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## Scalia speaks at ND law conference

*Supreme Court Justice's campus visit went unpublicized by University at judge's request*

By JOSEPH McMAHON  
News Writer

U.S. Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia made an unpublicized appearance at the Notre Dame Law School on Oct. 19 to speak at a conference for law students on the separation of powers in federal government.

Though notice of the conference was made on the Law School Web site, Scalia's name appeared only on the conference schedule

and not on the official list of conference participants.

The University community was not notified that a Supreme Court justice would speak in accordance with a request by Scalia, said Law School spokesperson Melanie McDonald.



Scalia

Melanie

"The reason we did not publicize it was because that was Justice Scalia's preference," McDonald said. "He wanted the conference to be an educational endeavor, and if it was publicized that he was going to be there, it would have become a mob scene."

In addition, it is common protocol not to widely publicize the event when a Supreme Court Justice will be attending, said law professor A.J. Bellia, a cosponsor of the conference.

"This really was not a

public lecture," Bellia said. "It is the preference of the U.S. Marshals, who are responsible for Justice Scalia's security, that we didn't openly publicize that he would be there."

Organizers also desired to keep the conference's focus on law rather than politics, he said.

"It really was not a political conference where we just discussed Justice Scalia's viewpoints, and it involved many other highly-

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## USC game: 31 arrests, 31 citations

*Jailings the result of alcohol-related offenses*

By ROHAN ANAND  
News Writer

Thirty-one people were arrested for alcohol-related offenses and taken to St. Joseph County Jail on Oct. 20, the date of the USC football game, said Phil Johnson, director of Notre Dame Security Police.

The arrests were made by a joint force of NDSP, Indiana State Excise Police, St. Joseph County Police and South Bend Police.

The alcohol-related offenses include public intoxication and minor consuming alcohol, Johnson said.

Johnson provided this information through an e-mail. He did not release the names of the individuals arrested or specify if any were students of Notre Dame or Saint Mary's.

At least 27 of the arrests were made in the stadium.

One person was also transported by ambulance to a local hospital for treatment of intoxication, and three people were asked to leave the stadium for violating stadium rules relating to alcohol, Johnson said.

Additionally, 28 citations were issued to adults and three to juveniles for alcohol-related offenses during the tailgate. Those offenses include minor in consumption or minor in possession.

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## Campus speakers chosen despite controversy

*Lecturers picked chiefly for academic merit, not adherence to Catholic, campus values*

By MARCELA BERRIOS  
Associate News Editor

President of Iran Mahmoud Ahmadinejad's visit to Columbia University in September gave way to some of the year's biggest headlines and a popular "Saturday Night Live" skit, as he said there weren't any gay people in his country and questioned whether the Holocaust really happened.

Ahmadinejad's appearance at Columbia Sept. 24 drew hundreds of protesters to the streets, but Columbia President Lee Bollinger defended the school's decision to invite the controversial leader to speak, citing the university's commitment to furthering dialogue,

especially on global issues.

"[Columbia] is committed to confronting ideas — to understand the world as it is and as it might be," Bollinger said in a statement about Ahmadinejad's visit. "Necessarily, on occasion this will bring us into contact with beliefs many, most or even all of us will find offensive and even odious."

Similarly, Notre Dame's mission statement says one the University's goals is to provide a forum where, "through free inquiry and open discussion," students can pursue truth in every discipline — with Catholic values in mind.

So in the spirit of pursuing truth and understanding, what

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Gerry Adams, leader of the Irish political party, Sinn Fein, spoke at Notre Dame in 2004, despite objections from some on campus.

## Basilica hosts annual Blue Mass

*Service honored police officers, firefighters, and other civil servants*

By NICHOLAS BOCK  
News Writer

The seventh annual Blue Mass to honor public safety personnel was held Monday night at the Basilica of the Sacred Heart.

The Mass is celebrated to honor firefighters, police officers and emergency medical personnel, active, retired, living and dead, who dedicate their lives to "protect and defend the communities we live in," said Father Richard Warner, director of Campus Ministry, who delivered the homily.

In addition to the numerous civil service members, all dressed in their blue uniforms, the Basilica



Police officers and firefighters line the entrance to Sacred Heart Basilica at the seventh annual Blue Mass on Monday evening.

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## Author speaks about body image at SMC

*Martin examined statistics, dieting trends*

By NIKKI TAYLOR  
News Writer

Courtney Martin, author of the book "Perfect Girls, Starving Daughters: The Frightening New Normalcy of Hating Your Body", and winner of the Elie Wiesel Prize in Ethics, spoke at Saint Mary's Monday about women's body image. Martin discussed the trend of women hating their bodies and what a young generation of women can do to reverse this development.

Speaking to a packed audience of students and faculty, Martin gave statis-

tics about American women and girls and their views on body image. For example, women spend about 100 minutes a day obsessing about their bodies, she said. Also, there are around seven million women and girls in this country with an eating disorder, Martin said.

Martin focused her talk into two parts: how women began to think this way, and what can be done to change it.

Body image, Martin said, is always related to the relationship between mothers and daughters.

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## INSIDE COLUMN

# I wanna be made

"Katie, you make these sweeping generalizations about us. I love it," says my friend Jen, a sophomore PLS major. This statement, like all those made by PLS majors, is a true one, but my observational expertise comes from a solid year of experience at Notre Dame.

**Katie Peralta**

*News Wire Editor*

PLS, the popular acronym for the Program of Liberal Studies, is a unique liberal arts degree in which some of my smartest friends are majoring. I decided early on that I was not cut out for it, and ever since have admired those who brave the thousands of novels, poems, and musical compositions required to be read.

Another PLS friend of mine, Madeline, routinely discusses with Jen various PLS assignments that I cannot even pronounce. It seems not even to phase them that they read everything from Plato to Poe to Beethoven. I also decided early on that this field of study is not only a major in the academic sense, but also more of a way of life.

Thinking about the experience I have with PLS majors and their respective lifestyles, I got to thinking. If MTV had to make me into anything, it would not be the typical cheerleader, Samurai fighter, or motocross racer. Rather, I would want to be made into a PLS major.

When Jen walked into Spanish class once donning messy French braids and a homemade scarf loosely tied, I could not help but say aloud, "Wow. That is so PLS." What, many would wonder, might such a statement mean?

PLS, as I have noticed, is a look. One can easily identify a PLS student from across the quad by several giveaway articles of clothing, like (most importantly) scarves, thick-rimmed glasses, torn jeans, Boho skirts, and any other homemade pieces.

PLS students would never be caught dead in Lacoste polos with popped collars. MTV's first move would be to pitch the Vera Bradley umbrella I bought over break.

Not only do these intellectual aristocrats dress differently from us, but they also spend their free time quite differently. While the rest of us are playing beer pong and flip cup at certain athlete houses and off-campus apartments, the PLS elite are reading poetry and enjoying fine wine at their parties. I have never been privileged enough to partake, but only have heard recaps from my friends in Spanish class.

I jealously imagine a Dead Poet's Society-style get-together, and how different yet thoroughly more intellectually stimulating they must be than the average college party. MTV would have to somehow get me the "in" to these gatherings and make sure I conducted myself in a thoroughly academic and mature manner.

Maybe my fascination with this scholarly bunch is a strange one. Maybe I have a teeny bit of an inferiority complex. Maybe the little things I notice about them is not true of each and every PLS major. But who can blame me for wanting to be made into one?

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

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## QUESTION OF THE DAY: WHAT WAS THE BEST THING YOU DID DURING FALL BREAK?



**Brittany Burgeson**

*freshman McGlinn*

*"I plead the Fifth."*



**John Ashley**

*freshman Carroll*

*"I put my hair in a ponytail."*



**Lilly Civantos**

*freshman Lewis*

*"Baked a pie."*



**Phil Black**

*freshman Fisher*

*"Visited my girlfriend..."*



**Rachel Roseberry**

*freshman Farley*

*"Saw my friends!"*



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**Angelica Pangilinan, left, Maura Caufield, center, and Jeannine DiCarlantonio, all juniors, decorate the entrance to Howard Hall. Pangilinan is hall president, while Caufield and DiCarlantonio are hall vice presidents.**

## OFFBEAT

### Couple dead serious about selling their house

WEXFORD, Pa. — It could be the deal of a lifetime. A Pittsburgh-area couple, Bob and Ricki Husick, are offering anyone who buys their home full cash-back upon their death and even their full inheritance, currently worth at least \$500,000.

The Husicks have been trying to sell their home for almost a year, but have failed to do so in the current shaky market.

Bob Husick said he's asking \$399,900 for the four-bedroom, three and a half bath home about 20 miles north of Pittsburgh.

According to the Husicks' offer, the buyer would get the money back when the couple dies. And if the buyer agrees to care for them in old age, they could also inherit their retirement home in Arizona, bringing the estate's current value to about \$500,000.

### Baby giraffe named in honor of Red Sox

BOSTON — To honor the Red Sox four-game World Series sweep of the Colorado Rockies, staff at the Franklin Park Zoo on Monday named a baby giraffe "Sox."

In a statement, Zoo New

England President and Chief Executive Officer John Linehan said the staff chose the name because of the female calf's long, lanky legs.

Other names considered were "Red," "Fenway," "Champion," and "Boston." "Sox" weighed 154 pounds at birth, standing 6 feet 2 inches tall.

The calf was born after Boston's Game 1 victory, but staff held off naming it because they didn't want to jinx the team's chances, according to the statement.

*Information compiled by the Associated Press.*

## IN BRIEF

A blood drive will be held at Rolfs Sports Recreation Center today from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Donors are asked to call RecSports at 631-6100 to register. A number of qualifications apply.

Ernesto Verdeja, 2007-08 Kroc Institute Postdoctoral Scholar, will deliver a lecture on "Accounting for Evil: A Theory of Modern Genocide" today at 4:15 p.m. in the Hesburgh Center for International Studies.

The Institute for Latino Studies and the Creative Writing Program will present Chloe's Cabaret tonight at 7 p.m. at the Philbin Studio Theatre in the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center. It is a free but ticketed event. Anyone interested can call the Ticket Office at 631-2800 to reserve tickets.

The men's basketball team presents Leprechaun Legion Tip-Off tonight at 8 p.m. at the Joyce Center. Student season basketball tickets will go on sale at 9 p.m. Student ticket booklets will also go on sale online beginning at 11 p.m. at [www.und.com/tickets](http://www.und.com/tickets)

A collection of Douglas Kinsey paintings is on display in the Great Hall of O'Shaughnessy Hall through Nov. 29.

The hockey team will play Lake Superior State Thursday at 7:35 p.m. at the Joyce Center Ice Rink.

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

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## BOARD OF GOVERNANCE

# College to hold career expo

*Fair to provide students with alumnae networking opportunities*

By ASHLEY CHARNLEY  
News Writer

Saint Mary's will hold a Career Insights Expo next week, alumnae commissioner Christine Darche said Monday at the Board of Governance meeting.

The fair, to be held from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Nov. 6, will feature 28 alumni representing 21 different majors, she said. The event will be an opportunity for juniors and seniors to meet people in the business world, she said.

"These are our own women doing really powerful things," student body president Kim Hodges said.

The alumni will hand out business cards and talking about the work they do.

BOG members also discussed co-sponsorship proposals. A representative of the Monthly Anime Dosage: SMC Style Club asked for support with their Halloween dance to be held Wednesday night in Haggard Parlor.

#### In other BOG news:

♦ "Recycled Percussion" will be playing Tuesday in O'Laughlin Auditorium, said Cassie Callon, president of the Student

Activities Board. Admission is free to students.

♦ Abby Hinchy, Student Diversity Board president, announced the Hunger Banquet will be held on Nov. 14 at 6 p.m. in the West Wing of Saint Mary's Dining Hall. Students will give their ID numbers and donate a meal to the needy. The proceeds will benefit South Bend residents.

♦ Hinchy also announced that in honor of Disabilities Awareness Week, the Student Diversity Board will collect prescription glasses and sunglasses for people who cannot afford them. The eyewear will be sent out and fixed before they are given away.

♦ Colleen Kielty, president of the Class of 2008, said a Saint Mary's cookbook is being put together. Saint Mary's students and faculty are asked to submit recipes by e-mail to Allison Greene. Proceeds from the

cookbook sales will be given to charity.

♦ Hodges told Board members that Tuesday will be Soul Food day in the dining hall for dinner. Off-campus tickets will be sold at the front desk.

♦ This week is Love Your Body Week, said Renee Woodward, Women's

Studies commissioner. A Body Forum Coffeehouse will be held in the Women's Resource Center tonight at 8 p.m.

Thursday will be "Ditch Your Diet Day!" and there will be stickers and candy available outside the dining

hall during lunch and dinner. The movie Real Women Have Curves will be shown Thursday night in Vander Vennet Theater in the basement of the student center at 6 p.m. There will be a belly dancing class Friday at 12 p.m.

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*"These are our own women doing really powerful things."*

**Kim Hodges**  
student body president

# OIT warns campus of e-mail phishing scams

By DAVIS RHORER, Jr.  
News Writer

Scam artists who practice phishing, or attempting to gain personal information by sending e-mails under the guise of legitimate corporations, are increasingly targeting e-mail users across the country, an Office of Information Technology spokesperson said.

OIT warned University users through an e-mail Thursday to be wary of phishing scams.

No data is available to OIT about scams directed at campus accounts, said Michael Chapple, an information security professional for OIT, but general trends in phishing have been increasing recently worldwide.

"[Phishing] is not something specific to Notre Dame e-mail accounts," he said. "[It] is a general trend on the internet."

He emphasized Notre Dame was vulnerable only in that it, like other organizations, has an extensive e-mail network.

Phishing is becoming a more precise and dangerous practice, Chapple said.

"We're seeing these attacks become more targeted," he said.

Old styles of phishing relied on sending out mass numbers of e-mails disguised as a legitimate company to a large but random group of people, Chapple said. This was done in hopes of encountering a small

percentage of the group associated with the company that would respond to the e-mails by sending the requested personal information.

Newer approaches involve targeting a more specific group, such as those people with accounts all ending in ".nd.edu," Chapple said. A common disguise that phishers use for Notre Dame students has been that of the Notre Dame Federal Credit Union, he said.

While OIT spam filters direct suspect e-mails to the quarantine mailbox set aside for each individual account, Chapple listed several other signs of a potential scam. An e-mail from any business that asks for personal information about accounts including a social security number, an online password or a credit card number is most likely fraudulent, he said.

"That's just not the way a legitimate organization does business," Chapple said.

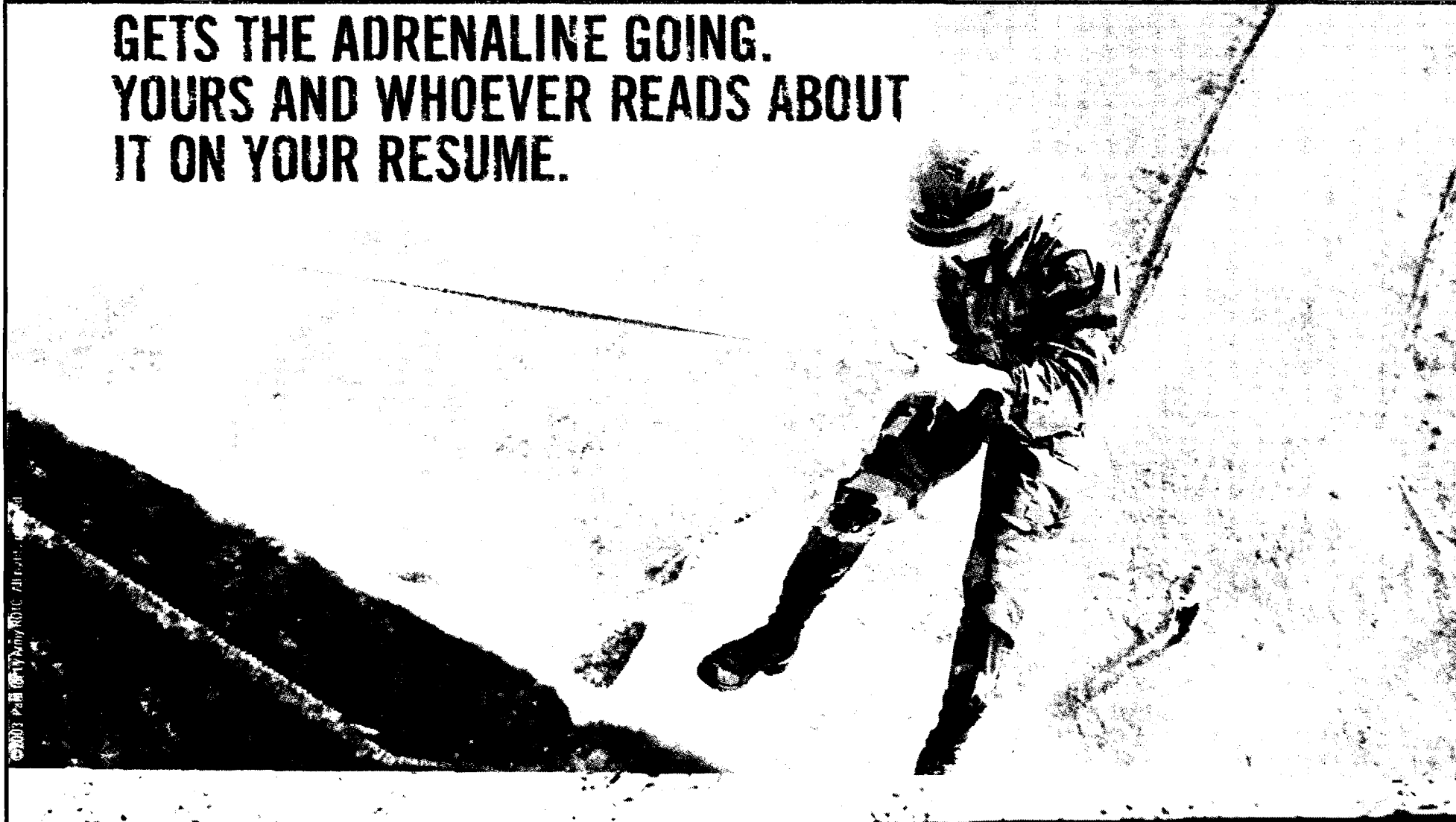
He stated that links sent in e-mails are potentially dangerous.

"E-mail in and of itself is not encrypted and not secure," Chapple said. "If you send an e-mail across the internet, anyone along the way can read it, similar to a postcard in the mail."

Tips for identifying potentially dangerous e-mails are found at [secure.nd.edu](http://secure.nd.edu)

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## Mass

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was filled with family members, students, citizens and scattered military personnel. University President Father John Jenkins celebrated the Mass.

The Blue Mass has been celebrated every year since Sept. 11, 2001, to commemorate the contribution provided by civil service personnel. This year's Mass was celebrated in remembrance of three Indiana civil safety officers who died this year. Cpl. Nick S. Polizzotto of the South Bend police department and Indiana state trooper David E. Rich were both killed in the line of duty. The Mass also honored Notre Dame Security Police Director Rex Rakow, who died in March after a long illness.

The Mass began with a procession of active fire fighters and police officers. After reading the Beatitudes, Warner said the challenges of "being merciful and compassionate in the face of need" are ones we "all try and hope to emulate."

He said that civil service members "do everything with courage and confidence," and that they "respond with training at the professional level and with courage and integrity at a personal level."

This is done so that we can have communities where "people can live safe and protected lives twenty-four hours a day," he said.

Stephen Healey, the chief of the Princeton police department, delivered a concluding message. He said fire fighters and police officers "share a special bond because we have all dedicated ourselves to a common cause and realize that we too may one day be called to make the ultimate sacrifice," referring to the hazardous and life-threatening situations inherent to their jobs.

Healey said those who died are remembered "not because of their deaths, but because of their lives."

Quoting a police department memorial, Healey concluded that "in valor there is hope."

Warner said this mass was held "to remind [emergency personnel] that your work does not go unnoticed ... and to show how much we depend on your silent and dedicated service."

Lindsay Williams, a sophomore, said after the Mass that she has "always been amazed at what people will do to sacrifice for other people that they do not even know, people who are willing to make the ultimate sacrifice."

The Mass ended with a reception for fire fighters, police officers and emergency medical personnel in Coleman-Morse.

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## Scalia

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respected scholars," Bellia said. "It was a meeting of some of the best judicial minds in order to discuss the relationship of the federal powers and what role the judicial system should play in that relationship."

Scalia delivered the conference's opening lecture on the importance of structure in constitutional interpretation. He spoke about the function of the judiciary in American gov-

ernment and analyzed several cases that have gone before the court, McDonald said in a press release. After the talk, Scalia responded to questions and then met informally with students, McDonald said.

The conference's topic was chosen by the graduate students who run the Notre Dame Law Review, and focused mostly on how federal courts should interpret the constitution and what role the American legal system should play in the government.

"The goal of this conference was to address funda-

mental questions of American constitutional governance," Bellia said.

Questions of how federal courts should interpret legal texts, whether federal courts should enforce structural limits on congressional power and what place international law takes in the American federal system have been debated by courts, scholars and politicians during recent years, he said.

"These are not just questions of our day; these are questions of the American ages," Bellia said.

The conference, entitled "Separation of Powers as a Safeguard of Federalism,"

was sponsored by Bellia and the Notre Dame Law Review.

The conference also included prominent legal scholars from Yale Law School, Harvard Law School, Columbia Law School, Georgetown University Law School,

USC Gould Schools of Law, George Washington University Law School and University of Texas School of Law.

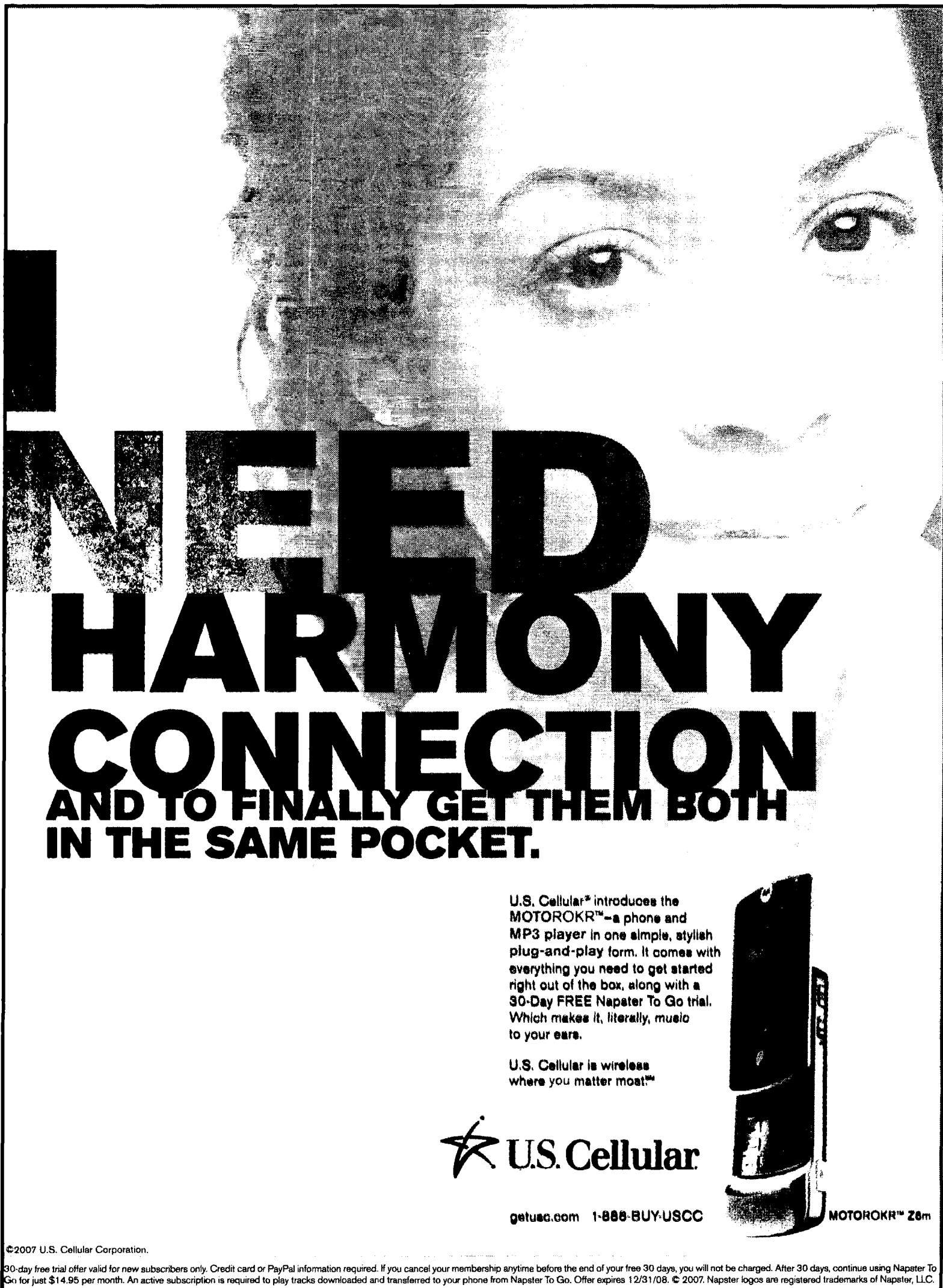
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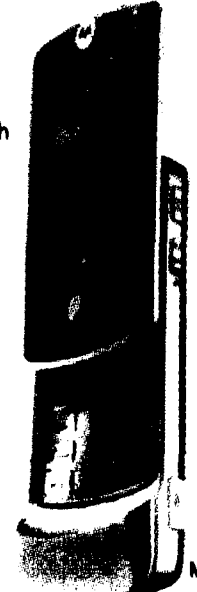
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## INTERNATIONAL NEWS

### Iran, U.N. begin final uranium talks

TEHRAN, Iran — Iranian and U.N. nuclear watchdog officials began a third, final round of talks in Tehran on Monday aimed at resolving remaining questions on centrifuges that are used to enrich uranium.

The Tehran talks are critical because they will provide the basis for a progress report on Iran by the U.N. agency's chief, Mohamed ElBaradei, planned for mid-November.

"In this new round of talks, we hope we'll be able to conclude our negotiations," Iranian state television quoted Mohammad Saeedi, deputy head of the country's Atomic Energy Organization, as saying.

The discussions are the latest attempt by the Vienna, Austria-based International Atomic Energy Agency to address outstanding questions on the Iranian program, which the United States and some other Western countries believe masks nuclear weapons production. Iran insists its nuclear program is for peaceful energy production.

### China cracks down on fake goods

BEIJING — China said Monday that it had arrested 774 people in a crackdown on substandard goods, part of ongoing efforts to calm international worries over the quality of the country's products.

The General Administration for Quality Supervision, Inspection and Quarantine said the arrests were the result of 626 criminal investigations nationwide into the manufacture and sale of fake or substandard food, medicine or agricultural products between August and mid-October.

## NATIONAL NEWS

### Critics feel teen sex laws too harsh

ATLANTA — The tough Georgia law that sent Genarlow Wilson to prison for having oral sex with a fellow teenager has been watered down. But in Georgia — and in many other states — it's still a crime for teenagers to have sex, even if they're close in age.

Legal experts say it's rare for prosecutors to seek charges. But, as the Wilson case illustrates, they can and sometimes do.

And the rising popularity of sex offender registries can often mean that a teen nabbed for nonviolent contact with someone a year or two younger might face the same public stigma as a dangerous sexual predator.

"It's ludicrous," Wilson's lawyer B.J. Bernstein said. "In order to look tough on crime they (lawmakers) are criminalizing teen sex."

Wilson was freed Friday after the Georgia Supreme Court found that the 10-year mandatory sentence he received for having oral sex with a 15-year-old girl at a New Year's Eve party in 2003 when he was 17 was cruel and unusual punishment. He had served almost three years in prison.

Georgia's law has since been rewritten to make the same act a misdemeanor punishable by up to a year in prison.

Across the country, ages of consent range from 14 to 18.

## LOCAL NEWS

### Court rules gun lawsuit can proceed

INDIANAPOLIS — The Indiana Court of Appeals ruled Monday that a lawsuit by the city of Gary against several gun makers can proceed to trial.

The court ruled 3-0 that a provision in the federal Protection of Lawful Commerce in Arms Act of 2005 does not bar the case from going forward in state court. The federal law grants the industry broad protections from municipalities and victims seeking damages for gun-related violence.

## Californians begin to rebuild lives

*Fires destroyed more than 2,000 homes; FEMA has received 8,300 aid applications*

Associated Press

RAMONA, Calif. — Nichole Booth's hands were stained with ash from picking through the blackened and twisted pieces left of her life after an inferno engulfed everything she owned.

She tried not to cry in front of her four children. But in the few moments she can steal away, the tears spill down her cheeks.

Like so many others, Booth took the first steps toward rebuilding her life Monday, a week after a firestorm destroyed her San Diego County home and business.

"I feel ashamed. I've never had to ask for help. I don't know what to say to people," Booth says, her voice dropping to a whisper.

The wildfires, which destroyed more than 2,000 homes, continued to burn Monday. With more than a dozen blazes fully surrounded, firefighters were trying to gain control of six others that were at least half contained. The flames have killed 14 people and blackened 809 square miles from the Mexican border to Los Angeles.

In the weeks ahead, the Booths and hundreds of other families who lost their homes will be at the mercy of the federal government for grants, loans and other assistance.

Some help can be offered quickly, but larger decisions about the future will take weeks, and be decided by federal workers shuffling mountains of loan applications in Ft. Worth, Texas, and suburban Maryland.

A week ago, the Booths ran for their lives — carrying only the essentials: a change of clothes for the children, and oxygen tanks, a wheelchair and medication for a daughter paralyzed by brain tumors who survives on life support. The fire swallowed



Nichole Booth examines her ruined house in San Diego County on Oct. 28. It was burnt to the ground by the firestorm that has swept through Southern California.

their house before their eyes as they pulled out of the driveway.

The family lived in a modest home that was passed down to her husband, Robert Booth, from his father, and they never put their names on the deed, which could delay tens of thousands of dollars in aid.

In the meantime, the Booths will have to depend on charity. The Red Cross is the only agency still providing hotel assistance for fire victims.

"For them, I think the wrinkles can be worked out, but it's going to take many agencies, and probably going to take volunteer

agencies to step in, too," said FEMA spokesman Michael Raphael.

Typically, only homeowners are eligible for FEMA's maximum \$28,200 payout for lost property. But Raphael said the agency may be able to bend the rules if they were paying the mortgage.

FEMA has already received nearly 8,300 applications for aid and visited 641 homes to assess damage in the seven counties declared a major federal disaster area. As of Monday, the agency had paid out \$600,000, and was on pace to settle about 75 claims a day.

Fire victims have said

FEMA apparently learned lessons from the confusion that arose after Hurricane Katrina about where to turn for federal assistance.

The agency has sent scores of neatly dressed agency representatives to the San Diego area. Large signs and tents bearing the agency's name direct victims to one-stop centers where victims can redirect their mail, apply for building permits and register for FEMA disaster assistance.

But the scale of the disaster here is much smaller than in New Orleans, where hundreds of thousands of people were left homeless.

## DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

## Storm kills at least 20; more missing

Associated Press

SANTO DOMINGO — Tropical Storm Noel lashed the Dominican Republic with heavy rains on Monday, causing flooding and mudslides that killed at least 20 people and left another 20 missing, officials said.

Noel was expected to dump up to 20 inches of rain on the Dominican Republic and Haiti, which share the island of Hispaniola, as it heads northwest toward the Bahamas. Forecasters said it was likely to veer east, away from the United States.

The storm had been forecast to hit

Haiti hardest but veered toward the Dominican Republic, apparently catching residents offguard.

"We didn't know that it was going to be like this, it took us by surprise," said Guarionex Rosado as he left his home in La Cienaga, one of Santo Domingo's most affected neighborhoods.

Schools and shops closed across the Dominican Republic and many roads were impassable. Communication was cut between many small towns and the capital. In Santo Domingo, the storm knocked down trees and signs and flooded streets, forcing people from their homes.

Ramon Franco of the Dominican emergency services agency said at least 20 people had died and another 20 were reported missing.

Three of those killed died when they were swept up by a fast-moving river in San Jose de Ocoa, southwest of the capital. Three more — a couple and their child — were killed in a mudslide in the port city of Haina, officials said. Details of the other deaths were not immediately available.

International aid workers believe the death toll is certain to rise as reports come in from remote areas of the Dominican Republic and Haiti.

# Speakers

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kind of speakers does Notre Dame invite?

Several professors from different fields said that while the University has not had someone as controversial as Ahmadinejad visit, it does not mean Notre Dame does not welcome outside opinions that may challenge or conflict with its own Catholic character.

## Stem cell research discussed on campus

While the Catholic Church has said certain types of stem cell research are morally wrong, professor Charles Kulpa, chair of the department of biological sciences, said one of the most successful lectures held by the College of Science in recent years was delivered last April by Elaine Fuchs, a leading cell biologist who specializes in researching stem cells, both embryonic and non-embryonic.

The Vatican has opposed embryonic stem cell research multiple times, and the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops has said the Church "opposes any research that exploits or destroys human embryos."

Though some of Fuchs' research goes against Catholic teachings, the moral angle was not the focus of her lecture, Kulpa said.

"She talked about her research using strictly scientific terms, and she went into both the pros and the cons," he said.

Fuchs focused primarily on her non-controversial research, Kulpa said. One of her two lec-

tures focused entirely on skin stem cells and their production of skin and hair — a study the Conference of Bishops calls "ethically responsible stem cell research" because it does not involve the use of human embryos.

Fuchs' presence on campus, nonetheless, might have set a precedent for bringing to speakers to campus whose insight and work — though it may be at odds with the University's Catholic character — is considered a valuable academic addition to the campus' intellectual life. Fuchs' lectures, Kulpa said, are further proof that a resume that may not be 100 percent in line with Catholic tradition does not detract from a speaker's potential to bring to the University valuable and professional insights.

## Immigration debates

The Notre Dame Forum, held on Oct. 8, focused on the topic of immigration by bringing together four public figures from various areas of leadership across the country to share their respective viewpoints with students and faculty members.

Keeping with the University's Catholic character, one of those figures was Cardinal Roger Mahony, the archbishop of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles. And though his perspectives on the heated immigration debate, modeled in light of the Gospels and Jesus Christ's message of compassion toward strangers and foreigners, were not inflammatory, Mahony has encountered controversy in his role as archbishop of Los Angeles.

In July, his archdiocese reached a \$660 million settle-

ment with victims of hundreds of clergy abuse cases — a bill that will be partly covered by the sale of a local convent, the Los Angeles Times reported in September. The nuns who lived in the convent used it to help poor, undocumented immigrants and were served an eviction notice to make the space available for sale — an incident that made the news.

"The people in charge of putting together the forum were not unaware of the swirl of controversy in Los Angeles," University spokesman Don Wycliff told The Observer before the forum. "Their purpose was to find an articulate, forceful speaker for Catholic Social Teaching on the immigration issue, and there was no one better in that role than Cardinal Mahony."

The forum also featured another speaker whose stances and legislative actions toward immigrants have been widely criticized for their harshness. Louis Barletta, the mayor of Hazleton, Pa., signed an ordinance that would punish employers and landlords that knowingly hire or house undocumented immigrants, a piece of legislation whose constitutionality is currently being fought in the courts.

And while many of Barletta's statements about immigrants during the forum — which tended to focus on the criminality of migrants — were greeted by booing from the audience, moderator Ray Suarez, a senior correspondent for The NewsHour with Jim Lehrer, was quick to remind the attendees that the forum was designed precisely to create a space where the different opinions on the matter could

be heard. He called the audience to a level of reasoning beyond cheering or booing for different opinions.

## Political figures cause divisions

One speaker who caused a fair amount of controversy on campus in recent years was Gerry Adams, president of the Irish political party Sinn Féin, who spoke at Notre Dame in March 2004, sparking objections from students, faculty members and alumni who disapproved of his possible involvement as a leader of the Provisional Irish Republican Army (IRA) and its violent campaigns to unite Ireland in the 1970s.

Whether despite of, or because of, this controversial association, students and professors filled Washington Hall to hear Adams speak, prompting the organizers from the Keough-Naughton Institute for Irish Studies, which brought him to campus, to call Adams' appearance a success.

Professor Edward Beatty, interim director of the Kellogg Institute for International Studies, said he wasn't at Notre Dame when Adams visited, but he understands why sometimes colleges must bring to campus figures that may cause ideological divisions among people, like Adams.

"The essential purpose of any university is to extend knowledge by presenting views, opinions and informed perspectives on a wide range of issues, and by doing so, to stimulate debate and learning," Beatty said.

He said universities should try to invite speakers that challenge the views and assumptions of students. And at Notre Dame,

that readiness to invite such speakers has not been influenced by the school's more conservative, religious affiliation, he said.

Beatty said the University's Catholic character doesn't play a role in the Institute's speaker selection processes.

"We simply look for speakers who are at the forefront of political activity or research on themes central to Kellogg's mission," he said.

And there's always a chance some people will strongly agree or disagree with any given speaker, he said. One of the Kellogg Institute's upcoming speakers is Ignacio Walker, Chile's Minister of Foreign Affairs, a member of Congress and a human rights lawyer under the Pinochet dictatorship. Someone will likely disagree with something he's said or done throughout his career — but his experience in Chilean politics make him an "interesting and engaging" speaker, Beatty said.

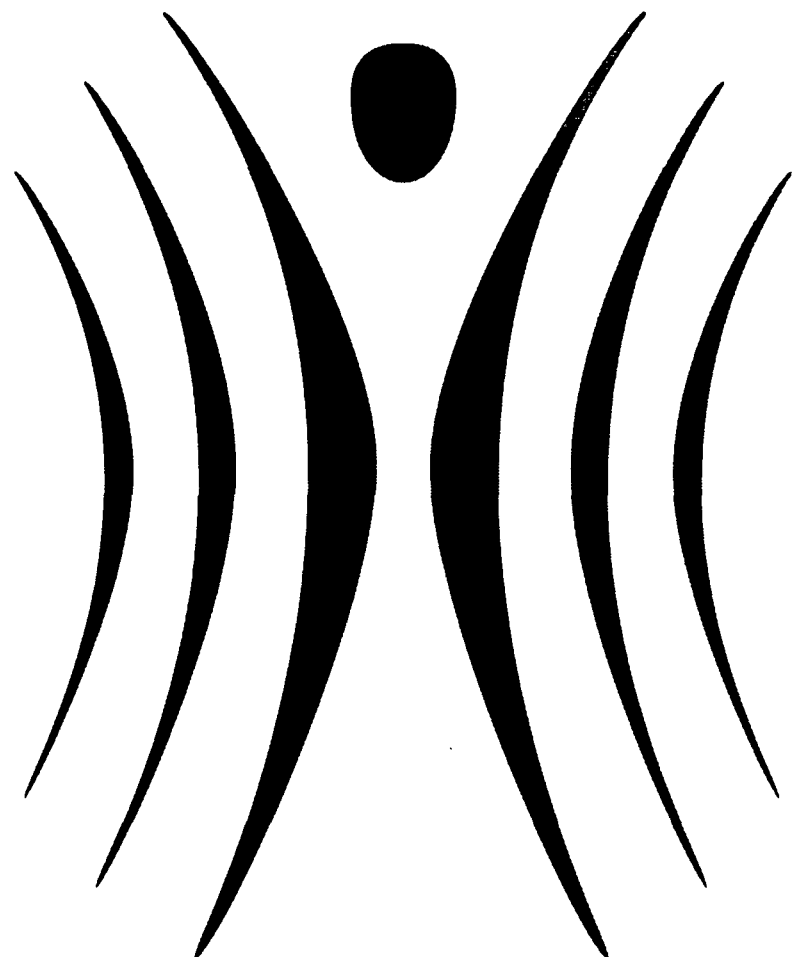
Similarly, professor Heidi Ardizzone, who has been in charge of arranging speakers for the American Studies department for the last two years, said the criteria to select speakers are not based on the persons' adherence to Notre Dame's own values, or the level of controversy they may create.

"We simply bring in academic speakers to address intellectual issues," she said.

The consensus among the different professors is that if these academic speakers are also public icons or the source of controversy, it's merely incidental.

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## IN BRIEF

### Two new nuclear reactors planned

WASHINGTON — The Tennessee Valley Authority is expected to file an application, perhaps as early as Tuesday, with the Nuclear Regulatory Commission to build two new nuclear power reactors at a site in Alabama.

The TVA, the nation's largest public power provider, plans to build the reactors at the site of the partially completed and then mothballed Bellefonte nuclear power station near Scottsboro, Ala. The TVA, in conjunction with an industry consortium called NuStart, has been working on the proposal for two years.

The application will be the second filed with the NRC for new nuclear power plants in just over a month. NRG Energy Inc. submitted an application on Sept. 25 to build and operate two new reactor units at its Bay City, Texas, power plant site.

Prior to the NRC application, there had not been an application for a new nuclear power plant in the United States since before the Three Mile Island accident in Pennsylvania in 1979. The NRC says it expects as many as 21 applications for 30 reactors over the next couple of years.

Officials at TVA, the Energy Department and NuStart scheduled a press conference for Tuesday afternoon to "tout" TVA's application plans, according to an Energy Department advisory.

### Kroger workers preparing to strike

CINCINNATI — The union representing nearly 11,000 workers in Kroger Co.'s home region revoked a contract extension on Monday, and both sides say they are getting ready for a strike.

The action by the United Food and Commercial Workers union means workers could go on strike as early as Friday morning. An earlier extension had been set to expire Saturday night. Workers voted overwhelmingly this month to authorize union leaders to call a strike.

The workers are in 77 stores in southwest Ohio, northern Kentucky and southeastern Indiana.

The union set a rally for Tuesday evening in downtown Cincinnati and said union representatives will be meeting with store workers to discuss strike preparations.

## Credit and oil concerns hurt stocks

Homebuilder discounts boost housing sales; barrel prices hit all-time high

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Wall Street closed slightly lower in erratic trading Thursday as investors uneasy about the credit markets and record-high oil prices took little solace from reports on new home sales and durable goods orders.

The Commerce Department said sales of new homes rose 4.8 percent in September from August's levels. The market initially popped on the data, as economists had predicted a decline. But it eventually pulled back because the sales increase was due to a big downward revision in August's decline, and that homebuilders had offered discounts in September to move inventory.

"The sad part is, even with the discounts, we still have inventory overhang. And that's a problem," said Michael Strauss, chief economist at Commonfund. He noted that home prices are still falling, as are sales of existing homes, which make up the majority of the housing market.

Another report showed that orders of big-ticket items, one gauge of business spending, fell 1.7 percent in September, following August's 5.3 percent drop. The economic data drew close attention by Wall Street as investors look for clues to determine if the Federal Reserve will lower rates at its meeting next week.

Meanwhile, investors also had to contend with higher energy prices — crude oil spiked to an all-time high of \$90.60 a barrel before settling slightly lower — and credit worries continued to dog the market. Speculation that insurer American International Group Inc.



High gas prices are posted at a Union 76 gas station in Berkeley, Calif., on Oct. 23. Oil futures surged after government stockpiles unexpectedly shrank.

might suffer credit costs weighed on the Dow Jones industrial average, which later rebounded from its lows.

The Dow fell 3.33, or 0.02 percent, to 13,671.92 after changing direction several times. The blue chip index was briefly down more than 100 points.

Broader stock indicators also fell. The Standard & Poor's 500 index fell 1.48, or 0.10 percent, to 1,514.40, while the Nasdaq composite index fell 23.90,

or 0.86 percent, to 2,750.86.

Treasury bond prices stalled as investors moved in and out of the stock market. The yield on the benchmark 10-year Treasury note, which moves inversely to the price, was unchanged at 4.35 percent from its close on Wednesday and then rose to 4.38 percent in after-hours trading.

Investors appeared unsure both about the direction of the economy and whether the central

bank will be compelled to lower interest rates again to boost spending. The central bank reduced rates last month by a half-percent-age-point.

Many seem to believe the Fed will cut rates several times over the next six months to keep the economy moving forward, said Paul Nolte, director of investments at Hinsdale Associates. However, there does remain some doubt about the Fed's economic plan.

## Supreme Court to rule on Exxon case

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Supreme Court agreed Monday to decide whether Exxon Mobil Corp. should pay \$2.5 billion in punitive damages to victims of the huge Exxon Valdez oil spill that fouled more than 1,200 miles of Alaskan coastline in 1989.

The high court stepped into the long-running battle over the damages that Exxon Mobil owes from the supertanker accident in Prince William Sound that was the worst oil spill in U.S. history. The Exxon Valdez ran aground on a reef, cracking its hull and spilling 11 million gallons of oil.

Hundreds of thousands of seabirds and marine animals died as a result.

It is a case filled with superlatives. The award, even after it was cut in half by a federal appeals court in December, would be the largest punitive damages judgment ever. A jury in Alaska awarded \$5 billion in damages in 1994 and the company has been appealing the verdict ever since.

Exxon Mobil, based in Irving, Texas, is the world's largest publicly traded oil company and last year posted the largest annual profit by a U.S. company — \$39.5 billion. That result topped the previous record, also by Exxon Mobil, of \$36.13 billion set in 2005.

Arguing against Supreme Court review, lawyers for the plaintiffs, some of whom have died, said the damages award is "barely more than three weeks of Exxon's net profits."

The plaintiffs still living include about 33,000 commercial fishermen, cannery workers, landowners, Native Alaskans, local governments and businesses. They urged the court to reject the company's appeal, saying, "After more than 18 years, it is time for this protracted litigation to end."

Mike Webber of Cordova, Alaska, a Native Alaskan artist and commercial fisherman, said any money would be insufficient. "I ... would have been able to make twice what I make now if the fisheries had stayed healthy," Webber said Monday after

learning of the court's action.

But the justices said they would consider whether the company should have to pay damages at all under the Clean Water Act and centuries-old laws governing shipping. The court has frequently sided with business interests in punitive damages and other cases of corporate liability.

John Paul Jones, a University of Richmond law professor and expert in maritime law, said the court was right to jump into the case because lower courts long have been divided on some of the issues peculiar to the laws concerning accidents on the water.

"The decision in this case could dictate the outcome of a significant number of cases," Jones said.

Exxon said that even if the court finds some money is due, it should rule that the \$2.5 billion award violates the Constitution because it is too large. The justices said they would not consider that argument when they hear the case early next year.

## Author

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Daughters learn to love or hate their bodies based on what they observe from their mothers, she said.

Martin also points to a skewed view of feminism in this generation as a factor for poor body image. Daughters of the younger generation saw their mothers being busy and involved and making their crazy lives look glamorous.

"Just because the door is open doesn't mean we have to walk through it and make it look effortless," Martin explains.

Women today are also influenced by the media telling them that beauty is all in their hands, she said.

"We are all socialized to believe that if we have enough power or money we can all look like Nicole Richie, which is a fallacy," Martin said.

Martin said changes can be made and that women can help to reverse the current trend of negative body image. She said spirituality is one way to do this.

"Anyway we can create [spiritual] rituals for women, men, boys and girls that help us reconnect ourselves, the better off we'll be," Martin said.

She offered some advice about dieting.

"Never diet," she said. "Never, never, never."

Dieting, Martin said, is a \$30 billion industry, and, 95 percent of the time, diets fail.

Martin also advised all students with eating disorders to seek help immediately, and for all students to find ways to exercise that they enjoyed, and that "make your body happy." Martin told all women to find friends that make them feel beautiful, and avoid people who do not.

"I really truly believe that if each woman in this room made a conscious effort to change, we could change the world," she said.

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## Physicist accomplishes rare feat

*Garg has two papers published in influential physics journal*

Special to The Observer

It is not often when a physicist has an important paper published in Physical Review Letters, considered the most influential journal in physics. So consider the feat achieved by University of Notre Dame nuclear physicist Umesh Garg, who had not one, but two, papers published, back to back, in PRL in October.

His first paper, published Oct. 15, measures nuclear incompressibility — an important component of the Equation of State (EOS) of nuclear matter that relates to measurements of neutron stars, the most dense objects in the universe. His second paper, published Oct. 23, affirmed a property of the nucleus of an atom, called chirality (pronounced ki — rality) and put to rest recent conflicting data that had cast doubts on the nature of chirality in nuclei.

"Having important papers published in two concurrent research initiatives means things are going extremely well with our research," Garg said.

In chemistry, a molecule is chiral if its mirror image is opposite. It is achiral if its mirror image is the same as the object itself.

In particle physics, the chirality of a particle is right-handed if the direction of its spin is the same as the direction of its motion. It is left-handed if the directions of spin and motion are opposite.

Both in chemistry and particle physics, space inversion changes left-handed into right-handed systems. For a long time, physicists have considered atomic nuclei as achiral.

But the nucleus of an atom is not a simple, static object.

Garg's Notre Dame colleague Stefan Frauendorf showed some time ago that

certain nuclei can be viewed more accurately as a clockwork of gyroscopes with all three axes being unequal. His new view of chirality of a nucleus is based on evidence that reversing time converts left-handed configuration of a nucleus into a right-handed one.

That view of chirality had been called into question.

So Garg and his Notre Dame colleagues, including Somsundar Mukhopadhyay, a research visitor from India, went to the Gammasphere,

Argonne National Laboratory's premier facility for research with gamma-rays, and made precise measurements of electromagnetic transition probabilities.

"These measurements have affirmed the chiral character and put to rest the doubts expressed recently about the chiral nature of the observed bands in the nucleus of the element praseodymium (Pr) because the electromagnetic transitions did not conform to expectations from chiral bands," Garg said.

## Arrests

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NDSP will continue to work with area police officials for the remaining three home football games, Johnson said. Law enforcement officers will continue to be on the lookout for underage drinkers on campus and at tailgate parties and will arrest those in violations of the laws.

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Allen continues, "St. John Bosco became a tireless catechist among the young, hearing confessions, saying Masses, and organizing 'oratories' where his boys could play, study and worship... Thus the Salesians pastoral model was forged: solid, orthodox Catholic piety; an 'in-the-trenches' commitment to the young, the poor, and to education; and a smiling closeness to the people."

In describing St. John Bosco's order today John Allen writes, "The Salesians are seen as robustly reliable — not theological innovators, but down-to-earth, pastors and educators, and generally with a good sense of humor."

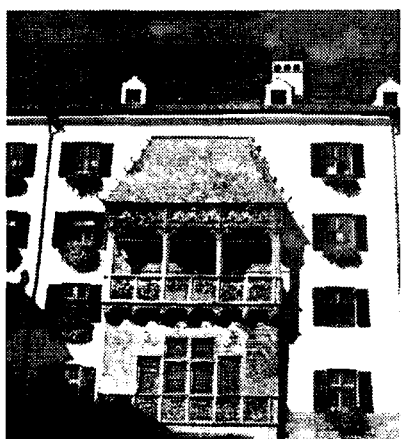
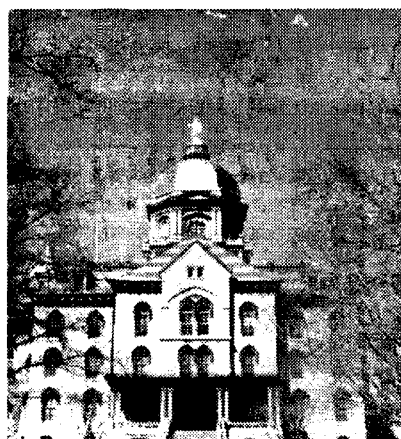
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# Catholic Digest names prof "hero"

*Shrader-Frechette acclaimed for environmental justice work*

## Special to The Observer

Kristin Shrader-Frechette, F.J. and H.M. O'Neill Professor of Philosophy and concurrent professor of biological sciences at the University of Notre Dame, has been selected by Catholic Digest magazine as one of 12 "heroes for America" — laypeople living or working in the United States who are performing exemplary work in the spirit of the Catholic faith. The magazine cited her work on behalf of environmental justice.

Shrader-Frechette and the other honorees are profiled in the October issue of the magazine. The only other university professor selected as a Catholic Hero is Paul Farmer, the Harvard University physician and medical anthropologist who is the cofounder of Partners in Health and who was the recipient of an honorary Notre Dame degree last May.

"The environment is not necessarily a social justice issue, but environmental effects of pollution are social justice issues," Shrader-Frechette said in an interview accompanying the Catholic Digest feature. "Environmental injustice — and by that I mean disproportionate pollution forced on children, poor people, minorities and workers — is a social justice issue, because unfair pollution burdens take away not only poor people's money, but something that's even more important: their lives and their health."

The magazine also cited Shrader-Frechette for involv-

ing students in the fight against environmental injustice.

"My students and I (in the Center for Environmental Justice and Children's Health at Notre Dame) work mainly with poor, black, Latino, Native-American, and Appalachian communities," she said. "We simply try to provide some scientific help so that the people are able to protect themselves, especially their children. We can do maybe 30 projects a year, pro-bono. That's a lot, but only because the Notre Dame students are so generous, so brilliant, and so committed to social justice. They're just wonderful."

Although cancer annually kills 600,000 Americans, Shrader-Frechette says many of these premature deaths are preventable by avoiding scientific errors in impact assessment and by enforcing pollution laws. Government and U.N. groups agree, noting that up to 90 percent of cancers are "environmentally induced and theoretically preventable."

Children are more sensitive to pollutants, Shrader-Frechette said, and their annual cancer incidence rates are increasing 40 percent faster than those of adults. She points out that minority cancer rates also are much higher, partly because most industrial polluters locate in poor or minority neighborhoods, and minorities must breathe air that is typically twice as polluted as in white neighborhoods.

Working with local commu-

nity members, Shrader-Frechette and her students revealed both scientific errors and ethical problems in the impact assessment used when, without community consent, a multinational corporation attempted to site a substandard uranium-enrichment plant in the African-American community of Homer, La. The case is regarded as the first major victory against environmental racism in the United States.

In 2004, Shrader-Frechette became only the third American to win the World Technology Award in Ethics. The U.S. National Science Foundation has continuously funded her research since 1982.

Shrader-Frechette, who also is a fellow of Notre Dame's Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies, joined the Notre Dame faculty in 1998. She has held senior professorships at the University of California and the University of Florida. An award-winning teacher as well as a researcher, she has published more than 350 articles and 15 books that have been translated into 11 languages. Her 2007 book, "Taking Action, Saving Lives," published by Oxford University Press, has just been nominated for a National Book Award.

Shrader-Frechette earned her mathematics degree from Xavier University and a doctorate in philosophy of science from Notre Dame. She has done post-doctoral work in biology, in economics, and in hydrogeology.

# University plans to honor Lenz, Lauck

## Special to The Observer

Sister Jean Lenz, O.S.F., assistant vice president for student affairs at the University of Notre Dame, and the late Rev. Anthony J. "Tony" Lauck, C.S.C., professor of art at Notre Dame, will have their names added to the University's Wall of Honor on Thursday at 1:30 p.m. during a ceremony on the ground floor of the Main Building.

Notre Dame's president, Rev. John I. Jenkins, C.S.C., will preside at the ceremony, and Sister Lenz, along with family members of the late Father Lauck, will be in attendance.

The Wall of Honor was established in 1999 in the Main Building to mark its reopening following a two-year restoration project. It now features the names of 25 men and women whose contributions to Notre Dame life have been "lasting, pervasive and profound."

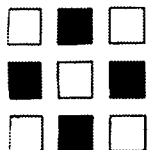
A Chicago native and a Franciscan sister of the Congregation of the Third Order of St. Francis of Mary Immaculate, Sister Lenz, who earned a master's degree from Notre Dame in 1967, was among the first women rectors on campus following the University's transition to coeducation in 1972 after 130 years as an all-male institution.

She headed Farley Hall from 1973 until 1983, when she became the rector and chaplain of Notre Dame's London Program. Since 1984, she has served as assistant vice president for student affairs, and for many of those

years she also served as an adjunct instructor in theology. She is the author of "Loyal Sons and Daughters," an account of her years as an administrator, teacher, mentor, minister and alumna of the University.

Father Lauck, who died April 12, 2001, was graduated from Notre Dame in 1942, studied theology at Holy Cross College in Washington, D.C., for four years and was ordained to the priesthood on June 24, 1946. Before joining the Notre Dame faculty in 1950, he studied sculpture at the Corcoran School of Art, Columbia University, State University of New York, the Cranbrook Academy and Alfred University and made a yearlong study tour of European art museums. From 1950 to 1973 he taught at Notre Dame and served on the staff of Moreau Seminary, where he also lived. He was chairman of Notre Dame's art department from 1960 to 1967. After his retirement, he continued his art work and remained in residence at Moreau until his declining health required him to move to Holy Cross House in 1998.

Works by Father Lauck abound on the Notre Dame campus. Among the most visible are a massive replica of his statue of the Visitation on the south side of the Eck Visitors' Center, the stained glass windows in the chapel and library of Moreau Seminary, the statue of Our Lady of the University at the Main Circle of the campus, and the statue of Blessed Brother Andre Bessette, C.S.C., in the Basilica of the Sacred Heart.



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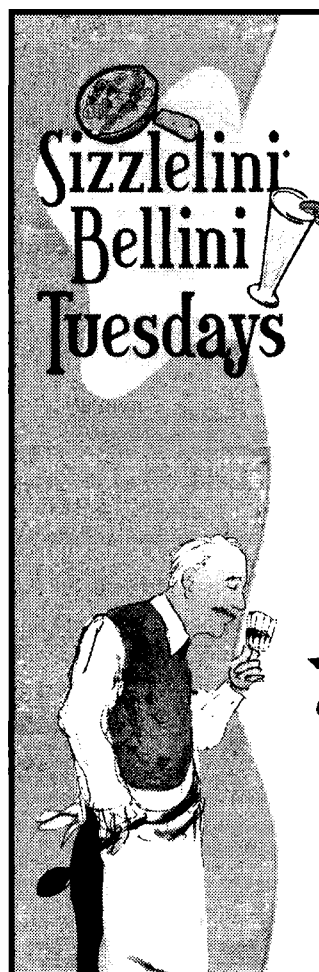
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## Holiday movie extravaganza

Tomorrow is Halloween, and that means the holiday season lurks right around the corner. Yes, it used to start with Thanksgiving, but the extra twenty-odd days of November free up a lot of time for marketing. And what could use the hype more than relentlessly ground out, tired Hollywood action films?

In order to facilitate everyone's enjoyment of the impending movie rush, I've compiled this little list of promising features. Here's a taste of four upcoming visual masterpieces — three action films and a comedy — that will surely whet your appetite for the approaching holiday cinema season. I encourage everyone to look up the trailers for these movies on YouTube or their official sites. Whenever a two-hour film is boiled down to two minutes chock full of cheesy one-liners, overdone special effects and melodramatic music, even the best description cannot match up.

**"Beowulf"**  
This one comes straight out of the "movies that should never be made unless perhaps the BBC does one of those television miniseries" department. Picture this: Take the most famous Old English epic poem ever, watch "300" a few times, and combine the two. Add Angelina Jolie's lips, give her a tail thing and throw in Anthony Hopkins sporting a blatant rip-off of Gimli's dwarf costume. Finally, center the movie around the epic line "I am Beowulf!" screamed by a shirtless hairy guy.

The film's director, Robert Zemeckis, is behind films like the "Back to the Future" trilogy and "Forrest Gump." I love both of those. Unfortunately, he is now about to ruin one of the most ancient and hallowed pieces of English

literature. Congratulations, Bob. **"National Treasure: Book of Secrets"**

Nicholas Cage plays himself, unlocking more American secrets. But hasn't he had this same role before? You know, in movies like "Gone in 60 Seconds," "The Rock," "Con Air," "Face/Off," "8MM," "Matchstick Men," "Lord of War," "Ghost Rider," "Next," the first "National Treasure..." need I go on?

Well, in this one, Cage once again finds himself on the wrong side of the law. He plans to kidnap the President of the United States of America in order to steal the "President's Book of Secrets." That book contains information on the JFK assassination, the Watergate tapes, and Area 51, or so Harvey Keitel tells us. Apparently Nicholas Cage's grandfather was involved in the assassination of Lincoln. He discovers this when Ed Harris — playing the same CIA dude he plays in every movie — reveals to him missing pages from the diary of John Wilkes Booth. Nick Cage sets out on a quest to unlock the mystery "the world isn't ready to believe." No, I don't think we are ready. Please, please not yet.

Director Jerry Bruckheimer should probably not be allowed near a camera, nor should anyone else remotely involved in the creation of "Bad Boys II," "Coyote Ugly" or this film.

**"Fred Claus"**

Paul Giamatti, Vince Vaughn. The first plays Santa Claus, the second plays Santa's brother Fred.

I was willing to give this one a chance because I like Paul Giamatti, and I can stand Vince Vaughn. I was ready to ignore certain factors that would seem to foredoom this movie — how almost every Christmas movie besides "A Christmas Story" bombs, the fact that the plot centers around Santa Claus's brother, etc.

Then I saw the trailer. Then I realized that the movie relies on midget humor (dancing elves, ninja elves, dis-

gruntled elves), on the slapstick interactions between Vince Vaughn and Santa's helpers as Fred visits the North Pole. Then I realized that, in a better world, this movie would never have advanced beyond the pitch to producers, and hopefully not beyond the idea in some money-hungry writer's head.

**"Rambo"**

"In the heart of the jungle, blood will flow, and a warrior will come."

What? They already made "Rambo" back in the 80s, didn't they?

Yes. But not like this.

In the latest story about this action...hero...a group of Christian missionaries wants to rent out Rambo's boat and services so he can transport them upriver into Burma. Along the way, many of them are captured and murdered, and Rambo gets the chance to start killing things. He takes full advantage of this new opportunity to shoot machine guns, swing machetes and kill a bunch of Burmese soldiers.

Sylvester Stallone obviously enjoys his chance to jump back into the complex psychological persona of Rambo. You can appreciate his skill in the performing arts when he brings his actor's mind to bear on such poignant lines as "Live for nothing...or die...for something." Eloquent. Eloquent and profound.

Make sure you check out the uncensored trailer, in which Rambo kills at least twelve people (by my count), including one soldier whose throat Rambo literally rips out with his bare hands.

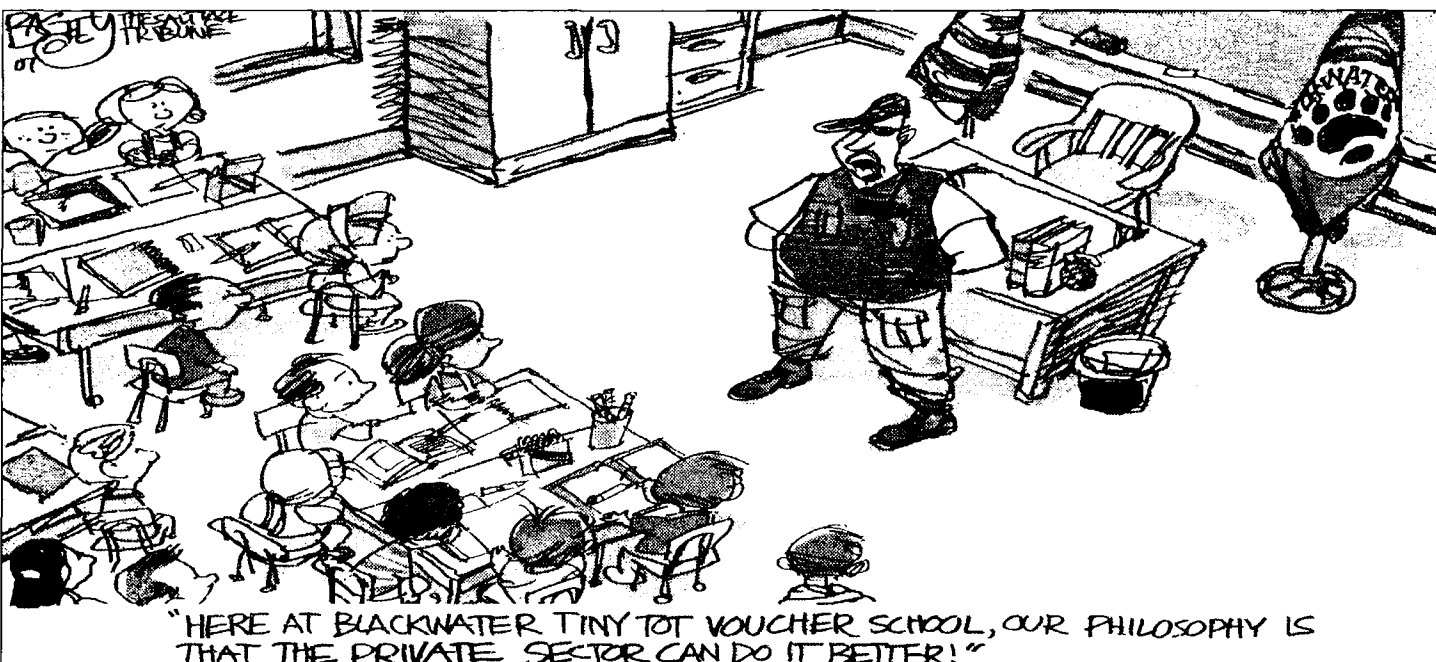
Oh, and there are snakes. Cobra snakes.

I can't wait for January.

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### EDITORIAL CARTOON



### QUOTE OF THE DAY

"With a stop light, green means 'Go' and yellow means 'Slow down'. With a banana, however, it is quite the opposite. Yellow means 'Go', green means 'Whoa, slow down', and red means 'Where the heck did you get that banana?'"

Mitch Hedberg  
comedian

### QUOTE OF THE DAY

"The only winner of the War of 1812 was Tchaikovsky."

Solomon Short  
comedian

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Reconsidering the Victory March

We write to you today as mother and daughter, alumna and student of Notre Dame. We write about something very dear to the Notre Dame family: The Victory March, or fight song, if you will. Last weekend, we attended the USC game and, along with thousands of other cheering fans, belted out the fight song. Caity, the student, got the chance to sing it with both the student body and with her family. And believe it or not, she sang two different versions. The student body finished off the fight song with, "...while her loyal sons are marching onward to victory." Our family, however, finished it off with, "...while her loyal sons and *daughters* march on to victory."

You see, Caity and her seven siblings are the proud legacies of two 1980 Notre Dame grads, who

taught their kids the latter version. Yes, in the years from 1976-1980, at least some of the members of the Notre Dame student body sang a gender-inclusive fight song! So, why the regression to the sexist, exclusive version we sing today? Or at least, why didn't the inclusive version catch on? We have absolutely no idea. It is simply shameful that the Notre Dame student body is perpetuating the current version, and we think it's high time we include the loyal daughters of Notre Dame in our Victory March. Coeducation at Notre Dame began 35 years ago, and women now make up nearly 50 percent of the student body. We don't care that only men play football; we sing the song at Notre Dame events of all kinds that include both men and women.

We suggest that the current history-making pair of

female student government leaders take this on and make even more history by including women in the fight song. After all, what a shame it is that male students get to raise their hands in the air on "sons" and female students have to raise their hands on "her," which refers to Our Lady, and *not* to the women of Notre Dame.

Caity Schneeman  
senior  
Cavanaugh Hall

Erin Burns Schneeman  
Class of 1980  
St. Paul, Minn.  
Oct. 27

### Legion Tip Off tonight

Dear Students: On behalf of the players and coaching staff, I'd like to thank you for your support last season. With your help, our team was able to prove many people wrong, as we took fourth place in the highly competitive Big East and earned a bid to the NCAA tournament. Don't underestimate the impact that your presence and enthusiasm has on our team and on the outcome of the game. The Leprechaun Legion has been instrumental in helping us move towards the home winning streak record (20 games and counting!). Upon return from fall break, be sure to save the date for Tuesday, Oct. 30. The Leprechaun Legion "Tip Off"

will be held that night, starting at 8 p.m. in the Joyce Center. This year's event will officially kick off the 2007-2008 season, featuring special guests, prizes, team introductions, contests, free food, and much more! The 2007-08 Leprechaun Legion shirt will also be available for free with your purchase of a student booklet. Thanks for all you do to make the Joyce Center a true home court advantage, and we look forward to seeing you on Oct. 30. Go Irish!

Mike Brey  
Men's basketball head coach  
Oct. 15

### Stay classy at games

During the second half of Saturday's game with USC, Pete Carroll challenged a Notre Dame first down catch while his team was up 30-plus points. At the time, I felt like this was a petty thing to do on his part, and it upset me, as I'm sure it did a lot of Irish fans. But what upset me more was what I heard in the background on the TV broadcast of the game. During the review of the play, you could pretty audibly hear the students chanting an expletive about Pete Carroll. On a disappointing day, that was the only moment where I truly felt embarrassed to be a Notre Dame alum. We might lose football games — but we should never lose our self-respect and

integrity. To those that were chanting — shame on you for not respecting yourself, your classmates or your future alma mater enough to refrain from being loudly vulgar. And to those around them who let them chant — shame on you for not having the integrity to tell them to stop. Even when we lose, we should still strive to represent Our Lady well and that doesn't include chanting classless things at opposing coaches. No matter how petty and annoying they might be.

Andrew Sama  
Annapolis, Md.  
Oct. 22

### Immigration issue needs more consideration

"Give me your tired, your poor, your huddled masses yearning to breathe free..." This is the beginning of the inscription on the Statue of Liberty, one of the United States' proudest monuments. It's amazing how much our attitude has changed towards immigrants since this symbol of hope was erected in 1884. Today, presidential candidates' strength on the issue is judged by how tough their policies are on "illegal aliens," rather than on how humanitarian or, at the very least, pragmatic they are.

Last year I went to El Paso on a trip with twelve other Notre Dame students to get a first-hand look at the immigration issue, and I came back to South Bend with many insights. First, because of how bureaucratic and expensive the legalization process is, it is much easier (and makes much more sense) for immigrants to enter our country illegally. Second,

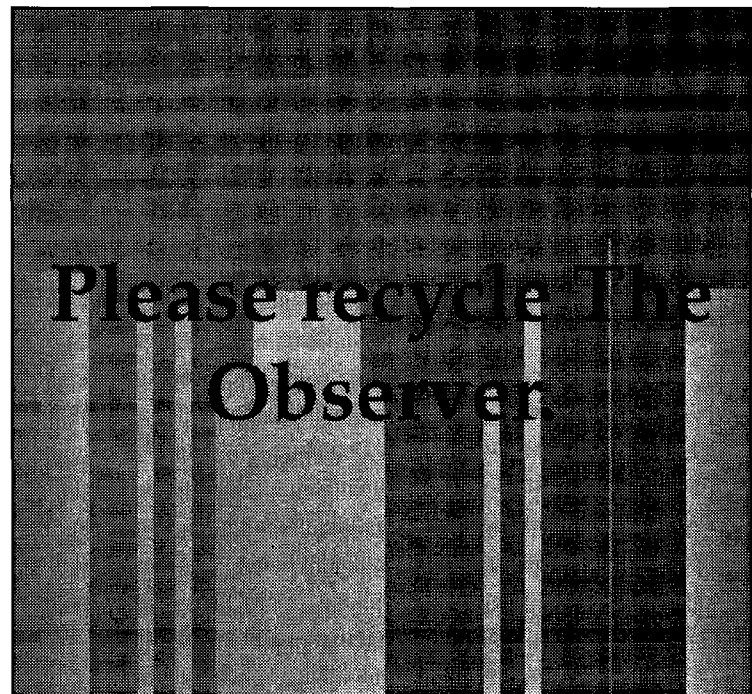
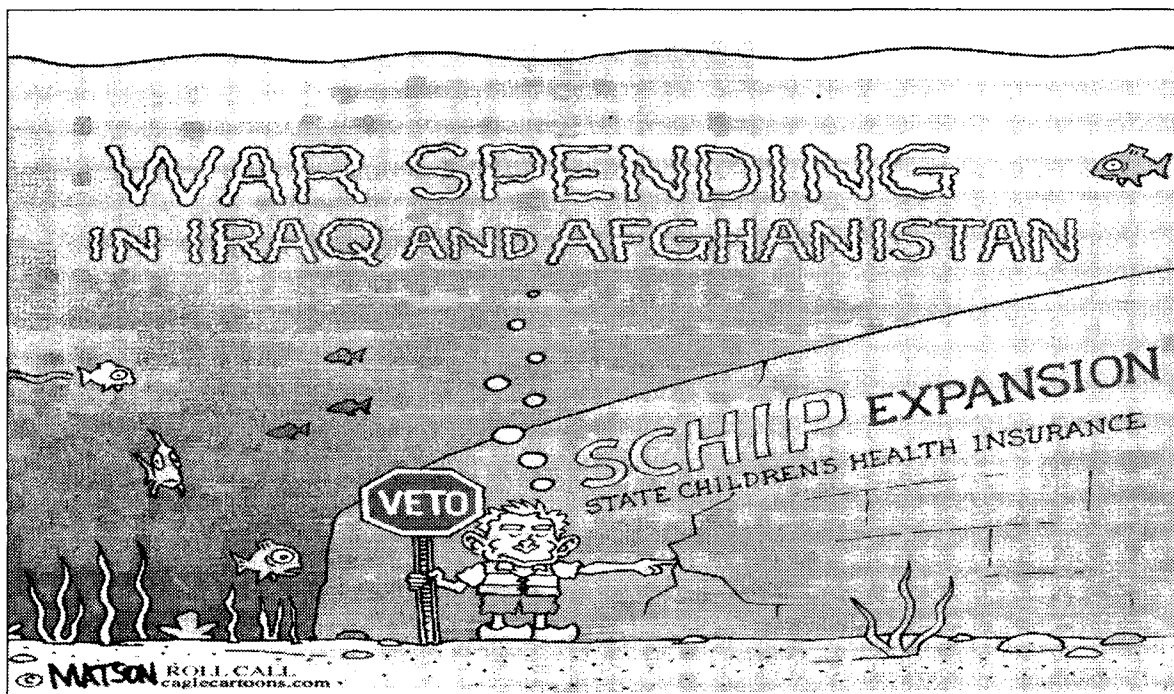
a Border Patrol officer who we met with admitted that of the hundreds of thousands of potential immigrants apprehended by the El Paso border patrol over the past ten years, zero were suspected terrorists. Third, when fences went up in Tijuana in the 1990s to prevent immigration flows into California, Latin Americans began entering through the deserts of Arizona, New Mexico and Texas. This treacherous journey has led to hundreds of deaths annually in the deserts of the Southwest. While these facts are overlooked by the popular media in our country, we are constantly bombarded with possibly false claims of how immigrants are putting a strain on our public resources.

What I remember most about my time in El Paso was our group's meeting with two Mexican teenagers who had crossed from Mexico the day before. When

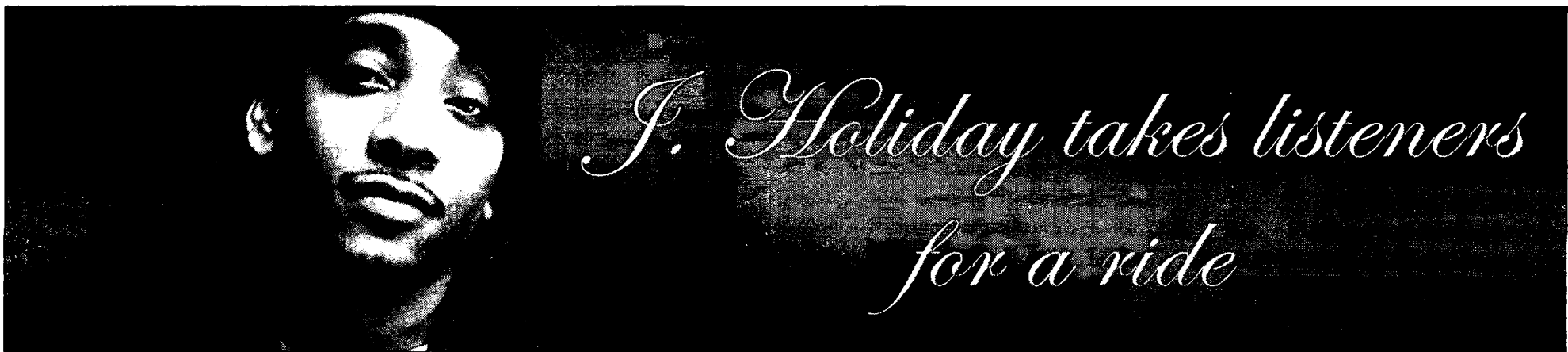
asked why he risked so much to come to the United States, one replied that he needed to support his girlfriend who he had just gotten pregnant, and had no opportunity for work in Mexico. The proposed \$7 billion dollar fence along the U.S.-Mexico border would attempt to keep thousands of desperate people like him out. However, history has shown that the fence would probably cause them to find another, more dangerous way into our country. Why are we willing to go to such lengths to deny help to those in the world who need it most?

Charlie Cummings  
junior  
off campus  
Oct. 29

## EDITORIAL CARTOON







MATT HUDSON | Observer Graphic

By CORBIN HICKS  
Scene Writer

Washington, D.C. is not only the home of our nation's capital, but it also produces really good R&B music from time to time.

Following in the footsteps of Raheem DeVaughn, the next great artist to come from the political capital of our country is J. Holiday. Despite being deeply entrenched in his D.C./northern Virginia roots, J. Holiday has released an album that is devoid of any regional flavor.

You won't find any Go-Go music on "Back of My Lac", which has become a staple of D.C., Baltimore and the surrounding areas. You also won't find any guest appearances on the album. On songs that seem to beg for a rap breakdown, Holiday provides his best attempt at rapping so as to not disrupt the continuity of the project. This provides an easier listening experience and helps the transition of the album from song to song.

The album begins with the title track, which signifies the upcoming sonic experience. You are basically riding shotgun, in a Cadillac or ride of your choice, with a young man who is not afraid to show different emotions.

Despite the usual suspects in the life of crime, gangbanging, and other staples of today's urban music, Holiday isn't afraid to show a tender side and sing about love and happy emotions from time to time.

He follows up the first track with two introspective songs, "Ghetto" and "Thug Commandments." With these songs, he sepa-

rates himself from the other cookie-cutter pop acts and displays depth with his songwriting.

The next song is the chart-topping single "Bed." This song has undoubtedly been added to every baby-maker play list, as J. Holiday does his part to combat low birth rates. He also tries his hand at making a few club bangers, with the tracks "Come Here" and "Be With Me." But he is able to make an entertaining song without the usual vulgarity, lewdness and attempts to "make it rain."

The next song is "Suffocate," in which he is figuratively unable to breathe without being in the presence of his significant other. The song works well, without being overly mushy or soft, and provides a smooth touch after the upbeat tracks.

Another standout track is "Pimp In Me," in which he claims to be willing to settle down monogamously after meeting a woman with the body of a call girl and the mind of a teacher. He utilizes his full vocal range on this track,

opening up the entire musical scale on the song's ending.

"Pimp In Me" symbolizes the ease with which one can relate to the songs. Although the majority of the topics on this album have been covered before, few have been done with the amount of genuineness, ingenuity or freshness that J. Holiday provides.

It's the universal appeal that sticks out the most about J. Holiday. Some may not like the occasional use of profanity in their R&B music, but the songs on this album are impossible to overlook in the downright beauty that they provide.

There hasn't been this type of non-gimmick soul music by a new artist in a very long time, let alone an artist that sits on the top of the pop music charts. For those people who constantly harp on the declining quality of music and the lack of a decent artist, "Back of My Lac" is a reassuring effort from a musician that should have a future producing quality music for a long time to come.

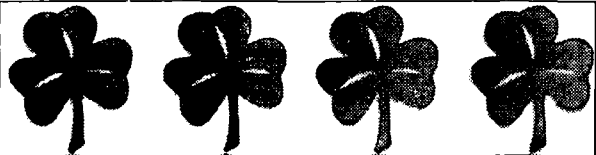
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## Back of My Lac'

J. Holiday

Label: Capitol

Recommended Tracks: "Come Here," "Suffocate," "Betcha Never Had" and "Bed"



## Chromeeo brings unique sound across the border



MATT HUDSON | Observer Graphic

By CORBIN HICKS  
Scene Writer

Even if you were familiar with the works of Herbie Hancock, Roger Troutman, T-Pain, techno, and 70's-era disco music, you still wouldn't understand Chromeeo musically.

Chromeeo is a duo hailing from Montreal, Quebec, made up of artists P-Thugg and Dave. They bring a style of music that resides in its own genre due to an infusion of many types of music. They combine guitars, keyboards, synthesizers, jazz horns, other techno staples and a synthesizing "talk box."

Imagine the guy from the hook on 2Pac's "California Love" with the lyricism and style of T-Pain, and that gives you a taste of what P-Thugg brings to the table. On top of that, you have the traditional harmonizing and vocal skills of the other half of the group, which combine for a musical joyride.

"Fancy Footwork" is the duo's second released album, and is the follow-up to their debut record "She's In Control." In the three years between releases, Chromeeo became more comfortable with their genre-bending style of music and display their confidence proudly throughout the album.

With the album featuring more instrumentation and singing, and less of the talk box, you have to feel that Herbie Hancock is smiling somewhere, knowing that someone else is able to internalize his style of music and combine the same elements of jazz and electronic funk in a manner that feels natural.

The four-minute, 11-song offering that is "Fancy Footwork" begins with an intro track fit for the Super Bowl. The instrumental is reminiscent of the Chicago

Bulls theme song during the year they went 72-10, and the chanting gives it, as Kanye West would say, "Stadium Status."

This leads into the two singles that were released from the album, "Tenderoni" and the title track. The former does enough to keep your attention, gradually introducing you to the trademark sound of the duo. The title track, however, is Chromeeo at its best, as the upbeat tempo is complemented by the singing of Dave 1.

The lyrics don't attempt to overpower the musical experience but are intended to add to the landscape of sounds that pleasantly swirl around your ears. The next song is "Bonafied Lovin'," which the duo recently performed on "Jimmy Kimmel Live!". There are a couple of shorter tracks after this song, robbing Chromeeo of the opportunity to get funky with the music. But then you reach another peak of the album.

"Opening Up" would have undoubtedly been a hit in the 80's, with hints of the timeless catalogs of Madonna, Prince and Morris Day. The song has a melody

and a groove that are sure to make anyone get up and start dancing and would be perfect for an early morning jazz workout.

The next song, "Momma's Boy," is Chromeeo's lone attempt to stray from their proven formula. The song focuses on the lyrics and the singing rather than the instrumentation, and it's done very well. The lead singer harmonizes perfectly with the music, and the lyrics will undoubtedly put a smile on anyone's face as he sings his heart out to a girl calling him a

"Momma's Boy."

The subsequent tracks do well to close out the album on a high note, and the best is "100%." It's almost as if Chromeeo doesn't want the party to end, and baits you into restarting the album due to the short duration of the songs.

While this type of sound may not initially be appealing to all people, the music takes over, and its excellence shines through. Despite not fitting into one category, "Fancy Footwork" appeals to fans of all genres and should be given a chance to win over any listener.

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## Fancy Footwork

Chromeeo

Label: Vice Records

Recommended Tracks: "Momma's Boy," "Opening Up," "Bonafied Lovin'" and "100%"





MATT HUDSON | Observer Graphic

By TAE ANDREWS  
Scene Editor

Furor over the ongoing court cases of the Jena Six has ignited racial tensions throughout the South and made headlines across the nation throughout this past year. Now the commotion has reached Notre Dame.

The Multi-Cultural Affairs Committee of Student Government, paired with the campus chapter of the NAACP, hosts a t-shirt sale tonight in the LaFortune Student Center from 7 to 10 p.m. and on Thursday from 7 to 9:30 p.m. The red with white lettering shirts will cost \$10 each. The proceeds from the red-with-white-lettering t-shirts will go to support the Jena Six Legal Fund through the Color of Change, an organization which works for social justice.

The two groups started planning on selling the shirts immediately after the Jena Six trials which began in mid-September, but due to the design process and having to plan the distribution the clothing wasn't finished until about two weeks before the fall break, prompting the Committee to delay the sale until after the recess.

"We didn't want to have to rush it," Lai-Nin Wan, the chair of the Multi-Cultural Affairs Committee of student government said in an interview Monday afternoon.

The committee made 120 shirts for the sale, with plans to create and sell another batch should the first run sell out. This will generate between \$600 and \$800 in revenue after expenses should the t-shirts sell out.

"Student Government and NAACP would like to promote tolerance that extends past race and the view of a more accepting, global community," Wan

said.

According to the New York Times, the controversy surrounds a pair of nooses draped over a tree at Jena High School in Jena, La., dating back to August of 2006. The nooses were hung over a tree known as the "White Tree," a campus gathering spot for white youths at the high school.

Although the school administration ended up arresting three students for their involvement in the affair, the incident sparked hostilities throughout the community. Continued complaints from school parents prompted an investigation from the United States Attorney's office and the Federal Bureau of Investigation, but neither agency pressed hate-crime charges against anyone.

In December of last year, the aforementioned "Jena Six" got into an altercation with a local white youth named Justin Barker and ended up beating him up. The injured Barker went to the hospital, received treatment and was later released on the same day.

Local authorities arrested the Jena Six, five of whom were then charged as adults with second-degree murder. The sixth, Mychal Bell, was originally convicted of aggravated second-degree battery charges, but was later acquitted on the grounds that he had been mistakenly tried as an adult, although a local judge refused to release him on bail.

On September 20 of this year, over 10,000 people thronged the streets of Jena, La., (population 3,000) in protest of perceived unfair treatment of the six youths.

"We're hoping the sale will go well and sell out," Wan said. "Since we can't be there physically, we want to help out as much as we possibly can."

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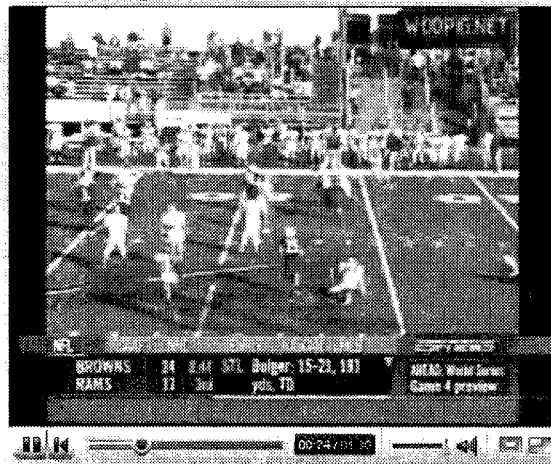
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Protesters show their support for the Jena Six on Sept. 18 in Atlanta, Ga. The case has drawn widespread attention and support from around the country.

## SCENE'S TOP VIDEO PICKS

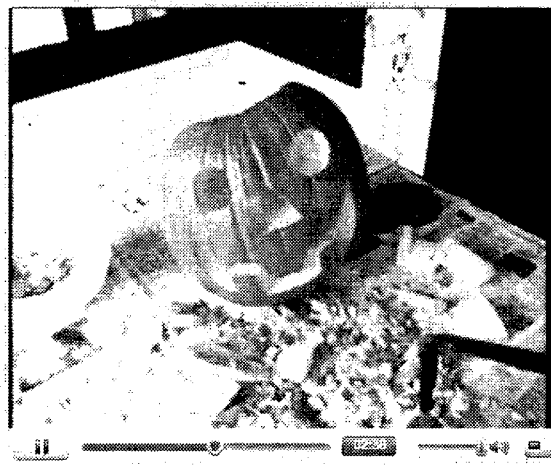
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### Trinity Football



This video features the Division III Trinity University football team and their miraculous final play against Milsap. Trinity laterals the ball 14 times on route to a 61-yard touchdown.

### Life and Death of a Pumpkin



This video might inspire you to think twice before you carve up that Halloween pumpkin. Or maybe not. Either way, this clip is well done.

### Cat 300



Kittens harmless? This video proves otherwise, as a gang of cuddly critters attack - 300 style.

### Good Cop, Bad Cop



In this spoof video, Will Ferrell refuses to cooperate with the police and gets roughed up in an interrogation by a toddler.

## NHL

## Jagr breaks teeth, then scores winning goal in Rangers win

Ovechkin scores two as Capitals rout defenseless Maple Leafs; Sharks come from behind over Stars with three late goals

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Jaromir Jagr lost his teeth then found the net.

Bloodied in the mouth in the second period by either the puck or an errant stick, the Rangers captain netted the winning goal in the third period of New York's 3-1 victory over the Tampa Bay Lightning on Monday night.

He almost had the goal removed as painfully as his teeth when NHL officials closely reviewed videotape more than an hour after the game to see if the shot got through cleanly or was deflected in by teammate Brendan Shanahan.

Either way, the hard one-timer snapped a tie and provided the winning margin.

The shot came close to Shanahan's skate, and both players would gladly take credit for the goal scored with 9:15 left. The pair of 600-goal scorers have been struggling offensively in the early going this season.

Shanahan scored an undisputed power-play goal 2:44 later to stretch the lead to 3-1 and give him his second of the season — one fewer than Jagr.

"Broken skate, broken glove, broken teeth. What a night," said Jagr, who has two goals in two games. "Break my skate, first period. Second, my glove. Then my teeth."

"I didn't see myself yet. It's Halloween tomorrow. I don't have to buy a mask."

There were smiles all around the Rangers dressing room after the game that produced as many goals as they'd scored in four previous contests combined.

The late goals secured New York's second win in seven games (2-4-1). Nigel Dawes netted the first for the Rangers, who have an NHL-low 19 in 11 games.

Vincent Lecavalier netted his sixth on a second-period penalty shot, but the Lightning — 5-0-1 at home — fell to 0-4 on the road as they started a three-stop trip in the New York area.

Their best player was Johan Holmqvist, who made 32 saves but couldn't overcome four penalties taken by teammates in the third.

"Our goalie gives us a chance after two periods and we can't put 20 minutes of disciplined, hard hockey together," coach John Tortorella said in an expletive-filled tirade. "We don't deserve anything. We spend more time looking at referees for calls, instead of playing."

"It's very frustrating to see one guy show up."

Henrik Lundqvist rebounded from a 4-1 loss to Toronto on Saturday with a 21-save effort and allowed one goal or fewer for the fourth time in five games. His only blemish was Lecavalier's goal.

Although frustrated by the one that got away, Lundqvist was pleased with the much-needed

victory.

"Jags going, the power play was going ... there were so many good things," Lundqvist said. "We've been playing great as a team but you want to feel like it pays off, too. And it finally did. It's easy to stay patient when you know it's going to pay off."

## Capitals 7, Maple Leafs 1

To Alexander Ovechkin it was just another chance to score against the Toronto Maple Leafs. For five other Washington Capitals it was a night to finally score.

Ovechkin scored his seventh and eighth goals of the season Monday night and five Washington players got their first in the Capitals' victory over Toronto.

Brian Sutherby, Matt Bradley, Jeff Schultz, Matt Pettinger and Boyd Gordon all scored their first goals of the season for the Capitals while center Michael Nylander had three assists.

"We played very well tonight, all four lines played well, everybody scored and our goalie played well," said Ovechkin, who has nine goals in as many career games against the Maple Leafs. "I think we deserved tonight's win."

Olaf Kolzig stopped 32 shots for Washington.

Alexei Ponikarovsky scored for the Maple Leafs, who have allowed an NHL-high 51 goals this season. They continued their poor play at home where they have won only three times in nine games (3-4-2). This was their second 7-1 loss at home, also getting routed by Carolina on Oct. 9.

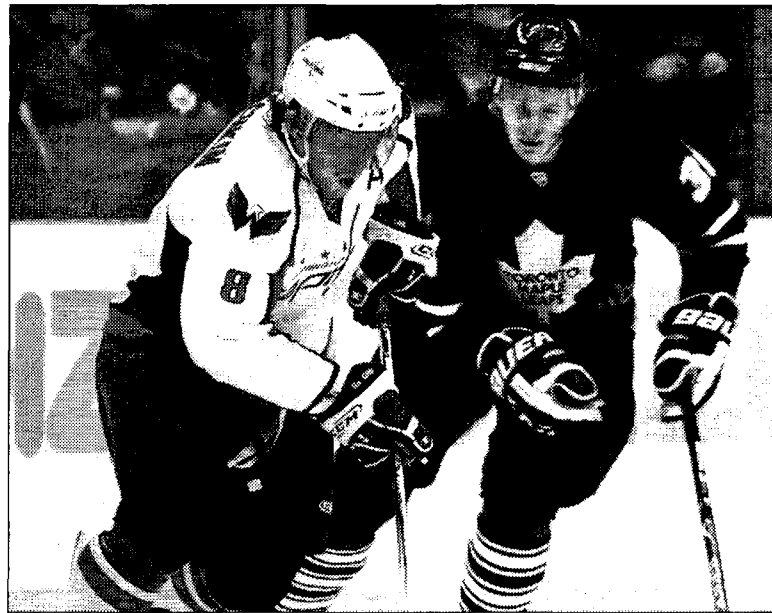
"Just collectively, for some reason, we're very fragile at home," Leafs captain Mats Sundin said following the latest loss at Air Canada Centre.

"How do I explain it? I can't," Sundin said. "Just too many breakdowns all over the ice. ... We did a lot of good things on the road but it seems we're tight at home, we try to do too much."

Andrew Raycroft, replaced starting goalie Vesa Toskala after Washington's fourth goal.

Gordon, standing alone in front of the net, re-directed a pass from Bradley to make it 1-0 at 3:19. Ponikarovsky tied it 31 seconds later, only to see Pettinger give the Caps the lead for good at 5:26 when he flipped a rebound over Toskala on a power play.

Ovechkin made it 3-1 at 11:57



Capitals forward Alexander Ovechkin handles the puck in Washington's 7-1 defeat of Toronto Monday.

and Schultz skated into the slot untouched two minutes later for the goal that chased Toskala. His team outshot 13-3 to that point.

## Sharks 4, Stars 2

Ron Wilson was surprised the Dallas Stars lost a late lead. Imagine the San Jose coach's astonishment that it was a rookie who led the Sharks' rally Monday night.

Devin Setoguchi scored two goals in the third period of his first NHL game to help the Sharks come from behind and beat the Stars.

"We're playing a team that's like Tupperware. Once they close the lid and burp it, you're done," Wilson said. "In the past, we haven't had games like this where we've stormed back on Dallas."

The Sharks came into the game 24th in the league with 25 goals, and they had scored just one in each of their last two losses.

The slump continued as San Jose trailed 2-1 despite firing off 25 shots through two periods on Dallas goalie Marty Turco.

But the 20-year-old Setoguchi scored twice in a span of 2 minutes, 34 seconds to turn a one-goal deficit into a 3-2 lead.

"It's definitely thrilling," Setoguchi said. "I never would have dreamed for it to happen this way."

Setoguchi, the eighth overall pick in the 2005 draft, tied the game at 2 when he beat Turco at 11:53 of the third.

He then took a pass in front of the net from Joe Thornton, who

had two assists, and put the Sharks ahead 3-2 at 14:27.

San Jose added an insurance goal 17 seconds later from Steve Bernier.

The Sharks scored their final three goals on three consecutive shots.

Setoguchi could have easily had three goals, but he missed an open net in the first.

"I was definitely nervous in the first period," Setoguchi said. "I was just kind of scrambling out there. But I settled down and Coach gave me a chance in the third."

Setoguchi stole the show from Dallas center Mike Modano, who moved within one of tying the NHL record for most points by a U.S.-born player. Modano had an assist in the second period to give him 1,231 points, behind only Phil Housley.

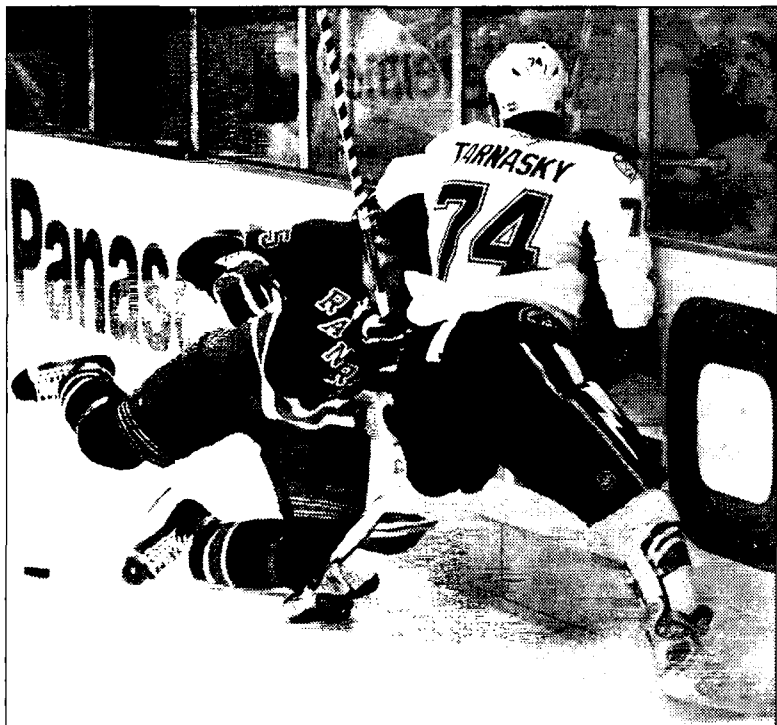
"I want to get it behind us and move on," Modano said of approaching the mark.

Evgeni Nabokov stopped 27 shots for San Jose. Turco, who faced 16 shots in the first period, made 31 saves.

Matt Niskanen, the 28th overall pick in the 2005 draft, scored his first NHL goal thanks to a fortunate bounce at 5:14 of the second.

Modano passed the puck to Niskanen, who lofted a shot from near the blue line. The puck changed direction after it hit a San Jose defender's stick and went into the net past Nabokov.

That gave the Stars a 2-1 lead after two periods. This was the third time this season that Dallas has lost a third-period lead.



Lightning center Nick Tarnasky checks Rangers defenseman Monday in New York's 3-1 win over Tampa Bay.

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2	Texas A&M	13-2-1	3
3	Virginia	10-1-4	4
4	Purdue	14-1-2	5
5	Stanford	10-2-2	2
6	Portland	10-3-0	7
7	North Carolina	13-3-0	9
8	Texas	11-2-3	6
9	USC	11-1-2	10
10	Florida State	10-3-2	12
11	Santa Clara	10-3-3	11
12	Tennessee	11-2-2	13
13	Penn State	12-3-1	8
14	Boston College	9-3-3	14
15	NOTRE DAME	11-4-1	22
16	Missouri	11-4-0	16
17	San Diego	11-1-3	18
18	Connecticut	11-3-1	15
19	West Virginia	11-4-1	25
20	Georgia	12-2-2	17
21	California	8-4-0	19
22	Wake Forest	8-5-3	NR
23	BYU	12-2-2	21
24	Florida	9-4-2	NR
25	Clemson	8-4-4	20

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6	Brown	10-1-1	8
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8	Creighton	8-1-4	10
9	Northwestern	9-2-2	9
10	Virginia	8-3-2	7
11	Indiana	9-4-2	16
12	Boston College	8-3-1	13
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16	Michigan State	10-1-3	19
17	Akron	10-2-2	23
18	Furman	13-2-0	14
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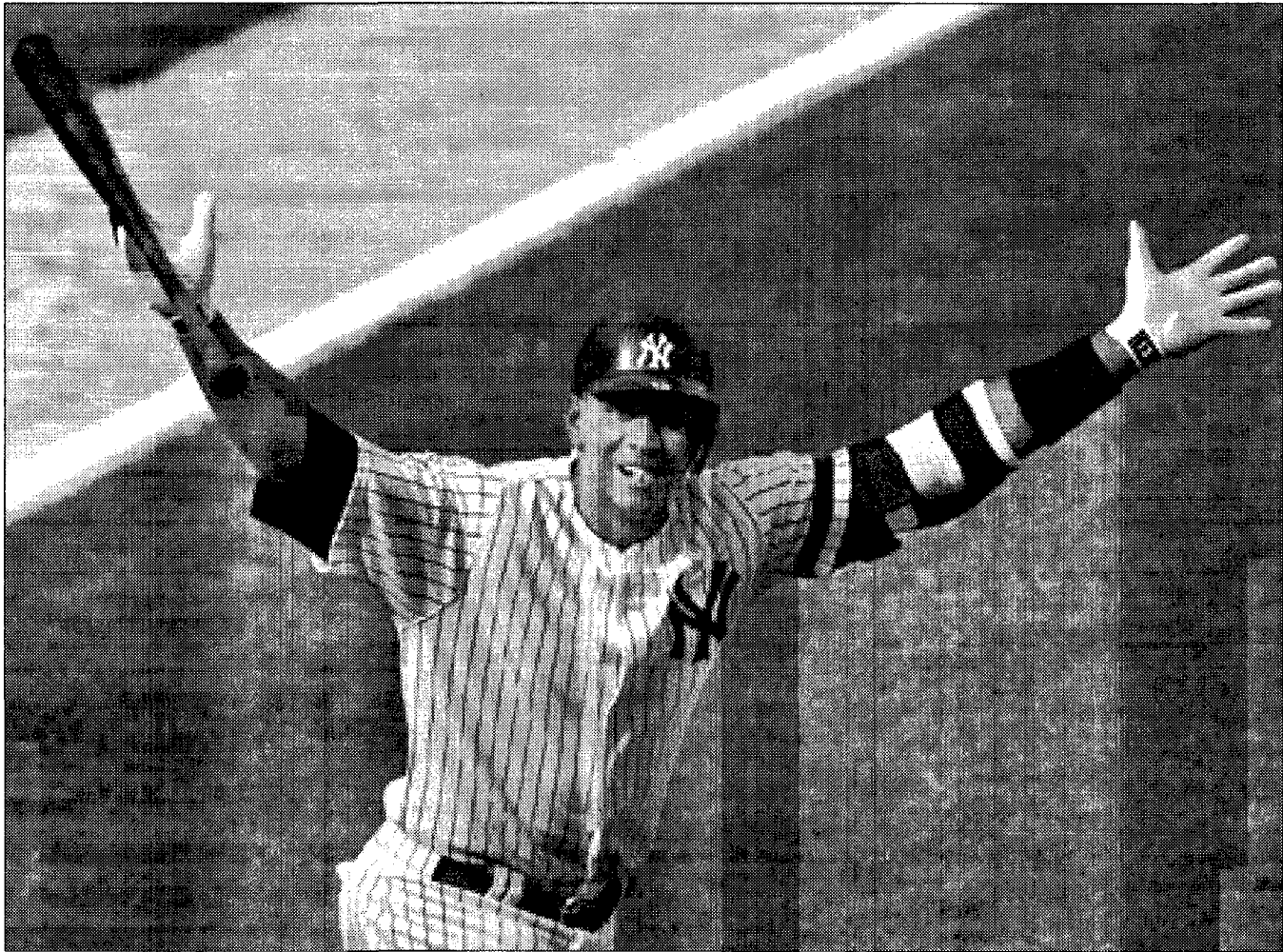
## MIAA Women's Soccer Standings

team	league	overall
Calvin	9-0-0	14-3-1
Kalamazoo	6-2-1	11-4-2
Albion	6-2-1	12-3-2
Hope	6-2-1	10-7-1
SAINT MARY'S	3-4-2	7-5-5
Alma	3-5-1	8-8-2
Adrian	2-7-0	5-12-1
Olivet	1-6-2	6-9-3
Tri-State	0-8-0	0-15-2

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## MLB



Former Yankees third baseman Alex Rodriguez celebrates a walk-off home run in an April victory over the Cleveland Indians. Rodriguez decided to opt out of his contract, which he announced during the final game of the World Series.

## MLB criticizes timing of A-Rod's announcement

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Major League Baseball had this message for Alex Rodriguez and agent Scott Boras: Shame on you.

Boras announced during Game 4 of the World Series on Sunday night that A-Rod was opting out of the final three seasons of his contract with the New York Yankees. The timing left baseball officials livid.

"We were very disappointed that Scott Boras would try to upstage our premier baseball event of the season with his announcement," Bob DuPuy, baseball's chief operating officer, said

Monday in an e-mail to The Associated Press.

"There was no reason to make an announcement last night other than to try to put his selfish interests and that of one individual player above the overall good of the game," DuPuy said. "Last night and today belong to the Boston Red Sox, who should be celebrated for their achievement, and to the Colorado Rockies, who made such an unbelievable run to the World Series."

Red Sox fans sure took notice fast. After their team won the title for the second time in four seasons, they stood behind the visitors' dugout at Coors Field and chanted: "Don't

sign A-Rod!"

"Kind of strange timing," Red Sox president Larry Lucchino said after Boston completed its sweep of Colorado.

New York, which failed to make the World Series in all of Rodriguez's seasons, maintained Monday that it will not attempt to re-sign A-Rod now that he has opted out.

"No chance," Hank Steinbrenner, George's son, said Monday at Legends Field. "Not if it's made official."

Hank Steinbrenner did not make much of Boras' timing.

"It doesn't matter to me," he said. "But I'm sure there's a lot of people that

aren't very happy about it. Other baseball people, the commissioner's office, the Red Sox."

Hank Steinbrenner said the team left messages with Rodriguez, and "we really wanted to meet with him."

"We wanted him to stay a Yankee. We wanted to let him know how much we wanted him," he said. "The bottom line is ... do we really want anybody that really doesn't want to be a Yankee? How the heck can you do that? Compare him with (Derek) Jeter. Jeter, since he was a little kid, all he ever wanted to do was play shortstop for the Yankees. That's what we want."

## IN BRIEF

### Girardi offered Yankees' vacant managerial spot

NEW YORK — The New York Yankees picked experience over popularity, offering the manager's job to Joe Girardi at the risk of watching Don Mattingly walk away from the franchise.

Beloved as team captain, Donnie Baseball was the early favorite to replace Joe Torre and openly coveted the spot. After finding out Monday he didn't get it, Mattingly told the Yankees he had no interest in returning next year as bench coach or in any other coaching position.

"Don was extremely disappointed to learn today that he wasn't the organization's choice to fill the managerial vacancy," Mattingly's agent, Ray Schulte, said in an e-mail. "Instead, he was informed the organization offered the position to Joe Girardi."

### Cowboys lock up quarterback Romo for six years

IRVING, Texas — Tony Romo didn't have to wait until the off-season to get his big payday from the Dallas Cowboys after all.

Romo has agreed to a six-year, \$67 million deal that will be announced Tuesday, according to a person familiar with the deal who requested anonymity because the contact has not been announced.

The contract, which will become effective this week and provides salary cap relief for Dallas, includes \$30 million in guaranteed money.

"It's a great feeling you have when the organization and the people stand behind you, and you can be the quarterback for a long, long time," Romo said. "It's a neat feeling that, 'You're our guy, we like you.' ... It makes you feel good as a person and a player."

### World Series celebrations cut short by 37 arrests

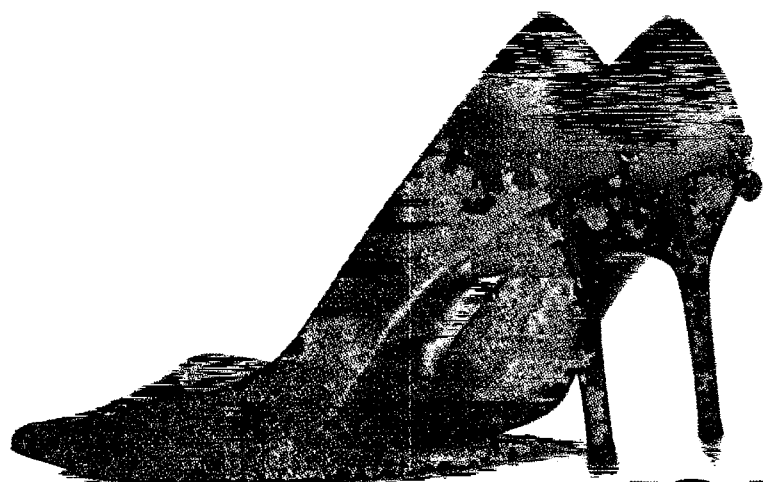
BOSTON — Police in riot gear cleared several large crowds gathered around Fenway Park early Monday after the Red Sox won their second World Series title in four years. Police said they made 37 arrests, mostly for disorderly conduct.

Thirteen people were arrested after they refused to leave the Kenmore Square area near Fenway Park, police said. After police told a large crowd to leave, several officers were struck by rocks and bottles. Sixteen cars in one area were vandalized.

No serious injuries were reported. Young people sprayed each other with beer and some climbed street signs or utility poles.

"Two World Series in four years is pure heaven," said Andrew Dumas, a Boston University student from West Boylston.

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## MEN'S INTERHALL FOOTBALL

## Alumni, Dillon resume rivalry

By ERIC PRISTER &  
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Sports Writers

Dillon and Alumni resume their game tonight at Riehle Field that was stopped on Oct. 18 due to a tornado warning at the half.

The Big Red have already clinched a playoff berth, but they want to make sure that both sides of the ball are ready to go when the postseason starts.

"We want to go into the playoffs clicking on all cylinders," Dillon senior captain Alex Duffy said.

Dillon will also look to improve its playoff seed with a win.

"This game has to do with being the eighth or the seventh seed," Duffy said. "Either way we have a tough opponent, but I would much rather be a lower seed."

Duffy stressed the importance of keeping his team focused.

"Last year we came into the Alumni game 0-3 and helped spoil their season. The roles are reversed this year, and they are looking for some revenge," Duffy said. "It's a rivalry game and it's interhall football. Anything can happen."

The Dawgs come into tonight's game at 0-3, but a rivalry game against Dillon always gives them reason to come out and play.

"It's obvious right now that we have nothing to play for except pride," Alumni captain Bret Shapot said. "What makes this game even bigger for us is it is against Dillon. When we play Dillon, it makes no differ-

ence whether we are 3-0 or 0-3."

Alumni will look to finish the season strong and begin to prepare for next year.

"All our younger guys are going to play a big role in this game," Shapot said. "At the same time, the veterans are going to get one final shot on the field. Everyone's going to make a contribution, and if we can come away with a win, that's all I can ask for. Then Alumni can ride that into next year."

## Keenan vs. Stanford

The Battle of the Chapel, originally scheduled for Oct. 18 but postponed due to weather, will conclude tonight on Riehle Field as Keenan and Stanford play for the chance at an undefeated season.

"It is always good to beat Stanford. In fact, our rector pulled me into his office and told us to win," sophomore captain Pat Burns said.

The naming rights for the chapel shared by the two adjoined dorms is up for grabs, as is the No. 1 seed in the playoffs. Keenan (3-0) is coming off its bye week after rolling over Alumni for a 26-0 victory. The team remained humble, however, and does not want to overlook a strong Stanford squad.

"We made a lot of mistakes. We need to try and cut out the holding penalties and move the ball forward," Burns said.

Rust is a definite concern for the Knights, who have not played a game in a week and a half.

"We have been working on a lot of offensive line [play]."

Burns said. "We do not want to change too much, and we want to be ready."

Freshman Brian Castello will call the signals for Keenan.

"He is really getting used to the whole interhall thing," Burns said.

Leading the rushing attack is junior Alex Gonzalez, who Burns said is talented enough to be playing ball on a varsity team somewhere.

The Knights have relied on their strong defense for much of this year, giving up only six points in three games.

Countering the potent Knights is an equally talented Stanford (3-0) football team. The Griffins come into the game on short rest and after winning a sloppy game against mediocre Keough.

"It should not have been as close as it was. We made a lot of mistakes," senior captain Rob Huth said.

The Stanford defense has been just as strong the Knights', holding opponents scoreless all season until the fourth quarter against Keough.

The defensive line, led by sophomore defensive tackle Rob Hugué, has been especially good for the Griffins.

The Stanford offense has a good mix of new faces and old, including several explosive players at the skill positions, highlighted by junior quarterback Brian Salvi and senior running back Tregg Duerson.

"If we want to win this game, we are going to have to have a complete game," Huth said.

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## SMC VOLLEYBALL

## Belles prepared for conference tourney

By SAMANTHA LEONARD  
Sports Writer

After going 2-3 in their matches over six days, the Belles will head into the MIAA tournament tonight against Tri-State with one day of rest.

Saint Mary's began fall break with two matches Oct. 20 against conference foe Kalamazoo and Defiance. The Belles swept by Kalamazoo 3-0 (30-28, 30-27, 30-27), but rebounded to beat Defiance 3-0 (30-26, 30-22, 30-25).

"We lost [junior middle blocker] Cathy Kurczak for the season due to illness. So, Kalamazoo was our first match without her that first day of break," Belles coach Julie Schroeder-Biek said. "We had some adjusting to do ... [junior] Kaela Hellmann moved from the outside attacking position to the middle and [sophomore] Kathleen Mills stepped into the outside position that Kaela vacated."

The Belles had only one day off before they took on Alma on Oct. 22, and they were in for a shock in the opening game. They, however, pulled the game out and defeated Alma 3-1.

"Our strongest game [of the week] was against Alma," Schroeder-Biek said. "Alma had made some line up changes and were so much

stronger than the last time we played them earlier this season. They caught us off guard that first game of the match and beat us solid. Their blocking was incredible. Games two through four though, we came out strong, determined to win and made them chase us."

With the win versus Alma under their belts, they had only one more day off before taking on first-place Calvin.

No. 16 Calvin took out Saint Mary's 3-1, but three Belles had 10 or more kills. Hellmann had 13 kills to go along with her team-best 14 digs. Freshman outside hitter Andrea Sage notched 12 kills and tied Hellmann with 14 digs. Sasgen also had two solo blocks and three block assists. Sophomore middle blocker Lorna Slupczynski rounded out the double-figure kills with 11.

In the final match of the week against Tri-State — who will be the first team Saint Mary's will face in the MIAA tournament — Saint Mary's lost 3-1 (30-26, 30-23, 27-30, 30-22).

To get ready for the tournament, Schroeder-Biek said the Belles will need to put everything into perspective.

The fifth-seeded Belles will play fourth-seeded Tri-State tonight at 7 p.m. in Angola, Mich.

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## ND CROSS COUNTRY

## Men take fourth, women place sixth at Big East

By CHRIS DOYEN  
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At the Big East championship meet at the E.P. "Tom" Sawyer State Park in Louisville, Ky., the Notre Dame men's and women's teams finished fourth and sixth, respectively, in the first installment of the postseason.

The men, who entered the meet ranked No. 13 in the USTFCCCA poll, finished with 93 points, 38 more than conference champion Louisville. Georgetown (60 points) and Providence (74 points) also finished in front of the Irish. Junior Patrick Smyth once again led the way for his team, finishing with a time of 23:28.50 and finishing third on the individual leaderboard. Senior Bobby Curtis of Villanova won the individual title with a time of 23:08.85.

Senior Jake Watson finished second for the Irish and 12th overall with a time of 24:05.65. Both Smyth and Watson received All-Big East honors for their efforts.

Senior Brett Adams (20th), sophomore Jake Walker (26th), and freshman Dan Jackson (32nd) rounded out the scoring for the Irish, while seniors Dan Curran (33rd) and Mike Popejoy (36th) posted two of the three fastest

times in the meet that were not factored into team scores.

This was the 12th year of Big East competition for the Irish men, and they have never failed to finish in the top five in conference.

On the women's side, the Irish finished sixth with 142 points, while conference champion West Virginia finished with 77 points. Providence, Georgetown, Syracuse and Villanova rounded out the top five.

Sophomore Lindsey Ferguson posted the best time for the Irish, finishing in 21:13.35, good enough for 14th overall as well as All-Big East honors. Freshman Marissa Treece (26th), junior Becca Bauman (28th), and senior Ann Mazur (32nd) finished second, third and fourth for the Irish, respectively, separated by just over four seconds. Junior Emily Wauford was the fifth and final scorer, finishing 42nd overall with a time of 21:56.70.

Both the men and the women will be back in action on Nov. 10, when they will travel to Bloomington, Ind., to compete in the NCAA Great Lakes Regional meet.

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## ND VOLLEYBALL

## Irish drop three over break

By ELLYN MICHALAK  
Sports Writer

Notre Dame easily won a conference game to start off its fall break schedule before dropping three straight road games against top teams.

The Irish began the week on Oct. 19 by defeating DePaul 3-0 (30-12, 30-13, 30-15). The Irish dominated, and sophomore middle blocker Kim Kristoff's five aces combined with freshman libero Megan Dunne's nine digs to aid the Irish victory over the Blue Demons.

"Against DePaul, everyone was motivated from point one through the end of the game," senior captain Adrianna Stasiuk said. "It was a total team effort. There were no let ups, and consistent energy."

Although freshman middle blocker Kellie Sciacca earned the Big East's freshman of the week award for the second time this season, Notre Dame's team efforts in the three road games this past week did not prove as suc-

cessful.

The Irish first traveled to Baton Rouge, La., to compete in a non-conference match against LSU. The Irish narrowly lost the match 3-2 (30-27, 28-30, 30-16, 26-30, 15-15), after battling for five games.

"We had a really slow start against LSU in the first game," Stasiuk said. "The rest of the match we were playing catch-up."

*"Even though we fought hard in the end, we could never make up for the first game."*

Adrianna Stasiuk  
Irish captain

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Stasiuk led the Irish in the match with 15 kills and 21 digs, placing her

third in Notre Dame's all-time dig history. Sophomore outside hitter Serinity Phillips also recorded top marks with 20 kills and 17 digs. Despite senior setter Ashley Tarutis aiding the offense with 57 assists, the Irish weren't able to win the close fifth game.

The Irish then traveled to Storrs, Conn., with hopes of beating Connecticut, but despite having the same conference record as the Huskies

(5-5), the Irish were unable to pull off the win.

"Their defense just took us apart. UConn just played outstanding defense, which is very frustrating to see in an opponent," Stasiuk said.

Phillips again led the Irish offense, but her 14 kills were not enough to defeat the tough Huskies defense. On Sunday, the Irish completed their fall break trip by going to New York with hopes of beating No. 22 St. John's. The Red Storm is currently second in the Big East with a 9-1 conference record and an overall record of 24-3. St. John's outstanding .594 hitting percentage ultimately allowed them to dominate the Irish defense, and the Red Storm ultimately swept the match 3-0 (30-21, 30-24, 30-23).

"St. John's middles ran a very fast offense, and they were very efficient hitters," Stasiuk said. "Their defense and aggressive serving were tough to beat."

The Irish will continue their conference season this Friday with a home match against Georgetown, followed by another home match on Sunday against South Florida.

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## NFL

# Codefendants may weaken O.J. case

Associated Press

LAS VEGAS — Cutting deals with co-defendants to testify against O.J. Simpson could undercut prosecutors if they ever need to convince a jury the former football star is guilty of serious crimes, legal experts said Monday.

But that could happen only if the case makes it past a preliminary hearing next week before a judge whose main concern will be what the evidence is rather than where it came from. Of the five men charged with Simpson in a hotel-room confrontation with sports memorabilia dealers, three have agreed to plead guilty and testify against him.

"This is a basic prosecution tactic that is very effective," said Jody Armour, a criminal law professor at the University of Southern California. "Its greatest weakness is that the jury is going to hear from the defense that the only reason they're testifying is because they cut a deal that can benefit them."

Simpson co-defendant Michael McClinton told a judge Monday that he will plead guilty Nov. 13 to robbery and conspiracy to commit robbery. The 49-year-old Las Vegas man could end up being the star witness.

McClinton's lawyer said he can testify that Simpson asked him to bring guns to a room at a Las Vegas casino hotel to get items that Simpson said was his. That would contradict Simpson's claim that no guns were involved.

McClinton wielded a gun and acted like a police officer Sept. 13 when Simpson and the others allegedly robbed collectibles dealers Bruce Fromong and Alfred Beardsley, according to police reports. McClinton's lawyer said his client worked as a security guard and had a concealed weapons permit.

Authorities say memorabilia taken included football game balls signed by Simpson, Joe Montana lithographs, baseballs autographed by Pete Rose and

Duke Snider, photos of Simpson with the Heisman Trophy, and framed awards and plaques, together valued at as much as \$100,000, according to police reports.

New York defense lawyer Michael Shapiro called prosecution offers of plea deals and immunity "a standard way of building your case."

"Ultimately, it will come down to whether a jury will believe witnesses who have cut deals to testify," said Shapiro, who provided television commentary during the trial in which Simpson was acquitted of murder in the 1994 slayings of his wife, Nicole Brown Simpson, and her friend, Ronald Goldman.

McClinton's agreement to enter a plea was not a surprise, said Simpson lawyer Yale Galanter, who said he believed McClinton will be the final cooperating witness.

Walter Alexander, 46, a Simpson golfing buddy from Mesa, Ariz., has pleaded guilty to conspiracy to commit robbery, and Charles Cashmore, 40, a union laborer from Las Vegas, has pleaded guilty to felony accessory to robbery.

"What this comes down to is the real bad guys are pointing a finger at O.J., and the prosecution is giving away the courthouse to try to shore up their case," Galanter told The Associated Press. "We look forward to cross-examining these witnesses."

Simpson and co-defendants Clarence Stewart and Charles Ehrlich each face 12 criminal charges in the preliminary hearing beginning Nov. 8, including kidnapping, armed robbery, assault with a deadly weapon, conspiracy and coercion. A kidnapping conviction alone could result in a sentence of life in prison with parole.

McClinton could get no more than 11 years in prison under his plea deal; Alexander faces six years at most and Cashmore five years. All could receive probation after testifying.

## MLB

# Tigers acquire Renteria from Braves

Associated Press

DETROIT — The Detroit Tigers made the first splash in baseball's offseason as they addressed a pressing priority. Again.

Detroit filled its No. 1 void Monday, acquiring shortstop Edgar Renteria and cash from the Atlanta Braves for two prospects.

Shortly after reaching the World Series last season, the Tigers pulled off the first major move when they traded for Gary Sheffield.

"The Tigers don't wait around for the winter meetings, when all the owners and agents get involved," All-Star catcher Ivan Rodriguez told The Associated Press. "We got Sheffield early last year and now we got Renteria right away."

"I think this was a good move because Renteria is a great player, who is a winner with a championship under his belt."

Detroit hopes this year's deal at the start of the offseason, necessitated by shifting Carlos Guillen to first base, helps the franchise get back to the post-season after falling short this year with 88 wins.

"We were able to address our biggest need, heading into the winter, with one of the best shortstops in the game," Tigers president and general manager Dave Dombrowski said on a conference call.

Renteria, a five-time All-Star, hit .332 with 12 homers and 57 RBIs in 124 games with Atlanta this season.

In exchange for the 32-year-old Renteria, Detroit gave up right-hander Jair Jurrjens and

minor league outfielder Gorkys Hernandez.

"We gave up a couple of good players, but in order to acquire a player like Edgar we knew we had to give up some talent," Dombrowski said.

With Dombrowski running the front office and current Tigers manager Jim Leyland in the dugout for the Florida Marlins, Renteria ended a thrilling World Series Game 7 in 1997. His hit with two outs in the bottom of the 11th inning gave Florida its first World Series championship with a 3-2 win over the Cleveland Indians.

"I'm real happy to be a Detroit Tiger player," Renteria said. "I know Dave and Jim Leyland and I think I'm going to be comfortable in Detroit."

Leyland said the Tigers are "thrilled to death" to add Renteria.

"He was a part of the biggest night of my life in 1997," Leyland said. "To be reunited with Edgar is a thrill."

The Braves were willing to part with Renteria in what was Frank Wren's first major move since taking over as general manager because they have shortstop Yunel Escobar, who turns 25 later this week.

Wren replaced John Schuerholz, who moved up to team president after serving 17 years as GM, and made the deal with Dombrowski, whom he worked with in Florida and Montreal.

"John is the president of the club, and you deal with him like any club president," Wren said. "You inform him what you are doing, but don't necessarily give him a blow by blow."

Wren said the deal was only the first of the Braves' offseason moves.

They are eager to bolster their starting rotation, which was basically John Smoltz, Tim Hudson and pray for rain this past season. Getting rid of Renteria's salary provides flexibility to make additional deals.

"This trade wouldn't make much sense in a vacuum if it was the only deal we were going to make," Wren said.

Wren wouldn't reveal the amount of cash sent to Detroit to cover part of Renteria's contract, but said it wasn't as much as the \$8 million that Boston agreed to pay when it traded him to the Braves after the 2005 season. The Red Sox agreed to cover the \$3 million buyout if Renteria opts out of his \$11 million option for 2009.

Escobar showed enormous promise in his rookie season. The Cuban defector played all over the infield and batted .326 with five homers and 28 RBIs.

"We felt like this was the one area where we could acquire talent as well as put ourselves in position to make other moves," Wren said.

Jurrjens started seven games with Detroit last year and was 3-1 with a 4.70 ERA. He was 7-5 with a 3.20 ERA in 19 starts for Double-A Erie.

The native of Curacao allowed one hit in his second major league start, helping Detroit beat the AL-champion Cleveland Indians 2-1 in late August.

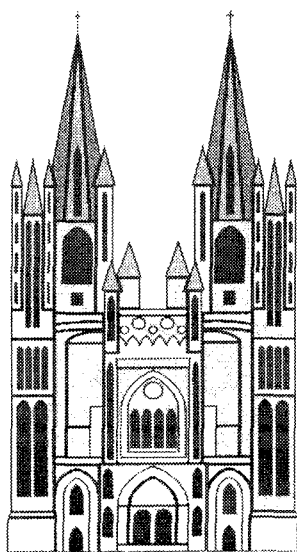
"For a young kid, he's got a good arm," Cleveland's Casey Blake said after the game.

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## NFL

# Favre TD pass tops Denver

Jennings catches 82-yard bomb in overtime for Green Bay victory

Associated Press

DENVER — Graybeard Brett Favre certainly isn't running low on arm strength or signature moments.

On the first play following the kickoff in overtime, Favre connected on an 82-yard touchdown pass with Greg Jennings and the Green Bay Packers defeated the Denver Broncos 19-13 on Monday night.

"I feel like I've been on some better teams, but it's hard to doubt this team," Favre said. "That was fun. I can't wait to watch the tape."

Denver had tied the score at 13 on Jason Elam's 21-yard field goal as time ran out in regulation, setting the stage for yet another Favre comeback.

Green Bay won the coin toss and on the first play, Jennings was matched up in man-to-man coverage on the left side. Favre, who threw a 79-yard touchdown pass to James Jones in the first half, hit Jennings in stride at the Denver 40. Cornerback Dre' Bly had no shot at catching the speedy wide receiver who trotted into the end zone as Favre rushed to celebrate Green Bay's first 6-1 start in five years.

It was the second-longest TD pass in NFL overtime history. On Nov. 10, 1985, Philadelphia Eagles quarterback Ron Jaworski and wide receiver Mike Quick combined on a 99-yard play.

"We knew if we could get by them we'd have a chance to score," Jennings said. "That's

what happened with James... Some people say we don't have speed but today we made it happen."

Some people were also saying Favre didn't have any more of those kinds of passes left in his arm.

Even Favre has suggested he's losing some zip.

"Brett will say, 'I don't know if I have anything left in the tank,' and we're thinking, 'What is this guy talking about?' He's 70 years old and overthrowing us in practice — a lot," Jennings said.

The Monday night stage has provided some of the best moments in Favre's career, from the incredible game in Oakland following the death of his father, to his game-winner to Antonio Freeman in overtime against Minnesota.

Add this to the list. Maybe it belongs at the top.

It was the Packers' first win in six trips to Denver and their first overtime win on the road since Dec. 12, 1983, at Tampa Bay, in Howard Cosell's last television broadcast.

The Broncos (3-4) sent it into overtime with a drive that began at their own 7 with 2:27 left.

Out of timeouts, the field goal unit scrambled onto the field and Elam calmly nailed the kick, just as he did two months ago when the Broncos ran the same fire drill to beat Buffalo as time expired in the opener.

"It's tough. Come down there tie it up and have a chance to win," Broncos' quarterback Jay Cutler said. "First, play, they

win it. That's Brett Favre. He's a quarterback that knows how to win and has been doing it for many years. It's still tough."

Favre, who had only thrown 20 passes over 20 yards all season as the underneath game worked so well, had butterflies when Elam tied it up.

"I was nervous as heck," he said. "I haven't been in too many overtime games. We got the ball and I figured we probably had one chance. If we don't go down and do something, this is probably it. Don't screw it up, whatever you do."

Denver almost had to share the spotlight with the Colorado Rockies, who were scheduled to play Game 5 of the World Series on Monday night at Coors Field before they were swept by the Boston Red Sox Sunday night.

Instead, they shared it with Favre, who was criticized for a series of underthrown passes against Washington last week.

Now he's 6-1 for the third time in his career.

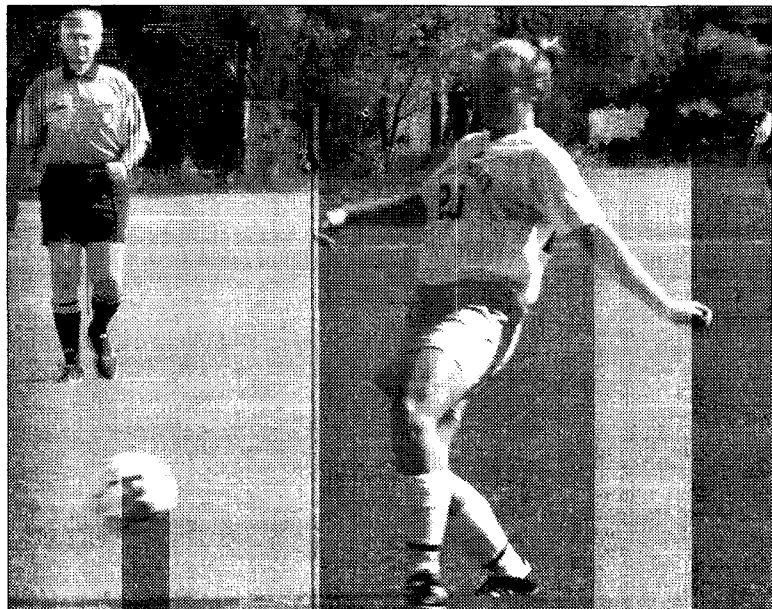
In 1996, Favre and the Packers parlayed a similar start into their Super Bowl title. The Packers also started out 6-1 in 2002, when they finished 12-4 but were done in by injuries and bounced out of the playoffs in the first round by Atlanta.

Looking nothing like his 38 years, Favre outshone Cutler, widely considered the only passer in the league whose arm strength can rival his.

Favre finished 21-of-27 for 331 yards and a 142.4 passer rating.

## SMC SOCCER

# Belles fall in first round of MIAA tournament



KATE FENLON/The Observer

Belles midfielder Corissa Hart passes upfield Sept. 29 in Saint Mary's scoreless tie at home against Olivet.

By MEAGHAN VESELIK  
Sports Writer

Saint Mary's drew its season to a close Saturday after a 1-0 loss to Hope in the first round of the MIAA tournament. The Belles finished their season with a conference record of 3-4-2 and overall at 7-5-5, landing them in fifth place for the conference.

The Belles played their last game Saturday in their third match against Hope this fall, and had their third loss against the Flying Dutchmen. They didn't score, but junior forward Lauren Hinton had three shots on goal and sophomore midfielder Katie Wehrli and sophomore defenseman Bridget Ronayne both came up with one.

Hinton finished conference play with four goals, placing her in the top 12 of the conference. She was followed by Wehrli and Katy Durkin, who both had three goals for Saint Mary's, and Bridget Ronayne and Julia Gragtmans with two.

The Belles scored 13 goals during conference play this season. Julia Gragtmans, Sarah DuBree and Wehrli all had two assists in the MIAA.

Saint Mary's was led on offense

by Lauren Hinton, who was sidelined with injury at the start of conference play, but made a strong comeback the rest of the season.

Her injuries, and those of sophomore Micki Hedinger, gave new players a lot of playing time and a chance to show their talent on the field. Freshman midfielder Gragtmans was a key player for the Belles this season, with six goals and multiple assists.

Senior goalkeeper Amy Mahoney made over 67 saves and helped the Belles win a tough match against Kalamazoo at the beginning of league play, and tie Albion, another strong team.

Scoring 29 total goals and a record of 7-5-5 is not a record-breaking season for the Belles, but they definitely showed themselves to be a team who didn't stop competing when they were down.

Saint Mary's will say good-bye to seniors Justine Higgins, DuBree and Amy Mahoney, but it has a powerful group of players remaining who are looking ahead to next year.

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## ND WOMEN'S GOLF

## Golfers not in top spot for first time

By LORENZO REYES  
Sports Writer

Notre Dame was kept busy over fall break, taking part in two tournaments, finishing in second and in a tie for fourth. The Lady Paladin Invitational, which took place Oct. 19-21 saw the Irish finish below first place for the first time all season.

After the first day, it looked as though the Irish would struggle at the Furman University Golf Course in Greenville, S.C., shooting 311 leaving them in a tie for eighth place. Notre Dame, however, shed six strokes off during their second round and finished the invitational with a tournament-best round of six-over par 294, putting them in second place out of the field of 18.

"In Furman, we really got off to a poor start and dug ourselves a pretty big hole," coach Susan Holt said. "We were able to recover from it though. We got better each day, and it helped our confidence going into Alabama."

TCU took the title during the three-day tournament shooting an 896 (300-297-299).

Continuing her solid freshman campaign, So-Hyun Park led the Irish golfers with a nine-over par 225 (80-72-73) leaving her in a tie for seventh place, marking the second time she has led the team all season.

Fellow freshman Katie Conway finished second for the Irish and 11th overall with her 11-over par 227 (75-79-73). Conway and Park both paced Notre Dame on the final round with one-over par 73

showings.

Sophomore Kristin Wetzel finished third for the Irish with her score of 230 (81-75-74), putting her in 17th-place, while junior co-captain Lisa Maunu fired a 16-over par 232 (75-80-77) for a 23rd-place tie.

Rounding out the Irish golfers was sophomore Annie Brophy, who finished tied for 49th with her mark of 21-over par 237 (84-79-74).

Notre Dame then headed to Tuscaloosa, Ala., for the Ann Rhoads Intercollegiate at the North River Yacht Club, which took place from Friday to Sunday, concluding the first half of Notre Dame's season.

The SEC held the top three spots of the tournament as Arkansas took the title with an 886 (295-300-291), followed by Auburn's 894 (301-300-293) and Florida's 896 (307-300-289).

The Irish, shooting a score 897 (298-300-299) finished in a tie for fourth with fellow Big East rival Louisville, who carded an 897 (297-299-301).

"We faced an extremely difficult course in Alabama," Holt said. "I've been coaching golf for eighteen years now and that was in the top-five toughest courses I've ever faced. It was demanding."

Park once again led all Irish golfers marking the third time all season with her two-over par 215 (73-72-70). In all of her tournaments this season, the freshman has finished in the top-seven.

Maunu was the second top-10 finisher for Notre Dame as she

carded a nine-over par 222 (75-74-73) on the tournament for 10th place.

Conway's top score of the tournament on the final round helped place her in 46th with her collective effort of 231 (77-78-76).

Brophy was in fourth place for the Irish and 47th overall, as she shot a 232 (75-76-81), while Wetzel finished in a seven-way tie for 54th, firing a 234 (75-79-80).

Now that the fall portion of the season has concluded, Holt doesn't want her players to get rusty over the offseason. Thanks to the Robert and Marilyn Rolfs Family All-Season Varsity Golf Facility, she won't have to worry about that any longer.

"The new facility will allow us to practice indoors everyday," Holt said. "We can putt, chip and drive indoors when there is snow on the ground, which will help us avoid rust. The new facility has helped us keep up with everyone else around the nation."

In terms of her preseason expectations, Holt feels as though her team is where they want to be.

"I think we're right on target," she said. "They set lofty goals, and what they've achieved lets them know they're spot on. Our goal is to go all the way. I think they will come out motivated in the spring. We all have one goal in mind — to make it to the NCAA Regionals and play in that second week of May."

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## ND MEN'S GOLF

## Irish tied for sixth after two rounds

By MICHAEL BRYAN  
Sports Writer

Notre Dame's fall season has been filled with ups and downs, and the roller coaster ride continued Monday at the UNCG Bridgestone Collegiate Championship in Greensboro, N.C.

Playing at Forest Oaks Country Club, Notre Dame looked to be in contention after a first round of four-over (292). Beginning the second round tied for first with College of Charleston, the Irish fell back five places with a 295 late Monday afternoon, tying them with No. 23 Central Florida.

North Carolina stands in first place after 36 holes, leading Kent State and Louisville by a single stroke. The Tar Heels lead the Irish by seven shots with a team score of four-over.

Leading Notre Dame was junior Josh Sandman, a Greensboro native, who finished the day tied for second. Irish coach Jim Kubinski said he had anticipated a good performance from Sandman in his homecoming.

"We were excited to see what Josh could do on his home course," Kubinski said.

Sandman shot an opening

round of 68 to tie for first at four-under. After cooling off with an even-par second round, Sandman trails Louisville's Derek Fathauer by two strokes.

Sandman has been the first-half leader of the Irish, firing rounds 73 or below in 10 of his first 12 starts this fall. The junior's 68 was the low round for the Irish so far this season.

Senior captain Greg Rodgers and sophomore Doug Fortner tied for second out of Irish players with totals of four-over. The pair of Notre Dame starters sits in a tie for 29th overall.

Sophomore Kyle Willis is tied for 49th after rounds of 75 and 76. Willis's four-over second round was punctuated by an early triple bogey on the par-4 third hole.

Kubinski said the difference in the two rounds was getting enough good scores to keep the Irish on top.

"Our goal was to post four good scores each round, that's always the key," Kubinski said.

An overnight frost advisory in Greensboro will push up Tuesday's tee times for the third and final round, with the Irish now set to go off at 9:30.

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# Hanks

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as well as a 10-game win streak.

During the streak, the Irish have outscored opponents 34-5 and taken 188 shots to their opponents' 67. Junior forward Brittany Bock scored 10 goals and had three assists during the streak, while Hanks scored five goals and had nine assists.

The Irish have played the last four games without senior captain and forward Amanda Cinalli and the last eight games without sophomore defender Haley Ford.

## Notre Dame 4, Providence 0

Hanks opened the scoring in the 34th minute on a penalty kick. Friars senior keeper Laura Elfers slide-tackled Hanks in the left side of the box as Hanks chased a through-ball, and Hanks put the shot past Elfers in the right-hand side of the net.

The score remained 1-0 until the second half, when junior midfielder Rebecca Mendoza slid a shot from the far side inside the near post in the 47th minute. Mendoza scored again, in the 54th minute, when the ball rebounded after a corner kick to the top of the box. Mendoza shot the ball into the near-side corner.

Senior forward Susan Pinnick scored the final goal in the 86th minute. A long pass from sophomore midfielder Micaela Alvarez led Pinnick into the offensive third behind the defense, and Pinnick faked right before shooting the ball

low and to the left of Elfers into the far side of the net.

Mendoza's goals doubled her previous career total.

## Notre Dame 2, Connecticut 1 (OT)

Huskie sophomore midfielder Annie Yi struck first, scoring in the 26th minute. Yi found an opening on the right side of the box and put a tough shot into the far side of the net.

The score stayed at 1-0 until the 86th minute on a corner kick that found the upper right-hand corner of the net. Four minutes into the overtime period, junior defender Elise Weber's cross found Bock in the box, whose header found the back of the net for the game-winning goal.

The Irish are now 17-4-3 all-time against Connecticut.

## Notre Dame 3, Seton Hall 1

Weber, Pinnick and freshman defender Lauren Fowlkes, who had combined for five goals before the game, each scored a goal in the victory.

Weber scored first in the 37th minute on a direct free kick from the left side. The ball skipped off the wet ground and found the right corner of the goal.

Pinnick scored just after halftime on a cross from Hanks. Driving down the right sideline, Hanks crossed the ball from the end line to Pinnick in front of the net. Pinnick's shot went inside the far corner to make the score 2-0.

Seton Hall scored after a handball outside Notre Dame's box in the 70th minute. The

ensuing penalty kick hit the Irish wall, and after a rebound from freshman midfielder Nikki Gross' shot, sophomore forward Kate Andreski put the ball past senior keeper Lauren Karas to cut the deficit to one.

In the 83rd minute, Bock redirected a Hanks free kick to Fowlkes on the far post, where Fowlkes controlled the ball and shot it inside the post to make the score 3-1.

## Notre Dame 3, Rutgers 1

Rutgers didn't have a shot on goal until the second half during the latest of Notre Dame's wins against conference opponents.

Rutgers held the first lead over the Irish in the past 10 games when they scored in the 20th minute. Junior forwards Kristen Edmonds put a high pass from sophomore forward Jennifer Anzuvin past Karas to take a 1-0 lead.

Hanks again scored on a penalty kick after a slide-tackle from behind. She shot the ball into the corner of the net in the 32nd minute to tie the game.

Pinnick gave the Irish the lead in the 38th after a Hanks free kick. Junior defender Carrie Dew redirected the kick with a header that bounced off the post, and Pinnick put her shot past a charging keeper.

Mendoza scored on another assist from Hanks in the 71st minute. Hanks brought the ball up the middle of the field and passed to Mendoza, who chipped the ball over the keeper.

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# Big East

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Providence notching a late goal to tie it up. Lapira found senior defender Ryan Miller for the second Irish goal in the 65th minute.

Notre Dame was unable to hold on to the slim lead and the game ended after two scoreless overtime periods.

"We were playing well, and that's the key," Clark said. "If you play well, nine out of ten times you will come out on top."

The Irish played well in their first two games during the break coming away with a pair of shutouts over Seton Hall (2-0) and Pittsburgh (3-0).

Senior Alex Yoshinaga scored his second goal of the season, as well setting up a Seton Hall own goal in a win over the Pirates on Oct. 21.

The Irish took the lead in the 18th minute when Yoshinaga took a free kick from the left side that deflected off a Pirate and past Seton Hall keeper Paul McHenry for a 1-0 advantage.

Yoshinaga put one in on his own in the second half when he tipped in a Besler throw-in. The long throw reached the front of

the net and Yoshinaga deflected it low for his second goal of the season.

"It was good to see him get another goal, I hope there is going to be a few more of those before the year is over," Clark said.

The win ended a three-game winless streak for the Irish, who lost games to Indiana and Michigan State and tied No. 1 Connecticut.

The team stayed hot with another big individual effort in their 3-0 win over the Panthers. Sophomore midfielder Justin Morrow buried two goals in the first five minutes of the contest to put it virtually out of reach for Pittsburgh.

"[Morrow has] two good feet and great wheels. He is really starting to become an impact player."

Lapira picked up assists on both of the goals, bringing his season total to six assists and 18 points, both team highs.

Notre Dame will play its final regular season game at Georgetown on Saturday with a chance to guarantee a Big East Championship and top seed in the upcoming conference tournament with a win.

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## Recruits

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irisheyes.com, said the coaching staff did a great job telling Floyd and Gray that the future looks bright, despite a 1-7 performance so far this season.

"It's really quite amazing to have a loss like that they were able to land two of these guys on an unofficial visit," Frank said. "I think that says a lot about the coaching staff and their ability to sell the future of this program. There wasn't a whole lot to grasp onto in that game, so they had to do an excellent job selling them on the future of the program."

Floyd was one of Notre Dame's top targets from the beginning. The 6-foot-3, 200-pound receiver should add more size to Notre Dame's receiving corps. Aside from tight end John Carlson, Notre Dame's leading receivers are 6-foot-4 sophomore Robbie Parris and 6-foot-5 freshman Duval Kamara. Floyd's size and athleticism should make him a contender to play right away, Frank said, and his commitment to Notre Dame helped fill its need for a top-tier receiver in this class.

"The sky is the limit for him," Frank said. "A lot of people have said a lot of things about him but

to me, he reminds me a whole lot of Terrell Owens. He's a big, physical kid that moves a lot faster than a lot of people think ... He has unbelievable potential. He's a good route-runner, good in special teams. He's just going to be a great player. That was such a big commitment for Notre Dame. That's just a huge commitment for Notre Dame. That was probably the best thing that could've happened to Charlie Weis other than beating USC."

While the Irish offered Floyd a scholarship as soon as NCAA rules said they could, they were reluctant at first to offer a scholarship to Gray because he did not attend Notre Dame's camp for prospective recruits over the summer.

In August, Gray committed to Nebraska. But since former coach Tom Osborne became athletic director at Nebraska, the future of current coach Bill Callahan's job is in question, causing Gray and other recruits at Nebraska to take back their commitments. The unstable situation at Nebraska, combined with the longtime affection Gray has for Notre Dame, caused him to commit once the Irish made the offer.

"He went to Nebraska and really liked the coaching staff and really liked the players and said 'I like what I see here,' and he went ahead and pulled the trigger with

Nebraska," Frank said. "Then when things there got a little bit shaky, Notre Dame said, 'Hey why don't you come take a look down here. Just take a look.' I think we all had a suspicion that if they offered him, Notre Dame would be a tough school to beat because he just had such a high opinion of Notre Dame."

With the slow start and lack of offensive production this season, the coaching staff gained 23 verbal commitments from highly-touted recruits by selling the fact that they can come in and make a difference right away. It also helps that Notre Dame has other attractions to offer its recruits, Frank said.

"They did a good job of letting these kids now that, 'Hey we're going through some times right now that really aren't a whole lot of fun, but look at the talent that we had coming in, look at our track record, look at what we're doing on defense. We're not afraid to play young guys, and if you come here, you can play right away,'" Frank said. "Of course, Notre Dame has a lot of advantages when it comes to academics and things like that already built in, so you throw that in with the opportunity to play early, play on national television."

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## Jackson

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The normal college schedule features weekend games allowing the teams to practice Monday through Friday, but so far this season Notre Dame has played mid-week games in each of the first two weeks of the season.

"Right now it's about getting a little more patient with the puck and doing some more creative things," Jackson said.

The offense had trouble getting on track in their second game against Denver.

Pioneers forward Alex Maiani scored a goal midway through the final period to break a 1-1 tie with his second goal of the year. Maiani stuffed home a long rebound after Irish goaltender Jordan Pearce turned away the initial chance. Pearce made 25 saves on 27 shots and Denver added an empty-net goal in the final minute of the game.

"[Pearce] has done a great job for us. He puts us in a good position to win every night," Irish coach Jeff Jackson said.

Pearce has started all seven games between the pipes this season and has racked up 163 saves with a goals-against average of 2.16 — good enough for fourth in the conference in both categories.

Pearce and the Irish opened play in the CCHA when they traveled to Bowling Green.

Four different players scored for Notre Dame including goals on the power play and penalty kill.

Senior captain Mark Van Guilder got things started with a goal on the power play — his fourth of the year. Van Guilder's goal tied the score at 1-1 in the final minutes of the first period.

The Falcons took the lead back early in the second period when their own captain, Derek Whitmore, tipped a Dan Sexton pass by Pearce for his third tally

on the season.

Notre Dame answered with goals from junior Garrett Regan and senior Evan Rankin. Junior center Erik Condra finally capped the Irish offense with a shorthanded goal four minutes into the third.

Notre Dame looked solid during a 3-2 win over Ferris State on Friday night. Rankin, sophomore wing Ryan Thang and freshman Ben Ryan all scored for the Irish, who held a 3-0 lead with 10 minutes left in the game.

Ryan has had a hot start to his collegiate career with two goals and five assists in his first seven games.

"He competes extremely hard. He's not afraid to get physical and he gets his nose dirty," Jackson said.

"He is only one point behind Miami's Justin Mercier and Carter Camper for the conference lead in points."

Ryan and the rest of the Irish offense were unable to get anything going in the second game against Bulldogs goalie Mitch O'Keefe, who racked up 37 saves to pick up his first shutout of the season in a 3-0 win.

"[O'Keefe] played well against us last February," Jackson said. "Every time we've played him he played well against us. It's just a matter of us having to create more situations."

Notre Dame was 0-for-10 on power-play opportunities on the night and failed to create any traffic in front of the Ferris State crease.

The Irish will have another shortened week of practice before playing Lake Superior State on Thursday night at the Joyce Center.

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## ND Women's Swimming

# Minnesota hands Irish road dual meet loss

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In their second dual meet of the season and their first away from Notre Dame, the Irish women fell to Minnesota 199-101, winning four of the meet's 16 events.

"I thought we did really well," Notre Dame coach Carrie Nixon said. "Minnesota is a really tough team, and we knew it would be a tough meet. But we had some really great swims from a few girls."

Junior diver Laura Rings took two of the four events the Irish won, beating Minnesota's Alex Barstad in the one-meter and three-meter diving competitions with scores of 270.97 and 279.0, respectively.

"Laura just came back from a two-year hiatus from the sport," said Nixon. "And she's done an incredible job as a team leader."

Sophomore Natalie Stitt also beat out Barstad in the one-meter dive and finished in second place, while freshman Heidi Grossman finished third in the three-meter dive.

The other two first-place finishes for the Irish belonged to freshman Katie Casey and junior Christa Riggins. Casey won the 200-yard butterfly with a time of 2:01.09, besting Minnesota's freshman Molly Belk by 1.8 seconds.

Nixon has been pleased with Casey's performance so far this year.

"She had mono for the majority of the summer, and she's done an incredible job coming off of that illness and training really well," Nixon said.

Riggins won the 200-yard freestyle, finishing in 1:49.29 and beating out Golden Gophers junior Jenny Shaughnessy by .18 seconds. Both Casey and Riggins improved on the times they posted in the previous dual

meet against USC and earned NCAA 'B' cut times. Riggins also posted solid third-place finishes in the 50-yard and 100-yard freestyle events.

"I'm insanely proud of [Riggins]," Nixon said. "She's enjoying the whole swimming atmosphere and has stepped into a leadership role. She is a joy to coach and has been really receptive in making changes to some of her strokes."

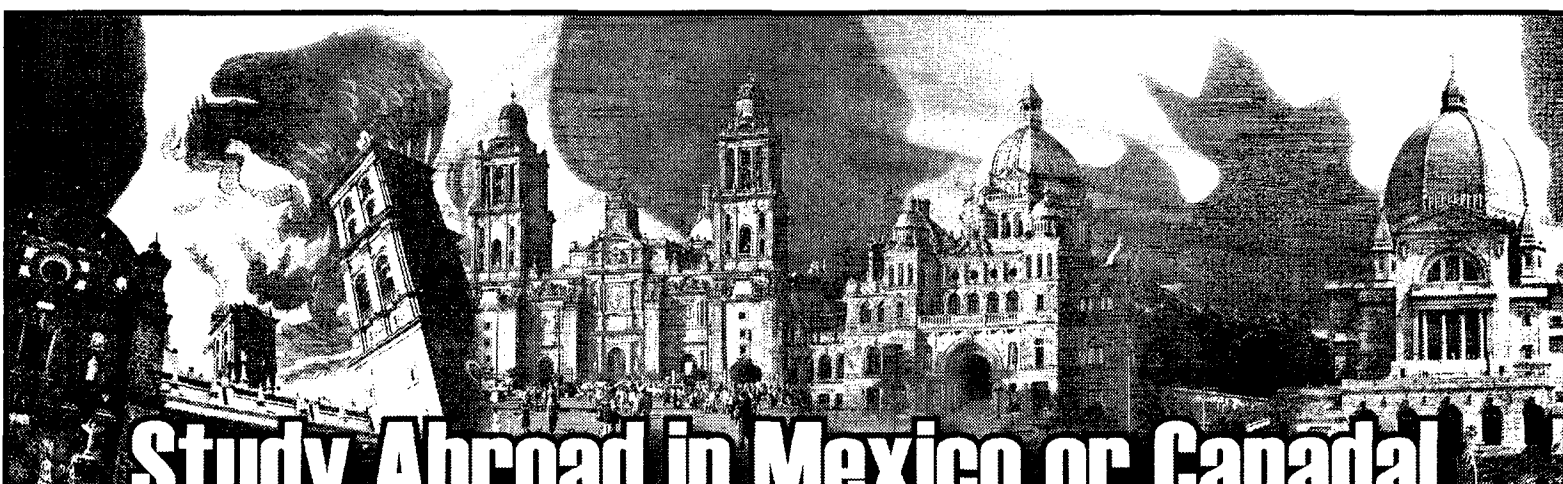
Freshmen Lauren Sylvester and Amywren Miller also turned in solid performances for the Irish. Sylvester finished second in the 1,000-yard freestyle with a time of 9:59.47, just over eight seconds behind Minnesota junior Yuen Kobayashi. Sylvester was able to beat out Minnesota junior Christine Jennings by a mere .12 seconds to hang on to her second-place finish. Miller earned her second-place finish with a time of 23.42 in the 50-yard freestyle, only .21 seconds behind Minnesota junior Stacy Busack.

Freshman Sam Maxwell was the source of two more bright spots for the Irish, finishing second in two of her races. In the 100-yard breaststroke, she clocked in at 1:03.40, 1.6 seconds behind Minnesota freshman Jillian Tyler. Tyler was also victorious in the 200-yard breaststroke, but Maxwell stayed closer, posting a time of 2:16.01, only .61 seconds off Tyler's pace.

Nixon said the Irish accomplished a lot against the Golden Gophers, even though they weren't able to pull out the victory.

"Obviously you always want to try to win," she said. "But we learned a lot, and it was important to come out of the meet with something good."

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## HOCKEY

# Growing pains

*Jackson says practice time will help team gel*

By DAN MURPHY  
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No. 13 Notre Dame opened up conference play with two wins and a loss during fall break, another week in which the Irish have had little time for practice amid a game-punctuated early season schedule.

The Irish (4-3, 2-1 CCHA) beat Bowling Green 4-2 on Oct. 23 before splitting a weekend series with Ferris State last week.

The team also dropped a 3-1 decision to No. 5 Denver Oct. 19 to start the week.

Irish coach Jeff Jackson attributed the team's early struggles to youth and a lack of practice time.

"It's important that we get down to some basics," he said. "Next week will be our first full week of practice."

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Irish center Kevin Deeth takes the puck up the ice during Notre Dame's 4-3 win over No. 7 Denver on Oct. 18 at the Joyce Center.

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## FOOTBALL RECRUITING

# Irish add recruits over break

*Floyd, Gray commit after loss to Trojans*

By CHRIS HINE  
Sports Editor

Following one of the most historic losses in Notre Dame's history, Michael Floyd and Jonas Gray reminded Irish fans that shutout losses to USC and Michigan should be a thing of the past.

Floyd, a wide receiver from Saint Paul, Minn., and Gray, a running back from Beverly Hills, Mich., verbally committed to Notre Dame last week after USC's 38-0 drubbing of the Irish, and added their names to the top-rated recruiting class in the country. Mike Frank, who covers Notre Dame recruiting for

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## SMC CROSS COUNTRY

# Belles take fourth at MIAA for best season ever

By MATT GAMBER  
Sports Writer

It's official — this season has been the best in Saint Mary's history.

With a fourth-place finish in Saturday's MIAA championship meet, the Belles secured the fourth spot in the final season standings, surpassing last year's fifth-place finish as tops in the program's history, and accomplished a goal that has been the team's focus all year.

Senior Megan Gray led the

Belles, as she has in every meet for the past two years, finishing second overall and grabbing first team all-conference honors for the second consecutive season.

"I tend to go into each race with the attitude that it's just another run," Gray said. "When the race started, I just ran how I felt, and I felt good, strong — and it worked out well for me."

Belles coach Jackie Bauters praised Gray's performance, especially considering its setting in a crucial meet.

"Megan ran an amazing race,"

Bauters said. "I knew she wanted to break into the top five after finishing sixth at the [MIAA] Jamboree, but I wasn't sure how big a leap she'd make. It was exciting to watch her take the lead of the pack and never lose it. She's in unbelievable shape heading into the regional meet."

Solid finishes from freshmen Sam Wiczorek (22nd place), Catie Salyer (23rd) and Stephanie Waite (27th) and sophomore Megan McClowry (25th) allowed Saint Mary's to pull away from fifth-place Kalamazoo, while finishing

behind Calvin, the dominant conference champion, Albion and Hope.

Though MIAA competition has come to a close, nine Belles runners will continue their seasons by training for the NCAA Division III Regionals, held at Calvin on Nov. 10, with the hopes of qualifying for the national meet Nov. 17.

"I'd love to qualify again, but I just want to have a good race and feel strong," Gray said. "I'd say the same for the other girls on the team — it's a 3.67 mile run that I know they can rock, and they will

because they can."

Regardless of what happens from here, the conference success the team shared will not be lost on Gray — or the rest of the program, for that matter.

"I can't stress enough how amazing [Bauters] has been as a coach," Gray said. "I've been on this team for four years and have just seen it blossom under her control. I'm so excited to see where this program will be headed in the future."

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## ND WOMEN'S SOCCER

# Hanks shines in Big East wins

By BILL BRINK  
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Junior forward Kerri Hanks became the 19th player in NCAA history to reach 50 goals and 50 assists Sunday when she scored a goal and had two assists in Notre Dame's 3-1 win over Rutgers.

Hanks is only the third player ever to reach the milestone before her senior season; the other two were Notre Dame's Jenny Streiffer and North Carolina's Mia Hamm.

The Irish won four games over the break, against Providence and Connecticut at home and against Seton Hall and Rutgers on the road, to conclude the regular season undefeated in Big East play. They have a record of 13-4-1 as well as a 10-game win



## MEN'S SOCCER

# Squad undefeated in conference play

By DAN MURPHY  
Associate Sports Editor

No. 7 Notre Dame returned to its winning ways over fall break, going 2-0-1 in three Big East contests and gaining sole possession of first place in the conference.

The Irish (10-3-4, 7-0-3) are the only unbeaten club in the conference and currently hold a two-point lead over Connecticut with one regular season game left to play.

"One of our goals is to win the league championship — it is a true measure of your success," Irish coach Bobby Clark said. "Our destiny lies in our own hands, and you can't ask for

anything more than that."

Notre Dame could have clinched the title with a win over Providence on Sunday, but the game ended in a 2-2 draw.

Junior captain Matt Besler got the scoring started when he headed in a Joseph Lapira free kick from the left side.

The Friars kept it close in the back-and-forth battle by putting one in with under a minute remaining in the first half. Junior Nick Cianci scored the goal for Providence and Jonathon Medcalf was credited with the assist.

The second half went much the same way as the first, with Notre Dame scoring first and Providence notching a late goal to tie it up. Lapira found senior