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In Moreau, Jenkins sees ND's values

Congregation's founder, who once clashed with Sorin, to be beatified this weekend in France

By MADDIE HANNA
News Writer

University President Father John Jenkins took his top-ranking administrators to France this week for Saturday's beatification of Father Basil Moreau, but the point, he said, isn't that the man indirectly responsible for Notre Dame's existence is one step closer to sainthood.

Instead, Jenkins said Monday, it's a reminder of what the Congregation of Holy Cross founder stood for — and what Notre Dame stands for today.

"I think there's nothing that

defines Notre Dame more powerfully than that sense of community ... and the kind of ideal that we as teachers strive for, and I think students expect, is try to educate the whole person — try to give the highest level of intellectual learning, but also to live a worthy life," Jenkins said. "All those are characteristics of Moreau, and I don't think one even has to be Catholic to say, 'Yeah, that's who we are, I do feel part of that.'

"And I hope that's what people celebrate in these coming days."

Moreau in the 1830s formed what later became the Congregation of Holy Cross and

sent several members, including Father Edward Sorin, to the U.S. a few years later. In 1842, Sorin founded Notre Dame.

"I believe that even though Sorin founded the University, I think Moreau's vision influenced Sorin and influenced Notre Dame," Jenkins said. "So in a way, the life we live and kind of the place we are emanates from this person and his vision."

The two priests "had clashes," Jenkins said — Moreau later wanted to send Sorin on a mission to Bangladesh, but Sorin resisted, thinking it would undermine his work at Notre Dame — but their strengths were comple-

mentary.

"I think they were both strong personalities, and in many ways, I believe, they needed one another," Jenkins said. "Because they were very different personalities. Moreau was very prayerful, and generous to people who were having trouble, a very compassionate person of strong will."

"Sorin was more of an entrepreneur, he was always kind of opening missions and finding new opportunities. And I think in a way, it's the two of them that shaped Notre Dame."

Notre Dame has kept its shape

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'Priest' dupes fans, security

Imposter sneaks on football field

By MARCELA BERRIOS
Associate News Editor

A man posing as a priest fooled football fans and security personnel Sept. 1 when he and his two-man camera crew marched into Notre Dame Stadium — and onto the field — without credentials as an unauthorized prank during the Georgia Tech season opener.

Assistant Vice President for News and Information Dennis Brown said Wednesday the man, dressed in a black outfit and a white clerical collar, joined the marching band during its pre-game concert at Bond Hall and led the procession to the stadium's entrance. There, the man and his two assistants eluded security personnel, walking down the tunnel until they were on the field.

Once there, Brown said, the man continued his impersonation and started conducting interviews on the sidelines until the players rushed onto the field. He greeted them with words of encouragement.

"It looked like he was a Catholic priest and part of a legitimate NBC crew video-

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Eyes on Africa helps orphanage

Sophomore Jeff Lakusta begins foundation to raise money for South African children

By KATE McCLELLAND
News Writer

When sophomore Jeff Lakusta returned from a service trip working in a South African orphanage this summer, he decided to found a nonprofit group called the Eyes on Africa Foundation to continue to support the children through donations.

"I was really touched by my time there," Lakusta said, "and I was determined not to forget. ... So I contacted people from the trip and friends from home and began to set up the foundation."

The orphanage, Othandweni, is located in the township of

Soweto. About 90 children currently live there, including 30 infants. The long waiting list has caused orphaned children to rely on each other until they get a spot.

"While waiting for a place in the orphanage, the kids form families with one another — you'll find a 15-year-old watching out for several other kids and ... responsible for bottle feeding a baby. Can you imagine doing that at 15?" Lakusta said.

He said he was struck by the children's lack of basic necessities in the orphanage.

"We were bringing them simple things — a washer, dryer,

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Sophomore Jeff Lakusta poses outside of the Othandweni orphanage during his trip to South Africa this summer.

Author speaks to College women

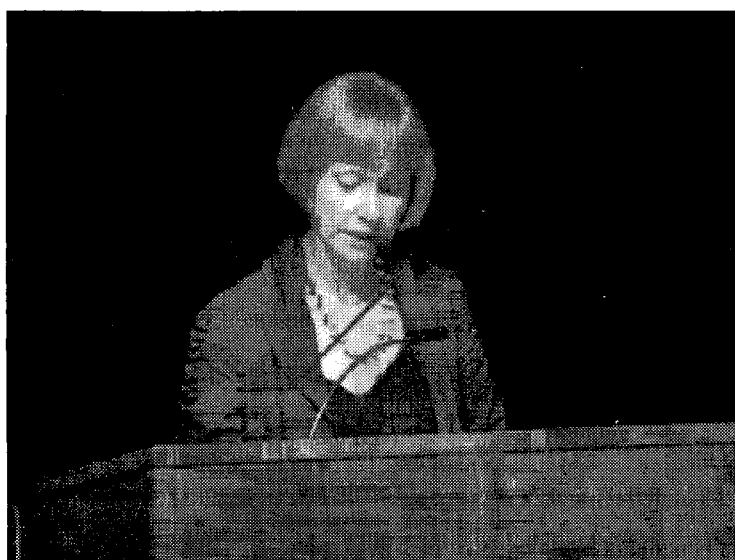
Mireille Guiliano compares French, American eating habits

By KRISTEN EDELEN
News Writer

Mireille Guiliano, author of the international best-seller "French Women Don't Get Fat: The Secret of Eating for Pleasure" spoke Saint Mary's Wednesday.

Guiliano, who has appeared on many national television shows, including "The Oprah Winfrey Show" and "Dateline," warned students about the temptations that exist in the dining halls in the Little Theater of Moreau Center for the Arts.

She advised students to be wary of the pizza bar



KATE FENLON/The Observer

Author Mireille Guiliano addresses the Saint Mary's community Wednesday in the Little Theater of Moreau Center for the Arts.

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NDFS accounts for student allergies

By MEG MIRSHAK
News Writer

For students with special dietary needs due to food allergies and autoimmune disorders, some foods in Notre Dame dining halls can be potentially life threatening.

Well aware of these dangers, Notre Dame Food Services (NDFS) offers customized meal plans for students.

Most requests for these services come from students with soy, dairy and peanut allergies, and those who require gluten-free diets, said Jocelyn Antonelli, manager of nutrition and safety for NDFS.

Antonelli works with dining hall managers and chefs to help coordinate meals for about 20 students with food allergies.

Two to three students per year, especially those with life-threatening allergies, have meals specially prepared for them. Antonelli makes about three shopping trips a week to buy specialty foods for the students' meals. Students who have a meal plan do not pay any extra costs for these services. These students pick up their meals directly from the chef.

This year a student has requested Kosher meals, Antonelli said. The University

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INSIDE COLUMN

Joys of life off campus

From the moment I signed the lease, I had been counting down the days until I was free from dorm rules and in the land of off campus housing.

Castle Point, my apartment of choice, has served as a safe haven for a fun and exciting senior year of college.

Don't get me wrong, the dorms were great freshmen and sophomore year while getting to know people and making new friends.

However, come junior year I was ready for a bit more freedom.

I wanted to enjoy such frills as playing music and even vacuuming after 10 p.m. when quiet hours were strictly enforced.

Further, the thought of living in one room with four people, four alarm clocks and four different schedules no longer appealed to me.

Thus, the freedoms of an apartment coupled with a living room, kitchen, and separate bedrooms sounded like the ideal situation.

Even from a logistical standpoint, Castle Point is simpler.

Moving in was a breeze. No more battling hundreds of freshmen families for the elevator or climbing what felt like thousands of steps to the top floor to move in, no sir.

Instead, I climbed a measly 10 stairs and was at my apartment.

Arguably, the most advantageous aspect of the off campus lifestyle is the lavish closet space topped off by my own bathroom.

Additionally, living off campus has served to teach us valuable domestic skills, as we are now forced to do our own cooking, cleaning, ironing and most importantly, we must pay our own bills.

These realities prepare us for life after school when classes are replaced with a 9 to 5 job.

Now for the good stuff. While living off campus provides many valuable life lessons, it has its "college" moments as well.

When my alarm sounds at 8 a.m. I no longer feel the pressure to get out of bed and join the mass of girls walking from their dorms to classroom buildings.

Yes, your parents' concerns are legitimate; it is considerably easier to say "no" to class when living off campus.

Instead of going to class I wake up and freely use my TOASTER to toast something for breakfast, just because I can.

Why not mix a little margarita with my entirely legal blender while I'm at it?

If, by chance, a friend of the opposite sex is over past midnight on a weeknight, he does not have to sneak into a closet or jump out of a window at the sound of a nearby RA.

Yes, off campus housing offers a variety of the simple joys in life.

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

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Kate Fenlon
Photographer

QUESTION OF THE DAY: IF YOU COULD OPEN YOUR OWN BUSINESS, WHAT WOULD IT BE AND WHY?



Santiago Sanchez
freshman
Dillon

"An engineering firm — it's what I like."



Liz Marren
sophomore
Cavanaugh

"A squirrel extermination emporium, because I need to put them in their place."



Emily Hutchens
freshman
P.E.

"A candy shot, so I could always have candy."



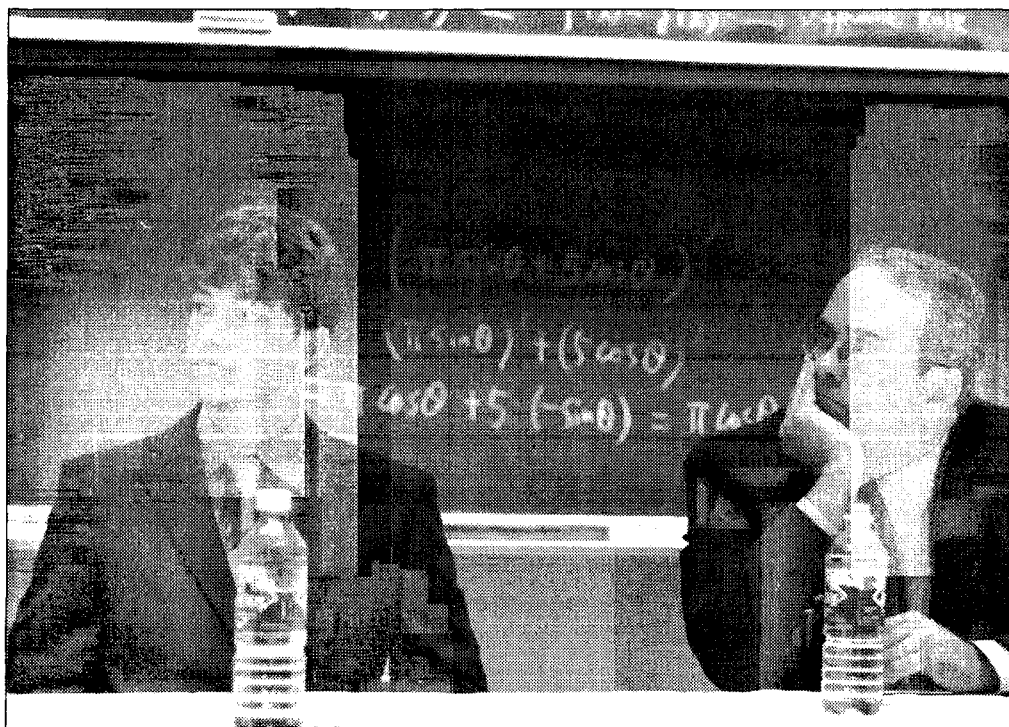
Amanda Wilson
freshman
P.E.

"The world's largest bookstore."



Matt Quering
junior
Alumni

"NDFE — Notre Dame Female Enhancement."



Junior Emerson Spartz, founder of Mugglenet.com, left, and Notre Dame philosophy professor John O'Callaghan field questions from audience members at the Center for Ethics and Culture panel discussion "Harry Potter & The King's Cross" Wednesday in DeBartolo Hall.

IN BRIEF

Actors from the London Stage will present "Macbeth" at 7:30 p.m. tonight and Friday at Washington Hall. Tickets can be purchased by calling (574) 631-2800.

Acappella sensation Toxic Audio will perform at the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center tonight at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$15 for students, \$30 faculty members and seniors and \$35 for the general public.

The DeBartolo Performing Arts Center will show the movie "Sunshine" Friday at 7 and 10 p.m. Tickets are \$3 for students.

The Notre Dame women's soccer team will play Princeton in the ND Inn at Saint Mary's Classic Friday at 7:30 p.m. at Alumni Field.

The Snite Museum of Art will host a reception for its fall exhibitions on Sunday from 2-4 p.m. Various talks about each exhibition will begin at 3 p.m. The event is free and open to the public.

Author Ann Cummins will read from her latest work, "Yellowcake," Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. in the Hospitality Room in Reckers.

The DeBartolo Performing Arts Center will show the movie "A Decent Factory" Wednesday at 7 p.m.

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

OFFBEAT

Man injects love interest with blood

PHNOM PENH, Cambodia — A Cambodian man was arrested after injecting a woman with his own blood in a bizarre scheme to win her affections, police said Wednesday.

The 22-year-old man is being held by police for allegedly causing injury to a 21-year-old woman, said Tan Sophal, a police officer in Battambang province where the attack occurred. It is about 155 miles northwest of the capital, Phnom Penh.

The man allegedly injected a syringe of his blood into the woman's rib cage and waist

as she walked home from school, Tan Sophal said.

The assailant fell in love with the woman when the two were classmates in 2004, Tan Sophal said.

Surfer rescues dog swept off Mich. pier

GRAND HAVEN, Mich. — A surfer rode a wave on his stomach to rescue a struggling dog that had been swept off a pier and into Lake Michigan by a wave.

Matt Smolenski, 25, said he grabbed the pooch's collar just as the exhausted, black-and-brown mixed breed stopped dog-paddling on Tuesday.

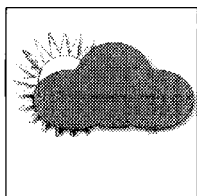
"He put the dog up on his surfboard, and the dog rode the surfboard in to shore," said Royce Rodgers, an off-duty Muskegon Heights police officer who witnessed the rescue. As the dog crouched on the board, Smolenski held on from the water, fighting large waves and a strong current all the way to shore.

"I've watched the dog about a million times," said Smolenski, of Grand Haven. "He barks at the waves and then jumps back when they wash up on the pier."

Information compiled from the Associated Press.

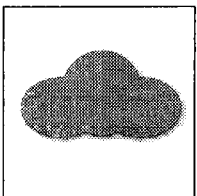
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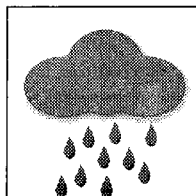
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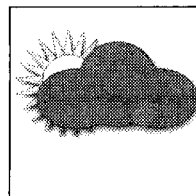
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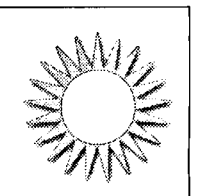
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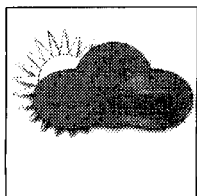
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CORRECTIONS

Due to an editing error, the Sept. 12 article "Jenkins: Undergrad research essential to goals," stated that the Spirit of Notre Dame fundraising campaign had a \$1 billion goal. The goal of the campaign is to raise \$1.5 billion. The Observer regrets this error.

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STUDENT SENATE

Leaders reiterate yearly goals

Senators say they plan to address increase in course packet prices

By KAITLYNN RIELY
Assistant News Editor

Senate committee chairs informed senators of projects underway for this year — including an investigation of increased course packet prices — when Student Senate reconvened Wednesday after a week off.

Academic Affairs chair Carol Hendrickson will direct her committee in several projects, including one to investigate the reason for the jump in the price of course packets this year.

In past years, copy shops around campus sold the course packets, but this year, the Hammes Bookstore took over. Hendrickson said some students have complained about increased prices.

The reason for the price increase, Hendrickson said, is because the Bookstore is selling the packets for a profit.

"Because the course packets are being sold through the Bookstore for a small profit, the Bookstore has to enforce copyright rules that, if the course packets weren't be sold for a profit, we wouldn't have to abide by the same rules," she said.

Course packet sellers in Decio and LaFortune thought selling all packets out of the Bookstore would be preferred by students, Hendrickson said, because it

would be "one-stop shopping" and students would have the option to charge the costs to their student accounts.

Hendrickson said her committee will study whether students prefer one-stop shopping and the option to charge the purchase to a student account over cheaper prices.

History professor Thomas Noble, the Faculty Senate liaison, said he would be interested in bringing this issue up at the next Faculty Senate meeting.

"Apparently a lot of my colleagues had students come to them and wanted to know why these things are so expensive," Noble said. He called the issue a "common interest" for faculty members and students.

"There is no reason why you guys ought to get gouged," he said.

Hendrickson also expressed interest in aiding University President Father John Jenkins' mission to involve more undergraduates in research. Jenkins delivered an address to faculty members Tuesday and focused on undergraduate involvement in research as a dimension of his overall goal to transform Notre Dame into a premier research university.

Hendrickson said she also planned to continue working on an initiative explored by her predecessor — to add clocks to classrooms in O'Shaughnessy

and Hayes-Healy.

Residence Life chair Mariana Montes listed a seven-part plan for her committee to focus on this year. Montes said she wants to make Diner Dollars an option to use off campus at places like Rocco's Pizza.

She shared a list of other committee goals: Improve dining hall quality by using locally grown food, add a computer and printing cluster to the Jordan Hall of Science, make laundry in the dorms free, expand workout facilities to all the residence halls, help professors use iTunes to make lectures downloadable as podcasts, and encourage Notre Dame Security/Police to both send out e-mails reminding students of tickets and install a safety call station near the D6 parking lot.

In other Senate news:

♦ Student government has made progress toward starting a coalition composed of students from Notre Dame and other area schools as well University and city representatives, said student body president Liz Brown.

Brown said she hoped the coalition would meet for the first time in the next few weeks.

♦ Sexual Assault Awareness Week, organized by the Student Senate Gender Relations committee, will take place the week of Nov. 12-16 to coincide with the showing of Loyal Daughters.

♦ O'Neill senator Matthew Malloy was elected to serve as the student liaison to Faculty Senate.

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Thomas Noble
Faculty Senate liaison

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partnered with a Jewish synagogue to prepare the meals, which the student will pick up in the dining halls.

A specific concern for students with peanut allergies, like junior Jessica Bruno and freshman Sarah Skillen, is the cross-contamination that can happen on the serving lines. As a result, they have learned to avoid certain foods that can contain peanut products.

Bruno has a severe allergy to peanuts and although she does not have meals specially prepared for her, she is very conscious about what she eats in the dining hall.

"When in doubt, I avoid it," she said.

Some foods Bruno avoids include baked goods, pesto sauce and some cooking oils. She said she misses frozen yogurt, which she used to eat before dining halls switched to the YoCream brand, which is made in a factory that processes peanuts.

If a worker at Subway uses a glove to pick up a cookie and then uses the same glove to make Bruno's sandwich, she could have an allergic reaction, she said. When she notices a problem with cross-contamination, she notifies Antonelli.

"NDFS is very responsive," she said.

Bruno has never had to use the three EpiPens she carries in case she should have an allergic reaction on campus.

Skillen's allergy is less severe. She sticks with simple foods in the dining hall and makes sure to check the ingredients. She also avoids baked goods, as well as Chinese food.

Freshman Michelle Gaseor has an autoimmune disorder called Celiac Disease which

limits her diet to gluten-free foods. She cannot eat wheat, barley, oats or rye. Avoiding these foods is difficult for Gaseor in the dining hall, she said, because of the high possibility of cross-contamination.

"Walking into the dining hall for the first time, I saw wheat everywhere," Gaseor said. "It was definitely frightening."

During the first week of school, Gaseor met with Antonelli to plan a unique menu to fit her needs with prepared meals in South Dining Hall. She had to submit a schedule

of when she wanted to pick up her meals. If she wanted to eat at North Dining Hall, Gaseor could have it arranged but ultimately said she does not like to be bothered by it.

It was complicated at first, Gaseor said, but the chefs made it easier for her to eat with her friends in the dining hall.

"The chefs are pretty flexible, if you let them know ahead of time," she said.

It is challenging for Gaseor to eat at Reckers because she cannot trust that her food will be gluten-free. She is familiar with Starbucks' ingredients, however, and goes there often.

Currently, NDFS is considering creating a gluten-free area in North Dining Hall. However, there are still complications in eliminating cross-contamination from other students' food, Antonelli said.

"Notre Dame has never said no," Antonelli said. "We find a way."

The services offered to students with special dietary needs help to ensure students get the full college experience, Antonelli said.

"It makes Notre Dame unique," Antonelli said. "We believe strongly about eating together as a community."

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socks — things that we [in the U.S.] take completely for granted," he said.

Othandweni — which means "place of love" — is the most under-funded orphanage in all of South Africa, Lakusta said, a fact the foundation hopes to change.

"We want to make a sustainable difference, not just giving them meals, but making a lasting improvement in their lives," Lakusta said.

The foundation's goal is to build a new orphanage with funds raised by college students on campuses worldwide. Campus coordinators and councils are currently being set up at several universities in addition to Notre Dame, trying to raise awareness with posters and T-shirts.

Right now, Lakusta said, Eyes on Africa hopes to be

involved in Notre Dame's Africa Week. In the spring, the group plans to coordinate an event for all schools with Eyes on Africa councils — possibly a five-kilometer run.

For Lakusta, the project is also a continuation of his research. His trip to South Africa with the International Scholar Laureate Program Delegation on Medicine was also part of the undergraduate research on HIV/AIDS that he is conducting under the instruction of Father James Foster, associate professional specialist of pre-professional studies.

Lakusta said Foster has helped greatly with the development of the foundation.

"He has put me in contact with different groups of people, other professors, that are helping me learn what

exactly I want to do to help and the best ways to make a lasting difference," he said. "He has also helped me find opportunities to speak about my experience, and the more I

learn, the better I can explain it to others when I speak to them."

The Eyes on Africa Foundation hopes to take its message off campus as well by contacting organizations, publications and celebrities.

The organization is actively trying to contact Time magazine, the Gates Foundation and celebrities like Denzel Washington and Forest Whitaker — not only for monetary donations, Lakusta said, but also for displays of support.

"We're sending Polaroids, Eyes on Africa T-shirts and letters explaining our cause to as many celebrities as we can, in the hopes that they will simply take a picture of themselves in the T-shirt and send it back to us as a show of support for Othandweni," Lakusta said.

He wants the children's stories to impact other students as much as they did him.

"I just want them to understand how lucky and blessed we are here," Lakusta said, "to live in the United States and go to Notre Dame. We have a moral obligation to make a difference, and it starts with one person — you."

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thanks to the Holy Cross community, Dillon rector Father Paul Doyle said.

"I think religious communities provide a continuity for institution, be it a hospital, or a school," he said.

About 65 Holy Cross brothers and priests work at the University, said Father Charles Kohlerman, religious superior at the Holy Cross House.

What those Holy Cross religious also provide, Doyle said, is a "prophetic voice."

"You've got a [Father Theodore] Hesburgh who was head of the [U.S. Civil Rights Commission, you know?]" he said. "That's a pretty big deal, for minority people, for the entire country. [Hesburgh] standing arm in arm with Martin Luther King ... when not many Catholic people were saying that."

Holy Cross priests like Hesburgh, a former University president, Doyle said, can "step back and assess things more easily than the average bear."

He pointed to Methodist-

founded schools like Emory and Duke that have since lost most of their distinctive religious character — "great universities," he said, "but no religious community to sustain that impetus."

If Holy Cross were gone, "there would have to be someone around here who could consistently point to Jesus," Doyle said. "It just did not work in the case of the other great education institutions in this country."

During his two years as president, Jenkins has frequently spoken of the need to protect and maintain the University's Catholic character. He doesn't see the influence of Moreau — or Holy Cross — fading anytime soon.

"Through the decades Notre Dame has existed, even though [Moreau] passed away, that spirit of zealous service is still present, that passion to care for people," Jenkins said. "I believe it comes from Moreau's mission, and I also think it's through Father Moreau praying for us that we sustain that."

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taping the band," Brown said. "The security personnel at the north entrance made an honest mistake making this assumption and they didn't check for credentials."

Brown said the individual's crew used a camera with NBC logos on it.

"That's why the stadium security staff wasn't as diligent as they would normally be in terms of checking credentials," Brown said.

The third man in the crew was holding a boom microphone, he said. On Sept. 4, a University official received an e-mail from the pranksters, which was forwarded to Brown's office.

He said the impersonator explained the prank to the University and asked for Notre Dame's permission to submit the video to "The Tonight Show with Jay Leno." Brown denied the man's request.

The video was, however, available to users on

YouTube until Tuesday, when it was pulled off. Brown said his office was not responsible for the video's YouTube deletion.

He also refused to release the prankster's name or say if the man was affiliated with the University.

"We've decided not to release the person's name because it would embarrass that person and expose that

"The bottom line is that this was a benign incident that serves as a valuable wake-up call for stadium personnel."

Dennis Brown
Assistant Vice President
for News and Information

person to ridicule," Brown said.

A "Tonight Show" spokeswoman told The South Bend Tribune the man was not working on NBC's behalf and that the Leno program does not accept unsolicited material.

On Sept. 2, The Observer received a fax explaining the prank and announcing its possible transmission during "The Tonight Show."

The fax said the man wore a priest's garb and marched

with the band, blessing spectators and cheering for the Irish along the way. The man then made his way into the stadium to pose with the team's signature "Play like a champion today" sign and greet the players as they rushed onto the field, according to the fax.

Brown said field credentials or pre-game field passes are required to have access to these places.

The three men did not have either type of clearance.

However, Brown said, the usher's failure to check their credentials was an isolated incident and should not prompt questions about the stadium's security procedures.

"We have [security] procedures in place. They just weren't followed in this particular instance," Brown said. "The bottom line is that this was a benign incident that serves as a valuable wake-up call for the stadium's security personnel. Other than that, no changes need to be made."

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Did You Know?

- ★ China surpassed Mexico in 2003 as the United States' second most important supplier, behind Canada?
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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Putin chooses obscure prime minister

MOSCOW — President Vladimir Putin chose a little-known government official to become Russia's new prime minister Wednesday, a surprise move that set off fevered speculation over whether loyal technocrat Viktor Zubkov was being groomed to replace Putin next spring.

The move came a few hours after Putin dissolved the Cabinet of his long-serving prime minister, Mikhail Fradkov, saying he needed to appoint a government better suited to the election campaign and to "prepare the country" for life after the elections.

The nomination of Zubkov, who has overseen investigations into suspicious financial transactions, caught much of the political elite off guard, which appeared to be Putin's intention.

Three arrested for al-Qaida threats

VIENNA — Two men and a woman with suspected contacts to al-Qaida were arrested Wednesday in connection with an online video threat by Islamic militants against Austria and Germany in March, officials said Wednesday.

Interior Minister Guenther Platter said the three — all second-generation Austrian citizens with Arab origins — were between 20 and 26. He said they were believed to have contacts to al-Qaida and that one of the men was suspected of being the creator of the video. The other man was suspected of contributing to it, he said.

"At no point was a direct threat against Austria discernible," Platter told reporters. Erik Buxbaum, the nation's general manager for public security, said: "We had no indication that a concrete terror attack in Austria or elsewhere with participation of these people was planned."

NATIONAL NEWS

Torturers to face kidnapping charges

BIG CREEK — Authorities decided Wednesday not to pursue hate crime charges in the kidnapping and weeklong torture of a black woman, instead going after the suspects, who are white, on state charges that carry stiffer penalties.

While federal civil rights or state hate crime charges remain an option, a state kidnapping count that carries a sentence of up to life in prison will provide the best chance for successful prosecution, officials said.

"As a practical matter, sentenced to life, what else can be done?" U.S. Attorney Charles T. Miller told The Associated Press.

Six people face charges, including kidnapping, sexual assault and lying to police in the torture of Megan Williams, 20, at a remote hillside home in Big Creek.

Army opens new rehab for amputees

WASHINGTON — War veterans who have lost a limb will relearn tasks like shooting a weapon, driving a car or rappelling down a cliff at a new rehabilitation center opening at Walter Reed Army Medical Center.

The 31,000 square-foot facility will offer state-of-the-art physical therapy and occupational therapy, sports programs, virtual reality systems and training with prosthetics to help troops regain a range of abilities, said Walter Reed spokeswoman Lori Calvillo.

It opens Thursday at the Army's hospital in northwest Washington, which has treated some 500 vets who have lost limbs or function of a limb in the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan.

LOCAL NEWS

Cop killing teen got gun for protection

SOUTH BEND — A teenager who confessed to fatally shooting an off-duty South Bend police officer during an attempted robbery said he had bought the gun months earlier for protection.

Jeffrey Finley made the statement Wednesday during a hearing to determine if he should be sentenced to life in prison without parole in the death of South Bend police Cpl. Scott Severns.

Finley, 19, told St. Joseph Superior Court Judge Roland Chamblee Jr. he didn't know why he tried to rob Severns and Michelle Beelby, the officer's girlfriend. Finley called it a spur-of-the-moment decision to rob the couple.

Democrats reject Petraeus's plan

Senate leaders seek legislation to limit the mission of U.S. forces, but won't set war deadline

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — A day before President Bush's war address, Senate Democrats rejected a four-star general's recommendation to keep some 130,000 troops in Iraq through next summer and sought legislation that would limit the mission of U.S. forces.

Their proposal was not expected to set a deadline to end the war, as many Democrats want, but restrict troops to narrow objectives: training Iraq's military and police, protecting U.S. assets and fighting terrorists, Democratic party officials told The Associated Press.

The goal is to attract enough Republicans to break the 60-vote threshold in the Senate needed to end a filibuster. Democrats have proved unable to do that since they took control of Congress eight months ago.

"I call on the Senate Republicans to not walk lockstep as they have with the president for years in this war," Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid, D-Nev., said at a news conference. "It's time to change. It's the president's war. At this point it also appears clear it's also the Senate Republicans' war."

Democrats struggled to regain momentum in the war debate after two days of testimony by Gen. David Petraeus, the top commander in Iraq, and Ambassador Ryan Crocker.

Petraeus said the 30,000 troop buildup begun this year had yielded some gains and needed more time. He recommended slowly reversing the buildup, drawing down about 5,500 soldiers and Marines by year's end and aiming for a force of 130,000 next summer.

Reid and other Democrats said that proposal does not go far enough.

"It creates and provides an illusion of change in an effort to take the wind out of the sails of those of us who want to truly change course in Iraq," said Sen. Carl Levin, D-Mich., chairman of the



U.S. Ambassador to Iraq Ryan Crocker, right, and Gen. David Petraeus, left, speak during a news conference Wednesday at the National Press Club in Washington.

Armed Services Committee.

In a bold challenge to Petraeus' assessment, Reid said the "situation on the ground in Iraq has not changed at all." He later acknowledged gains in Anbar province, "but it's like the big balloon that you push on one side and it comes out someplace else."

Petraeus' assessment inflamed Democrats, but assuaged many Republicans. It did lead to tough questions from several Republican skeptics, including Sens. John Warner of Virginia and Susan Collins of Maine, but most GOP lawmakers said they were reluctant to impose a firm timetable.

Sen. Norm Coleman, R-Minn., seen as another potential swing vote, said he was working with Sen. Mark

Pryor, D-Ark., on legislation that would put Petraeus' recommendations into law.

Absent a new political climate, Democrats are in a tough position: They can continue to insist on a hard-line position and fail, letting weeks go by without passing anti-war legislation, or they soften their stance.

At issue in talks among Reid and Senate Democrats was how far they should go in forcing a new mission for troops without losing support from various political sides, according to congressional aides familiar with the meeting in Reid's office.

If the legislation were non-binding and only urged Bush to refocus the mission, the bill could lose support from more liberal Democrats such as Sens. Russ Feingold, D-

Wis., John Kerry, D-Mass., and Barbara Boxer, D-Calif.

On the contrary, if the bill ordered the mission changed by a certain date, it might turn off Warner, Collins, Coleman and other GOP moderates.

Reid declined to discuss details, saying only that Democrats would offer four to six amendments "to change the course of the war" when the Senate takes up a defense bill next week. One probably would come from Sen. Jim Webb, R-Va., requiring that troops spend as much time home as they do in combat.

Among the Republicans working with Reid and Levin are Sens. Chuck Hagel, R-Neb., and Gordon Smith, R-Ore.; both long ago turned against the war.

INDONESIA

Earthquake kills 5, incites fear of tsunami

Associated Press

JAKARTA — A strong earthquake shook Southeast Asia on Wednesday, collapsing buildings, killing at least five people and injuring dozens in Indonesia. Nations as far away as Africa put coastal areas on alert, but only a small tsunami hit Sumatra, the island ravaged by the 2004 tsunami disaster.

Frightened people fled their homes and ran inland, fearing a repeat of the 2004 earthquake and tsunami that struck a dozen nations around the Indian Ocean, killing an estimated 230,000 people.

"Everyone is running out of their houses in every direction," Wati Said reported by cell phone from Bengkulu, a

town 80 miles from the quake's epicenter. "We think our neighborhood is high enough. God willing, if the water comes, it will not touch us here. ... Everyone is afraid."

One witness, Budi Darmawan, said a three-story building near his office fell. "I saw it with my own eyes," he told El Shinta radio.

The 8.4-magnitude quake was felt in at least four countries, with tall buildings swaying in cities up to 1,200 miles away. The tremor was followed by a series of strong aftershocks, further rattling residents.

Telephone lines and electricity were disrupted across a large swath of Indonesia, making it difficult to get information about damage and casual-

ties.

Suhardjono, a senior official with the local meteorological agency who like most Indonesians uses only one name, said a small tsunami, perhaps 3-feet high, struck the city of Padang about 20 minutes after the quake. The Pacific Tsunami Warning Center also reported a small wave.

Most damage appeared to come from the ground-shaking of the tremor.

Two people died when a car dealership collapsed in Padang and another was killed by a fire that broke out on the fourth floor of a damaged department store, a witness, Alfin, said by phone. Excavation machinery was being used to search the rubble for survivors, he said.

French

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for the Arts.

She advised students to be wary of the pizza bar because it's available on a daily basis. Guiliano is someone who knows about poor eating habits in college and the "freshman 15", which she believes is more accurately described as the freshmen 10 and the sophomore five.

She studied in the U.S. as a teenager and learned to love chocolate chip cookies, brownies, and ice cream, she said.

"As a student I was living off things I could eat on the go, no greens and my only fruit intake came in the form of fruit tarts. By the time I went home for Christmas I had put on 20 pounds and looked very much like a little Michelin tire," she said.

Her weight gain in the United States as a young woman became the inspiration for writing her book, which is both a memoir and a lifestyle book. It includes suggestions for recipes and colorful anecdotes about the

eating habits of French women in comparison to American women.

During her speech Guiliano read one excerpt from her book — a list of what French women do in regards to lifestyle choices:

"French women don't eat on the run, French women love to sit at a café and do nothing but enjoy the moment, French women walk everywhere they go, they take the stairs, get dressed to take out the garbage, drink water all day long, love bread and would never dream of a life without carbs, think dining in is just as sexy as dining out, adore fashion, never diet, and French women don't get fat," she said.

Guiliano described a scene she witnessed in Chicago's O'Hare International Airport before appearing on Oprah. She saw herds of Americans from one terminal to the next

eating burgers and pizza and gulping down monster sodas all while tapping away at a laptop or flipping through a newspaper.

Guiliano said she could not detect pleasure on a single face. She stressed the importance of finding pleasure in food. The ability to enjoy food and maintain a healthy weight is not genetic, but cultural, she said.

"At a restaurant, French women will order an appetizer, cheese, main course and wine," she said.

"American women will order only a main course with maybe a diet soda and then snack throughout the day. French women don't snack."

Guiliano then went on to explain the value of eating three meals a day with no snacking in between. She emphasized the importance of breakfast and said, "Coffee does not count."

There was no scolding,

"French women don't eat on the run, French women love to sit at a café and do nothing but enjoy the moment."

Mireille Guiliano
author

Israelis fearful at start of new year

Associated Press

JERUSALEM — Israelis ushered in the Jewish New Year on Wednesday evening amid new fears of war, following fresh rocket attacks from Gaza and reports of an Israeli airstrike in Syria.

At the same time, however, a flurry of diplomacy with the Palestinians has revived peacemaking for the first time in seven years.

The Rosh Hashana holiday, followed 10 days later by Yom Kippur — the Day of Atonement — is traditionally a time for taking stock of spiritual and cultural values, and Israelis were in thoughtful mood in the hours before the start of the holiday, at sunset.

At the lively open air Mahane Yehuda market in downtown Jerusalem, where shoppers scrambled to stock

up on food before the two-day holiday, some Israelis expressed discontent with the government and frustration with the continued conflict with the Palestinians.

"I don't think you'll find any Israeli who's optimistic," said Ari Boudierhem, 47, owner of the Emil coffee shop. "It's not in our nature."

Boudierhem said holiday business was better than last year, which was marred by an inconclusive summer war with the Hezbollah militia in Lebanon. But he said he saw rough times ahead and "maybe a war."

Jewish families celebrate Rosh Hashana by eating apples and honey and other traditional foods symbolizing sweetness and prosperity. The holiday this year falls on the same day as the start of the Muslim holy month of

Ramadan, so as Jews sit down for festive family dinners, Muslim families will also gather for a special meal ahead of their month of sunrise-to-sunset fasting.

In a routine measure, the Israeli military ordered a closure of Israel's borders with the West Bank and Gaza over the holiday, when packed synagogues, beaches and parks in Israel are seen as being particularly vulnerable to attack.

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COMPANY	%CHANGE	\$GAIN	PRICE
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SIRIUS SATELLITE R (SIRI)	+3.33	+0.11	3.42
POWERSHARES (QQQQ)	+0.02	+0.01	48.94

Treasuries

10-YEAR NOTE	+1.01	+0.044	4.408
13-WEEK BILL	-2.26	-0.090	3.900
30-YEAR BOND	+0.84	+0.039	4.687
5-YEAR NOTE	+1.11	+0.045	4.100

Commodities

LIGHT CRUDE (\$/bbl.)	+1.68	78.50
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IN BRIEF

Paulson: Market turbulence takes time

WASHINGTON — Treasury Secretary Henry Paulson said Wednesday that the turbulence that has hit financial markets will take some time to be resolved, especially in the area of subprime mortgages.

Paulson, speaking to officials of some of the country's biggest financial firms, said the Bush administration was looking for their help in making sure subprime homeowners get assistance in dealing with sharply rising mortgage payments as their initial low adjustable rate mortgages now reset to higher levels.

"We have been experiencing market turbulence and as I have said for awhile, it is going to take some time to work its way out," Paulson told the finance officials at a meeting at the Treasury Department. "We are going to work our way through this, in some markets more quickly than others."

Paulson said that "we are already seeing signs of improvements in a number of markets that have been experiencing stress."

But he said it was going to "take longer to work through the problems in the subprime market," noting that there are a number of loans in this market that are scheduled to reset at sharply higher mortgage payments over the next two years.

Dollar hits record low against euro

LONDON — The U.S. dollar hit a record low against the euro and was lower most against other major currencies in European trading Wednesday. Gold rose.

The euro hit an all-time high against the U.S. dollar on Wednesday, climbing as high as \$1.3882 amid speculation that the Federal Reserve will soon cut interest rates before falling back. The previous record of \$1.3852 was reached in July.

The euro was quoted at \$1.3882, up from \$1.3832 late Tuesday in New York. Later, in midday trading in New York, the euro fetched \$1.3895.

Other dollar rates in Europe, compared with late Tuesday, included 114.23 Japanese yen, down from 114.30; 1.1843 Swiss francs, down from 1.1893; and 1.0378 Canadian dollars, down from 1.0424.

The British pound was quoted at \$2.0298, down from \$2.0317.

In midday New York trading, the dollar bought 114.25 yen and 1.1850 Swiss francs, while the pound was worth \$2.0307.

AUSTRIA

Oil prices on rise, hit \$80 per barrel

Energy Department says oil supplies tightening but demand remains strong

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Oil futures prices rose sharply Wednesday, briefly climbing above a record \$80 a barrel after the government reported a surprisingly large drop in crude inventories and declines in gasoline supplies and refinery activity.

The report from the Energy Department's Energy Information Administration suggested oil supplies are tightening as demand remains strong. That's why oil prices are rising despite OPEC's decision on Tuesday to boost crude production by 500,000 barrels per day this fall, analysts said.

Despite Wednesday's jump, oil is still well below inflation-adjusted highs hit in early 1980. Depending on the adjustment, a \$38 barrel of oil in 1980 would be worth \$96 to \$101 or more today.

Oil's recent advance has been largely due to speculative buying by big investment funds, who are responding to a price structure in which oil contracts for delivery in future months are cheaper than the current front-month contract, said Jim Ritterbusch, president of Ritterbusch & Associates in Galena, Ill.

That kind of structure signifies tight demand in the immediate future, and is a buying incentive. Investors who buy now will end up with more oil contracts later, when October futures roll over to cheaper contracts for delivery in later months, Ritterbusch said.

"This is a market that wants to run up on the slightest bit of information," Ritterbusch said.

Prices were also being



Oil, stored here in Linden, N.J., saw its prices extend their rise above \$78 per barrel Wednesday, despite OPEC's increases in production announced Tuesday.

supported by worries a tropical depression that formed in the western Atlantic on Wednesday will become a hurricane and hit critical Gulf of Mexico oil and gas infrastructure.

"The National Hurricane Center says there's a good chance that could get into the Gulf," Ritterbusch said.

Light, sweet crude for October delivery rose \$1.68 to settle at a record \$79.91 on the New York Mercantile Exchange after

rising as high as \$80.18 earlier. October gasoline rose 3.49 cents to settle at \$2.016 a gallon.

Nymex heating oil futures rose 3.64 cents to settle at \$2.2191 a gallon, while natural gas futures jumped 50.4 cents to settle at \$6.438 per 1,000 cubic feet. Natural gas prices typically react strongly to news of tropical weather due to the concentration of gas infrastructure in the Gulf.

In London, October Brent crude gained \$1.30 to settle at \$77.68 a barrel on the ICE Futures Exchange.

At the pump, meanwhile, the average national price of a gallon of gas inched higher by 0.1 cent overnight to \$2.815, according to AAA and the Oil Price Information Service. Retail prices, which typically lag the futures market, peaked at \$3.227 a gallon in late May.

Investors wary as rate decision looms

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Wall Street finished essentially flat Wednesday, with investors still confident the Federal Reserve will lower rates next week but trading cautiously as oil prices crossed \$80 a barrel for the first time and the dollar extended its decline.

Investors widely expect the central bank next Tuesday to lower the benchmark federal funds rate by a quarter percentage point. The decision has not been guaranteed, though, and furthermore, many investors worry that a quarter-point rate reduction might not be enough to address investors' worries over the ongoing housing slump and credit market tightness.

"The more urgent problem than what the price of money is, is the availability of money," said John Merrill, chief investment officer of Tanglewood Capital Management in Houston. "There's such a scramble for cash."

Meanwhile, crude oil's spike above

\$80 a barrel, the highest it's ever been in intraday trading, and a weakening dollar fed concerns about inflation. Accelerating inflation is not only a threat to consumer spending — a pillar of the economy that Wall Street fears is weakening — but it also gives the Fed a reason to keep rates where they are.

Crude oil settled at a record \$79.91 a barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange after the U.S. government reported declines last week in crude and gasoline supplies. Jack Ablin, chief investment officer at Harris Private Bank, pointed out that price surges in commodities hit Americans particularly hard because they're denominated in the dollar, which on Wednesday dipped to a new record low versus the euro.

"I think the Fed has to pay attention to this. They need as much elbow room as they can get to make a decision they feel is right," Ablin said. "Should this dollar continue to fall, it

has the potential to limit the Fed's ability to respond to the economy."

However, rising energy prices and a falling dollar have some advantages on Wall Street. High energy costs evince strong global demand, and boost the profits of oil and gas companies, while a weaker dollar benefits U.S. companies that draw revenue from overseas.

The Dow Jones industrial average fell 16.74, or 0.13 percent, to 13,291.65, after weaving in and out of positive territory throughout the session. A day earlier, the blue-chip index soared 180 points.

Broader stock indexes were narrowly mixed. The Standard & Poor's 500 index rose 0.07, or less than 0.01 percent, to 1,471.56, and the Nasdaq composite index fell 5.40, or 0.21 percent, to 2,592.07.

Government bond prices slipped. The yield on the 10-year Treasury note, which moves opposite its price, rose to 4.41 percent from 4.36 percent late Tuesday.

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Senator's hypocrisy the real crime

I've never been propositioned for gay sex in a men's room. I don't think I have, at least. Then again, before last week, I also never knew that tapping your foot in a bathroom stall meant that you wanted sex. Sure enough, though, every major national newspaper detailed that apparently popular men's room mating ritual late last month.

Early this June, in a Minnesota airport restroom, Sen. Larry Craig, R-Idaho, was arrested and charged with disorderly conduct. According to the police report, Sen. Craig peeked into the stall of an undercover police officer. Sen. Craig then entered the adjacent stall and "tapped his toes several times and moved his foot closer," to those of an undercover police officer. The officer "recognized this as a signal for those wishing to engage in lewd conduct" and tapped his own foot "several times" in response.

Sen. Craig then moved his foot so that it touched the officer's foot. He swiped his left hand, which bore his gold wedding ring, under the stall divider. The officer swiped his police badge under the stall. He would later place Sen. Craig under arrest.

At the time, Craig insisted that it was a misunderstanding. In one of its more comical moments, the police report divulges that Sen. Craig claims he "has a wide stance when going to the bathroom." Despite his denials, Sen. Craig pled guilty to disorderly conduct in early August. He has since tried to retract the plea — he claims he was only trying to "handle this matter...quickly and expeditiously." Using questionable logic, Craig claims he was effectively forced to plea because The

Idaho Statesmen had been conducting an investigation of his sexuality for the previous eight months.

He claims, "Let me be clear: I am not gay. I never have been gay." I forgive me for questioning his competence as a decision-maker if he believes the best way to prove his heterosexuality is by admitting to making a pass at another man. I don't believe a word Craig says. He has an interest in maintaining his heterosexuality: Craig has long been one of the Senate's most reliable conservatives.

In 2004, Sen. Craig was given a 100 percent voter rating by the Christian Coalition. Last year, he supported a constitutional amendment to ban same-sex marriages and civil unions in the state of Idaho. He sent a letter to constituents assuring them that "the appropriate definition of a marriage is between a man and a woman." Craig won't have the opportunity, though, to continue his fight against gay rights. Last week, he announced that at the end of the month, he will resign — because, of course, he is not gay.

But Sen. Craig should not resign. All things considered, he has done little wrong.

Senate Minority Leader Mitch McConnell, R-Ky., insists that Craig's resignation is appropriate because he broke the law. But I tend to doubt that's the reason Craig is resigning. Consider the precedent:

In 2005, Congressman Kevin Brady, R-Texas, was arrested for driving under the influence. He would plead guilty to the misdemeanor. Rep. Brady was re-elected to the House last November.

Since not every crime results in demands for resignation, there was something special about Sen. Craig's crime. So why is Sen. Craig resigning? It still could be that Sen. McConnell believes that Craig's crime is "worse" than a DUI — but I tend to doubt that is the case. After all, Rep. Brady's crime was decidedly dangerous. By taking to the road, he put lives on

the line.

Sen. Craig, meanwhile, tapped his foot in a men's room. The crime is victimless. He sought sex with an anonymous man, but, presumably, would not have gone any farther if the undercover officer had not indicated his interest by tapping back. Sen. Craig has to resign because he hit on an apparently willing partner. If we forced every Senator who flirted with a potential partner to resign, the Senate floors would be nearly empty.

So why does Sen. Craig have to resign? He hit on a man. A willing man. And that is unacceptable. It is especially unacceptable for a 100 percent "pro-family" Republican. As a society, we are still uncomfortable with gay sex. More uncomfortable than we are with a Congressman driving under the influence of alcohol and more uncomfortable — as Sen. Vitter, R-La., recently proved — than we are with a "pro-family" Senator soliciting a prostitute.

Sen. Craig should not resign. And the "crime" he committed should not be illegal. Tapping one's foot in a bathroom and flirting with a willing potential sex partner are not crimes. Sen. Craig was arrested by laws founded on an outdated discomfort with homosexuality.

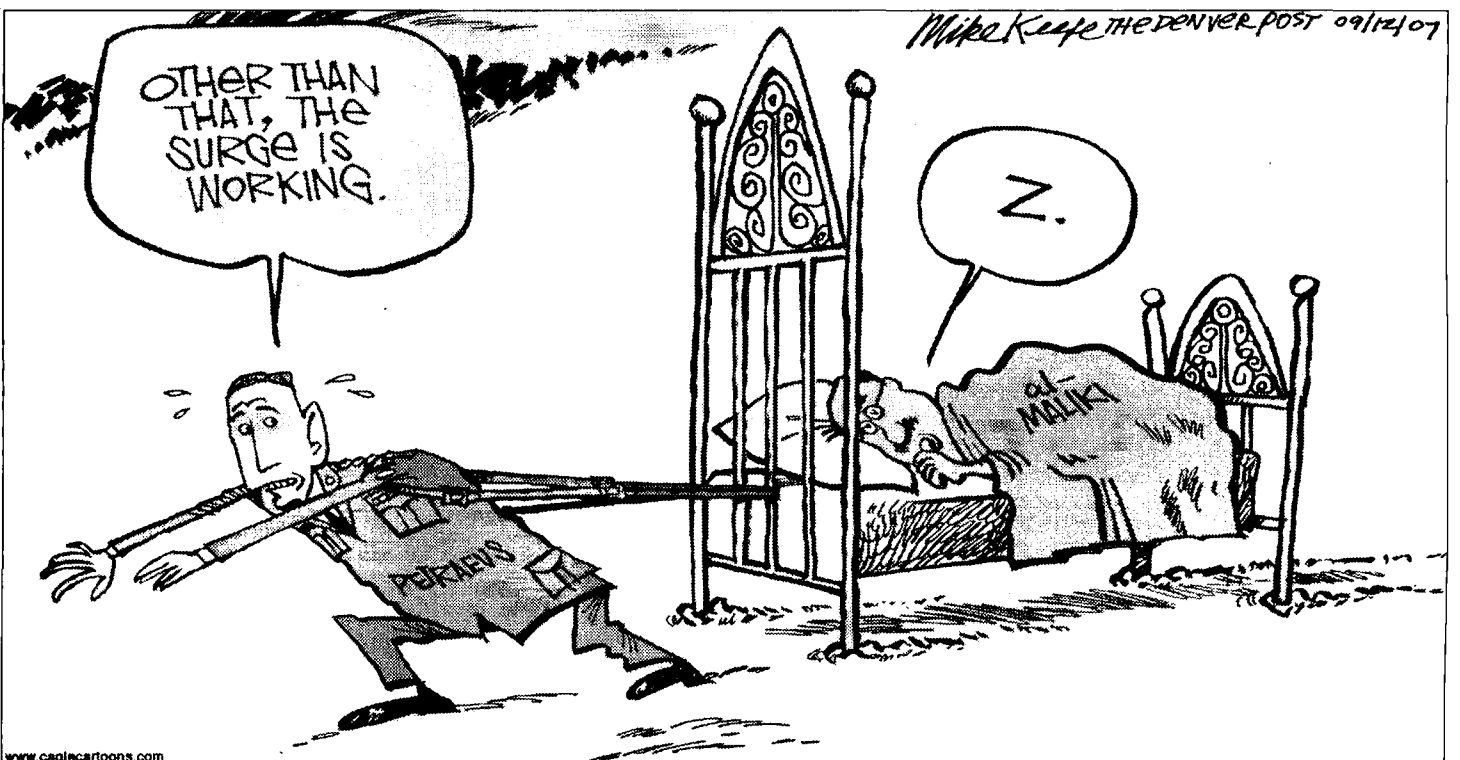
It's too bad Sen. Craig feels the need to be in apparent self-denial about his sexuality. It's satisfyingly ironic, though, that it is Sen. Craig's hypocritical politics and professed ideology that perpetuate the social discomfort that lead to his demise.

Sen. Craig, I wish you didn't have to go. But good riddance. You won't be missed.

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"The pure and simple truth is rarely pure and never simple."

Oscar Wilde
playwright, novelist and poet

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19 dream

Hi there. I just turned 19. Some of you have been there and done that. Some of you are on your way there. But none of us ever really wants to be there. Being 19 is like being a can of flat root beer. As if root beer isn't nauseating enough, try that mess when it's been lying open on the kitchen counter for a week. Try it every day for two years, because being 19 sucks: It's a year of desperate limbo. It's not even real beer.

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The Diamondback

There are no magazines named "Nineteen." There are no uncomfortably skanky stores named Forever 19. This age is so boring that even corporate America hasn't bothered glorifying it for a little profit. What is this, if not purgatory — some cruel joke played by a bunch of men in powdered wigs some centuries ago? Because I'll tell you, being 18 was great. It was fantastic.

When I turned 18, I watched infomercials with unprecedented fascination. I could buy myself a Marvin's Magic Drawing Board! (I could also find out that it doesn't work. Man, was that anticlimactic.) Among other things I realized I could potentially do: pull a fire alarm

in a crowded room (as I did when I was six on Bingo Night), start calling my mother by her first name and get legally kicked out of the house, sign up for my own credit card, find work as a cocktail waitress and book a flight to Topeka. (What would I do in Topeka, once I reached that barren abyss? Until I could figure that out, I would have to sleep in a cornfield with Toto because I wouldn't be able to put myself up in a hotel room. You have to be 21 to do that.)

The thing about your eighteenth birthday is that when you wake up, you're a different entity. Nobody looks at you the same way anymore. You're a big kid now. When you're 18, all of your fantasies about George Clooney and Harrison Ford are no longer gross and illegal. They're just gross. When you're 18, you can go to the big house for stealing — forget all that soft-core juvie stuff.

When you're 18, you can finally walk into a bar! Wowzers! However, the walk in will be very awkward because once you sit down, you will have to order a Shirley Temple or something. And you will realize that no matter how maturely you ask the waiter, you are indeed ordering a drink originally created for a

two-foot-tall, elfin child. Well, here's my big, sarcastic thank you to the men who devised these wondrous inconveniences. Someone in a sweaty wig thought it a brilliant idea to thrust the newly minted 18-year-old into the adult world, and then leave her lingering in the twilight zone.

But maybe the geezers who decided on our age of majority are inadvertently helping to wean us off the concept of privilege with age. Yeah, you turn 21, never remember that night and bring your wheezing liver to its knees in the ensuing weekends, and then what? You turn 22, 23 and 24. Ladies, we start getting wrinkles at 25. (We can take our wrinkly selves to Enterprise because we can now legally rent cars.) Welcome the debut of puffy, dark circles under your eyes. Treat them to cucumber slices, but they'll stay anyway, just like your ugly, impish children.

Wait a few years for your cellulite to develop. You will stop eating cottage cheese because the sight of it will visibly upset you. It's a downward spiral into old age, watching cholesterol levels and mortgages. There are no privileges — just mid-life crises and life insurance premiums. CD's don't hold music any-

more; they're banking jargon. Neutrogena can't help us now!

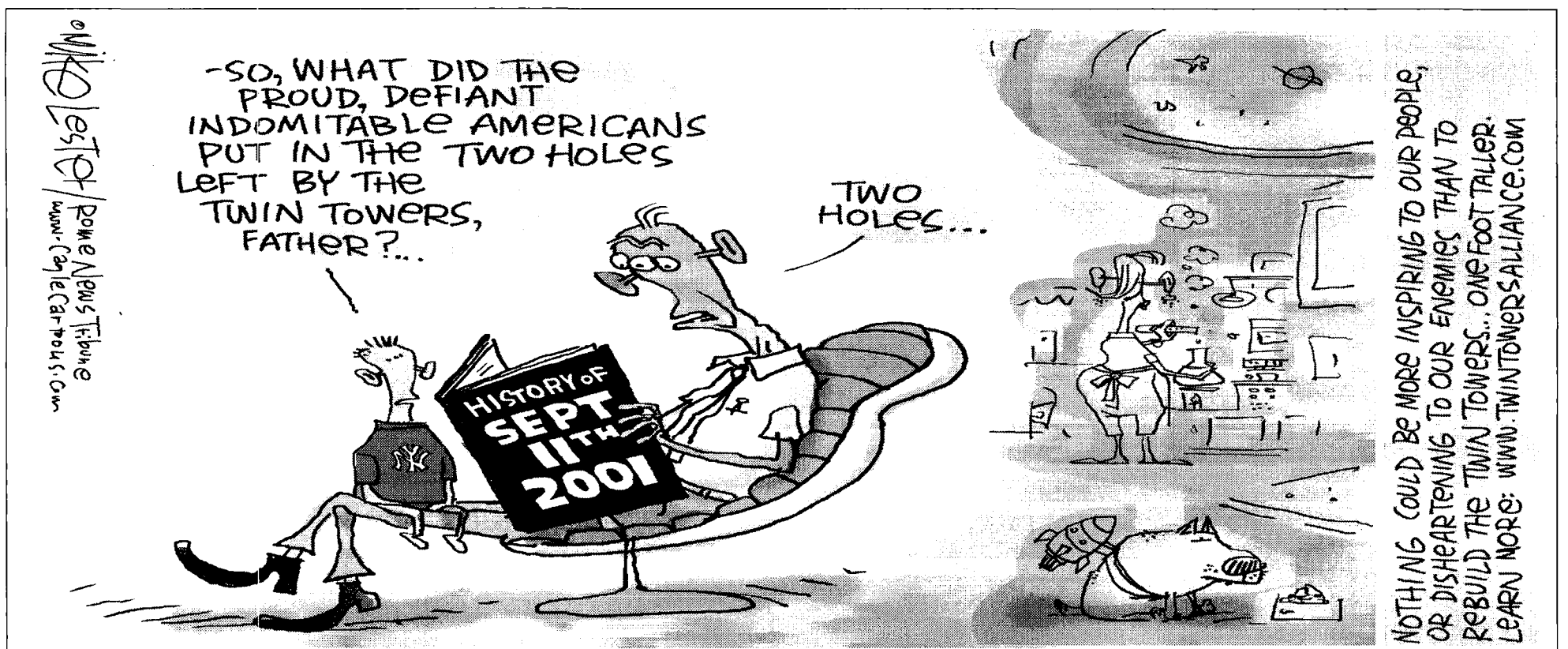
Nineteen? It could be worse. I could be on the verge of even more distressing decades: 29, 39, 49. Lord knows, at 59, AARP will buy my address off Crabtree & Evelyn's mailing list and eat into my mailbox. By then, Zac Efron will be their official spokesman. We'll all swoon at airbrushed pictures of him with wispy white hair and a slightly protruding belly as he playfully scampers on the beach with his grandchildren, Jooliya and Gymmi, whose names he won't be able to spell right, in addition to his own.

As appetizing as old age sounds, I'm going to buckle up for a good year, especially since turning 19 comes with the singularly thrilling experience of eligibility for a Costco membership. That's good — buying margarita mix in bulk might come in handy... in two years.

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EDITORIAL CARTOON



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Cut taxes on textbooks

"A tax on textbooks is a direct tax on education," Jesse Woods, SGA senator, said in the story "Bill may exempt textbooks from taxes" that ran in the Sept. 7 edition of The Crimson White.

Staff Editorial

The Crimson White

The CW editorial board agrees.

The SGA is working on a bill that would give students a break when buying textbooks. The bill would remove state, city and local sales taxes on textbooks. It would also stop taxes from being charged in private and public universities.

We agree that textbook prices are already exorbitant. Paying taxes on textbooks only makes buying textbooks harder — it directly affects a

group already strained for money.

We understand that taxes fund education. It would be a bad idea to reduce the state's income, which can, among other things, negatively affect education. However, there are better places to generate revenue than through taxing textbooks.

Compensate for getting rid of textbooks tax by raising other taxes such as property taxes. Alabama has some of the lowest property taxes in the country.

If you spread out the increase in taxes across the state and on different plants, there will be fewer complaints.

Exempting textbooks from taxes would be a giant step in the right direction, but universities also have a responsibility to students when it

comes to textbooks. Universities should help students by offering books online and not requiring as many books.

Often times, students are forced to buy packaged books — a textbook, workbook and study guide — of which they will only use the textbook. The inclusion of a CD increases the textbook's price drastically. And more often than not, students won't use the CD.

Universities should find ways around dealing with companies that only offer packaged editions of certain textbooks or bundle CD or access in with the book prices.

College is about getting an education. If students — who are already struggling for money — are required to buy expensive textbooks, they may

opt to not even purchase the book and rely on the teacher's lecture. How can a university expect its students to succeed if they can't afford the textbooks?

If the state of Alabama is able to compensate for the removal of taxes on textbooks, then textbooks should be exempted from taxes. Coupling the tax exemption with university efforts to find less expensive textbooks only makes purchasing textbooks easier on students.

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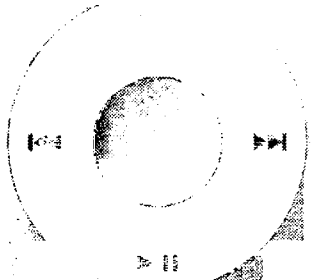

irishTunes

Ever wonder what tunes are playing in all those iPod earphones on the quad?



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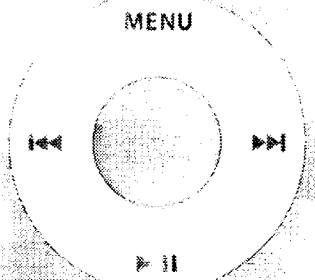

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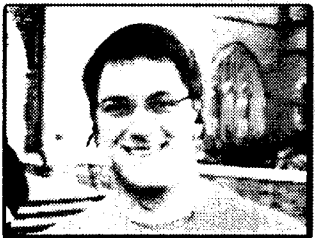
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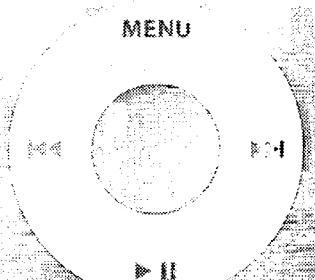
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Name: Mike Gotsch
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Artist: Marvin Gaye

Name: James Costa
Now Playing: "Come Pick Me Up"
Artist: Ryan Adams




Name: Bob Costa
Now Playing: "Jesus Christ Superstar (Acoustic)"





OBSERVER GRAPHIC | Matt Hudson

By CHRIS McGRADY
Assistant Scene Editor

In an increasingly complex digital world, the vast majority of worldwide business industries are running full speed into the Internet revolution. While some businesses around the globe cope with the technological advances in stride, others drag their feet reluctantly. The music industry stalwarts, namely the "Big Four" — Universal Music Group, Sony/BMG, EMI and Warner Music Group — continue to slowly find a way to adapt to (or is it resist?) the changing world of digital music.

The "fight" started in 1995, when most of the proliferation of MP3 music files began on the Internet. By 1999, with the advent of Napster, users had access to vast libraries of music through shared peer-to-peer networks. The small size of MP3 files enabled widespread distribution of music, and once record companies noticed a profit-dip from — and a reduction in — CD sales, lawsuits were filed. Ultimately, the free Napster closed down, but the digital sharing of music was cruising along at an unstoppable pace.

So where do we find ourselves today? To combat the illegal sharing of MP3 files, many record companies are encrypting their music with a technology called DRM, or digital rights management. The encryption limits the ability of users to digitally copy songs. Think of the files you might have downloaded from iTunes. Unless the files are DRM-free (as recently some iTunes songs are), you can only burn a certain number of copies, and the files will not play on someone else's computer. Some songs are even encrypted with personal information, such as your name and your e-mail address.

But, as with most processes, there are

loopholes. Once a song is burned onto a disc, unlimited copies of that disc can be made and shared. It is still illegal, but hard to trace for record companies seeking royalties for using their music.

So what can record companies do? Realistically, nothing. And just now are they starting to realize this.

Some record companies, such as London-based conglomerate EMI, are starting to decide that, while they may catch people sharing music here and there, the spoils are not in proportion to the fight. EMI is now releasing DRM-free music through outlets such as iTunes. The files are offered in a higher quality format than the other MP3s and come at a premium price.

As these tracks spread, EMI hopes, listeners will be more likely to want to buy the whole album and attend concerts, leading to increased profits.

So far, the experiment hasn't had time to mature, and EMI is reluctant to give any substantial data — which suggests things aren't going so well. However, how this plays out won't be apparent for a substantial amount of time. EMI,

however, is to be admired for at least taking steps to adapt to a changing digital world.

While music execs crumble under the explosion of file sharing and the corresponding, inevitable decrease of CD sales, the companies are seeking profits from other areas of the music world. One of these areas is Internet

radio stations, which largely flew under the radar for years, playing thousands of hours of music to millions of listeners around the globe. The problem the record companies had is that the fees for playing music on the Internet were

minimal — hardly worth collecting on. But that was soon to change.

SoundExchange, a company responsible for collecting Internet royalties, proposed a huge royalty increase, more

than doubling the current rates by 2010. The increase is only a fraction of a cent, but on a per song, per listener basis, the fees can exponentially increase. The increase went into effect July 15, and Internet radio stations around the world are already feeling the effects, closing by the dozen. It is ironic, in fact, that the radio stations closing down are the ones who probably do the least harm to record sales — these are the "mom and

pop" Internet stations run out of the basement of houses across the world.

So the question is this: What is the direction of the current music scene? There is a certain level of contrasting steps being taken by those at the top of the music empire.

While companies are making an effort toward admitting that attempting to limit file sharing is largely ineffectual, they are at the same time putting an immense strain on the Internet radio medium. The record companies are simultaneously promoting the free share of music while limiting those who can spread the audio joy.

It is undeniable, however, that the music culture is becoming fully harbored in the digital world. Just as records gave way to cassette tapes, and cassette tapes gave way to CDs, the digital proliferation and transportation of music is well on its way, firmly established in the modern culture. Digital music remains on a continued path to widespread implementation, one that will continue despite any and all efforts from the top of the music industry to stop it.

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Warner Music Group is one of the "Big Four" music industry stalwarts.

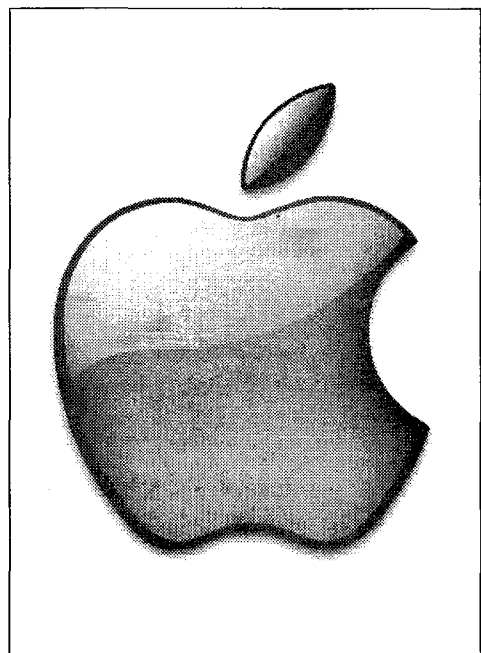


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To fight illegal MP3 sharing, iTunes encrypts its music with DRM technology.

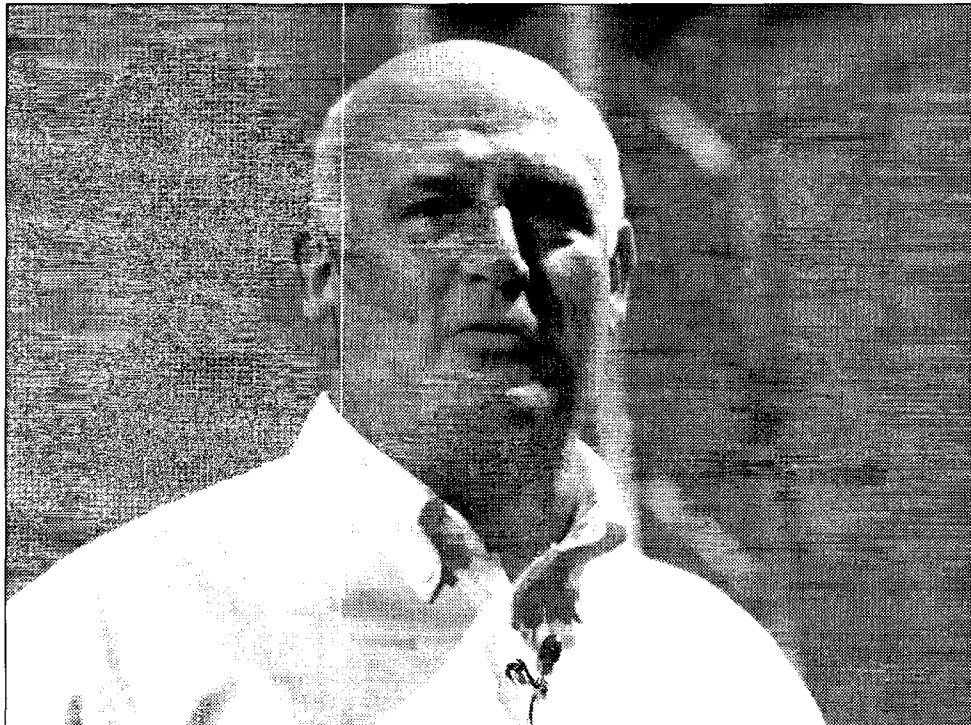


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Led by CEO Eric Nicoli, music industry giant EMI releases its music in a high-quality, encryption-free format at a premium price on iTunes and other outlets.



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Although the free version of Napster shut down years ago, music companies continue to target illegal online file sharing as it cuts into their profits.

MLB

Verlander shuts down Rangers, keeps Tigers in playoff hunt

White Sox top Indians as Thome hits career home run No. 499; Brewers comeback falls short as Pirates pull away late

Associated Press

DETROIT — Magglio Ordonez hit a three-run home run, Gary Sheffield had a two-run homer and Justin Verlander allowed only a run, leading the Detroit Tigers to a 5-1 victory over the Texas Rangers on Wednesday night.

The Tigers have won seven of nine to stay in the wild-card chase with the streaking New York Yankees, who began the day four games ahead for the AL's final spot in the postseason.

Texas has dropped two straight after winning 13 of 15.

Verlander (17-5) became the first Detroit pitcher to win at least 17 games in consecutive seasons since Jack Morris in 1986-87. The reigning AL Rookie of the Year, who was 17-9 last season, gave up seven hits, a walk and struck out seven.

He has won four straight starts, combining to allow just three runs.

Todd Jones struck out the side in the ninth.

Edinson Volquez (2-1) gave up five runs, seven hits and four walks while striking out a career-high six. He made his third start of the season and the 14th of his

career.

A day after snapping an 0-for-25 skid, Sheffield's two-run homer in the first inning ended a 16-game homerless drought.

Ordonez's three-run shot put Detroit ahead 5-1 in the sixth, giving him 132 RBIs for the season — the most since Cecil Fielder had 133 in 1991. The AL MVP candidate is three RBIs away from his career high and nine away from being the first Tiger to drive in more than 140 runs since Hank Greenberg in 1940.

The Rangers put two on with no outs in the fourth and two on with one out in the sixth, and came away with only a run.

Young doubled in the sixth and scored on David Murphy's single to make it 2-1.

White Sox 7, Indians 4

Jim Thome is just one away now, and he's having a whole lot of fun with his pursuit of a memorable milestone.

Thome hit his 499th homer and drove in three runs to lead the Chicago White Sox over the Cleveland Indians Wednesday.

"It's been pretty awesome," Thome said. "I guess it's kind of reality now. It's getting close."

The White Sox, already eliminated from the playoffs, ended a three-game skid and snapped AL Central-leading Cleveland's four-game winning streak.

After flying out to shallow right in his first at-bat, Thome, a former Indian, drove a 2-0 fastball from Jake Westbrook out to right field leading off the fourth inning to give the White Sox a 2-1 lead. It was his 27th of the season.

"You know about it, definitely," Westbrook said of Thome's pursuit. "It doesn't mean I pitch him any differently."

Thome would become the 23rd to reach 500 and the third this season, following Frank Thomas and Alex Rodriguez.

With a disastrous season coming to a close, the White Sox are in the mood to celebrate something besides contract extensions and upcoming vacations.

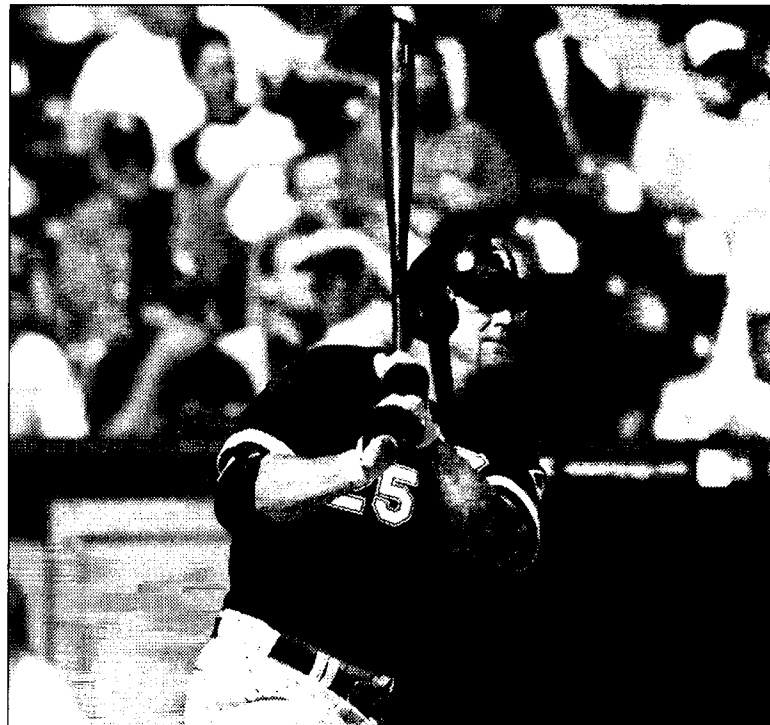
"It's something to look forward to, especially for myself," said manager Ozzie Guillen, who was just rewarded with a four-year extension despite the team's woes. "Every time Thome hits a home run, it makes it easy for me to come and talk (to the media) about the game. Not many players in the clubhouse have seen a milestone like that."

The team has a "Thome Ticker" on a billboard in right field, and the designated hitter said he and the team are planning to handsomely reward the fan who catches No. 500, so he can get the ball back and personally deliver it to the Hall of Fame in Cooperstown.

Thome, who finished with three hits, came up in the fifth with the bases loaded and one out and sent a broken-bat single into right on Westbrook's first pitch to drive in two runs.

"You could feel the excitement in the dugout," the 37-year-old Thome said. "The guys were getting excited. It's just a matter of going out and not really thinking about it, but it's tough."

Thome spent about three weeks on the disabled list this season and has missed 30 games after earning AL Comeback Player of the Year honors last year with 42 homers and 107 RBIs. He homered in three straight games last week, hitting No. 498 off Minnesota's Juan



White Sox designated hitter Jim Thome hits his 499th career home run Wednesday in a 7-4 White Sox win over the Indians.

Rincon on Sunday.

Pirates 7, Brewers 4

A loss like this hurt in April and May, for sure. When a contending team like Milwaukee climbs back from a four-run deficit, ties it up in the late innings and then loses in September, the defeat feels a whole lot worse.

Ronny Paulino singled in the go-ahead run during a three-run eighth inning, and the Pittsburgh Pirates staged a rally of their own to beat the division-leading Brewers Wednesday.

Pinch-hitter Josh Phelps followed Paulino's hit with a two-run triple off Derrick Turnbow (4-5) and rookie Steve Pearce drove in two runs for Pittsburgh, which is one loss away from a 15th consecutive losing season yet won twice in the three-game series.

"We're playing contenders for the rest of the season and we have a chance to spoil some playoff hopes," Pirates reliever John Grabow said. "We can't let up. We need to keep the mind-set that these teams are trying to kill us and we've got to play them as hard as we can."

Milwaukee, which began the day one game ahead of the Chicago Cubs, dropped to 20-42 at PNC Park, which opened in 2001. Even while mounting a comeback from a 4-0 deficit, the Brewers left five runners on base in the seventh and eighth innings.

The Brewers tied it at 4 in the eighth on Prince Fielder's run-scoring grounder and Corey Hart's RBI triple. But the Brewers, who had won nine of 13, left the bases loaded when Grabow (3-1) got pinch-hitter Geoff Jenkins to ground out after falling behind in the count 3-0.

"We just didn't get the job done there," manager Ned Yost said.

Turnbow immediately got into trouble by walking Jose Bautista and Pearce, who had four hits and three RBIs in the series. Paulino's single put Pittsburgh ahead again and Phelps — who is on a 13-for-27 tear yet is playing little — tripled into left-center.

"When the team comes from behind, battles hard the whole game, ties the game up and gets in a position to win and you're the guy who doesn't get the job done, it's tough," Turnbow said.



Tigers pitcher Justin Verlander delivers against the Rangers. Verlander held Texas to one run in a 5-1 Detroit victory Wednesday.

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NCAA Women's Soccer NSCAA/adidas Poll

team	record	previous
1 Stanford	4-0-0	5
2 North Carolina	2-1-0	6
3 Santa Clara	2-0-1	8
4 Portland	3-1-0	1
5 Texas A&M	3-1-0	3
6 UCLA	2-1-0	7
7 Texas	3-1-0	4
8 BC	3-0-0	10
9 Florida	3-1-0	14
10 Virginia	2-1-1	11
11 NOTRE DAME	1-2-1	2
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15 Tennessee	3-1-0	13

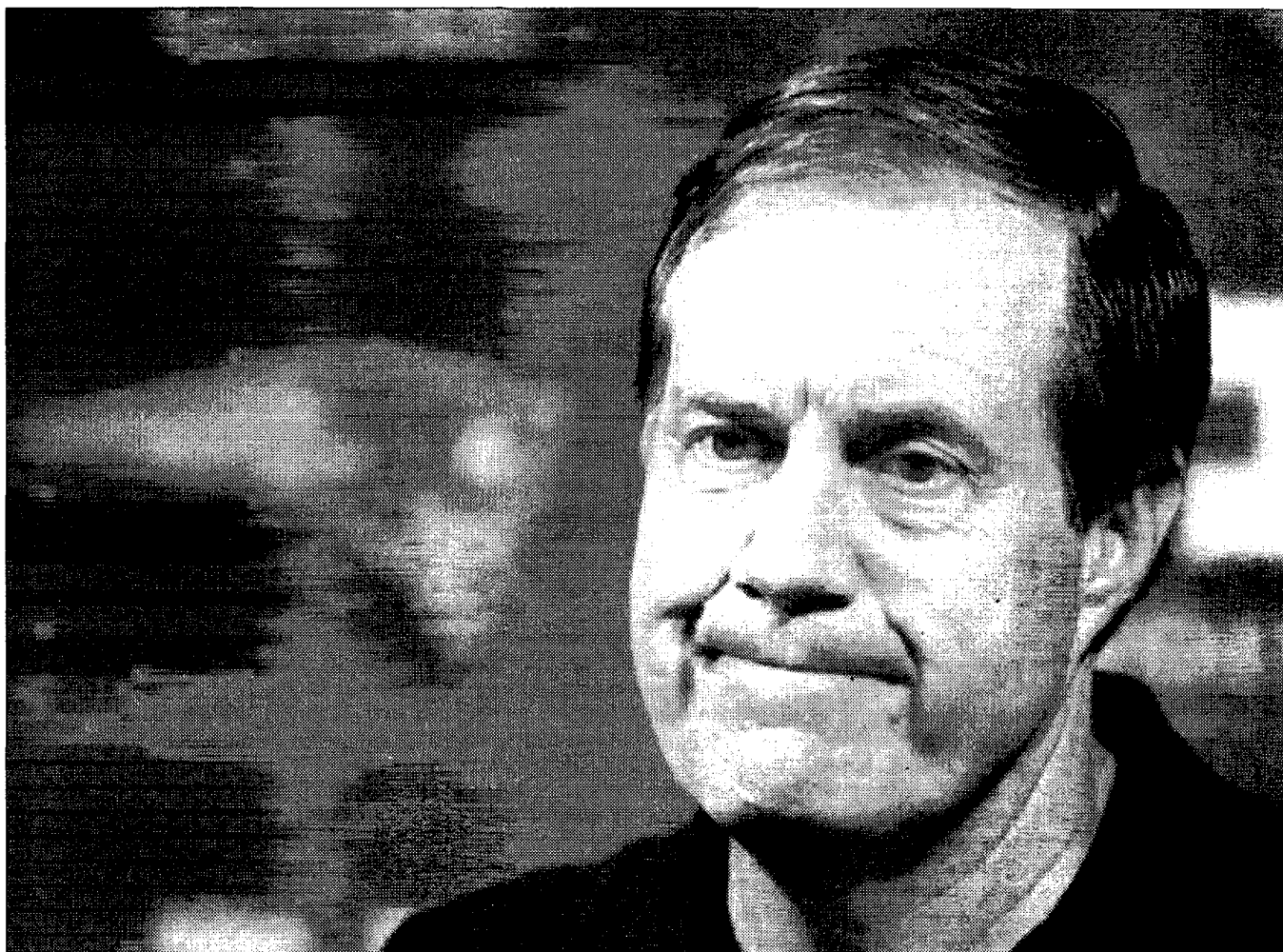
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5 Duke	3-1-0	2
6 Virginia	3-1-0	3
7 Maryland	2-1-1	6
8 Santa Clara	3-1-0	5
9 NOTRE DAME	2-1-1	9
10 Northwestern	3-0-1	10
11 California	2-1-0	7
12 Ohio State	3-0-1	22
13 West Virginia	2-1-0	20
14 UCSB	1-1-1	13
15 Harvard	3-0-0	21

NCAA Football Associated Press Top 25

team	record	previous
1 USC (40)	1-0	1
2 LSU (5)	2-0	2
3 Oklahoma	2-0	3
4 West Virginia	2-0	6
5 Florida	2-0	8
5 Texas	2-0	7
7 Wisconsin	2-0	4
8 California	2-0	10
9 Louisville	2-0	9
10 Ohio State	2-0	12
11 UCLA	2-0	13
12 Penn State	2-0	11
13 Rutgers	2-0	14
14 Nebraska	2-0	17
15 Georgia Tech	2-0	16
16 Arkansas	1-0	20
17 South Carolina	2-0	18
18 Virginia Tech	1-1	21
19 Oregon	2-0	22
20 Clemson	2-0	23
21 Boston College	2-0	NR
22 Tennessee	1-1	24
23 Georgia	1-1	25
24 Hawaii	2-0	15
25 Texas A&M	2-0	NR

NFL



After releasing a one-paragraph statement apologizing to his team, the ownership, and anyone else who may have been affected, Patriots coach Bill Belichick refused to comment any further on the sideline spying scandal.

Belichick walks out on news media

Associated Press

FOXBOROUGH, Mass. This videotape needs no interpretation: New England Patriots coach Bill Belichick walked out of his news conference Wednesday when pressed repeatedly about the sideline spying scandal that landed him on NFL commissioner Roger Goodell's crowded docket.

Ten minutes before his regular availability, Belichick issued a one-paragraph statement apologizing to his team and confirming that he has spoken to Goodell about an "interpretation" of league rules that ban videotaping of the oppos-

ing sideline.

"Although it remains a league matter, I want to apologize to everyone who has been affected, most of all ownership, staff and players," Belichick said. "Following the league's decision, I will have further comment."

It was not clear whether Belichick was apologizing for his actions or the distraction it has caused his team as it prepares for Sunday night's marquee game against San Diego.

But if he thought — or even hoped — that the standing-room crowd of media was there to talk about the Chargers, he failed to prepare in the

manner that has made him one of the most successful coaches in the history of the league.

Never one to relish his interactions with the media, Belichick grimly refused to respond to a half-dozen questions about the scandal, possible punishments and the potential effect on his team. Begging for a football question, he seemed ready to abort the news conference after just a few minutes at the podium.

"Any questions about the Chargers?" he pleaded in his standard, other-things-to-do monotone. "Want to talk about the football game? If not, I

think that statement pretty much covers it."

It appeared that there were none, before one reporter asked about Chargers running back LaDainian Tomlinson.

The prospect of defending against the reigning NFL offensive player of the year is not the sort of thing that usually cheers up opposing coaches.

But Belichick smiled.

"I think the Chargers are a concern. Their football team is a concern. That's what we're concerned about," he said. "Whatever happens out there Sunday night, out there on the field, that's when everybody will make their statement."

IN BRIEF

Pennington will return to practice

HEMPSTEAD, N.Y. — Chad Pennington stepped to the podium, showing little sign of a limp, and declared himself ready for practice.

"I'll be out there," the New York Jets quarterback said Wednesday. "As far as reps and things like that, I have no idea what the coaches have in mind. I'll be ready to do whatever they ask me to do."

Whether that includes playing against the Baltimore Ravens on Sunday remains to be seen, but Pennington is preparing as if he'll be out on the field despite his injured right ankle.

"It's just a day-to-day process and I'm working extremely hard around the clock to do everything I can to prepare myself to play," Pennington said. "I'm just taking it day by day and seeing how much progress I make each day."

Bell Suspended without pay 15 games

NEW YORK — Toronto Maple Leafs forward Mark Bell was suspended for 15 games without pay Wednesday by the NHL after his plea last month of no contest to drunken driving and hit-and-run charges.

"Playing in the National Hockey League is a privilege, and with that privilege comes a corresponding responsibility for exemplary conduct off the ice as well as on it," commissioner Gary Bettman said.

"Yeah I think the length of the suspension was a surprise," Bell said at the Air Canada Centre in Toronto after the announcement. "I haven't been in contact with the league until about 48 hours ago, but I respect the decision the commissioner made and I look forward to moving on in a positive manner — as I have been for the last year."

Buccaneers release receiver David Boston

TAMPA, Fla. — Receiver David Boston was released by the Tampa Bay Buccaneers on Wednesday, two days after police released results of a urine test that showed the eighth-year pro had a depressant in his system when he was arrested and charged with driving under the influence last month.

The Bucs said Boston, who hurt his foot during pregame warmups and did not play in last Sunday's opener at Seattle, was let go after reaching an injury settlement. Receiver/kick returner Mark Jones was signed to replace him.

"I'm very disappointed. ... For two years, it was a Cinderella story, and we had hoped he could come back and rejuvenate his career," said Bucs coach Jon Gruden, who also brought Boston into training camp in 2006. "Unfortunately it did not work out."

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NFL

Everett moves limbs, will likely walk again

Doctor calls Bills player's progress 'spectacular'

Associated Press

BUFFALO, N.Y. — Kevin Everett voluntarily moved his arms and legs on Tuesday when partially awakened, prompting a neurosurgeon to say the Buffalo Bills' tight end would walk again — contrary to the grim prognosis given a day before.

"Based on our experience, the fact that he's moving so well, so early after such a catastrophic injury means he will walk again," said Dr. Barth Green, chairman of the department of neurological surgery at the University of Miami school of medicine.

"It's totally spectacular, totally unexpected," Green told The Associated Press by telephone from Miami.

Green said he's been consulting with doctors in Buffalo since Everett sustained a life-threatening spinal cord injury Thursday after ducking his head while tackling the Denver Broncos' Domenik Hixon during the second-half kickoff of the Bills' season opener.

Everett dropped face-first to the ground after his helmet hit Hixon high on the left shoulder and side of the helmet.

Everett remains in intensive care at Buffalo's Millard Fillmore Gates Hospital and will be slowly taken off sedation and have his body temperature warmed over the next day, Green said. Doctors will then begin taking the player off life support systems — including a respirator — currently controlling his body functions.

"It's feasible, but it's not 100 percent predictable at this time ... he could lead a normal life," Green said.

On Monday, Bills orthopedic surgeon, Dr. Andrew Cappuccino, said Everett likely wouldn't walk again.

"A best-case scenario is full recovery, but not likely," said Cappuccino, who operated on the reserve tight end. "I believe there will be some permanent neurologic deficit."

Cappuccino was not available Tuesday, and hospital spokesman Mike Hughes declined comment.

In a report Tuesday evening, Buffalo's WIVB-TV quoted Cappuccino as saying: "We may be witnessing a minor miracle."

Bills owner Ralph Wilson said the team has been in contact from the beginning with Green and the Miami Project, the university's neurological center that specializes in spinal cord injuries

and paralysis.

"I don't know if I would call it a miracle. I would call it a spectacular example of what people can do," Green said. "To me, it's like putting the first man on the moon or splitting the atom. We've shown that if the right treatment is given to people who have a catastrophic injury that they could walk away from it."

The encouraging news might have come as a surprise to many, but not to those who know Everett well.

Al Celaya, who coached Everett at Thomas Jefferson High in Port Arthur, Texas, was confident his former player would battle through.

"When faced with any adversity, Kevin is going to put out the effort, he's going to work hard and he's going to find a way to win," Celaya said. "I think Kevin will be that kind of person, because that's the kind of person he's always been."

Intending to play basketball, Everett was persuaded by Celaya to give football a try. Some nine years later, and after two seasons at the University of Miami, Everett was Buffalo's third-round pick in the 2005 draft.

"He overcame a lot of odds to do that," Celaya said.

Green said the key was the quick action taken by Cappuccino to run an ice-cold saline solution through Everett's system that put the player in a hypothermic state. Doctors at the Miami Project have demonstrated in their laboratories that such action significantly decreases the damage to the spinal cord due to swelling and movement.

"We've been doing a protocol on humans and having similar experiences for many months now," Green said. "But this is the first time I'm aware of that the doctor was with the patient when he was injured and the hypothermia was started within minutes of the injury. We know the earlier it's started, the better."

Cappuccino said Monday that the 25-year-old did have touch sensation throughout his body, showed signs of voluntary movement and was able to breathe on his own before being sedated. But he cautioned that Everett's injury remained life-threatening because he was still susceptible to blood clots, infection and breathing failure.

Green noted that Everett and Wilson have ties to Miami and the Miami Project — Everett played there and Wilson is one of the project's largest donors.

"It's an amazing group of circumstances. It's a home run."

GOLF

Woods, Lefty ready at TPC

Associated Press

ATLANTA — It started in Hawaii with too much hype and an equal dose of skepticism.

Eight months later, the FedEx Cup ends at East Lake with no need for promotion and no big surprises.

Tiger Woods arrived at the Tour Championship on Wednesday with the best chance to capture the inaugural FedEx Cup and a \$10 million deposit into a retirement fund, and he simply nodded his head when asked if \$10 million still meant something to a guy who brings in close to \$100 million a year.

Phil Mickelson is No. 3 in the standings after skipping last week. He will have to win the Tour Championship for any chance of capturing the cup, although he beat the world's No. 1 player the last time they got together outside Boston.

In the middle is Cinderella, also known as Steve Stricker.

One of only two players who have finished in the top 10 all three weeks in the PGA Tour Playoffs, he is the feel-good story of this FedEx Cup, having lost his card two years ago and coming into this season with just over \$10 million in career earnings.

"Let's face it, the FedEx Cup has been pretty blessed," NBC Sports analyst Johnny Miller said Wednesday. "This didn't need to go down the way it did. It's really between three players, and it could have been between three players no one is interested in."

It all starts to unfold Thursday when the top 30 players tee off at East Lake, where trophies will be awarded for the winner of the Tour Championship and the FedEx Cup, and the biggest suspense is whether they will go to the same player.

Rory Sabbatini (No. 4) and K.J. Choi (No. 5) have a mathematical chance of winning the FedEx Cup, although their odds are long.

The only damper on this parade is East Lake.

The course no longer is bursting with autumn colors because the Tour Championship has been moved from the last week of October to the third week in September. And the hot weather has severely damaged the greens, although not nearly to the extent that PGA Tour officials warned players last week.

"They're closer to good than bad, so I'll give them a 6," said Mark Calcavecchia, asked to



Tiger Woods, the current FedEx Cup leader, chips out of a bunker Sept. 9 at the BMW Championships.

grade the greens on a scale of 1 to 10. "I was expecting about a 2, to tell you the truth. And I kind of think that's what they wanted everyone to think so when we got here, we wouldn't be shocked. I think everyone is going to be slightly shocked that they're as decent as they are."

They still have grass. Players have said they still roll smoothly. But because the greens nearly died and the root structure is weak, tour officials have said they would run at about 9 1/2 on the Stimpmeter.

, compared to a typical speed of 11 1/2.

Woods had not yet played a practice round on the 15 holes available — players were kept off three of the greens until Thursday — but said slow greens would favor the poor putters.

"Think about it," he said. "How many bad putters have you seen over the years win Augusta, the fastest, most sloping greens? It takes creativity, it takes touch, it takes feel, and you have to start the ball on line with the correct speed."

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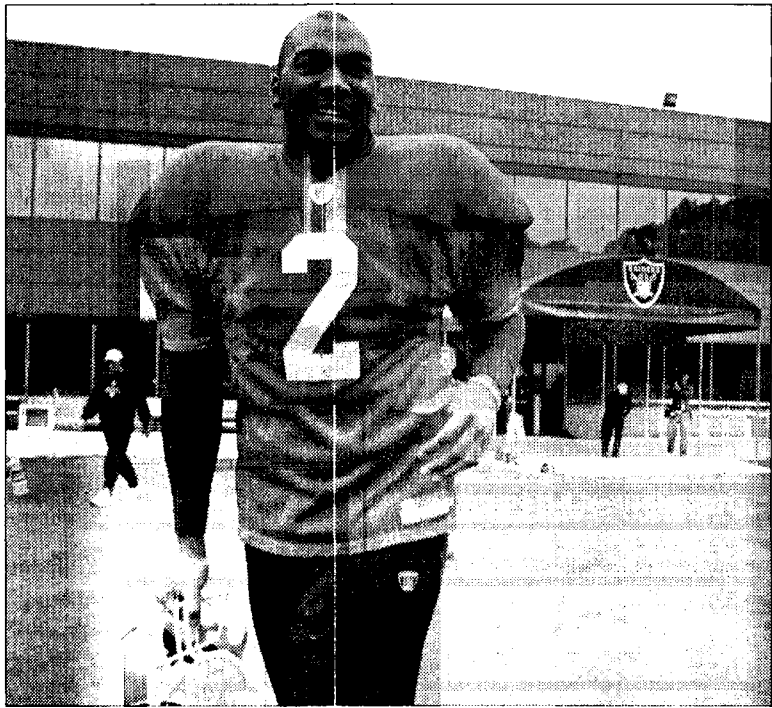
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NFL

No. 1 pick Russell ends holdout, signs record deal



Raiders quarterback JaMarcus Russell walks onto the practice field Wednesday after signing with Oakland and ending his 48-day holdout.

Associated Press

ALAMEDA, Calif. — The hardest day for JaMarcus Russell during his 48-day contract dispute with the Oakland Raiders was the first, when his teammates reported to training camp and he stayed home.

Russell then watched all the other first-round rookies sign their multimillion dollar deals, figuring his pay day was coming soon. But Russell could only work out on his own in Atlanta as his teammates went through training camp, four exhibition games and the season opener without him.

Russell finally got the chance to join them in person Wednesday after signing a record contract for rookies and ending the longest holdout by the No. 1 overall pick in more than two decades.

"I know there's a business side of it but I didn't know the business side was going to happen

to me that fast," Russell said.

Russell has no hard feelings toward the Raiders because of the contract dispute, saying he left the business issues up to his agents. In the end, Russell was guaranteed a record \$29 million in his six-year \$61 million deal, according to two people familiar with the talks who spoke on condition of anonymity because the terms were not released. He would get an additional \$3 million if he reaches minimal playing time incentives.

The previous record deal for a rookie was when the Detroit Lions gave No. 2 pick Calvin Johnson \$27.2 million in guarantees this year. Top pick Mario Williams got \$26.5 million in guaranteed money a year ago from Houston.

"Once I signed the contract I did drop a few tears just to know that I'm a blessed person," he said. "Very blessed to be in the place I am today and worked hard for it and I can't

wait to go out there and work even harder and just to get it."

While working out on his own, Russell was in regular contact with quarterbacks coach John DeFilippo and also heard occasionally from his teammates. He also got some suggestions from the fans in Atlanta, who wanted him to engineer a trade to the Falcons to replace Michael Vick.

Russell did participate in two minicamps and other offseason workouts with the Raiders and said he knew the offense well enough to recognize some of the plays while watching the team's opener Sunday against Detroit. But there also were many changes in his time away and he admitted it felt awkward to be back after so much time away.

He said he's ready to do whatever his coaches ask of him, whether it's "to be the biggest cheerleader or be that biggest playmaker." The competitive side of him wants to play now, but he knows reality will probably be very different.

"I feel like I'm a ways away," he said. "I have the whole year and the rest of my life — that's what it seems like — to get used to everything."

One interested observer joked that the Raiders should try to capitalize on their investment immediately and start him against Denver on Sunday.

"I personally think they should start him this week," Denver coach Mike Shanahan said in a conference call with Bay Area writers. "If they're paying him that kind of money they should throw him into the fire and put him in against the Broncos."

Fat chance that will happen as the Raiders will wait two weeks until they even place Russell on the roster.

Russell mostly took part in individual drills Wednesday, but also ran some plays for the scout team. Coach Lane Kiffin said he looked in good shape and was not rusty, but said he will have to figure out how to make up for the lost time with extra practices that don't limit the time of the starting quarterback.

"He's at a definite disadvantage," Kiffin said. "You're talking about hundreds and hundreds of reps in preseason and being in games. We can't simulate what he missed. That's put him in a tough situation."

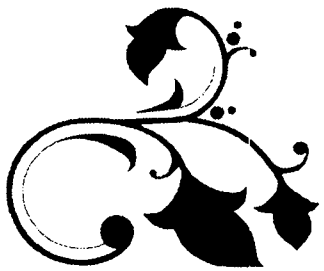
Russell earned the spot as the top pick after going 25-4 as LSU's starting quarterback. He finished his career with the Tigers by throwing the second most touchdown passes (52) and having the second highest completion percentage (61.9 percent) in school history.

But adjusting to the NFL is not easy. The three quarterbacks taken in the first round a year ago all started games last season. But they all were in training camp and played in the exhibition season. Denver quarterback Jay Cutler, who started the final five games as a rookie last season, said he doesn't believe he ever would have gotten in if he hadn't participated in training camp.

"He's an exceptional athlete, exceptional quarterback but it's a position where if you rush somebody in there bad things can happen," Cutler said. "He's going to come along fine but it's going to take a little bit."

For now, the Raiders are just happy to have their quarterback of the future under contract.

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Miami, FIU square off
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Associated Press

CORAL GABLES, Fla. — Nearly a year later, Chris Smith still wonders how it happened.

The former Florida International player doesn't know why he threw Miami's Matt Perrelli to the turf and punched him to help spark one of the worst on-field brawls in college football history. Or why dozens of others starting fighting as well. Or why some swung helmets and crutches as weapons.

Smith watched the replays that night in his room in sheer disbelief, then looked at the ceiling and sobbed. He spent the rest of the weekend in solitude, trying to figure what went wrong. He's still pondering that one.

"I remember thinking it would be a slight confrontation," said Smith, whose college career ended that night; he was kicked off FIU's team two days later. "And before I knew it, everything just happened. I was like, whoa! This thing got way out of hand."

In all, 31 players — 18 from FIU, 13 from Miami — were sanctioned for the fight, which marred the first meeting between the programs separated by 9 miles in South Florida. Most of those 31 players will be in uniform Saturday, when the teams meet again at the Orange Bowl.

Both teams have made the same vow: Another fight cannot, and will not, happen.

"Nobody thought last year would be that type of deal," Miami coach Randy Shannon said. "But it was."

If this were a regular week, the storylines would be easy.

FIU's first-year coach Mario Cristobal is facing his alma mater, a school where he coached until last December. Shannon will see his son, Xavier, starting on FIU's offensive line. Miami safety Kenny Phillips' brother Jarvis Wilson plays at FIU.

Of course, all those are overshadowed by the events of Oct. 14.

"It's like a forest fire," Miami athletic director Paul Dee said.

"You never plan on it. ... And it starts in a flash."

That night started, oddly enough, with some sportsmanship: Miami and FIU's bands congregated at midfield and played "America the Beautiful."

But the problems were already starting.

The Hurricanes said an FIU player deliberately ran into a Miami player during warmups. There were plenty of hits after the whistle as the night went along, with some of those labeled by both sides as cheap shots. Verbal taunting was a constant.

"Usually when it gets to that point, refs step in and stop it," Smith said. "But it happened so fast, it probably caught them off-guard too."

With 9 minutes left in the third quarter, as Smith said, "the coffee pot started overflowing."

Miami's Kyle Wright threw a touchdown pass to James Bryant, who pointed at the FIU sideline as he scored and took a theatrical bow toward the stands. FIU players reacted angrily, and after Jon Peattie kicked the extra point, the fight was on.

"There was a lot of extra stuff going on that really nobody wants to talk about, a lot of stuff that's between the whistles that's not caught on all the cameras," Smith said. "I'm not pointing any fingers. It takes two to tango. But enough was enough. He took that bow and it was very disrespectful."

Smith attacked Perrelli, Miami's holder who was then kicked in the head by cornerback Marshall McDuffie — who was dismissed from the team with Smith but is still an FIU student. McDuffie declined an interview request, only saying he wants to put the situation behind him.

The fracas escalated quickly; even Miami's chaplain was struck during the melee.

"It was awful," Miami defensive end Calais Campbell said. "We're out here to play football. We're not here to fight. I didn't really know what was happening at first."

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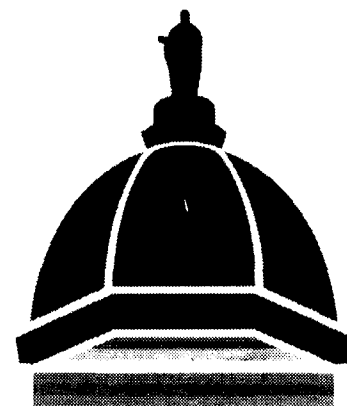
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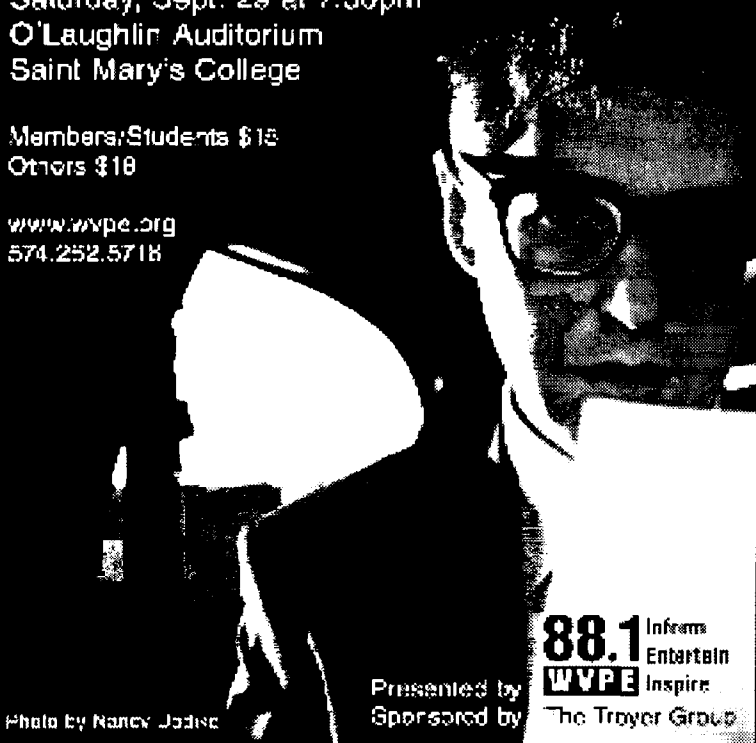
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director of athletics Kevin White said. "It's going to happen, we're going to get it done."

University policy requires 100 percent of funds be committed and 75 percent on hand before the actual planning and construction begins. The goal is for the final arena budget to be somewhere in the range of \$25-30 million.

Other fundraising efforts have raised \$7.5 million, so the project is only a few million away from where the athletic department hopes to be. The major donation is also expected to help bring in other benefactors now that it is clear that the project will be underway soon.

No time frame has been officially set at this point, but Jackson hopes that the funds will be in place to move forward by winter break.

But the finished product is still a long way off, and it would be impossible to predict a date for the opening at this point.

Senior Associate Athletic Director John Heisler said the facility would remain in the north dome of the Joyce Center rather than being a stand-alone arena, and other plans were never seriously considered.

Jackson was happy to be staying in the building for multiple reasons. The third-year coach thinks the location is in the right proximity to the other athletic complexes on campus, as well as to most of the student body. The existing building will also make construction quicker and cheaper.

"That money can go a lot further if we already have a roof and a foundation to work with," Jackson said.

Although the address will

stay the same, the athletic department says the arena will be a whole new place. The plan is to remodel the Fieldhouse to make the rink the main feature rather than the side note that it often appears to be now.

"We've historically treated that whole north dome as an area to host a lot of other events," Heisler said. "It was as much of a multi-purpose facility as the campus had."

White and Jackson have discussed a very general concept of the environment they want to create when the rink is complete. The new arena will be more comfortable for the team and the fans by including more accessible restrooms, concessions, new locker rooms and better seating arrangements.

"I'd like to see them put the fans right on top of us," Jackson said. "Make it a friendly place for us but an intimidating place for any opponents."

Last season the Irish lost only two of their 17 home games in a wide open, below-par arena that held fewer than 3,000 people. Jackson hopes that the new stands will be able to hold roughly 1,000 more in an intimate setting where the fans can feel part of the action.

The team's CCHA title and trip to the NCAA quarterfinals last year undoubtedly helped in the speed and grandeur of the project, but the plan to renovate the arena has been in place since before Jackson's arrival in South Bend.

The rink is one part of a major overhaul that White and the rest of the athletic department have been working on for several years.

"It has been a matter of looking at the big picture and trying to figure out what makes sense for our various sports within the whole campus environment," Heisler said.

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MLB

Ortiz clubs walk-off bomb

Yankees beat Blue Jays behind strong start from Mussina

Associated Press

BOSTON — David Ortiz hit a two-run homer in the ninth inning that barely cleared the low right-field wall — eluding a twisting Delmon Young — and lifted the Boston Red Sox over the Tampa Bay Devil Rays 5-4 Wednesday night.

Ortiz homered twice and drove in all five runs as the Red Sox held their five-game edge over New York in the AL East. The Yankees open a three-game series at Fenway Park on Friday night.

Julio Lugo drew a leadoff walk from Al Reyes (2-3) and one out later, with fans standing and hoping for Ortiz to get another big hit, he delivered.

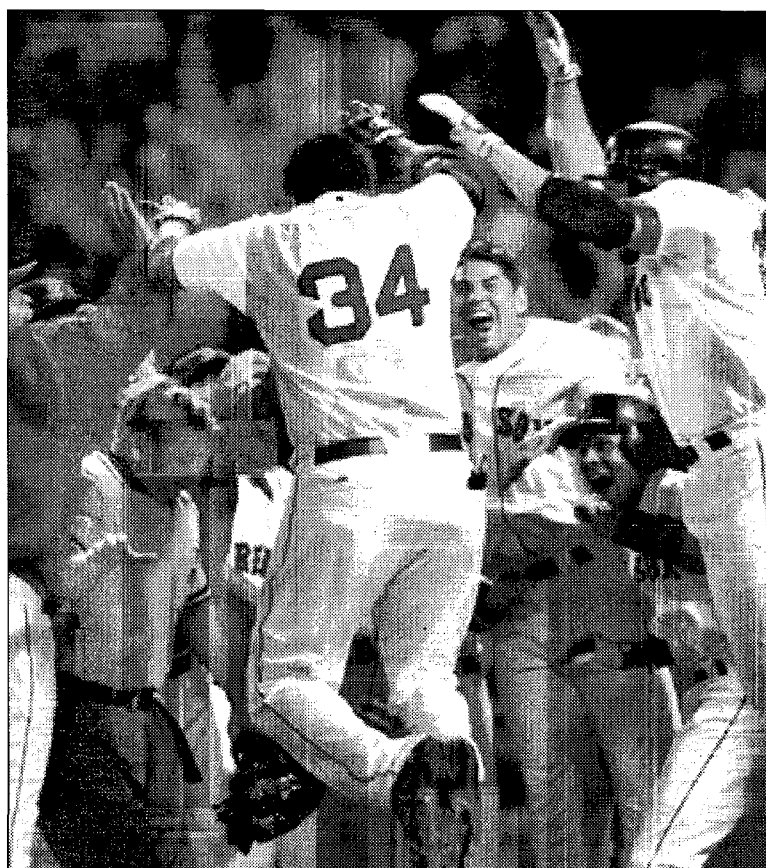
Young appeared to have a chance to catch it, but he ran too far toward the Pesky Pole. Reversing direction, Young arrived too late as the ball fell in the stands behind him.

Red Sox players poured from the dugout and surrounded Ortiz after his 10th game-winning homer with Boston, and his first this year.

Jonathan Papelbon (1-2) got the win.

A night after the Devil Rays wasted an 8-1 lead and lost 16-10, they blew a 4-0 edge.

Ortiz began Boston's comeback, hitting a three-run homer after a single by Lugo and a walk to Dustin Pedroia in the third inning. That gave Ortiz his 30th homer and 102 RBIs — he has reached 30 homers and at least 100 RBIs in all five of his



Red Sox designated hitter David Ortiz celebrates with teammates after hitting a walk-off home run to beat Tampa Bay 5-4 Wednesday.

seasons with Boston.

Ortiz tied Jimmie Foxx for second in club history with five consecutive 30-home run seasons; Manny Ramirez has six straight.

Boston starter Jon Lester pitched 3 2-3 innings, his second-shortest outing in nine starts for Boston. But four relievers held the Devil Rays to just one hit — a single by Josh Wilson in the eighth — in 5 1-3 innings.

Tampa Bay wasted no time continuing its hitting from the previous game.

Yankees 4, Blue Jays 1

Two weeks after he was dropped from the rotation, Mike Mussina made a strong pitch to rejoin the starting five.

Mussina pitched shutout ball into the sixth inning and the New York Yankees won their seventh straight game, beating the Toronto Blue Jays Wednesday night.

"He was terrific," Yankees manager Joe Torre said. "He stayed ahead most of the night. I'm just really pleased and I know he's happy about it."

The Yankees held their four-game lead over Detroit in the AL wild-card race. They trail Boston by five games in the AL

East.

Mussina (9-10) was dropped from the rotation in late August after allowing 19 earned runs over 9 2/3 innings in three straight losses. He made one relief appearance after that, his first ever in a regular-season game.

"It's a lot more satisfying today, coming out of the game, than it was those other starts," Mussina said. "When I look back on this year, those three games are probably going to ruin my year. I've got to live with that and move on from it."

With Roger Clemens nursing a sore elbow, Mussina made his first start since Aug. 27 and gave up five singles in 5 2-3 innings. He struck out one, walked three and won for the first time since Aug. 11 at Cleveland.

"I had some movement on my pitches," Mussina said. "I was able to get in on people. When I got them to a two-strike count I could expand the zone a little bit and get some ground balls or fly balls. The stuff that I couldn't do before, I was able to do today."

Torre said he would discuss Mussina's status with pitching coach Ron Guidry after Clemens throws in the bullpen before Thursday's series finale.

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rink has now ballooned to \$25-\$30 million, making it impossible not to design an arena that will compete with the best in the country.

Only two months ago, the University had tried, without success, for at least three years to find a donor willing to pony up \$7.5 million to kickstart the funding drive. Irish coach Jeff Jackson said in the spring he was confident a lead donor would be found soon. But two years had passed since Jackson was hired and told that money for a new rink would fully be in place within two or three years — in a best-case scenario.

He told recruits they would play in a new rink well before they graduated if they committed to Notre Dame. Sub-par facilities were the only failings Jackson had to gloss over for recruits — his national championship pedigree and turnaround of the Irish over the past two seasons took care of the rest.

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The invisible benefactor stepped forward, and through his public mask started the process to clear the last ugly blemish that remains on the program's face. It's a process that will take several years, but after it's done it will be like trying to imagine Barry

Melrose without a mullet.

It was the donor's choice not to reveal his identity, and he is not interested in naming the new rink after himself, Jackson said. He has a connection with the University, but to what extent and how deep, no one will say.

He deserves recognition for his generosity and should have every right to name it after himself if he so chose. The humble gift, however, was a welcome surprise after last year's red carpet and rose petal introduction of Phillip J. Purcell III, the \$12.5 million lead donor for the basketball arena renovation.

Purcell sat behind his microphone on the basketball court in October and scowled while University leaders praised his thick money clip, fattened from years prowling the financial markets. Director of Athletics Kevin White cooed up to Purcell, saying, "My sense is that Father Ned Joyce is smiling down upon you, Phil." Somehow, I highly doubt that.

Hockey's donor matched Purcell, then threw in another \$2.5 million to make sure the icers got everything they needed — and then some. For him, it wasn't just about getting a name on a building; it was about helping a program in desperate need of financial backing.

Notre Dame's benefactor deserves to be thanked by every long-suffering Irish hockey fan, but good luck trying to find him.

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Alma

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faces of our supportive SMC volleyball fans," Sasgen said.

Sasgen also praised her veteran teammates, who have constantly provided leadership for the younger players, she said.

"The upperclassmen always play with heart and intensity, and are always challenging each other to be a better player," Sasgen said. "Like the saying goes, you only get as much out of something as you put into it, and that is a common understanding between all of us. We will all continue

to challenge each other during practice as well as off the court."

"That is the SMC volleyball experience."

Saint Mary's has now won two straight, a couple of small steps toward meeting its expectations.

"We will keep fighting to play at our level of play every single game," Sasgen said, "and do everything as a team to reach the goals we have set ourselves early on this season."

The Belles will host Alma at 7 tonight at the Angela Athletic Facility.

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Belles

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Hart kept constant pressure on the Calvin defense, making it difficult for them to get an offensive rhythm started from the back.

In the first half, Calvin dominated possession in the middle third of the field. Quick and decisive one-touch passing allowed the Knights to work the ball down into the attack area, but the Saint Mary's defense was stout, allowing few direct shots to reach Mahoney. The Calvin midfielders, led by junior Michelle Koele, were relentless in bringing down 50/50 balls and challenging any touches Saint Mary's had in the middle of the field.

But the dominance in the middle third never translated into goals for Calvin, and its advantage disappeared after halftime. The Belles came out of the break swing-

ing, with the midfield and offensive units successfully advancing the ball down the field.

While the Belles recorded only one shot, Hart and Higgins made life difficult for the Calvin defense. Both players broke through with the ball on multiple occasions, forcing Calvin defenders to scramble to make a stop.

Overall, MacKenzie was satisfied with the Belles' performance.

"I could not be more pleased with the result," MacKenzie said. "We're feeling pretty good about the effort. It was definitely a moral victory for us, and we like our chances in the conference with healthy bodies."

The Belles will be back in action this weekend in the North Central tournament in Naperville, Ill.

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Tennis

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Senior Andrew Roth, who has been repeatedly praised by Bayliss, will fill the No. 3 slot on the Irish roster.

While the team returns several experienced players, five of the 10 players slated to make the trip to Chicago are freshmen. David Anderson, Tyler Davis, Dan Stahl, Stephen Havens and Matt Johnson will all get their first taste of colle-

giate tennis this weekend.

And the level of competition will not provide an easy transition for the new players.

The weekend's opponents include Illinois, which beat the Irish last year and finished No. 2 in the country; Miami, a team returning several starters from last year's ranked squad; and Alabama, which was also ranked highly throughout last season.

"[It's a] great opportunity for our team to get a chance to play some really good teams," Bayliss said. "Miami and three other teams were

in the Round of 16 through the finals in the NCAA last year."

In addition to the tough opposition, the Irish will have to contend with clay courts — not their usual surface.

"The tournament is being played at a historic club and it's the only college event on clay for us all year, which should be an adventure, while it will be a more familiar surface for the other teams," Bayliss said.

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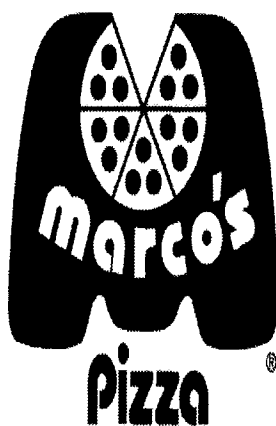
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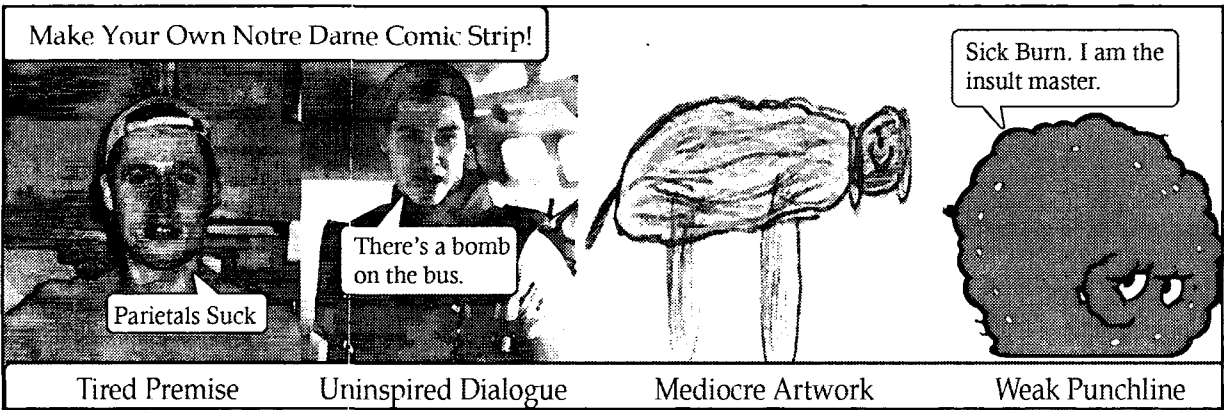
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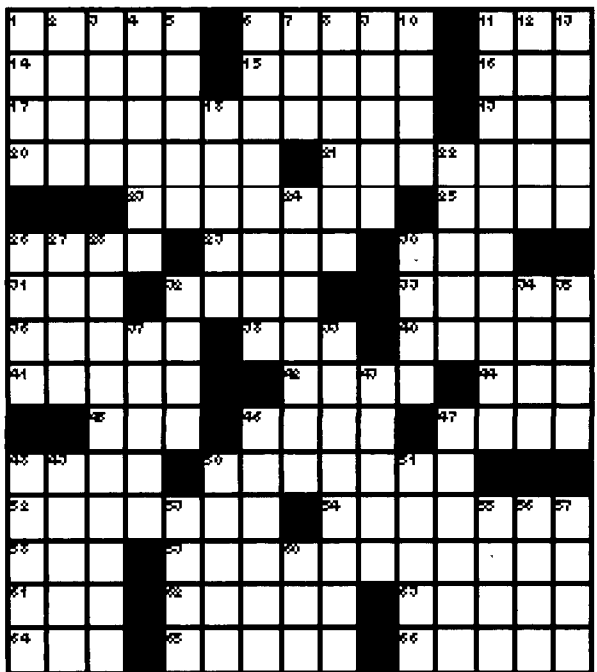
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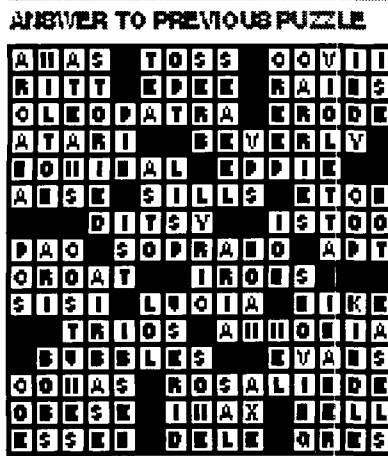
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 - 19 Buy on Mother's Day
 - 20 Generally
 - 21 Target of some teasing
 - 23 Territory on the Arabian Peninsula
 - 25 Alternative to Le Bourget
 - 26 Sobriquet for Charles V, with "the"
 - 28 Suddenly changes course
 - 30 You might get in this at work
 - 31 Start of many Arabic names
 - 32 Car driven by Seinfeld on "Seinfeld"
 - 33 Reckless
 - 36 Go by
 - 38 Ayres who played film director Dr. Glick
 - 40 Get on
 - 41 Tirehooking
 - 42 Unit of punishment at sea
 - 44 Common car decal
 - 45 Basketball champ's surname
 - 46 Go bankers
 - 47 Warthog feature
 - 48 River through the Steppes of Asia
 - 50 Lose freshness
 - 52 Ones standing around monuments?
 - 54 Jeer
 - 58 Mate
 - 59 Sound out?
 - 61 Summer in Quebec
 - 62 Farm letters?
 - 63 Picture
 - 64 Bit of light
 - 65 More roguish
 - 66 Visual put-down



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 - 3 Lucia's life
 - 4 Daring highlight
 - 5 Prophet who predicted the destruction of Nineveh
 - 6 Like old Rome
 - 7 Certain jack, in cribbage
 - 8 Ticks off
 - 9 Trail
 - 10 Put up
 - 11 Try to win
 - 12 Before
 - 13 Nightwear
 - 18 "Uncle Tom's Cabin" woman
 - 22 Stir
 - 24 Christmas song since the 1980s
 - 26 Uncombed, say
 - 27 Letter-shaped part of a grate
 - 28 Songwriters' home
 - 30 Reckless
 - 32 Launched
 - 34 Some fraternity men
 - 35 Overcharge and how
 - 37 Super
 - 39 Expects
 - 43 Vacuum
 - 46 Anthropologist Dian
 - 47 Golden coat
 - 48 Bank option
 - 49 Lasso
 - 50 Object of a knight's quest
 - 51 Farm sale
 - 53 Great, in slang
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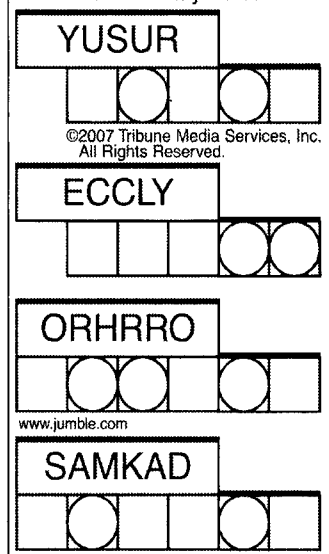


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Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.



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CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY: Emmy Rossum, 21; Yao Ming, 27; Benjamin McKenzie, 29; Paul Walker, 34

Happy Birthday: Try not to take life too seriously this year. Be smart and stop wasting your time, effort and money. You have plenty of talent that can be put to much better use. Now is the time to revamp your life, your direction and your future. Your numbers are 7,10,26,29,31,43

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Don't look at the negative when a positive is in the picture, as well. You have to deal with issues head-on. Travel may be riddled with delays, detours and challenges but, if you take your time and know your route, you can overcome any setbacks. 3 stars

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): You can make some serious choices today that can influence your future professionally and personally. Don't give in to sob stories or people pressuring you to spend or make a donation. Be practical and responsible. 3 stars

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Things are looking up and, as long as you don't let your responsibilities drag you down, you will enjoy your day. Someone may need your help but don't go overboard. Be creative in your endeavors and you will attract interest in what you are trying to accomplish. 5 stars

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Family gatherings, get-togethers and outings will make your day. You can resolve unfinished business through honest communication. It will all depend on the way you word things today. Be understanding and compassionate. 4 stars

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): You can charm your way in or out of anything today. Your presence will be what makes the difference in the outcome of any situation you face today. Love is on the rise. 3 stars

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Get to the bottom of things without hesitation. The longer you wait or let things fester, the harder it will be to deal with everyone around you. Situations will escalate and tempers will flare if you aren't quick to clear up matters. 3 stars

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Be sensitive, passionate and creative in your approach to others. You will be emotional about personal and family issues but will come up with viable solutions, making you the hero. Put time aside for love. 3 stars

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Your willingness to help others will bring favors back when you need them. Don't be afraid to make changes to your personal life or to relegate responsibilities to those who should be doing more. It will be up to you to hand out duties and timelines. 3 stars

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You can make some noteworthy suggestions that will help you out professionally. Thinking big will attract attention but it doesn't necessarily mean that you need to do everything all at once. Baby steps with big vision will work long-term. 4 stars

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Put your efforts into closing deals or checking out investments. You can make some excellent decisions if you talk to people in the know. A short trip or conversation with someone you admire will reveal what's actually going on. Take heed of advice given. 2 stars

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You have a chance to make, find, come into or win cash today. Thoughts must be followed by actions. If you can visualize something, you can work toward making it happen. Don't be afraid to make a change and turn things in your favor. 5 stars

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HOCKEY

Unnamed donor pledges \$15 million

Tentative plans call for more comfortable rink within JACC

By DAN MURPHY
Associate Sports Editor

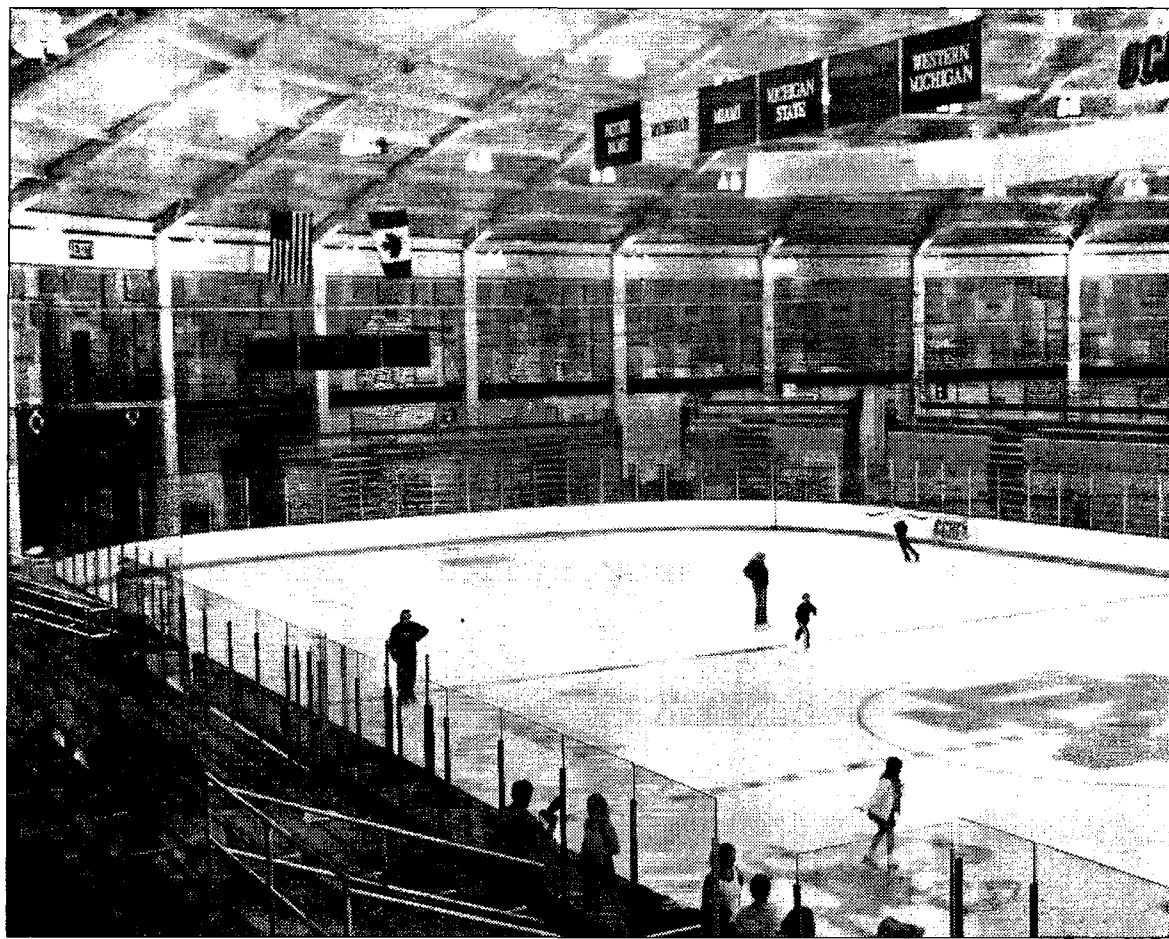
In the past nine months, Notre Dame has put up some impressive numbers: 32 regular season victories, 143 goals scored, a 1.7 goals-against average and five weeks as the top-ranked team in the nation.

The Irish can now add 15 to that list — as in the \$15 million anonymous donation toward a planned new arena, announced Wednesday by the Notre Dame athletic department.

The much-desired improvements have been a goal of the athletic department for a long time. Last year's success, along with the promise of good things to come from Irish coach Jeff Jackson and his team, created enough buzz to bring in the necessary funds to turn those hopes into a reality.

"Notre Dame is seriously committed to creating an absolutely first-rate ice hockey facility,"

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Skaters take to the ice at the Joyce Center Fieldhouse Wednesday. The Notre Dame athletic department announced that an anonymous donor has given \$15 million towards a new hockey rink.

Benefactor deserves thanks for quiet gift

A donor gave \$15 million, straight up, toward Notre Dame's new hockey arena Wednesday, and no one outside the athletic department may ever know his name.

He gave a sum that would make most millionaires wring their wallets. He did it without the fawning circus of University officials that attended a similar announcement last fall for the basketball arena renovations. He did it in the dark, through an impersonal press release that revealed little of the importance the announcement carried.

Before John Doe dropped a cool nickel and dime spot into the renovation of the north dome, plans called for a total budget of \$15 million. The overhaul of the decrepit



Kyle Cassily

Sports Writer

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SMC VOLLEYBALL

Belles look to continue winning ways against Alma

By SAMANTHA LEONARD
Sports Writer

After its first MIAA victory, a convincing 3-0 (30-17, 30-19, 30-27) win over Olivet Tuesday, Saint Mary's looks to keep rolling at home tonight against Alma.

The triumph over Olivet moved the Belles to 1-2 in conference play and 4-6 overall. Alma lost to Kalamazoo in five games Tuesday, dropping to 0-2 in the MIAA and 4-6 overall.

Saint Mary's hopes to use solid communication and preparation to its advantage against the Scots.

"We need to really work on our court chatter and need a lot more talk out there," Belles coach Julie Schroeder-Biek said. "Alma is a team that looks a lot more like us — a pretty balanced attacking and blocking [team]. We will need to lift our game and pick up our intensity. I am very excited for

this next challenge."

Freshman middle blocker Andrea Sasgen provided some of that much-needed intensity against Olivet, hitting the winning point to seal the Comets' fate.

Sasgen also had three service aces in the Belles' win over Geneva College Saturday.

Sasgen said the Belles will try to feed off of the crowd's energy tonight.

"I love playing in an environment where you recognize the people on the bleachers, working the score, book, line judging, and seeing the familiar

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MEN'S TENNIS

Irish begin with challenge

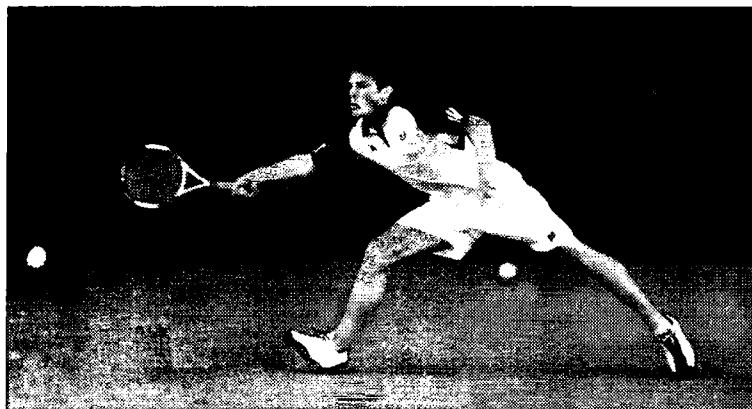
By JAY WADE
Sports Writer

After losing several key players from last year's team to graduation, Notre Dame heads into its fall season opener today with a crop of highly touted freshmen, as well as a gaping hole at its No. 1 singles spot.

"We're young and inexperienced, but there's talent here, and we need to make sure we do a good job of working these guys in," Irish coach Bob Bayliss said. "Last year with seniors we got to drink wine. This year, we're going to pick grapes."

The Irish travel to Chicago to compete in the Olympic Fields Invitational today, and they hope the tournament will help sort out who will inherit the top spot in the lineup.

Last year's No. 1 singles player,



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Former Irish tennis player Stephen Bass hits a shot last season. The team will look to fill the void he left at the No. 1 singles spot.

then-senior Stephen Bass, was ranked in the national top 10 all last season.

The burden of that loss will be somewhat eased by senior Sheeva Parbhu and junior Brett Helgeson, who played at Nos. 2 and 3,

respectively, last season. The pair will rotate in the top spot throughout the fall season to determine who will lead the squad in the spring.

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SMC SOCCER

Team fights Calvin to scoreless draw at home

By CHRIS DOYEN
Sports Writer

Despite losing four major contributors to injury and illness, Saint Mary's played 2006 MIAA champion Calvin to a 0-0 tie Wednesday. The Belles' record moves to 3-1-1, and the Knights are now 2-3-1.

Both teams struggled to find chances throughout the game as the defensive units occasionally bent but never broke. Calvin out-shot Saint Mary's 14-1, but the number of quality scoring opportunities was similar — and small — for both teams. Belles coach Caryn MacKenzie sang the praises of her defense.

"We did a really good job of getting in front of shots in the back," MacKenzie said. "And [senior goalkeeper] Amy Mahoney made some great saves."

Mahoney was solid all day and was challenged repeatedly in the second half. Calvin attackers blasted a couple of shots directly toward the top corners of the net, but Mahoney moved from post to post to maintain the shutout. She made five saves in her third shutout of the season.

With two of her starting forwards out, MacKenzie moved senior defender Justine Higgins into an attacking role. Higgins and freshman Corissa

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