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Leaders must understand liberty, Barr says

Libertarian politician speaks on lack of leadership during visit to campus

By KAITLYNN RIELY Associate News Editor

Supreme Court Justice Louis Brandeis had it right, former congressman Bob Barr said, when he said the

greatest danger to liberty lurks in the minds of men who lack

understanding. Barr, the presidential candidate for the Libertarian Party, spoke Friday at Washington Hall about the "vacuum of leadership" in the United States, a trend he believes manifests itself in the

Democratic and Republican Party presidential tickets this fall.

To fulfill the job of being president of the United States, leaders must understand liberty, Barr said. "America is not a military. America is not an econo-

my. America is freedom, liberty and the job of the see SPEECH/page 6

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Libertarian presidential candidate Bob Barr spoke in Washington Hall Friday. Barr emphasized his belief that presidents must understand liberty.

Presidential candidate details campaign goals

By KAITLYNN RIELY Associate News Editor

Although Libertarian presidential candidate Bob Barr, 59, receives far less media attention than the two major party candidates, Sens. Barack Obama and John McCain, he maintains the schedule of a prime contender.

Barr finished giving a speech in Washington Hall shortly after 4 p.m., then rushed over to O'Shaughnessy to do an interview with NPR before leaving Notre Dame to speak at another college campus that evening. On his way to the radio interview, as the Notre Dame Marching Band began its Friday afternoon reper-

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Colleges to host int'l conference

Collaborative event will focus on French-American themes

By JENN METZ News Editor

An international conference focused on the future of revolutionary studies will begin Monday at the University, as part of a collaboration of scholars from Notre Dame. Indiana University South Bend (IUSB), the Université de Provence and the Université de Toulouse.

The conference, titled "New Paradigms for Revolutionary Studies: French-American Colloquium," features several Francophone and Anglophone scholars in literature, history and art, including Lynn Hunt, a Eugen Weber Professor of History at the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA), who will deliver the keynote address.

Hunt's lecture, titled "Revolution and Subjectivity: Towards a New Paradigm? will take place Monday at 7 p.m. in the Annenberg Auditorium in the Snite Museum of Art.

The full conference program, with lectures held both in 100 McKenna Hall and at the IUSB Student Activity Center, is posted on the con-

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Duncan dedicated with mass, reception

By AARON STEINER News Writer

Residents and benefactors gathered with University officials Friday to dedicate Duncan Hall, the first dorm built on the Notre Dame Campus since 1997.

The Board of Trustees and the Duncan family, including hall benefactor Raymond Duncan and his wife, Sally Duncan, were invited to attend a dedication mass, hall blessing, and reception at the dorm, organized by dorm staff and residents.

The Duncan family and Board of Trustees were also invited to a formal dinner with hall staff and hall government representatives at South Dining Hall, following the dedication ceremony and reception at the hall.

Assistant Rector Dan Allen said the events were a suc-

"It was a very positive reception overall," he said. 'You could really see a sense of gratification on the faces of the Duncans.

"It was nice to see how

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A plaque and portrait of Raymond and Sally Duncan in the Duncan Hall lobby were blessed Friday during the dorm's dedication.

Forum to address Exec. stipend | ND student

By LIZ HARTER Saint Mary's Editor

Saint Mary's students with questions or concerns about the Student Government Association (SGA) budget discussed during last week's Board of Governance (BOG) meeting will have the chance to voice their opinions and find answers at an Open Forum for the SMC Student Body on the subject today at 5 p.m. in the Student Center Lounge.

Senior Sarah Voss planned the event after hearing about the issues raised by members of BOG about the budget, specifically the \$20,000 stipend Executive Board allotted for themselves.

The budget was prepared by executive treasurer Mo

Weaver, and voted on by student body president Mickey Gruscinski, student body vice president Sarah Falvey, chief of staff Lauren

Theiss, Student Activities Board Coordinator (SAB)Michele Peterson, Residence

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(RHA) coordinator Maura Student Clougherty, Diversity Board coordinator Adriana Rodriguez and executive secretary Jenny Hoffman, who has previously written for The Observer, and lays out the allocation of funding for the \$243,040 which SGA received from the student government fees each full-time student pays

The budget is a recommendation for President of Student Affairs Karen Johnson and Director of Student Involvement and **BOG** advisor Patrick Daniel who will either approve or reject it, Falvey said Wednesday.

The Executive Board can choose whether or not they wish to accept this money for their services to SGA and the student body.

"Last year was the first year they did [take a stipend]," Weaver said at the meeting Wednesday. "They told us about it at the end of last year so it was something we needed to vote on.

"This year we're looking at things like making

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reports rape

Observer Staff Report

The South Bend Tribune reported Sunday that a female student at the University was reportedly raped by a male acquaintance at an off-campus apartment early Friday.

According to the Tribune, police said the victim was with the suspect at an offcampus apartment shortly after 1 a.m.

The victim stated she was engaged in kissing and touching with the suspect, who is also a student at the University, according to the Tribune.

The Tribune reported the victim said that the male suspect committed sex acts with her against her will and refused to stop when she said to.

The victim went to Memorial Hospital in South Bend for treatment later that night, and police were called to investigate, according to the Tribune.

The Tribune reported that no charges have yet been filed against the suspect.

Inside Column

In another's shoes

On Sept. 1, The Observer ran a story about Architecture students who had the opportunity to almost literally be disabled for a day.

Some of them became physically disabled. They were in wheel chairs or had to use crutches.

Others had to wear blindfolds in order to simulate blindness.

I'll admit, at the time, I felt bad for these students, and maybe a little smug. I was secretly glad I didn't have to do

anything like that. Of course, I was wrong about that, and the sad thing is: I should've seen it coming.

Mandi Stirone

Assistant News Editor

I'm taking a sign language class this semester with three of my friends.

I'll admit that when I signed up for it, I was just looking to finally have a class with my friends, and maybe learn something that could be classified as "cool."

I probably should have known I would be getting more than I bargained for.

We are going to be getting two out-ofclass practice assignments to help us better understand "deaf culture.

We are supposed to go into some public place, like a store, and try to do something completely ordinary, like buy something. For the first one we're not allowed to have an interpreter. For the second assignment, we are going to be allowed to have an interpreter.

We have to do the first assignment sometime this week.

Now, I must say that I do like this class. I'm actually learning a lot and I can communicate using the language, sort of.

At this point I can really only ask someone's name, where they're from, and whether or not they like something.

Oh, and we learned how to say we're hungry and thirsty, two very important things for college students to be able to

All that being said, the idea of going somewhere and trying to perform some common function without the use of my voice while pretending I can't hear whatever poor soul I inflict myself upon is far from my idea of fun. I get it, it's educational, and I'm really going to get a feel for what this is like.

Honestly though, I'm a little scared and slightly ashamed by this exercise.

I can probably predict what is going to happen because the way the person will most likely react will be how I would in the same situation.

The difference is I can actually hear them when they inevitably raise their voice until they're shouting at me even though, were I actually deaf, it would do them no good. I will both be embarrassed by their frustration and appalled because I would probably feel the same way if our places were exchanged.

I haven't done the exercise yet, but I am already thinking and feeling what it is probably aimed at making me think and feel.

It makes me wonder how people with disabilities can go though life without lashing out at people who react that way. Thinking of that, I am amazed that people do react the way they do.

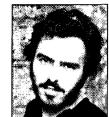
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QUESTION OF THE DAY: WHAT'S YOUR FAVORITE CLIMBING HOLD?



Sawyer Negro

Senioroff-campus

"Slopper."



Viki Mair

Grad student O'Hara Grace

"Knee bar."



Jonathan Callahan

Senior off-campus

"Jesus jug"



Jose No

Grad student off-campus

"Undercling."



Ayan Paul

Grad student off-campus

"Anything that gets me to the top.'



Dom Wiraset

Grad student off-campus

"Pinch."



The Alumni Band performs for the remaining fans and students at the end of Notre Dame's 28-21 win over Stanford Saturday.

OFFBEAT

"Smoot" measurement's source returns to MIT

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. The father of a measurement known as the "Smoot" returned Saturday to be honored the at Massachusetts Institute of Technology, the school where he and his fraternity brothers invented it 50 years ago

shortest pledge in the Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity in 1958 when its members decided to lav him on the Massachusetts Avenue Bridge. After discovering Smoot measured 5 feet 7. they marked the bridge in

those increments, with an eventually exhausted Smoot getting up and down for each new measurement.

They soon determined the bridge was 364.4 Smoots

Today, Google.com's calculator function can convert measurement into Smoots.

Oliver Smoot was the Texas man finds giant tooth on property

CAPLEN — A homeowner whose beachfront property in Texas was destroyed during Hurricane Ike has found a football-size fossil tooth in the debris.

Dorothy Sisk and her col-

league, Lamar University paleontologist Jim Westgate, visited her Bolivar Peninsula home after lke hit. Together they found something unusual in Sisk's front yard: a 6pound fossil tooth.

Westgate believes the fossil is from a Columbian mammoth common in North America until around 10,000 years ago.

The tooth, which looks like a series of boot soles or slices of bread wedged together, is expected to be sent to the Texas Memorial Museum in Austin.

Information compiled from the Associated Press.

WEDNESDAY

IN BRIEF

A lecture entitled "Environmental Brokers and the American Wilderness" will be given by Annie Gilbert Coleman, associate professor and director of graduate studies, Department of History, tonight. It will be in 116 DeBartolo Hall at 4:30 p.m. and is presented by the American Studies Department.

NDVotes '08 Pizza, Pop, and Politics: "Foreign Policy and National Security" will be presented by professors Mary Ellen O'Connell, Robert and Marion Short, Law School: Michael Desch. political science; and Joseph Bock, Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies. It will be held in the Hesburgh Center Auditorium on Tues, at 5:30 p.m. and is free and open to the public. This event is cosponsored by the Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies and the Center for Social Concerns.

Students can participate in Mindfulness and Relaxation Training. The 3-session class will be held at Rolfs Sports Recreation Center from 4-5 p.m. on Wed. Come wearing loose, warm, comfortable clothing. It is co-sponsored by the University Counseling Center and RecSports. Students can sign up RecRegister recsports.nd.edu. Cost is \$12.00.

"The Mushroom Picker" a oneman play, performed by Patrick Dewane in the Philbin Studio Theatre, DeBartolo Performing Arts Center on Wed. at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$10, \$8 for faculty /staff, and \$5 for seniors citizens/veterans/ students. It is presented by The Nanovic Institute for European Studies and Shakespeare at Notre Dame

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Barr stirs Libertarians on campus

By KAITLYNN RIELY Associate News Editor

Junior Mark Flanagan and sophomore Ben Linskey think a lot more people at Notre Dame would vote Libertarian if they knew what libertarianism was.

"I think there's a lot of people who either choose to be Republicans or Democrats because they don't understand what libertarianism is about," Flanagan said. "As of now, when I say I'm a libertarian or talk to people about libertarianism, their first question is,

What is that?' And then I have to explain it to them."

Flanagan and Linskey could be biased in their thinking, since they are the co-presidents of the Notre Dame chapter of the College Libertarians. But when invited Libertarian Presidential candidate Bob Barr to campus on Friday, a substantial number of students showed up to hear him speak, filling most of the lower level of Washington Hall.

Flanagan said it seemed as though people were engaged

during the speech and liked what Barr had to say.

Flanagan and Linskey estimated that 50 to 100 Notre Dame students would vote Libertarian in the Nov. 4 presidential elec-

But Linskey said a lot of people who identify themselves as Republican or Democrat would be surprised at the disparity between their beliefs and what the candidates they support actually believe.

Upon closer reflection, he said, some of these people might find the Libertarian Party most closely represents their views.

"In this election," Flanagan said, "people would be more willing to vote Libertarian than in prior elections because of the failure of this administration, and because of the lack of choice with the major two candidates.'

But in the American political system, the choice is usually just that — between two candidates. Barr is not even on the ballot in every state.

But saying you will not vote for a candidate who probably won't win is a circular argument, Flanagan said.

"If you never vote for someone, then of course they are not going to win," he said. "So it has to start somewhere.'

A group of people has to start voting for the third party candidate, so that other people will join them, he said.

"That's why this election is important, to show that there is a substantial percentage that do want something different, and that they do need to listen to this," Flanagan said.

Flanagan said the College Libertarians club has about 10 to 15 active members this year.

Leading up to the presidential election, the club plans to participate in three public debates with the College Democrats and Republicans. They said they also plan to hand out copies of the U.S. Constitution and promote awareness about civil rights. Using the money allocated to the club from the University, Linskey said the club is planning to purchase various Bob Barr and Libertarian Party merchandise.

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ND students stage Gitmo protest

Demonstration meant to increase awareness about naval base prison

By KAITLYNN RIELY Associate News Editor

Clad in orange jumpsuits, some with their hands bound and others with black hoods covering their heads, a few Notre Dame students stood imprisoned Friday inside a barrier of chicken wire at the base of the flagpole on South Quad.

The all-day demonstration was intended to raise awareness and protest U.S. actions at the military prison at the American naval base in Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, where persons alleged to be militant combatants are being held, said senior Catherine McKinney, the president of Human Rights-ND, the student chapter of human rights organization Amnesty International.

The basic goal was to make it as shocking as possible," she

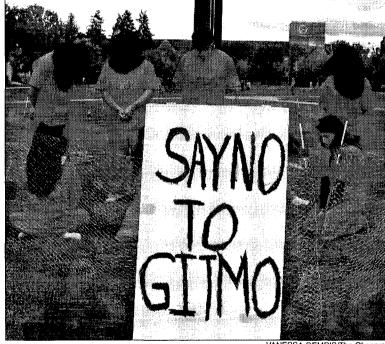
Sophomore Mary Dewey was standing against the flagpole in an orange jumpsuit, with a black hood covering her head, at 2 p.m. Friday as students, alumni, parents and visitors walked around South Quad. The experience of being "imprisoned" for four hours was "pretty intense," she said.

Most people who walked by wanted to talk more about the issue of the detention of prisoners at Guantanamo, she said, but a fair number of people came up and argued with the demonstrators, asking if they support terrorism.

'Our response to that is we absolutely do not support terrorism," Dewey said, but that they do support human rights. Dewey said she does not think the Guantanamo Bay detention center is effective, nor does it make the United States more secure.

The way the United States treats so-called enemy combatants has a negative impact on our security here and around the world." she said.

The main point of Friday's demonstration was to get people to talk about the situation in Guantanamo Bay, said sophomore David Rivera, who was



Students gathered on South Quad Friday to protest U.S. actions at the military prison at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba.

standing inside the chicken wire in an orange jumpsuit with his hands bound and his feet bare. Torture, he said, is not an effective tactic through which to obtain information. Following the terrorist attacks of 2001, people said the war on terror was a different type of war and the old rules don't apply, he

"We can't, if we are going up against a new enemy, throw away our morals," he said.

The demonstration was intended to protest two components of Guantanamo Bay - the alleged use of torture or mistreatment as a means to illicit information from prisoners and the indefinite detention of detainees without due process, McKinney said.

People who stopped by the table in front of the demonstration were asked to sign a global petition sponsored by Amnesty International to end the military's use of Guantanamo Bay as a detention site. Those interested could also sign letters to Indiana's two senators, Evan Bayh and Richard Lugar, asking them to create legislation or to back bills that called for the end of the United States' use of the detention facility.

By 2 p.m., McKinney estimated that 100 people had stopped by the table to talk to her or another demonstrator.

For most people, McKinney said, Guantanamo Bay has fallen off their radar, with new issues, like the economy, the election, and the war in Iraq taking precedence.

"We want to interject it back into the public discourse," she

Guantanamo Bay has not been at the forefront of issues in the 2008 presidential election, she said, but she hopes the presidential candidates start talking about it, and that the next administration does something

"What we're looking for is action," she said. "Words are just words. We're looking for actions on behalf of political

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Surgeon details caring for ex-football star

By SARAH MERVOSH News Writer

Dr. Kevin Gibbons, a Notre Dame graduate and the neurosurgeon that directed the controversial post-surgery care of Buffalo Bills' Kevin Everett, spoke Saturday morning about the process that allowed Everett to walk again.

Everett sustained a potentially fatal hit last September, causing him to be carried off the field by an ambulance. He initially was unable to move his arms or legs, and needed emergency surgery, according to a press release from the Dr. Tom Dooley Society for Notre Dame Medical Alumni (Dooley Society).

"After surgery, Kevin has a nearly normal spinal cord," Gibbons said.

At the lecture, Gibbons focused on the role of the media in explaining Everett's case and on clarifying what he said really contributed to Everett's recovery.

After surgery, Everett was treated with hypothermia, which is controversial in spine surgeries, said Gibbons. The media focused on this method of treatment and hyped Everett's case as miraculous.

"There was so much misinformation about Kevin Everett. All the major daily's went and ran with the story with a lot of hyperboles and misinformation," said Hubbard.

Gibbons spoke particularly about a story Sports Illustrated printed regarding Everett's recovery. He said the magazine said Everett could not move, was cooled off through hypothermia, and then suddenly he could move.

Gibbons described it as a "eureka paragraph" in the story that was inaccurate. He clarified that Everett showed a small amount of movement before he was cooled down.

Gibbons instead attributed Everett's successful treatment to factors like the nature of his injury, the promptness of diagnosis and the hospital care he received.

Sophomore Sophia Jackson, who is a pre-professional major and member of the Dooley society, attended the lecture.

"It has affected other family members who look at Kevin Everett's story and wonder why their family member or they themselves didn't get that treatment, but in reality, the reason Kevin Everett got better was the fast treatment and the teamwork," she said.

Gibbons was brought to Notre Dame by the Dooley Society, which brings a speaker to Notre Dame on every home football Saturday, said Dooley Society Secretary Bridget Hubbard, a '72 Saint Mary's graduate, whose son, an '02 Notre Dame graduate, took part in the founding of the soci-

Hubbard said the purpose of the lecture series is to provide a "continuing education" for medical alumni and give preprofessional students an opportunity to meet Notre Dame alumni in the medical field.

'We've actually been able to offer continuing education credits and doctors have to have a certain number of those to keep their practices current," said Hubbard.

Dave Cockerill, a neurosurgeon and member of the Dooley Society, said the lecture 'raise[d] the awareness of spinal cord injuries."

"The basic story to take home from this is spinal cord injuries need to be treated urgently at a trauma center by people who know what they're doing with a team approach." Cockerill said.

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Symposium examines gender violence issues

By MEGAN LONEY News Writer

Knowledge of an issue gives way to action, said Professor Luzmila Camacho-Platero during her introduction of the lecture portion of the two-day Gender Violence Symposium held at Saint Mary's, Thursday.

The four-member panel discussion was held in Vander Vennet Theater in the Saint Mary's Student Center from 5 to 7 p.m.

Information of gender violence is spreading due to individuals taking a stand Camacho-Platero said. As part of that stand, Edith Miguda, Yana Hasmanova, Bettina Spencer, and Linda S. Baechle each gave a talk discussing a different aspect of gender-related violence on Thursday.

The first two speakers, Miguda and Hasmanova, focused on international gender issues, while Spencer and Baechle's talks were more locally focused.

The first talk, given by Miguda, an assistant professor of history at Saint Mary's, was entitled "Women and Violence in Electoral Politics in Africa."

She focused on the gender violence — typically against women — that occurs during election periods in African countries.

"The causes of this violence stem from the intense competition of the electoral races," said Miguda. "It is a manifestation of historically unequal power between men and women."

Hasmanova, an associate professor of Slavic and East European Language and Literature at Ohio State University led the second talk.

Her presentation, "Trafficking in Women: Reality and Representation" covered human trafficking in Eastern Europe.

Spencer, the third speaker, spoke about perceptions of sexual violence in terms of individuals

Spencer, an assistant professor of psychology at Saint Mary's,

focused on three determining factors — racism, sexism, and classism — people use to form their perceptions on gender violence and where they place the blame, whether on the victim or the perpetrator.

She referred to several studies during her talk in which subjects were presented with a scenario of sexual assault and were asked to decide whether the blame was with the perpetrator or the victim. The results of the studies demonstrated that the blame was more often than not placed on the victim of the crime and not the perpetrator, she said.

The fourth and final presenter, Linda S. Baechle discussed how the justice system prosecutes offenders.

"We have an illusion that there is going to be justice for victims," she said. "But it isn't like television where the cases are always solved and the perpetrators are punished."

Baechle was one of the four panel members who participated in the discussion panel part of the Gender Violence symposium. She is the executive director of St. Joesph County's YWCA. During her talk, she shared the statistics of gender violence crimes and their judicial persecution in South Bend. The findings of the court watch were printed in Thursday's issue of the South Bend Tribune.

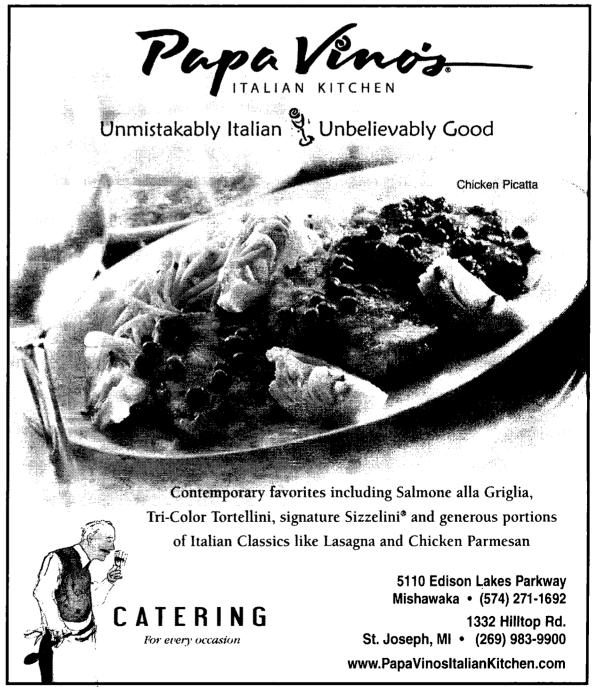
She said fewer than a handful of the perpetrators of sexual crimes in South Bend during the past four years had been convicted and that arrests are not often made.

This talk especially affected some students in attendance, including freshman Marisela Garcia.

"I had the biggest reaction to the last speaker's talk," said Garcia. "The fact that there are almost no repercussions [for the perpetrators] really surprised me."

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ference's Web site, http://www.nd.edu/~colloque/ The events are free and open to the public.

The conference also includes an exhibit of revolutionaryera drawings featured in the Snite Museum, on display through Oct. 19. An exhibit of rare books from the revolutionary period will be available from the Special Collections of the Hesburgh Library.

This is a historical event in that it unites Notre Dame and IUSB at the highest level of scholarly discourse," Julia Douthwaite, Notre Dame's assistant provost for international studies and professor of Romance languages and literatures, said in a press release. "It's the culmination of a collaboration I've been involved in with colleagues in France for the past two years and will bring people from around the world to participate in a bilingual conference held on both campuses.'

Senior Marcus Gatto is one of the students working on the conference. He is a Romance Languages and Literatures major and said he is "very excited. It should be a very interesting conference."

The lectures, especially the keynote address, will be "focusing on the new directions that the study of revolution is taking, both in France and the United States," he said.

Douthwaite is currently teaching a French Studies course titled "A Revolution in Fiction," that Gatto said was catered specifically for the conference, and students in the course will be actively involved in the conference.

The conference was organized by Douthwaite and Lesley Walker, the chair of the department of World Language Studies at IUSB and is partially supported by Indiana University's New Frontiers in the Arts & Humanities, funded by the Lily Endowment Inc., and administered by the Indiana University Office of the Vice Provost for Research and Dame's Notre Nanovic Institute for European Studies.

Transportation shuttles will be provided for the events taking place at IUSB on Tuesday.

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Dubai to build tallest skyscraperDUBAI, United Arab Emirates — With its world's tallest building nearing completion, Dubai said Sunday it is embarking on an even more ambitious skyscraper: one that will soar the length of more than 10 American football

That's about two-thirds of a mile or the height of more than three of New York's Chrysler Buildings stacked end-to-end.

Babel had nothing on this place.

'This is unbelievably groundbreaking design," Chief Executive Chris O'Donnell said during a briefing at the company's sales center, not far from the proposed site. "This still takes my breath away."

Europe tries to save failing banks

STOCKHOLM, Sweden — Germany joined Ireland and Greece on Sunday in guaranteeing all private bank accounts, putting Europe's biggest economy at odds with calls for a unified European response to the global financial melt-

The decision came as governments across Europe scrambled to save failing banks, working largely on their own a day after leaders of the continent's four biggest economies called for tighter regulation and a coordinated response.

Chancellor Angela Merkel said that no citizen should fear for the safety of their investments, speaking to reporters as her government held crisis talks on the collapse of a ballyhooed 35 billion (US\$48.4 billion) bailout of Hypo Real Estate AG, the country's second-biggest property lender.

German Finance Ministry spokesman Torsten Albig said the unlimited guarantee covered some 568 billion (US\$785 billion) in savings and checking accounts as well as time deposits,

NATIONAL NEWS

Colorado frat house firebombed

BOULDER, Colo. — Someone tossed a firebomb into a fraternity house about a block from the University of Colorado, setting off a brawl in a nearby alley that sent one man to the hospital,

The firebomb early Friday caused no injuries or significant damage, and residents had put the blaze out by the time firefighters arrived, police spokeswoman Sarah Huntley said.

Huntley said it was probably not a hate crime, but more likely stemmed from a feud between the fraternity and residents of a nearby apartment or with another fraternity. No arrests had been made, and police had no individual sus-

Priests meet in California to surf

HUNTINGTON BEACH, Calif. — He may not be able to walk on water, but when the mood strikes, Father Matthew Munoz can ride one gnarly wave all the way into the beach.

So Sunday at dawn, on the white sands of the town where the U.S. Surfing Championships were born nearly a halfcentury ago, Munoz and some two dozen fellow wave riders paused to thank God for all the joy the oceans have provided them.

Then, after the surfer's ceremonial blowing of a conch shell for good luck, the pastor of Orange County's St. Irenaeus Catholic Church shouted out a hearty, "Let's surf!"

LOCAL NEWS

Damaged hospital to reopen

COLUMBUS, Ind. — Columbus Regional Hospital plans to resume surgical and inpatient services in late October, more than four months after the hospital was closed by flooding that caused more than \$200 million in damage to the complex.

The hospital will reopen those units on Oct. 27, with that week as a transition period before being ready to handle a full volume of surgeries and patients by Nov. 3, hospital CEO Jim Bickel said.

The June 7 flood that hit much of central and southern Indiana heavily damaged the hospital's first floor and basement, which was filled by floodwaters, and forced its evacuation and closure.

Volatile week ahead on Wall Street

Investors expect uncertainty, instability despite approval of bailout bill

NEW YORK — The world's financial markets face an uncertain and possibly volatile week as investors await details about how the Treasury will implement the government's financial rescue package and watch for any further fallout from the credit crisis around the globe.

The markets have switched their focus to the world economy now that the \$700 billion bailout plan has become law. And there's reason for their concerns - governments across Europe are rushing to prop up failing banks. On Sunday, Germany said it would follow suit with Ireland and Greece in guaranteeing all private bank accounts.

Those steps are the latest sign that the troubles of U.S. banks, which have all but paralvzed credit markets, are affecting the financial systems of other countries. Banks' hesitation to lend to one another and to many businesses and individuals is the consequence of the bad mortgage debt that the financial rescue is supposed to sweep up. But it's still unclear how quickly financial institutions will be able to hand that debt to the U.S. government and convince the markets they are healthy again.

Wall Street looked to continue the volatility of last week when trading resumed Monday. Stock index futures declined by more than 1 percent late Sunday, pointing to a lower open. Dow Jones industrial average futures fell 176, or 1.70 percent, to 10,188. Standard & Poor's 500 index fell 19.3, or 1.74 percent, to 1,089.00, while Nasdaq 100 futures fell 20.25, or 1.37 percent, to 1,457.25.

Doug Roberts, chief investstrategist ment ChannelCapitalResearch.com, said the steps taken by governments abroad are welcome because a broad response, not simply the U.S. bailout, is needed to help steady the world's financial system.

"A lot of the actions that are occurring overseas are good," he said. "What you really need now is stabilization and that really comes from the govern-



Specialist Patrick Murphy directs trades in Citicorp at the closing bell on the floor of the New York Stock Exchange on Friday.

ment."

Roberts said the Federal Reserve and other central banks likely will continue to move in as needed to help shore up the markets. But he thinks bringing lasting calm to credit markets and financial institutions will take longer to work out than many observers

"This is much more expansive than anybody is assuming," said Roberts. "I think that this whole bailout bill is the first step in a series of steps."

Still, he said policymakers likely will try to hold off on moves like rate cuts until they determine they have little choice. The fear, he said, is that the market could be unimpressed and policymakers would have few tools left to restore investors' confidence.

"If one doesn't work what are you going to do for an encore?' Roberts and other market

watchers say it's possible that the Fed, and perhaps other central banks, could cut interest rates this week - ahead of the central bank's scheduled meeting at month's end - if the credit markets don't show signs of life. With oil prices well off their midsummer highs and indicators pointing to a slower economy, the Fed's worries about inflation are less than they had been, making it easier to justify a rate cut.

With so many unknowns, it's likely to be a choppy ride on Wall Street for some time as the Treasury Department starts flexing the new powers granted by the financial rescue, which President Bush signed into law Friday shortly after the House passed a sweetened bill on the second

"You're going to have a lot of volatility and we're going to get a whole lot of nowhere in the next few weeks," said Frank Ingarra, co-portfolio manager at Hennessy Funds.

Investors will be straining to see how the Treasury goes about purchasing banks' debt and what prices the unwanted assets might fetch. If the government pays too little it risks sending more banks into failure by depleting their asset bases. But paying too much could artificially strengthen banks that made bad decisions in lending and hurt taxpayers.

Simpson guilty, awaits sentencing

Associated Press

LAS VEGAS — 0.J. Simpson, who went from American sports idol to celebrity-in-exile after he was acquitted of murder in 1995, was found guilty Friday of robbing two sports-memorabilia dealers at gunpoint in a Las Vegas hotel room.

Simpson, 61, could spend the rest of his life in prison. Sentenced was set for Dec. 5.

A weary and somber Simpson released a heavy sigh as the charges were read by the clerk in Clark County District Court. He was immediately taken into custody.

The Hall of Fame football star was convicted of kidnapping, armed robbery and 10 other charges for gathering up five men a year ago

and storming into a room at a him. As spectators left the courthotel-casino, where the group seized several game balls, plaques and photos. Prosecutors said two of the men with him were armed; one of them said Simpson asked him to bring a gun.

The verdict came 13 years to the day after Simpson was cleared of murdering his ex-wife and a friend of hers in Los Angeles in one of the most sensational trials of the 20th century.

Simpson's co-defendant, Clarence C.J." Stewart, 54, also was found guilty on all charges and taken into

Simpson showed little emotion as officers handcuffed him and walked him out of the courtroom. His sister, Carmelita Durio, sobbed behind room, Durio collapsed and paramedics were called, court spokesman Michael Sommermeyer said.

Jurors made no eye contact with the defendants.

Judge Jackie Glass made no comment other than to thank the jury for its service and to deny motions for the defendants to be released on

She refused to give the lawyers extended time to file a motion for new trial, which under Nevada law must be filed within seven days. The attorneys said they needed time to submit a voluminous record.

"I've sat through the trial," Glass said. "If you want a motion for new trial, send me something.

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commander-in-chief should be simply and prudently to protect, defend and move forward freedom," he said.

Americans and the media, Barr said, are setting the bar too low for their leaders. He referenced civil rights leader Martin Luther King, Jr., who said "the ultimate measure of a person is not where one stands in moments of comfort and convenience, but where one stands in times of challenge and controversy."

Barr added: "These are not times of comfort and convenience. There are great challenges out there"

Barr criticized the recent presidential and vice presidential

debates, which neither he nor his running mate were invited to take part in, as a poor means of testing whether people are qualified for the presidency.

Barr asked the audience, which occupied most of the lower level of Washington Hall, to imagine, instead of Sen. Joe Biden, the Democratic vice presidential candidate and Gov. Sarah Palin, the Republican vice presidential candidate, if leaders like George Washington or Thomas Jefferson or Abraham Lincoln had been speaking.

If the players were changed, would they allow the debate to degenerate into "sound bite" ideas, Barr asked, with more focus on body language and "a wink here and a shrug there?"

Barr said he didn't think so.

There seems to be a concerted effort, Barr said, to lower the

level of discourse.

"We are denigrating the entire notion of what it means to be a political leader," he said.

Appearing to allude to an answer Palin gave in Thursday's debate, Barr said a member of the Notre Dame debate team would be "laughed off the stage" if he or she said she was not going to answer the questions from the moderator or the opponent, but instead would talk about what he or she believes is important.

The point of the debates is to see how a leader performs outside his or her "comfort zone," a necessary component of being a leader. Barr said.

Americans need to question whether the candidates have the qualifications to be president, Barr said.

"We seem as a nation, by and

large, to be satisfied with simply whether or not we feel comfortable with that person, whether that person can relate as we sit at the bar or stand at the sidelines watching our kids play hockey or soccer," Barr said. "Don't get me wrong. I like hockey"

Americans need to judge their nation's leaders by history's standards, Barr said, not just by the candidate's likeability.

"That's what gets us into trouble sometimes," he said. "We elect leaders that we feel we can sit down and have a brewski with."

Barr spoke for half an hour and then took several questions from the audience. Barr was invited to speak on campus by the Notre Dame College Libertarians.

At the beginning of his speech, Barr joked around about ways he has been characterized in the media since he began his campaign for president.

Barr, a graduate of the University of Southern California, said he's been described alternatively as grumpy, humorless and stocky, but recently, by Time magazine, as trim.

Stepping out from behind the podium and opening his jacket, Barr quipped:

"Is this the body of a stocky Trojan or a trim one?"

Barr, 59, represented the 7th District of Georgia in the U.S. House of Representatives as a Republican from 1995 to 2003. In 2006, Barr announced he had joined the Libertarian Party. He was nominated at the Libertarian National Convention in May.

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toire, Barr took questions from The Observer and explained the purpose of his third party run and expressed some doubt about a USC victory over Notre Dame at their Nov. 29 matchup.

With Obama polling at 50 percent and McCain at 43 percent, according to daily tracking by the Gallup Poll, Barr said he does not anticipate winning the election.

"We hope to have a major impact, and even though theoretically we can win, I don't anticipate that happening," he said. "Although maybe I'll wake up on my birthday, which is Nov. 5, and I'll have won."

Barr added: "It's very important to put the ideas out there, to provide a real choice for Americans, to make sure they do have a real choice, to make sure they don't have to vote for the lesser of two evils."

He said he hopes to do with his campaign what Ross Perot did in 1992 with his candidacy. That is, gain a significant portion of the popular vote so he can influence public policy.

Although he doesn't believe he will emerge victorious on Nov. 5, Barr also doesn't want Obama or McCain to win.

"I would rather not see either of them," he said. "Both are threats to liberty."

Obama will expand the government, he said, and McCain, like President George W. Bush, will push for bigger government in terms of executive power.

"Both of them are very bad,"

So Notre Dame students should vote for Barr, he said.

"The heart of why they come to Notre Dame is freedom, liberty. The freedom of ideas, the freedom to excel, and you don't get that by voting for a party that is the Republican or Democrat Party that believes in government control," he said.

His party, the Libertarian Party, is in favor of "tremendous freedom," he said.

"We understand that America's greatness comes from the people, not from the government," he said.

Barr explained his position on abortion, an important issue for many American Catholics.

"I'm pro-life but I believe that the federal government ought to stay out of it," he said. "That's a decision that the people of each state ought to make for themselves."

Several times in his speech, Barr seemed to allude to and criticize Gov. Sarah Palin, the Republican vice presidential nominee. He said McCain's choice was "irresponsible."

"I think it was based simply on politics and not on qualifications. And that's not leadership," he said.

Barr said he plans to focus his campaign efforts on Indiana, along with 10 to 12 other states, in the month leading up to the election, since polling has shown that these are states where he can pick up a significant portion of the popular vote

Friday marked Barr's first visit to Notre Dame. He said the campus was "absolutely gorgeous."

Barr, a graduate of the University of Southern California, declined to make a prediction about the upcoming Notre Dame-USC football game. After USC lost to Oregon State, Barr said he's not so confident his alma mater will pull out a win against Notre Dame.

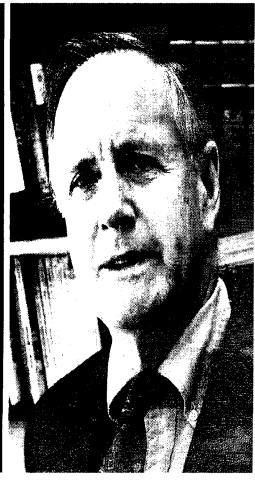
"It's going to be, as always, a tremendously exciting game," he said.

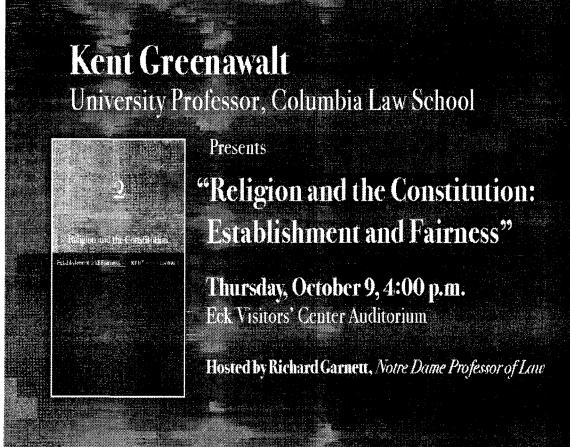
He said he won't be able to make it to the game, which will take place at the Coliseum in Los Angeles, Calif. on Nov. 29. But he said he'd love to make it if his schedule permits it.

"They truly are among the most exciting games in college football every year," he said.

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IN BRIEF

Firms selected for mortgage support

WASHINGTON — The Treasury Department has picked two financial institutions to manage a program it unveiled last month to provide support for beleaguered mortgage-backed securities.

The government announced Friday it was hiring Barclays Global Investors of San Francisco and State Street Bank and Trust Co. of Boston to manage its program to purchase mortgage-backed securities. Barclays Global Investors is a U.S. subsidiary of Barclays PLC, which has headquarters in London.

The department has said so far that it plans to purchase up to \$10 billion of the securities, which have been battered in recent months by the soaring number of defaults on home mortgages as the housing industry undergoes its worst slump in decades.

Treasury Secretary Henry Paulson announced the program to buy mortgage-backed securities on Sept. 7 at the same time he announced the government was seizing control of mortgage giants Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac in a bid to stabilize the nation's troubled housing market.

Fannie and Freddie, two publicly traded companies, together hold or guarantee about half of the nation's mortgage loans.

Citi blocked from buying Wachovia

NEW YORK — The fight over control of Wachovia intensified Saturday, as a judge temporarily agreed to block the sale of the bank by Wells Fargo, Citigroup announced in a news release.

State Supreme Court Justice Charles Ramos issued the order blocking the sale of Wachovia Corp., which Wells Fargo & Co. had agreed to purchase in a \$14.8 billion deal.

Citigroup Inc. accused Wells Fargo of trying to cut off its earlier takeover offer of Wachovia's banking operations for \$2.1 billion in a deal struck with the assistance of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. On Friday, four days after that deal was struck, Wells Farge said it was having Washovia.

Wells Fargo said it was buying Wachovia.

The litigation pits two of the largest remaining financial institutions against one another as the ongoing credit crisis leads the federal government to arrange marriages and sales among banking entities.

Bank closures expected despite bailout

Financial analysts anticipate more than 100 banks will fail within the next year

Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO — Here's a safe bet for uncertain times: A lot of banks won't survive the next year of upheaval despite the U.S. government's \$700 billion plan to restore order to the financial industry.

The biggest question is how many will perish and how they will be put out of their misery — in outright closures by regulators scrambling to preserve the dwindling deposit insurance fund or in fire sales made under government pressure,

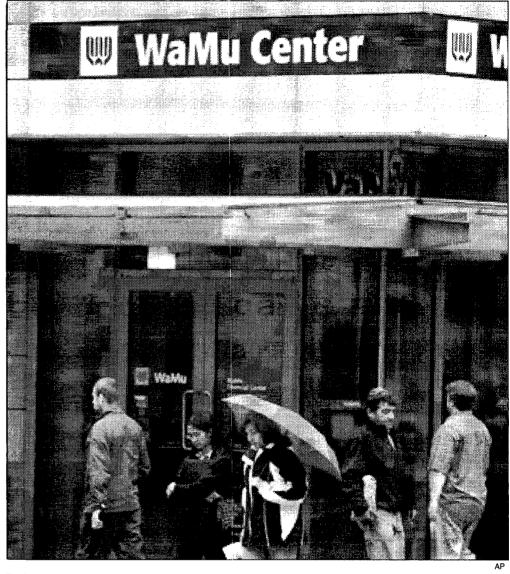
Enfeebled by huge losses on risky home loans, the banking industry is now on the shakiest ground since the early 1990s, when more than 800 federally insured institutions failed in a three-year period. That was during the clean-up phase of a decade-long savings-and-loan meltdown that wound up costing U.S. taxpayers \$170 billion to \$205 billion, after adjusting for inflation.

The government's commitment to spend up to \$700 billion buying bad debts from ailing banks is likely to save some institutions that would have otherwise died, but analysts doubt it will be enough to avert a major shakeout.

"It will help, but it's not going to be the saving grace because a lot of banks are holding construction loans and other types of deteriorating assets that the government won't take off their books", predicted Stanford Financial analyst Jaret Seiberg. He expects more than 100 banks nationwide to fail next year.

The darkening clouds already have some depositors pondering a question that always seems to crop up in financial panics despite deposit insurance: Could it possibly make more sense to stash cash in a mattress than in a bank account?

"It sounds like a joke," said business owner Mauricoa Quintero as he recently paused outside a



Pedestrians walk past a Washington Mutual branch in downtown Seattle on Thursday. Many banks are not expected to survive past the next year despite the \$700 billion bailout.

Wachovia Bank branch in Miami. "But it sounds safer than the turmoil out there right now."

Not as many banks are likely to fail as in the S&L crisis, largely because there are about 8,000 fewer today than there were in 1988.

But that doesn't necessarily mean the problems won't be as costly or as unnerving; banks are much larger than they were 20 years ago, thanks to laws passed in the 1990s

"I don't see why things will be that much different this time," said Joseph Mason, an economist who worked for the U.S. Treasury Department in the

1990s and is now a finance professor at Louisiana State University. "We just had a big party where people and businesses overborrowed. We had a bubble and now we want to get back to normal. Is it going to be painless? No."

With more super-sized banks in business, fewer failures could still dump a big bill on the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp., the government agency that insures bank and S&L deposits. The FDIC's potential liability is rising under a provision of the bailout that increases the deposit insurance limit to \$250,000 per account, up from \$100,000.

Using statistics from the S&L crisis as a guide, Mason estimates total deposits in banks that fail during the current crisis at \$1.1 trillion. After calculating gains from selling deposits and some of the assets of the failed banks, Mason estimates the clean-up this time will cost the FDIC \$140 billion to \$200 billion.

The FDIC's fund currently has about \$45 billion — a five-year low — but the agency can make up for any shortfalls by borrowing from the U.S. Treasury and eventually repaying the money by raising the premiums that it charges the healthy banks and S&Ls.

Downturn affects car dealerships

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Hundreds of thousands of new cars and trucks that would have quickly made their way to people's driveways a year ago are now stacking up on dealer lots across the country, with potential buyers worried about whether they'll keep their jobs, be able to pay for gas, or qualify for a car loan.

For auto dealers already suffering under the worst U.S. sales downturn in 15 years, the increasing cost of the credit they use to keep inventory in their showrooms means every Ford Focus and Jeep Grand Cherokee with a sale sticker in the window is chipping away at dealers' razor-thin profit margins every day and threatening to send more of them out of business.

Like the banks that have been collapsing under the weight of the credit crunch, auto dealers are highly leveraged, making them some of its first victims, said Sheldon Sandler, founder of Bel Air Partners, a New Jersey-based firm that helps car dealers find options when they want out of the business.

"Car dealers are like the canaries in the coal mine," he said. "The energy crisis had been affecting their revenue for a while. And now with the credit crisis, in some cases, banks are turning off their credit."

Paul Taylor, chief economist with the National Automobile Dealers Association, said Friday that dealership closures spiked in September, prompted him to raise his forecast of closures. He now expects 500 to 600 of

the group's 20,770 dealerships to shut their doors this year, up from previous estimates of 300 to 400.

About 430 dealerships closed last year and 295 closed up shop in 2006, according to the NADA.

Car dealers get vehicles for their lots through a practice called floorplan financing, where the funds needed to pay for inventory are supplied by a lender. The longer the vehicle goes unsold and the higher the interest charged, the more it costs the dealer.

Ray Ciccolo, president of Village Automotive Group in the Boston area, said his financing costs have doubled in recent years. That's had a "disastrous" effect, he said, on his six dealerships that sell Cadillac, Saab, Volvo, Honda, Hummer, Nissan and Hyundai

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pleased they were."

Duncan Hall vice president Tom Bacsik, a junior, said he thought the dedication mass was particularly moving, seeing the entire Duncan family present and filling the Chapel of St. Walter of Pontoise.

University president Father John Jenkins presided over the mass, and University vice president of Student Affairs Father Mark Poorman delivered the homily, Bacsik said.

"It was striking for me," Bacsik said, to see the family gathered together and recognize what they had provided to the University.

Bacsik said the family's ties to Notre Dame are deep. The family's history at Notre Dame dates back to Raymond Duncan's father, who graduated in 1912, and leads all the way to his grandson, Matt Duncan, a freshman living in Duncan Hall, will graduate in 2012.

In addition, a new dorm rivalry has risen out of the Duncan family's history at Notre Dame. Just as a connection between the donors of Siegfried and O'Neill halls has led to a rivalry between those halls, now there is a new rivalry between O'Neill and Duncan, as a friendship also exists between the two families, Bacsik said.

The family is committed to

Notre Dame, Bacsik explained.
"They're so invested in this school," he said, giving their time, money and energy to

make Notre Dame a better

Allen said he thought residents were actively involved and wanted to meet and be able to personally thank the Duncan family.

"We really stressed to the residents that this was our chance to say thank you to the Duncans for their generosity ... so the guys really bought into it," Allen said.

Residents helped with the hall tours following the cere-

monies and also helped with the reception.

At the reception, Raymond and Sally Duncan were presented with a dorm T-shirt and banner, and the residents posed for a photograph with the dorm's donors.

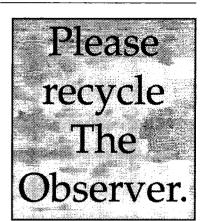
Allen said he particularly enjoyed seeing the interaction between Ray and Sally Duncan and the hall residents, noting residents of most halls on campus — especially older dorms — typically don't get

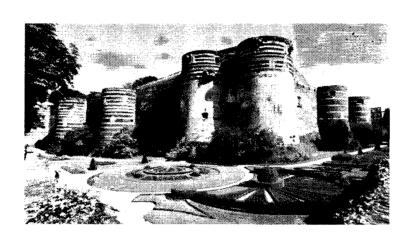
the chance to meet the

Duncan Hall residents discussed what goals the residents have for the hall and in school with the hall benefactors, Allen said.

"Making that connection from the people in the portrait on the wall and the guys who live in the dorm was a pretty neat connection," Allen said.

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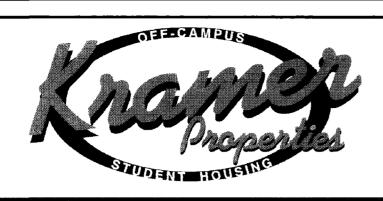
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No turtles, chicks or exotic pets for children

Associated Press

CHICAGO — Warning: young children should not keep hedgehogs as pets — or hamsters, baby chicks, lizards and turtles, for that matter — because of risks for disease.

That's according to the nation's leading pediatricians' group in a new report about dangers from exotic animals.

Besides evidence that they can carry dangerous and sometimes potentially deadly germs, exotic pets may be more prone than cats and dogs to bite, scratch or claw — putting children younger than 5 particularly at risk, the report says.

Young children are vulnerable because of developing immune systems plus they often put their hands in their mouths.

That means families with children younger than 5 should avoid owning "nontraditional" pets. Also, kids that young should avoid contact with these animals in petting zoos or other public places, according to the report from the American Academy of Pediatrics. The report appears in the October edition of the group's medical journal, Pediatrics.

"Many parents clearly don't understand the risks from various infections" these animals often carry, said Dr. Larry Pickering, the report's lead author and an infectious disease specialist at the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

For example, about 11 percent of salmonella illnesses in children are thought to stem from contact with lizards, turtles and other reptiles, Pickering said. Hamsters also can carry this germ, which can cause severe diarrhea, fever and stomach cramps.

Salmonella also has been found in baby chicks, and young children can get it by kissing or touching the animals and then putting their hands in their mouths, he said.

Study co-author Dr. Joseph

Bocchini said he recently treated an infant who got salmonella from the family's pet iguana, which was allowed to roam freely in the home. The child was hospitalized for four weeks but has recovered, said Bocchini, head of the academy's infectious diseases committee and pediatrics chairman at Louisiana State University in Shreveport.

Hedgehogs can be dangerous because their quills can penetrate skin and have been known to spread a bacteria germ that can cause fever, stomach pain and a rash, the report said.

With supervision and precautions like hand-washing, contact between children and animals "is a good thing," Bocchini said. But families should wait until children are older before bringing home an exotic pet, he said.

Those who already have these pets should contact their veterinarians about specific risks and possible new homes for the animals, he said.

Data cited in the study indicate that about 4 million U.S. households have pet reptiles. According to the American Veterinary Medical Association, all kinds of exotic pets are on the rise, although generally fewer than 2 percent of households own them.

The veterinarian group's Mike Dutton, a Weare, N.H., exotic animal specialist, said the recommendations send an important message to parents who sometimes buy exotic pets on an impulse, "then they ask questions, sometimes many months later."

But a spokesman for the International Hedgehog Association said there's no reason to single out hedgehogs or other exotic pets.

"Our recommendation is that no animal should be a pet for kids 5 and under," said Z.G. Standing Bear. He runs a rescue operation near Pikes Peak, Colo., for abandoned hedgehogs, which became fad pets about 10 years ago.

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ground rules not just for this year but it'll continue in years to come," she said.

While it is not specified in the SGA Constitution if the Executive Board can set aside a stipend for themselves, it is also not stated that they cannot, Falvey said Wednesday. The addition of a clause stating whether or not they can will be taken to the Constitution Oversight Committee and Falvey said she hopes it will be more explicit in the Constitution next year.

Many BOG members expressed concerns that the stipend was voted upon by the students who will receive it and the fact that the stipend is coming out of student funds at the meeting, which Voss said were echoed by the student body.

"Several students expressed to me their frustration," Voss said. "They wondered if the BOG and administration understood how they felt about the topic. Thus, the idea for an Open Forum was born so that all student's voices' could be heard."

The Student Government Constitution states that "all Saint Mary's College students are members of the student government association and have the right to voice their opinion on the actions of these bodies," which is why Voss took it upon herself to plan the event as a concerned student, which has been publicized through a Facebook event.

"The only thing I want to accomplish is to let students voice their opinions on the budgeting issue. I want students to know that the BOG and administrators should make decisions that are in the best interest of the entire student body," she said. "[I] simply asked to reserve the Student Lounge, acquired a few microphones, and send out invitations to students on Facebook."

Voss said both Johnson and Daniel will be in attendance at the event, as will a few members of the SGA Executive Board.

"Several members expressed great interest [in the forum] ... regardless of which side of the issue they stood on," she said.

Johnson said she thinks a lot of questions about the budget and why last year's Executive Board was the first to take a monetary stipend for their service to the student body will be answered by the forum.

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Egypt's top diplomat sent to Iraq

Associated Press

BAGHDAD — Egypt sent its foreign minister to Iraq Sunday for the first time in nearly two decades in a sign of growing Arab acceptance of the country's Shiite-led government.

In the north, 11 people including women and children died during a U.S. raid on a house in Mosul, where an extremist detonated a suicide vest — a stark reminder that Iraq still faces security challenges despite the drop in violence.

Egyptian Foreign Minister Ahmed Aboul Gheit said his visit was aimed at helping Iraq face its "many challenges," including extremism, violence and sectarian hatred.

"And we hope that peace and security will prevail in Iraq," Aboul Gheit said. He told reporters Egypt was ready to open a new embassy and help with reconstruction of Iraq's oil industry.

It was the first visit to Iraq by an Egyptian foreign minister since 1990, when President Saddam Hussein invaded Kuwait and his regime was largely shunned by Arab governments.

The United States has been urging the mostly Sunni-run Arab countries to shore up relations with Shiite-led Iraq as a counterweight to the influence of Shiite-dominated Iran. But the Arabs were reluctant during the height of Shiite-Sunni fighting, which receded last year after the U.S. troop buildup.

In recent months, leaders of Jordan and Lebanon have visited Iraq, along with the foreign min-



Egypt's foreign minister Ahmed Aboul Gheit, left, answers a question as his Iraqi counterpart Hoshyar Zebari looks on during a press conference in Baghdad, Iraq, Sunday.

ister of the United Arab Emirates, which has sent an ambassador. Regional powerhouse Saudi Arabia has remained on the sidelines, saying it was waiting until security improves.

Aboul Gheit's visit was noteworthy, however, because of Egypt's traditional role as a leading Arab state and host of the Arab League. The Egyptians sent an ambassador to Baghdad in 2005 but he was kidnapped and murdered by al-Qaida in Iraq.

"Egypt has lost a good citizen on Iraqi soil," Aboul-Gheit said. "This has kept us a little bit away on the official level."

U.S. officials are anxious for Iraq to bolster its ties to the Arab world as Washington prepares do draw down its 140,000 troops next year. U.S. and Iraqi officials are negotiating a security deal with the Iraqis say would see the

last American troops leave the country by the end of 2011.

Although violence is down more than 80 percent from early 2007 levels, U.S. military commanders warn that security gains are not irreversible because Sunni and Shiite extremists have been battered but not defeated.

Those fears were underscored by the carnage in Mosul, the third-largest city where U.S. and Iraqi forces have been trying to months to drive out al-Qaida in Iraq and other Sunni extremist groups.

American troops came under heavy gunfire after entering a house early Sunday looking for a suspected insurgent, the U.S. military said in a statement.

As U.S. soldiers returned fire, a man inside the house detonated a suicide vest, the statement added.

Court justices attend Red Mass before term

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The law is a guide to an orderly society, an American cardinal said an a church service Sunday that included five Supreme Court justices ahead of the start of their new term.

At the annual Red Mass, Cardinal John Patrick Foley told an audience of government officials, ambassadors, academics and members of the capital's legal community about his decision to attend seminary rather than law school.

Foley said he never regretted the decision — assisted by his voluntary teaching of religious studies to special education students — but that he sees many similarities between his work and the legal profession.

"We both seek to challenge people to recognize their dignity and to live according to it," he said. "We both consider law as a guide to a well ordered society. We both see law as a means in which people can be educated to perceive what is good and to strive for it."

Four of the five Roman Catholics on the high court — Chief Justice John Roberts and Justices Antonin Scalia, Anthony Kennedy and Clarence Thomas — came to worship at the Cathedral of St. Matthew the Apostle; the fifth, Justice Samuel Alito, did not attend. They were joined by Justice Stephen Breyer, who is Jewish.

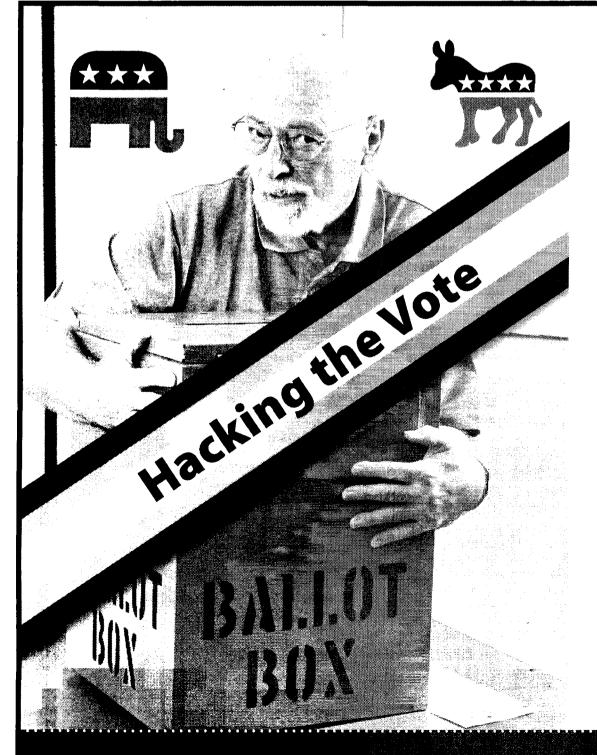
The cardinal also related a story of a visit from Scalia and his wife, Maureen. Foley said he explained the legal subject of his dissertation to the justice, who disagreed with his theories.

According to Foley, the argument ended when Scalia's wife said, "Oh, admit it Nino, the archbishop is right."

In his remarks, Foley expressed a wish that "all of us may see law as a reflection of God's loving care." He went on to pray for those doing the "extremely important work of formulating and applying law."

The Red Mass long has been held at the cathedral by the John Carroll Society, a group of Washington professionals who are Catholic.

The name of the service, which dates back centuries and is conducted to ask for guidance for those who seek justice, comes from the red vestments worn by the celebrants. The service traditionally is held the day before the Supreme Court's new term.



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Palin unleashes verbal fire

Behind VP candidate's words, an attempt to call Obama into question

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — By claiming that Democrat Barack Obama is "palling around with terrorists" and doesn't see the U.S. like other Americans, vice presidential candidate Sarah Palin targeted key goals for a faltering campaign.

And though she may have scored a political hit each time, her attack was unsubstantiated and carried a racially tinged subtext that John McCain himself may come to regret.

First, Palin's attack shows that her energetic debate with rival Joe Biden may be just the beginning, not the end, of a sharpened role in the battle to win the presidency.

"Our opponent ... is someone who sees America, it seems, as being so imperfect, imperfect enough, that he's palling around with terrorists who would target their own country," Palin told a group of donors in Englewood, Colo. A deliberate attempt to smear Obama, McCain's ticket-mate echoed the line at three separate events Saturday.

"This is not a man who sees America like you and I see America," she said. "We see America as a force of good in this world. We see an America of exceptionalism."

Obama isn't above attacking McCain's character with loaded words, releasing an ad on Sunday that calls the Arizona Republican "erratic" — a hardto miss suggestion that McCain's age, 72, might be an issue.

"Our financial system in turmoil," an announcer says in Obama's new ad. "And John McCain? Erratic in a crisis. Out of touch on the economy."

A harsh and plainly partisan judgment, certainly, but not on the level of suggesting that a fellow senator is un-American and even a friend of terrorists.

In her character attack, Palin questions Obama's association with William Ayers, a member of the Vietnam-era Weather Underground. Her reference was exaggerated at best if not outright false. No evidence shows they were "pals" or even close when they worked on community boards years ago and Ayers hosted a political event for Obama early in his career.

Obama, who was a child when the Weathermen were planting bombs, has denounced Ayers' radical views and actions.

With her criticism, Palin is taking on the running mate's traditional role of attacker, said Rich Galen, a Republican strategist.

"There appears to be a newfound sense of confidence in Sarah Palin as a candidate, given her performance the other night," Galen said. "I think that they are comfortable enough with her now that she's got the standing with the electorate to take off after Obama."

Second, Palin's incendiary charge draws media and voter attention away from the worsening economy. It also comes after McCain supported a porkladen Wall Street bailout plan in spite of conservative anger and his own misgivings.

"It's a giant changing of the subject," said Jenny Backus, a Democratic strategist. "The problem is the messenger. If you want to start throwing fire bombs, you don't send out the fluffy bunny to do it. I think people don't take Sarah Palin seriously."

The larger purpose behind Palin's broadside is to reintroduce the question of Obama's associations. Millions of voters, many of them open to being swayed to one side or the other, are starting to pay attention to an election a month away

For the McCain campaign, that makes Obama's ties to Ayers as well as convicted felon Antoin "Tony" Rezko and the controversial minister Jeremiah Wright ripe for renewed criticism. And Palin brings a fresh voice to the argument.

Effective character attacks have come earlier in campaigns. In June 1988, Republican George H.W. Bush criticized Democrat Michael Dukakis over the furlough granted to Willie Horton, a convicted murderer who then raped a woman and stabbed her companion. Related TV ads followed in September and October.

The Vietnam-era Swift Boat veterans who attacked Democrat John Kerry's war record started in the spring of 2004 and gained traction in late summer.

"The four weeks that are left are an eternity. There's plenty of time in the campaign," said Republican strategist Joe Gaylord. "I think it is a legitimate strategy to talk about Obama and to talk about his background and who he pals

New RI law requires dating violence learning

Burke family pushed for students to learn about abusive relationships in health class

Associated Press

NORTH KINGSTOWN, R.I. — Ann Burke saw signs of trouble with her daughter's boyfriend.

He'd incessantly call her at night, keep her from her family, and, ultimately, physically abuse her during a tumultuous relationship that ended with her death three years ago.

Burke's 23-year-old daughter, Lindsay, may not have understood the dynamics of an abusive relationship, but her death is helping to ensure that other young people do.

A new law in Rhode Island called the Lindsay Ann Burke Act requires all public middle and high schools to teach students about dating violence in their health classes.

The initiative was spearheaded by Burke and her husband, Chris, who say schools should be obligated to teach teens the warning signs of abusive relationships and broach the subject head-on so victims feel empowered to get help and leave violent partners.

"If this could happen to her, this could happen to anyone," said Ann Burke, a health teacher who runs a memorial fund to raise money for dating violence workshops for parents and educators.

One other state, Texas, mandates unspecified awareness education on dating violence for students and parents, while several other states encourage it. But the Rhode Island measure goes further by requiring the topic be incorporated annually into the curriculum for students in seventh

through 12th grade.

Burke says such education would have allowed her daughter to recognize the danger in her relationship earlier. Though her daughter left her boyfriend several times, she didn't change her phone number or have a plan for safely cutting off contact for good.

She also believed she could be friends with her boyfriend if the romance ended.

"I said, 'No, he said that to you before, Lindsay. You can't just be friends," Burke recalled.

Rhode Island Attorney General Patrick Lynch, who shepherded the proposal through the legislature last year, said domestic violence is a disturbingly common crime, yet education about it is scarce and haphazard.

"You teach sex ed, you teach 'don't do drugs,' you teach 'don't drink,' you should also be teaching 'don't be a victim of domestic violence,'" said Lynch, whose office receives about 5,000 cases a year.

School districts are expected to start implementing the law this school year. By December, officials hope to have established a policy for responding to incidents of dating violence.

The law is gaining traction around the country, with members of the National Association of Attorneys General unanimously adopting a resolution encouraging the education in their states. Nebraska's top prosecutor said he intends to submit legislation modeled after Rhode Island's law, and apparel maker Liz Claiborne Inc. has helped promote it around the country.

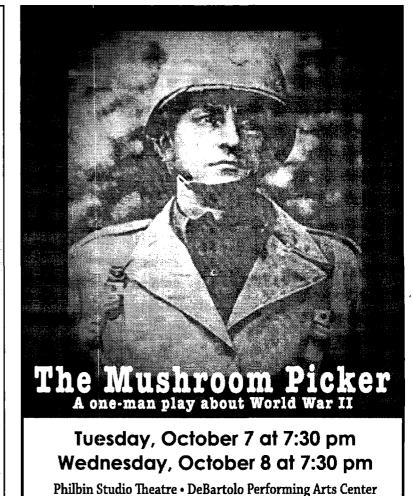
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What to do when Wall Street comes knocking at your door

The \$700 billion bailout bill has some everyday Americans worried. Everyone is having a hard time scrounging up the money for their heating, food and gas bills. Politicians keep reminding us

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of how the evils of Wall Street are hurting all of us. So what do you do when Wall Street comes and asks for a few billion of what you have left over?

I've put together a handy guide to help you out. It can be a pocket-guide, too, if you just rip this page out of The Observer and stick it in your pocket. Laminate it if you are particularly worried about

live in the New York area. First, What does Wall Street look like? Well, it has big, nasty, pointy teeth, the better to eat us with, my dears. Don't let the teeth alarm you. They probably just belong to its comb; Wall Street is very worried about its

how to deal with Wall Street, or if you

outward appearance. What time of day can you expect Wall Street to come around? Usually early in the morning — and always synchronized to Eastern Standard Time. Actually, it stays up through the middle of the night, as well. This requires constant vigilance on our

What does Wall Street want from you? Money! (Come on, that was too

What language does Wall Street speak? Numbers. And politics. If you know the exact definition of "points," then you're golden. If you don't, welcome to Wall Street.

What will Wall Street say to me? It will probably start with something friendly. Wall Street has very refined manners, and usually addresses you politely. The conversation will be quick and to the point. Do not, under any circumstances, hand over financial information. Wall Street may try to get an idea of your assets, but keep them well-hidden.

How should I conduct myself while conversing with Wall Street? It is best to remain vague and fake a limited knowledge of economics and the current financial crisis. Important! Wall Street itself does not understand exactly how Wall Street works. It will maintain its friendliness if you let it believe it understands its inner functions. This is confusing for us as well as for Wall Street, but do not try to know more than the monster — it can sense bull like few others.

What are some key words to beware of? Blank check. Bailout. Overhaul. Stimulus Package. If Wall Street uses any of these phrases, shut the door immediately and call Ben Bernanke.

How can I protect my house against Wall Street? Well, don't do anything that requires a large capital investment, because Wall Street will see to it that you can not get a loan. It is better to strip your house of any valuables, and keep the rest covered in hippie paraphernalia.

Where should I keep my cash? In a flower pot. Living things may scare the beast away. But actually, now that I've told all of you that, Wall Street knows too. So just be creative. Remember, if you can hope, you can fight greed. If you didn't know that, listen to the next presidential debate.

Should I give it any money? There are a few schools of thought on this one. Some believe appeasement will quell the beast and send it away to your neighbor less angry. However, it has been proven to only want more money if you give it anything at all. Perhaps give it a scratch-off lottery ticket as a way to move it to less harmful forms of gambling.

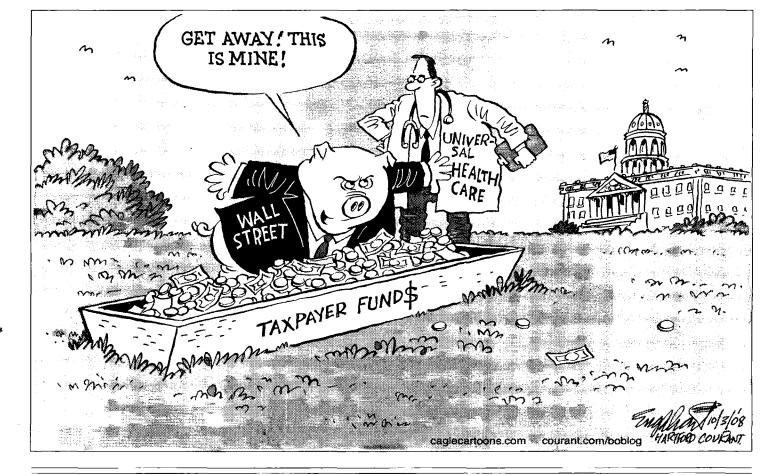
Are my children safe? Don't worry about the kids. Just don't let them play Monopoly anymore.

And finally, if Wall Street comes and has money to give you, accept it. Perhaps the monster can be dangerous, but if Wall Street's going to help you profit, take advantage.

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"If you ever injected truth into poli-tics, you would have no politics."

Will Rogers vaudeville performer

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Presidential candidates lack effective economic rhetoric

Both Republican presidential nominee John McCain and Democratic nominee Barrack Obama should have learned by now that actions speak as loudly as statements on the campaign trail. Presidential rhetoric is unique and judged on likability,

confidence and style as much as on content. Yet, with months of campaign experience behind

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them, both candidates have failed to respond to the economic crisis in a way that could have immediately assured a landslide victory in November.

Granted, polls show movement towards Obama nationally and in several of the battleground states. In Florida, for example, Obama has risen to 51 percent during the past week. This rise is due to a slow bleeding of support from McCain rather than any surge by Obama.

The common misconception in campaigns is that content — creating a catchy phrase like "main street over wall street" that easily crystallizes a thought — and rapidly responding to an opponent are the primary functions of communications. Ronald Reagan may have famously said in 1980 during his debate with President Jimmy Carter, "There you go again," but that phrase only culminated his campaign in the minds of voters. Reagan's tough

persona resonated as loudly as his spoken

rhetoric.

Nearly two weeks ago, as Congress was about to consider remedies to prevent the nation's banking system from collapse, Obama took himself out of any leadership role by responding that he had a phone and to give him a call if he was needed. By contrast, McCain suspended his campaign to return to Washington, a bold physical rhetorical move which he did not match with his words. At the end of the day when congress voted on a rescue package, McCain had the opportunity to refute Obama's premise about his superior judgment. Yet McCain failed because his actions did not match his words.

McCain should have initially redefined what the media were calling a "Wall Street bailout" as a "main street rescue measure." He could have easily insisted that his Republican colleagues frame the argument as a recovery measure. McCain had the opportunity to show why his many years of Congressional experience would serve the public well in the White House by also pushing for stronger oversight language in the bill.

Secondly, McCain should have never repeated the easy slogans coming from the White House. By repeating a week earlier that the "fundamentals of the economy are strong," McCain's sense of urgency and rush to return to Washington were out of character with his statements. He should have — and this is where most campaigns fail — spoken with conditional phrases. For example, to successfully repeat the White House, McCain should have said, "The fundamentals of the economy are strong, but we may need to address a few segments to assure continued strong sustainability.'

Thirdly, McCain needed to educate and easily explain the crisis in terms the public can understand, and then show optimism. Warren Buffet, Chairman Birkshire Hathaway summarized the situation recently on PBS's "Charlie Rose Show." Buffet optimistically said that the country works very well and our economic system has all the ingredients for a super future, it's just that the "athlete is on the floor" and needs to catch his breath.

Buffet continued with the metaphor by saying that we must prevent a loss of confidence that credit and money will be there in the markets and financial institutions ... the issue is like oxygen. If it is available, we don't think about it. If it is gone, within five minutes it is the only thing to think about. So we lift the athlete from the floor and invest the blank check rather than spend it. The \$700 billion rescue package buys \$2 trillion of face value mortgages. Only the government can sustain a long term hold on it and make a

McCain could have used similar language by saying that the rescue package buys at 22 cents on the dollar and over time can make money. It is a real estate bubble of fear and greed that we must address just like the Internet bubble of the '90s or the farm bubble in the '80s. Citing Buffet, 10 years from now Americans will be living better than now.

Finally, once McCain suspended his campaign, he should have said that he would only attend the debate to discuss the situation with the American public and then return to Washington. Then, he could have taken credit for any consensus, and specifically for passage in the Senate. He would have been consistent with his

A month before an election is an eternity in politics. McCain needs to stop the steady slip of support soon to be competitive in November. He must learn to walk and talk in unison, or he will suffer an electoral landslide loss.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Graduates members of Notre Dame family too

Just a short response to "Our Pep Rally Manifesto" by Aidan McKiernan and Tristan Hunt (Oct. 3): As an alum from the class of 1990, I pretty much agree with everything the Sorin men have to say with the exception of the guest list and the insinuation that you are the only group passionate about Notre Dame football. Twice you say that if you are not a student at Notre Dame (band, student, team) you are not invited. You add that non-students are welcome, one sentence after saying they are not invited. Gee, thanks ... I graduated from Notre Dame 18 years ago. Given a choice, I would still stand and yell the entire game — and I still do, as much as I can. I snuck into the student section for years after I graduated and would probably do so today if I could get away with it.

I stopped going to Pep Rallies years ago for exactly the reasons you cite and I applaud your basic premise. If the changes you desire come to pass, some alumni will stop attending. Others, like me, if welcome will take the afternoon off again and drive hours to attend, because it will be exactly what we want and what we remember about pep rallies. All that, assuming we really are welcome. There is another class of alumni, generally much older, that would thoroughly enjoy observing (even if not able or willing to participate) the kind of rally you desire. Turning your collective backs on them would be a slap in the face to all those that stood in your shoes throughout the decades and cheered the men in blue and gold on every snap, tackle and touchdown.

Good luck in your endeavor, but just remember that Notre Dame men do not turn their backs on their own.

> Dan Molyneaux alum class of 1990 Oct. 4

Save pep rallies: show up

As one of the leprechaun mascots of Notre Dame, it may seem that I would take "Our Pep Rally Manifesto" (Oct. 3) so eloquently written by the Otters of Sorin College as a threat. The pep rally may be the most exciting opportunity that we get as leprechauns (I have yet to run out of the tunnel in front of 80,000 screaming fans so I will reserve my judgment) and the last thing we want to see is empty seats where students should be jumping around and screaming until they can't scream anymore. I am on your side though, and I think something needs to be done.

While I applaud your audacity and your intentions, however, I think you are going about this the wrong way. Let me explain: Let's face it, this place is magical. Why is it magical? The storied tradition, the worldwide fame, the unparalleled atmosphere, the transformation that takes place every game day on campus, the many incredibly successful athletic programs that continue to impress while upholding the highest levels of academic integrity, the really, really good looking leprechauns and the pride we take in knowing that no other university in the world can compare to our beloved Notre Dame. But what is the single most important reason for the magic that fills this campus? What makes it all happen year after year? The students. As Domers, we carry that tradition and that magic on our shoulders, building upon it and passing it on to those who will join our family in the future. That is what pep rallies should be about, and that is where I agree with you. Every Friday as we prepare to take part in the greatest tradition in the world on the most sacred football field in the world, we need to come together as a student body and share in that mystical "Notre Dame Spirit" that only Irish fans can truly understand.

So while your intentions may be good, and your wishes deserve recognition, I disagree with your approach. Rather than discourage attendance and create a rift in the student body, you should be encouraging more attendance and more solidarity between the students, the band and the team. Less than a quarter of the student body attended the last pep rally — just imagine if everyone showed up and got as rowdy as possible. It would be a truly awesome spectacle, the team would be blown away by our support and the JACC would provide a great venue. So I ask you, noble Otters, and all proud Domers alike, to please save our pep rallies. It is up to you, and only you can do it. Do so by showing up in record numbers, getting as rowdy as possible, and making it your show! Last time I checked, there is no script for the students (Believe me; I have actually seen the scripts). So get loud, stay loud and don't stop cheering and chanting throughout the entire rally. If you do that, everyone in attendance will be swept up by the spirit that I know we can create.

Consider this a call to arms for all Fightin' Irish fans, unite in the name of Our Lady and cheer her loval sons onward to victory. GO IRISH! In the name of the Irish, Leprechaun Dan.

> **Daniel Collins** junior Alumni Hall Oct. 3

Get facts before booing Tim McCarthy

I write in response to Mike Kaneb's Oct. 1 Letter entitled "Boo Tim McCarthy." I see absolutely no reason why Kaneb would advocate booing Tim McCarthy as means of expressing his displeasure regarding the events of the past few weeks. Were Kaneb to have spent either 20 years living in South Bend or five minutes in the library, he would no doubt know that McCarthy retired from the police force in 1978 and has spent the time since in the service of Porter County, Ind., as a private business owner. I recognize that Kaneb seeks a target for his criticism, but perhaps this criticism is better directed at individuals who may have actually been associated with the Indiana State Police, Indiana Excise Police, NDSP, and/or SBPD within the past 30 years.

SCENE SCENE





By JORDAN GAMBLE Scene Writer

With pared-down staging and classic material, the Aquila Theatre Company will take the stage in O'Laughlin Auditorium Monday with William Shakespeare's "Comedy of Errors" and Tuesday with Homer's "The Iliad."

Both shows throw a modern twist into the classic tales. "Comedy of Errors," which Shakespeare set in Turkey, updates its look to the 20th century, with costumes straight out of "Casablanca."

The set and costume design for "The Iliad" was inspired by the cover art of recent edition of the Homer masterpiece, said the website for the company's touring representation, Baylin Artists Management. Stanley Lombrado's 1998 translation, which was the basis for the play's script, featured a photo from D-Day, and Aquila took that as inspiration for the World War II look of the actors' army uniforms and the play's props and settings.

Despite these artistic slants, the shows still retain the company's mission of theatrical utilitarianism. Actors play several roles in both shows and props and settings are sparse. This style allows the message and drama from the legendary authors of each performed text to shine all the more clearly.

"With precision and unity of ensemble, Aquila articulates the human essence inherent in classical drama," says the website for Baylin Artists Management.

The New York City-based troupe tours every year, visiting 60 to 70 cities with the aim of bringing classical theatre to the masses. This year, their national touring schedule includes many performances at college campuses like Saint Mary's College.

Aquila also puts on a full season of shows in New York City, but a large amount of the company's output is educational.

Besides being the Professional Company in Residence at New York University's Center for Ancient Studies, Aquila hosts numerous theatre workshops and performs for schools in inner city and rural areas that might not often see regular professional shows.

One of Aquila's education programs, Shakespeare Leaders, takes students from schools in Harlem and the Bronx and teaches them the technique and discipline of acting and staging a play. The students then perform the full show for their local community and a New York City theater.

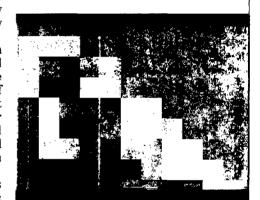
The theatre company was founded in London in 1991 by Peter Meineck and moved to New York City in 1999. In the last 17 years, the company of American and British actors have put on over 60 different plays in their United States tours, New York City and London stages, and at international and Shakespeare theatre festivals in Greece and Los Angeles.

If Aquila's record of past shows is anything to go by, the staples of classic theatre only continue to take in audiences. The company explains that each incarnation of a show allows for new expression and creativity despite the material's age.

"The technique is aimed to create an aesthetic environment where the performer can create and recreate a role in a consistently changing theatrical atmosphere," Aquila's website said.

Aquila has produced "The Iliad" and "Comedy of Errors" before, in national tours and off-Broadway productions from 1998 to 2000. The enduring themes of war and sacrifice from "The Iliad," and the still sidesplitting mistaken-identity gags from "The Comedy of Errors," keep them perennial favorites.

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The New York Times calls the Aquila Theatre Company's production of "The Iliad" a "performance of staggering power ... stunning, stirring and memorable theatrical experience."

The company originally performed the Iliad at the Lincoln Center in New York City in 1999.

In their version of the classic Greek myth, the warriors of old are reinterpreted as soldiers, inspired by a photograph of the D-Day landings entitled "Into the Jaws of Death."

In "The Iliad," nine years have passed in the violent Trojan War without an end in sight. The commander of the Greek forces, Agamemnon, clashes with legendary warrior Achilles, and the wrath of Apollo strikes their forces with a deadly plague.

A foundational myth in the Western canon, "The Iliad" is not to be missed.

The Homeric epic is given new life in this production, where metal helmets replace ancient battle garb and modern actors take their turn in this classic tale.

This play is a Shakespearian masterwork in mistaken identity, slapstick comedy and wordplay.

The Aquila Theatre Company's productions of Shakespeare's text have played at the Edinburgh Festival and for the President and First Lady, representing the National Endowment of the Arts at the White House.

In "The Comedy of Errors," two pairs of identical twins find themselves in the same household in the ancient town of Ephesus, separated by a shipwreck. Antipholus of Syracuse and his servant, Dromio of Syracuse, are reunited, through a series of comedic mishaps, with their twins, Antipholus of Ephesus and his servant, Dromio of Ephesus.

With accusations of theft, infidelity and even demonic possession, the play is filled with comedic elements and witty dialogue.

The New York Times said of Aquila's version: "no one who sees the rousing production ... will forget a whit of it."

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Notre Dame 28, Stanford 21

Career day Personal bests from Clausen and a host of others lead the Irish to a 28-21 win



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Freshman wide receiver Michael Floyd celebrates after hauling in a 48-yard pass for a touchdown in the second quarter to give Notre Dame a 21-7 lead. Floyd had five catches in the game for a career-high 115 yards receiving.

By LAURA MYERS Sports Writer

Another week meant more career highs for Notre Dame.

Sophomore quarterback Jimmy Clausen and freshman receiver Michael Floyd set personal bests for the second week in a row by connecting five times for 115 yards. Clausen had 29 total completions for three touchdowns and 347 yards, a career best, in Notre Dame's 28-21 win over Stanford.

The Irish (4-1) eclipsed their 2007 win total only five games into this season with the victory. Clausen said it's time for the comparisons to stop.

"Last year was last year. We've moved on. This is a different team than last year," he

On third down late in the second quarter, Clausen launched a pass from the Stanford 48yard line that Floyd pulled in for a touchdown. He followed that in the third quarter with a 41-yard reception that set up a touchdown for freshman tight end Kyle Rudolph.

The 48-yard reception was the longest in Floyd's short career and Rudolph's five catches and 70 yards were both career highs.

"[Clausen] had another game without an interception on a day that when Stanford got down they were bringing it. They were bringing double safety blitzes. They were just dialing it up there at the end. I think he really stood tall,' coach Charlie Weis said.

Clausen had plenty of help from his teammates on the other side of the ball.

Stanford received the opening kickoff and moved the ball 45 yards before a false start by offensive tackle Chris Marinelli stalled their momentum. Two plays later, quarterback Tavita Pritchard threw an interception

to senior safety David Bruton. Marinelli became the object of controversy last week after he made comments degrading the Irish football team and Notre Dame in general. He added a jab to Notre Dame's defense, saying that the blitz-

happy defense only had one sack on the season.

The motivated defense sacked Pritchard five times Saturday.

"When anyone bashes Notre Dame and our defense like that, they're going to pay for it," senior safety Kyle McCarthy

said. McCarthy finished the game with a team-high 14 tackles.

The Irish followed the interception with an 80-yard drive capped by a 21vard touchdown reception by sophomore Armando Allen.

On Stanford's next possession, the Cardinal were once again threatening, quickly advancing 45 yards before a false start by offensive tackle Ben Muth moved them back five yards. Two plays later, Pritchard threw an interception to senior defensive end Pat Kuntz.

"Before the play we were

calling it out, saying watch the screen," Kuntz said. "I thought he wasn't going to throw it near me, but I ended up being right in front of it, so I had to catch it or else it would have been bad for the rest of my

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Kuntz had a tipped ball, a fumble recovery and two sacks. "I think that he was more juiced

Along with the

interception,

than he normally is for this game. He was more motivated. Not that he isn't

always motivated, but he was really ready to go," Weis said. "I think he played hard in the game and was disruptive for all four quarters.'

Despite the extra motivation. the Notre Dame defense gave up 108 rushing yards to Stanford in the first quarter alone. But the Cardinal were only able to pick up 53 more yards on the ground through

the final three quarters.

(The defense) got a beat on what they needed to do to slow them down, because in the first quarter we weren't slowing them down very much," Weis said.

Stanford opened up the second quarter with a 14-play, 95yard drive to tie the game at 7-7. After that, the defense settled in and the Irish began to pull away.

On the very next drive, Armando Allen ran four yards into the end zone for his second touchdown of the game another career high. Allen finished with 33 yards rushing, 66 yards receiving, and 54 yards on kick returns. His seven receptions were also a personal best.

Stanford put together a comeback with two Pritchard touchdown passes, but it was too little, too late.

Senior punter Eric Maust pinned the Cardinal inside their own 5-yard line and the

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player of the game

Jimmy Clausen

The sophomore quarterback showed he is the real deal with 347 yards passing and no interceptions.

stat of the game

5

sacks from the Notre Dame defense after recording only one in its first four games.

play of the game

Michael Floyd's 48-yard touchdown catch

Clausen's bomb to one of his favorite freshman put the Irish up 21-7 just before the half.

quote of the game

"... I had to catch it or else it would have been bad for the rest of my life"

Pat Kuntz Irish senior on his interception

report card

quarterbacks: Clausen's stats speak for themselves. More importantly, he played a mistake-free game and avoided pressure several times, making something out of nothing.

> running backs: The three Irish backs combined for a total of 61 rushing yards. Allen saved them by leading the team in receptions and getting to the end zone twice.

receivers: Freshmen Rudolph and Floyd were lights out again and Grimes seemed to be back at full speed. A pair of drops killed a late drive, but other than that, they got the job done.

offensive line: Clausen had plenty of time to throw the ball for most of the day, but 83 rushing yards on 27 carries was a step backwards from the impressive game over Purdue.

defensive line: Toby Gerhart rushed for 104 yards, but five sacks, an interception, and a fumble recovery make this arguably the best game the linemen have had this year.

linebackers: A flurry of missed tackles led to 163 rushing yards for the Cardinal. Smith and Fleming did both have sacks and the entire unit got good pressure.

defensive backs: Bruton and McCarthy both had interceptions and Sergio Brown picked up a sack. Lambert had trouble at times keeping up with the Stanford receivers.

special teams: On fourth down from the 10-yard line, Weis opted to keep the field goal unit off the field, enough said. Maust's punts keep them from flunking.

coaching: The Irish looked sluggish in the second half, but a win is a win. Clausen and the offense have improved with each week. Weis made sure his team was fired up and ready to go.

overall: Notre Dame has plenty of 2.88 things to work on. They did top last year's win total already so Irish fans should be counting their

adding up the numbers

Passing yards for quarterback Jimmy 347 passing yards in the past two games.

Pass attempts by Jimmy Clausen since his last interception midway through the second quarter at Michigan State.

Consecutive wins for the Irish over Stanford. The streak dates back to a 17-13 Cardinal win in 2001.

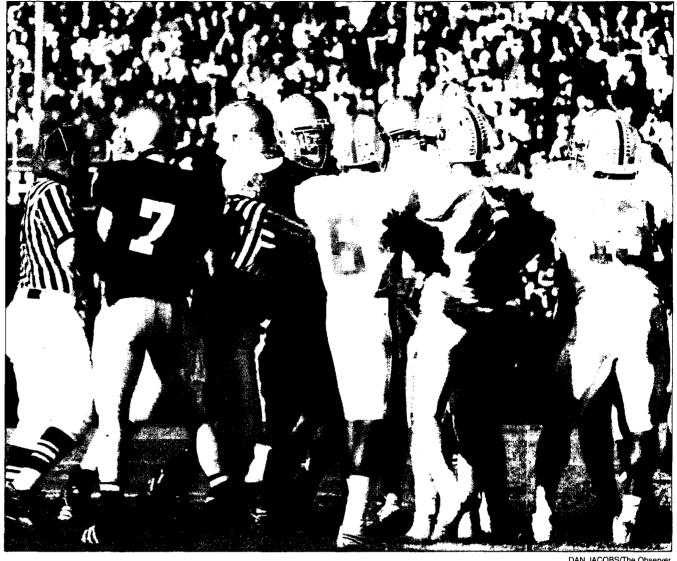
Years since Notre Dame has won a game on Oct. 4. Their last win came against Michigan State in 1969.

First downs for Stanford during the third quar-

The last time Notre Dame started 4-0 at home. The Irish started 8-0 that year before losing to Boston College.

Votes that Notre Dame received in Sunday's USA Today Top 25 poll.

Yards lost by the Stanford offense on Notre Dame's five sacks.



Referees attempt to break up one of many scuffles between Notre Dame and Stanford during Saturday's game. Emotions were running high after incendiary remarks were made by a Stanford lineman earlier in the week.

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Jim Harbaugh

Stanford coach

Trash talk fires up the Irish

"The field sucks. The stadium sucks. I think the area sucks. We are going out there to mash them up and that's all there is to it."

Those were the words of Stanford tackle Chris Marinelli last Wednesday talking about his upcoming trip to South Bend.

Open mouth, insert 22 feet.

Along with calling out everything Notre Dame stands for

short of Jesus Christ Himself, Marinelli also decided to personally attack the Irish defense.

Dan Murphy

Sports Editor

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"But on the same token it's going to go bad for them at one point and we are going to gash the [expletive] out of them, I promise you that. So keep bringing it, keep bringing it. They have one sack all year on 200 blitzes," he said.

Five sacks later, he probably would have wanted to shove his own foot in the garbage disposal he calls a mouth, but there wasn't enough room with the entire lrish defense already jammed down his throat.

No one on Notre Dame had a comment before the game, instead the Irish decided to until the game started wait to make their statement.

They didn't quite make it. During pregame warm-ups before most fans had even filtered into their seats, the entire Notre Dame team gathered at the 50-yard line to welcome Marinelli and his teammates to their beautiful field, beautiful stadium and beautiful area.

"I was just trying to get ready to go and I guess all my teammates were

over there so I decided to join them,' senior defensive linemen Pat Kuntz said with a smirk.

Kuntz had two sacks, an interception and a fumble

recovery in what was arguably the best performance of his career. But some might say his best performance came Friday afternoon.

Kuntz spoke — sort of — at Friday's pep rally. The details are a bit hazy after a breakaway \$6 Salvation Army suit and a

pair of jean shorts, Kuntz promised his fans that he would rip somebody's head off on Saturday.

"I didn't rip anybody's head off, I think that would've been a facemask penalty of some sort," he said.

Kuntz claims he came up short on his promise, but he may have been closer than you think.

"I hate to say definitively what

happened. Our guy said he got his helmet ripped off," Stanford coach Jim Harbaugh said about the skirmish following the final play of the game. Kuntz was on the outside of that pile, spiking the ball after his fumble return, but somebody appar-

ently tried to finish the job. That skirmish capped off what was a highly physical, highly emotional battle that was no doubt fueled by

Marinelli's comments.

'Yeah, it might have contributed a little bit to it, you know," Irish coach Charlie Weis said following the game.

The Irish may have refrained from comment prior to the game, but after coming away with the win they let Marinelli and the rest of the Cardinal know how they felt.

"We didn't downplay it like a lot of people say they do," Irish linebacker Harrison Smith said. "We really took that to heart. We're not going to let

anybody come into our house and talk like that to us.

Kyle McCarthy, who led the team with 14 tackles and also added an interception, felt the same way.

"It was a big factor. He was complaining about sacks and I think we got five today and we won the ball game. I don't think

he's talking anymore," he said.

The Irish certainly spoke their minds, but they did it with class. The way you would expect someone from this team, this school or this area to do. They way you would have expected someone from Stanford to

"There was a lot of talk going on between all of us. But it was just a battle ... good luck to them for the rest of the season," Kuntz said following the game.

Weis had a similar approach. "I know what he said. But it's not right for me to judge this young man. He's not my guy. So I'd be out of line to do so," he said.

The Irish response on and off the field is a perfect example of everything that was wrong with everything that Marinelli had to say earlier in the week.

The comments were probably the best thing that could have happened to Notre Dame this week. The defense came out with the intensity that this team is built around.

And a quick note to Kuntz and the rest of the Irish defense, Marinelli graduated from Boston College High School, something to keep in mind for Nov. 8.

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Clausen looks on top of his game

By JARED JEDICK Sports Writer

What a difference a year makes.

Sophomore quarterback Jimmy Clausen seems to finally be coming into his own after surviving the woes of last year's 3-9

"We are starting to see, especially in the last couple of weeks, his evolution and how things are heading in the right direction," coach Charlie Weis said. "He has come a long way from that kid we were playing last year in the Penn State game.'

Clausen threw 29 completions in 40 attempts for 347 yards with three touchdowns and no interceptions. The 28-21 win over Stanford was the first time in Clausen's collegiate career that he has passed for more than 300 yards, bettering his previous career best of 275 yards from last week against Purdue.

"I feel good. This team feels good. The offensive line did a great job once again today, and the playmakers outside did a good job of making plays," Clausen said. "I am very confident in my ability to make every throw that needs to be made on the football field. I am not done yet.

The Irish passing game dominated a Stanford team that was stacked to stop

"They pretty much felt like they could do what they wanted throwing the ball today," Stanford coach Jim Harbaugh

Clausen and the Irish offense were able to carry their momentum from last week's game against Purdue, a sign of maturity for a young team and an indicator that last week was not a fluke. Clausen and his receivers have connected for 622 yards and six touchdowns without an interception over the last two games.

We played a great half of football in the second half against Purdue," Clausen said. "Coach Weis stressed the importance this week of being consistent. That's

how we have to play each and every quarter to win games.

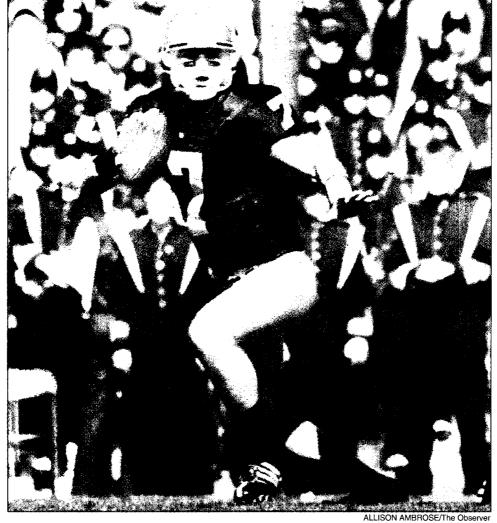
Weis saw a player who could face down the pressure generated from a relentless opposing rush and still shine.

"He makes a lot of big plays and he is very accurate," Weis said. "He came through with another big game with three touchdowns without an

interception on a day when Stanford was just bringing it. He really stood tall.'

An important component to his ability to stand up to the rush was the play of the Irish offensive line, which allowed only one sack.

"We were really getting Jimmy [Clausen] a lot of time and keeping him off the ground, and it just got going," junior offensive tackle Sam Young said. "Our receivers made great plays. I thought the line did a pretty good job keeping Jimmy



Irish sophomore running back Armando Allen breaks free of a Purdue tackler during one of his 17 carries in Notre Dame's 38-21 win on Saturday.

up and keeping him clean."

The step that Clausen is taking to the next level of quarterbacks, according to Weis, is his newfound ability to go to his check-down receivers. This means dumping the ball off to players who are on

short routes when the opposing defensive backs

drop deep.

"I can't tell you how many times I have met with him at the beginning of the week and the end of the week and I just keep on saying: check downs, check downs, check downs, check downs," Weis said. "The first touchdown to Armando was a check-

down, and I could not wait for him to get to the sideline to tell him about it.

The importance of check downs for a quarterback is something that Weis learned a long time ago during his years with the New York Giants.

"When I was a very young coach in the NFL Phil Simms said to me, 'The difference in the NFL between throwing for 3,000 yards and 4,000 yards is fire control," Weis said. "I think it is a major step when a quarterback doesn't force balls

down the field and is willing to throw it to his fire control.'

Sophomore running back Armando Allen appreciates this change in Clausen, as it gets him more involved in the action on the field. Allen had a breakout performance last week against Purdue when he rushed for 136 yards and a touchdown. Allen pitched in this week in the passing game by catching the ball a teamhigh seven times for 66 yards and a touchdown.

"Check downs are always the last read, kind of an outlet," Allen said. "So once he started looking at it and noticed that there's nothing there, then you always throw it to your back. He did that today and everything worked out smooth.'

Harbaugh has noticed a huge difference in Clausen's play from last year, believing that he is seeing a much improved quar-

"He is very good getting to his second and third reads, throwing the ball accurately, and I am impressed how he is driving the ball," Harbaugh said. "He is getting his legs underneath him and is getting set to make those throws. And he is putting them on the money.'

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Floyd burns Pac-10 100-meter champ

By LAURA MYERS Sports Writer

Freshman Michael Floyd had a career high in yards despite lining up across from Stanford cornerback Wopamo Osaisai Saturday. Osaisai, a fifth-year senior, was the 2008 Pac-10 Track and Field Champion in the 100-meters and holds the Stanford record in the event with a time of 10.39 seconds.

'Not only is he making plays, but he obviously has top 10 speed," coach Charlie Weis said. "He's a tall guy, but he's deceptively fast. He reminds me a bit of (former Jeff) receiver

Samardzija in that way."

Just like the Shark

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Irish quarterback

Speaking of Samardzija, Floyd became the first receiver to have back-toback 100-yard games since Samardzija did it in 2006 against North Carolina and Navy. Floyd had 100 yards receiving Sept. 27 against Purdue and 115 yard receiving Saturday.

Wake up the echoes

Saturday's game marked the celebration of the 100th anniversary of the Notre Dame Victory March. Brothers and Notre Dame graduates Michael and John Shea collaborated to write

the lyrics and compose the music for the song in 1908.

In honor of the event, the marching band invited some of its former members to join them during the pre-game and halftime shows.

Sneak Attack

The Irish ran a fake punt for the first time in 2008 in the third quarter. It was fourth-and-eight on the Notre Dame 33-yard line when senior Harrison Smith took a direct snap and rushed for 23 yards and a first down.

Kicking himself

Sophomore kicker Brandon Walker missed a 41-yard field goal in the second quarter and a 46-yard attempt in the fourth. Walker is now 1for-7 in field goal attempts.

Weis acknowledged that the missed kicks had an effect on the momentum of the team.

"To miss those kicks is a little deflating. I think the first one, which was shorter, was more deflating to tell you the truth, to come out after a turnover and get no points," Weis said. "That's something we're definitely going to have to address because it's putting us in a disadvantageous situation."

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scoring summary

1st 2nd 3rd 4th Total Notre Dame Stanford

First quarter

Notre Dame 7, Stanford 0 Armando Allen 21-yard pass from Jimmy Clausen with 7:56 remaining. Drive: 9 plays, 80 yards, 5:03 elapsed

Second quarter

Notre Dame 7, Stanford 7 Toby Gerhart 1-yard run with 10:51 remaining. Drive: 14 plays, 95 yards, 7:02 elapsed Notre Dame 14, Stanford 7 Armando Allen 3-yard run with 6:12 remaining. Drive: 9 plays, 73 yards, 4:39 elapsed Notre Dame 21, Stanford 7 Michael Floyd 48-yard pass from Jimmy Clausen with 3:40 remaining. Drive: 3 plays, 48 yards, 0:58 elapsed

Third quarter

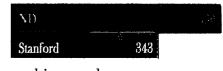
Notre Dame 28, Stanford 7 Kyle Rudolph 16-yard pass from Jimmy Clausen with 4:30 remaining. Drive: 7 plays, 75 yards, 4:22 elapsed

Fourth quarter

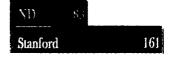
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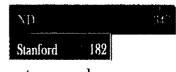
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Hughes	8-16	Howell	3-17
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Allen	7-66	Whalen	8-91
Grimes	7-60	Gunder	4-34
Floyd	5-115	Baldwin	3-42
Rudolph	5-70	Fleener	1-12
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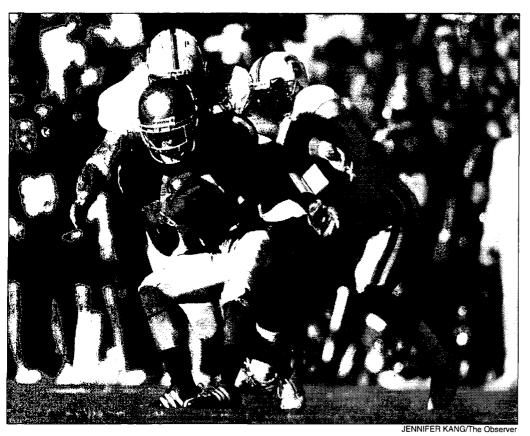
A Brewing rivalry

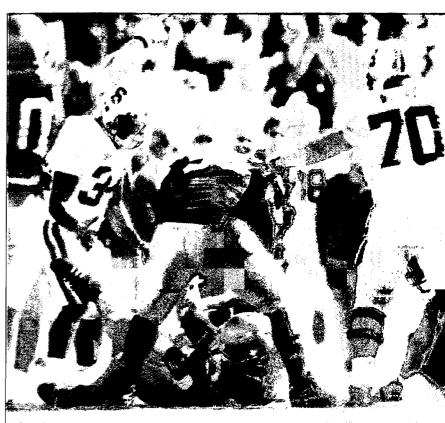


Tensions ran high long before the opening kickoff this week with Stanford supplying bulletin board material for the Irish defense. Notre Dame did their talking on the field as a fired up unit came up with five sacks and four turnovers in key situations. Both teams fought hard throughout the game but sophomore quarterback Jimmy Clausen and his host of young receivers proved to be too much for the Cardinal. The budding star threw for three touchdowns and no interceptions on his way to another record-breaking day. Stanford made a late push to keep things exciting, but senior defensive lineman Pat Kuntz put an exclamation point on his own career day with a fumble recovery to end the game.

- Dan Murphy







Clockwise from top left: Brian Smith breaks through the line on one of many Irish blitzes. Running back Robert Hughes searches for daylight on one of his eight carries. Sergio Brown, 31, leads the team in the alma mater. Senior David Grimes hauls in a pass over the middle. Senior Pat Kuntz hits the dirt after his first career interception.

THE OBSERVER SCENE



RYAN **ADAMS** ROCKS

By JAMES DuBRAY Scene Writer

Ex-Whiskeytown frontman turned infamous blogger and now writer, Ryan Adams brought his Cardinals tour to Indianapolis on Thursday. The show at the Murat Theatre was sold out with punks, yuppies, hipsters and preps all in

Ryan Adams became somewhat famous for his second solo album, "Gold," which is largely considered to be his best work. "Gold" was released soon after 9/11 and notably featured the song "New York, New York." Much to Lost Highway Records' chagrin, the song became an anthem for America's wounded city.

Adams must have felt like Springsteen when his "Born in the U.S.A" was released, as his tune became a patriotic rallying cry despite the upside-down American flag on his album cover. Adams didn't literally say that the U.S. had it

coming, but the feeling was there.
Compared to New York City, the beauty of Indianapolis is that everything is about eight minutes away. After a short drive and one whiskey coke in the theatre's lobby, Ryan Adams and his backing band, the Cardinals, began what would be a 26-song set.

Adams didn't play "New York, New York," but the oft-covered "Gold" country tune "When the Stars Go Blue" did make an appearance. Adams' soft voice added to the beauty of the song. If Tim McGraw ever began to care about his singing voice, it would behoove him to give Adams a call. Adams also did a cover himself, slowing down and giving justice to Oasis's "Wonderwall." The Beatles wannabes, for whom Adams recently opened, would have been proud.

Despite the inclusion of those two slower tunes, Adams largely used his collaborating Cardinals to put on a ripping and rollicking country rock show. Adams didn't touch an acoustic guitar all night, only once trading his electric axe for keys on "Rescue Blues."

The show began with "Cobwebs" a song from Adams' forthcoming album, "Cardinology." Adams said very little to the audience directly during the show, but often spoke to his band members through a separate microphone that fed into the group's earphone system. After 45 minutes of constantly fidgeting with his earpiece, Adams stopped the concert to fix the technical problem. Asking the audience for 10 minutes, the frontman promised to return with "the dream set list.'

Return he did, as Adams and the Cardinals spent the next hour and a half exploring songs from his nine solo albums. The set was heavy on beefed up versions of the 2007 release "Easy Tiger."

With the major technical problems largely fixed, Adams took off his leather jacket and jammed with his band, who clearly are more of a collaborative force than they have ever been before. The most surprising part of the concert was how much and how loud the band rocked.

"Easy Tiger" featured Adams as his most subdued since his "Whiskeytown" days, yet the Cardinals and their frontman clearly desire to explore new territory on their forthcoming album. The two-and-a-half-minute Broadway" morphed into an 11minute country rock jam session, while the set ended with an even

longer version of "Easy Plateau."
"Easy Plateau," a song off of "Cold Roses," one of the three albums Adams released in 2005, left its alt-country roots behind, becoming a prog-rock exploration. The show ended with Adams screaming the song's title at the top of his lungs as smoke enveloped the band.

In articles, Ryan Adams often gets mentioned in the same breath as Conor Oberst. Yet, Adams is clearly in the process of growing. out of his too-cool-for-explanations, "hipsters only" phase. The high school dropout recently revealed that the true inspiration behind his three-album output in 2005 was a mixture of heroin and cocaine. Realizing that even Jim Morrison wouldn't have snorted that killer combo, Adams got sober with the help of girlfriend and Banana Republic model Jessica Joffe.

This newfound piece of mind is clearly bleeding into Adams' live shows, which were once notable for their inconsistency. The old Ryan probably would have flipped out about the earpiece issue that occurred at the beginning of the show. The new Adams took the issue in stride, commenting that he was sorry, but it was almost impossible to sing because the feedback in his ear made him "sound like Darth Vader." The audience laughed presumably at the joke. Yet, some also must have been chuckling in delight at Adams' newfound maturity and musical direc-

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Manning, Colts rally in fourth to stun Texans

Surprising Dolphins earn shocking win over Chargers; Titans remain unbeaten with win over Ravens

Associated Press

HOUSTON — Headed for another early-season loss, Peyton Manning and the Indianapolis Colts staged a stunning comeback thanks to a colossal collapse by the Houston Texans.

Manning's late-game poise — and the lack of it for Houston quarterback Sage Rosenfels — helped the Colts scored 21 points in a late span of 2:10. Two touchdowns came thanks to fumbles by Rosenfels, then Indianapolis intercepted Rosenfels' last-ditch comeback attempt for a 31-27 win Sunday.

Manning threw two touchdown passes, connecting with Reggie Wayne on a 5-yarder with 1:54 remaining for the decisive points. Linebacker Gary Brackett returned a fumble by Rosenfels 68 yards for a score in between Manning's TD throws.

"All of our team played great football today, played winning football and I made those mistakes that cost football games," Rosenfels said. "There is no reason we should have lost that game."

But they did, in incredible fash-

"I thought we had that passion at the end," said Colts coach Tony Dungy. "But it was missing during the middle of the game and we've got to get that back somewhere."

Rookie Tom Santi caught the other late score, a 7-yarder to bring the Colts (2-2) within 27-17 with 4:04 to go. It was his first NFL touchdown.

Backup Rosenfels, playing for the ill Matt Schaub, had the winless

Texans (0-4) ahead by 17 points before losing two fumbles and throwing an interception. Texans fans had wanted to see Schaub replaced all season, and Rosenfels was nearly flawless for three quarters. Then came one of the worst meltdowns in the history of the young franchise.

After Manning found Santi for his touchdown, Indianapolis attempted an onside kick, but Houston recovered. On the next drive, Rosenfels ran right at defensive back Marlin Jackson, who upended him and knocked the ball loose. Brackett ran it in to make it 27-24

"For one play I made a really stupid mistake and that started the downward spiral," Rosenfels said. "I feel like I let those guys down."

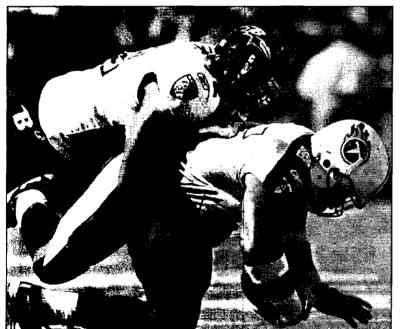
Said Brackett: "I told those guys, 'There's a lot of time left. Somebody's got to make a play.' It just happened to be myself."

On the ensuing drive, Robert Mathis sacked Rosenfels and stripped the ball at the Houston 19. Manning hit a leaping Wayne in the corner of the end zone, the play was reviewed, and the call was upheld.

Houston got back the ball with almost 2 minutes remaining, but Rosenfels was intercepted by Melvin Bullitt.

The five-time AFC South champion Colts were off to their worst start since starting the 1998 season 0-4 when Manning was a rookie. Manning was looking for his team to get back on track with this game.

"The encouraging thing is we feel like we can find a little more



Baltimore's Ray Lewis tackles Tennessee running back LenDale White during the first half of the Raven's 13-10 loss Sunday.

consistency, we're capable of scoring more points and we have the players to do it," he said. "The idea today was to get a little swagger back ... I was proud of the guys for never giving up and fighting 'til the end."

The Texans played the 100th game in franchise history in their hurricane-damaged stadium with the retractable roof open; the roof couldn't be repaired in time for Sunday's game.

Rosenfels' miscues ruined good days by rookie Steve Slaton and Andre Johnson. Slaton ran for 93 yards and two touchdowns and Johnson bounced back from two poor games with nine catches for 131 yards. Johnson, who had 67 yards in the last two games combined, scored his first touchdown of the season on a 5-yard reception just before halftime for a 17-10 load.

Mario Williams had two sacks as he stayed in Manning's face most of the day. Manning was 25-of-34 for 247 yards with two touchdowns and one interception.

Williams still seemed to be in shock after the game.

"I've never seen anything in my life like that," he said of the fourth quarter. "For that to happen, I can't even remember seeing anything like that growing up. It's just devastating."

Dolphins 17, Chargers 10

With the Miami Dolphins threatening to score, running back Ronnie Brown waited in the single wing for a direct snap, his grin visible through his face mask.

Winning can be fun, as the Dolphins are discovering.

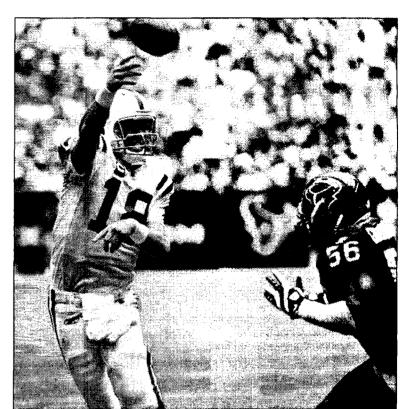
Brown was still grinning moments later when he reached the end zone. And he wore a smile in the locker room after Miami pulled off its second successive upset by beating San Diego.

"We can compete, and we're starting to realize that," Brown said.

The Dolphins won Sunday with ball control, a smothering defense and a few offensive frills. Brown scored the decisive touchdown from the single-wing formation the Dolphins revived two weeks ago, and a goal-line stand in the fourth quarter preserved a seven-point load.

With back-to-back wins for the first time since November 2006, the Dolphins are 2-2 in the Bill Parcells era. That's double their victory total for all of last season, when they went 1-15.

"We're proud of what we did, but it's just another step," defensive end Vonnie Holliday said.



Indianapolis quarterback Peyton Manning throws a pass over a Houston defender in the fourth quarter of the Colts' 31-27 win.

"Hopefully we're going to raise some brows. Hopefully people will start to pay some attention."

Defending AFC West champion San Diego fell to 2-3 for the second year in a row. The Chargers remained winless in six visits to Miami since a memorable overtime playoff victory in January 1982.

The single wing was less explosive than in the Dolphins' win at New England, but running back Brown took a direct snap 11 times on running plays that netted 49 yards and Miami's second touchdown. Other formations were also effective — Chad Pennington threw for 228 yards, and Brown ran for 125.

"It's not about the formation," Brown said. "It's about execution."

Titans 13, Ravens 10

Facing a rugged Baltimore Ravens defense that still conjures unpleasant memories, Kerry Collins trotted onto the field needing to mount an 80-yard touchdown drive to keep the Tennessee Titans unbeaten.

His first big play was to get hit in the helmet. Soon after that, Collins threw an 11-yard touchdown pass to Alge Crumpler with 1:56 left to rally Tennessee to a victory Sunday.

The last time he started against the Ravens, Collins was thoroughly ineffective for the New York Giants in a 34-7 loss in the 2001 Super Bowl. This win didn't serve as revenge, but it sure helped ease the pain of that humbling setback.

"It's hard to forget that one. Obviously, it wasn't one of my better days," Collins said. "Sure, I wanted to beat them, (but) I wanted to go 5-0 most of all."

The Titans trailed 10-6 in the fourth quarter before Collins engineered the pivotal 11-play scoring drive. The march was extended by a penalty against Baltimore's Terrell Suggs, who was flagged for a blow to Collins' helmet — although the hit appeared to be little more than incidental contact.

At least that's how Suggs saw it.

"If anybody can go back and show something I did illegal, then I would be happy to say I messed up and got what I deserved," he said. "We hit arms. It just goes to show the referee has too much power."

It was the last of several personal foul calls in a game marred by numerous skirmishes. Tennessee was penalized 10 times for 78 yards, including a pair of 15-yard infractions that fueled both Baltimore's scoring drives.

The Ravens (2-2) were assessed 11 penalties for 91 yards in a matchup between two teams that once were, and seem to still be, bitter rivals.

"We are the bad boys of football. They are always going to look at us like that," Suggs said. "From the way the game was going, I think the referee just probably wanted to feel important."

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	team	points	record
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3	Missouri (1)	1,487	5-0
4	LSU	1,444	4-0
5	Texas	1,374	5-0
6	Penn State	1,287	6-0
7	Texas Tech	1,163	5-0
8	USC	1,137	3-1
9	Brigham Young	1,103	5-0
10	Georgia	1,014	4-1
11	Florida	977	4-1
12	Ohio State	931	5-1
13	Vanderbilt	833	5-0
14	Utah	815	6-0
15	Boise State	677	4-0
16	Kansas	623	4-1
17	Oklahoma State	565	5-0
18	Virginia Tech	485	5-1
19	South Florida	392	5-1
20	Auburn	236	5-2
21	Wake Forest	205	3-1
22	North Carolina	196	4-1
23	Michigan State	161	5-1
24	Pittsburgh	121	4-1
25	Ball State	97	6-0

NCAA Football USA Today Coaches' Poll

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	team	points	record
1	Oklahoma (60)	1,524	5-0
2	Missouri	1,404	5-0
3	LSU (1)	1,398	4-0
4	Alabama	1,339	6-0
5	Texas	1,305	5-0
6	Penn State	1,203	6-0
7	Texas Tech	1,101	5-0
8	Brigham Young	1,086	5-0
9	USC	1,055	3-1
10	Georgia	937	4-1
11	Ohio State	893	5-1
12	Florida	883	4-1
13	Utah	793	6-0
	Vanderbilt	704	5-0
15	Kansas	667	4-1
16	Boise State	624	4-0
17	Oklahoma State	523	5-0
18	Virginia Tech	393	5-1
19	Michigan State	273	5-1
20	South Florida	267	5-1
21	Wake Forest	247	3-1
	Northwestern	231	5-0
23		121	4-2
24		105	3-2
25	California	98	4-1

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Team		Record	
		league	overall
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5	Adrian	5-5	9-9
6	Albion	4-5	11-9
7	Trine	3-6	6-11
8	Kalamazoo	2-7	5-14
9	Olivet	0-9	4-15

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MLB



Philadelphia's Carlos Ruiz, left, and Chase Utley celebrate after Game 4 of the National League division series on Sunday in Milwaukee. The Phillies won the game 6-2 to advance to the National League championship series.

Phillies move past Brewers into NLCS

Associated Press

MILWAUKEE — With plenty of power to go with their improved pitching, the Philadelphia Phillies are ready for anything in the NL championship series.

Bring on the Los Angeles Dodgers.

"I like our chances," Phillies manager Charlie Manuel said Sunday after Philadelphia clinched its first trip to the NLCS since 1993 with a 6-2 victory over the Milwaukee Brewers.

"I think we can hold our own with them. Actually, I think we can beat anybody in the National League, really," he said.

Especially if the Phillies keep playing this way.

After scuffling through the first three games of the NL division series, Philadelphia's offense broke out in a big way against the Brewers in Game 4 of the best-of-five series. Jimmy Rollins led off the game with a home run, Pat Burrell connected twice to break out of his postseason slump and Jayson Werth added a solo shot.

Not to be overlooked, midseason addition Joe Blanton threw a gem, holding the Brewers to one run after an eight-day ayoff.

"That took a lot of pres-

of his home run. "We were up 1-0, regardless, no matter how the top of the first ended. On the other side, of course, it's going to put a little more pressure on you

sure off of us," Rollins said

little more pressure on you because their guys are thinking, 'OK, well, we got to answer back.'"

The Brewers never could, and the Philling method the

and the Phillies rushed the mound at Miller Park after the final out, setting off a raucous celebration. Some Philly fans held up a banner that read, "World Series Here We Come Fightin' Phillies."

In the clubhouse, the Phillies sprayed each other with champagne and beer, with Rollins wearing swimming goggles and a big grin as he searched for unsuspecting — not to mention dry — teammates.

Burrell was doused so many times it'll be days before his sweatshirt dries out, but he never stopped smiling.

"I couldn't be more thrilled. You know, I don't think it's actually sunk in all that much yet," said Burrell, who has been with the Phillies since they drafted him in 1998.

It will later this week, when the Phillies take on their old foe the Dodgers. Game 1 of the NLCS is Thursday in Philadelphia.

IN BRIEF

Edwards suffers early concussion early in loss

GLENDALE, Ariz. — Buffalo Bills quarterback Trent Edwards went down with a concussion on the third play of the game in a loss against the Arizona Cardinals on Sunday.

Safety Adrian Wilson blitzed untouched and leveled the second-year quarterback, slamming him to the ground.

Edwards, who had directed Buffalo to a 4-0 record, lay on the ground for several minutes before being helped to the sideline. He was carted off the field, and the Bills reported a short time later that he had a concussion.

Edwards completed a 13-yard pass to James Hardy just before he was hit by Wilson. Former starter J.P. Losman took Edwards' place.

"I just came from Trent," coach Dick Jauron said in his postgame news conference. "Trent was responding, but he was still a little groggy. Hopefully, he'll be fine as time goes by here. It's a good time to have a bye."

Buffalo has next weekend off, then is home against San Diego on Oct. 19.

Stewart claims first season win at Talladega

TALLADEGA, Ala. — Tony Stewart ended his frustrating winless season Sunday by earning his first Sprint Cup Series victory at Talladega Superspeedway when NASCAR ruled Regan Smith's last-lap pass was illegal.

Smith was in second and trailed Stewart for the final three laps around Talladega, and the rookie made one desperate attempt to grab his first career victory by ducking inside of the two-time champion to attempt a pass.

Stewart blocked, Smith dove below the yellow out-of-bounds line at the bottom of the track to make the pass, and beat Stewart to the finish line. NASCAR reviewed the move - a driver is allowed to make the pass if officials believe he was forced under the line - and declared it illegal.

Smith thought he was within the rules on the pass, and went with Dale Earnhardt Inc. president Max Siegel to defend himself to NASCAR.

Detroit Shock win third WNBA championship

YPSILANTI, Mich. — Winning a gold medal in Beijing, a WNBA championship and the league finals MVP award.

How does it feel, Katie Smith?

"I mean, it's been OK," she said to laughter in the interview room Sunday after the forward led the Detroit Shock to their third WNBA crown in six seasons.

The 76-60 win completed a threegame sweep of the San Antonio Silver Stars and came less than two months after the 34-year-old started for the gold-medal winning U.S. Olympic team.

"It's been fun. It's just been a lot of fun," she said.

Smith, who scored a team-high 18 points, was lifted from the game with time running out as coach Bill Laimbeer emptied his bench to the ear-splitting delight of the crowd.

A few minutes later, she was sprinting back on to the court with her teammates to celebrate yet another championship as confetti rained down.

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MLB

White Sox keep hope alive

Associated Press

CHICAGO — Thanks to John Danks and the White Sox, Chicago still has one team standing.

Danks pitched another big game to save the season and well-traveled DeWayne Wise delivered a two-run double as the White Sox beat Tampa Bay 5-3 Sunday, trimming the Rays' lead in their AL playoff series to 2-1.

Game 4 in the best-of-five matchup is Monday in Chicago, with Gavin Floyd facing Tampa Bay's Andy Sonnanstine.

Less than 24 hours after the Cubs were swept out of the playoffs by the Dodgers, dashing Chicago's hopes for a crosstown World Series, the White Sox avoided elimination before a blackshirted, white towel-waving crowd of 40,142 in their home park.

park.
"At least we play tomorrow,"
White Sox manager Ozzie Guillen
said. "Like I say, we played
against the wall before and came
out of it."

As for that other team in Chicago?

"I could care less about the Cubs," he said.

Danks, who beat Minnesota 1-0 last Tuesday in the tiebreaker for the AL Central title, shut down the Rays for 6 2-3 innings.

"I was more nervous going into the Minnesota game than this game," he said. "Guys try to approach it like a game in June. I think that helps take pressure off us." The 23-year-old lefty gave up five hits and a run before B.J. Upton hit a long, two-run homer with two outs in the seventh that made it 5-3.

After a single by Carlos Pena, Octavio Dotel threw a third strike past Evan Longoria.

Bobby Jenks pitched the ninth, striking out Pena with a nasty curveball with a runner on for his fifth postseason save. He had four in 2005, including two in the World Series victory over Houston.

The Rays are only the second team in major league history — first in the AL — to make the post-season after having the worst record in the majors the previous season. Tampa Bay went from 96 losses to 97 victories and was trying to become the fifth team to sweep its first postseason series.

After the Rays won 6-4 and 6-2 at home, the White Sox were revived at U.S. Cellular Field, where they were 54-28 this season.

"It's a bad assumption to think you are going to come in and beat up on them," Rays manager Joe Maddon said. "They are very good here."

Matt Garza, pitching on eight days' rest, was popping his fastball in the mid-90s (mph) and trying to keep the homer-reliant White Sox off balance by changing speeds. The White Sox caught up with the 24-year-old righty in the fourth.

Jim Thome opened with double off the center-field fence, Paul Konerko walked and Ken Griffey Jr. hit a sharp single that loaded the bases.

Alexei Ramirez, who hit a record four grand slams as a rookie this season, hit a sacrifice fly to center for a 2-1 lead, and veterans Konerko and Griffey alertly moved up a base. Wise followed with a two-run, opposite-field double to left.

Wise, who hit a three-run homer in the opener at Tropicana Field, had been designated for assignment by Chicago on May 31. But the White Sox brought him back from the minors in June, and he's seen increased playing time since Carlos Quentin went down with a broken wrist Sept. 1.

Since his career began in 1997, the 31-year-old Wise has played in only 240 regular-season major league games and another 935 in the minors.

Griffey had two singles. After he walked in the sixth, he was replaced by younger and faster Brian Anderson, who stole second and moved up on an infield out when Longoria made a nice play from behind third base on Ramirez's grounder.

Wise grounded out, but Juan Uribe delivered another two-out single and the White Sox were up 5-1.

Garza lasted six innings, allowing seven hits and five runs.

Akinori Iwaumra, who hit a two-run homer off Mark Buehrle in Game 2, gave the Rays a 1-0 lead in the second with an RBI infield single to first, beating Danks to the bag.

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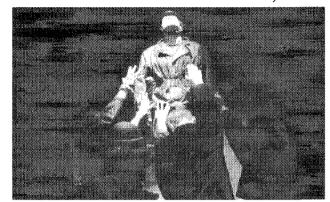
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NFL

Portis runs rampant as Redskins top Eagles

Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA — A few of the Washington Redskins were walking off the field, high-fiving, hugging and celebrating another road victory when they looked up at disgruntled fans and gave them another reason to pout.

"There's a new Beast of the East," players shouted.

That's no exaggeration.

Clinton Portis ran for 145 yards and one touchdown, wide receiver Antwaan Randle El threw a TD pass and the Redskins beat the Philadelphia Eagles 23-17 on Sunday.

Washington (4-1) has made it through the first five games under new coach Jim Zorn better than anyone expected. The Redskins went to Dallas last week and handed the Cowboys their first loss, 26-24. They've played all three division rivals on the road and their next three opponents — Cleveland, Detroit and St. Louis — are a combined 1-11.

And Washington's offense didn't commit a turnover for the fifth straight game.

"I think the NFL was trying to throw us to the fire, to get rid of the 'Skins out of this division," Portis said. "I think that we play our best football with our backs up against the wall."

The Eagles (2-3) are close to having to look ahead to next season. They were the only NFC East team to miss the playoffs in 2007, finishing last for the second time in three years. With Donovan McNabb healthy coming into this season, they were hoping to make a run at the Super Bowl. Instead, they're buried in last place again.

"I was embarrassed the last two weeks," McNabb said. "Two teams that we should not have lost to."

DeSean Jackson had a 68-

yard punt return for a score, but the Eagles couldn't generate much on offense. Brian Westbrook, back after missing a game with an ankle injury, had just 84 total yards.

Meanwhile, Portis piled up the yards against the league's best run defense. The Eagles had allowed just 53.8 per game on

the ground.

"Clinton Portis would say this. He doesn't do all that running by himself," Zorn said. "Our offensive line, they were coming off the ball, they were really doing a nice job communicating. It wasn't as though they were playing a real soft defense, either."

Shaun Suisham kicked three field goals beyond 40 yards, helping the Redskins overcome a 14-0 deficit. Jason Campbell threw for 176 yards.

About the only reason for fans to cheer came at the end of the game, when the Phillies beat the Milwaukee Brewers to advance to the National League championship series.

"It's going to be tough for us, but we're going to continue to fight," Westbrook said. "We're

not going to quit."

Portis ran in from the 4 to give the Redskins a 23-14 lead early in the fourth quarter. Washington started the drive at the Eagles 43 after a 28-yard punt return by Randle El and a personal foul penalty on Tank Daniels at the end of the play.

The Eagles went nearly 30 minutes without getting a first down and had four straight three-and-outs until finally putting together a long drive. However, they couldn't punch it in after reaching the 2. Westbrook was stopped for no gain and then lost 3 yards, forcing the Eagles to settle for a 23-yard field goal by David Akers that cut it to 23-17.

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Falcons top Packers; Giants stay undefeated

Associated Press

GREEN BAY, Wis. — With every rock-solid read and on-target spiral, Matt Ryan takes another step toward making everybody forget Michael Vick, Bobby Petrino and everything else in the Atlanta Falcons' ugly recent past.

The rookie quarterback turned in another sharp performance as the Falcons beat the Green Bay Packers 27-24 at Lambeau Field on Sunday, upstaging a gritty showing by Packers quarterback Aaron Rodgers.

It was the first road win of the season for the new and improved Falcons (3-2), putting a team that is supposed to be rebuilding over the .500 mark. Falcons coach Mike Smith had a feeling during pregame warmups that his young quarterback wasn't going to get rattled on the road this time around.

"He said, 'Hey, this is pretty cool,'" Smith said. "Just nice, calm, cool and collected."

And efficient.

Ryan completed 16 of 26 passes for 194 yards, two touchdowns and an interception. Falcons wide receiver Roddy White caught eight passes for 132 yards and a touchdown, while Michael Turner ran for 121 yards and a touchdown.

Ryan stole the stage from Rodgers, who played hurt and played hard — but not quite well enough to avoid the Packers' third straight loss.

Rodgers started for the Packers despite a sprained shoulder that kept him out of practice for most of the week. He got better as the game went on, even as the signs that his shoulder was bothering him became more obvious.

Rodgers hurt his shoulder at Tampa Bay last Sunday, and insisted during the week that the quarterback-record consecutive starts streak held by his predecessor, Brett Favre, didn't place any additional pressure on him to play.

While Rodgers said his shoulder was "definitely painful" on Sunday, it didn't stop him from pleading with coach Mike McCarthy to let him play.

"I think Mike wanted to look into my eyes and see if I wanted to play, and I told him 'I want the ball. I want to be out there,'" Rodgers said. "Then I just knew I was going to have to deal with the pain."

Rodgers was 25-for-37 for 313 yards with three touchdowns and an interception, and nearly led the Packers to a late comeback.

With Green Bay trailing 17-7 late in the third quarter, Rodgers drove the Packers for a 50-yard field goal by Mason Crosby. Rodgers winced and held his arm after several throws.

Then Ryan looked like a rookie for the first time all afternoon.

After driving the Falcons to the Packers 12, Ryan had tight end Ben Hartsock wide open in the end zone. But he threw a lollipop that was intercepted by Tramon Williams.

"I guess that's part of the learning curve, too," Ryan said.
"You've got to get that ball out faster and make a better throw

in those types of situations, because it's not often that you get a guy running like that, that open."

Rodgers then threw a 25-yard touchdown pass to Greg Jennings to tie the game at 17.

But the Falcons answered with a 54-yard kickoff return by Jerious Norwood, leading to a 41-yard field goal by Jason Elam for a 20-17 lead.

The Packers tried to answer but were undone by mistakes, including an intentional grounding call on Rodgers under heavy pressure from defensive end John Abraham.

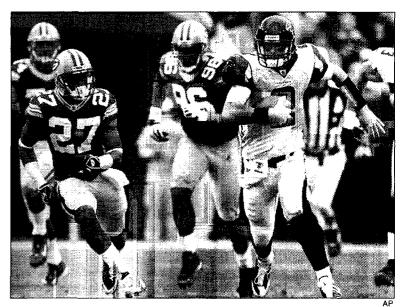
Giants 44, Seahawks 6

The New York Giants are this year's New England Patriots — so far.

In a nearly flawless performance, Eli Manning threw two touchdowns, Brandon Jacobs ran for two more and the unbeaten Giants scored on their first five possessions in a victory that embarrassed the Seattle Seahawks on Sunday.

The win was the eighth straight for the Giants (4-0) dating to last year's playoffs, and it gave the Super Bowl champions their best start since 1990, when they posted a 13-3 record and also won the NFL title. The Giants rolled up 523 yards in total offense, their most since collecting 524 yards against Green Bay on Jan. 6, 2002, and limited Seattle to 187

"You want to win every game," Giants linebacker Antonio Pierce said. "That's not very realistic.



Atlanta quarterback Matt Ryan scrambles for a 17-yard gain while being pursued by Packers defenders in the fourth quarter Sunday.

It's only happened twice in the NFL, teams went to the postseason undefeated. If we can go undefeated in the division, that could be the best undefeated record we could have."

When pressed about a comparison with last year's Patriots, whose only blemish was their Super Bowl loss to the Giants, Pierce downplayed the unbeaten record.

"We're one of the top five, 10 teams in the league," he said in self-deprecating manner. "Some other guys have better special teams, better name players, better coaches, a lot of things. We're just one of the teams that is lucky to get to 4-0."

Not only did the Giants get to 4-

0, but they did so with leading receiver Plaxico Burress suspended for a game for missing a team activity on Sept. 22.

They even did it after a bye week. New York had been 4-15 in post-bye week games.

"We have been kind of soft after our bye week but we knew we had to come out here and play ball, because this team beat us pretty badly the last two times we played them," said Jacobs, who rushed for 136 yards on 15 carries.

For the Seahawks, this was another dreadful trip east. They are 1-6 in their last seven cross-country flights and are 3-8 in their last eight road games overall

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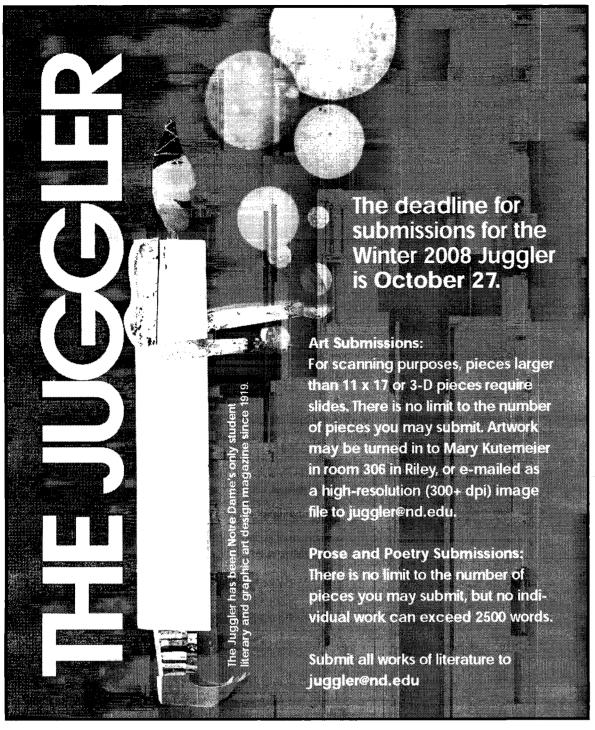
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exciting to get to go back to your hometown and play," Brown said. "She just competed really hard and rose to the occasion."

Notre Dame fell behind early in the first set, allowing Louisville to take a 5-3 lead. The Irish chipped away, though, and tied the set 11-11. The teams battled back and forth until a Kaelin spike and a Jamel Nicolas ace swung the set in favor of the Irish.

The next two sets were just as tight, with neither team securing more than a four-point lead. Notre Dame got the points when it counted, though, and secured a win to, momentarily, remain undefeated in the Big East.

"I'm really pleased how our team pulled together and made it happen," Brown said.

Junior outside hitter Serenity Phillips saw her first action in two weeks after being out because of an injury. Brown said Phillips wasn't quite ready to play full speed, but the contributions she did make were critical to the Irish win.

"What she could provide for us with her hitting and blocking was really, really important," Brown said.

It was a different story on Sunday, though, when Notre Dame was on the road again to take on Cincinnati. The Irish couldn't overcome 17 service errors, and fell to the Bearcats 3-1 (25-18, 25-22, 17-25, 25-22)

"You're going to have a tough time scoring points if you're not serving it in," Brown said.

The total marks the highest number of service errors in a match since Sept. 1, 2007, when the Irish tallied 21 against Florida International.

Notre Dame kept it close against the Bearcats, but was unable to get over the hump. In the first set, the Irish cut the Cincinnati lead to 19-17 before the Bearcats rallied to take the set. In the second set, the Irish cut a 21-14 Bearcat lead to 22-20, but couldn't notch any more points. Despite taking the third set, the Irish couldn't keep the momentum going, and the Bearcats closed out the match in the fourth.

The play of Kaelin was the lone bright spot for the Irish, as she tallied a match-high 17 kills.

After the match, Brown pointed to the service errors as the main reason for her team's loss, but didn't expect the trend to continue.

"We just got in a little bit of a funk and we couldn't get out of it," she said. "But I think we are a very good serving team and we'll be back on track

"We just seemed to lose a little bit of our confidence."

At the end of the weekend, the Irish were tied with St. John's, Georgetown, and Pittsburgh at 3-1 atop the Big East standings.

"I think it's going to be a very tight race," Brown said. "It's going to be a battle all the way to the end."

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Relays

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Lutkus and sophomore Joshual Nosal set the record with a time of 3:06.21.

"This is a young team and we're a work in progress," Irish men's coach Tim Welsh said.

"What we saw today were some very good glimpses of what is soon to come. Our energy and efforts were great."

The women were equally dominant in the pool, winning all 12 events and setting a women's record with 280 points in the meet. The second place finisher, Ball State, came in 82 points

behind the Irish with 198.

The 200 medley relay team of freshman Colleen Fotsch and sophomores

Samantha Maxwell, Kellyn Kuhlke and Amywren Miller set an event record with a time of 1:47.44.

The Irish's closest race of the

night came in the 1000 freestyle relay, as the team of sophomore Lauren Sylvester and junior Zeina Shanata trailed in the middle of the race, but Shanata helped the team earn a gold medal with a late surge and the team finished with a time of 10:23.89.

Women's coach Brian Barnes thought the team's performance

was a good building block to start the season.

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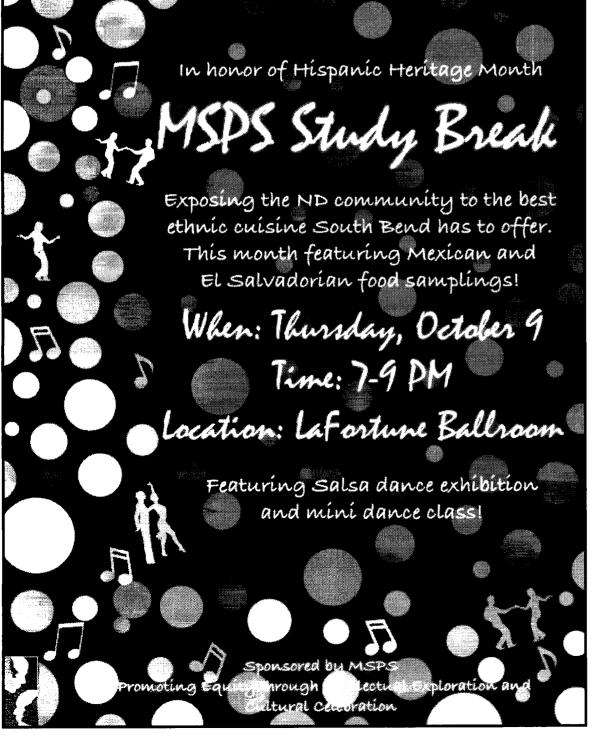
> Tim Welsh Irish men's coach

"We successful in what we sought to do but there's still a lot of work left to Barnes do," said. "There is a ton of potential here, and that's what we're excited about. We're learning where we are and

now it's time to figure out where we need to

Both teams will have plenty of time off and will not return to action for another three weeks.

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O.J. SIMPSON

Simpson jurors did not need witnesses

Associated Press

LAS VEGAS — Jurors who convicted O.J. Simpson of armed robbery and kidnapping said Sunday that they did not trust witness testimony and instead relied on recordings and other documented evidence to convict the former football star.

It might have been a waste for prosecutors to give plea deals to several Simpson co-defendants in exchange for their testimony, since the jury did not rely on it, foreman Paul Connelly said.

Seven members of the 12-person jury agreed to the extraordinary news conference two nights after the verdict was announced because they said they were being hounded by reporters. They answered questions for an hour in the same courtroom where Simpson and Clarence "C.J." Stewart were convicted of robbing two memorabilia dealers at gunpoint in a hotel room.

The jury listened repeatedly to recordings made by collectibles dealer Thomas Riccio - the host of the hotel confrontation, who was granted immunity - and felt they heard things that had not been fully transcribed by police, juror Michelle Lyons said.

But jurors could not trust the credibility of witnesses who were given plea deals, Lyons said.

'We felt we could not rely on that witness testimony," she said.

Simpson, 61, was famously acquitted in 1995 of murdering his ex-wife, Nicole Brown Simpson, and her friend Ronald Goldman in Los Angeles. He was later found liable for the deaths in a civil case. He had claimed in the robbery case that he was trying to reclaim mementos stolen from him.

The jurors all denied they wanted to punish Simpson for past wrongs. One panelist, Dora Pettit, said she prayed for him before and after the case.

"I think he's an ordinary man that made a bad decision," she said. "I prayed for him and Stewart and the attorneys. I don't have any ill feelings, and if they walked out tomorrow, so be it."

The jury also reacted to complaints by Simpson's lawyers that there were no blacks on the panel; both defendants are black. One juror indentified herself in a court questionnaire as Hispanic.

'We've been painted as an allwhite jury who hates O.J., and that's just not true," Pettit said.

Jurors concluded that without the recordings, the prosecution might not have won convictions.

"It would have been a very weak case," Pettit said. Juror David Wieberg chimed in, "Yes, a weak case," and other jurors nodded in agreement.

Asked why they convicted Stewart, whom some observers saw as a minor player, juror Teresa Owens said: "The thing that clinched it for me is he drove the car. He walked out with items. He came out of that room with items that didn't belong to

Said juror Consuelo Saldivar: "He didn't leave. If he walked in and saw what was going on, he could have walked out.'

He then continued to participate in a cover-up, jurors said, which made him a conspirator.

Simpson's lawyer Yale Galanter told The Associated Press earlier Sunday that the former Heisman Trophy winner is hoping for a new trial and a strong bid to reverse his conviction. He is being isolated from other prisoners in the Clark County Detention Center for his own safety, and is allowed to see only family members and a few friends, he said.

Simpson will be held in the Clark County Detention Center until his sentencing in December and then is expected to be moved to state prison. Galanter said he will pursue a request for Simpson to be released on bond during the appeals process.

"He's disappointed and a bit

melancholy," Galanter said. Pettit, the juror, said she did not care what sentence Simpson

"If he walked out of there, I don't care," she said. "If he lives his life happily ever after, I don't

SMC VOLLEYBALL

Belles can't overcome errors

By MICHAEL BLASCO Sports Writer

Despite another strong defensive showing, the Belles collapsed under the weight of 18 errors, falling to conference foe Alma in four sets at Scots' Cappeart Gymnasium Friday.

Saint Mary's (12-6, 5-4 MIAA) held Alma (14-6, 6-2 MIAA) to a pedestrian .210 attacking percentage, but offensive inconsistency plagued the Belles once again.

Saint Mary's coach Julie Schroeder-Biek attributed her squad's offensive struggles to its youth.

'We have been struggling through a few things offensively, primarily with just learning each other - new setters learning the tendencies and strengths of their attackers and attackers learning the same things about the setters," Schroeder-Biek said.

The Belles stumbled out of the gate, dropping the first two sets 25-15, 25-21 while posting a .049 attacking percentage. Saint Mary's mounted a 25-18 rally in the third set, but the Scots clamped down and closed the match with a 25-15 win in the fourth as the Belles' defense crumbled, allowing a .316 attacking percentage down the stretch.

Schroeder-Biek said her team has the talent to make a run in the MIAA but has had trouble putting all the pieces

"We just need to turn up our game," Schroeder-Biek said. "It is there. [That's| our focus – [to] bring not only our skill but, our heart to the court."

Junior hitter Slupczynski, led the squad in kills but committed a teamhigh 10 errors to finish the match with a .023 attacking percentage. Senior hitter Kaela Hellmann and sophomore defensive specialist Meg

Rose each turned in a solid defensive outing with 22 and 16 digs, respectively.

Sophomore setter Dani Brink finished with 31 assists and a .300 attacking percentage, while Slupczynski, Hellmann, Rose and Brink each finished with a service

Alma senior hitter Kim Gillhespy dominated offensively, finishing with match-highs in kills (15), attacking percentage (.324), and service aces (three). The Scots' defense finished with 91 digs and seven blocks, while setter Hannah Hewitt added 41

The Belles return to action Tuesday evening when they take on conference-opponent Hope at home. The Flying Dutchman lead the MIAA with a perfect 9-0 record in conference play.

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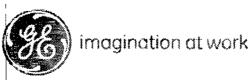


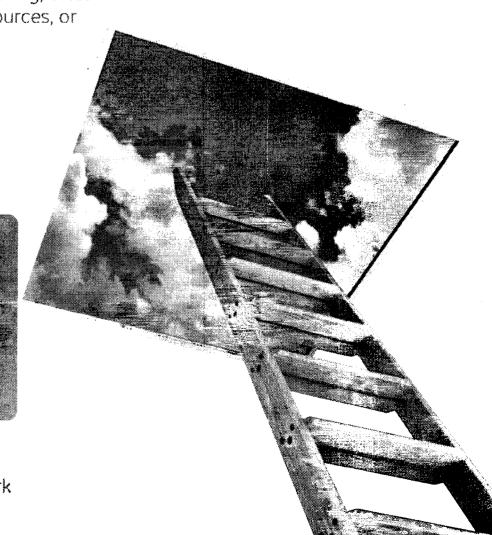
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SMC Cross Country

Saint Mary's finishes fifth at Adrian meet

By KATE GRABAREK Sports Writer

Junior Megan McClowry's sixth overall individual finish in the 3-kilometer race led the Belles to fifth place at the Adrian Invitational on Friday.

McClowry finished with a time of 11:37.

"One of our goals for the team this year is to improve our finish in the conference," McClowry said. "Last year we got fourth place, which was the highest place we had gotten, and we hope to better our place this year. One of my goals, along with some of the other girls is to consistently break the 20-minute barrier in the 5K."

Freshman Hanna Vicary and sophomore Clare McVey were the next finishers across the line for the Belles in the 3K, finishing with times of 12:09 (20th) and 12:10 (21st), respectively.

Freshman Arianne Rodriguez finished 25th with a time of 12:15 in the same race. Sophomore Kristy Kucharski finished in 36th place with a time of 12:55 to round out the Belles' scoring.

In the 6K, sophomore

Catie Salyer led the way for the Belles finishing with a time of 25:22.

Freshman Joanne Almond finished in 22nd place with a time of 25:31.

Seniors Caitlin Brodmerkel, Alicen Miller and Becca Mason finished 27th, 35th, and 39th respec-

"So far my senior year of cross country has been all I could ask for and more," Brodmerkel said. "As usual, I absolutely love my teammates. They are amazing women and they constantly provide me with the motivation I need to keep me going. My goal for the team is to continue to improve throughout the season, as we have been."

The team results were taken by combining the topthree finishers in both races. The Belles were in the middle of the pack of 10 teams, which included Calvin, John Carroll, Bethel, Cornerstone, Adrian, Schoolcraft, Goshen, Trine and Defiance.

The Belles will head to the Manchester College Invitational on Oct. 18.

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SMC Soccer

SMC can't hold on vs. Hope

By ALEX BARKER Sports Writer

For the second time in as many weeks, a Saint Mary's second-half meltdown led to defeat at the hands of conference foe Hope College.

The Flying Dutch scored an equalizer in the 70th minute to force overtime and netted the game winner a couple of minutes into the second overtime to seal the victory Saturday.

The Belles (1-7-1, 0-2 MIAA) got out to a quick start as they have all season when senior forward Lauren Hinton scored her fourth goal of the season off a pass from junior Colleen Ferguson in the 18th minute. Saint Mary's failed to convert on any of its final six shots of the game.

Junior Patty Duffy made 10 saves, but Hope's 20 shots eventually overwhelmed the Saint Mary's defense.

The game provided more of the same from the Belles, who have struggled in the second half all season. Saint Mary's has scored in every game this season but are allowing an average of two goals against per game.

The Belles will try to snap their four-game losing streak when they take on Adrian College in Adrian, Mich., on Tuesday.

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Saint Mary's midfielder Mandy Thomson chases down a Calvin player during the Belles' 0-0 tie in 2007.

SMC GOLF

Belles take second in Manchester

By ERIC PRISTER
Sports Writer

Saint Mary's finished tied for second place in the Manchester College Fall Invitational, its last tournament before the MIAA Championships next weekend

The Belles were led by

sophomore Emily Gore, who shot an 82 for the one-day tournament, finishing fifth. The Manchester Invitational was only her second tournament of the year.

The Belles' second-best round came from freshman Natalie Matuszak, who finished tied for sixth with an 83.

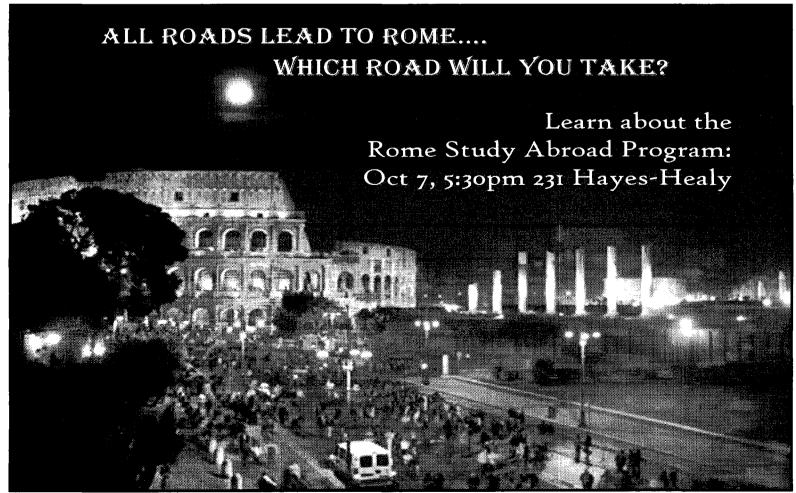
The scoring was rounded

out by another sophomore, Rosie O'Connor, who shot an 87 and finished in 12th place, and by the Belles senior captain Perri Hamma, who finished in a tie for 16th after shooting an 89.

The Belles are now set to compete in the MIAA Championships, which will take place this Friday and Saturday at Bedford Valley Golf Course in Battle Creek,

They will enter the tournament in third place in the conference, only one stroke behind second place Hope College. The Championships will determine the season's champion for the MIAA.

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Comeback

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"You definitely wanted to make sure you win when you bring your alumnae back," Irish coach Randy Waldrum said. "We had so many key alumnae back ... You want to put out a product you can still be proud of so [the two wins] made it a very, very good weekend for us all the way around."

After Notre Dame could not capitalize on its many chances early in the game against Marquette, Golden Eagles forward Danielle Martens broke the deadlock in the 60th minute. But the Irish, who were visibly angry after the goal, stormed back to take a 2-1

"We just [said], 'Let's settle it down, we got it,'" Hanks said. "And two minutes later we got a goal, so we couldn't have asked for a better way to come back and respond. We did great and after we scored that first one, we knew we'd come back and win. It was just a matter of time for us.

Bock's first goal capped off a run by Hanks down the left side of the field. Hanks stopped near the Marquette end line and sent a pass to Bock at the top of the penalty box. Bock, who had just one goal coming into the game, took one dribble to her right then launched a shot into the top right corner of the net over the outstretched hands of Marquette goalie Natalie Kulla.

Hanks said she was able to find Bock because the two seniors are so comfortable playing with each other.

"We've played together all four years so we feed off each other very well. So I couldn't ask for a better person to share my experience at Notre Dame with ... " Hanks said. "She knows how to finish and she did great today.'

Bock beat Kulla again less than two minutes later when she headed home a flip-throw from junior forward Michele Weissenhofer.

"She's so good in the air and she's so physically strong,' Waldrum said of Bock. "There's just not many players in the country that can handle her and they couldn't today.'

Hanks added an insurance goal on a penalty kick in the 88th minute.

The win over South Florida Friday was not as tough as the come-from-behind against Marquette.

Freshman forward Melissa Henderson scored her ninth goal of the season in the 20th minute to put the Irish ahead for good. Notre Dame did not allow the Bulls to take a shot on goal en route to the easy victo-

What's more, Waldrum said the resiliency his team showed against Marquette reminded him of the attitude of his 2004 national champion Irish squad.

"I don't think there's many teams that would respond with things going against them like that," the coach said. "It reminds me an awful lot of the '04 team that won the national championship ... It's the same mentality that that team had. It's just, 'We're gonna win.'

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the Notre Dame Golf Course. "Going into this race, you know it's going to be fast because of the level of com-

petition," Ferguson said.
Five of the men's teams

and eight of the women's teams that competed Friday were ranked in the top 30 of the U.S. Track and Field and Cross Country Coaches Association poll.

The women finished 11th of 23 teams, while the No. 27 Irish men tied for sixth with Florida.

Florida State swept the two titles, with the No. 26 men's team finishing first with 81 points and the No. 3 women's team finishing with 88 points.

Senior Patrick Smyth paced the men's five-mile race for the first 3.5 miles before being overtaken. Smyth finished fifth with a time of 23:36.

Sophomore Dan Jackson finished 34th for the Irish in 24:26, and sophomore Paul

Springer and freshman Joe Miller finished 43rd and 44th, both with times of 24:32.

the For women, sophomore Marissa Treece finished 38th with a time of 17:19 and freshman Rachel Velarde fin-

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Tim Connelly

Irish coach

ished 54th in 17:34. The event was important for both teams to see what to

expect of national competition, women's head coach Tim Connelly said.

'Our kids learned today what it was like to run at the

national level," he said. Ferguson said the team accomplished its goals at the

"We beat the teams we needed to," she said. "And we know what we're going to expect later in the season."

Connelly said the team is right where it should be heading into more national

"We're not too far away from being pretty good," he said. "You look in the run-ners' eyes and you see that every single one of them felt they could have been five, 10 places higher. Hopefully they walk away from this with a desire to improve.'

The men and women will compete Oct. 18 at the Pre-NCAA meet in Terre Haute, Ind.

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Edwards knocked out in Buffalo loss

Associated Press

GLENDALE, Ariz. — Adrian Wilson nearly sat out Sunday's game against Buffalo because of a sore hamstring. The decision to let him play brought a painful, early end to Trent Edwards' day.

Wilson's fierce hit on the third play of the game sent the Bills quarterback to the locker room with a concussion, and the Arizona Cardinals went on to emphatically hand Buffalo its first loss of the season, 41-17.

"I had my mind made up this morning that I was going to play," Wilson said. "Coach (Ken) Whisenhunt asked me if I had a role, what would it be. I said I could go on third down. That was my role."

Kurt Warner bounced back from an awful weekend at the Meadowlands to pick apart the Bills' defense with short passes, completing 33 of 42 for 250 yards with no interceptions. Nine Arizona receivers had catches. The Cardinals had no lost fumbles or interceptions.

"We're a tough team to beat when we don't turn the ball over," said Whisenhunt, whose team had seven turnovers a week earlier in a 56-35 road loss to the New York Jets. Warner threw three interceptions and fumbled the ball away three times in that game, so he spent the week hanging onto the football around the house.

"I was actually chasing my kids around and I had two hands on the football," the father of seven said, "or they were chasing me around trying to simulate the Buffalo Bills."

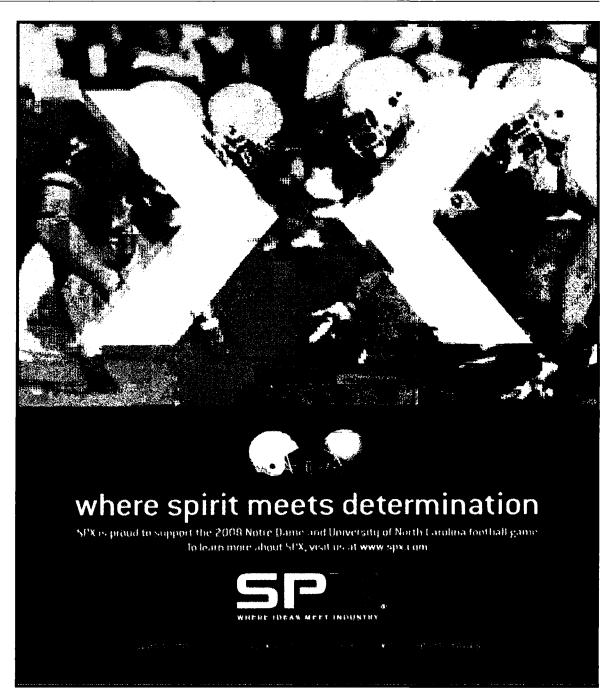
Rookie Tim Hightower had touchdown runs of 17 and 2 yards for the Cardinals, who stand alone atop the NFC West.

The Cardinals (3-2), without standout receiver Anquan Boldin, amassed 373 yards against what had been one of the stingier defenses in the league. Buffalo's offense contributed, too, fumbling the ball away three times in Bills territory, resulting in 17 Arizona points.

Buffalo had rallied in the fourth quarter to win its last three. The Bills were down 31-17 after three in this one, and it only got worse from there.

Coach Dick Jauron painted as positive a face on the loss as he

"I'd much rather go into the bye week 5-0 than 4-1," he said, "but I'm willing to bet there's not a lot of people in this room that thought we'd be 4-1."





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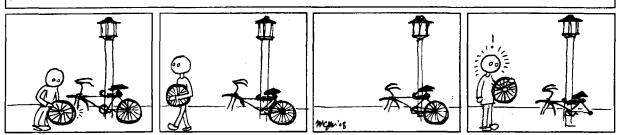
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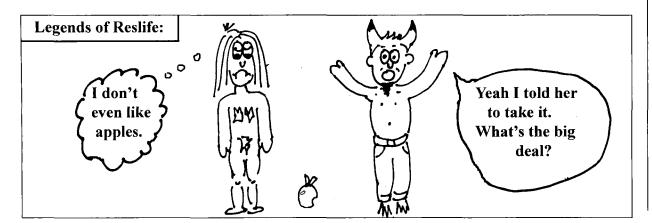
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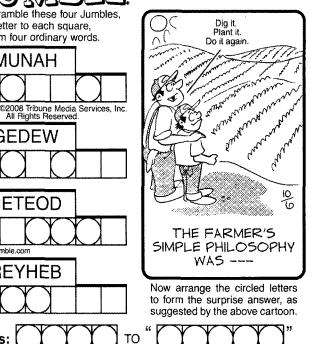
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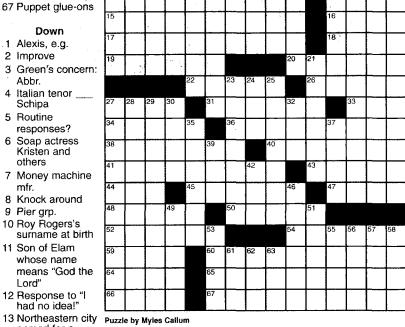
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CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY: Kate Winslet, 33; Mario Lemieux, 38; Guy Pearce, 41; Steve Miller, 65

Happy Birthday: You can accomplish a lot this year if you are forthright and honorable with your claims and promises. This is a unique and creative year for you, so don't slow down or give up on an idea that can make a difference to your current lifestyle. Keep things simple, stick to what matters and you'll see how far you go. Your numbers are 12, 16, 19, 21, 32, 41, 47

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Take a short trip or plan an adventure with a friend. Explore other cultures or lifestyles, beliefs and traditions and you will be able to incorporate some of what you learn into your own life, making it that much

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TAURUS (April 20-May 20): An old acquaintance will remind you of goals you once had. It's a good time to return to your roots — you can learn a lot about yourself by reliving the past. Communication will lead to an offer to do something that interests you. ***
GEMINI (May 21-June 20): You'll be the one everyone turns to when bored or

looking for a good time. Your energetic nature and desire to try new things will keep your popularity up and your options open. A proposal will be offered that suits you. ***
CANCER (June 21-July 22):Love is in the stars and it will be next to impossible

CANCER (June 21-July 22):Love is in the stars and it will be next to impossible foryou to have a clear head when it comes to your personal decisions. A chance to partner with someone may cause complications at home but will work itself out. **\pm\$LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): It's a great day to kick back with friends and enjoy engaging conversations and a little bonding with someone you want to do more with. A sports event or activity will allow you to show off your skills and put you in a leadership position. *\pm\$\pm\$\pm\$\pm\$

have clear and fresh minds. Someone from your past will be interested in getting together. **

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Check out some new places. A great idea can be turned into a workable solution for some of the problems you have been dealing with at home. A change is in store and can help you get things moving in a much better direction. ****

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Reconsider your professional choices. If the money isn't coming in fast enough, you may have to take drastic measures to overcome your debt. Any offers made in the past should be looked at again and implemented. ***

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Don't let your emotions get the better of you. Someone will stop you in your tracks if you overreact or exaggerate. A sugges-

Someone will stop you in your tracks if you overreact or exaggerate. A suggestion made regarding work should be considered. ***

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Put your money in a safe place. Talks will not make others see what you are up against, so don't bother. Instead, stay out of the line of fire by planning a quiet outing. ***

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Get involved in a cause or a demonstration that supports something you believe in Your voice will be heard and you will be able.

AQUARIUS (1911). 2U-Feb. 18]: Get involved in a cause or a demonstration that supports something you believe in. Your voice will be heard and you will be able to convince others to support your beliefs. An offer or a payback that was a long time coming should be yours. $\star\star\star\star$ PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Spend time nurturing a partnership or relationship that can make a difference to your future. If you are drawing up a new agreement, hash things out reasonably and, if you are ready, make a commitment. $\star\star$

Birthday Baby: You are loving, appreciative and giving. You are creative, competitive, determined, headstrong and in control.

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ND Women's Soccer

Roaring back

Senior Brittany Bock's two goals help top-ranked Notre Dame remain unbeaten against Marquette

By FRAN TOLAN Associate Sports Editor

When Marquette scored first and put the host Irish in a 1-0 hole Sunday, the Golden Eagles woke the sleeping giant that is top-ranked Notre Dame.

The Irish (12-0-0, 5-0-0 Big East) responded to the goal with two of their own in the ensuing four minutes of play. Senior co-captain Brittany Bock notched both scores in that span as Notre Dame came from behind for a 3-1 win.

Senior forward Kerri Hanks picked up a goal and an assist in the victory, making her Notre Dame's all-time leader in points with 213. The triumph was the second of the weekend for the Irish, who had also taken down South Florida 3-0 Friday. At halftime of that contest, Notre Dame celebrated the women's soccer program's 20th year by welcoming over 40 alumnae back to campus.

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Irish senior co-captain Brittany Bock controls the ball during Notre Dame's 3-1 comeback win over Marquette Sunday. Bock scored twice within four minutes of the Golden Eagles' go-ahead goal.

ND VOLLEYBALL

ND splits 2 weekend matchups

By SAM WERNER Sports Writer

Louisville native Christina Kaelin made the most of her homecoming Saturday, as the Irish went on the road and took down the Cardinals 3-0 (25-22, 25-23, 25-23).

It marked the first Irish sweep in Louisville since 1986, and Notre Dame (8-8, 3-1 Big East) coach Debbie Brown couldn't have been happier with the big result against the conference foe.

"I was really pleased," she said. "Obviously it was a really big, important game for us.'

Kaelin led the Irish with 14 kills in front of her hometown fans, posting a .344 hitting percentage. Brown said Kaelin, a junior outside hitter, was especially excited to play against the Cardinals.

"I think it's always pretty

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FOOTBALL

Former QB Theismann honored with O'Brien Award

By DAN MURPHY Sports Editor

Former Irish quarterback Joe Theismann added another award to his trophy case last week when he was named the 2008 Davey O'Brien Legends Award recipient.

The award, which was started in 2001, is given to a quarterback who has made major contributions to the game on and off the field each year.

"It's very special," Theismann said. "You really look at the company and the people that have received this before make it a really great honor. Those are some very special individuals to be grouped with."

Former Navy and Dallas Cowboys quarterback Roger Staubach was the first to receive the honor in 2001. He was followed by legendary names such as Bart Starr, Terry Bradshaw and Archie Manning. Notre Dame's Paul Hornung was also on the list of recipients despite spending most of his career as a

Theismann played for the Irish in the late 1960s and was runnerup for the 1970 Heisman Trophy Award - not too shabby for someone who started his career listed at 6-foot-1, 147 pounds.

"That was fun. I was the little guy who just managed to stay around and hang on," he said.

Notre Dame recruited 13 quarterbacks that season, but Theismann said his size may have actually helped him.

"Back then, they just recruited the best athletes they could, most were quarterbacks and got moved to other positions. I wasn't tall enough to be a receiver or big enough to go on defense so I just stuck around," he said.

Theismann also played varsity baseball for the Irish. He was drafted by both the NFL's Miami Dolphins and MLB's Minnesota Twins in 1971. Theismann chose

to pass on both options and went north to play in the now-defunct Canadian Football League.

"I ran into some negotiation problems with the Dolphins. The negotiations really screwed everything up for me," Theismann said. "I have very few regrets, but certainly playing for Don Shula would have been great."

Theismann eventually found a home with the Washington Redskins where he played until perhaps the most famous leg injury of all time ended his career

The quarterback went on to help ESPN with their coverage of the NFL for several years before retiring at the end of the 2006 season. Theismann now spends his time playing as much golf as he can while working as a motivational speaker for various

"It's a great opportunity to be able to affect people's lives. Every organization that I get to be around I get to learn something new so it's an educational experience," Theismann said.

The Davey O'Brien Foundation will officially honor him in Forth Worth, Texas, on Feb. 16.

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ND Cross Country

Ferguson leads Irish efforts

By LAURA MYERS Sports Writer

Lindsay Ferguson wears small gold shamrock earrings for good luck every time she races. But if she keeps improving, she may not need to wear them any-

Ferguson finished the three-mile course in 17:03. 28 seconds faster than her time on the same course at the Sept. 19 National Catholic Championships. The Irish hosted both races at

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Irish senior Patrick Smyth leads a pack of runners during Friday's Notre Dame Invitational.

ND Swimming

Men's, women's teams both claim top honors

By MIKE GOTIMER Sports Writer

Both Notre Dame's men's and women's teams captured first at this weekend's Dennis Stark Relays.

The men's team scored a total of 255 points in the meet, held at Notre Dame, outscoring second-place Oakland University by 51 points. The team also set two meet records in the process.

Notre Dame's first recordsetting performance came in

the 200-yard freestyle relay, the meet's first event. The team of junior John Lyttle, freshman Marshall Sherman, sophomore Thomas Van Volkenburg and junior David Anderson, set the record with a time of 1:25.02.

Lyttle was part of Notre Dame's second record-breaking performance in the last event of the day, the 400freestyle relay. The team of Lyttle, junior Andrew Hoffman, senior Danny

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