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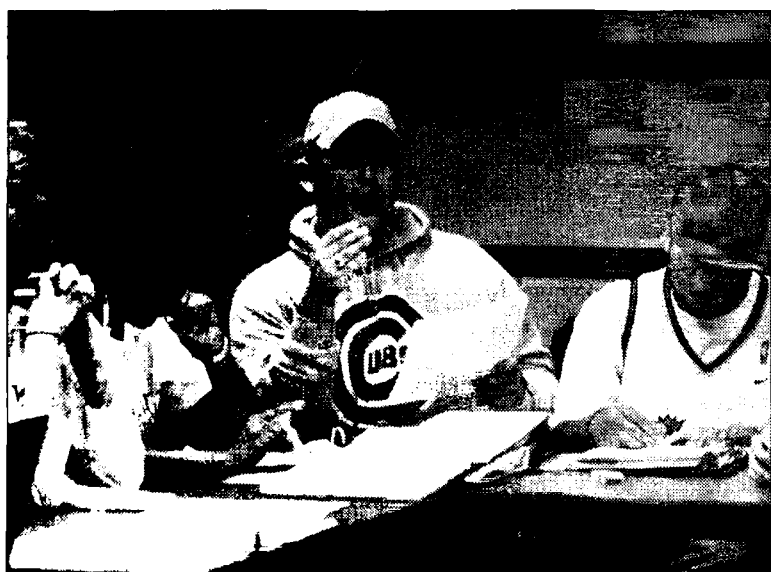
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## STUDENT SENATE

### Community relations letter passed



Senators discuss a letter urging students to improve relations with South Bend community members at Wednesday's meeting.

By MADDIE HANNA  
Associate News Editor

The tempo of Wednesday night's Student Senate meeting ran smoothly and quickly, as senators approved a letter to the student body about community relations and passed resolutions regarding Student Union fiscal policy and outreach to hurricane victims with little discussion.

The approved letter, which will be sent via e-mail, addresses the issue of community relations, urging Notre Dame students to take the first steps toward improving the relationship between the University and South Bend.

"The unfortunate stigma of

an 'elitist' attitude within the Notre Dame student body towards the community of South Bend has lasted too long, and it has been extremely detrimental to the interactions between the students and the city of South Bend," the letter reads. "It is imperative that we as students accept our responsibility to be instruments of change and begin the process of improving the relationship between Notre Dame students and South Bend."

Community Relations committee chair Nick Guzman introduced the letter, explaining its particular relevancy during the past few weeks.

"With all the stuff that's

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### Stressing levels of language

*College's professors push for proficiency*

By LISA GALLAGHER  
News Writer

The department of modern languages at Saint Mary's is no foreign territory for the College's students, who are required to take at least two semesters of one foreign language to graduate.

Still, many professors consider the requirement to be insufficient and are pushing to have the requirement be one of proficiency level rather than seat time, said Mana Derakhshani, associate professor of French and coordinator of the French program.

"Two semesters of a language at the introductory level is inadequate to reach any level of useful proficiency," Derakhshani said.

Currently, Saint Mary's offers majors in French and Spanish and minors in Spanish, French and Italian. Students interested in a major or minor in German may pursue those studies at Notre Dame.

Along with regular class sessions, students must also spend time in the language lab, as specified by each professor.

"Research has demonstrated that the more one hears [or reads] the language one wants to learn, the more proficient one becomes," said Derakhshani.

Nancy D'Antuono, department chair and professor of Spanish and Italian, said the lab is

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### Career Center aids senior job hunt

By KATIE LINHARES  
News Writer

With graduation day on the not-too-distant horizon, many Notre Dame seniors have begun job hunting — but not all are seeking help from the University-touted Career Center.

Notre Dame's Career Center is viewed as "the best program in the country," said Robyn Karkiewicz, manager of Office Services, in an interview earlier this year.

This statement, however, has not resonated with a large number of seniors.

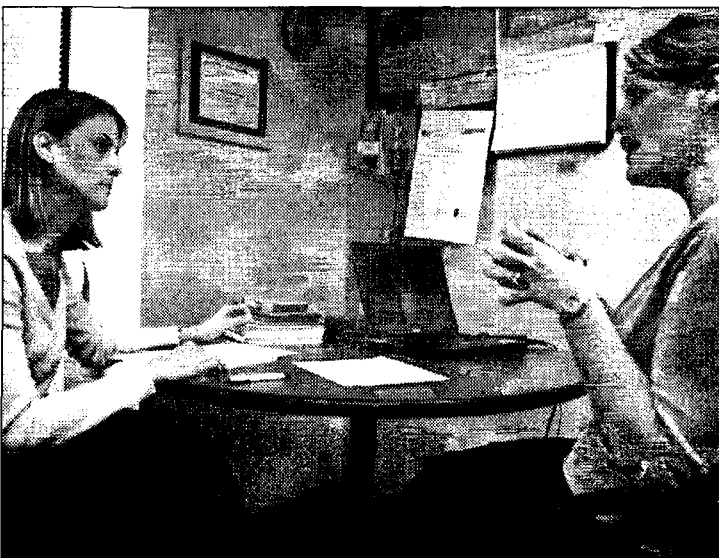
Senior Callie Whelan, who is enrolled in the College of Arts and Letters, is interested in finding a job in the non-profit sector.

"The Career Center doesn't have too much to offer me," senior Callie Whelan said. "The Career Center places most of its emphasis on the professional business world."

Director of the Career Center Lee Svete said such a perception might exist on campus because the fall career fair attracted many finance, consulting and accounting firms to campus to interview students for summer internships and jobs. But the emphasis, Svete said, will shift in the spring.

"The fair on Feb. 1 will attract a new blend of companies, such as public relations and sports marketing firms looking for liberal arts majors," he said.

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Senior Carla Flemming, left, meets with an advisor at the Career Center to discuss post-graduation options.

CHELSEA GULLING/The Observer

### Speakers discuss 'freshman 15'



A nutritionist gives students advice on how to maintain a healthy diet while in college Wednesday.

By LISA SCHULTZ  
News Writer

Fifty students gathered for a discussion about avoiding weight gain in college probably didn't expect to hear dietitians condemn orange juice and praise donuts.

"I think fruit juice is a glorified soft drink," said Manager of Nutrition and Safety of Notre Dame Food Services Jocie Antonelli.

Antonelli said while orange juice does deliver vitamins, it is best to eat, not drink, your fruit. She also said that for a sweet food in the morning, a donut has about half the calories of a jumbo muffin.

But the focus was not on calorie counting. The focus of "Facing the Freshman (or Sophomore, Junior or Senior) 15: Strategies to Assess the

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### Ex-professor awarded \$67,000 in settlement

By KATIE PERRY  
Assistant News Editor

The former Notre Dame art history professor who filed a federal lawsuit against the University in July 2004 after a denied promotion received more than \$67,000 in damages and attorney fees in the case's recent resolution, University officials said.

Robert Haywood, a former assistant professor in the Department of Art, Art History and Design, sued the University for Family Medical Leave of Absence (FMLA) discrimination and retaliation, age discrimination and retali-

ation and for violation of contract.

Haywood said the University "misused" the FMLA law, which mandates employers to grant an eligible employee up to a total of 12 workweeks of unpaid leave during any 12-month period if a family member is in need of medical attention.

University spokesperson Matt Storin said the case was settled under Rule 68 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, which is a "cost-shifting provision." Rule 68 procedures allow an offer of judgment to be taken against

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INSIDE COLUMN

# Goodbye, Miss Notre Dame

For about three weeks, Notre Dame was great.

After that, my life rapidly became a mess of betrayal, boredom, loneliness, disillusionment and disappointment. In just one freshman month, I'd seen beyond the glamorous facade of college life. The few late-night conversations with my roommate had ended, the novelty of college parties had faded, and the deadline for settling into social arrangements had passed.

A semester later, the college routine was familiar. I felt less betrayed, bored, lonely, disillusioned and disappointed. My roommate and I ignored each other, I got my homework done, I hung out with a random assortment of people, and I attended a club meeting or two.

But, that was it. I was used to college, tolerated college, survived college.

And despite having finally "adapted" to my new environment, I still wasn't happy. Was this it? This was the great Notre Dame experience that I was to cherish and reminisce about and give money to for the rest of my life?

It wasn't enough.

I wanted friends who didn't begin whispering about me the moment I left the room. I wanted to learn more than how to make money and shotgun beers. I wanted to do things that mattered — not just things I needed to check off my college to-do list and stash away for fond re-telling.

I wanted to be more than Miss Notre Dame — more than the smart, pretty, white, Catholic, upper-middle class, well-rounded girl from the Midwest — the one who always smiled because a person so lucky could quickly become a disappointment if she had any flaws.

Three years later, my smile isn't fake. I smile because I found a group of people that don't want me to be Miss Notre Dame, they want me to be Jennifer.

They share my hopes, joys, thoughts and fears because they love me. They also want to do something that matters, so they put everything in common for the sake of a real work: building the Kingdom of God. I found the People of Praise.

Now my life looks radically different. I don't worry about my friends gossiping about me or using me. I don't need to be beautiful, brilliant and flawless for them to love me; my friends love me for just being Jennifer. Together, we spend our nights and weekends living differently — living a vision for how the world might be, instead of as a constant stream of experiences to collect. We don't need to worry about what kind of jobs to get after graduation — we've already begun jobs building the Kingdom, with 2,000 of our closest friends.

Come join us. Come be a part of what God is doing and experience a new way to live.

Jennifer Kenning

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QUESTION OF THE DAY: WHAT ARE YOU DOING TO SUPPORT THE TROOPS?



Sara Sabic  
sophomore  
Holy Cross

"I pray for them."



Sarah Dubree  
sophomore  
Holy Cross

"I send letters and care packages."



Ben Serante  
senior  
off-campus

"Wishing she didn't have diabetes so she could be a soldier."



Anna Skoien  
senior  
off-campus

"Wishing he didn't have diabetes so he could be a soldier."



Halle Kiefer  
senior  
Welsh Family

"I e-mail my cousin in Iraq and I voted against George Bush."



Kevin Walsh  
senior  
off-campus

"Joining Team America, yeah!"



Rose Zeidler looks at some creative bra art, part of a bra exhibit, Sunday in LeMans Hall at Saint Mary's College.

OFFBEAT

Zoo elephants enjoy pumpkin treats

WASHINGTON — Children visiting the National Zoo had a post-Halloween treat Tuesday, and so did the elephants, at the zoo's annual Pumpkin Stomp.

Kandula, a 3-year-old elephant, was the first to discover a beach ball-sized pumpkin, which he kicked around as hundreds of children watched.

"It looked like soccer," said Isabelle Konitsas, 10. "I didn't know they liked pumpkins."

"Immediately, the small one went to the pumpkin, but the mom stayed with the hay. It was very cool," said Virginia Lasih, 11.

The young elephant eventually smashed the pumpkin and ate it.

Dr. Mark Edwards, a zoo nutritionist, said the pumpkins are a good source of beta-carotene and fiber.

"They're about 90 percent water," Edwards said. "They're a member of the cucumber family and are a fruit, not a vegetable."

N.H. clerk found sleeping with marijuana

MERRIMACK, N.H. — Police say a 19-year-old convenience store clerk fell asleep on two jobs this week: minding the store and selling drugs.

Sammer Gandhi of Nashua was charged with

possession of marijuana with intent to distribute after two Merrimack police officers found him sleeping in the store's office with a quarter-pound of marijuana.

It happened late Monday at a 7-Eleven store after a customer called police to report no one was in the store.

Police searched the building and say that they found Gandhi sleeping in a back office, with a big bag of pot, a scale and a smaller bag of pot. They say he was packaging the marijuana for resale.

Information compiled from the Associated Press.

IN BRIEF

The film "2001: A Space Odyssey" will be shown at 10 p.m. tonight in Browning Cinema as part of the Physics and Film Series. Tickets are \$6 general public, \$5 faculty/staff, \$4 seniors and \$3 all students. To purchase tickets, call 574-631-2800 or visit <http://performingarts.nd.edu> to purchase tickets.

Allen Sack, a member of the 1966 national championship football team, will give a lecture entitled "The Twilight of Amateurism: Reflections of a Former Notre Dame Football Player" tonight at 7 p.m. in 210-214 McKenna Hall.

The Notre Dame hockey team will take on Bowling Green at 7:35 p.m. tonight in the Joyce Center.

Major Jason Frei will be the guest speaker at the Veteran's Day Recognition Ceremony will be held Friday at 4 p.m. at the Clarke Memorial Fountain between LaFortune Student Center and Hesburgh Library.

As part pf the Saturday Scholar Series, professors R. Scott Appleby, Lawrence Cunningham and Father Richard McBrien will speak at the lecture "A Change at the Top: Pope Benedict XVI." The event will take place at 9:30 a.m. Saturday in the Annenberg Auditorium of the Snite Museum of Art.

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

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LOCAL WEATHER						
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## Leading architect to present major prize

Special to The Observer

Quinlan Terry, a leading figure in the revival of classical architecture, will present the 2005 Richard H. Driehaus Prize lecture at 7 p.m. Monday (Nov. 14) in the Annenberg Auditorium of the Smithe Museum of Art at the University of Notre Dame.

Sponsored by Notre Dame's School of Architecture, the lecture, titled "Designing and Building a Sustainable Future," is free and open to the public. Terry, who is principal of Quinlan and Francis Terry Architects in London, will discuss his notable projects, including the redesign of three state rooms in the historic office and home of the British Prime Minister in Colonial Williamsburg, Va., and the Richmond Riverside Development in Surrey, England.

Educated at London's Architectural Association, Terry also was a Rome Scholar sponsored by the British School in Rome. In 1984 he won the European Prize from the Philippe Rotthier Foundations and in 2002 was honored with the Arthur Ross Award from the Institute of Classical Architecture and Classical America. His library at Dow-

ning College, Cambridge, was named "Building of the Year" by the Royal Institute of British Architects, and a private residence he designed in Dorset, England, was named "Best Modern Classical House" in 2003 by the Georgian Group.

Terry's other projects include a series of villas in London's Regents Park; Richmond House, a Cambridge office building; Paternoster Square, an office block in London; and Brentwood Cathedral in Essex, England.

The School of Architecture honored Terry's extraordinary career in March with the Richard H. Driehaus Prize, which includes \$100,000 and a bronze and stone replica of the Choregic Monument of Lysikrates in Athens. Richard H. Driehaus, founder and chairman of Driehaus Capital Management in Chicago, endowed the annual award to honor a major contributor in the field of traditional and classical architecture.

The presentation is part of the School of Architecture's 2005-06 lecture series "Architecture and its Allied Disciplines." More information on the series and the Richard H. Driehaus Prize is available on the Web at <http://architecture.nd.edu>.

## War objectors hold political sway

By PETER NINNEMAN  
News Writer

The draft, lack of popularity of the Iraq war and football were all topics of discussions at the Center for Social Concerns Wednesday where Michael McConnell, a member of the American Friends Service Committee, spoke.

The lecture, titled "War and Conscience," dealt with the legal status of Conscientious Objection (CO), as well as the political influence it can have.

McConnell cited the lack of popularity of the Iraq war, as well as recent polls indicating that a majority of U.S. citizens do not think President George W. Bush is honest or doing a good job, as reasons why a draft is unlikely to occur right now.

"I don't think there's a political will or space to declare a draft right now, but draft boards are being organized around the country just in case ... The mechanisms would be in place very quickly," McConnell said.

McConnell did note, however, opinions could change very quickly, and a draft could be instated popularly. He recommended that even if a person doesn't consider himself to be a CO in the present moment, he should at least document that he was thinking about it.

If a draft were to be instated, a person could go to a local draft board to make their case of being a CO, and McConnell said that documentation would certainly help a case, although it would provide no guarantee.

Some forms of documentation



SOFIA BALLON/The Observer

Michael McConnell speaks on the process of declaring oneself a conscientious objector Wednesday in the Center for Social Concerns.

that McConnell gave as examples were a journal, becoming involved as a peace activist and having a pastor or professor writing about your thoughts on war.

McConnell also said that some people write "conscientious objector" across their registration card for Selective Service, since the form leaves no means for declaring CO status. The government, however, does not recognize this form of protest and still registers the person for Selective Service.

The second part of the discussion and lecture was about the political influence a CO can and should have.

McConnell cited the principle that government rules by consent of those it governs.

"Somehow, we as the people of

the U.S. have given consent to this war [in Iraq] ... One way we can end this war is to withdraw our consent."

McConnell believes that if more people are exposed to the human face of war, they will change their opinion. He said that while CNN was showing the statue of Saddam Hussein being torn down, its counterpart, CNN Europe, was showing the statue in a split screen with civilian victims in Iraq.

Concern was also displayed for the effect that war had on the victims of Katrina. In Louisiana, 3,000 National Guardsmen were overseas, along with two thirds of their equipment.

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### *Roinn Theanga agus Litríocht na Gaeilge*

### The Department of Irish Language & Literature

Spring 2006

#### Literature Courses:

IRLL 40307 - *Gender, Politics, The Poetic Tradition in Irish*

IRLL 40306 - *The Irish In Their Own Words*

IRLL 40305 - *Nuala Ní Dhomhnaill & Contemporary Irish Poetry*

#### Language Courses:

IRLL 10101 - *Beginning Irish Language I*

IRLL 10102 - *Beginning Irish Language II*

IRLL 20103 - *Intermediate Irish Language*

IRLL 20203 - *Advanced Irish Language Translation*

Information night on **Minor in Irish Language & Literature** in Great Hall,  
O'Shaughnessy, Thursday, 10 Nov. 8:00-9:00 pm



# Eating

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Causes and Reverse the Problem" dealt with healthy eating habits as part of Eating Disorders Awareness Week.

"This program speaks to the needs of a wider group of students ... not those with eating disorders, but those who struggle with concerns about dieting, questions about healthy eating, questions about fad diets," said Coordinator of Eating Disorder Services at the University Counseling Center Valerie Staples. "However, anytime we

address the risks of dieting, it is a measure in preventing eating disorders."

The Freshman 15 is not some automatic phenomenon, Antonelli said. Rather, there are three challenges students face they may not have had to in high school — a large variety of selections in the dining halls, late night studying and alcohol consumption.

Antonelli and fellow registered dietician Anna

*"Most females need six to seven grains a day."*

**Anna Wasierski**  
dietician

Wasierski, the University Counseling Center's specialist in disordered eating, said that balance — in both the foods consumed and times of day food is consumed — is essential. It is ideal to consume five to seven servings of vegetables, Antonelli said. In the dining hall, one serving of

vegetables is a scoop of hot vegetables or three-fourths of a bowl of raw vegetables. She also suggested one to two servings of fruit a day.

"Most females need six to seven grains a day," Wasierski said. Antonelli recommended whole grains, especially the Natural Ovens breads in the dining halls, since they are high in fiber.

Eating healthy is more than what to eat, but when to eat, too, she said.

"You shouldn't go five hours without eating," Wasierski

*"It's very normal and very healthy to snack."*

**Anna Wasierski**  
dietician

said. "It's very normal and very healthy to snack."

Wasierski said a good snack will combine protein and carbohydrates, as the carbohydrate will be a quick energy boost and protein provides sustenance.

Having good eating patterns is advantageous not only for healthy living but weight loss as well, Antonelli said. However, she warned against constantly checking up on weight.

"Scales are for fish, they're not for people."

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## FAITH POINT

Thursday, November 10, 2005

Sunday Scriptures

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st

2nd

Gospel

Proverbs

1 Thessalonians

Matthew

31:10-13, 19-20,

5:1-6

25:14-30

30-31

Catholic Q&A

**I'm a Protestant student, but I normally attend Mass in my dorm. Can I receive Communion in the Catholic Church?**

This is always a tough question, and it makes most Campus Ministers uneasy... how do we balance our desire to be welcoming and pastoral to *anyone* who comes to Mass (regardless of denomination) with the necessity to hold fast to Catholic Church teaching regarding the Eucharist and intercommunion among Christians? On this note, I'll try to give an explanation of both sides, and end with a suggestion.

The Catholic Church welcomes everyone to the Mass, which the Church professes to be the highest form of worship that we humans can possibly give to God. The Mass is the re-presentation of the once-and-for-all sacrifice of Jesus Christ 2,000 years ago, and at the same time is a celebration of the saving work of Jesus still present and active in the world and in the people around us today. When the Catholic Church assembles for worship, she gathers in the name of Jesus, who is Love. In this spirit of love and fellowship, the Catholic Church invites anyone who is a member of a Protestant denomination to come forward to receive a special blessing from the Communion minister. (You normally indicate this by crossing your arms over your chest, with your hands on either shoulder, as you approach the Communion minister.) It is the sincere hope of the Catholic Church that this blessing in the name of Jesus Christ be a symbol of love, welcome, and peace, and that it might lead all of us, Catholic and Protestant, into a renewed effort to break down what divides us as Christians.

At the same time, the Catholic Church has a very specific understanding of what Holy Communion is and how a person should prepare before receiving it. The Church understands Jesus' words at the Last Supper ("This is my body... This is my blood..."), as well as His teachings found in John 6, to be the foundational statements of the traditional Christian belief that the bread & wine actually *become* the Body & Blood of Christ. Belief in this "Real Presence" of Christ in the Eucharist is paramount to being a Catholic, but is one of the major beliefs that separate Catholics from Protestants. Even for Catholics, reception of Communion is not a right; one must undertake a certain amount of preparation (including an examination of one's conscience for any sin, confession, and fasting) before receiving. To Catholics, the reception of the Eucharist is also the unifying element of membership in a *particular* Church (the universal Catholic Church), such that when a Catholic responds "Amen" to the priest at Holy Communion, they are not only responding "I believe" to the statement "The Body of Christ," but are also responding in faith to all the Catholic Church believes, teaches, and professes. Thus, those who are not united for whatever reason (whether theologically, morally, or ecclesiastically) with the Catholic Church are normally not admitted to Holy Communion, the sign of the oneness and unity of the Church's faith, life, and worship. And rather than using Communion as a means of portraying a Christian unity that in reality hasn't yet been achieved, the Catholic Church would prefer to work towards unity first and preserve the celebration of the Eucharist as a sign of a perfect, realized union.

Now, one suggestion: keep attending Mass with your hall community! During Communion, go forward to receive a blessing. Pray for the unity of all Christians, as Catholics do at every Mass. Finally, try to enter into a deeper sense of *spiritual* communion, whereby you unite yourself with the Lord and with those present around you through your prayer and the prayers of the Mass.

Send questions to Brett Perkins: Perkins.26@nd.edu!

## What's Up?

TONIGHT 11/10

Multilingual Rosary  
(Chinese, Filipino, Korean,  
Vietnamese, and English)  
9:15 PM, CoMo Chapel

Iron Sharpens Iron  
10 PM, 329 CoMo

Saturday 11/12

Saturday Vigil Mass  
30 minutes after game, Basilica  
45 minutes after game, Stepan

Sunday 11/13

Sunday Masses  
8:00 AM, 10:00 AM,  
& 11:45 AM, Basilica

Spanish Mass  
1:30 PM, St. Ed's Hall Chapel

Monday 11/14

Eucharistic Adoration  
10:00 AM - 8:00 PM (M-Th)  
CoMo Chapel

Tuesday 11/15

Campus Ministry Internship  
Info Night for Interested Seniors  
5:00 PM to 6:00 PM, 316 CoMo

Four:7 Catholic Fellowship  
Topic: God & the Light of Reason:  
How Science Can Aid or Hinder  
Our Faith w/ Dr. Ken Filchak  
8:30 PM, Cavanaugh Hall Chapel

Wednesday 11/16

Theology on Tap  
Christian Allegory: Fiction & Your  
Faith w/ Fr. Charlie Gordon, CSC  
10 PM, Legends

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LIVE IT!!

Mary  
DeMott



Mary DeMott is one Phox who is incredibly giving of her time and talents. Mary is a junior who lives in Pangborn hall and serves as Pangborn's Social Concerns Commissioner. When Mary is not studying for all the classes she takes as a Theology major, she is busy living out her Christian faith. Mary has made it a habit of using her breaks from school to serve others. She has participated in CSC service trips to Coachella, Appalachia and El Paso. This past summer Mary was involved with a Summer Service Project Internship with Missionaries of Charity. She will use all of the wisdom she has gained from these experiences when she leads the CSC Border Issues seminar as student coordinator during winter break. Mary will lead a group of Notre Dame students as they study immigration and other related issues that surface between the United States and Mexico. Mary does not just live her faith life in other states; she is active in serving the Notre Dame community on campus as well. Mary helped this year to coordinate the annual Notre Dame Relay for Life. We at Campus Ministry realize that we are especially blessed because she is one of our incredibly efficient and joyful student workers. We feel very lucky to be able to experience Mary's unique talents and spirit just as so many other people on campus have had the opportunity.

Let us know who out there  
is making a difference!  
Send nominations to  
Brian Vassel at  
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## INTERNATIONAL NEWS

### Riots lose steam as curfews begin

PARIS — The French Riviera cities of Nice and Cannes, best known for glitz and film festivals that attract Hollywood stars, were among areas that imposed curfews for minors Wednesday even as rioting abated.

The government toughened its stance against those involved in France's worst civil unrest since its 1968 student riots. Interior Minister Nicolas Sarkozy said local officials have been told to deport the 120 foreigners convicted so far for their roles in the violence.

Although rioting persisted in some places for a 13th night, car burnings fell by nearly half and reports of violence dropped. Nonetheless, looters and vandals defied a state of emergency imposed by the government Tuesday, with attacks on superstores in northern France and a newspaper warehouse and a subway station in the south.

### Spacecraft leaves for Venus mission

DARMSTADT, Germany — A European spacecraft left Earth orbit Wednesday on a five-month, 220 million-mile journey to Venus, an exploratory mission that could help spur a new space race.

The European Space Agency said the unmanned Venus Express lifted off from the Baikonur cosmodrome in Kazakhstan, and mission control in Darmstadt activated the probe's instruments and immediately picked up a signal to hearty applause in the observation room.

The Europeans then received another signal — a congratulatory note from the Pasadena, Calif.-based Planetary Society, which had monitored the launch from NASA's Jet Propulsion Lab.

## NATIONAL NEWS

### Bush nominates for FCC vacancies

WASHINGTON — President Bush nominated a Republican regulator from Tennessee and renominated Democrat Michael Copps to serve on the Federal Communications Commission, a move that may only briefly give the GOP a majority on the five-member commission.

The White House announced late Wednesday the president's intention to have Deborah Tate fill a vacant Republican seat on the panel. Copps, whose term expired June 30, was renominated for a five-year term.

### Miller resigns from New York Times

NEW YORK — Judith Miller, the New York Times reporter who was first lionized, then vilified by her own newspaper for her role in the CIA leak case, has retired from the Times, the paper announced Wednesday.

Miller, who joined the Times in 1977 and was part of a team that won a Pulitzer Prize in 2002 for reporting on global terrorism, had been negotiating with the paper for several weeks about her future. She is 57.

She spent 85 days in jail over the summer for refusing to testify about her conversations with a confidential source. But after her release, Miller was criticized harshly and publicly by Times editors and writers for her actions in the CIA leak case and for her reporting during the run-up to the Iraq war, later discredited, indicating that Saddam Hussein possessed weapons of mass destruction.

## LOCAL NEWS

### IU student's hazing lawsuit settled

BLOOMINGTON, Ind. — A hazing lawsuit by a former Indiana University student against one of the school's fraternities has been settled, but the terms are not being disclosed.

Chase Coslett was an 18-year-old freshman at IU in February 2003, when he says his hand was permanently injured during a hazing incident. Coslett also said his Sigma Nu brothers tried to persuade him to lie about how he was hurt and later threatened him, causing him to change schools.

## JORDAN

# Suicide bombers strike hotels

Authorities seal borders after simultaneous attacks kill at least 57, wound 115

Associated Press

AMMAN, Jordan — Suicide bombers carried out nearly simultaneous attacks on three U.S.-based hotels in the Jordanian capital Wednesday night, killing at least 57 people and wounding 115 in what appeared to be an al-Qaida assault on an Arab kingdom with close ties to the United States.

The explosions hit the Grand Hyatt, Radisson SAS and Days Inn hotels just before 9 p.m. One of the blasts took place inside a wedding hall where 300 guests were celebrating — joined by a man strapped with explosives who had infiltrated the crowd. Black smoke rose into the night, and wounded victims stumbled from the hotels.

"We thought it was fireworks for the wedding but I saw people falling to the ground," said Ahmed, a wedding guest at the five-star Radisson who did not give his surname. "I saw blood. There were people killed. It was ugly."

Jordan's deputy prime minister, Marwan Muasher, said there was no claim of responsibility but that Abu Musab al-Zarqawi, the Jordanian-born leader of al-Qaida in Iraq, was a "prime suspect."

A U.S. counterterrorism official, who spoke on condition of anonymity because the investigation is ongoing, said the strong suspicion is that al-Zarqawi was involved because of his known animosity for Jordanian monarchy and the fact that it was a suicide attack, one of his hallmarks.

In February, U.S. intelligence indicated that Osama bin Laden was in contact with al-Zarqawi, enlisting him to conduct attacks outside of Iraq, noted another U.S. counterterrorism official, who also spoke on condition of anonymity. Jordan has arrested scores of

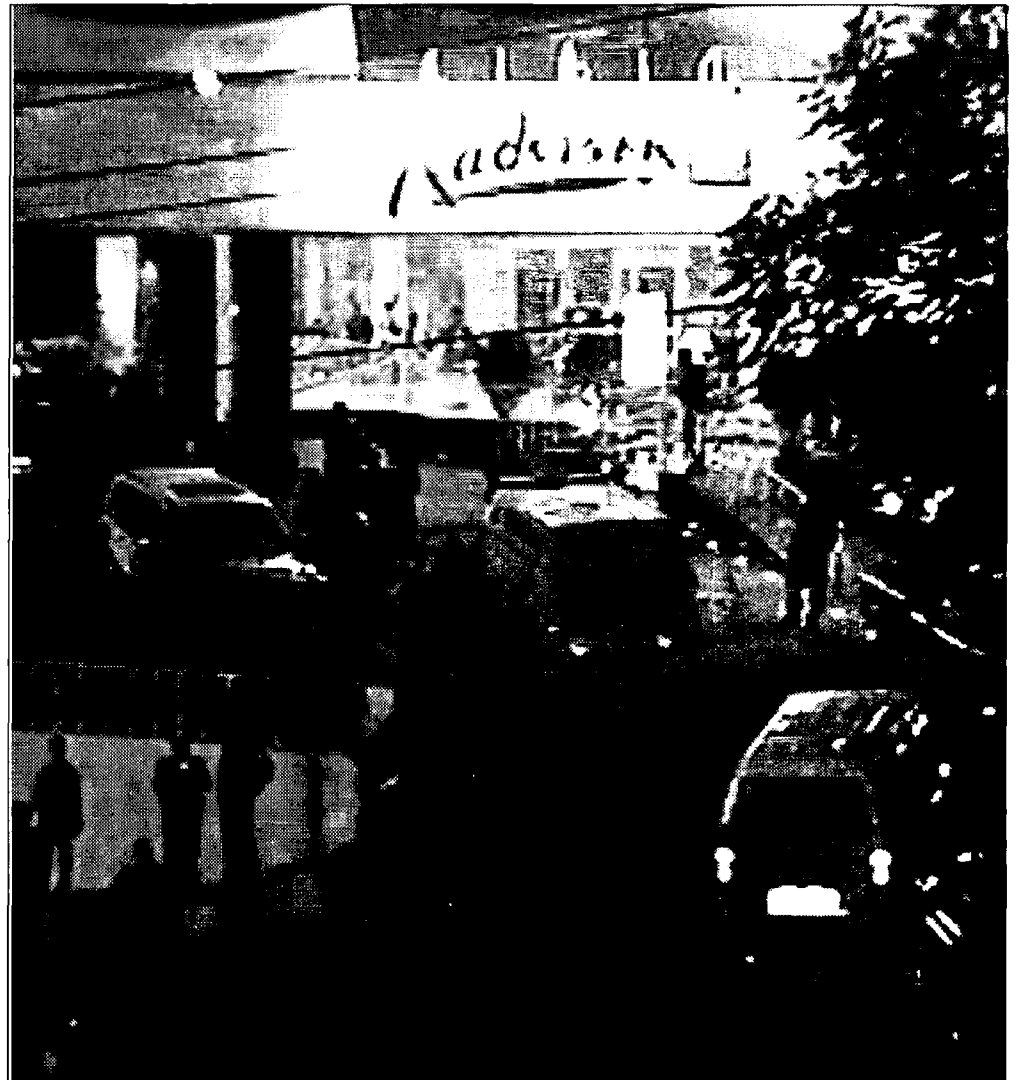


Image from television shows an exterior view of the entrance to the Radisson hotel in Amman Jordan, one of three hotels attacked by suspected suicide bombers Wednesday.

Islamic militants for plotting to carry out attacks and has also sentenced many militants to death in absentia, including al-Zarqawi.

Its capital has become a base for Westerners who fly in and out of neighboring Iraq for work. Amman's main luxury hotels downtown are often full of American and British officials and contractors enjoying the relative quiet of the city.

"Obviously this is something Jordan is not used to," Muasher told CNN. "We have been lucky so far in avoiding those incidents." He said most of the casualties appeared to be

Jordanians and that authorities had sealed the country's land borders.

A State Department official said there was no information on any American casualties. A Jordanian security official, speaking on condition of anonymity because he was not authorized to address the media, said the dead included at least three Asians, possibly Chinese.

The first blast was reported at about 8:50 p.m. at the five-star Grand Hyatt. The explosion took place in the lobby and shattered its stone entrance.

Steve Olderman, a businessman from England,

was attending a business dinner at the Grand Hyatt, where an information technology conference took place earlier in the day.

"Suddenly, we heard an explosion and the whole hotel filled with smoke, and suddenly we found ourselves outside the hotel," said a startled-looking Olderman, who was on the ground floor at the time of the attack.

"We saw bodies lying as we were coming out" of the hotel, said Olderman, who had been staying at the Radisson. "It was pretty horrific. We were sitting beside a huge plate glass window and it just exploded

# Senate Democrats take first aim at Alito

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Senate Democrats issued their first coordinated challenge to Judge Samuel Alito's nomination to the Supreme Court on Wednesday, seeking extensive records about his participation in a 2002 appeals case despite a six-figure investment with one of the defendants.

In a letter to the 3rd U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals, the eight Democrats on the Senate Judiciary Committee said Alito had promised the panel in 1990 he would "disqualify myself from any cases involving the Vanguard companies."

The letter requests the original

opinion in the 2002 case, which was unpublished. It also seeks any communication "from or to the White House, the Justice Department ... or anyone else on their behalf" concerning Alito's decision to participate in the case, in which a three-judge panel ruled on behalf of Vanguard and other investment firms. The companies had been sued by a widow who claimed she was denied funds originally belonging to her deceased husband.

The White House, saying Alito has acted ethically throughout his career, dismissed the suggestion that there was something wrong in this case. "Judge Alito looks forward to answering any questions that committee

members may ask him at the hearing about this issue," said Steven Schmidt, an administration spokesman.

Apart from the written requests, several Democrats who have met privately with Alito in recent days told reporters they had raised conflict-of-interest concerns. "I asked him a lot of questions about Vanguard and there are going to be more," said Sen. Russell Feingold, D-Wis.

The letter comes at a time when Alito appears to be gaining ground steadily in his confirmation campaign for the seat held by Justice Sandra Day O'Connor, with Democratic critics struggling to slow his momentum.

## Languages

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intended to reinforce the materials studied in class.

"A serious student usually derives considerable benefit from the language lab work," D'Antuono said. "In most lower-level language classes, students are also required to watch one to three foreign language films in the video lab to enhance their command of the language."

Marianne Hahn, adjunct professor of German and French, said the language lab is useful for students to help master most of the complex aspects of grammar and vocabulary. She said a potential downside to the lab is student interest.

"I recommend my students go to the lab two times a week for 30 minutes each," she said. "Students will benefit more if they break up their time exposure."

D'Antuono said Spanish is the most popular language offered, followed by Italian, French and German.

"A large number of students are now turning to Spanish, which is being seen as a more 'useful' language to learn in the United States," she said.

Despite rumors, D'Antuono said student interest in German has not declined.

"It is rising slowly. All the languages are expanding due to globalization," she said. "We have more students in German this semester than last year."

Hahn said she is always impressed with the number of students who choose to take German after they have completed the foreign language requirement in a different language.

"About 50 percent of my 101 class are seniors and juniors," Hahn said.

Saint Mary's junior Laura Frechette took two semesters of German last year. She decided to study the language because she lived in Germany for two years.

"[German] is not a language spoken readily in America," she said. "We don't border a country that speaks it either."

Peter Checca, assistant professor of Italian and counselor and coordinator of the Rome program, said student interest in Italian has almost tripled since he began in 1976. He attributes the constant rise in large part to the Rome program, but also to the students who did not have the opportunity to take Italian in high school.

"The Italian department has a very good reputation," said Checca.

Derakhshani said many stu-



KELLY HIGGINS/The Observer

German professor Marianne Hahn gives a lesson in Regina Hall Wednesday. Saint Mary's students are required to take two semesters of a foreign language to graduate.

dents choose to study French each year, as many have noticed a large number of people outside Europe speak the language.

Checca said he thinks students' continued interest in romance languages is because they are similar to the English language.

The College's study abroad programs are also extremely popular and afforded to students who are familiar with the language of the country in which they choose to study.

Sophomore education major Megan Staley is currently abroad in Rome. While she said she is not particularly good at learning another language, she appreciates what she has

learned.

"I think the foreign language requirement is excellent. If it wasn't required, I'm sure I would have never gotten involved with Italian and wouldn't be here now," she said. "I think most people are prepared enough [with the language] when they get here," she said. "I mean, I'm not the greatest at foreign languages, but I'm getting by."

Checca, Derakhshani and Hahn all said their favorite part about teaching a foreign language is watching their students become able to communicate in a previously unfamiliar language and teaching them about different cultures.

"I take great satisfaction in ... guiding students in their discovery of their own cultural identity," Derakhshani said.

D'Antuono said she sees Saint Mary's expanding in the variety of languages offered in the near future.

"There's no way to avoid it," she said.

Checca encouraged students to continue taking foreign languages. He said it creates a good rapport between people of different cultures.

"I think that every student should learn as many languages as possible," he said.

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## Oil companies appear before Congress

Executives questioned by Senators for record gains amid high gasoline prices

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Oil executives sought to justify their huge profits under tough questioning Wednesday, but they found little sympathy from senators who said their constituents are suffering from high energy prices.

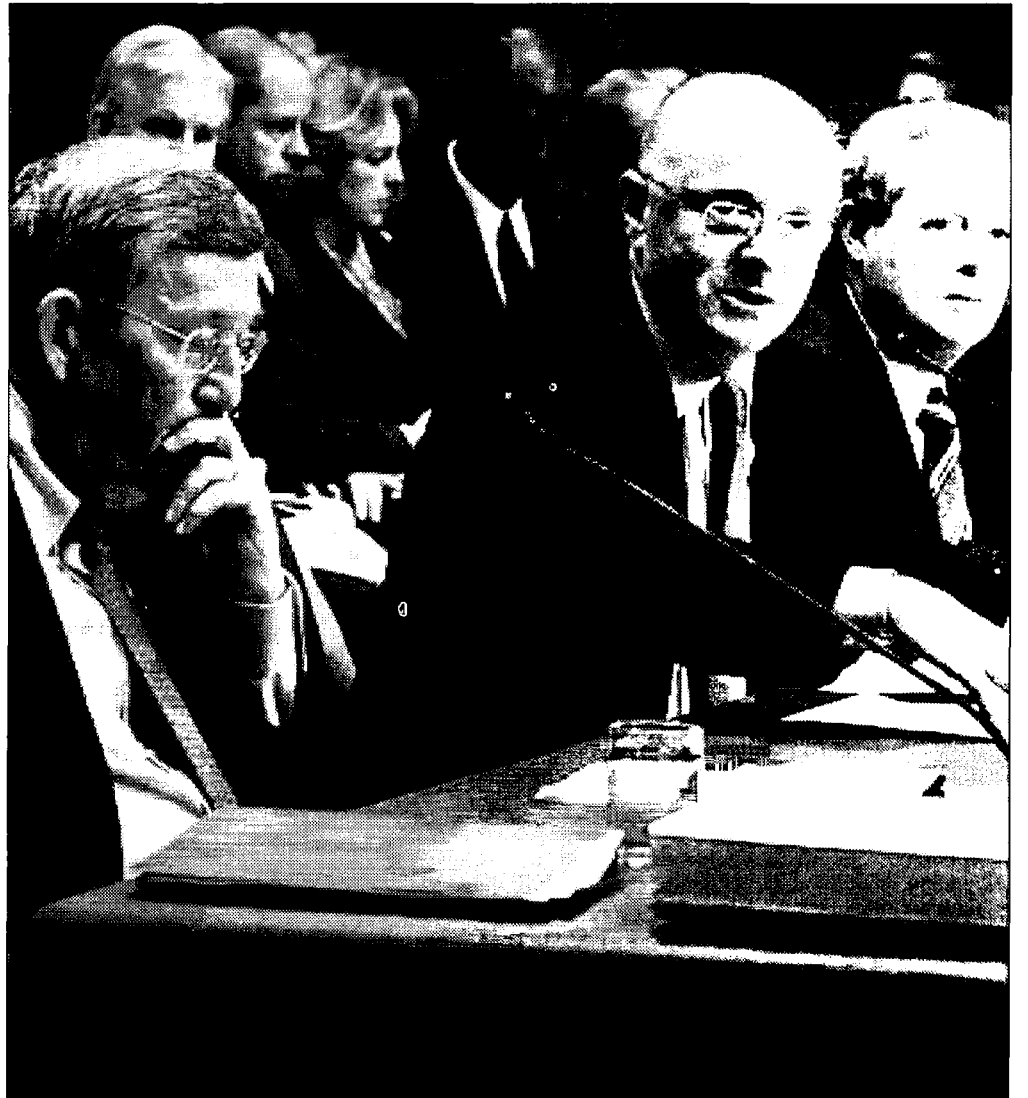
"Your sacrifice appears to be nothing," Sen. Barbara Boxer, D-Calif., told the executives, citing multimillion-dollar bonuses the officials are receiving amid soaring prices at gasoline pumps and predictions of more of the same for winter heating bills.

There is a "growing suspicion that oil companies are taking unfair advantage," said Sen. Pete Domenici, R-N.M. "The oil companies owe the American people an explanation."

The executives represented five major companies that, along with their global parent corporations, earned more than \$32.8 billion during the July-September quarter. Consumers, meanwhile, saw gasoline prices soar beyond \$3 a gallon in the aftermath of supply disruptions caused by Hurricanes Katrina and Rita.

Lee Raymond, chairman of ExxonMobil Corp., the world's largest publicly traded oil company, acknowledged the high gasoline and home heating prices "have put a strain on Americans' household budgets," but he defended his company's profits. Petroleum earnings "go up and down" from year to year and are in line with other industries when compared with the industry's enormous revenues.

It would be a mistake, said Raymond, for the government to impose "punitive measures hastily crafted in response to short-term market fluctuations." They would probably result in less investment by the industry in refineries and other oil projects, he said.



The heads of major oil companies appear to discuss energy pricing and profits before the Senate Commerce and Energy and Natural Resources Committee Wednesday.

ExxonMobil earned nearly \$10 billion in the third quarter. Raymond was joined at the witness table by the chief executives of Chevron Corp., ConocoPhillips Co., BP America Inc. and Shell Oil Co.

But senators pressed the executives to explain why gasoline prices jumped so sharply in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina, when prices at the pump in some areas soared by \$1 a gallon or more overnight.

Sen. Bill Nelson, D-Fla., asked why the industry didn't freeze prices, as it did after the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks.

"We had to respond to the market," replied Chevron

chairman David O'Reilly.

Raymond said that after Sept. 11 "the industry wasn't concerned about whether there was adequate supply," as it was after this year's Gulf storms. By keeping prices higher, adequate supplies were assured, he maintained.

Democrats said that during the storm some ExxonMobil gas station operators complained the company had raised the wholesale price of its gas by 24 cents a gallon in 24 hours.

Raymond said his company had issued guidelines "to minimize the increase in price" but added, "If we kept the price too low we

would quickly run out [of fuel] at the service stations."

"It was a tough balancing act," said Raymond, who said ExxonMobil was not price gouging.

A number of Democrats have called for windfall profits taxes on the industry. Other senators, including Majority Leader Bill Frist, R-Tenn., have said it may be time to enact a federal law on price gouging.

Some Republican and Democratic lawmakers have suggested that the oil companies should funnel some of their earnings to supplement a federal program that helps low-income households pay heating bills.

## IN BRIEF

### Study finds increase in TV sex scenes

WASHINGTON — "The OC," "Desperate Housewives" and other TV shows popular with teenagers generally have more sex than other programs, a study says.

TV executives say they're not pushing sex on children and that if parents don't want their kids to see certain shows then they have all the tools they need, including the "off" button.

According to the study released Wednesday by the Kaiser Family Foundation, the vast majority of TV shows — 70 percent — include some sexual content, with an average of five sex scenes per hour. On the top teen shows, the number is higher — 6.7 scenes an hour.

The study examined programming on ABC, CBS, NBC, Fox, WB, PBS, Lifetime, TNT, USA Network and HBO. Sexual content could be anything from discussions about sex to scenes involving intercourse.

The number of scenes involving sex has nearly doubled since 1998, the study said, from 1,930 to 3,783.

Examples of sexual content cited ranged from discussions of sex on the WB's "Gilmore Girls" and "Jack & Bobby" to depictions of oral sex on NBC's "Law and Order: Special Victims Unit" and sexual intercourse on Fox's "The OC."

The study did not offer an opinion on whether sex on TV is harmful to children.

### Industrial park damaged by tornado

NEWBURGH, Ind. — Southwestern Indiana businesses are pitching in to help their counterparts in a Warrick County industrial park ravaged by Sunday's deadly tornado.

The Warrick County Research and Industrial Park between Newburgh and Boonville had a dozen or more businesses "demolished or damaged beyond repair," Judy Weatherholt, executive director of the county's Economic Development Department, said Wednesday.

The affected businesses, which are generally light industry, together employed about 200 workers, Weatherholt said, but it wasn't clear Wednesday how many may have been idled because of the storm.

A trucking company, for example, lost its building, but was still able to run its semis and perform work, she said.

## Amtrak president fired over debt

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Amtrak's president was fired Wednesday by the company's board of directors, who said David Gunn did not drive the debt-laden rail service fast enough toward major changes.

Democrats criticized Gunn's ouster and questioned whether the firing was legal, contending it was part of a Bush administration effort to kill national rail service.

As Amtrak's president and chief executive, Gunn struggled to maintain service amid a sinking financial picture and a push by the White House and some in Congress to transform the railroad into a group

of companies offering regional service.

Gunn was offered the chance to resign; he refused.

Amtrak's board chairman, David Laney, praised Gunn's effort to put Amtrak in good working order, but said the company's needs went further.

"That is not acceptable. We're more ambitious than that," Laney said. "We just need to change gears."

Laney said it was a gradually worsening relationship between Gunn and the board, not any single disagreement, that led to his ouster.

Gunn took over in 2002 after having headed transit systems in New York City, Washington and Toronto. Amtrak declined to make Gunn avail-

able or provide information about how he could be contacted.

Rep. John Mica, R-Fla., said Gunn was fired because of a clash over the board's vote in September to authorize splitting off the Northeast Corridor, an idea the administration supported. The Washington-Boston service accounts for the largest share of the railroad's ridership.

"David Gunn bucked that idea, so that was the straw that broke the camel's back," said Mica, a member of the House Transportation and Infrastructure subcommittee on railroads.

"He's a very capable operational manager, but he wasn't willing to go along with the dramatic changes that need to be made," Mica said.

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going on, the talk on campus of the evictions, talk in The Observer ... we want to continue to promote our message and state a clear position on what we're working on, which is to improve the relationship [between Notre Dame students and South Bend residents]," Guzman said.

Improving this relationship does not require students to make an incredible exertion, the committee emphasized in its letter.

"It can be as simple as a friendly hello to a member of the South Bend community, to introducing oneself to new neighbors, to investigating the community and all it offers beyond Grape Road," the letter reads.

The letter was approved without opposition.

Senators passed a resolution modifying the fixed allocation percentages listed in the Student Union constitution, a change previously designated by Senate as the second stage in the push for the implementation of the College Readership Program — the first stage being the \$15 student activities fee increase that passed in Senate Oct. 12.

The amendment to the Student Union constitution will decrease the fixed allotments granted to clubs and organizations and a contingency fund, increasing the budgetary allotment for Student Union organizations.

These changes adequately shift the distribution of Student Union funds to allow for the execution of the College Readership Program.

Student body president Dave Baron urged senators to pass the resolution, reminding them it was simply the second step in a previously-passed resolution and essential "to pay for the College Readership program without hurting all of these organizations."

Baron said he had been in "constant contact" with Vice President of Student Affairs Father Mark Poorman, who supported the student activities fee increase and passed the resolution along to the University Budgetary Working Group, which approved the resolution Monday.

The University Officers Budgetary Group will consider the proposed increase today, Baron said. If approved, however, the increase will be put on the proposed University budget and not considered until February, when the Board of Trustees will convene and vote on next year's budget.

The resolution to change the

fixed allocation percentages passed in Senate with no discussion, but drew one vote of opposition and one abstention.

McGlinn senator Lindsay Meyer introduced the Resolution Supporting Continued Outreach to Victims of Hurricanes Katrina and Rita, describing it as a "bread and butter resolution."

"We support everything that has transpired so far regarding [Notre Dame's efforts in] helping out victims and urge the [University] President [Father John Jenkins] and [University] Provost [Thomas Burish] to channel some of the resources of our academic departments to

further research ... and to support the [hurricane] victims," Meyer said.

The resolution, again, passed without opposition.

### In other Senate news:

♦Residence Life committee chair Mark Seiler explained the upcoming campus-wide construction to bring increased technology to residence halls, a project that is starting in Sorin College this week.

Seiler, who met with Director of Residence Life and

Housing Jeff Shoup last week, along with Baron, said the construction will bring cable, wireless Internet and better cell phone reception to dorms.

"The biggest issue is the 15 to 18-day 'dark period' that everyone is concerned about," Seiler said.

During this time, Seiler said the dorm phones, card swiping system and Internet connection will be nonfunctioning. To get through this period, he advised students to carry their room keys and extra money with them.

But Seiler warned senators not to expect too much too soon.

"Cable's not going to go live until next fall," he said. "However, the hope is that wireless will be available."

♦International Education Week will take place next week, Diversity Affairs committee chair Sarah Liu said.

Liu called the week "huge," citing 20 events sponsored by departments across campus.

She asked senators to go see the "Eyes on the World" poster display, which will run Monday through Friday in O'Shaughnessy Hall, as well as the "Eyes on the World" presentation that will be given by students who studied or performed service abroad at 7 p.m. Wednesday in the Coleman-Morse Lounge.

A 10,000 Villages Sale will be held in the Dooley Room in LaFortune Monday through Friday, Liu said.

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## Careers

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"Companies are not focusing on business students alone."

Other seniors have decided against visiting the Career Center primarily because instead of jumping headfirst into the office, graduate school is next on their agenda.

Senior Mary McGrath has not tapped the resources of the Career Center.

"I'm interested in graduate school and felt that I could get more information from my advisors in the psychology and English departments," McGrath said.

Students like McGrath can still find help through the Career Center. The Web site has an extensive list of workshops devoted to understanding possibilities for graduate programs.

Despite the substantial block of seniors who have not visited the Career Center, a growing number of students are using the facilities available to them.

The Career Center scheduled 4,028 appointments with students during the 2004-05 academic year, according to Svete, but he anticipates an even higher number of student appointments this year.

"This year we have surpassed the appointments we had at this time last year," he said. Sarah Sobczak is a senior who has pursued her job hunt primarily through the Career Center.

"After going to workshops to help with my interviewing skills and getting help from an advisor on my cover letters and resume, starting in September, I applied through 'Go IRISH!' and have steadily continued applying since then," she said.

Sobczak is an English and gender studies major and has applied to Fortune 100 companies interviewing on campus regularly this semester.

Svete also noted another liberal arts major like Sobczak, a senior who is a political science major and has received four second-round interviews with the help of the Career Center.

To date, 6,000 interviews have been held on campus. Svete emphasized that even if a particular company does not make trips to Notre Dame, the Career Center can help interested students.

"There are many companies who do not travel to college campuses to interview.

But this does not mean they cannot be reached," Svete said. "We have search engines to search out companies and find that job opening or internship not available at the Career Fair. We had a senior interested in computer animations and recently found a job for him through the search engines at MGM Grand in Las Vegas."

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the defending party in lieu of a trial and require the defendant to pay minimal damages plus the plaintiff's attorney cost and fees.

"The plaintiff had ten days in which to accept this offer, which he ultimately did," Storin said.

Haywood said he took the FMLA in 2001 when he discovered his mother in South Carolina had acute leukemia and required his assistance.

"The chair, [Father Austin] Collins at the time, and [then-] associate provost Carol Mooney had approved my FMLA prior to my taking this leave toward the end of the term," he said. "During my review and hearing, the FMLA was — in effect — used negatively."

According to federal court documents, Notre Dame will pay Haywood, 47, \$52,200 with interest and an additional \$15,250 in fees for his legal representative.

"In essence, Notre Dame offered to allow judgment to be entered against it for the amount specified as a means of settling the case," Storin said. "Mr. Haywood accepted this offer, but Notre Dame denies any wrongdoing and is pleased with the settlement."

Storin said there was no court decision in sense of a judgment by a judge and/or jury, but Haywood maintained a court made the final decision.

"The decision by the federal court was a judgment against Notre Dame," said Haywood, whose issues with the University began in 2004 when his promotion from assistant to associate professor with tenure was rejected.

"Assistant professors that are being reviewed for promotion to associate professor are

supposed to be evaluated based on three criteria: service, teaching and scholarship," Haywood said. "I was not evaluated based solely on those, rather the department chair Father Austin Collins and Arts and Letters Dean Mark Roche invented a special standard for me."

Haywood said Collins and Roche evaluated him based on what they perceived as his "future potential to be department chair" — a criteria he deemed "wholly inappropriate and out of line with junior faculty evaluation criteria at top research universities in the United States."

Believing an injustice had been done, Haywood appealed his denial to the Provost's Office where a committee — comprised of senior faculty members — reviewed the case and found it necessary to re-evaluate the application.

"The two elected faculty

appeals committees take the job very seriously and, from what I witnessed, devote enormous amounts of time to investigating a case," Haywood said. "After their work is done, they issue a report ... [but] I was only given the conclusion of the report."

Haywood said one of the conclusions was "[Collins] and certain members of [the department's Committee on Appointments and Promotions] exhibited attitudes and engaged in behavior that suggested personal bias" and that bias might have infected his initial review.

Haywood said the review is supposed to be redone if appeal committees find extraordinary instances of personal bias or procedural errors, but his review was "not truly redone because the department, the Dean and the Provost's Advisory Committee review the same application package."

Despite the appeal, the University again denied Haywood's promotion in May 2004.

"The rehearing, I believe

and regret to say, is only a formality," Haywood said. "[The purpose of the appeal and rehearing] is to protect the University from a lawsuit — this failed in my case."

According to the lawsuit, Haywood said part of the reason he was denied tenure was because of the FMLA. It also said the former professor's age was "the subject of a prior discussion relating to his tenure application."

Storin said the University maintains that it in no way discriminated against Haywood.

"The University is not interested in arguing this case any further," he said. "Obviously, if the case had gone to trial, we would have been ready to convey our side of this dispute. Mr. Haywood chose not to go that route when we offered to settle under Rule 68 ... We settled, and we consider the matter closed."

Haywood is currently teaching at the University of Michigan.

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LEFT: Nick Holovaty (third from left) and friends, sitting on the front porch of the first house he and his fellow city-builders have built in Shreveport, LA. They have built a total of five since the summer of 2002.

## NRA sues to overturn San Francisco gun ban

Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO — The National Rifle Association sued Wednesday to overturn an ordinance voters here overwhelmingly approved a day earlier that bans handgun possession and sales of firearms in the city.

A state appeals court in 1982 nullified a similar gun ban largely on grounds that the city cannot enact an ordinance that conflicts with state law, which allows for the sale and possession of handguns and ammunition.

The NRA filed its lawsuit

Wednesday asking the same court, the 1st District Court of Appeal, to nullify the ordinance, which demands that city residents surrender their handguns by April.

"Cities do not have the authority under the state law to ban the possession of handguns," said Wayne LaPierre, NRA president.

The NRA also contends the new ordinance unfairly puts San Francisco residents at a disadvantage by denying them the means to protect themselves. The measure does not bar nonresidents from possessing handguns within city limits.

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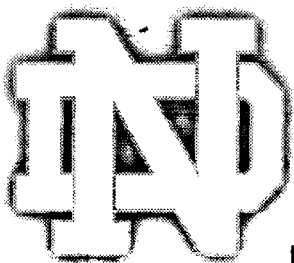
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## Learning something new every day

This is for all of you who sit with your friends at lunch in the dining hall and read The Observer instead of talking to each other, for all of you first-year students who are wondering why you don't feel like

Kate Barrett

FaithPoint

you know your room-mates very well yet (maybe because you read The Observer instead of talking to each other?), for all you seniors who think you know your roommates really well. Try this little exercise: ask each other a few, or more, of these relatively random questions and see if you learn anything new. Enjoy!

If you could eat the best dessert in the world, what would it be? What's your favorite place to eat out? Why? What's the best topping on pizza? What do you like to do when you exercise? What kind of job do you think you'll have when you grow up? Why? Have you ever blamed someone for something they didn't do? How did you feel? Do you ever do volunteer work? What do you like about it? What's hard about it? Does your mother have a nickname for you? What is it? When does she use that nickname? Does your

father have a nickname for you? What is it? When does he use that nickname? What's your favorite sport to play? What's your favorite sport to watch? Why? Think about a person who is your hero. What makes them your hero? Would you ever like to be president (President of what, you ask? Your pick.)? What would you do if you were president?

What has been your most memorable trip by airplane? Why? What's your favorite book? Who wrote it? Who's the best character you ever encountered in a book? Why?

How many places have you lived in your life? What have they been like? What would you do for Indiana if you were governor? What's your favorite song? Why? What's your favorite holiday? Why? Do you ever feel lonely? What do you do about it? Who are your three best friends? What do you like about each of them? What is something special that you own? What makes it so special to you? What's your favorite thing to do in the wintertime? Summertime? Do you remember your favorite bedtime book or story when you were little? What do you remem-

ber about it? What's your favorite color? Why? What's your favorite board game to play? Why? Do you have any special memories or relationships with your grandparents?

If you could invent something, what would it be? What makes you really, really happy? What makes you really, really sad? What do you do about it? Have you ever been blamed for something you didn't do? How did it make you feel? What have you prayed about lately? Philippians 4:13 reads, "I can do all things through God who strengthens me." Do you ever memorize Scripture verses? Does this one seem worth memorizing? Why or why not?

Who are some of the people you are thankful for in your life? What do you love about Notre Dame? What lasting mark do you hope you'll leave here?

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### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## Reassessing Bush's approval

In his Nov. 7 letter, Bob Polchow condemns "poorly argued opinion piece[s]." I agree with this statement. Therefore, I am compelled to respond to Polchow.

Polchow cites the demographics of New Orleans to apparently acquit the Bush administration of the accusations leveled by Falco. However, he fails to address the real issues of the incompetence of authorities to properly respond to the disaster and the divisions of race and class revealed by the hurricane.

He completely trivializes the Plame affair by pithily claiming, "some analyst was supposedly outed." Valerie Plame was a CIA agent. This information was classified until revealed by Robert Novak, according to Patrick Fitzgerald himself. He then accuses Fitzgerald of attempting to "entrap administration officials" as revenge for the election of 2000. Why would Fitzgerald do this? Polchow offers no answer to this question and assumes the reader will take his word for it. While it has not yet been proven that any administration officials violated the law, the scandal has at least revealed its dishonesty.

Polchow describes Samuel Alito's record as "reassuring." However, I find it not the least bit reassuring that in the Casey case also cited by Polchow, Alito argued that the state could require that a woman's husband be notified when a woman seeks an abortion. In fact, many of his opinions have been overturned in the Supreme Court in decisions where O'Connor cast the deciding vote. The confirmation of Alito would undoubtedly move the Supreme Court to the right. I am not attempting to argue that Alito would be a poor Supreme Court Justice, but for Polchow to reproach criticism of the nominee as "uninformed and childish" ignores Alito's established location in the continuum of judicial philosophies.

I suggest that Polchow digest this and other sets of facts in order to, in time, make a fair assessment of the multitude of controversial issues that have led the public to increasingly express disapproval of President George W. Bush.

Jason James  
senior  
Zahn  
Nov. 8

## Balancing grouping

As I read the letters discussing whether segregation is natural (Stephanie Yoshida Nov. 7) or racism is still alive (Jeff Tate Nov. 8), I can't help but ask why it is that a group of "minorities" sitting together is seen as "self-segregating" while a group of "non-minorities" sitting together is not?

In a setting where there is a clearly dominant group — in Notre Dame's case, white Catholics — it is easy to fall into the trap of seeing the dominant group's behavior as "normal" and the behavior of any other group as "different."

The truth is that when a group of white Catholics sits together, they are just as self-segregated as is a group of Asians, blacks, or Latinos sitting together. In saying this, I am not attaching any value, positive or negative, to self-segregation. I am just pointing out that it is a behavior common to all.

Mingling with and becoming friends with people whose backgrounds are different from your own is a good thing. It broadens one's views and, I suppose, contributes to world peace. Spending time with people who share your own background is a good thing, too. It brings a sense of comfort and belonging that, in its own way, also contributes to world peace.

The key is balance. There's time for both.

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### OBSERVER POLL

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### QUOTE OF THE DAY

"If you can get nothing better out of the world, get a good dinner out of it, at least."

Herman Melville  
author

## Why do we laugh?

There are some jokes that we should not tell, but are there any things we should never joke about? Let's start with some observations.

People do, as a matter of fact, joke about death, cancer, dementia, murder, suicide and other painful topics.

Further, it is observably false that people only make or appreciate these jokes if they lack direct experience of the subject matter. Many Alzheimer's patients love Alzheimer's jokes, although many do not.

In England, medical students have a reputation for finding humor in what many would consider to be improper places; they name the cadavers on which they practice dissection, play catch with organs, and circulate legends about patients who arrive in the emergency room sporting injuries acquired in mortifyingly embarrassing ways.

All of which is certainly unsettling, but it would be a mistake to suppose that the students' behavior is an indication that they are not serious about their calling as doctors. It just won't do to sternly lecture them that when they are doctors they will be visited by people who are at their most weak and vulnerable, and mistakes that they make could easily be fatal. The students are acutely aware of these facts, and that's why they joke; to make their responsibilities bearable.

Humor about somber subjects has long been known as black comedy, or gallows

humor in cases in which people joke about their own death. My favorite example of the latter was provided by the Irish comedian Spike Milligan, who arranged for the epitaph on his tombstone to read "I told you I was ill."

There are people who do not enjoy black comedy, who find that they cannot joke or appreciate jokes about some topics, because they are too painful or too sacred. These people are not humorless; it is just that for them there are certain areas of life that are off-limits to humor. They are not humorless, but humor plays a different role for them than it does for those of us who find relief in laughing about the darker aspects of life and as a result they frequently misinterpret black humor as a sign that those who partake in it find things less painful or less sacred than they do.

Monty Python's film "The Life of Brian" contains a lot of black comedy, most notoriously in its conclusion, a crucifixion scene played out as an upbeat musical number. It's easy to assume (I know it must be easy because so many people do it) that if you find the film funny, this must show a lack of seriousness about one's faith, an inadequate sense of the sacred. But if you take the time to actually find out who enjoys the film you will discover that whether or not a person finds it funny is a very poor indicator of the seriousness with which they take their faith.

Last week, Lauren Prease, the vice president of Notre Dame's chapter of the NAACP, wrote a letter in these pages condemning routines performed by two student comedians at a recent comedy show. She took exception to one joke in which

the comedian claimed to have never understood why segregated seating on buses was a problem, since everyone knows that's where the cool kids sit. Prease replies, "Perhaps for blacks during the Jim Crow era, sitting in the back lost its 'cool' appeal when they were forced to sit or stand uncomfortably in the back of the bus when seats were available toward the front."

If you can't prove your point, just prove a different point and hope no-one notices. I think I understand why Prease thinks the joke is offensive; what I can't understand is why she thinks it's a joke. Leaving aside the question of whether it was funny, the joke simply wouldn't make sense unless it took for granted that in reality, the experience of segregation was horribly degrading and that we all know this. If Prease thinks that telling the joke or laughing at it is evidence that a person doesn't think racial discrimination is a terrible thing, then she is in a position rather like that of the person who thinks that if a Christian laughs at "Life of Brian," it shows that they don't really believe that Jesus is the Messiah — as a theory, it has many advantages, being simple and easy to apply, but on the downside, it isn't true.

Prease also took issue with a second comedian who, as she puts it, "mentioned the taboo word 'nigger.'" He did mention the word, immediately after a skeptical joke about the attempt by some women to reappropriate a traditionally demeaning word as a term of affection. He continued: "Language in America has gotten out of hand anyway ... for Christmas, my grandma sent me this sweater she knitted me. On the front it said 'My Nigga.'"

The reclamation of this term for use amongst blacks was popularized by Richard Pryor, who later came to regret it (his explanation of why he decided to stop using the word is one of the most extraordinary and powerful routines I have ever heard). When I heard the comedian's joke, I pictured a benign old grandmother knitting away at her gift while listening to gangster rap, who had noticed that the term had now been taken up as a term of affection but who had, disastrously, somehow failed to recognize that it was only taken this way amongst blacks. That the imaginary grandmother innocently produced a present that would earn its recipient social ostracism and very possibly a beating is one of the many things that would be horrible if it were true but is funny because it isn't.

It's often hard to know whether a joke is acceptable because it's often hard to know why people laugh at it. What's aggravating is that the critics don't seem particularly interested in finding out.

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### LETTER TO THE EDITOR

## Defending Bush on abortion

The abortion-representing crosses strewn about South Quad each year always stir up a great deal of emotion. Yet without fail, some students insist on applying ill-conceived political spins to what should be a somber display.

Matthew Smedberg's Nov. 8 Inside Column "Dubya and the Unborn" rings false on numerous levels. He accuses President Bush and the Republican party of failing to produce legislature criminalizing abortion despite the fact

that "the party with the anti-abortion plank has controlled both houses of Congress" for several years.

Overlooked, apparently, is the fact that bills must receive a two-thirds majority to pass, which no anti-abortion bill would even come close to at this point in time. It's unlikely that any party will ever achieve a two-thirds majority in our two-party democracy. Therefore, anti-abortion bills will never pass through Congress, meaning the Judicial Branch is the most likely

means by which Roe v. Wade may be overturned.

Bush's appointments to the Supreme Court provide hope. John Roberts is a conservative with a history suggesting an opposition to abortion. Samuel Alito, who appears certain to be confirmed, is a moderate conservative. Potentially, Bush may have aligned the Supreme Court such that abortion will not be legal in the United States within 15 years.

I am an adopted child. My unwed

birthparents had every legal right to abort, but luckily for me, their consciences wouldn't allow this. So, as you might imagine, abortion is a primary issue I consider when discussing politics. In my opinion, Bush is making all the right moves to end what is, collectively, our nation's greatest sin.

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### U-WIRE

## Unrest in Paris shouldn't be ignored

Monday night was the 13th consecutive night in which French youths rioted in towns and cities across France.

The riots erupted in protest of the deaths of two young people hiding from police, but fueled by decades of racial and religious tensions left largely unchecked by the French government, they have become something entirely different and far more devastating.

More than 5,000 vehicles have been torched, and there has been at least one confirmed death among many reported injuries. Schools and other institutions also have been targets of the mob's rage.

Such a sudden and prolonged violence in a country long known for its diplomacy should be, at the very least, a topic of interest for all young people. Many people

on campus, however, are just now finding out about the riots, two weeks into the mayhem. This is a sad demonstration of both their own personal apathy and the fact that up-to-the-minute news available online does not necessarily mean people are better informed about the world around them. Many remain ignorant.

Others are laughing it off. After all, we can still eat our freedom fries over here in the United States without watching flames engulf every car on the block, but then again, race is an issue with which this country has been dealing directly for the past 50 years. Even before that, slavery and racial equality have been topics of discussion since this country was just a group of 13 colonies.

France doesn't have that history. Countless North Africans and Muslims have been immigrating to the country for decades, and France now finds that its new citizens want the same rights

and respect as its old citizens. They are making it very clear.

Two weeks of almost continuous rioting, however, does not speak well of the ability of the French government to do its job — govern. A midnight curfew for minors is finally in effect across France, but a government-enforced bedtime seems far too little, far too late.

Sure, there have been hundreds of arrests made, but the French government's response is remarkably similar to the U.S. government's response to the devastation caused by Hurricane Katrina. In both situations, racism and a lack of organized leadership have been alleged as reasons for sluggish reactions, but no matter what the reasons behind it, a distinct lack of decisive action let both disasters become more tragic than they needed to be.

Obviously, French authorities need to pacify the rioters before they have even the slightest chance of closing the gaps

between minority suburban families and the wealthier city dwellers, but standing back and letting the flames burn themselves out is not the answer. Those flames will burn much longer than most French citizens can afford to wait.

Assuming the government does regain the peace in a timely manner, it needs to remember vividly both the riots and the actions, or lack of action, that caused them when it sits down to write the laws of France's future.

As for the rest of the world, it should keep an eye on how France handles itself in the coming days and weeks. There are many lessons to be learned.

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## CD REVIEWS

# Gray gets past obstacles, creates poetic clarity

By ANALISE LIPARI  
Scene Critic

In the four years following his seven-time platinum album "White Ladder," British singer-songwriter David Gray has worked to craft a decent follow up record. 2003's "A New Day at Midnight," written in response to the death of Gray's father, was too dark and mellow a release for his original audience to respond to.

His latest effort, however, "Life in Slow Motion," is a solid return to his previous level of work, with a fresh yet familiar feel to its ten tracks. Refreshing, insightful and token Gray, the album is an achievement of beauty and substance.

This album marks the first time Gray has recorded his music in what one might call a "serious studio." Previously he was hallmarked for the stark, simplistic nature of his recording style. This time around, Gray moves

beyond the "bedroom" studio into a full-blown recording facility, and this shows in the smooth clarity of each track.

"How I long to / bite the hand that feeds you," Gray sings in an opening line. The album begins with "Alibi," a darker track about the bitterness of lost love. The orchestral strains of the song's start dispel any seasoned Gray listener's ideas about his previously electronica-heavy style.

"This time around, the drum machine has been replaced with spacious soundscapes of glacial instrumentation," Lucie Davis said in a recent BBC review of the album. This effort runs through "Slow Motion," with a clarity harkening back to his earlier efforts, while evolving into another realm of style.

The second track and first-released single, "One I Love," is signature Gray in its earnest emotions, quiet poetry and strong melodic chords. Not unlike his classic "This Year's Love," this track works due to its taking hold

of real life emotions without sinking into the hackneyed or clichéd. The light and earthy feel of the guitar riffs carries the song, and the earnest lyrics lend it to be placed among Gray's classics.

"As the tracer glides / In its graceful arc /

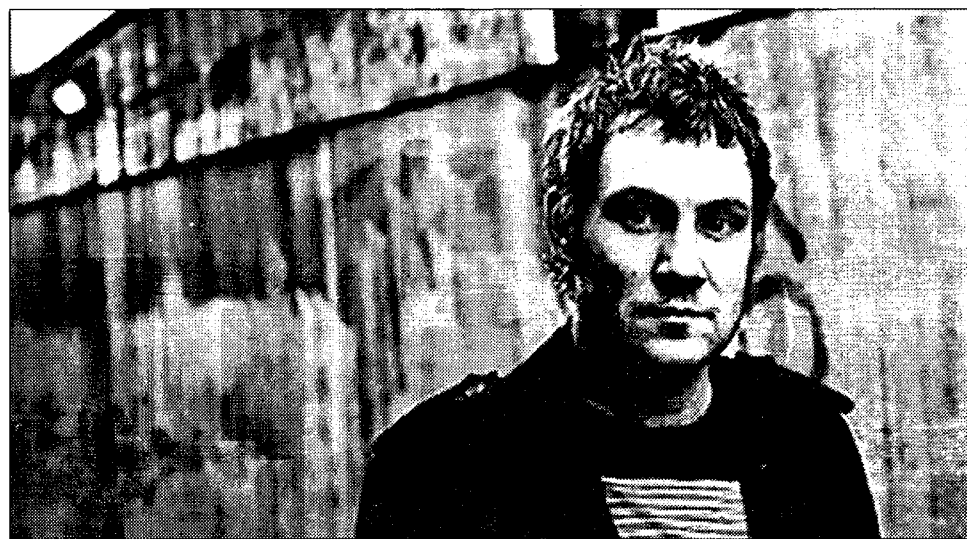


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David Gray grew up in Wales and has performed all over the United Kingdom. He has also opened for well-known U.S. bands including Dave Matthews Band.

Send a little prayer out to ya / 'cross the falling dark," Gray croons in the opening verse of "One I Love."

Each of the remaining tracks has a distinct feel. "From Here You Can Almost See the Sea," the sixth track, has an almost ethereal sensibility, with Gray's normally somewhat-ragged voice hitting higher, more lilting notes. The sound is quiet, elegant and refreshing, and the track as a whole is gorgeous in its effortlessness.

Other highlights include the compelling title track, "Slow Motion," and "Hospital Food," where Gray muses on what he feels to be the mediocre nature of much of daily life. With a heavier drum beat than earlier tracks, "Hospital Food" grabs attention while subtly making the listener think.

"A bucketful of Babylon / A belly full of hate," Gray sings in "Nos Da Cariad," Welsh for "Goodnight, sweetheart." Gray has a history of writing more poetic lyrics, and "Life in Slow Motion" proves wonderfully to be no different. His word choice is often subtle but effective, working seamlessly with his melodies to create an undeniably strong record.

"It was bloody hard work," Gray says on his website, [www.davidgray.com](http://www.davidgray.com). "Fear and doubt are huge obstacles. In terms of your own work, you have to try to overcome them."

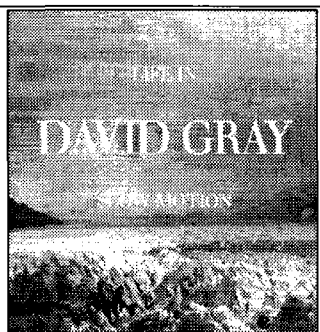
"It would have been so easy to get freaked out, but I'm really delighted that I didn't."

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## Life in Slow Motion

David Gray

Ato Records



Recommended tracks: 'Alibi,' 'Slow Motion,' 'Nos Da Cariad,' 'One I Love' and 'Hospital Food'

# Musical genius shines through on new album

By JAMES COSTA  
Scene Critic

Ryan Adams isn't a country singer. He's also not a rocker, and he's definitely not a pop star. He's simply Ryan Adams, and this makes his latest effort uniquely vibrant and brilliant.

Returning to the country roots of his early career with the band Whiskeytown, he and the Cardinals have joined to create "Jacksonville City Nights," an album that couples pure country influence with Adam's inimitable musical talent. As he concentrates on such a small portion of American geography, it is easy for a person to feel as if they are a part of the stories carved through the tracks. Curiously, Adams chooses the largest city in Florida to set his album, which is also a city that is hardly ever thought of as an enviable destination.

The poignant and haunting duet with

Norah Jones, "Dear John," is a masterpiece of romantic destruction and musical exploration. Using a heavy piano, the track seems to be the product of two lovers now separated, singing out the same song at the same time to each other from thousands of miles away. It speaks of the classic Adams themes of heartbreak and loss, alleviated by a strong shot or handle of Tennessee whiskey.

The main difference between "Jacksonville City Nights" and earlier Ryan Adams albums is the obvious lack of musical complexity. While he often used to employ the electric guitar and amps, he instead focuses on piano, fiddle and acoustic guitar backed by a light drum. This decision not only exposes the plea for mercy for which Adams always seems to be searching, but also the artistic realization that it is not noise, but truth, that sincerely affects a discerning listener.

While the album has a few misses, these tracks even begin to acquire a certain genius when listened to multiple times.

Harkening back to the days of such musical acts as Neil Young and Gram Parsons, Adams returns his moan of a voice to the bare-bones country of its rural American descent. For the

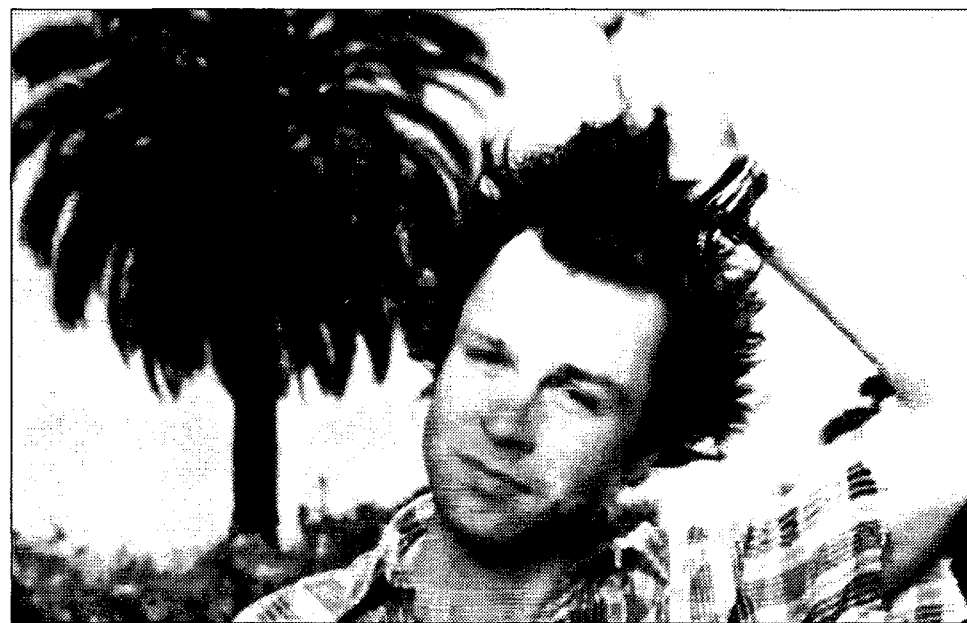


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Ryan Adams is one of the few alt-country performers who has gained wide range success. On his new CD, he sings with country great Lucinda Williams.

first time in a long while, Adams seems to fit his voice perfectly to the meaning of the words he sings. The tales he relives are those of the common man. His voice reminds us that music is meant to be a testament to the common emotions we share and not meant to be digitally re-mastered or enhanced. While his music and voice are unadorned by such distractions, they together achieves the rare distinction of allowing the listener to truly connect their own thoughts to that of the artist's.

Though both he and his career have been classified as overly dramatic and eccentric, "Jacksonville City Nights"

proves to be a true testament to the revival of real soul and emotion in music.

Adam's accounts of basic human pain and hope could not achieve their power without the raw intelligence of his own experience channeled through his music.

Adams has announced that he has another album in the works, which is due out before year's end. Clearly, the inexhaustible Adams is on to something exceptional in his musical future.

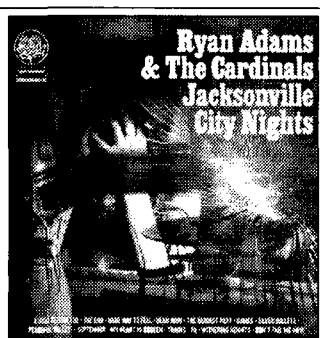
Going by "Jacksonville City Nights," he simply cannot go wrong.

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## Jacksonville City Nights

Ryan Adams

Lost Highway



Recommended tracks: 'Dear John,' 'A Kiss Before I Go,' 'The Hardest Part' and 'My Heart is Broken'

## WVFI PREVIEW

# Ted Leo shakes up LaFortune Saturday

By JOE LATTAL  
Scene Writer

The last time Ted Leo (Class of 1994) played a show at Notre Dame, it was the early '90s, and he was an English major. When he returns Saturday night in WVFI's "Quadrock," he will be back as one of the most respected and popular indie rock stars to ever play on the second floor of his alma mater's student center.

His resume is impressive — four critically-acclaimed full-length albums and one solo EP, a profile documentary entitled "Dirty Old Town" (filmed by another Notre Dame graduate, Justin Mitchell, Class of 1995), and a nomination for sexiest vegan by PETA2 in 2005.

Alongside his band mates, known as the Pharmacists, Leo's live show is a uniquely energetic environment. Leo often jumps around the stage playing his electric guitar with an amp cable that looks more like a telephone cord trying to keep up with him. Bassist Dave Lerner swings his hips to frenetic bass lines, while drummer Chris Wilson accelerates

the momentum, mercilessly beating his drum kit.

Recently, Leo has been involved in several musical projects including Flower15 at the Metro in Chicago, a series of concerts to celebrate the 15th anniversary of Flower Booking, a booking agency whose clients include over 50 bands such as Interpol, Jimmy Eat World and Leo himself. Leo also contributed a cover of the Beatles' "I'm Looking Through You" to "This Bird Has Flown," a tribute album celebrating the 40th anniversary of "Rubber Soul." Other artists appearing on the compilation include Sufjan Stevens, Ben Kweller and the Fiery Furnaces.

Leo gained national popularity for his second full-length, "Tyranny of Distance," in 2001. Anthemic hits such as "Biomusicology," "Timorous Me" and "My Vien Ilin" — some of which he usually includes in his live sets two albums and four years later — were early indicators of Leo's boundless songwriting potential.

In 2003, Ted Leo and the Pharmacists exploded with the release of "Hearts of Oak." The album immediately received

Pitchfork Media's "best new music" honors and a spot in the Top 30 of Pitchfork's top albums of the year. Leo's fresh rhythms and erudite vocabulary combined elements of classic rock with the current indie scene. Fan favorites included "Ballad of the Sin Eater,"



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Ted Leo, center, and the Pharmacists (Sean Greene, left, and Danny Leo) released their fifth album in 2004. They make a visit to Notre Dame Saturday.

a five-minute narrative voyage consisting mostly of bass and drums, "Where Have All the Rude Boys Gone?" an addictive tune about Leo's longing for the ska era of punk, and "2nd Ave. 11 AM," which concludes with unexpected French lyrics that make people who don't even understand what they're saying sing along.

After the major success of "Hearts of Oak," Ted Leo released a solo EP, "Tell Balgeary Balgury Is Dead," which included solo versions of two "Hearts of Oak" songs as well as a handful of early obscure rock and punk covers. "Tell Balgeary Balgury Is Dead" was more passionate than anything Leo ever released. The furious strumming melting into his falsetto voice revealed Leo's special talents, especially on Ewan McColl's "Dirty Old Town." What Ben Folds was to the piano, Ted Leo is to the electric guitar.

A strenuous touring schedule took Leo to 2004 and his fourth, and most antici-

pated, full-length album, "Shake the Sheets." The album echoes many of the songwriting techniques from "Hearts of Oak" but with cleaner production and less repetition. While four of the songs on "Hearts of Oak" topped five minutes, nine of the 11 on "Shake the Sheets" are under four.

Leo performs lots of the more exciting songs live including, "Me and Mia," "The Angels' Share," "The One Who Got Us Out," "Counting Down the Hours," "Little Dawn," "Shake the Sheets" and "Walking To Do."

With enough material to keep a crowd excited for hours, Leo won't pull any punches in what is sure to be one of the most exciting musical events for Notre Dame this year.

Campus artists Somersaults and Ryan Martin are the openers for the event.

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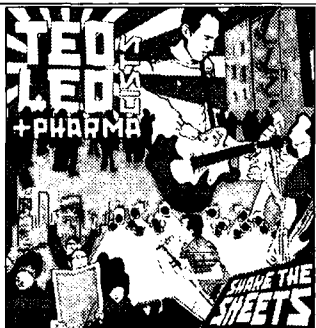
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## CD REVIEW

# Former pop princess turns dark angel on new album

By COURTNEY WILSON  
Scene Critic

Typical as it may be, Ashlee Simpson, with the release of her sophomore album "I Am Me," plays the part of the defiant female songster jaded by Hollywood and a sort of rebel to her celebrity.

The pop-princess-turned-dark-angel image, which is reminiscent of such stars as Britney Spears, Christina Aguilera and most recently, Kelly Clarkson, is by now expected. But Simpson never professed to be a girly-girl anyway. She has always been a bit more grunge — although mostly in image alone.

This time around, her new dark glam image has transitioned its way into her music. The formerly quirky and upbeat style of Ashlee's first album, "Autobiography," has somehow been

replaced by a collection of lifeless tracks, most of which are lacking any fizzy pop luster. Some may give her props for experimentation, but you have to wonder ... what happened to her teen spirit?

Overall, every song on the CD tends to have a similar sound, and it makes for a sort of monotonous record. A majority of the songs work as fillers for a few good singles that will eventually make it to the radio waves.

The first single released was "Boyfriend," and that is just about as good as it gets. It is safe to assume that it will likely be followed by the song "L.O.V.E.," as it has a hook similar to Gwen Stefani's "Bananas." "Burning Up," with its attention-grabbing, reggae-like beat combined with Ashlee's raspy yet playful voice, is just one of few tracks that really stand out. "Coming Back for More" is a decent song, as its

sounds a little bit closer to the Ashlee we remember from "Autobiography." However, the rest of the tracks on the album are a little too dull for their own good, especially the bummed-out verses of "Beautifully Broken" and "Catch Me When I Fall." Honestly, it is difficult to distinguish between



Photo courtesy of skins.be

Ashlee Simpson released her second album on Oct. 18. Her first appearance on Saturday Night Live in Oct. 2004 ended in a lip-synch disaster.

almost every one of the mellow songs on "I Am Me."

Despite its lack of luster, the CD still debuted at number one on Billboard Charts. It is likely that some of the albums success can be attributed to top pop producer John Shank, who is also known to have put his musical touch on the CDs of female competitors Lindsay Lohan and Hillary Duff. Incidentally enough, however, when you have reached the status of a teenybopper elite, it really only takes a single catchy song and a hot new image to sell records.

Recovering from her lip-synched hoe-down on Saturday Night Live back in October 2004, Ashley returned for a second chance at the comedy sketch show this fall. It is debatable whether or not the singer redeemed herself in the most

recent showcase. But, armed with two relatively easy-to-fake songs, Ashlee put on a so-so performance of "Boyfriend" and "Catch Me When I Fall." Luckily, an outstanding voice was not necessary for the style of either song.

The perky celebrity had just enough stage presence to supplement her not quite singing, almost talking, mostly raspy voice. This is unfortunate for those who pick up the CD and are looking for the same generally-upbeat personality she shows stage.

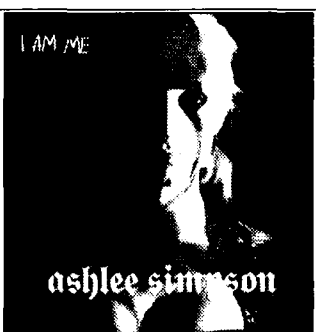
Most dedicated Ashlee Simpson fans have likely already purchased the second CD. As a hint for those who are still debating — bypass the CD for a few cheap iTunes downloads.

Contact Courtney Wilson at [cwilson6@nd.edu](mailto:cwilson6@nd.edu)

## I Am Me

Ashlee Simpson

Geffen Records



Recommended tracks: 'Boyfriend,' 'L.O.V.E.,' 'Burning Up' and 'Coming Back for More'

NBA

Clippers hand Washington first loss of season

Krstic leads New Jersey over Utah; Hornets suffer first loss in Oklahoma City

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Elton Brand's latest double-double ended Washington's unbeaten start.

Brand scored 31 points on 14 of 18 shooting and grabbed 13 rebounds, and the Los Angeles Clippers handed the Wizards their first loss of the season with a 102-97 victory Wednesday night.

Brand's double-double was the 181st of his career, tying him with Loy Vaught for the Clippers' franchise record.

"They've got some big, talented guys who love to bang, so I was having to fight for every shot," Brand said. "I was hitting them, but I had to fight for every one."

"Coach was calling my number. If he keeps calling those plays, I'm going to keep putting them up, for sure."

Corey Maggette finished with 20 points, six rebounds and three assists. Cuttino Mobley made the go-ahead basket and added 15 points and six assists for the Clippers.

The talk in the Clippers' locker room, however, was about Brand.

"You know what his game was tonight, it was spectacular," Maggette said. "He did everything tonight. That's what great players do."

"I know it's only our fourth game in, but I think this is an opportunity this year for him to make the All-Star team again cleanly without all the dilly-dally. We just need to keep this up and play together as a team."

Forward Antawn Jamison blamed the Wizards' lack of defensive intensity for the loss, but he wasn't taking anything away from Brand's effort.

"We didn't play smart and we didn't defend at all," Jamison said. "Those are the things that we did the first three nights and it's hard to explain why all of a sudden it happened tonight."

**Nets 91, Jazz 83**

The New Jersey Nets' Big Three might soon increase by one.

Nenad Krstic scored a season-high 18 points on 7-for-9 shooting Wednesday night, including two big baskets in the fourth quarter that helped the Nets maintain a double-digit lead in an eventual win over Utah.

New Jersey's talented trio of

Vince Carter, Richard Jefferson and Jason Kidd also contributed. Carter scored 21 points, and Jefferson barely missed the second triple-double of his career with 17 points, 12 assists and nine rebounds. Kidd finished with 11 points and seven assists.

It was Carter's passing and Krstic's finishing ability that helped the Nets stop a Utah rally in the fourth quarter. With the Jazz whittling a 15-point lead to nine, Carter drove the lane and kicked the ball out to Krstic. The 7-foot center sank a 17-foot jumper to give New Jersey an 82-71 lead with 5:11 left.

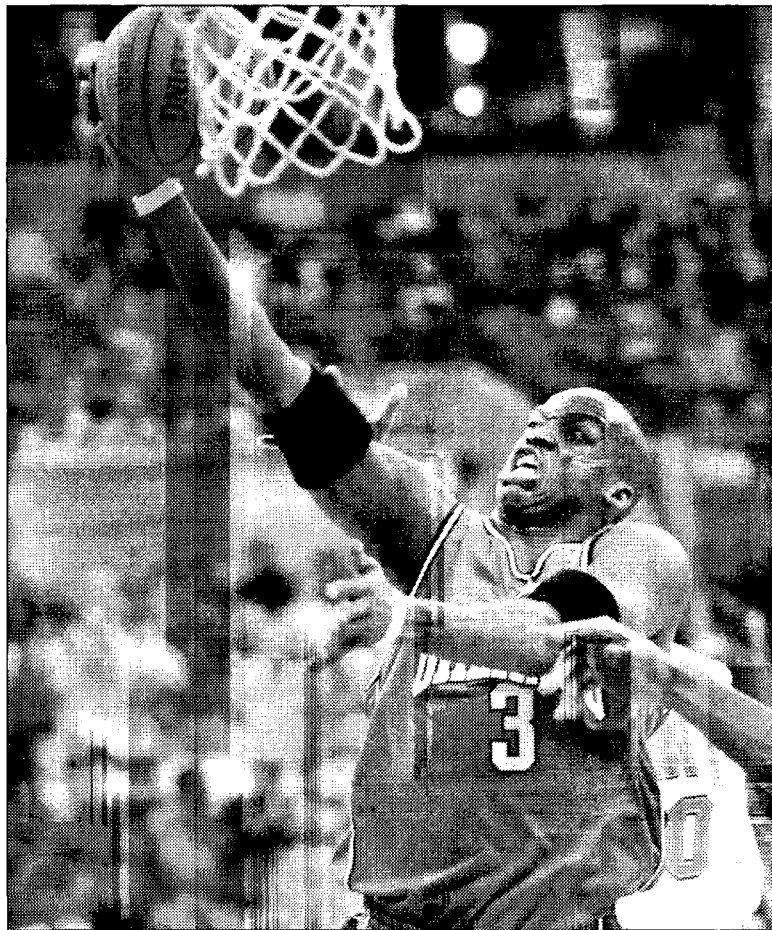
When Deron Williams' 3-pointer pulled the Jazz within eight at 84-76 with 3:36 left, Carter dribbled to the foul line and found Krstic underneath for a reverse layup that pushed the lead back to 10. Utah never got closer than seven points again, and that came with 24 seconds left.

"He was big," Carter said of the second-year pro from Serbia-Montenegro whose continued development is one of the keys to the Nets' success this season. "He's shooting with confidence and attacking the rim. He's making himself harder to guard because he's a big guy who has pretty good skills in the post, and he can also step out and shoot the ball."

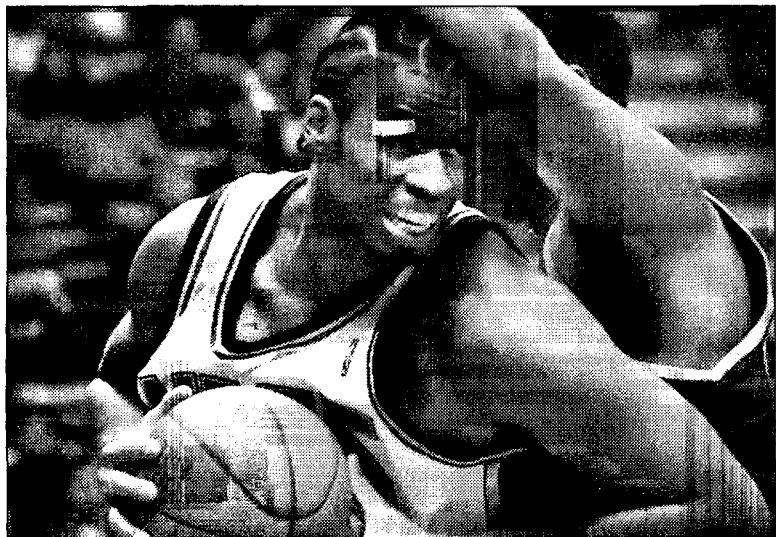
Krstic is considered the player most likely to benefit from the attention paid to his three more celebrated teammates, and he has taken advantage lately: in his last four games he's shot 22-for-43 (51 percent). He scored 10 of his points in the first quarter Wednesday, four on two dunks off passes by Jefferson and Kidd.

**Magic 88, Hornets 83**

Steve Francis scored 24 points to help the Orlando Magic beat New Orleans on Wednesday night for the Hornets' first loss in Oklahoma



Orlando Magic guard Steve Francis slashes to the basket against the New Orleans Hornets Wednesday. The Magic won 88-83.



New Jersey Nets center Jason Collins makes a move around a Utah Jazz player Wednesday. The Nets beat the Jazz 91-83.

City.

After DeShawn Stevenson's layup gave the Magic a 79-69 lead, the Hornets came charging back, going on a 10-3 run.

Speedy Claxton, who finished with 24 points, hit back-to-back baskets and his free throw with 1:23 left pulled New Orleans within three, 82-79.

Francis put back Jameer Nelson's miss on Orlando's next possession to put the Magic back up by five.

David West scored to close the gap back to 84-81, but New Orleans couldn't get a stop on the other end.

Stevenson came down with a Francis miss before getting

fouled with 8.5 seconds left. He hit both free throws to put Orlando up 86-81.

After Claxton hit a jumper in the lane with four seconds left, Francis hit two free throws to seal the win.

New Orleans had won its season opener against Sacramento 93-67 in Oklahoma City on Nov. 1.

It was the highest scoring output of the season for Orlando, which entered the game averaging a league-low 79.5 points.

The crowd of 18,508 — 655 fans short of a second straight sellout — had little to cheer about as the Hornets fell behind early by 11 points.

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# AROUND THE NATION

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## NFL

### AFC East

team	record	perc.	PF	PA
New England	4-4	.500	180	220
Buffalo	3-5	.375	128	159
Miami	3-5	.375	146	151
N.Y. Jets	2-6	.250	118	171

### AFC North

team	record	perc.	PF	PA
Cincinnati	7-2	.778	210	134
Pittsburgh	6-2	.750	189	124
Cleveland	3-5	.375	114	136
Baltimore	2-6	.250	97	141

### AFC South

team	record	perc.	PF	PA
Indianapolis	8-0	1.000	229	98
Jacksonville	5-3	.625	150	139
Tennessee	2-7	.222	175	231
Houston	1-7	.125	107	216

### AFC West

team	record	perc.	PF	PA
Denver	6-2	.750	201	152
Kansas City	5-3	.625	196	183
San Diego	5-4	.556	252	192
Oakland	3-5	.375	185	185

### NFC East

team	record	perc.	PF	PA
N.Y. Giants	6-2	.750	233	143
Dallas	5-3	.625	181	137
Washington	5-3	.625	152	149
Philadelphia	4-4	.500	173	184

### NFC North

team	record	perc.	PF	PA
Chicago	5-3	.625	139	98
Detroit	3-5	.375	131	152
Minnesota	3-5	.375	130	207
Green Bay	1-7	.125	168	159

### NFC South

team	record	perc.	PF	PA
Atlanta	6-2	.750	192	143
Carolina	6-2	.750	220	163
Tampa Bay	5-3	.625	140	121
New Orleans	2-7	.222	142	242

### NFC West

team	record	perc.	PF	PA
Seattle	6-2	.750	214	146
St. Louis	4-4	.500	208	231
Arizona	2-6	.250	146	211
San Francisco	2-6	.250	117	246

## BCS Rankings

No.	Team	BCS Avg
1	USC	.9802
2	Texas	.9765
3	Alabama	.8814
4	Miami	.8805
5	Penn State	.8136
6	Virginia Tech	.7540
7	LSU	.6987
8	Ohio State	.6632
9	Georgia	.6313
10	Oregon	.6272
11	NOTRE DAME	.6065
12	Texas Tech	.5425

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### NBA

Houston at Miami 8:00 p.m., TNT  
Detroit at Phoenix 10:30 p.m., TNT

### COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Boise State at Fresno State 8:00 p.m., ESPN

## NCAA FOOTBALL



Cincinnati quarterback Dustin Grutza fumbles the ball after being hit by West Virginia defender Eric Wicks (41). Cincinnati had four total turnovers in their 38-0 loss to the Mountaineers Wednesday night.

## WVU rushes past Cincinnati

Associated Press

CINCINNATI — A pair of tough-to-catch freshmen kept No. 16 West Virginia out of reach in the Big East.

Pat White ran for 111 yards Wednesday night, taking off on quarterback draws that set up Steve Slaton's four touchdowns and a 38-0 victory over Cincinnati and its one-step-slow defense.

The Mountaineers (8-1, 5-0) are in position to clinch the conference title heading into their final regular-season games against

Pittsburgh and South Florida, its closest pursuer with one conference loss.

Last year, West Virginia also was in position to win the title outright, but lost its last two games and then its Gator Bowl appearance against Florida State. The emphasis has been on avoiding another fade.

White, Slaton and one of the nation's toughest defense led the Mountaineers to their most lopsided victory of the season and their first shutout since 2002.

White, a redshirt freshman making his second

start in place of banged up Adam Bednarik, spent the night tormenting the nation's youngest defense. He ran straight up the middle on draws, turned upfield on option fakes, and took off on passing plays.

Cincinnati (4-5, 2-3) couldn't contain him or catch up with him. His runs of 17, 34 and 13 yards sparked three first-half touchdown drives. Slaton, a first-year freshman, finished them with runs of 4, 1 and 9 yards for a 21-0 halftime lead.

The only thing that slowed the Mountaineers'

offense was a 10-minute power outage in the first quarter.

Some of the light stands went out while West Virginia had the ball at midfield. Once the game resumed, West Virginia scored again.

Slaton has been West Virginia's biggest surprise this season, taking over the tailback job after Pernell Williams and Jason Colson fell out of favor.

He scored six touchdowns in a triple-overtime victory over Louisville that put the Mountaineers in control of the conference.

## IN BRIEF

### Shoulder injury sidelines Colts' Doss

INDIANAPOLIS — Starting safety Mike Doss missed practice for the Indianapolis Colts with a right shoulder injury Wednesday.

A sling covered Doss' shoulder and right arm against New England, and coach Tony Dungy said the Colts were waiting for a second opinion before announcing any details. If he cannot play Sunday against Houston, the Colts will start Joseph Jefferson.

Jefferson started the opening game of the season, which Doss missed because he was suspended by the league for violating the league's personal conduct policy.

Among the others missing practice were NFL sacks leader Robert Mathis (toe), starting right guard Jake Scott (back) and linebacker Cato June (sports hernia). All, including Doss, are listed as probable.

Backup linebacker Rob Morris also sat out with a head injury that

was causing him to lose his balance. He is listed as questionable.

Backup defensive end Jonathan Welsh missed part of practice after injuring his knee, and Dungy said he was expected to have an MRI Wednesday night.

### Truex Jr. looks to wrap up Busch Series Title

PHOENIX — Martin Truex Jr. can wrap up his second straight NASCAR Busch Series championship Saturday at Phoenix International Raceway if he increases his lead to 106 points over second-place Clint Bowyer.

Truex, who goes into Phoenix leading Bowyer by 84 points, also would guarantee another title if he gains 72 points. Then, all he would have to do is start the season finale the next week at Homestead-Miami Speedway.

"I'm out here to do the best job I can do," Truex said, after finishing 11th last Saturday at Texas. "I'm really excited about going to Phoenix and Homestead."

So is Bowyer, who has sliced into Truex's lead with a win at Memphis and seventh-place finish at Texas.

"I think Phoenix is going to be really good," Bowyer said. "After the things we did to the car at Memphis, I am really excited about going to Phoenix this weekend."

### NBA fines Lawrence Frank \$25,000

NEW YORK — New Jersey Nets coach Lawrence Frank was fined \$25,000 by the NBA on Wednesday for failing to leave the court in a timely matter after Monday's loss at Miami.

Frank was also cited for verbal abuse of a game official by Stu Jackson, the NBA's senior vice president of basketball operations.

Frank was upset that Jason Kidd was called for a foul with 5.2 seconds left, and Dwyane Wade made a free throw to give the Heat a 90-89 lead.

Frank then thought Wade fouled Vince Carter at the buzzer, and ran halfway across the court to plead his case.

## BOXING

# Klitschko's career coming to a close

*Heavyweight champ ready to hang up his gloves; retiring at 34*

Associated Press

FRANKFURT, Germany — Facing a six-month recovery after tearing a ligament in his right knee, WBC heavyweight champion Vitali Klitschko came to a tough realization: It was time to retire.

"Unfortunately, I've been fighting injuries recently more than facing rivals in the ring," Klitschko said Wednesday in a statement. "The decision to end was hard to make. But I would like to end my career on top and with my retirement make the way free for my successor."

The 34-year-old Klitschko pulled out of Saturday's title defense against Hasim Rahman in Las Vegas because he hurt his knee last week in training. The WBC said earlier this week that Rahman would be given Klitschko's title should the Ukrainian fail to defend it within three months.

On Wednesday, WBC president Jose Sulaiman said the organization's Board of Governors will now vote on awarding the title to Rahman, who was more than ready to accept it.

"I am thrilled that WBC president Jose Sulaiman is keeping his promise to me by convening his Board of Governors to automatically upgrade me from interim champion to again become the undisputed WBC heavyweight champion," Rahman said.

Klitschko's statement said the knee was examined Tuesday, and that he underwent arthroscopic surgery in Inglewood, Calif.

"He was very dejected," Klitschko's personal manager Bernd Boente said.

Bob Arum, who was supposed to promote Saturday's Klitschko-Rahman fight, said he talked to Klitschko Tuesday night and tried to talk him out of retiring. But he said Klitschko had no desire to go on.

"He said he was 34 and his body was betraying him," Arum said. "He didn't want to put up with these betrayals from his own body anymore."

The 6-foot-8 Klitschko, who made only one title defense, sometimes had an awkward, stiff style, but packed a powerful punch, especially in his right hand.

His retirement means the Klitschko brothers won't realize their ambition to share the heavyweight championship.

It also means the top heavyweight champions are all controlled by promoter Don King, who said he wanted Rahman to defend the title against James Toney and for the winner to join the other title holders in a tournament to crown a real heavyweight champion.

Wladimir Klitschko, Vitali's younger brother, got back into contention in the division when he beat Samuel Peter in a unanimous decision in September in an IBF elimination bout. The victory made Wladimir the mandatory challenger to IBF champion Chris Byrd.

Vitali, who hadn't fought since stopping Danny Williams in the first defense of his title last December, was first supposed to have met Rahman in April.

But the fight was postponed when Klitschko pulled a thigh muscle, and initial attempts to reschedule it were stopped when he injured his back.

Sulaiman said earlier this week that the latest cancellation was the fourth time Klitschko (35-2, 34 knockouts) has backed out of a fight with Rahman (41-5-1, 33 KOs), and hinted that he might be looking for excuses to stay out of the ring with the American.

Rahman, a former heavyweight champion, grew so tired of waiting to meet the Ukrainian that he fought Monte Barrett in August. He won on a decision to become the WBC interim champion.

Klitschko is the second WBC heavyweight champion in a row to retire while holding the title. Lennox Lewis quit in February 2004 after beating Klitschko in his last fight. Klitschko's other loss, when he also was forced to quit because of an injury, came in April 2000 to Byrd.

Lewis was the first reigning world heavyweight champion to quit since Rocky Marciano in 1956. The only other fighter to do so was Gene Tunney.

# Ali earns highest civilian award



President George W. Bush presents the Presidential Medal of Freedom to boxing legend Muhammad Ali Wednesday in the East Room of the White House.

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Muhammad Ali, his hands shaking and eyes reflecting the White House chandeliers, accepted the nation's highest civilian award from President Bush on Wednesday.

Bush called him "the Greatest of All Time" and "a man of peace," and tied the Presidential Medal of Freedom around the former heavyweight champion's neck.

It was Ali's first public appearance in months, six days after undergoing back surgery in Atlanta. Wobbly from the effects of Parkinson's disease, the 63-year-old Ali at times had to applaud with his left hand clenched in a fist, and now and then appeared to have trouble sitting up in his seat.

But when it came time to accept his medal, Ali stood proudly in his black suit and red, yellow and black tie, embraced the president and whispered in his ear. The president pretended to take a jab

at Ali. The champ responded by pointing to his own head and moving his finger in a circle around his ear. The crowd laughed. When he sat down, Ali made the same gesture again.

Ali was one of 14 luminaries to receive the award Wednesday. On stage, he sat next to actress Carol Burnett. Other winners included golfer Jack Nicklaus, baseball great Frank Robinson, singer Aretha Franklin and Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan.

Calling Ali "a fierce fighter and a man of peace," Bush said Ali's fighting style would be studied for years but defy imitation.

"The real mystery, I guess, is how he stayed so pretty," Bush said. Mugging for the crowd, Ali lifted his eyebrows and ran his hands over his face. The audience of dignitaries, including Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld, former Supreme Court nominee Harriet Miers and White House adviser Karl Rove, laughed. Bush added: "It probably had to do with his beautiful soul."

Standing together on the East Room dais, Bush and Ali made a historically curious pair. During the Vietnam War, their politics couldn't have been further apart: Bush supported the war, spending his eligible years in Texas and Alabama with the Air National Guard.

Ali, as a conscientious objector, refused to serve and went to jail for avoiding the draft. Outspoken and proud of his beliefs, he became a hero to the black nationalist movement. In 1975, he was featured in Parliament's "Chocolate City," a funk vision of black power that prophesied: "Don't be surprised if Ali is in the White House ... and Miss Aretha Franklin, the first lady."

Born Cassius Marcellus Clay Jr. in Louisville, Ky., in 1942, Ali learned to fight after having his bicycle stolen as boy. He retired in 1981 with a 56-5 record, 37 knockouts and a gold medal from the 1960 Summer Olympics in Rome, having successfully defended his title 19 times.

He changed his name after joining the Nation of Islam as a follower of Elijah Muhammad and Malcolm X. He later converted to Sunni Islam.

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## NFL

## Holmes to miss rest of 2005

Associated Press

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Kansas City Chiefs running back Priest Holmes will miss the rest of the season because of head and neck trauma diagnosed by three experts on spinal injuries.

A helmet-to-helmet blow he absorbed on Oct. 30 against San Diego was the most recent problem for the 32-year-old running back. But coach Dick Vermeil said Wednesday signs of trouble first showed up when Holmes developed tingling in his hands during training camp.

Holmes, 32, a three-time Pro Bowler whose 66 touchdowns between 2002-2004 are an NFL record for any three-year span, was placed on injured reserve. Doctors had recommended he avoid any contact at all for a minimum of 30 days.

He is not incapacitated and no surgery is planned, said general manager Carl Peterson.

"It's a head trauma and a neck trauma that has affected the cervical area of his spine," Peterson said. "But he's not incapacitated. There's no reason for surgery."

A statement from Dr. Jon Browne, the Chiefs' team physician, said no permanent damage had occurred either to the head or neck and that Holmes would be re-evaluated in 30 days.

Peterson also said doctors were not concerned about the



Kansas City running back Priest Holmes runs for a 60-yard score to put the Chiefs ahead of the Redskins 27-21 on Oct. 16.

possibility of paralysis should Holmes continue playing, and that Holmes indicated he planned to resume his career next season.

Injuries have caused the Chiefs' career rushing leader to cut short two of his last three seasons. But he has shown flashes of his old self while rushing for 451 yards and six touchdowns on 119 carries. He also has 21 catches for 197 yards, including a 60-yard catch-and-run for a touchdown in a victory over Washington on Oct. 16.

"We're going to miss him," Vermeil said. "He's more than a football player for this organiza-

tion."

Vermeil said there seemed no reason for undue concern when Holmes experienced the tingling in training camp.

"We did know he started getting what we say 'burners' once in a while, a tingling in his fingers from some hits, which are very, very common," Vermeil said. "Guys get burners in the first quarter and play the rest of the game. But he had never experienced that in his career."

"Then I think the blow to the head in San Diego stimulated more concern. It wasn't a true concussion, but he did get knocked dizzy."

## Indianapolis not too interested in Owens

*Loudmouth Philly receiver not welcome on Dungy's ball club*

Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — Tony Dungy thinks Terrell Owens has a future in the NFL but not with the Indianapolis Colts.

Dungy said Wednesday he thought another team would likely sign Owens if, or when, he is released by the Philadelphia Eagles. But count the Colts out of the sweepstakes.

"We put a premium here on guys that are team guys," Dungy said after practice. "I don't know the guy at all, but from what I've seen from a distance, he doesn't seem to be a team guy at all."

The Colts (8-0) are hardly in need of wide receivers anyway.

They already have six-time Pro Bowler Marvin Harrison, emerging star Reggie Wayne and Brandon Stokley. All three topped 1,000 yards and caught at least 10 touchdowns last year, becoming the first NFL trio to achieve that feat.

But even if the Colts were looking for a receiver, Dungy acknowledged, his interest in Owens would be minimal.

"Most offensive players want the ball more and everyone wants to play more, and you understand that," Dungy said. "Even holding out, that's a business decision and you understand that. What we don't want are guys who would put themselves above the team."

Dungy has dealt with explosive personalities before.

During his final two seasons in Tampa Bay, Keyshawn Johnson was the Buccaneers featured receiver. Johnson was in the same situation with Tampa that Owens finds himself in now

with the Eagles. Johnson was deactivated for the Buccaneers final six games in 2003 after complaining publicly about his role in the offense.

But Dungy said he had few problems with the outspoken Johnson when the Bucs were winning.

"If we won and he caught one ball, he'd never say a word," Dungy said. "But when we lost, he'd come into my office and say 'I could help do this or I could help do that.'"

Owens' track record, though, is different.

In 2004, Owens forced the San Francisco 49ers to trade him, first to Baltimore, and when he refused to report to the Ravens, the 49ers eventually sent him to Philadelphia.

Last winter, Owens criticized quarterback Donovan McNabb for being tired during the fourth quarter of the Super Bowl and then spent the summer campaigning for a new contract. At training camp, he got into a heated dispute with Eagles coach Andy Reid and was sent home for a week.

Last week, Owens complained that the Eagles organization didn't publicly recognize his 100th career touchdown and said Philadelphia would be better off with Brett Favre at quarterback. He drew a four-game suspension for his antics, and Reid said he would be deactivated the rest of the season.

He apologized on Tuesday in hopes the Eagles would take him back.

Dungy believes some team will give Owens another chance.

"We're a league enamored with talent, and Terrell is definitely a talented guy," Dungy said. "I think there will be a number of people who will say they'll take a chance on talent. But that would be out of character for us."

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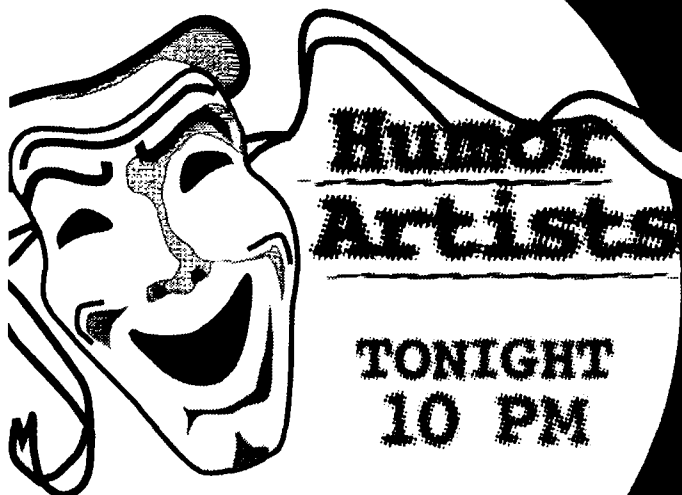
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# Lawyers for Palmeiro release new statement

*Disgraced star takes responsibility for failed steroid test*

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Rafael Palmeiro took responsibility Wednesday for his failed steroid test but offered a possible excuse hinging on a tainted vitamin shot, giving his first public explanation on the eve of a congressional report into whether he lied under oath.

In a statement released by his lawyers, the former Baltimore Orioles slugger acknowledged several facts that already had been reported, including that Palmeiro had raised the possibility that a shot of vitamin B-12 he was given by a teammate and took in April "might have been the cause" of the positive drug test that led to his 10-day suspension by Major League Baseball.

"Everything I have been working for all my life — to play the game that I love with dignity and earn the respect and admiration of my colleagues and fans — has been changed by my suspension. For this, I alone take full responsibility," Palmeiro said in the statement. "I have never intentionally taken steroids. But I must also acknowledge that stanozolol, a banned substance, was found in my system in May."

When he testified before the House Government Reform Committee on March 17, alongside Mark McGwire, Jose Canseco and others, Palmeiro jabbed a finger in the air and said: "I have never used steroids. Period." On Aug. 1, Palmeiro became the highest-profile player suspended by Major League Baseball under its new steroids policy.

Two days later, Government Reform Committee chairman Tom Davis, R-Va., said the panel would open an investigation into whether Palmeiro committed perjury. A report on that investigation will be released

Thursday, and staffers for Davis and the committee's ranking Democrat, Henry Waxman of California, wouldn't comment on the report's contents or Palmeiro's statement.

Major League Baseball executive vice president Rob Manfred also declined comment.

Palmeiro's lawyers posted on the Web a series of documents, including a detailed accounting of his statistics and quotations from baseball players lauding his power. He's one of four players in baseball history with 500 homers and 3,000 hits — and the timing of his positive test means Palmeiro knew he faced a suspension as he approached the hit milestone this summer.

"Nobody is more frustrated and disappointed in me than I am. ... All my accomplishments are now tainted," Palmeiro said.

"I deeply regret the pain I have caused my family, my teammates, my fans and the game of baseball. I am sorry for the distraction that I have caused to the Orioles clubhouse and the League. I remain opposed to the use of steroids by athletes," he added.

Palmeiro's case has been cited as one of the reasons that lawmakers have continued to pursue legislation to mandate tougher rules for steroid testing and harsher penalties for positive tests in baseball and other major professional sports leagues.

A bill calling for a half-season ban for a first steroid offense, a full-season ban for a second offense, and a lifetime ban for a third reached the floor of the Senate.

But a spokesman for one of the bill's sponsors, Sen. Jim Bunning, R-Ky., said Wednesday that an unidentified senator placed a hold on the bill, meaning it's stalled indefinitely.

According to Palmeiro's lawyers, he tested negative for steroids in 2003 and 2004; after he was informed he failed a test in May, he took a second test that month, which was negative.

# Sox manager wins award

*Guillen led Chicago to first World Series title in 88 seasons*

Associated Press

NEW YORK — The way Ozzie Guillen works a dugout, impatiently bouncing around and chattering away from the first pitch to the final out, it's hard to believe he calls steady Bobby Cox a mentor.

Different styles, both successful.

Guillen was selected AL Manager of the Year on Wednesday, rewarded for guiding the Chicago White Sox to a stellar season that culminated with a World Series championship. Cox became the first back-to-back winner in either league, taking NL honors after leading the rookie-laden Atlanta Braves to yet another division title.

"It's not easy to manage right now because there are a lot of players making big money, a lot of players with attitudes," Guillen said. "The type of players I have in my clubhouse, those are the type of players that anyone can win with."

Guillen played shortstop for Cox late in his career and said he learned a lot during those days in Atlanta. Yet on the surface, the two appear to have little in common other than these awards.

Cox has seen just about everything during 24 years as a major league manager and knows by now to keep an even keel throughout the long season.

Guillen was so torn up by tough losses this year that he



Chicago White Sox manager Ozzie Guillen addresses reporters after winning the American League Manager of the Year Award Wednesday.

occasionally vomited in his office.

"I'm not a patient guy," he said. "I'm going crazy a lot."

But he'll never forget the lessons he learned from Cox about how to communicate with players.

"There's nothing better than to be around that man because he will teach you how to handle things on the field and off the field," Guillen said.

And Cox was delighted that he and Guillen were honored together.

"He did a super, splendid job," the Braves' manager said. "I thought he was the right guy

for that job."

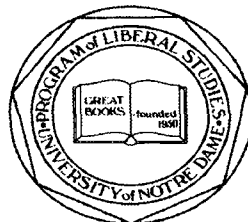
Guillen received 17 first-place votes, five seconds and five thirds for 105 points in balloting by the Baseball Writers' Association of America. Eric Wedge of the Cleveland Indians was the runner-up with six first-place votes and 71 points, while Joe Torre of the New York Yankees came in third with 43 points.

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## MLB

## Commissioner backs Congress' drug plan

*Selig will examine record book, says changes are unlikely*

Associated Press

INDIAN WELLS, Calif. — Baseball commissioner Bud Selig supports revised congressional legislation that would suspend players for a half-season following a first failed steroids test.

Selig said negotiators for owners and players have made progress in talks but still haven't reached an agreement on a new drug deal. The length of the initial penalty appears to be the biggest obstacle.

"While it's preferable for us to solve our problems, if this goes ahead, then I said I'd support it, and I will," he said Wednesday during a news conference after his annual address to major league general managers.

Selig also maintained his opposition to using instant replay to review umpires' calls, even while acknowledging that during the postseason there were "some incidents that certainly need to be looked at."

"If you get into instant replay, you're going to have games that just go on endlessly. And that isn't in anybody's best interest," he said. "And where do you stop and where do you start it?"

Much of his news conference was devoted to steroids.

Sen. Jim Bunning, a former pitcher who is in the Hall of Fame, introduced legislation along with Sen. John McCain that calls for a half-year suspension for an initial positive, a one-year ban for a second failed test and a lifetime ban for a third. The bill, which would apply to Major League Baseball, the NFL, NBA, NHL and baseball's minor leagues, urges leagues to wipe out records achieved with the help of performance-enhancing drugs.

Selig said he was willing to examine that after a new drug agreement is in place but also said there was little likelihood records would be erased.

"There's been a lot of innuendo, there's been a lot of finger-pointing, there's been a lot of accusation, but with no empirical data to support it," he said.

Selig compared allegations of steroid use with those made by Sen. Joseph McCarthy toward alleged communists in the 1950s.

"There's got to be fairness, and there's got to be decency here," Selig said. "And if I'm overprotective of players, which some say I am, so be it. Then that's what I'll be."

Under the plan agreed to earlier this year, players are suspended 10 days for an initial positive, 30 for a second, 60 for a third and one year for a fourth. Selig proposed in April that the penalties be increased to 50 games for a first offense, 100 for a second and a lifetime ban for a third.

## NCAA FOOTBALL

## WAC moves into spotlight

*Fresno State, Boise State face off to decide conference championship*

Associated Press

FRESNO, Calif. — For all of Pat Hill's remarkable successes during his nine seasons at Fresno State, the coach knows there's a blue-and-orange cloud hanging over the last five years.

The 20th-ranked Bulldogs can only chase it away with a victory over Boise State on Thursday night in the most anticipated Western Athletic Conference game in many years. The stakes are big and stark: The conference title probably will be decided in front of Bulldog Stadium's screaming sellout crowd and a national television audience.

And the losing school will a big hit — particularly if Fresno State again fails to complete its toughest task.

Hill, no stranger to hyperbole, is betting the house on his Bulldogs' opportunity to erase a four-game losing streak and a burgeoning inferiority complex.

"There hasn't been a bigger game in Bulldog Stadium in my nine years, I'll tell you that," Hill said. "We're going to have the greatest crowd we ever had, and we're going to need them."

Sure, Hill's Bulldogs (7-1, 5-0 WAC) own a respected national profile, a regular Top-25 ranking and one of the nation's best success stories for a mid-major school.

But Boise State has owned the Bulldogs ever since it traveled to Fresno in 2001 and ruined the Bulldogs' breakout unbeaten season.

Hill, the ebullient architect of Fresno State's renaissance, turns melancholy when he



Fresno State running back Matt Rivera avoids San Jose State defenders Saturday. The Bulldogs will play Boise State Thursday.

recalls that 35-30 defeat, which catapulted coach Dan Hawkins' club to prominence while sending then-No. 8 Fresno State into the first of four straight midseason tailspins.

"They came in and took something from us, and we've never got it back," Hill said.

Three more victories in the rivalry followed for the Broncos, who also won the last three WAC titles. Boise State (7-2, 5-0) has won 31 straight conference games in all — the longest streak in WAC history — and could vault back into the national rankings with another win.

"How can you call it a rivalry when we're 0-4?" Hill asked. "We've lost seven games in nine years in Bulldog Stadium, and two of them were to Boise State. That's not a rivalry."

Boise State, which went 11-1 in 2004, has won seven straight since opening the season with

road losses at Georgia and Oregon State. Fresno State has outscored its last 14 opponents by more than 30 points per game, losing just once — at No. 11 Oregon by three points.

Two unbeaten WAC teams haven't met this late in the season since 1977. While the game is important to Boise State, many Bulldogs see it as a life-defining moment — even with a trip to top-ranked Southern California looming next week.

"To me, Boise is a bigger game than USC," receiver Paul Williams said. "Boise has spoiled our party too many times. I think this is the year, and from now on, we should beat Boise. If everybody does what they're supposed to do, if everybody comes out on fire on offense, defense and special teams, there's no reason why Boise State should even be in the game."



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## SMC BASKETBALL

# New coach hopes to bring passion to Belles

*Bender coached high school basketball for more than 20 years*

By JAY FITZPATRICK  
Sports Writer

For Steve Bender, coaching basketball is not his job — it's his life.

Beginning in his childhood and continuing throughout his adolescent and adult life, the influence of basketball on the first-year Saint Mary's basketball coach has been constant.

Growing up in Michigan, Bender would watch his father coach men's varsity basketball, and during this time, he fell in love with the game.

But there was one problem preventing his wish to play the sport — Bender was born with club feet, a condition that forced him to endure several surgeries. It prevented him from most sports or physical activities — including basketball.

"I couldn't play basketball, but I wanted to stay involved in the game", Bender said. "I knew then that I wanted to coach."

Throughout his high school and college careers, Bender has been an active presence on the court, learning the basics of coaching and developing a further understanding of the game.

At Niles High School in southeastern Michigan, Bender received his first sideline experience as the basketball team's manager. He then gained his first coaching position as a student assistant coach at Albion College, where he received his undergraduate degree.

It was there that Bender first began to develop his coaching style. Under the tutelage of men's basketball coach Mike Turner, Bender learned how to coach basketball at a competitive level.

After earning a Master's in Athletic Administration from Western Michigan University, Bender began teaching and coaching at Buchanan High School in Buchanan, Mich. Coaching both male and female teams, varsity and junior varsity and at head and assistant coaching positions, Bender fully developed his coaching strategies and game plans with fellow coach Bill Weaver.

"I had known Bill for a long time," Bender said. "We grew up together and coached together for a long time at Buchanan. He helped me to develop the flex [style of play] I'm using now."

While coaching high school basketball at Buchanan, Bender raised three daughters, all of whom are now college athletes. His eldest daughter, Lauren, attended Albion College where she played tennis, while his younger two daughters both play basketball. Ali is a sophomore at Albion where she played basketball last year, and Shelly is a senior basketball player at Saint Mary's.

In fact, Bender partially credits Shelly with his move to college basketball.

Having been successful at Buchanan for 25 years, Bender was ready for a change.

Because he had better experiences coaching girls in high school than boys, he knew he would want to coach a women's team in college. And since he had fallen in love with the Saint Mary's team and campus through his daughter, the college was a perfect fit for Bender to make the jump to college basketball.

It is this intense love and dedication that Bender brings with him to Saint Mary's as he enters his first season with the Belles, a passion he hopes will inspire his team to win.

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## Recruits

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process," Brey said.

The head coach watched Harangody play for his Andrean High School team in Dec. 2004 and liked his toughness, ability to finish, size and offensive versatility. But Brey did not commit himself completely until he saw Harangody play against more active and athletic AAU competition.

"We went down and watched him play 11 games in two-and-a-half days in Houston, and he kicked everybody's butt in Houston," Brey said. "Just about everybody in the gym was scared of him."

"From that point on, we made it very clear where we stood."

Harangody led Andrean — in Merrillville, Ind. — to the Gary Class 3A sectional championship and a 21-3 overall record in his junior season, averaging 23.2 points and 12.3 rebounds. He shot 63.7 percent from the floor while becoming an all-state selection of the Indiana Basketball Coaches Association (IBCA) and subsequently playing in the Indiana Senior-Junior All-star games.

Brey described Jackson also as a tough player, but unlike Harangody — who has size the Irish lack — Jackson did not initially present Notre Dame with a commodity they did not already have.

Jackson is a short, quick guard who can "break you down off the dribble," Brey said.

The Buena Vista High School point guard and 2005 Michigan Class C Player of the Year averaged 30 points, eight rebounds, six assists and three steals in his junior sea-

son.

But Brey's character description and Jackson's stature and statistics all resemble those of a current Irish youngster.

"Like [freshman point guard Kyle] McAlarney, he can score it, too," Brey said. "So playing them together is certainly an option."

Brey said he saw Jackson play on the summer AAU circuit in Las Vegas, Nev., with another Michigan native and Irish prospect, Tom Herzog, who eventually chose Michigan State over Notre Dame.

But then the Irish moved in on Jackson as other schools like Michigan, Michigan State and Florida pursued him; and Brey found that new NCAA regulations for earlier team practice made his decision on Jackson easier.

"You're able to watch your team play a little bit more in the fall before you get out on the road and recruit in September now," Brey said. "As I'm looking around I'm thinking, 'I don't think we can get caught with just maybe one true ball-handler,' that being McAlarney. We did that with [Martin] Inglesby for a year. We did that with [Chris] Thomas for a year."

Notre Dame has three scholarships open for its next recruiting class, which can also be used to court transfers.

Brey said Notre Dame will keep its eyes open but that coaches have had their focus on the junior class since July.

### Notes

◆ Brey joked that Jackson may have swayed him by, of all things, being the second youngest of 14 siblings.

"If you're one of 14 children like this guy, I mean, do you think he's ever gonna lose a loose ball?" Brey said. "He's

never gonna lose a loose ball."

◆ Freshman point guard Kyle McAlarney will not play Friday night against Quincy due to lower back spasms.

Brey called the setback "frustrating," particularly since he said McAlarney "felt he belonged" in the team's first exhibition game against Lewis University. The point guard had seven points, three assists and one turnover in 18 minutes last Thursday.

"Anytime you have a low back, you're concerned," Brey said. "[But] I believe we can get him back. Hopefully we can get him back early next week to get him ready for our game [against Lafayette Nov. 20]."

Brey said McAlarney has no history of back spasms in high school or in the past summer he spent in South Bend.

"We had a little bit of a flare-up two weeks ago. He missed a day or two then was back for the week of practice and exhibition then flared up Saturday morning before we even got started," Brey said. "We just felt we're going to really try and calm this down now while we have time to hope it's not something we're dancing with all season."

◆ Senior forward Rick Cornett will play against Quincy Friday after sitting out Notre Dame's first exhibition game with a sore left ankle, Brey said.

"I don't think he's 100 percent, but we've got to get him in there," Brey said. "He's been out a while. He's going to be a key guy, [and] we've got to get him in the mix."

Brey said Cornett participated in most of Monday's practice. He said Cornett would practice slightly more Tuesday and then go for a full practice Wednesday.

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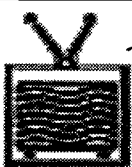
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## Bulldogs

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year with an injury. Miller is a familiar face at Notre Dame, as she worked the women's basketball camps on campus for several summers.

Miller shares the backcourt with junior guard Kristin Reinhart, who averaged 15.4 points and 3.7 rebounds per game last year. Reinhart, who hails from East Lansing, Mich., was the co-recipient of the team's Most Valuable

Player Award last year while earning second team all-conference honors as well, despite missing the final eight games with an injury.

The Bulldogs are hoping to get back to the form that led them to a 20-win season in 2003-04 and earned their fifth consecutive conference tournament berth under coach Tracey Bloodworth-Fisk, who was named the conference coach of the year that season.

Meanwhile, the Irish are trying to improve on their performance against another Division-II school — the

University of Indianapolis. Notre Dame surrendered 23 points to guard Mandy Geryak, and McGraw said after that game she needed to get her team in shape. However, nine days removed, McGraw thinks the Irish are closer to where they need to be.

"I thought we worked really hard this week to get them in shape," McGraw said. "So I feel better about that."

The Irish will also benefit from the return of junior Breona Gray, who McGraw said will play after missing last week's game. Junior Crystal Erwin, who has been bothered by injury, is closer to 100 percent, McGraw said.

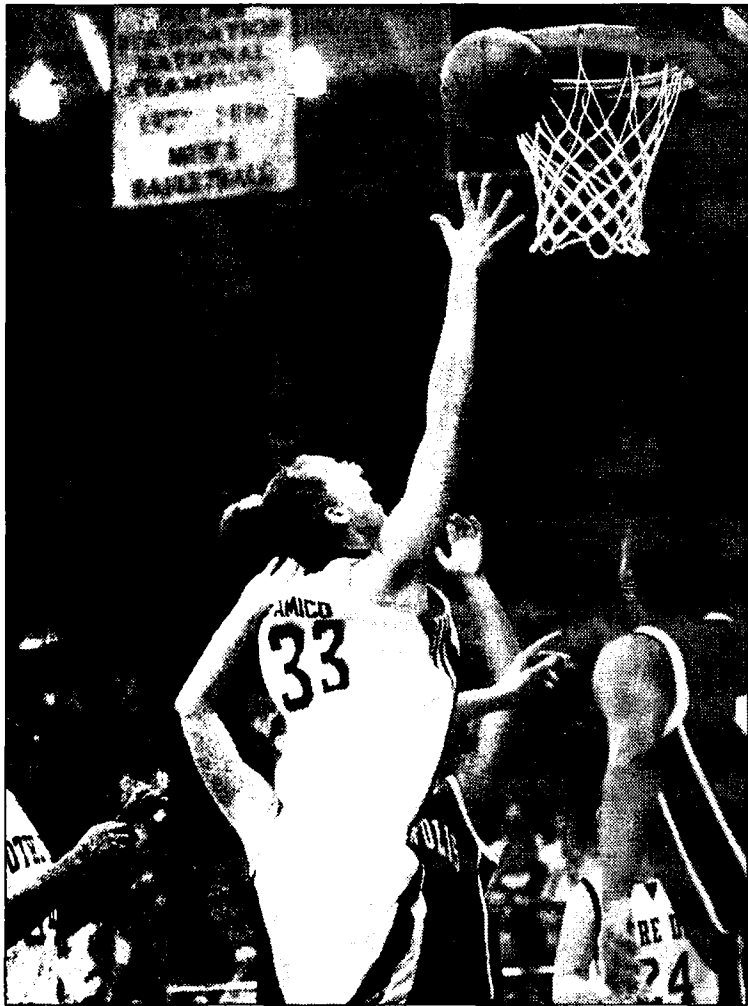
"I think we're getting healthier," McGraw said. "And I think that's going to make a big difference."

Notre Dame is led by senior All-American Megan Duffy, who had 18 points and 7 assists in 32 minutes against Indianapolis. Also playing last week was sophomore guard Tulyah Gaines. Gaines finished with six points, six assists, four rebounds and three steals in 26 minutes of action. Sophomore Charel Allen made her debut last week after having surgery last spring to repair her ACL and MCL in her left knee, which she hurt at the end of last season. She finished with nine points and three rebounds in 16 minutes of action.

However, McGraw is focused on other aspects of the game besides offense.

"I'm not as concerned with the offense, I feel like we're where we need to be," McGraw said. "We just need to rebound better. That's really the biggest thing right now."

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Notre Dame center Melissa D'Amlco takes a shot against Indianapolis Nov. 1. The Irish take on Ferris State Thursday at the Joyce Center.

KERRY O'CONNOR/The Observer

## ND WOMEN'S BASKETBALL RECRUITING

# McGraw scours Indiana for talent

*Three of four recruits for 2010 class hail from within the state*

By KEVIN BRENNAN  
Sports Writer

Muffet McGraw did not have to look very far to find the future of the Notre Dame women's basketball program. The Irish head coach received signed letters of intent from four high school seniors Tuesday, with three of the four recruits hailing from Indiana.

The player traveling the shortest distance to Notre Dame is Melissa Lechlitner, the stand-out point guard from St. Joseph's High School in South Bend. Guard Ashley Barlow of Indianapolis' Pike High School and forward Danielle Ben-Tsvulun from Fort Wayne's Harding High School are also staying in state to play for the Irish. Center Erica Williamson from Charlotte, N.C., rounds out the class.

McGraw said she is very pleased with the group of signees.

"I think this is one of the best classes that we've had — when you have the quality of player that we have and the skill level."

"And I think we addressed our needs."

One huge need area for Notre Dame is the point guard position, with second-year captain Megan Duffy set to graduate in May. McGraw believes Lechlitner is the perfect replacement for Duffy.

"She's a right-handed Megan Duffy," McGraw said. "I think that she and [Duffy] have so much in common. They're both incredibly competitive. They hate to lose. They are the kind of leaders that their team really looks to."

Like Duffy, Lechlitner is no stranger to accolades. The point guard garnered all-state honors

in each of her first three high school seasons. Lechlitner led St. Joseph's to the Class 3A state title in 2005, averaging 16.3 points and 6.3 assists per game.

"She is one of the best players in the country and in my opinion, the best point guard in the country," McGraw said. "We're just thrilled to have her take over the team."

McGraw expects Lechlitner to come in and contribute immediately. The coach envisions a backcourt tandem of Lechlitner and current Irish sophomore Tulyah Gaines.

Barlow, one of the other top senior guards in Indiana, will bring a great deal of versatility to the Irish. The Pike star can play both guard spots and small forward. She averaged 23.7 points per game last season, but also rebounds and defends very well.

"Barlow is a very versatile guard," McGraw said. "I think she will do a lot of the little things for us."

Barlow, like Lechlitner, was named all-state in 2005. "All Star Girls Report" ranked her the No. 55 player in the nation and the No. 10 shooting guard.

The six-foot-three Ben-Tsvulun is one of the top forwards in Indiana. The Harding product will give the Irish much needed depth down low.

The six-foot-four Williamson played her first three years of high school basketball at Honeoye Falls-Lima High School in Rochester, N.Y. Williamson was named to the all-state team in 2005 and garnered all-conference honors in each of her first three seasons.

McGraw said that the class as a whole meshes very well with the program and the University in general.

"They are just all a great fit for Notre Dame in every way — academically, basketball-wise, personality-wise," McGraw said.

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offense rated No. 2 in the nation that averages 282.6 yards per game and 28 touchdowns on the season.

But while the Irish are worried about stopping the Midshipmen's attack, Navy coach Paul Johnson is also interested in how the first-year Notre Dame coaching staff will try to stop his squad.

"I don't expect they will play exactly the way the last staff did," Johnson said. "We don't play the way the last staff did. Nobody really does. They will have their own take on [the option]."

### Notes:

♦ Notre Dame and adidas announced a new agreement Wednesday that ensures the athletic apparel maker will outfit all Irish varsity sports through the year 2014.

The deal is worth "in excess" of \$60 million over the next ten years, according to a release by the Notre Dame athletic department.

"Quite simply, we couldn't be more excited about our partnership with adidas — both what has gone before and what's ahead," Notre Dame athletic department director Kevin White said in the release.

Adidas began its relationship with the University in 1997 by supplying "footwear for all Notre Dame teams and apparel for many Irish teams." Since 2001, almost all Irish athletic uniforms have been made by adidas.

♦ Irish senior linebacker and defensive captain Brandon Hoyte was announced Wednesday as a semifinalist for the Lott Trophy, which honors the "Defensive IMPACT Player of the Year" and is given out annually by The Pacific Club IMPACT Foundation. The foundation, based in Newport Beach, Calif. uses the trophy to honor a player for both his performance both on and off the field.

Hoyte maintains a 3.35 grade point average while leading the Irish defense with 61 tackles on the season.

♦ Former Notre Dame athletic director Mike Wadsworth, who died in 2004, will be honored at a ceremony Saturday dedicating a plaque on the plaza north of Notre Dame Stadium. Wadsworth, who played football for the Irish from 1963-65, will be honored for his accomplishments during his tenure as athletic director from 1995-2000.

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## Coaches

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and Mike Dunham and current NHL star Paul Kariya.

Montgomery, now an Irish volunteer assistant coach, captained Maine to a 42-1-2 record in 1992-93 and now holds fourth place in the NCAA in career points (301) and assists (198). Jackson was the head coach of the defending national champion Lakers, while Pooley served as associate head coach.

What followed in that title game was possibly one of the greatest comebacks ever engineered.

The Lakers exploded in the second period by scoring three goals and moved into a 4-2 lead at the second intermission. It was the only two-goal deficit Maine had faced all year, and Montgomery knew his Black Bears could not end their dream season in this way.

"I turned to my two linemates, Cal Inghram and Paul Kariya, and said, 'We have to win this game.'"

Montgomery stormed into the third and blew away the Lakers with three goals in the matter of five minutes, all on assists by Kariya. Maine inserted Snow into net for Dunham, and Snow stood on his head as Maine captured the crown with a 5-4 victory.

"After that goal, I kinda reacted like a soccer player in Europe. I didn't know what to do," Montgomery said of scoring the winning goal from a perfectly-timed Kariya pass. "It was very odd, I usually just celebrate by jumping into a teammate's arms right away. But it was just euphoric."

The cause of that euphoria cemented Montgomery and his entire Black Bear team into college hockey lore, but Jackson, Pooley and the Lakers refused to go away silently and rebounded in 1994 to take their second national championship in three years.

The Montreal native was a Hobey Baker award finalist that year, but the trophy went to Kariya, and Montgomery went on to a 12-year pro career.

"I tease him every once in a while and show him some rookie cards I have of me scor-

ing against Lake State," Montgomery said when asked if he ever gives Jackson or Pooley a hard time about the game.

### The right decision

After retiring from pro hockey last season, Montgomery immediately embarked upon the coaching path, something he had been interested in since his days with legendary Maine coach Shawn Walsh.

He had always intended to return to Maine and work with Walsh upon retiring, but Walsh passed away several years ago, and Montgomery was forced to look elsewhere. He recalled conversations with Walsh from his college days when the coach would remark that Lake Superior's Jackson was the best in the business and had much to offer.

Montgomery contacted Jackson a short time after Jackson accepted the Irish head coaching position, and the two worked out an agreement for Montgomery to become Notre Dame's volunteer assistant coach.

Montgomery turned down full-time assistant coaching jobs at other schools, including Quinnipiac, to learn from Jackson.

"There's no question I made the right decision," Montgomery said of coming to Notre Dame. "Because not only from [Jackson], but the complements of Paul Pooley and Andy Slaggert, I'm learning from three great hockey minds everyday."

The new volunteer assistant helps out in any way he can — from the offensive drills, to goalie drills, to the power play and penalty kill.

"I'm a puck-pusher, that's what I call it," he jokes.

Jackson values the knowledge of the game he brings to the arena everyday. He also notes that Montgomery has a great eye for talent — Jackson said that he was the first to point out freshman Erik Condra as "being a real sharp player."

"Being younger, I thought [the players] could use him as somebody to vent to and to communicate with on a different level," Jackson said of Montgomery. "And have someone they could relate to a little bit closer to their age and to their playing experience."

### Back together again

Paul Pooley comes to Notre Dame as associate head coach after spending the past 11 years as head coach of Providence College, a perennial contender in the Hockey East. Pooley led the Friars to one Hockey East title and two NCAA tournament appearances during his tenure.

Montgomery is not the only former college star on the Irish hockey staff. Pooley was an All-American at Ohio State, selected CCHA player of the year his senior year and Bauer national player of the year. He holds Ohio State records in goals (114), assists (156) and points (270).

Pooley and Jackson had talked prior to this season about getting back together to relive the magic they had captured at Lake Superior in the early '90s, but the talk was never directed about Notre Dame.

When Jackson won the Irish job, he contacted Pooley, and the two went through the process of making Pooley the newest addition to the Notre Dame community.

Jackson attributes much of their success with the Lakers to Pooley and the professionalism he brings to the game.

"I thought he'd be a perfect match for Notre Dame, just because he's a class act. He has great integrity," Jackson said. "I think that he represents the University and he represents this hockey program in an outstanding way, whether it's in a recruit's home or whether he's dealing with an alumnus, dealing with our players, or dealing with a professor on campus."

Pooley was motivated to move to Notre Dame by numerous reasons, foremost of which was a chance to work with Jackson again.

"You never get an opportunity to work with your mentor again very often in your life," he said.

### "To be successful"

Notre Dame — its resources and its location — played a big role in Pooley's decision as well. The family environment the University and the region provides and the resources and prestige the institution is

privy to all convinced Pooley that Notre Dame was the place to be.

"The biggest thing is to move the program forward," Pooley said of his goals for Irish hockey. "We're here for a specific reason, I tell people, to be successful. I think that this school and the academics speak for itself."

Both assistant coaches stress that one of the greatest advantages to being with this Irish program is to be able to learn from a master of his craft in Jackson.

Montgomery has recorded various things he has learned from Jackson and the rest of the staff so far this season, and his computer is already cluttered with the valuable information.

"I'm here to support him and help him and give him my expertise in any area I can," Pooley said of assisting Jackson. "But I take my guidance from him, and if I can help him, that's the biggest thing."

This staff and the team it guides will face their next challenge starting tonight against the Bowling Green Falcons at 7:35 in the Joyce Center. The two teams will play the first two games of a four-game season series starting with tonight and a second game on Friday night.

The Irish finished 0-3-1 against the Falcons, their CCHA cluster mates, last year. As partners in a cluster, the two teams will play four games with each other during the course of the season, two at each team's arena.

Bowling Green currently holds a 2-4-1 record, coming off a two-game sweep of Nebraska-Omaha last weekend.

Jackson and crew are at the beginning of a new era in Irish hockey — an era that they intend to fill with a CCHA Championship and serious runs for the national crown — but for now, they take each weekend's fortunes or misfortunes and try to improve.

"I think we work well," Pooley said. "I think we feed off each other."

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## MEN'S BASKETBALL RECRUITING

# Brey signs prospects Jackson, Harangody for class of 2010

By PAT LEONARD  
Sports Writer

Notre Dame coach Mike Brey announced Tuesday morning that Luke Harangody (Schererville, Ind.) and Tory Jackson (Saginaw, Mich.) both have signed national letters of intent to play for the Irish

beginning next fall.

The two high school seniors had already made verbal commitments to Notre Dame, but their Tuesday morning signings made the news official.

"You feel like you won two games in one day, and you never really get to do that when you're playing during the season," Brey said to open

his signing day press conference in the Joyce Center. "When I look at them on the back end of the four freshmen ... and with [sophomores Omar] Israel and [Rob] Kurz, those are eight guys that I think form a great nucleus."

The Observer could not reach Jackson or Harangody for comment Tuesday night.

Neither player's signing comes as a surprise. Harangody (6-foot-8, 250 pounds) ended speculation July 20 when he chose the Irish, and Jackson (5-foot-10, 175 pounds) made his unofficial decision on Sept. 20.

Brey anticipates Harangody having an "immediate impact" and believes that was one fac-

tor that drove the Indiana native to commit.

"With what we're losing body-type-wise in [senior forward Rick] Cornett and [senior center Torin] Francis, he becomes very important as a freshman, and I think he certainly saw that through the

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## ND WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

# One more warm up

Irish face Ferris State in final exhibition before regular season-opening showdown with No. 19 Wolverines



Irish guard Tulyah Gaines drives to the basket during Notre Dame's exhibition win over Indianapolis Nov. 1. The Irish will play Ferris State in their second exhibition game Thursday.

KERRY O'CONNOR/The Observer

By HEATHER  
VAN HOEGARDEN  
Sports Writer

In their last tune-up before the regular season opens on Nov. 18 against Michigan, the Irish look to improve on their first exhibition win, in which they gave up 59 points.

Tonight, No. 15 Notre Dame concludes its two-game exhibition stint against Division-II Ferris State, located in Big Rapids, Mich. The teams will tipoff at 7 p.m. at the Joyce Center.

The Bulldogs finished 11-17 last season, with a 9-9 record in the Great Lakes

Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (GLIAC), good for a fourth-place finish in the North Division.

"[Our goals are] similar to last week — defense, rebounding," Irish coach Muffet McGraw said. "We want to play some pressure defense. We want to really work and see how we're coming together as a team."

The Bulldogs lose three starters from last year's team, including forward/center Bridget Horwitz, who was first team all-conference (15.4 points, 7.2 rebounds per game). Leading the returnees is redshirt junior guard Erin Miller out of nearby Niles, Mich., who averaged 17 points and 5.2 rebounds per game in as a sophomore in 2003-04 before sitting out most of last

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Indiana for talent"

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## FOOTBALL

# Option attack forces changes in practice

By MIKE GILLOON  
Sports Editor

As one of the only teams in college football that runs the option offense, Navy is causing Irish coach Charlie Weis to shake up his practice routine.

"It's been interesting because we've had to spend a lot of time coaching the show team here in the last few days, which is a little bit unusual," Weis said.

Navy quarterback Lamar Owens has the option of handing off to his fullback, pitching to the running back

or keeping the ball and turning the corner — an attack Weis has been trying to recreate in practice with his team this week.

"I know you put up cards and everyone tries to simulate the offense and defense of the opponents you're going against, but we've spent some extra time and actually moved some bodies around to create a better picture so that our guys have a more realistic view of what we're going against," he said.

Weis and the Irish are going against a rushing

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# Jackson's staff shares past

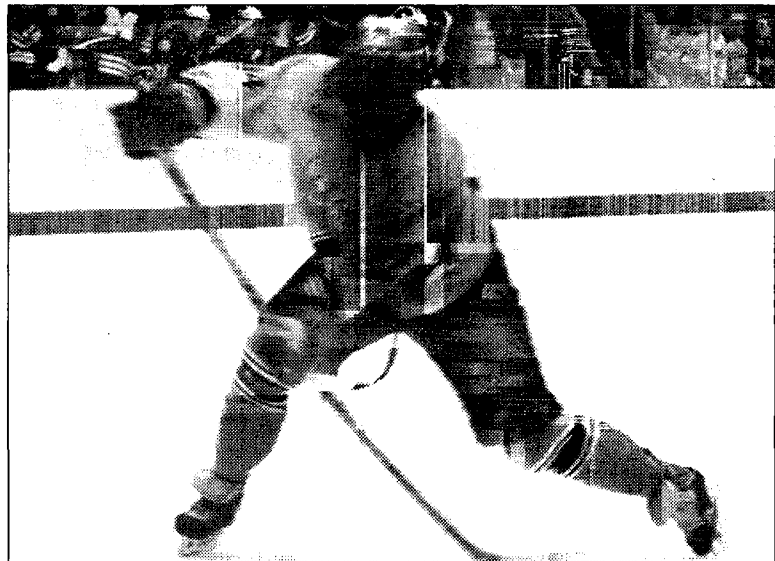
By KYLE CASSILY  
Sports Writer

Jeff Jackson, Paul Pooley and Jim Montgomery work from the same clipboard nowadays, but the trio have not always seen eye to eye.

The 1993 National Championship game found the three pitted against one another, as Jackson and Pooley's Lake Superior State Lakers played against one of the greatest college hockey teams ever assembled in Jim Montgomery's Maine Black Bears.

The Black Bears were populated with Olympic and later NHL goaltenders Garth Snow

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JENNIFER KANG/The Observer

Notre Dame defenseman Brock Sheahan takes a shot against Michigan Nov. 4. The Irish are 1-5-0 under new coach Jeff Jackson.

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