honorary doctor of law degree from Notre Dame in May 1995.

For the last four years, Conley

said Siegfried Hall has donated all funds raised from its signature spring event, the Rambler Scrambler, to the Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS) Association in Siegfried's honor.

"I believe the family is also going to designate some additional charities," Conley said.

After Siegfried Hall won the interhall football title two years ago, a game that Siegfried attended, Carey said the dorm took an extra step to thank the "avid sports fan" for his support.

Following the game, the dorm contacted Joe Montana and arranged for Montana to meet up with the team.

"We basically took a big panoramic picture of the Ramblers and Joe," Carey said.

"We got a football signed."

The dorm then sent the picture and football along with a Siegfried Hall jersey with a "big No. 1 on it" to Siegfried as a Christmas present, Carey said.

Siegfried is survived by wife

Milann and children Tray, Hastings, Meredith, Milannie, Terrell and Bailey.

A Mass of the Resurrection will be celebrated in the Basilica of the Sacred Heart at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, followed by the Rite of Committal in Cedar Grove Cemetery.

At 4 p.m. the University will hold a reception with the Siegfried family in the atrium and Siegfried Building of the Mendoza College of Business. All friends of the family are invited to attend.

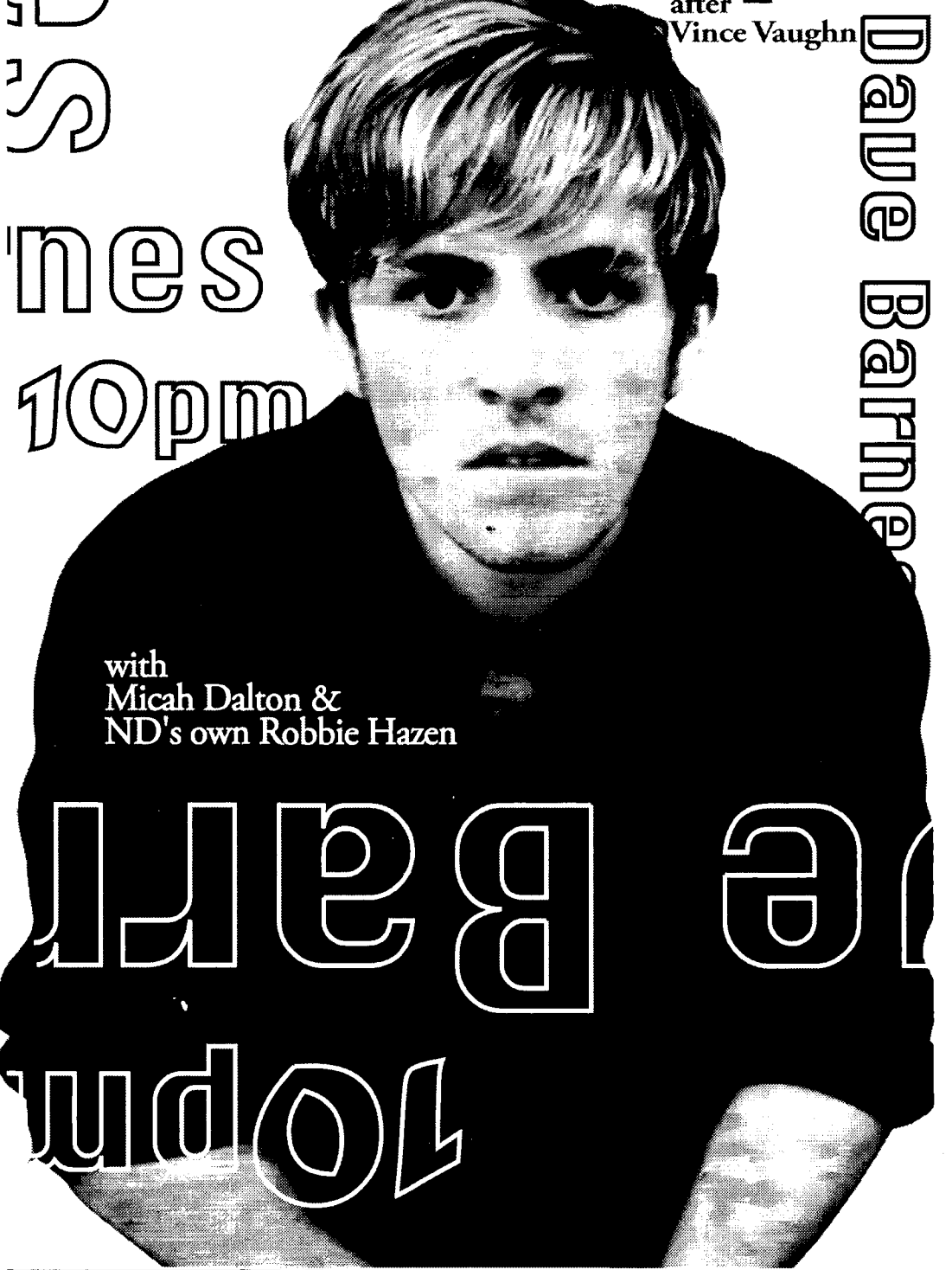
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NASDAQ	2,084.08	-18.94
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S&P 500	1,191.49	-4.90
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FTSE 100(London)	5,372.40	-55.40

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INTEL CP (INTC)	-1.29	-0.31	23.76
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IN BRIEF

Sex drug subsidies to hurricane relief

WASHINGTON — Buying your own Viagra will become an act of altruism under a House-passed bill that pays for hurricane relief with federal funds now devoted to Medicare and Medicaid coverage for erectile dysfunction drugs.

Rep. Nathan Deal, R-Ga., sponsor of the bill, said the government would save \$690 million over five years by prohibiting the two government health care programs from subsidizing prescriptions for sexual performance drugs.

The money will be used to provide \$500 million in federal unemployment funds to hurricane-affected states to help them pay benefits to out-of-work people: \$400 million to Louisiana, \$85 million to Mississippi and \$15 million to Alabama.

The bill, passed by voice vote Thursday, also extends several health programs that assist low-income families nationwide.

Deal has previously backed legislation to end federal aid for impotence drugs, saying taxpayers should not be required to pay for a drug that does not determine life or death and is often used for recreational purposes.

Cancer vaccine 100 percent effective

An experimental vaccine to prevent the most common forms of cervical cancer proved 100 percent effective in a two-year test on more than 10,000 girls and women, drug maker Merck & Co. says.

Merck is hoping to win Food and Drug Administration approval for the vaccine, Gardasil, and put it on the market as soon as late 2006. It would be the first vaccine to prevent cervical cancer, a disease caused almost exclusively by a highly common sexually transmitted virus called the human papilloma virus, or HPV.

Doctors expect the vaccine to be routinely offered to girls — and boys, too, because they can spread the virus to their partners — before they become sexually active, though the practice is certain to run into opposition from conservatives and religious groups.

"I see this as a phenomenal breakthrough," said Dr. Gloria Bachmann, director of the Women's Health Institute at Robert Wood Johnson Medical School in New Brunswick, N.J.

Stocks fall on third straight day

Rebound fails as Wall Street loses ground due to chronic economic worries

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Chronic economic worries stifled Wall Street's attempt at a rebound Thursday as stocks fell for a third straight session despite a solid outlook at General Electric Co. and modest but better-than-expected retail sales reports.

General Electric, a widely held Dow Jones industrial closely watched on Wall Street, said it was on track for another strong quarter and increased its stock buyback program. Encouraging sales at Wal-Mart Stores Inc. and other retailers also helped the market post early gains.

But the market, which had started the day higher, retreated after Dallas Fed President Richard Fisher reiterated his belief that inflation was rising near the high end of the Fed's comfort zone. Some investors also awaited the government's key employment report, due Friday and expected to detail job losses from the Gulf Coast hurricanes.

Those long-term challenges prompted investors to abandon some of the market's more popular holdings, pushing stocks lower through the session. A continued dropoff in oil prices caused a sell-off in the high-flying energy sector, and small-cap and technology stocks also suffered as investors moved into larger, more established companies.

"This is certainly not bad, with retail sales OK and oil falling, but there's still a lot of uncertainty out there," said Joseph Battipaglia, chief investment officer at Ryan Beck & Co.



A trader checks an overhead information display during trading activity on the floor of the New York Stock Exchange Thursday as worry about the economy kept stocks mixed.

"You've still got an erosion in consumer confidence that could lead to a serious erosion in consumer spending, at the same time you have the (Federal Reserve) still hiking interest rates. It's a hard market to buy into."

The Dow fell 30.26, or 0.29 percent, to 10,287.10, adding to a loss of 218.12 over the previous two sessions.

Broader stock indicators also fell. The tech-

focused Nasdaq composite index dropped 18.94, or 0.9 percent, to 2,084.08, and the Standard & Poor's 500 index lost 4.90, or 0.41 percent, to 1,191.49.

Bonds lost ground alongside stocks, with the yield on the 10-year Treasury note rising to 4.39 percent from 4.36 percent late Wednesday. The dollar weakened against other major currencies, while gold prices rose.

Another sharp drop in crude prices helped buoy stocks earlier in the session, with a barrel of light crude quoted at \$61.36, down \$1.43, on the New York Mercantile Exchange. However, with first-time jobless claims rising to 390,000 last week, an increase of 21,000 from the previous week, investors were increasingly nervous about employment in the wake of Hurricanes Katrina and Rita.

Jobless claims increase to 363,000

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The number of people thrown out of work from Hurricanes Katrina and Rita rose to 363,000 last week with more bad news expected Friday when the government releases its unemployment report for September.

The unemployment report could show as many as 400,000 job losses from Katrina in what would be the starkest sign yet of the economic devastation from the country's most expensive natural disaster.

"We are going to get a lot of ugly data in the next few weeks as we see the full effect of these storms," said Mark Zandi, chief economist at Economy.com.

Zandi said he was looking for the September employment report to show a loss of around 350,000 jobs because of Katrina, which hit near

New Orleans on Aug. 29. The number of people filing applications for unemployment benefits was still rising the week of Sept. 12, when the Labor Department conducted its survey for the monthly jobs report.

Zandi said the loss of 350,000 jobs in the hurricane areas would be offset somewhat by a gain of 150,000 jobs in the rest of the country, leaving total payroll employment falling by a still sizable 200,000.

In August, before the storms hit, payroll jobs rose by 169,000. Jobs haven't fallen in more than two years.

The consensus among economists surveyed is for jobs to decline by 150,000 and for the unemployment rate to rise from a four-year low of 4.9 percent in August to 5.1 percent. But analysts said predicting this month's data is extremely

tricky given that the Bureau of Labor Statistics, which compiles the report, faced great difficulty doing its normal surveys in the hurricane areas.

"How do you survey people who are displaced? How do you survey businesses in New Orleans if their phones don't work or they are not there?" asked David Wyss, chief economist at Standard & Poor's in New York.

The report on jobless claims released Thursday showed that claims nationwide rose by 21,000 to 390,000, significantly higher than economists had been forecasting. Of the total, 74,000 were attributed to jobs lost because of the hurricanes. Most of that number reflected Katrina although for the first time claims related to Rita, which struck Texas on Sept. 24, also showed up in the data.

Ind. sex offender arrested out of state

Associated Press

FARGO, N.D. — A convicted sex offender from Indiana named on the FBI's Most Wanted Fugitives list has been arrested here.

William C. Davis, 33, of Wadesville, Ind., 15 miles northwest of Evansville, faces felony charges of molesting three Evansville-area boys and failing to register as a sex offender.

Davis was arrested on Thursday and taken to the Cass County Jail, where he will await an extradition hearing to return to Indiana. Authorities said he had been wanted on the felony charges for more than a year in both Vanderburgh and Posey counties.

A picture and details of Davis aired briefly on "The Oprah Winfrey Show" on Tuesday. The TV show focused on convicted sex offenders who victimized children again.

Winfrey's production company Harpo Productions Inc. offered a \$100,000 reward for information leading to the arrest of any of the fugitives profiled on the program.

The profile of Davis prompted a Fargo woman to call another woman about it, said FBI Special Agent Paul McCabe of Minneapolis.

The second woman went to the Oprah.com Web site to look at Davis' picture. She then called Minneapolis FBI agents about a man she knew as Mark A. Davis, McCabe said.

"Naturally, from there, we had some investigating to do," he said.

The FBI investigation confirmed Davis' background and led agents to Davis' apartment at about 4:45 p.m. Thursday.

"Through a ruse, they were able to get him to come to the door," McCabe said. "He actually denied who he was at first but finally admitted he was William C. Davis."

Davis had shaved his head and was wearing a leg cast

when arrested.

Fargo police also plan to investigate how long Davis lived in their city and what he was up to.

"We don't want to be known as a haven for child molesters," said Police Chief Chris Magnus.

Cass County Jail records show Davis said he was unemployed. He listed his mother, Pat Davis, as a contact person.

Davis told authorities he would decline all requests for interviews.

The latest Indiana charges stem from accusations Davis molested boys from January 2004 to July 2004, according to the FBI's Web site.

The site, along with the Indiana sex offender registry, says Davis was convicted for two counts of child molestation in January 1992.

Prison officials released him about 28 months later, and Davis failed to follow Indiana's sex offender registration laws. He disappeared in the summer of 2004, after learning that police in Evansville were looking for him. Local FBI agents investigated sightings of Davis, but never located him.

Indiana authorities asked the FBI to issue a warrant on a federal charge of unlawful flight to avoid prosecution for the latest molestation accusations.

If convicted, Davis faces between 20 to 50 years on each of five Class A felony counts, two to eight years on each of five Class B felony counts and an enhanced sentence up to 38 additional years as a repeat sexual offender.

The Evansville Courier & Press reported Vanderburgh County Deputy Prosecutor Donita Farr said Davis was known as the "rubber band man" when he volunteered with a local social agency that offers mentoring programs to children.

He acquired the title because he made toys out of twisted rubber bands.

Lawmakers push private screeners

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Lawmakers, many of them upset with the performance of the Transportation Security Administration, hope to encourage airports to return to privately employed screeners.

A provision in the Homeland Security spending bill, which was passed by the House Thursday evening, shields airports from lawsuits if they switch to private screeners.

Some airport officials haven't made the switch for fear that they could be sued if terrorists carried out an attack because of something private screeners did or didn't do.

Rep. Harold Rogers, R-Ky., added the legal protection to the Homeland Security spending bill to give airports the option of using private screeners.

"Private screening — under the watchful eye of the TSA — would have a lot more flexibility and maneuverability in addressing peak-hour loads and moving screeners around on the clock, rather than a large bureaucracy like the TSA," Rogers said.

Rep. Peter DeFazio, D-Ore., a member of the House aviation subcommittee, thinks private screeners will weaken airport security. Companies that hire screeners already have some legal protection, he said.

"If the private screening's so great, why do the private screening companies need the federal government to cap their liability?" DeFazio asked. "Why do the airports want to be exempt from any liability?"

The switch to TSA screeners came after the Sept. 11 attacks

exposed problems with privately employed workers. Private screeners have been used by five airports as part of a test comparing them with federal screeners at the other 450 commercial airports. They are hired, trained, paid and tested to TSA standards.

Rep. John Mica, R-Fla. and chairman of the House aviation subcommittee, said that air passengers would be safer with private screeners. "It would be much more efficient," he said.

A congressional investigation found the private screeners performed statistically better than the federal screeners, though opponents of private screening say the difference was slight.

In November, all airports were allowed to apply to switch from government screeners to private screeners.

Advocates of private screeners predicted that dozens of airports would rush to make the switch because of frustration with TSA's staffing decisions and procedures.

But only Elko Regional Airport in Nevada and Sioux Falls Regional Airport have applied to opt out.

One of the five test airports, San Francisco International Airport, had said it would switch to government screeners because it didn't have sufficient legal protection. Airport spokesman Michael McCarron said it would keep private screeners if the congressional plan becomes law.

Steve van Beek, executive vice president of policy for the trade group Airports Council

International, estimates there still are 20 or 30 airports interested in making the switch.

However, he said legal protection is only part of the issue. The other is whether TSA will allow airports to hire the screening company themselves. Now, the airports have to ask TSA to choose the company that provides the screening service for them.

"If those are the two big issues, then one has been nailed down," van Beek said.

George Doughty, executive director of

Lehigh Valley International Airport in Allentown, Pa., says he doesn't see much benefit in having TSA hire a screening company.

Airports now have half the responsibility for security and the TSA has the other half, he said. "If I'm just going to bring in yet another third party in the process, it doesn't seem to get me anything," he said.

"Right now we've got a system in place. It's working," Doughty said. "We could improve on it if we could manage the screening."

TSA spokeswoman Carrie Harmon said the agency is pleased the issue appears close to resolution.

"We know there are a number of airports that have been awaiting resolution of this issue," Harmon said.

The other four airports that use private screeners are in Rochester, N.Y., Tupelo, Miss., Jackson, Wyo., and Kansas City, Mo.

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Oyster farmer ponders job outlook

Associated Press

OYSTER BAY, N.Y. — Dave Relyea and a co-worker make sweeping laps up and down a patch of water in their workboat, dumping a half-million fingernail-sized oyster seedlings out of plastic buckets into about 30 feet of water.

The oysters take about two years to grow large enough for harvesting, but Relyea wonders if he'll still be in business by then. That's because the National Marine Fisheries Service is considering adding the Eastern oyster to the federal list

of threatened or endangered species, a move that could devastate oystermen like Relyea.

"Sure the oyster industry is not nearly as big as it used to be, but the oysters aren't going to become extinct," Relyea says as he plies waters where Theodore Roosevelt once fished and where Billy Joel's mansion sits near the shore. "And if we manage them properly, it's going to be a thriving farming operation."

The federal review was prompted in large part by the situation in Maryland's Chesapeake Bay, which has seen a dramatic dropoff in oyster

numbers. Between the 1930s and 1970s, Maryland's annual oyster harvest ranged between 2 and 4 million bushels a year. Last year, that number dropped to less than 33,000 bushels.

But the Chesapeake is not the only concern.

The Fisheries Service, which is part of the National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration, said U.S. Atlantic Coast landings of Eastern oysters dropped from 160.6 million pounds in 1890 to 2.4 million pounds in 2003 — a trend believed to be driven by overfishing, lost habitats and disease.

Lawsuit filed against Bush administration

Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO — A coalition of 20 environmental groups sued the Bush administration Thursday to block road construction, logging and industrial development on more than 90,000 square miles of the nation's last untouched forests.

In the lawsuit, the Sierra Club, National Audubon Society, Greenpeace and other groups challenge the U.S. Forest Service decision earlier this year to repeal President Clinton's 2001 "roadless rule" that protected 58.5 million acres of undeveloped national forest.

"These are the last wild areas of North America, and there is overwhelming public support for their protection from development," said Kristen Boyles, a staff attorney for Oakland-based Earthjustice, which filed the lawsuit on behalf of the plaintiffs.

The federal lawsuit comes

about a month after the attorneys general for California, New Mexico and Oregon brought a similar legal challenge. Both lawsuits allege the Bush administration violated federal law by not studying the environmental impacts of repealing the Clinton rule.

The U.S. Forest Service would not comment because the litigation is pending, said spokeswoman Heidi Valetkevitch.

Just before he left office in January 2001, Clinton issued a rule banning development and road building on almost one-third of the nation's 192 million acres of national forest land. The move was praised by environmentalists, but criticized by timber interests.

The Bush administration repealed the rule in May and issued a new policy that required states to work with Forest Service officials to devise management plans for individual forests.

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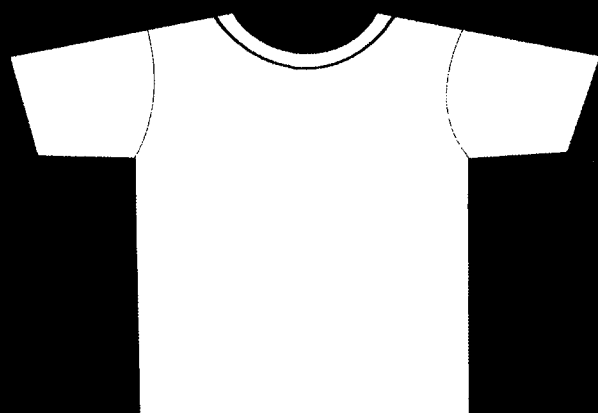
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Better late than never

If you were a student at Saint Mary's in 1998 and dialed up to an Internet Service Provider to check your e-mail on a Sunday night, your connection would be faster than the bandwidth students now receive in 2005 when connected to Saint Mary's ResNet.

The 6.5 Megabit of bandwidth divided up among the student body has resulted in download speeds as slow as 1 KB/sec, compared to dialup download speeds of 56.6 KB/sec. This amount of bandwidth is only one-sixth of the 45 Megabit bandwidth necessary to satisfy the needs of the College — which have clearly expanded since 1998, as administrators, professors and students increasingly rely on the Internet to facilitate and enhance the academic experience.

Disappointingly, Saint Mary's has not provided the resources to keep up with these needs.

As the Internet has become a staple in the daily lives of most American college students — used for everything from researching papers to talking with friends to downloading music — and as technological advances have made connections faster than ever, it is hard to underestimate the Internet's importance. And for an educational institution that strives to maintain its academic innovations and reputation, a lagging Internet connection is a definite problem.

So it is troubling that College administrators and the Department of Information Technology allowed more than a month of the fall semester to pass before recognizing the seriousness of this disruption to student life. At the beginning of this week, Director of Information Technology Keith Fowlkes said the College would not have the money to upgrade the connection by the end of this academic year — a disheartening forecast for students who had resorted to waking up at 3 a.m. to do Internet-based homework

and to using outside e-mail accounts to communicate with their families.

But then came a welcome about-face. After students voiced their frustrations at Monday's Board of Governance meeting and elsewhere, Saint Mary's made a swift turnaround, with administrators deciding to immediately reallocate \$17,000 to increase the College's bandwidth. Both Fowlkes, who attended the meeting, and the College are to be commended for listening to students and for quickly changing direction to meet a legitimate student need.

Fowlkes is hopeful the upgrade will be completed by the end of December, which would be a definite improvement over next August. In the meantime, however, students should follow his recommendation to cut back on downloading music and using

streaming media so students who need to use the Internet for academic work are able to do so.

But for the long term, Saint Mary's not only a place of learning for its students — it is also home to those who live on campus — and students want the ability to use these advances without hindrance. They have the right to expect the most outstanding technological resources from the College, including a fast Internet connection that can support music and other non-academic uses.

As more and more academic requirements are filled by class schedules, PowerPoint notes and group discussions that are facilitated through the Internet, it has become more apparent how essential an efficient Internet connection is to any college's operations. With this much-needed upgrade, students will be able to better participate in life at Saint Mary's — a goal the College has finally rightly recognized as worth its immediate attention.

The Observer Editorial

Honoring the 'angels' of Notre Dame

According to legend, angels of varying shapes and sizes roam the earth. Inconspicuously walking among us, they are known only by those to whom they have bestowed good deeds. Notre Dame is no stranger to the angel brigade. One such soul, Rev. Robert Griffin, C.S.C., has been gone now for a half-dozen years but would have celebrated his 80th birthday this week. Unfortunately, unless a scholarship or other memorial is established, few may remember his grace and compassion as time slithers along.

Occasionally we stare squarely into the eyes of angels like "Fr. Griff" but fail to recognize them until they have vanished. A typical Notre Dame student will, in just four years, encounter many who are impressive not so much for Catholicism as for their spirituality. When this writer studied at Notre Dame during the waning years of the Vietnam War, that era's angels included Fr. Griff, Frank O'Malley, Dean Waddick, Lenny Sommer, Thomas Stritch and Rev. A. B. Brennen to name but a few.

These men touched student lives in divergent ways. For example, retired speech and drama professor of thirty-three years and Notre Dame Debate Coach, Lenny Sommer, led students to ten national championships in forensics, persuasion and debate competition. He described his secret for success as "hard work, a belief in Notre Dame, and an occasional hopelessly dry martini." His testimonials, mere memories of his students, are much like the ghosts of Scrooge's youth at boarding school. But oh, what wonderful memories.

English professor Frank O'Malley and American Studies professor Tom Stritch were the last of the University's mid-20th Century "bachelor dons," faculty who lived in the residence halls and mentored students. Coincidentally, both campus giants resided in Lyons Hall where they regularly spoke to students well beyond the midnight hour. They taught students how to discover the meaning of life during those most sacred of nocturnal educational experiences. Both lived a vigorous existence, attempting to fuse the ideal with the real. Through their own scholarly style, each touched students in valuable ways.

O'Malley fought personal demons arising from a gin bottle, but eloquently spoke of the blood in the bricks on campus, of understanding the bread of life and of our everyday trials while following the footsteps of Christ. Stritch almost single-handedly created the American Studies Department that melded American literature, politics, communications and history at a time when our nation's culture was still exploding with antiwar fervor in the post-assassination 1960s. Never again will "bachelor dons" live as perpetual students within the confines of collegiate dormitories. Their testimonials in today's digital existence are reduced to finding the meaning of life through a Google search.

For those who never had an Internet search engine while attending Notre Dame, they had Fr. Griffin. Griff comforted the lonely, the hurt, the losers, the misfits and the suicidal. He was a campus misfit who always gave a hug to visitors, and his immense size earned him the name "El Gorgo," the large one. Sitting all night in Keenan Hall on a large reclining chair just beyond his open door, Griff was the sponge who soaked up the heartbreak, frustration and uncertainty of Notre Dame teenagers who were homesick or upper-classmen who were troubled.

Working the spiritual graveyard shift

each evening, Griffin seldom rose before noon. However, whenever he strolled across campus at midday, small armies of students "just happened to be going the same way." It was not until he adopted his cocker spaniel, Darby O'Gill, against University regulations, that some students felt at ease enough to use the dog to seek his guidance.

Griff even managed to open the first 24-hour campus lounge in the basement of the La Fortune Student Center. Named after his dog, Darby's Place accommodated mass gatherings. Yet Fr. Griffin could exude a personal one-on-one spiritual warmth students lacked elsewhere on campus or within their families.

Perhaps someone today on campus has replaced Griff as the soother of souls, but none can attract legions who tag along while crossing the quads. Allowing his memory to fade as generations pass is not an option for many who loved Griff, whose lives were changed or saved through his unselfish and giving nature. Some desire the creation of a scholarship fund but lack an ability to coordinate the effort.

It was suggested that an adequate scholarship requires a hundred friends contributing \$1,000 each for a University fund in Griffin's name. This writer would be happy to coordinate such alumni interest with the University financial aid office. As one who personally felt Griff's charity and compassion, that is the least that can be done to remember this, or any of the Notre Dame 'angels.'

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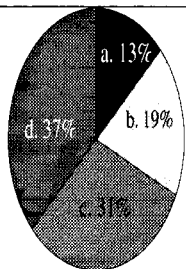
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Capitol Comments

OBSERVER POLL

What are you doing for the bye week?

- a. Taking a road trip
- b. Going home
- c. Studying for midterms
- d. Staying on campus



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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"We can do no great things, only small things with great love."

Mother Teresa
humanitarian and missionary

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Respect for soldiers

Soldiers viable peacemakers

I thank Michael Schorsch for his prayers in his Oct. 5 Letter to the Editor, "War Culture' the wrong path," but I am saddened that he so cavalierly dismisses the spirituality of the Notre Dame students and faculty members involved in Army Reserve Officer Training Corps and that his perception of the program as one that promotes a "war culture" on campus is so distorted. Contrary to his belief that students in Army ROTC are taught to kill, the reality of the program here is embodied in its mission to "educate, train, develop and inspire leaders of character for the Army and the Nation." The main focus of Army ROTC at Notre Dame is to develop leadership and character in its participants, and to do so within the just war tradition embraced by the Catholic faith.

Schorsch's comments do a nice job of presenting the pacifist point of view, and there is much to admire in his words, but he must also be willing to concede that within Catholic teachings, the just war tradition shares equal legitimacy and thus warrants the same level of respect. The U.S. Bishops' 1983 pastoral letter, "The Challenge of Peace," states that the traditions of pacifist nonviolence and just war are complementary and "contribute to the full moral vision we need in pursuit of a human peace." A decade later, the Bishops reiterated their hope that all Christians, both those committed to active nonviolence and those who support the just war tradition, could cultivate the "peaceable virtues," including love, hope, faith, patience and humility. We in Army ROTC have made and continue to make every effort to do just that by cultivating such virtues among our student participants and faculty members.

While Army ROTC cadets do spend a small portion of their time learning to fire rifles and to accomplish several other war-related tasks (all permissible by the Catholic Church), the preponderance of their training involves leadership instruction and character development to enable them to become effective agents of morality in an increasingly amoral world. Certainly we can both agree that this is an admirable and theologically sound approach.

As a professional soldier, practicing Catholic and the person responsible for developing and teaching the Army ROTC curriculum on campus, I invite Schorsch to come to the Pasquerilla Center and learn what we actually teach and do, as opposed to making wildly inaccurate assumptions about our activities and cat-

egorical denunciations of our cadets and faculty members. Rather than indicting an alleged "war culture" on campus, erroneously attributed to Army ROTC, I encourage Schorsch to search for the common ground shared by both traditions, namely, a desire to bring about peace.

Jesus also said, "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God," and while unfortunate, it is a sad fact of contemporary times that soldiers are often the only viable peacemakers. Military training in general has a long tradition on this campus, stretching back to 1858, and it is reflective of both the University's and the Catholic Church's enduring commitment to the just war tradition. With these things in mind, I believe that it is entirely appropriate that an Army ROTC program exists at the University of Our Lady, the Queen of Peace and mother of God since soldiers may well be the only ones able to establish and maintain the very peace She represents and we all seek, and thus become "sons of God" and of Our Lady as well.

Before he became a saint, St. Francis was a soldier, so I think it was a fitting tribute that, on his feast day, The Observer chose to feature the University's Army ROTC program on its front page. I am proud that the Fighting Irish Battalion delights in producing leaders of character like St. Francis who are equipped to fulfill their temporal, moral and spiritual responsibilities, and I urge Schorsch and others to resist the temptation of associating all that is bad regarding the use of force in today's world with the Army ROTC program on campus and their brothers and sisters who are participating in it and who are earnestly pursuing their own spirituality in the equally legitimate, wholly respectable, and completely honorable just war tradition.

We who volunteer to serve as peacemakers welcome Schorsch's prayers, and I offer my own prayers in return that he and others like him may come to understand the entire Catholic tradition as it relates to the use of force and learn to accept, rather than condemn, those who share his love of peace but who differ, within the teachings of the Church, on the permissible means to achieve that objective.

Lieutenant Colonel Kelly Jordan
Professor
Military Science and Head of Army ROTC
Oct. 5

Opinion short-sighted

As a veteran of the war in Iraq and student at Notre Dame, I read Michael Schorsch's Oct. 5 Letter to the Editor ("War Culture' the wrong path") with obvious interest. I'll begin by saying that as a practicing Catholic I'm also fully aware of the Vatican's position concerning the shrinking nature of just war theory, and the idea that the use of force has relatively few justifiable applications. I also respect and support Michael's right to criticize our nation's military and the Notre Dame Reserve Officer Training Corps program.

That having been said, what naturally struck me concerning Schorsch's letter was a basic lack of respect for contrary viewpoints — something that I feel to be a hallmark of the Catholic faith. In using words like "ridiculous," "subversive" and "dangerous" to describe the viewpoints and life choices of our nation's service members appears patronizingly short sighted to say the very least. Schorsch then goes on to line up a few passages from the Bible and proceeds to shut the lid on our discussion with the image of a smug, contrite Jesus looking down on our ROTC program with obvious disdain. I'm quite certain that kind of vitriol is inconsistent with the Catholic faith I know.

Forget for the moment that his opinion ignores the often noble intentions and contributions of our men and women in uniform. Instead of using The Observer space to explore those contributions in depth, I'll simply offer a suggestion. Next time you feel the urge to boil a very complex issue of the Catholic faith down to a black in white contest in condescension, just skip the next ROTC article and hit the sports section — our win over Purdue was much more interesting than the ROTC FTX anyway.

Matt Morrison
Graduate Student
off-campus
Oct. 5

Cadets leaders of character

While skimming through the Oct. 5 edition of The Observer, I stopped to read Michael Schorsch's thoughts about Reserve Officer Training Corps at Notre Dame. Although on the surface he appears to have a good argument, his insight is very shortsighted.

Yes, it is true that ROTC cadets are trained to kill when necessary. However, he fails to mention that first and foremost, ROTC cadets are taught how to be leaders of character for the nation. The values of respect, dignity, selfless service and integrity, among others, are instilled in each and every cadet and midshipman.

Speaking of values, what better place for a person who must deal with war and violence to come from than The University of Our Lady? Here at Notre Dame cadets will be taught how to fight wars in civilized manners with a strong faith as their backbone. Notre Dame will not turn out cold-blooded killers.

The Bible clearly mentions the presence of both good and evil in our world. Saddam Hussein is evil. Hitler was evil. The Just War Doctrine of the Catholic Church states "the use of arms must not produce evils and disorders graver than the evil to be eliminated." Liberating

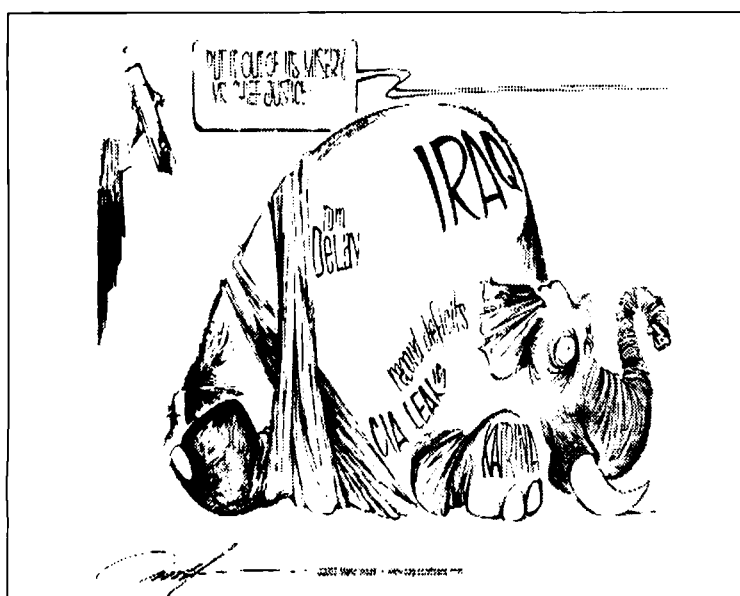
countries by means of force is not a graver evil than mass-murdering your own people.

Besides these other things, what disturbed me most about Schorsch's viewpoint was when he insisted that all ROTC cadets turn and "walk in the way of the cross, which teaches us to take suffering upon ourselves instead of heaping sufferings upon others." To say that the United States brings suffering is a disgrace. The United States has liberated Europe twice, and now Iraq, among countless other nations throughout our history. ROTC cadets already are deciding to take the suffering and burden of war upon themselves rather than "heaping" it upon ordinary U.S. citizens.

Apparently, all that the U.S. military does is bring suffering. After all, in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina, who was brought in to maintain order and peace? It couldn't have been the Army National Guard; they were probably too busy training to kill.

Stephen Iacovo
freshman
Stanford Hall
Oct. 6

EDITORIAL CARTOON



Respecting Saint Mary's

Today when I flipped open The Observer, I immediately read the Question of the Day. Normally the answers amuse me, but today I was woefully disappointed. Dave Gruener's response to the question, What community service do you do and why?, made me smile. He said, "I'm going down to New Orleans to do some hurricane relief work over break." However Patrick Pawlicki's answer — "I hang out with SMC chicks" — infuriated not only me, but a percentage of the Saint Mary's population.

There is a reason that The Observer is an "Independent Newspaper Serving Notre Dame and Saint Mary's." It's impossible to express the frustration we Saint Mary's women feel about the stereotypes held by a number of Notre Dame students. Saint Mary's is a remarkable place, and we love our school. The women here are confident, talented and goal oriented. We are not here for the sole purpose of pursuing Notre Dame men, in spite of what people such as Pawlicki believe.

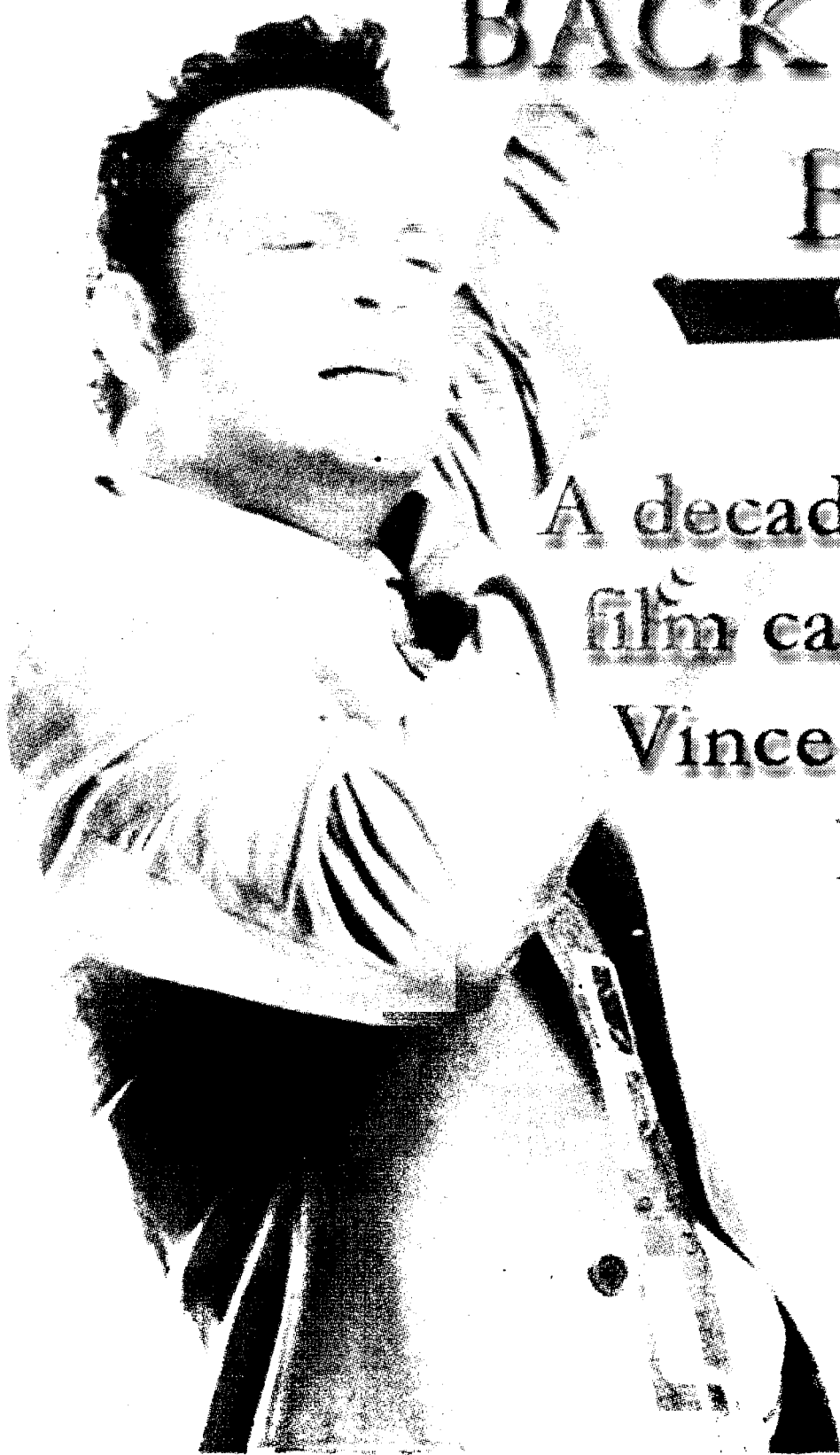
Saint Mary's is not an inferior institution — quite the contrary. The school has a unique history and an outstanding academic reputation. We respect and admire our Notre Dame family, but did not choose Saint Mary's simply because of its proximity to the University. Nor did we choose to come here as the "second-best" option to Notre Dame. We are separate and proud of the distinction, and couldn't be happier here across the street.

It's unfortunate that Pawlicki feels that offering his manly presence to Saint Mary's women is a service to us. I pity his closed mind. He's missing out on the chance to meet some of the most incredible people in this Notre Dame, Holy Cross and Saint Mary's community.

Sarah King
first year
Saint Mary's
Oct. 6

BACK WHERE HE BEGAN

A decade after launching his film career in 'Rudy,' actor Vince Vaughn returns to Notre Dame



STORY BY RAMA GOTTUMUKKALA

Photo courtesy of Student Union Board

The last time Vince Vaughn performed on campus, he caught the harsh end of an Ara Parseghian tongue-lashing and was dropped from the third-string to the practice squad.

Times have changed. Vaughn is no longer the scapegoat he was in "Rudy," his first major film role. The A-list Hollywood star has since enjoyed tremendous success with blockbusters like "Swingers," "Dodgeball" and "Old School." His most recent film, "Wedding Crashers," earned over \$200 million this summer, ranking it as the year's top comedy and the third highest-grossing film of the year.

Still, despite all the success, Vaughn has a soft spot for the University where he first launched his film career. His first speaking role was playing running back Jamie O'Hara in "Rudy."

"I'm sure it's going to be a great experience for [Vaughn] to come back to where his film career started," said John Pisani, Vaughn's publicist. "I think he's always had a fondness for Notre Dame, and there's a great tradition there. So to be able to come and do a show on the campus, he's thrilled about it."

Saturday, Vaughn brings his national comedy tour, "30 Days & 30 Nights — Hollywood to the Heartland," to Stepan Center, the 27th stop on the tour's nationwide road trip. Vaughn will act as the event's emcee and also take part in some of the skits. The show will also feature national touring comedians Bret Ernst, Sebastian Maniscalco, Ahmed Ahmed and John Caparulo, all comedians from the famed Los Angeles Comedy Store.

Playing in 30 cities in 30 days is a daunting task for any performer, but Vaughn and his comedy crew have embraced the rare opportunity to tour all the way from Los Angeles to America's heartland, taking in the sights along the way.

"We've been having a great time and

it's been awesome performing at all these venues, some more historical than others," Ernst said. "We visited a few college campuses already, but nothing to the magnitude of Notre Dame. I'd love to go down to the [football stadium] field, especially since 'Rudy' was one of my favorite movies."

The idea for the tour was spawned from Vaughn's previous work on comedy benefit shows for charity. He organized a similar show with the Comedy Store performers more than a year ago to support the Army Emergency Relief Fund. The success of that Memorial Day weekend show convinced Vaughn to spawn a nationwide tour. Proceeds from the current tour's profits have been used to support various charities, including those aiding the victims of Hurricane Katrina. The tour is also being filmed for an upcoming documentary movie detailing the trip's experiences.

"Vince really respects what we do as far as stand-up comics go," Ernst said. "He's really an amazing individual as far as his work ethic and his character. [He and his staff] put this all together in pretty much four weeks, which is unbelievable. The idea of doing it for charity

just motivated him even more."

For Maniscalco, a fan of Vaughn's 1996 hit comedy "Swingers," the tour has offered a chance to travel around the country and work with someone who had inspired him onscreen years ago. When "Swingers" came out, Maniscalco was still living in Chicago and thinking of pursuing a career in standup.

"To work with Vince Vaughn was a pretty surreal experience — to watch this guy's movie nine years ago and love what he did, and now, nine years later, we're roommates on a tour bus," Maniscalco said. "For me it's been great because now I get to tap into Vince Vaughn's audience base and he's validated us as his favorite comedians. It's been great. He's like the Johnny Carson of the millennium."

As the comedy tour has neared South Bend, more discussions on the tour bus have been directed towards football and Notre Dame. Vaughn, a college football fan, also grew up in Lake Forest, Ill.

Between his love for college football, growing up in the Midwest and starring in "Rudy," Ernst isn't surprised that there might be a correlation there.

"[Vaughn] is a big Notre Dame fan," Ernst said. "We were arguing on the bus. He kept bringing up Notre Dame and saying, 'classy program, Notre Dame doesn't do what the University of Miami does.' He's pretty attached to it and plus he's a Midwestern boy, which might explain why he loves Notre Dame."

It's been over a decade since Vaughn started his film career on this very campus. He met fellow actor and good friend Jon Favreau during the filming of "Rudy," a relationship that opened an avenue to "Swingers," the film that helped launch the pair to stardom. This Saturday, Vaughn's career progression will come full circle.

"I'm sure it's going to be a great experience and one that he's excited about — being able to come back after the success he's had in films like 'Dodgeball,' 'Wedding Crashers,' and 'Old School' that helped him become an A-list movie star, which is a nice arc," Pisani said.

Not bad for a third-string running back.

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DPAC SPOTLIGHT

Visually stunning Hong Kong film arrives on campus

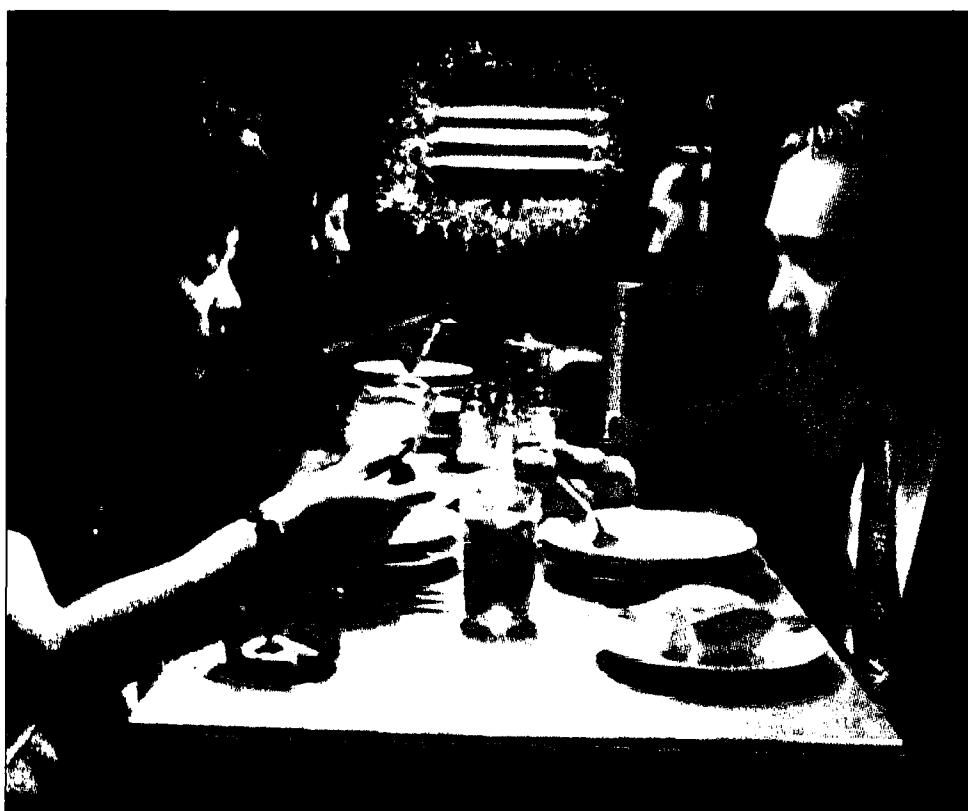


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Wang Jing Wen (Faye Wong), left, and Chow Mo Wan (Tony Leung Chiu-Wai) star in "2046." The film is showing this weekend at the Performing Arts Center.

By BRIAN DOXTADER
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It's typically a bad sign when the first word used to describe a film is "confusing." Yet no other word sums up "2046," Wong Kar-Wai's latest film, as neatly or as succinctly.

While it scores points for atmosphere and mood — two elements typically well-done by Kar-Wai — the narrative is ultimately too jumbled and inaccessible for most audience members.

Like most Kar-Wai films, "2046" is deliberately paced. Yet, unlike most Kar-Wai films, the narrative and characters aren't enough to keep the audience interested. The time-shifting plot begins in the future year of 2046 before traveling 80 years into the past to the year 1966. It follows Chow Mo-Wan (Tony Leung Chiu-Wai), a writer who finds himself with three different women on Christmas Eve in three successive years. The first is Lulu (Carina Lau), followed by hotel heiress Wang Jingwen (Faye Wong) then high-class prostitute Bai Ling (Zhang Ziyi). Ultimately, Wang and Chow are reunited, which leads to the film's conclusion.

A film like "2046" isn't about plot or narrative, and that's precisely at the heart of its problems. Few films can thrive on atmosphere alone, and while Kar-Wai's latest certainly has tone and style, it lacks the cohesiveness of his earlier works.

"In the Mood for Love" was equally atmospheric, but its characters were more involving, its ruminations on the nature of love more striking. Additionally, "2046" is unforgivingly serious, lacking the charm and personality of "Chungking Express."

Three separate, distinct and talented cinematographers worked on "2046": Christopher Doyle, Kwan Pun-leung and Lai Yiu-Fai. As a result, it is filled with much visual grace and beauty, but pretty pictures do not a great film

make. Without the support of a logical plot, the movie begins to collapse under its own weight.

The cast is a veritable "who's who" of modern Hong Kong cinema. Kar-Wai staple Tony Leung Chiu-Wai is predictably reliable as the struggling author, while Faye Wong ("Chungking Express") and Zhang Ziyi ("Hero," "Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon") are quite good as Chow Mo-wan's love interests. The problem is that the plot lets these characters — and the actors — down. The acting is solid, but these characters are cut adrift in a sea of confusion and, ultimately, apathy. It becomes too difficult to become involved in the uneven narrative, and as a result, most viewers will simply stop trying.

Kar-Wai is one of Hong Kong's most renowned directors, but "2046" isn't in the same league as predecessors like "Chungking Express" and "In the Mood for Love." In those films, Kar-Wai had stories to tell and told them well, as he explored the details and tribulations of love. He nominally attempts to explore the same themes here, yet they don't resonant as clearly. The elliptical editing and languid pacing are familiar devices in Kar-Wai's films, but the inability to connect with the characters nullifies their effect in this film.

The difference between his previous works and "2046" is in the approach: his earlier pictures were not necessarily art films, but they were artistic films, while "2046" is definitely situated as art with a capital "A."

Kar-Wai might think this excuses his excesses, but discerning viewers know better. "2046" is undoubtedly a well-made film, nice to look at, easy to admire, but difficult to love — and when the film is supposed to be about love, shouldn't that be of the utmost importance?

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NOTRE DAME'S BEST... *Statues*

BY OBSERVER PHOTO STAFF



The Latin inscription, "Venite ad me omnes," on this statue of Jesus facing the Main Building refers to the following passage from Matthew 11:28: "Come to me all you that labor and are burdened, and I will refresh you."



Dedicated to Dr. Tom Dooley, this statue depicts the 1948 Notre Dame graduate and humanitarian caring for two Laotian children. A replica of the letter he wrote to Father Theodore Hesburgh on his deathbed praising the Grotto is displayed nearby.



Overlooking the campus with maternal care, the University's patroness has inspired the Notre Dame family throughout history. This statue of Mary on the top of the Golden Dome was regilded last spring.

For next week: What are the best courtyards on campus?
Send your suggestions to obsphoto@nd.edu.

SMC CROSS COUNTRY

Belles ready to repeat success in Eagle Invitational

Team hopes for best times at annual race hosted by Benedictine

By KEN FOWLER
Sports Writer

This one is big for the Belles. Today marks the last race in the middle third of the season for the team, and Saint Mary's enters the competition with high expectations.

Last year in the five-kilometer Benedictine University Eagle Invitational in Lisle, Ill., Becky Feauto led Saint Mary's to a fifth-place finish in the 23-

team field.

Today, the Belles and first-year head coach Jackie Bauters are hoping for just as much success.

"I think this weekend's going to be really good for us," Bauters said. "We tend to do pretty good at this race."

Bauters said her strategy is to continue to improve Saint Mary's team results is to maximize the performance of individual Belle runners.

"Just a gut feeling, I think this race — because it's been very good for us — I think it will prove to be the best race for a lot of people this year," she said.

The Belles have other rea-

sons to be optimistic about the team competition as well.

The Northern Illinois Huskies, reigning champions of the Eagle Invitational, and Saint Mary's were among the 27 teams in last weekend's Sean Earl Lakefront Invitational in Chicago. The Belles finished 18th, and the Huskies placed three spots behind at No. 21.

"I think that speaks to our improving," Bauters said.

Strong performances from several freshmen so far this season have helped the Belles

"I think this weekend's going to be really good for us."

Jackie Bauters
Belles coach

compensate for graduated seniors and injuries. Sophomore Megan Gray finished just behind Feauto last year at the Eagle Invitational and posted the team's best time in six of its eight races in 2004. But she has not raced so far this season due to injury.

In her absence, newcomers like Kelly Biedron have filled the gap and run exceptionally for the team. Seven of Saint Mary's 14 point-scorers over the past two weeks have been freshmen.

Bauters said that from fresh-

men to seniors, the entire team practiced well this week.

"We had a pretty full, hard week of practice this week, and the girls did great," she said.

The race is the Belles' final five-kilometer meet for the year, and Bauters said that most of her runners are aiming to record personal best times in the race.

"I really hope they can accomplish [their goals] and have their best [times]," she said.

The race begins at 3:30 p.m. on the campus of Lisle High School.

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SMC GOLF

Saint Mary's enters conference championship with big lead

Second-place Olivet is 22 strokes behind the Belles but made a late charge in last year's final match

By ANNA FRICANO
Sports Writer

This weekend, members of the Saint Mary's golf team will have the opportunity to set a new standard for the program and make history at the College.

Having won three consecutive conference titles in the past three years, the Belles are one championship tournament away from becoming the first-ever Saint Mary's team to take the MIAA golf title four years in a row.

After three conference jamborees, distributed throughout the fall season, the Belles currently have a 22-stroke lead in the MIAA.

Last season, it was Olivet who gave the Belles a run for their money in the championship, finishing only two strokes behind in second place.

But with the combined scores from the first three jamborees, Saint Mary's already had a 68-stroke lead going into the tournament, taking off most of the pressure for the weekend.

This weekend will likely be very similar for the team. Olivet is again in second place behind the Belles, and it did manage to finish ahead of Saint Mary's in one of the league jamborees this fall.

But the Belles have maintained the overall lead in the conference by a comfortable margin after Olivet finished in fourth place, 13 strokes behind Saint Mary's, in the most recent conference competition.

With such a large gap between first and second place in the conference standings, the Belles are working hard to make sure that they don't lose their focus going into this weekend.

Head coach Mark Hamilton said that the team is concentrating on two main factors for motivation to perform well.

"[Our lead] is 22 strokes, and while we don't like to think in those terms, it's possible that over the course of two

days, that could deteriorate," Hamilton said.

Also, the Belles will go into this weekend with the spring season in the backs of their minds. Hamilton commented that the team will work to improve its scores, in order to maintain its chances of getting to the national tournament in May.

"Our second motivation is that we need to lower our scoring averages, which will determine who goes to NCAA," Hamilton said.

"There will be a couple of teams that we don't meet before then, so it will be determined by our scores."

The Bedford Valley Country Club, where this weekend's 36-hole event will take place, is known to provide a challenging round of golf, but Hamilton is happy with his team's chances on the course.

"The course suits our style, but it's slightly tougher than

the standard course," Hamilton said. "It'll be a good test, and it will separate the good teams from the not-so-good teams."

Four Saint Mary's seniors have been with the golf program from the very beginning of its streak of success, and will try to keep it going this weekend.

Megan Mattia has led the way for the Belles this year, capping off a career which has included All-MIAA honors for three seasons already.

Nicole Bellino, a co-captain of this year's team, was given the coach's award in 2003, and was named Second Team All Conference in 2004.

Erin McQueen was awarded with the coach's award in 2004 and has been named to the MIAA Honor Roll. In addition, she is a Mark Bambenek Scholar.

Rounding out the senior class is Kirsten Fantom, who is also a captain of the 2005 team. Fantom has had a strong senior year, finishing in third place overall at the first league jamboree of the season.

Hamilton is hopeful that the seniors on his team will be able to finish their time with the golf program with a perfect record in the MIAA.

"To win it four times in a row is a great feat," Hamilton said. "For the seniors to be able to win it four times, that'll be something they can take with them forever."

The final event of the fall season will begin today at 1 p.m. Teams will begin to tee-off for the final round at 9 a.m. Saturday.

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AFC East

team	record	perc.	PF/G	PA/G
Miami	2-1	.667	68	51
New England	2-2	.500	87	108
Buffalo	1-3	.250	48	69
New York	1-3	.250	47	73

AFC North

team	record	perc.	PF/G	PA/G
Cincinnati	4-0	1.000	104	38
Pittsburgh	2-1	.667	81	37
Baltimore	1-2	.333	30	52
Cleveland	1-2	.333	45	64

AFC South

team	record	perc.	PF/G	PA/G
Indianapolis	4-0	1.000	78	26
Jacksonville	2-2	.500	62	64
Tennessee	1-3	.250	69	106
Houston	0-3	.000	24	65

AFC West

team	record	perc.	PF/G	PA/G
Denver	3-1	.750	80	68
Kansas City	2-2	.500	91	91
San Diego	2-2	.500	127	88
Oakland	1-3	.250	76	89

NFC East

team	record	perc.	PF/G	PA/G
Washington	3-0	1.000	43	37
New York	3-1	.750	136	98
Philadelphia	3-1	.750	112	68
Dallas	2-2	.500	88	88

NFC North

team	record	perc.	PF/G	PA/G
Chicago	1-2	.333	52	39
Detroit	1-2	.333	36	58
Minnesota	1-3	.250	64	107
Green Bay	0-4	.000	72	92

NFC South

team	record	perc.	PF/G	PA/G
Tampa Bay	4-0	1.000	77	45
Atlanta	3-1	.750	86	57
Carolina	2-2	.500	103	96
New Orleans	2-2	.500	68	87

NFC West

team	record	perc.	PF/G	PA/G
Seattle	2-2	.500	89	76
St. Louis	2-2	.500	97	111
Arizona	1-3	.250	74	110
San Francisco	1-3	.250	76	132

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2	Georgetown	3-1-1	10-2-1
3	Louisville	3-2-0	8-4-0
4	Villanova	2-0-3	6-3-4
5	Seton Hall	2-3-0	6-4-2
6	Cincinnati	1-3-1	3-6-3
7	Rutgers	1-4-0	4-7-1
8	DePaul	0-3-2	2-6-3

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NFL



Randy McMichael points to the sky after scoring a touchdown in Sunday's game against Carolina. The city of Miami will have a lot to celebrate as it was named the host of the 2010 Super Bowl.

Miami awarded Super Bowl in 2010

Associated Press

ROMULUS, Mich. — South Florida heat prevailed over a city whose last Super Bowl was an icy one.

Miami was awarded the 2010 Super Bowl on Thursday, a record 10th time the city will host the title game and record 15th time it will be in Florida.

"We love our city and we love our area. We think the weather is the best. We think we have the best hotels, the best restaurants, the best beaches and the best golf courses," Dolphins owner

Wayne Huizenga said.

Miami, Atlanta and Houston made a final pitch for the marquee event at an NFL owners meeting about 25 miles from Detroit's Ford Field, where the next Super Bowl will be played.

What would Falcons owner Arthur Blank do differently?

"I would take Atlanta and move it to the Caribbean," he joked.

An ice storm and frigid temperatures struck Atlanta in 2000, the last time the game was played at the Georgia Dome.

With New York, which had been conditionally

awarded the game, out of the running, the NFL picked from three cities that lost a bid in May for the 2009 game, which went to Tampa, Fla.

The vote took three ballots, with Houston eliminated on the first. No city got the three-quarters vote needed on the second ballot and Miami won by a simple majority on the third.

"Obviously, it was very close," Blank said.

Some regarded Atlanta and Houston as favorites because Miami already had been picked for the 2007 game, but Blank said South Florida's

weather won out. The 2008 Super Bowl will be played in suburban Phoenix. That means after the game in Michigan this year, there will be three Super Bowls in Florida and one in Arizona.

"If you look at the last number of votes, it's very clear the ownership feels strongly about having the game where the weather is generally warmer," Blank said.

When the NFL is not awarding a Super Bowl to a city — like Detroit — with a new stadium, Huizenga expects Miami to have a good shot at landing the game.

IN BRIEF

Manning and Harrison find themselves close to record

SAN FRANCISCO — Peyton Manning and Marvin Harrison are poised to make history, and the San Francisco 49ers know there's not much they can do to protect one of their franchise's most hallowed records in their own stadium.

The 49ers are just hoping Dwight Freeney doesn't set some sort of sacks record of his own while chasing Alex Smith, San Francisco's own star quarterback of the future.

With one touchdown pass against the Niners' patchwork secondary on Sunday, Manning and Harrison will become the most prolific passing combination in NFL history. Their 85th touchdown hookup last week tied the league record set by San Francisco's Steve Young and Jerry Rice from 1987-99.

Manning and Harrison already hold the records for most completions (726) and yards (9,677) by a

tandem, but the scoring mark is the most prized. Young and Rice led the 49ers to dozens of victories and a Super Bowl title from their home at wind-swept Candlestick Park.

Johnson ready to pitch game three for the Yankees

NEW YORK — Randy Johnson knows his mission: Win and nothing else.

The Yankees imported the Big Unit last winter to be their ace, snuff out opponents and get New York its first World Series title since 2000.

With the best-of-five AL playoff series against the Los Angeles Angels tied at one game apiece going into Game 3, the 42-year-old left-hander sounded determined as he prepared for his Yankees postseason debut.

"I understand that I am here to get this team over the top," he said. "And with that, there's no making mistakes. I made a few during the

regular season, and unfortunately there's no room to make a lot of mistakes during the postseason."

Montgomerie shoots 6-under to hold lead in tournament

SAN FRANCISCO — Coming off his first victory in 19 months, Colin Montgomerie appears hungry for more.

Montgomerie showed no effects from an emotional victory four days ago in Scotland, missing only two green and matching his career-low round in the United States with a 6-under 64 that gave him the lead Thursday in the American Express Championship.

The 42-year-old Scot surged into lead with three straight birdies to close out the back nine, including an approach into 6 feet on the 470-yard 18th hole. Despite two good birdie chances that caught the lip, he stuffed a wedge into 18 inches on the seventh hole, and never came seriously close to a bogey.

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WOMEN'S INTERHALL

Lewis and Badin face off in Blue League tilt

Howard hopes to give favored Cavanaugh a tough game Sunday

By JACK THORNTON,
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With playoffs on the horizon, the Lewis Chicks (3-2) and the Badin Bullfrogs (1-3-1) will meet Sunday at 9 p.m. at Riehle West Fields in what should be a particularly heated game.

Lewis, the No. 3 seed in the Women's Blue League, just finished beating the Bullfrogs 14-9 on Tuesday and will now face the No. 4 seed in a game that could have playoff implications.

Tuesday's game was won on intensity, Badin receiver Courtney Rains said.

"They came out a lot more aggressive than us, and it wasn't until about the last 10 minutes when we came out aggressive, that we played them strong and started to come back," Rains said. "They just had it all game and we didn't and that gave them the edge."

Even if Lyons loses to Walsh, guaranteeing the Bullfrogs a playoff spot, Rains said they'll be gunning for the Chicks.

"I think it's going to be pretty tense," she said. "There was a lot of trash talking on the field, and I think they're going to come out knowing that we want to beat them."

Lewis receiver Becky Rambo says the Chicks will have to stay extra sharp to pull off the season-sweep.

"I'm kind of nervous, because we just played them, and they kind of know what we do now," Rambo said. "We just need to be on the top of our game, because now they're going to try to adapt to us."

Though the Chicks have already clinched a playoff berth, Lewis is approaching this game as if it meant as much as any other.

"We come out every game 100 percent," Rains said. "Every game is just about improving on the last, and fine-tuning everything and getting everything ready for the playoffs."

In particular, the Chicks are looking to prepare for a trip to Notre Dame Stadium.

"It's very important [to us] to win this game," Rains said. "Two years ago, we went to the stadium, and a lot of the seniors and juniors want to go back."

Howard vs. Cavanaugh

It's David versus Goliath Sunday night at 7 p.m. as the Howard Ducks (0-4-1) take on the undefeated Cavanaugh Chaos (5-0) in a No. 1 vs. No. 6 positional game.

Cavanaugh comes in as a heavy favorite, most recently coming off of a 13-6 win against Lyons. The Chaos have posted four shutouts in five games, and also possess a high-powered offensive attack that dismantled Walsh 18-0 earlier in the season. Led by quarterback Lisa Ruffer and receivers Nancy Powaga and Janice Flynn, Cavanaugh has rolled through the women's Blue League en route to a No. 1 seeding this week. But

despite their success, middle linebacker Kerri Bergen said her team is aware of the dangers of facing a team with nothing to lose.

"We are definitely not looking past this one," Bergen said. "We have to work on what we want to do for the playoffs, and we want to stay undefeated."

Bergen added Cavanaugh will look to get inexperienced players some valuable playing time should the score allow it.

"When it comes time for the playoffs, it's always a good thing to get everyone some playing time, so they're ready if we ever need them to come in," Bergen said.

Howard does not have that luxury.

The Ducks enter the contest without a win, but receiver Mary Kaminski is looking on the bright side.

"By the numbers, we look like we haven't had a great season, but we have shown signs of improvement week by week," she said.

Despite looking at the positives, Kaminski acknowledged that it will take a tremendous effort to upset the Chaos Sunday night.

"We have to execute perfectly and put all the little things together, but we haven't been able to do that yet," she said. "We've been working on the little things, like blocking, tackling, defensive coverage and running routes."

Kaminski pointed to senior running back/safety Callie Whelan and freshman receiver/cornerback Liz Price as players who could possibly help the Ducks pull the upset.

To the casual viewer, this

game looks to be a runaway for the Chaos. They appear to hold a very favorable advantage both offensively and defensively.

But as history has shown, the game isn't played on paper.

Lyons vs. Walsh

Hope is not lost.

If Lyons can beat Walsh in the final regular season game this Sunday, and if Badin loses its game against Lewis, the Lions can make the playoffs.

Of course, beating Walsh is easier said than done, as the Wild Women's only loss this season came to unbeaten Cavanaugh.

Lyons knows the difficulty of the task it will face, because the Wild Women shut them out 20-0 when they met last week.

However, Lyons has a new source of confidence as it just played its best game of the season on Tuesday against Cavanaugh, becoming the first team to score a touchdown on the Chaos all season and showing remarkable defensive resilience.

They lost, but gave Cavanaugh a strong challenge, and captain Katie Mackinn said she and her team are confident heading into Sunday.

"After our game against Cavanaugh, we are starting to pick up momentum," she said. "We had practice today and will again on Saturday. We know Walsh's plays, offensive and defensive, and we think we can play well against them."

Walsh, meanwhile, looks to hold onto its No. 2 seed in the Women's Blue league heading into the playoffs and would like nothing more than a solid win

to boost its confidence. However, the Wild Women are assured a playoff berth no matter the outcome.

The game looms at 8 p.m. Sunday night on Riehle West.

Pangborn vs. Pasquerilla East

On Sunday at the West Quad fields, the Phoxes of Pangborn will take on the Pyros of Pasquerilla East in a game with playoff implications.

In the Women's Gold League, Pangborn, as of the latest released standings, sat a half game behind second-place Welsh Family, and one game behind first-place McGlinn, which handed the Phoxes their only loss of the season.

Pasquerilla East, at 1-3, needs a win to stay in the hunt for the playoffs.

In the Gold League, four teams make the playoffs. McGlinn and Welsh Family sit in strong positions for the first two, but the last two may come down to the final slate of games as the other five teams are still in the hunt.

So far, the teams have played two common opponents. Both lost to McGlinn — PE fell, 20-0, and Pangborn, 6-0. Pangborn defeated Pasquerilla West, 18-0, while PE came up a touchdown short against its neighbors, 19-13.

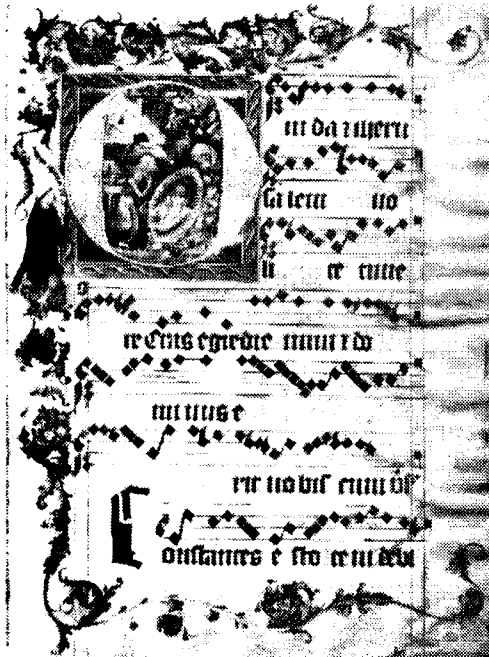
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MEN'S INTERHALL — BLUE LEAGUE

Knott, Carroll lock horns

By CATHERINE KANE,
CHRIS HINE and
JAMES FEGAN
Sports Writers

Hailing from extreme sides of campus, Knott and Carroll are preparing for what could prove to be an exciting game on Sunday at Riehle field.

"These are two totally different football teams," Carroll captain Kory Wilmot said.

And they come to the field with two different goals.

Carroll posts a 2-1 record with a loss only to Zahm in the first game of the season.

The team hopes to advance its standings for the playoffs, this being its final game of the regular season. Knott, on the other hand, is looking for at least one win this season. Having lost both of its games this year, Knott is more focused on securing at least one victory.

"Carroll has obviously had more success than we have so far this year, so they are probably the favorites on Sunday, but we are going to go out and give it our best shot," Knott captain Dan Gray said.

Carroll hopes to continue utilizing its passing offense, which, besides its first game, has proved successful.

The squad came away with a six-point victory against Siegfried and a 28-point blowout against Fisher last week. Ironically, the two teams that Carroll has beaten are the two that defeated Knott.

Carroll wants to chance to prove its skill.

"[We want to take] another opportunity to show everyone that we are as good as any team in interhall," Wilmot said.

And each team seems confident in the improvements it has made so far this season.

Even though Knott comes into the game on Sunday as the underdog, Gray is optimistic.

"We've made some improvements in the last two weeks and hopefully we can translate them into a win," he said.

Fisher vs. Sorin

The Sorin Otters (1-2) will take on the Green Wave of

Fisher Hall (1-1) Sunday in a Blue League contest that has playoff implications for both squads. Sorin would be out if it loses. If Fisher loses, they are essentially out of the playoffs, barring a miraculous series of events in the final set of games that would get them in due to a technicality.

Sorin is looking to jump-start an offense that has only one touchdown in three games. The Otters feature Stu Mora at quarterback and Pat Lopez at running back.

"We're trying to make the offense a little more productive," Sorin captain Pete Lavorini said. "Hopefully, the defense will play as tough as it always has and our offense can live up to its potential."

The defense thus far has one shutout and has given up a combined 22 points in Sorin's two losses. Lavorini said his team understands how crucial it is to win this game, but it doesn't feel any added pressure.

"We're just going to go out and play our best," he said.

Fisher opened its season with a 6-0 win over Knott and is looking to avenge a 28-0 defeat last week at the hands of Carroll. On offense, Fisher features sophomore Patrick Gotebeski at quarterback and running back Tom Sullivan.

"This week at practice we focused on fundamentals and we feel ready to go," Gotebeski said.

On defense, Fisher hopes to fix a pass defense that surrendered four touchdown passes last week to Carroll. The Green Wave features the tough linebacking corps of Andrew Lorenz, Tommy Bufalino and Mike Bufalino.

The game will be held at 3 p.m. on Riehle North Field.

Siegfried vs. St. Ed's

Siegfried (2-1) looks to end its regular season by clinching a playoff berth against St. Ed's (0-2) this Sunday at 2 p.m. With a win, Siegfried will punch its ticket for the playoff, while another loss leaves its destiny hinging on the result of other games. At 0-2, St. Ed's playoff

ambitions are on life support — the Stedsmen need a win and help from others to have a chance.

Siegfried will depend on its juggernaut defense to carry it Sunday, as it has all year.

Throughout its offensive troubles, Siegfried has forced turnovers and made defensive scores to carry it to the brink of a playoff berth.

Siegfried's offense has managed only one touchdown all season, and has gotten just as many points this year from kicker Pablo Diaz as it has from offensive skill players. The squad is hoping that it can work out its difficulties against St. Ed's defense before moving on to the playoffs.

The St. Ed's defense desperately needs to forget the 29-0 razing it received at the hands of Zahm and return to more consistent play.

After holding Sorin to one touchdown, the Stedsmen got torched by Zahm's rushing attack, giving up big plays by the fistful. Adding to the issues that the Stedsmen have is the fact that they have yet to put any points on the board yet this season.

After a sloppy close loss to Sorin and a drubbing at the hands of Zahm, a season that started with playoff ambitions is now in danger of being effectively ended.

If the Stedsmen want to play after fall break, they will need to overcome a powerful Siegfried defense.

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MEN'S INTERHALL — GOLD LEAGUE

O'Neill, 'Roos ready for Mod Quad battle

By GREG ARBOGAST
Sports Writer

Sunday's game between O'Neill and Keough holds major playoff implications for the Mob, while Keough comes into the game attempting to get its first win of the season.

O'Neill, which had a bye last week but lost to Morrissey 6-2 the previous week, has had two weeks to prepare for this game, and the Mob has used the extra time to their advantage.

"The first week we just emphasized going back to fundamentals, but this past week we've been preparing for both the Keough offense and defense," O'Neill captain Matt Hughey said.

Hughey also said that O'Neill was installing some new offensive plays they felt would be advantageous against the Keough defense. These new plays are intended to get the Mob offense back on track after it was unable to put up any points against Morrissey.

Keough is also entering Sunday's game with its last result being a loss to Morrissey.

The Kangaroos were soundly defeated 21-6, as they were unable to stop Morrissey running back Nick Klein, who ran for 141 yards on 18 carries and three touchdowns.

However, the absence of two of Keough's starting linebackers undoubtedly

contributed to Klein's stellar performance.

"We had a lot of inexperience at linebacker because of forced adjustments, and we weren't able to prevent their running game from going outside," Keough captain Zach Brown said.

The regular linebacker core for Keough will be back to full strength for this week's game, which will make it more difficult for O'Neill to find running.

The game is Sunday at 1 p.m. on Riehle FB South.

Alumni vs. Stanford

The Dawgs face off against the Griffins in a pivotal battle with a potential playoff spot on the line.

With both teams stuck in the middle of the competitive Men's Gold League, Sunday's contest could ultimately be the difference between a ticket to the playoff — and a chance to play in Notre Dame Stadium in the championship game — and a trip home.

The contest kicks off at 2 p.m. on Riehle FB South.

Dillon vs. Morrissey

The Big Red and Manorites are slated to meet Sunday afternoon at 3 on Riehle FB South in a Men's Gold League showdown. After victories in its first two games, Morrissey is in prime position to make a long playoff run.

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MLB PLAYOFFS — AL

Defending champion Boston needs victories

Associated Press

BOSTON — For once, the Boston Red Sox have history on their side.

Heading into Friday's game against the White Sox at Fenway Park, the team that went 86 years between World Series titles is undaunted by Chicago's 2-0 lead.

After all, these Red Sox overcame a 3-0 deficit against the New York Yankees to win the AL championship last year. They're 8-1 in games in which they faced playoff elimination since 2003.

And they had the best home record in the majors this season.

Every experience you have helps you," Boston manager Terry Francona said Thursday. "If players or me or the coaches or somebody can pull something positive from that experience,

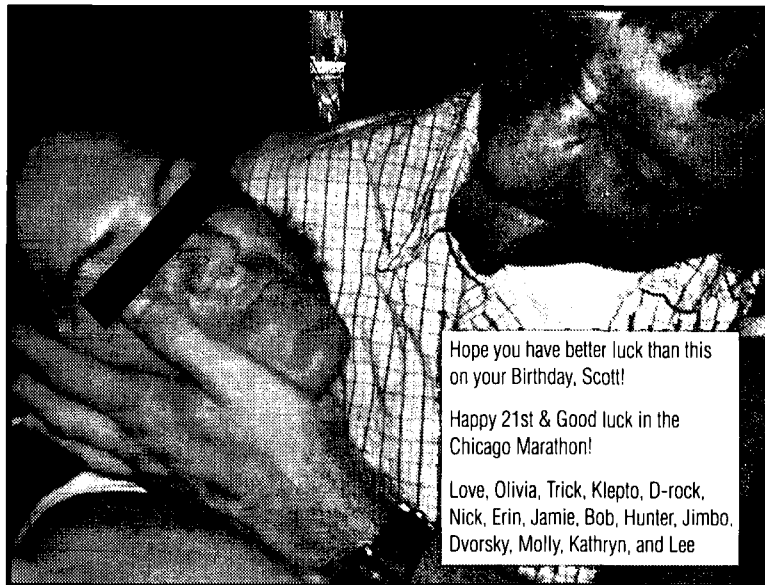
good."

The White Sox haven't been World Series champions since 1917, the year before Boston won it — and they're not about to get comfortable now.

"When your enemy's down, you've got to keep your enemy down," Chicago manager Ozzie Guillen said. "You make some noise and you wake up the monster, you're going to be in trouble."

Freddy Garcia, who pitched much better on the road this season, will try to close out the series for the White Sox. Boston knuckleballer Tim Lincecum will try to prevent that.

"We've been in this situation before," Wakefield said. "Now that we're back at home playing in front of our home crowd, there's still a chance."



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MEN'S SWIMMING

Irish open new year at 41st Starks Relays

By JACK THORNTON
Sports Writer

When the defending Big East Champion men's swimming team opens its season today at 6:30 p.m. at the 41st Dennis Starks Relay at Rolfs Aquatic Center, the exhibition atmosphere will give the squad an opportunity to gauge this year's potential in a thrilling but relaxed atmosphere.

"It'll be both exciting and laid-back," head coach Tim Welsh said. "It's exciting because it's everybody's first meet of the season, and it's exciting because relays bring a lot of energy ... and it's laid back for the same reasons — because it's that first meet of the year and everybody is just feeling out how they are and what they are like."

The relay, which is named in honor of former Notre Dame swimming coach Dennis Starks, will feature Ball State, Cleveland State, Marquette, Oakland (Mich.), Valparaiso and Wisconsin-Milwaukee.

Welsh said those are some solid opponents, but his swimmers won't be competing with the men in the next lane.

"I don't mean this in the wrong way, but we want to race the clock," Welsh said. "When we look at the meet from our point of view, we're not looking at trying to beat a particular team, but rather racing the clock and finding out where we are and getting better."

After winning its first-ever Big East Title and sending its first swimmer, junior Tim Kegelman, to the NCAA Championship in Minneapolis last year, the team is looking to build on its success in the conference and on the national level.

"We want to win Big East again by even a larger margin of victory, and we'd like to send even more guys to the NAAs at the end," co-captain Patrick Heffernan said.

Welsh emphasized discipline as the key to achieving those goals.

"With getting faster there's no magic word that will help you achieve that," Welsh

said. "It's 'Do we have the skill, do we have the desire, do we have the fitness, the heart and do we have the discipline?'"

"If we improve enough, we'll be Big East Champions. If we improve beyond that, we'll send more than one to NCAA championship and more than that we'll score for the first time at the NCAA championships."

The squad will have to make up for the loss of graduating seniors Matt Bertky, Frank Krakowski, Dave Moison and Andrew Pittman. Nonetheless, experience and leadership should make up for any shortcomings as the Class of 2006 provides the men's swimming team with 10 seniors.

"I don't mean this the the wrong way, but we want to race the clock."

Tim Welsh
Irish coach

"We want to take advantage of the leadership while it's here," Welsh said.

As the first contest of the season, Friday night will provide coaches with the opportunity to evaluate each individual swimmer, but special focus will be put on the freshmen.

"If this was a football game, everybody gets in; if this was a basketball game, everybody plays a quarter," Welsh said. "What we're looking for is how fit is everybody, how race-ready is everybody, what sort of skill level at racing speeds — do we start well, turn well, breathe properly? But emphasis will be on the freshman because we haven't seen them race in this pool before."

In addition to talent and the natural level of competitiveness, the incoming class will bring with it at least a smidgen of sibling rivalry. Three of the incoming freshmen have older brothers on the team, something that has never happened in the 21 years that Welsh has been coach.

"It's kind of funny because we have quite a few freshmen, but this made assimilating them into the group a lot easier, because we've seen a lot of them at meets and practices, so they've added to the family atmosphere," Heffernan said.

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MEN'S GOLF

Team journeys to Durham

By BOBBY GRIFFIN
Associate Sports Editor

The Irish will travel to Durham, North Carolina to take part in the Coca-Cola Duke Golf Classic this weekend — the same place where head coach Jim Kubinski coached for a year and a half before coming to Notre Dame.

Despite the return to his old team, Kubinski is not thinking about the homecoming, instead putting emphasis on what his team needs to do to win.

"I'm going to approach it as business as usual," Kubinski said. "We can't have any distractions, and I think that would be kind of a distraction. We're just going to go there with business as usual."

If Notre Dame is going to be successful this weekend, it will have to putt well.

"The only thing that kept us from winning last week is that we didn't make as many putts," Kubinski said.

"I think we [have to] putt well, and I think we will because it's our second tournament in a row in the south east. If the putts drop, I think we are hitting the ball as well as anyone in the country."

The same team that traveled to last weekend's Shoal Creek Intercollegiate will be heading to North Carolina.

Scott Gustafson, Mark Baldwin, Eric Deutsch, Cole Isban and Greg Rodgers will compete against some of the top ACC and Big Ten schools in the nation.

"With the field coming, we got a lot of good teams playing there," Kubinski said. "I think you're going to have to shoot some good numbers, you're not going to be able to just kind of put it in cruise control. We're going to have to play hard, and we're going to have to play well."

Duke, North Carolina and NC State are three of the ACC teams that will be competing. Big Ten teams Ohio State, Penn State,

Northwestern and Minnesota will also play at the course that Kubinski has a lot of appreciation for.

"I think it's a great golf course," Kubinski said. "It's a great test of golf for us."

The Irish will look to Isban to continue to lead them this weekend. Isban has been hot lately, with an average under 71 since he shot an 80 in the opening round of the Gopher Invitational.

"He's really come into his own and definitely had a breakout week last week," Kubinski said.

Isban finished in first place at Shoal Creek after firing rounds of 69-69-72. He lost in a playoff to East Tennessee State's Rhys Davis, a Great Britain and Ireland Walker Cup player and Tennessee's Jonathon Mount.

Notre Dame will play Sunday and Monday before returning to South Bend on Monday night.

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IRISH SOCCER



MEN'S SOCCER

Irish will host No. 9 Connecticut Saturday

By KATE GALES
Associate Sports Editor

A 1-0 win Wednesday was just the appetizer needed before a Saturday night home game against the No. 9 Connecticut Huskies.

The Huskies are first in the Big East and have been ranked as high as No. 1 this season.

"Playing off any win gets you momentum," coach Bobby Clark said. "I always say winning's a habit and losing's a habit. The more you win, the more it becomes a habit, and you want to keep that going."

After dropping out of the national rankings, the Irish are looking to return to the spotlight with an upset win before going on the road for four straight games.

"[The team is] very excited for the game with Connecticut," Clark said. "This is obviously a big game for us and it'll be a good test for us. This is a good team coming in ... this will be a very good test for us."

The Irish have been up and down this season, but have not lost since Sept. 25 in a 2-1 home loss to Cincinnati. Their win against Marquette Wednesday improved the team to 7-3-1 (3-2-1 Big East).

Against Marquette, Justin McGeeney marked the only score of the contest. Goalkeeper Chris Cahill recorded his fifth shutout of the season with the 1-0 victory. Clark said that defense was a highlight of the road game.

"Dale [Rellas] and Benny Crouse were superb," Clark

said. "They were the backbone of the team at Marquette. Marquette is a very direct team and a very aerial team, and we had to handle that threat."

On the offensive side, the Irish had a 10-7 shot advantage, and Cahill recorded two saves.

"A few other people took their leads from [Rellas and Crouse], and I thought Kurt [Martin] had an excellent game," Clark said. "It really was a team performance, there was nobody who didn't play well."

The win gives the Irish some much-needed momentum going into one of the season's most challenging contests.

"It should be an opportunity for us to really get back into the national prominence," Clark said. "We've been doing well, we've been working away but you want to win a couple of big games, and this should be a nice big game and a nice time in the season for us to win."

The game last year at Connecticut drew more than 5,000 spectators, many of them students. Clark hopes that the game will draw a large performance, especially as most other sports are off or away.

"We play Connecticut, it's always a huge game," Clark said.

The team will take the field on Saturday at 7 p.m. With luck, the momentum will keep coming.

"A winning habit's a pretty good habit to keep," Clark said.

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ND WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL

Playing on the road no problem

Irish to face St. John's and Connecticut in weekend Big East play

By TOM DORWART
Sports Writer

The Notre Dame volleyball team has put things in perspective.

Notre Dame takes on St. John's at 2 p.m. Saturday and then travels to Connecticut to face the Huskies at 2 p.m. Sunday, in two Big East Conference matches.

They hit the road today for the matches — their ninth and 10th away matches in their past 12. Despite the long flights and tiring bus rides, the No. 10 Irish aren't complaining. Instead, they're thankful.

"One of the things we talked about is that we played ... at Texas A&M against LSU and Tulane because they don't have the facilities, and they don't have the hotel availability in Baton Rouge because of the hurricane," coach Debbie Brown said. "So they've [LSU and Tulane] been on the road every weekend."

"And I think they've [the Irish] done a good job of reminding themselves that there are other teams that are on the road more, and while it can be a difficult stretch, it was good to play at home last night [against Valparaiso]."

Brown said the Irish can wait their turn to play at

home more often, and she believes her team will continue to do just fine on the road.

"We know we'll be on the road a little bit more, and then we'll get our chance to be home too, so I don't think it's been too big of a negative factor," she said.

Despite playing eight out of their past 10 matches on the road, the Irish went 9-1 in that time period, have won five straight and sit at 12-1 overall and 3-0 in the Big East.

St. John's has played a total of only six extra games this entire month-and-a-half old volleyball season. They either sweep or get swept. Still, the Red Storm has a solid 15-5 overall record, and a 1-2 Big East mark. As usual, the Irish are focused on being themselves and not on exactly what their opponents do.

"Right now, we're just worrying about ourselves," junior defensive specialist/libero Danielle Herndon said. "We respect our opponent as we always do."

The Red Storm heads into the weekend with a deceiving overall record. They're only 1-2 in Big East play and are looking to get a streak going. In their last match, they

swept Seton Hall 30-25, 30-25, 30-21.

"They haven't played a real strong schedule, so they have played well against some teams, but it makes it a little bit difficult [to read]," Brown said. "They have a couple of freshmen that are starting, and one of their best players from last year is not back, so we don't know much about their personnel."

"We just can't get as good of a read on them just because of the schedule they've played."

The Huskies have struggled for most of the beginning of the season. They sit at 8-7 overall and 1-2 in the Big East. In some of their most notable losses, they were swept by No. 6 and Big East newcomer Louisville (14-0) and by No. 12 Arizona (11-2). They've also fallen to solid squads in North Carolina, Western Kentucky, Clemson and Kentucky.

So far, all the East Coast flights and constant travel hasn't sapped enough energy out of the Irish to slow them down on the court. Winners of five straight, they'll attempt to keep the momentum going this weekend.

"Right now, we're just excited just to play again because we didn't feel we played the way we wanted to against Valpo," Herndon said.

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"[W]hile it can be a difficult stretch, it was good to play at home last night."

Debbie Brown
Irish coach

SMC SOCCER

Belles look to rebound against Hope after loss to Kalamazoo

By KYLE CASSILY
Sports Writer

The year's mantra of staying positive and just finding a way to get into the back of the net exuded by Belles soccer coach Caryn Mackenzie faces its toughest challenge of the year this weekend.

The Belles will host rival Hope College on their home pitch, one game after a tough 1-0 loss to Kalamazoo College on Tuesday. This is the second meeting of Saint Mary's and Hope on the year, the last battle resulting in a

2-0 Flying Dutch victory.

Hope currently holds second-place in MIAA standings with a 7-1 mark, and the Belles reside a spot below in third, holding a 5-3 conference standing. Immediately below Saint Mary's lurk Albion and Kalamazoo, each with a 4-3 record, which seek to upend the Belles in the remaining game each has with the Saint Mary's women.

"I have confidence in our talent," Mackenzie said. "It's only a matter of us believing in ourselves and playing hard for the whole 90 minutes."

Hope's Linnae Klompaker and Sarah Cochran scored the two goals that propelled the Flying Dutch over the Belles in the early season game. Cochran and Klompaker are No. 1 and No. 2, respectively, in goals thus far for Hope, and will provide a talented threat to a battle-hardened Belles' defense.

The Flying Dutch provide other challenges on the opposite end of the field. Defender Ashleigh McNeil was voted the MIAA defensive player of the week for the previous week, after backboning a 3-0 shutout of Adrian

College.

The last time these two rivals met, Saint Mary's goalkeeper Laura Helene made five key stops while her peer in the opposing goal, Holly Nestle, turned away 10 shots.

Hope's only loss this year has come at the hands of another Belles' rival, Calvin College. The undefeated Calvin strikers knocked off Hope 2-0. The loss was Hope's first on their home-field since 2001, posting a 24-0-1 record during the win streak.

"Every game we have played, we have seen some really good

stuff," midfielder Carrie Orr said. "We have played some of the best teams around. We know that and we think we can play with anyone."

The game will mark the turning point in the season. The Belles have now faced every MIAA opponent and will see them all once again before the season ends.

The rivals will play at noon tomorrow at Saint Mary's, the Belles' last home game before fall break.



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with the amount of undefeated teams ahead of them in the country.

"I think the only thing we can control is us," Waldrum said. "I think we need to win as many of the remaining games as we possibly can. Unfortunately, there are some teams in front of us ... that haven't lost yet. We'd probably need a little bit of help to get a No. 4 seed."

But before the Irish can worry about seeding in the NCAA tournament, they have to deal with winning this weekend against the two Big East teams from New Jersey.

In Rutgers and Seton Hall, Notre Dame will encounter two very different opponents.

Waldrum expects Rutgers to attack the Notre Dame defense, something that most teams avoid when they play the Irish, opting instead to wait for an Irish mistake.

"I think Rutgers is going to

come out and try to play us," Waldrum said. "They always have. They are not a team that really sits back."

"They've been one of the Big East teams that has been fairly successful against us the last few years, and the games have all been close."

Waldrum anticipates a close game with not a lot of goal scoring because of the intensity that Rutgers will bring after struggling in the Big East so far this season.

Seton Hall is a team that is usually very aggressive, sometimes so much so that Waldrum is not sure whether or not their attitude is over the top.

"[Seton Hall has] no real, real special players, but it is a really physical team," Waldrum said. "Almost borderline, is it good, clean physical play or is it crossing the edge a little bit into the other side?"

The Irish will play Rutgers Friday at 7 p.m. and will challenge Seton Hall Sunday at 1 p.m.

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Popik

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20-yard line.

The game began with a 60-yard score by Farley on the fourth play of the series, and Farley was able to quickly intercept the ball on PE's ensuing drive. They were unable to score, and PE scored on 77-yard completion to Megan Conway. The rest of the half was all Farley, with their third and fourth touchdowns going for 58 and 18 yards, respectively. PE got one last chance to score before halftime, but time ran out just after they made their way onto Farley's side of the field.

"It was an amazing game," Popik said. "I was very pleased. I just wish we had played better earlier in the season."

Farley's playoff status is still in doubt, but the squad has put itself in a good position to make the postseason with this win. Popik and Duran both stressed the importance of their coaching staff, some of whom are members of the Keenan inter-hall team, in their win as well.

"The coaches have done a great job," Duran said. "They come straight from their own practices to coach us."

In addition to Duran's touchdown reception, Jenny Rolfs caught two scoring passes from Popik, and Kim Crehan caught one.

Paul and Pat Rigney, brothers who coach the PE team, were proud of their team despite the loss.

"The girls really played hard, showed a lot of effort," Pat Rigney said. "We gave up some big plays, got unlucky, and that made the difference."

Paul also acknowledged the tough matchup.

"Farley was talented — they had a lot of good players," Paul

Rigney said. "We've just got to work hard for Sunday."

Pangborn 21, Welsh Fam. 6

The Pangborn Phoxes put up 21 unanswered points in the first half and were able to hold off a second-half Whirlwind offensive effort to win over Welsh Family Thursday. It was the second straight victory for a Pangborn squad that sought to prove itself against the team that denied it an unbeaten season last year.

The Phoxes found their rhythm early, jumping out to a 21-0 lead in the first half behind an impressive offensive performance. Katie Mooney connected with Katie Riemersma and Brinn Johnson for touchdown catches, and Trish Connelley ran for another as the Phoxes took a commanding lead into halftime.

The Pangborn defense did its part by preventing a Whirlwind score in the first half. Amanda Dosch came out with a momentum-shifting interception early on to help keep the Phoxes on top 21-0 going into halftime. Pangborn captain Katie Murray was pleased with her team's play in the first period.

"The first half was just amazing," Murray said. "We really just need to be playing like that the whole time."

"Our offense came out really strong and we were just really pumped coming into the game," Johnson said. "Our defense played awesome as well."

Though the Pangborn offense took charge early, a motivated Welsh Family squad came out strong in the second half and shut down what had appeared to be an unstoppable Pangborn attack. Though the Whirlwinds could not come up with the victory, coaches Tom Chesnick and Ben McClain were pleased with their team's second half effort.

"We're proud of the girls' sec-

ond half performance, and the effort they showed despite being down three scores," Chesnick said. "Even though we took the loss, there are still definitely some good things that come out of the game."

In addition to an impressive second half defensive performance, the Whirlwind offense also came out strong after halftime. The Whirlwinds drove to the Pangborn 3-yard line but were unable to score due in large part to a stingy Pangborn defense which tipped two passes at the goal line. On the next Welsh Family possession, Melissa Sands connected with Jenni Gargula for 16-yard touchdown but, with time running out, it was too little, too late for the Whirlwinds.

"We were able to make some good adjustments after the first half," McClain said.

"We were till able to get right back in it even after being down by three scores."

Pasquerilla West 13 Breen-Phillips 6

The Purple Weasels knocked off the Babes in Women's Interhall Gold League action Thursday.

The Weasels scored two unanswered touchdowns after Breen-Phillips took a 6-0 lead.

Maureen Spring scored both touchdowns for the Weasels, with a game-tying catch and an interception return for a touchdown with just over two minutes left in the game, sealing the victory for Pasquerilla West.

The Weasels took the lead on the ensuing possession after the Babes' go-ahead touchdown. Spring's reception, combined with a successful extra point, gave Pasquerilla West a lead it would not relinquish.

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girls take a lot of stock in knowing that I've been here and I've been through what they're going through," Nixon said. "I know with midterms coming up this week how tired you get, and I know how hard it is to push through it, but I know you have to keep pushing."

"I love Notre Dame, and I hope that bleeds into the girls."

Key for the upcoming season will be the return of team MVP Katie Carroll.

"I'm so pumped up for Katie — she's a great leader," Nixon said. "She understands the meaning of hard work and really embraces that. She's really great, and she's a joy to have around. In order to be a top-10 program, we have to have athletes that are in the top 10 in their respective events. One of those is Katie Carroll."

Nixon said that Carroll, who earned All-America honors last year, played an important role in making sure the coaching change went smoothly.

"She's been a big part of [the

transition] as far as helping me realize what we were missing last year, what things we can do better," Nixon said. "She and I have a great relationship, so it's easy for us to talk about those things."

The format for the Stark relays will be different from other meets. There will be only one individual contest, one-meter diving. Most of each team's score will come from a series of relays.

Nixon said the format will be a big help to freshmen Claire Hutchinson, Christa Riggins and Casey Wagner, who will all be competing in their first collegiate meet.

"It's kind of an icebreaker for the freshmen," Nixon said. "It gives them a chance to be in the team atmosphere without the individual pressure of performing or trying to prove themselves in the first meet. A lot of freshmen feel like the have to do their lifetime best in the first meet, and this relay format just takes a lot of pressure off them."

The meet begins at 6:30 p.m. today at the Rolfs Aquatic Center.

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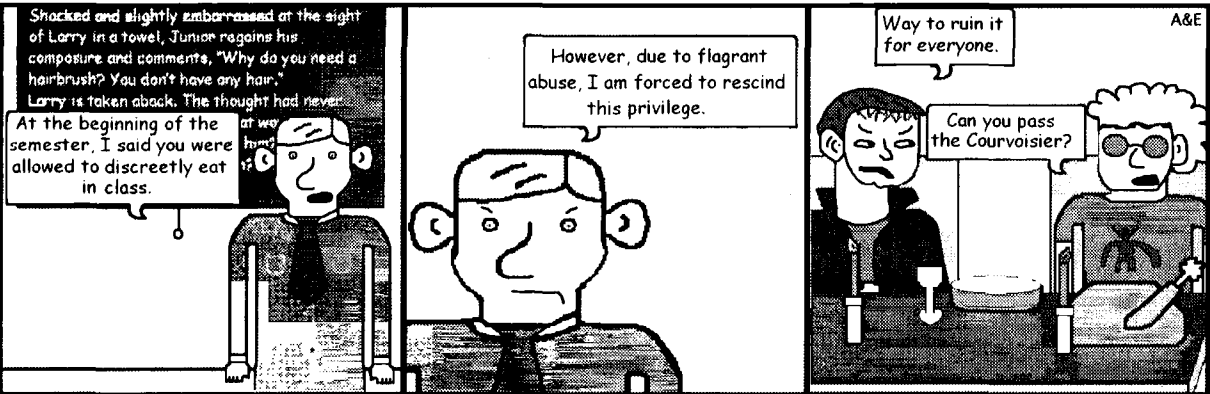
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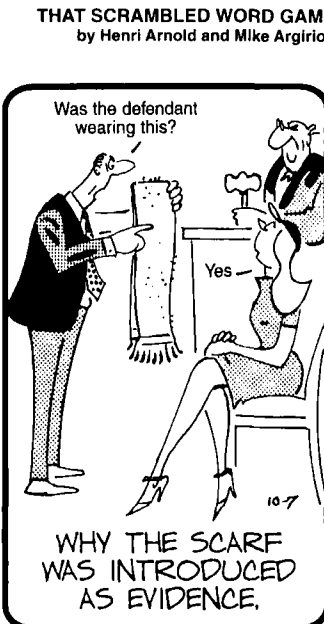
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Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

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Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

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Answer: What the art students did before the big exam — "BRUSHED" UP

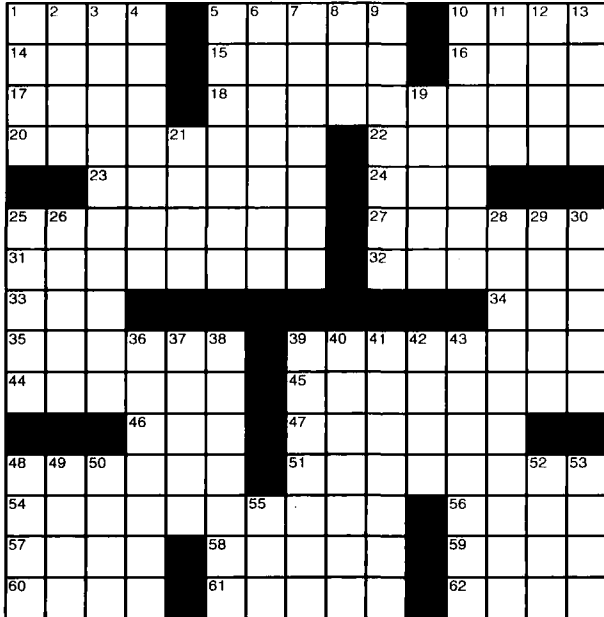
CROSSWORD

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Crossword

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- ACROSS**
- 1 Transgresses
 - 5 Expostulate
 - 10 "Now I get it," facetiously
 - 14 Substance
 - 15 Hard to read, perhaps
 - 16 Stable shade
 - 17 Way to stand by
 - 18 Among those attending
 - 20 Some rigging supporters
 - 22 Gone bad
 - 23 Radiator output
 - 24 N.F.L. nail-biters
 - 25 Guarantee
 - 27 Spheres
 - 31 Critical step in analysis
 - 32 Richardson of Nixon's cabinet
 - 33 Printed
 - 34 In the capacity of
 - 35 Cardinal features
 - 39 Betty Boop trademark
 - 44 Ump's cry
 - 45 History book feature
 - 46 Counselors' org.
 - 47 Tacit
 - 48 Coy expression
 - 51 Verging on tears
 - 54 Tension easer
 - 56 It went through Memphis
 - 57 "Juke Box Baby" singer
 - 58 Clamorous
 - 59 Counting method
 - 60 N.F.L. coach known as "Ground Chuck"
 - 61 Best dramatic actress Tony winner of 1948, 1978 and 1983
 - 62 Yards on the ground, e.g.
- DOWN**
- 1 Spurt
 - 2 Renovation
 - 3 Pirate legend
 - 4 Blocked
 - 5 Yet undecided
 - 6 Some summer residents
 - 7 Gears up
 - 8 New Eng. school
 - 9 Dump
 - 10 Alarm function
 - 11 Appointed time
 - 12 Response facilitator: Abbr.
 - 13 Linear
 - 19 Key card issuer
 - 21 Second hand: Abbr.
 - 25 Amanda's role on "Married ... With Children"



- Puzzle by Joe DiPietro
- 26 Without _____ (nonchalantly)
 - 28 Fare after oral surgery, say
 - 29 Do as Niobe did
 - 30 Flat
 - 36 Oration station
 - 37 Water chestnut, e.g.
 - 38 Eye
 - 39 Infatuated with
 - 40 Dope
 - 41 Words of sympathy
 - 42 Deck material
 - 43 Business needs
 - 48 Really warped
 - 49 Screen symbol
 - 50 Kind of pad
 - 52 It runs down a limb
 - 53 Noodge
 - 55 Heavenly altar

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- ARIES (March 21-April 19):** You're in a much better mood now. The universe has tossed a strong dose of change into the astrological mix -- and that's the sort of thing that invigorates you like nothing else possibly could.***
- TAURUS (April 20-May 20):** Whether you're ordinarily fond of change or not, this is one of those times when, oddly enough, you'll find yourself enjoying it. Sure, it might be because you've arranged it, but it's still a step in the right direction.***
- GEMINI (May 21-June 20):** If there's anyone you'll want to be with now, it's the same someone you always think of when you're in the mood to laugh. As it happens, they're most likely available. Better call before their mood dance card fills up, though.**
- CANCER (June 21-July 22):** You're feeling better than you have in a long time, not just physically, but emotionally and mentally as well. Don't question it and don't overanalyze what's behind that grin. Just keep grinning. ****
- LEO (July 23-Aug. 22):** All puns aside that refer to your love of and talent for drama, life will be a celebratory cast party now, complete with toasts, pats on the back from all parties concerned and even some media coverage. ***
- VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):** There's a mixed bag of heavenly energies shuffling around upstairs at the moment, but they've all got one end in mind: to put you in the mood to have some unadulterated fun with your loved ones. Why fight it?***
- LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22):** You were so full of tact and diplomacy yesterday that you could easily have flown overseas and successfully negotiated a surrender between at least two warring factions. Now, however ... well, that's a different story.**
- SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):** Thought about buying some land or making another investment? Well, think a bit longer. This isn't the right time to put your signature to any manner of official document that will bind you to another. Wait. Do some investigating.**
- SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):** You've never been shy, but at the moment, you'll not only be outgoing ... well, let's just say that if you don't make a serious effort to tone it down a notch or two, you might be just a tad too primed for prime-time.*
- CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):** When it comes to secrets, you're usually an expert, but right about now, that's probably not the case. Better stop anyone who pulls you aside with 'that look' on their face before even one guilty word escapes their lips.*
- AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):** You're not just up for some fun. You're up for some serious fun. In fact, there's not much you won't agree to, especially if it's dangled at the end of a stick being held by the right person.****
- PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20):** Contrary to popular opinion, authority figures aren't always out to get us, even if the last ten experiences we've had with them seem to prove exactly the opposite. You're due to add that experience to your memory book right now.**
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FOOTBALL

Battle preparation

Weis says he wants to accomodate fans with stadium rally

By MIKE GILLON
Sports Editor

Disappointed that several thousand fans were turned away from last month's Michigan State pre-game pep rally, Irish coach Charlie Weis spurred the decision to move next Friday's USC pep rally outdoors to Notre Dame Stadium.

Speaking at his press conference Thursday, Weis said he talked to Notre Dame athletic department officials and encouraged them to move the event to a larger venue after hearing that approximately 5,000 fans were turned away from the Sept. 16 Michigan State rally.

"I think [if] the fans want to be going to the pep rally, they should have a venue to be able to go," Weis said. "We just felt it was the best thing for the fans was to give them the opportunity to be a part of the experience."

Oct. 14's rally will be the first Notre Dame pep rally held in the Stadium since the Irish played No. 1 Nebraska in 2000.

Gameday heading to ND

ESPN's College Gameday program will broadcast from the Notre Dame campus the morning of the USC game, according to Gameday host Kirk Herbstreit.

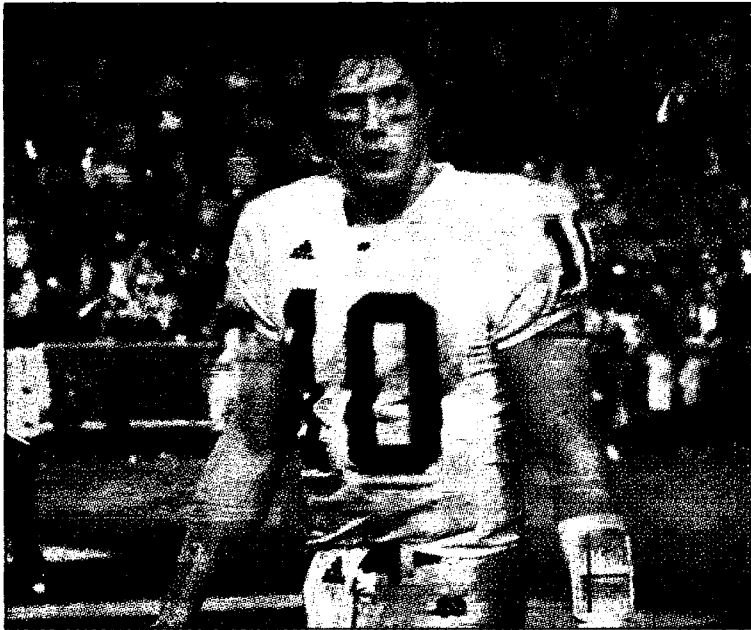
"From what I understand Gameday will be in South Bend next weekend, and I can't wait to see my Irish ballclub in person," Herbstreit said in an ESPN.com Internet chat session.

The former Ohio State quarterback, who hosts Gameday along with Chris Fowler and Lee Corso, is looking forward to the matchup between the No. 12 Irish and No. 1 Trojans.

"I'm going to go on record and say that [this] Gameday will be the most hyped-up show that I've experienced in the 10 years I've been on the show," he said. "I can't wait to get to South Bend for that one."

A little relaxation

With no game this Saturday, Weis has more time to prepare



Observer File Photo

Irish quarterback Brady Quinn walks off the field after Notre Dame's 41-10 loss to USC Nov. 27, 2004. The Irish host the Trojans in a much-anticipated matchup Oct. 15.

for USC. But he will also spend a little quality time with his family.

"First I will get Charlie [Jr.] a haircut Saturday morning, and then I will videotape Maura riding on her horse before that," Weis said of his son and wife.

Weis then plans to head

home to watch USC take on Arizona Saturday afternoon. But his leisure time won't last long.

"We will be in Sunday morning to gameplan USC," Weis said.

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WOMEN'S INTERHALL

Popik and Farley win against PE

By TIM KAISER and
JASON GALVAN
Sports Writers

Farley quarterback Katie Popik's touchdown pass in the waning minutes of the second half helped the Finest put the game out of reach of the Pyros of Pasquerilla East Thursday.

The touchdown was the only score of the second half, and Popik's fourth of the game. She threw for a total of 200 yards in the contest.

Down 20-6 at the start of the second half, PE lost the ball on downs, but stopped the Farley offense inside PE's 20-yard line on its next drive. The Farley defense intercepted the ball on PE's first play of the series, but quickly gave the ball back when Courtney Chen intercepted a wayward pass by Popik. The PE offense wasn't able to mount a drive, and Diane Duran set up the offense for Popik's fourth TD with an interception on the PE

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ND WOMEN'S SOCCER

Irish travel to coast for two games

Team will square off against Big East foes in weekend action

By BOBBY GRIFFIN
Associate Sports Editor

The defending national champions, treading in some dangerous water with two regular-season losses, will travel to New Jersey this weekend to play Rutgers and Seton Hall.

Notre Dame (10-2-0, 4-1-0) will need to have an impressive weekend in order to regain its top-tier recognition of teams around the nation.

"I feel great and confident, but I don't play," Irish coach Randy Waldrum said. "I think it's a big weekend for us to be able to show everybody around the conference and country that it was just a little slip up, and we're still on track."

With six regular season games left, the Irish are in a situation where they need to



TIM SULLIVAN/The Observer

Standout freshman forward Kerri Hanks controls the ball during Notre Dame's 4-0 victory over Cincinnati Sept. 23.

win as many games as possible to assure home-field advantage in the postseason.

"If we go up there and struggle this weekend, we may have some [trouble] through the rest of the season," Waldrum said.

After Notre Dame's loss Friday at Marquette, Waldrum understands how important every game will be heading into the Big East tournament

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ND WOMEN'S SWIMMING

Team prepares for Dennis Starks Relays

By CHRIS KHOREY
Sports Writer

Four years ago, Carrie Nixon was preparing for her final Dennis Stark Relays as a member of the Notre Dame swim team.

Friday, she will experience her first Stark Relays as head coach of the Fighting Irish.

The Relays, which traditionally begin the season for the Irish, have been held every year since 1964. This year, Notre Dame will host Illinois State, Ball State, Oakland, Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Valparaiso, Cleveland State and Marquette.

Nixon said the meet will offer the team an opportunity to gain confidence before the dual meet season, which begins Oct. 28 against California.

"We have to learn how to race and how to swim our own events so we can go into the dual meets

with confidence," Nixon said.

Nixon, who was promoted to replace former head coach Bailey Weathers after he resigned in March, is attempting to bring a new spirit of teamwork and unity to the Irish.

"The biggest thing that we've changed is the attitude and how we approach the sport of swimming," Nixon said. "We try to inspire the girls, make them better leaders, better athletes, better people and better students."

"Our biggest emphasis for the year having a great team, being supportive of each other's strengths and weaknesses and really embracing everything we do as a team together."

As a Notre Dame graduate, Nixon feels she has a unique bond with her athletes and that she can understand their day-to-day life.

"I'm comfortable here, and the

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SPORTS AT A GLANCE

MEN'S SOCCER

The Irish host the No. 9 team in the country Saturday in a battle of Big East powers.

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ND VOLLEYBALL

Notre Dame faces the Red Storm and the Huskies this weekend in conference play.

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SMC SOCCER

The Belles look to rebound against Hope after a 1-0 loss to MIAA foe Kalamazoo.

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MEN'S SWIMMING

Notre Dame kicks off its season today at the 41st annual Dennis Starks Relays.

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SMC GOLF

The three-time defending champion Belles take a 22-stroke lead into the final match of the season.

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SMC X-COUNTRY

Saint Mary's travels to Lisle, Ill. for the Eagle Invitational, where the Belles have fared well in past years.

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