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## Group addresses budget concerns

*Belles say Saint Mary's student government executives receive too large of a stipend*

By LIZ HARTER and SARAH  
MAYER  
News Writers

A group of about 35 Saint Mary's students met with members of the Student Government Association (SGA) Executive Board, Vice President of Student Affairs Karen Johnson and director of Student Involvement and Board of Governance (BOG) advisor Patrick Daniel to discuss concerns they have about the SGA budget

approved by the Executive Board last week.

For the second time in College history, the Executive Board, consisting of student body president Mickey Gruscinski, student body vice president Sarah Falvey, chief of staff Lauren Theiss, executive treasurer Mo Weaver, Residence Hall Association (RHA) coordinator Maura Clougherty, Student Diversity Board (SDB) coordinator Adriana Rodriguez, Student Activities Board coordinator (SAB) Michele Peterson and

executive secretary Jenny Hoffman has allotted themselves a stipend in the SGA budget. The budget containing \$243,040, which comes from the student fees included in the tuition of every full-time student, was first introduced last week at the Board of Governance meeting with a \$20,000 stipend for the Executive Board.

Senior Sarah Voss coordinated the event after hearing about concerns BOG members raised when the budget was discussed Wednesday

and frustrations voiced by fellow students.

"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 told The Observer Sunday.

Johnson said she was excited about the forum because it is the first time in the three

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## Students to cast ballots in mock election

By KAITLYNN RIELY  
Associate News Editor

One month before the real Nov. 4 presidential election, Notre Dame students can cast their ballots today for the next president of the United States in the student government's mock election.

The purpose of the mock exercise, student body vice president Grant Schmidt said, is to encourage people to discuss the candidates and the issues.

"The point of this is to mobilize the students and get people talking," Schmidt said. "We didn't want a simple poll, we wanted this to be an educational process or an event."

Student Senate University Affairs chair Ashlee Wright, who will be helping to staff the voting centers today, said she is curious to see how the campus aligns itself politically.

"It will be very interesting to get the facts instead of just the stereotypes," she said.

The results won't be scientifically accurate, Schmidt said, but he said he is interested in getting a rough idea of how Notre Dame students

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## Record low arrested against Stanford

*Only 9 arrests made at Saturday's game*

By JOHN-PAUL WITT  
News Writer

Nine people were taken into custody on Saturday, according to Phil Johnson, the director of Notre Dame Security Police (NDSP). Arrests were made by NDSP, the Indiana State Excise Police, St. Joseph County Police and South Bend Police Department.

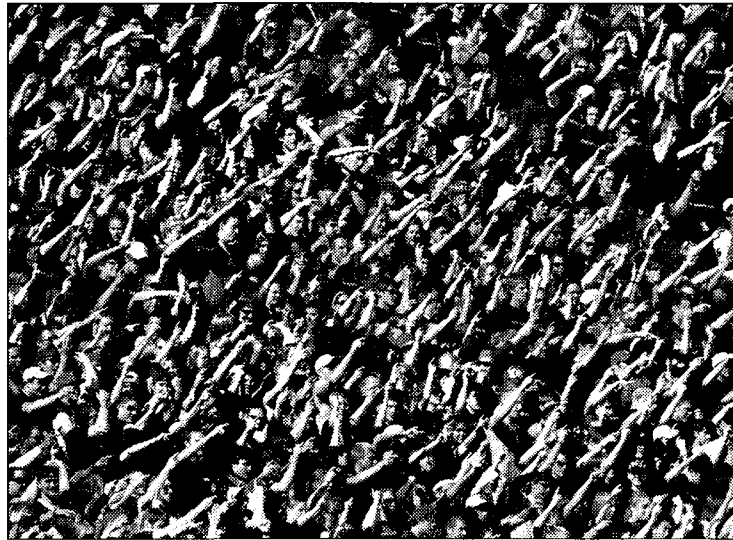
This compares to 35 custodial arrests last week when Purdue visited and three custodial arrests during the October 7, 2006 Notre Dame-Stanford game according to

an October 10, 2006 Observer article.

Outside the stadium, nine citations were issued for minor consuming alcohol, one person was cited for public indecency and one person was taken to jail after being arrested for public intoxication.

During the game, eight people were transported to jail for public intoxication, and seven others were ejected from the stadium for alcohol related violations of stadium rules.

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Students cheer on the team during Saturday's game against Stanford. Only eight people were arrested in the stadium.

## Sorin announces they will boycott pep rallies

By IRENA ZAJICKOVA  
News Writer

Notre Dame fans present at last Friday's pep rally in the Joyce Athletic Convocation Center (JACC) may have noticed only five of the six host dorms in attendance. The sixth dorm asked to host, the Sorin Otters, decided to boycott the pep rally.

Juniors Aidan McKiernan and Tristan Hunt, the president and vice president of Sorin Hall announced they would boycott the ceremony in a letter to the editor of The Observer Friday. They said their intention is not to publicly refuse to show their support for the football team. Rather, they wish to bring about a change in

the current pep rally protocol.

"We know this school supports the team," Hunt said. "But we don't think that they should have to put up with an hour of organized entertainment to do it."

McKiernan and Hunt said pep rallies have stopped being purely for the students and have taken on a more corporate, formulaic atmosphere in an attempt to appeal to alumni and visitors. Previously, the pep rallies were held in the Stepan Center and featured more interaction between the students and the football team.

"The first hour and fifteen minutes is what we're against," McKiernan said, referring to the time stu-

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## University provides flu vaccines

*Health Services to distribute free medication at Joyce Center*

By BECKY HOGAN  
News Writer

The flu season is just around the corner, bringing with it inevitable coughs, sore throats, fevers and other respiratory afflictions — but University Health Services is providing free influenza vaccines to help members of the campus community avoid contagious influenza viruses.

Assistant Director of University Health Services Pat Brubaker said that Health Services purchased 5,200 vaccines this year — about 200 more than they provided last year.

"The number of vaccines



BECHY TISAK/The Observer

Saint Mary's student BreAnne Eichhorn receives an influenza vaccine at a free clinic last year to help prevent the illness.

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INSIDE COLUMN

# She's a lady

I'm nearly positive that Miss Manners would be revolted by some of the unladylike behavior I exhibit. But lately I've been thinking that maybe Miss Manners should get over it. Maybe etiquette and ladylike courtesy have officially died. And maybe that's not so terrible after all.

A multitude of unladylike behavior is exhibited on this campus. The modern woman curses, goes stag to dances, fails to wear pantyhose and even wears white after Labor Day. We can eat with our hands, sit with our legs uncrossed and even burp when the occasion calls for it. The modern Notre Dame woman even body paints on game day and wears pants to church. All shocking behavior, I'm sure.

Then again let's consider some ladylike behavior that has joyfully gone the way of the dinosaur. For one, we are free to no longer ride side saddle. Not that the modern woman has much opportunity to ride horses, much less ride them properly, but you get the gist. Additionally, we no longer are expected to sip tea, pinky up or chew like we have a secret. And it's a refreshing change to be rid of that arranged marriage thing. It's also not so bad that corsets are only found in museums.

Maybe if chivalry is dead than it only naturally follows that female demureness should share its grave. Perhaps this marks a shift toward androgyny where women are allowed to say what they want and wear what they want and think what they want. Meanwhile, men are allowed to stop asking women on dates, stop holding doors, and stopping being confined by an oppressive masculine stereotype of sports obsessive, misogynistic, red-meat-eating jocks. Not that Notre Dame women or men embody and or all of these stereotypical characterizations.

Earlier this semester I explained why we women bake. Now I find myself delighted and surprised by the very domesticity of that question. It's not that we don't bake or knit or enjoying wearing dresses. But it's also not that we are solely obliged to see ourselves as nothing more than housewife, baby makers. Maybe Samantha Jones and Serena Vanderwoodsen are not our ideals. But it's doubtful that Joan Cleaver is our desired future either.

So yes I curse and I hate the use of euphemistic substitutions like "fudge" or "darn it." And yes, I cannot avoid speaking my mind and tend to speak excessively. I say please and thank you, but I don't cross my legs at the ankle and don't wait for doors to be opened to me. But, I'm also the first to dawn a dress and enjoy a good knitting session. So maybe Miss Manners was wrong. Maybe the human spirit, male or female, cannot be confined and restricted by a set of rules. Maybe we should build self respect and extend our respect to others. Maybe that's enough. Maybe that's what it truly is to be a lady. But moreover, maybe that's what it is to be a person.

The views expressed in the Inside Column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer. Contact Jess Shaffer at jshaffe1@nd.edu.

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## QUESTION OF THE DAY: IF YOU COULD PICK A THEME SONG FOR A PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE, WHAT WOULD IT BE?



**Eileen Flanagan**  
sophomore  
Walsh

(For Obama)  
"There's Hope"  
by India Arie



**Chris Charnock**  
freshman  
Fisher

(For McCain)  
"Danger Zone"



**Tom Wise**  
junior  
Carrol

(For Palin)  
"Mrs. Robinson"



**Kevin Archer**  
senior  
off-campus

(For McCain)  
"Highway to the Danger Zone" by  
Kenny Loggins,  
because John  
McCain is a better  
Maverick than  
Tom Cruise."



**Chris Kosinski**  
senior  
off-campus

(For McCain)  
"Changes" by  
Tupac 'cause  
that's all he  
wants..."



DAN JACOBS/The Observer

Hockey players Justin White and Dan Kissel autograph a poster for fans at Drop the Puck Monday. The Irish play their first game on Saturday in Denver.

## IN BRIEF

**Free Flu Shots** will be given out at the Joyce Center today from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. Vaccinations are available for students, faculty, staff, retirees, and spouses of retirees. Recipients must present their ND ID card, wear short sleeves, and sign informed consent to receive the vaccine.

**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 tonight, 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 **Stressfulness 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 via RecRegister on recsports.nd.edu. Cost is \$12.00.

"The Mushroom Picker" a one-man 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.

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

## OFFBEAT

### Bra bandit strikes again in southwest Florida

BONITA SPRINGS, Fla. — There's a bra bandit on the loose in southwest Florida. The Lee County Sheriff's Office was searching for an individual they say stole 160 bras valued at nearly \$6,000 on Thursday from a Victoria Secret store, the latest in a string of bra burglaries in the area.

Since February, authorities say 452 bras valued at nearly \$19,000 have been stolen from two of the chain's southern Florida locations. Six different bra thefts at the stores have been reported during that time.

Investigators said a female customer walked into the store Thursday and immediately went to a four-drawer cabinet with new bras of the PINK brand name. The store manager told deputies the woman waited until employees were busy helping customers and then thrust the bras into a bag and exited the store.

### 86 cats rescued from 2-bedroom condo

GLENWOOD SPRINGS, Colo. — A Glenwood Springs animal shelter was trying to find homes for 86 cats rescued from a two-bedroom condominium. The Colorado

Animal Rescue Shelter received the cats on Wednesday. Since then, workers have been scrambling to accommodate the animals at area shelters and homes.

Executive director Leslie Rockey said many appear to be healthy but in need of a bath.

Garfield County sheriff's spokeswoman Tanny McGinnis said the cats were strays taken in by a woman. The woman called for help, saying she couldn't take care of the cats while moving from her Battlement Mesa condo.

Information compiled from the Associated Press.

	TODAY	TONIGHT	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
LOCAL WEATHER						
	HIGH 74 LOW 56	HIGH 67 LOW 56	HIGH 67 LOW 52	HIGH 69 LOW 47	HIGH 72 LOW 50	HIGH 70 LOW 54

Atlanta 79 / 55 Boston 61 / 42 Chicago 73 / 59 Denver 65 / 41 Houston 87 / 68 Los Angeles 78 / 60 Minneapolis 68 / 57 New York 59 / 44 Philadelphia 63 / 44 Phoenix 93 / 67 Seattle 60 / 49 St. Louis 72 / 57 Tampa 85 / 62 Washington 71 / 49

## Sorin

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dents spend watching videos and campus group performances while waiting for the team to arrive.

McKiernan and Hunt's said the pep rally should be oriented towards strengthening the bond between the students and the football team. They said they want more speakers from the football team itself and less downtime spent waiting for the team to actually arrive at the Joyce Center.

"We only have four years here," Hunt said. "They should be really special and unique. Pep rallies that really feel like our own are a big part of that."

After the San Diego State pep rally, McKiernan and Hunt said they began talking to underclassmen in their dorm to gauge what they thought about the pep rallies.

"We wanted to make sure the freshmen supported us," Hunt said. "Since they had only been to one or two pep rallies, we didn't want to come across as forcing our opinions on them."

Their views received strong support both among the freshmen and at Sorin

Hall Council, and the men of Sorin decided they would no longer attend the pep rallies as a dorm.

"Things really came to a head before the Stanford game," Hunt said. "Since we were asked to host, we had to decide if we would go or not."

Instead of entering the JACC, the Otters gathered outside dressed as lumberjacks, symbolizing the "cutting down" the Stanford's tree mascot, to cheer on the team as they entered the building.

"If you want to say we have no spirit, that's absurd," McKiernan said.

McKiernan and Hunt have discussed the boycott with leaders from other dorms and the response has been fairly positive.

"They like the motivation behind it," Hunt said. "But aren't quite ready to pull the trigger."

McKiernan said Sorin's students aren't the only students choosing to miss pep rallies, and many stopped attending long before Sorin's boycott.

"What we're doing just gives a voice to why people aren't showing up in the first place," he said.

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## Dyer speaks about Iraq pullout

By MOLLY MADDEN  
News Writer

Author of the book "After Iraq" and journalist Gwynne Dyer addressed the much-debated topic of how the eventual withdrawal of American troops from Iraq will affect not only the United States but also the world at the Hesburgh Center for International Studies Monday night.

Dyer said in order to understand what might possibly happen in the future, one has to have an understanding of the people and their motives.

"Terrorists are people who have political goals and use acts of terror to achieve these goals," he said. "Unfortunately for them, they do not have big budgets."

While many Americans have the idea that terrorists participate in their acts of violence as a means of reaching self-emulation, Dyer tries to discourage this notion.

"The people in charge are almost all revolutionaries," Dyer said. "These guys are only concerned with achieving their goals. The principle strategy of terror is to drive the opposition, whether it be your own government or a foreign occupier, into becoming so oppressive that the common people turn against the government and are driven into the revolutionaries' arms."

Dyer said accomplishing this mission and driving common people to revolt is no easy task.

"People have to be really desperate to radicalize and put the

revolutionaries in power," Dyer said.

In the eyes of many Arabs, their governments have no credibility because they failed their people and sold out to foreigners. However, in the 1970s, a radical religious movement was conceived that brought a united front to the Arab world.

"In Arab countries in the 1970s there was this idea that you could fix all the problems with an applied religious ideology because there did not seem to be any other way to fix things," Dyer said.

This Islamist ideology argued the Arab Muslims are in their dreadful situations because they have been Westernized, Dyer said. Islamists believe revolution and violence are necessary because they will bring people back to Islam, and then God will be on the revolutionaries' side and things will start to change for the better.

Dyer said these events preceded the horrors of Sept. 11, 2001.

"Bin Laden rose to the top because he had the most plausible strategy — attack the United States with the goal of drawing the U.S. into a military invasion in the Middle East," Dyer said. "This invasion will invoke a long guerilla war in which the U.S. will be killing Muslims. Bin Laden believed that the common people would see those images and would revolutionize. In that case, 9/11 had the desired effect — partly."

The United States invaded Afghanistan but recruited the various ethnic militias to over-

throw the Taliban — this tactic prevented revolution. When Kabul fell in November 2001, there were only 500 American troops on the ground of Afghanistan, a country with a population of thirty million. However, Bin Laden received what he wanted with the American invasion of Iraq in March of 2003, he said.

"Iraq provided all the images that Bin Laden wanted to get out of Afghanistan," Dyer stated. "The Middle East has been deeply radicalized by what has happened in Iraq."

However, Dyer said he believes the pullout from Iraq will not be as bad as many Americans think.

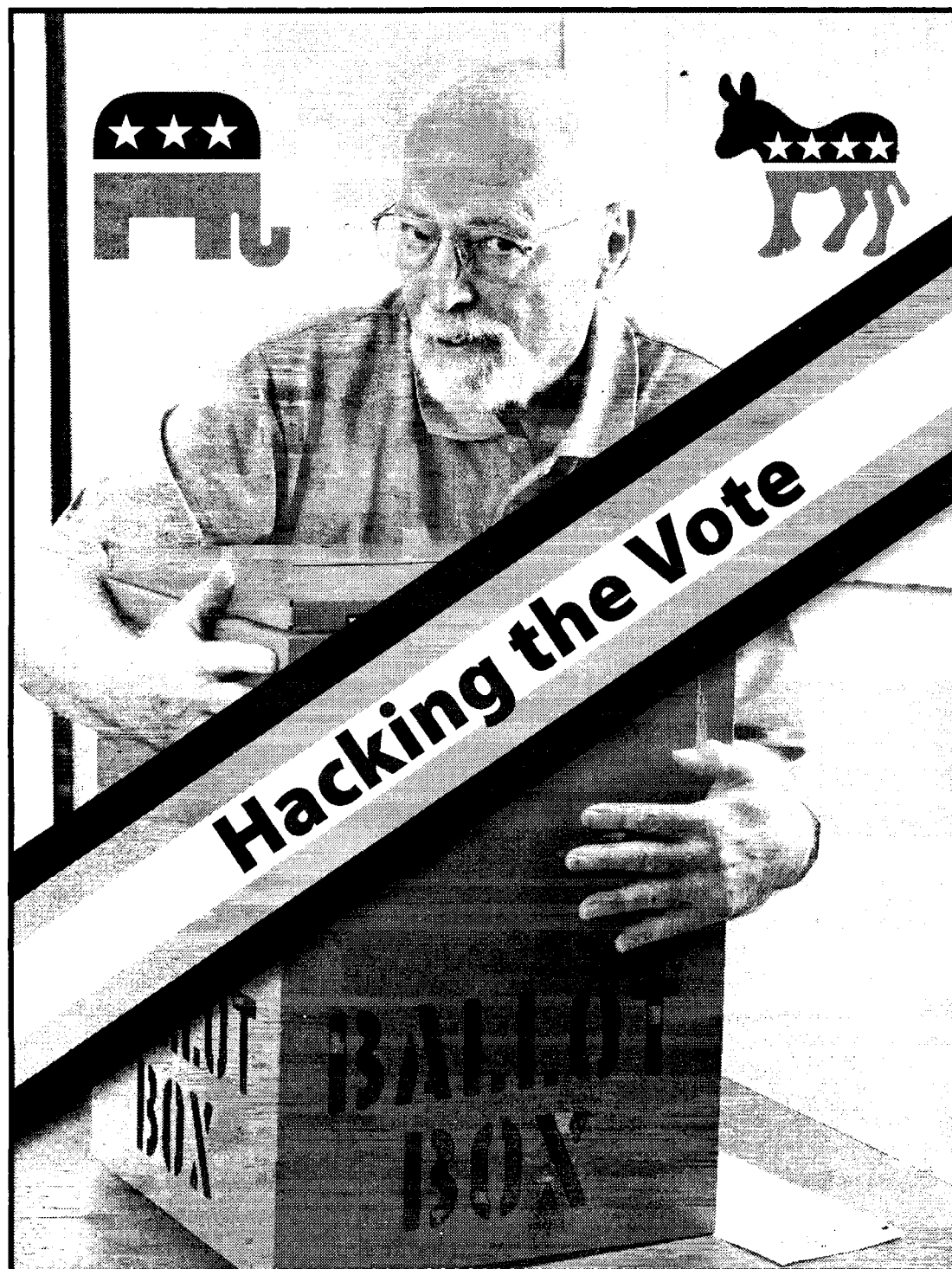
"Apart from oil, these countries are of no interest to the West," Dyer said. "They have to sell us oil because they need money. You might pay more for oil but they will continue to sell to us out of necessity."

In addition, Dyer said an "Arab Revolution" is unlikely to happen because many in the region would resist submitting to the strict Islamic laws.

"Most Arabs don't want to be imposed on like the Taliban did in Afghanistan," Dyer said. "They do not want to put those type of people in power."

Dyer said the United States would actually be safer from the fear of attack if the revolutionaries gain a position of power. Since the revolutionaries would be in power, there would be no reason to form an attack.

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## Hacking the Vote

138 DeBartolo

7 p.m.

Tuesday, October 7

The Internet plays a major role in fundraising, communication, and grassroots political organization for this year's Presidential Election. Individual voters trust that electronic voting systems will preserve the secrecy of their ballots and protect the integrity of the democratic electoral process. Is this trust well-founded? In this talk, we will examine the risks surrounding the integration of technology into all phases of the political process: campaigning, fundraising, voting and privacy.

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# Budget

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submits it to Daniel and herself to receive the money for the allotments in laid out in it, as per the SGA Constitution.

The student body does not need to approve the budget, she said.

This is not the first year the Executive Board has received a monetary stipend.

Last year's Executive Board allotted themselves a \$40,000 monetary stipend, and Executives serving SGA prior to that would often take a trip to Chicago where they would "stay at five star hotels, eat at nice restaurants, see shows and go shopping," Johnson said.

Johnson said she did not control what previous Executive Boards did with the money they were given to budget. Her only involvement was making sure they taxed themselves on the money they received and made sure the Executive Board did not get

audited.

She said that when she came to Saint Mary's she was shocked that they gave the Executive Board close to \$250,000 with no college oversight and that much trust was put into students, however, they have done a good job.

Johnson said the SGA

*"I want to see the Executive Board officials stand up and say we represent the student body, they are our constituents, and we will represent them as best as possible,"*

**Molly Lamping**  
senior

Constitution is written in a way that allows the Executive Board to allot themselves a stipend. Falvey said the Constitution Oversight Committee, which she chairs, will be trying to implement a system of checks and

balances through an amendment to the Constitution throughout the year which will address the issue of a stipend.

In order to put a system of checks and balances place, though, 10 percent of the student body would have to vote in approval of the amendment, Daniel said.

Many students in attendance

brought up the fact that Gruscinski and Falvey ran unopposed in last year's elections. They stated that more people might have run for the position if they knew they would be getting paid for their service to the College. Gruscinski, Falvey and their Board, however, did not know they would be receiving a stipend when they ran.

At Wednesday's meeting, Weaver said they were informed about the stipend by last year's Executive Board at the end of the year and needed to vote whether or not they would continue the practice this year.

Falvey said she did not think students knowing about the stipend is a bad thing, rather she thinks it could make students pay more attention to the things BOG does throughout the year.

"This could empower the student body to hold BOG accountable for their actions," she said.

Many students said they understand that the Executive Board does a lot on campus, but senior Jackie Rothschild said she feels the Board allotting themselves a stipend is an ethical concern.

"I could not handle half of the things the executive board is doing in the community but it is an ethical conflict of interest for them to be voting themselves that money," she said.

Senior Molly Lamping agreed saying she wants to see the Executive Board represent what the students want.

"I want to see the Executive Board officials stand up and say we repre-

sent the student body, they are our constituents, and we will represent them as best as possible," she said.

Falvey welcomed the comments students were making about the budget because she wants more students to take an interest in SGA and the College.

"Students voices are impor-

tant," she said. "If you have a problem with something, come tell me. This is the first time we are hearing from students all year."

Daniel reminded those in attendance that once the budget is approved by the Executive Board it cannot be changed and each category is allotted a certain amount of money.

"You cannot take money from one category and use it in another," he said.

Weaver said she wants students to know that the stipend isn't the only important part of the budget.

This year's Executive Board was able to increase funds to different aspects of SGA by \$36,000 and while doing that, they decreased the stipend by \$30,000, she said.

Daniel pointed out that while many complaints and comments were about the actions of previous boards, bringing them up was not going to change anything.

"Looking at things done with the past budget and speculating is not going to change anything happening with your current budget," he said.

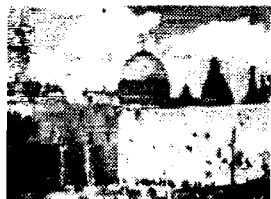
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## INTERNATIONAL NEWS

### Taliban, Afghan leaders met last week

KABUL, Afghanistan — A former Taliban ambassador said Monday that the hard-line militants sat with Afghan officials and Saudi King Abdullah over an important religious meal in Saudi Arabia late last month as the insurgency raged back home.

Abdul Salam Zaeef, the Taliban's former ambassador to Pakistan, denied that the get-together could be construed as peace talks. But President Hamid Karzai has long called for negotiations with the Taliban, and the meeting could spur future initiatives.

With U.S. and NATO forces suffering their deadliest year so far in Afghanistan, the top U.N. envoy, Kai Eide, said Monday that the war "has to be won through political means."

"And that means political engagement. Then comes a question — with whom do you engage? My general answer is that if you want to have relevant results you must speak to those who are relevant," Eide told a news conference. "But these are processes that are very difficult to initiate. Nevertheless, in my view a policy of engagement is the right policy."

### Two earthquakes kill 30 in Tibet

BEIJING — China's official Xinhua News Agency says 30 people are dead after an earthquake struck Tibet.

The news agency said Monday a magnitude 6.6 earthquake hit a county near Tibet's capital Lhasa.

The U.S. Geological Survey said there were two quakes. The first measured magnitude 6.6 and struck at 4:30 p.m. 50 miles west of Lhasa, more than 1,600 miles away from Beijing.

## NATIONAL NEWS

### Bus driver arrested after fatal accident

WILLIAMS, Calif. — A bus driver with a string of motor vehicle offenses and a history of substance abuse was arrested on suspicion of driving under the influence of drugs Monday after his casino-bound charter bus ran into a ditch, killing eight people.

Investigators also said the bus had an invalid license plate, and they were looking into whether the driver had proper permits to operate the vehicle. The bus ran off the road Sunday while taking passengers to a Sacramento gambling hall. About 30 people were injured.

Records show 52-year-old Quintin Watts had been cited for speeding and other violations that resulted in loss of his license for nearly two years. He regained his driving privileges last January.

### Deputy flees police as a murder suspect

SMITHS GROVE, Ky. — A sheriff's deputy accused of killing his ex-girlfriend in Kentucky taunted state police in an e-mail exchange Monday, threatening a county jailer and telling police he was going to "make them earn their money" in their search for him.

Simpson County Sheriff's Deputy Randall Creek, 41, is wanted on a warrant for murder in the death of his ex-girlfriend, Debbie R. Rediess, 46, authorities said. Rediess was shot to death outside her home Sunday morning in Smiths Grove, which is about 85 miles south of Louisville.

## LOCAL NEWS

### Ex-firefighter charged with theft, fraud

CHARLESTOWN, Ind. — A former Charlestown volunteer firefighter has been charged with theft and fraud after he was accused of misusing two fire department credit cards.

State police say 35-year-old Bruce A. Pigman was arrested Monday at his parents' home in Evansville. In an affidavit, Indiana State Police Detective David Makowsky says Pigman had almost \$4,000 in unauthorized charges on the credit cards from last November through early August.

## Dow loses 370, drops below 10,000

*Index under that mark for first time in four years; lost as much as 800 points, but later rallied*

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Wall Street suffered through another extraordinary and traumatic session Monday, with the Dow Jones industrials plunging as much as 800 points — their largest one-day point drop — before recovering to close with a loss of 370. The catalyst for the selling, which also took the Dow below 10,000 for the first time in four years, was investors' growing despair that the spreading credit crisis will take a heavy toll around the world.

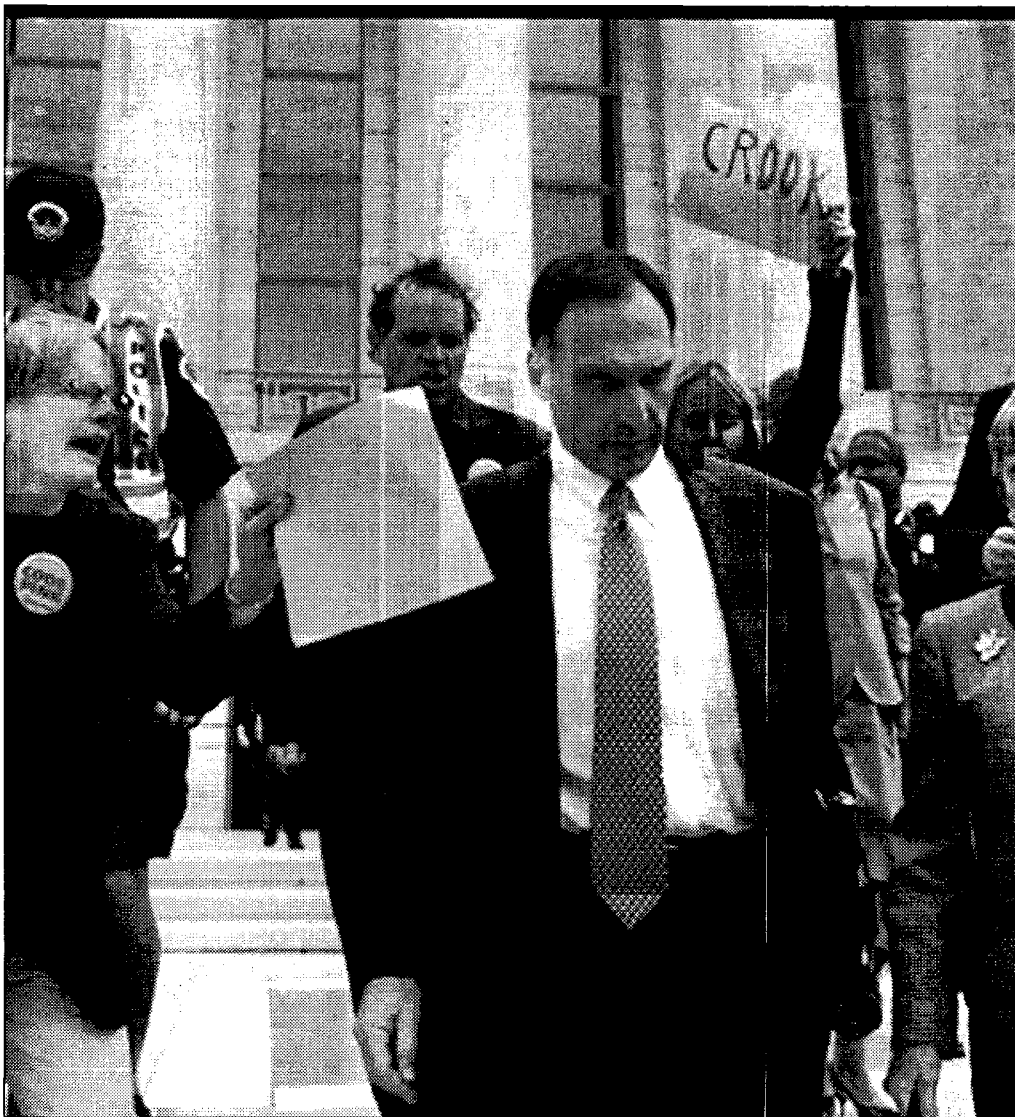
Investors have come to the realization that the Bush administration's \$700 billion rescue plan and steps taken by other governments won't work quickly to unfreeze the credit markets.

That sent stocks spiraling downward in the U.S., Europe and Asia, and drove investors to sink money into the relative safety of U.S. government debt. Fears about a global recession also caused oil to drop below \$90 a barrel.

"The fact is, people are scared and the only thing they're doing is selling," said Ryan Detrick, senior technical strategist at Schaeffer's Investment Research. "Investors are cleaning out portfolios and getting rid of everything because nothing seems to be working."

The selling was so extreme that only 264 stocks rose on the NYSE — and 2,986 dropped. That's a telling sign considering the stock market is considered a leading economic indicator, with investors tending to buy and sell based on where they believe the economy will be in six to nine months.

Monday's stock trading extended what has been an exceptional stretch of volatility, in which triple-digit drops in the Dow are becoming almost commonplace; in the past week, the blue chips have fallen more than 1,100 points, or nearly 11 percent. This latest decline indicates that investors are becoming more convinced that the



AP  
Lehman Brothers Chief Executive Richard S. Fuld Jr. is heckled by protesters as he leaves Capitol Hill in Washington after testifying before Congress Monday on his firm's collapse.

country is leading a prolonged economic crisis that is shifting to other nations.

"The market view is shifting from looking just at the misery of the financial sector to the global economy," said Georges Ugeux, chairman and chief executive of New York-based Galileo Global Advisors. "There are enough indications that two things are happening: The crisis is spreading to other sectors, and that it is becoming global."

Ugeux believes Monday's rout had little to do with any short-term problems facing the market, such as paralyzed credit markets or ailing financial companies. He

believes that, regardless of the late-day rebound in stocks, "the reaction is clearly giving a downtrend and that there is a lack of confidence of investors into the future growth of the U.S. and the world economy."

The Dow fell as much as 800.06, then recovered in erratic trading to a loss of 369.88, or 3.58 percent, to close at 9,955.50, closing below 10,000 for the first time since Oct. 26, 2004. The Dow surpassed its previous record for a one-day point decline — 778, which the blue chips suffered a week ago when investors feared the bailout package might not pass Congress.

The Dow is down 30 percent from its peak a year ago this week, when it traded as high 14,198.09.

Broader indexes also tumbled. The Standard & Poor's 500 index shed 42.34, or 3.85 percent, to 1,056.89; and the Nasdaq composite index fell 84.43, or 4.34 percent, to 1,862.96. The Russell 2000 index of smaller companies dropped 23.49, or 3.79 percent, to 595.91.

In Asia, the Nikkei 225 closed 4.25 percent lower. Europe's stock markets also declined, with the FTSE-100 down 5.77 percent, Germany's DAX down 7.07 percent, and France's CAC-40 down 9.04 percent.

## GAZA STRIP

## Hamas to oust Abbas in January

Associated Press

GAZA CITY, Gaza Strip — Hamas will cease to recognize Mahmoud Abbas as Palestinian president after Jan. 8 and replace him with one of its own leaders, according to a resolution approved by the Islamic movement's legislators Monday.

The Hamas resolution demands that Abbas issue a decree by Wednesday to hold new presidential elections within three months, to coincide with what Hamas says is the end of his term.

Abbas aides said the resolution appeared aimed at stepping up pressure on the president, a political moderate, ahead of a new attempt by Egypt to mediate a power-sharing deal between

the rival camps and is certain to deepen the split between Hamas and Abbas' Fatah movement.

"I believe Hamas is coming to this point just to undermine the national dialogue before it starts in Cairo," said Abbas aide Nimer Hamad referring to the Egyptian-brokered talks expected to begin next month.

If Hamas does withdraw recognition from Abbas, it would sever another link between the two sides and also undermine Abbas' legitimacy in the eyes of many Palestinians.

Abbas, the leader of the Fatah movement, was elected president in January 2005. A year later, Hamas defeated Fatah by a landslide in parliamentary elections.

Hamas has been in control of Gaza since its violent takeover of the territory in June 2007, leaving Abbas only in charge of the West Bank.

The Basic Law, a forerunner to a Palestinian constitution, says both president and parliament are elected to four-year terms. Before leaving office, the Fatah parliament passed a law stipulating that future presidential and parliamentary elections be held simultaneously.

However, the Hamas-controlled parliament never amended the Basic Law to include this new clause. As a result, Hamas argues Abbas' term ends in January, while Fatah says he can stay in office an extra year.

## Election

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will be voting in the real election.

Students can vote in one of four locations, Schmidt said. They designed the survey so people could not vote from their rooms in order to create a more realistic feeling of voting, since most students will be sending in absentee ballots instead of going to polling places next month.

Voting stations will be set up today in DeBartolo Hall from 8 to 11 a.m. and again from 2 to 5 p.m., in North and South Dining Halls from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. and again from 5 p.m. until they close and in LaFortune Student Center

from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m.

Schmidt said all Notre Dame undergraduate and graduate students can vote. Student government is using the Google Forms application to administer the election. The application will ask students to provide their netID, class year, residence hall and gender. Although the program asks for students' netID, the vote is private and the netID will not show up in results.

They will then vote for either Sen. John McCain, the Republican candidate, Sen. Barack Obama, the Democratic candidate, former congressman Bob Barr, the Libertarian candidate or Ralph Nader, an independent candidate. Students may also choose to vote to abstain or to vote other, although they may

not type in the name of another candidate.

The program asks students to select which issues are most important to them in this election (the economy, foreign policy, energy and the environment, health care, civil liberties, immigration, abortion, education, Iraq War or other) and will ask how closely students have been following the election.

Schmidt said his goal is to have at least 1,500 people vote. He said he does not have a prediction for what the

results of the mock election will be.

"My only concern is that it is a good turnout and that the political dialogue on campus is increased by this event," he said.

Prior to the 2004 presidential election between President George W. Bush and Sen. John Kerry, several student media groups, not

including The Observer, held a mock election in LaFortune a week before the election, reported Notre Dame magazine. With 570 undergraduates and graduate students voting, the vote was 47.5 per-

cent for Bush and 46.8 percent for Kerry.

This year, Schmidt said he's "personally very interested to see how Notre Dame students stand."

Schmidt praised ND Votes '08, a campaign of the Center for Social Concerns, and professors at the University for getting students excited about the election. He said he hopes the mock election today will add to the excitement by "increasing the hype," since, for many students, this year is the first year they can vote in a presidential election.

"It's a big decision," Schmidt said. "It's one of the great opportunities that we as citizens have."

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## Flu

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administered goes up a little each year depending on the usage from the following year," Brubaker said.

Students, staff and faculty can receive free flu shots today, Wednesday and Thursday in the Joyce Center at gates 1 and 2 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on a first come, first served basis.

According to Brubaker, this year's vaccine prevents three different strains of the influenza virus — all of which are new strains this flu season.

While the influenza vaccine remains effective for about six months depending on an

individual's immune system, Brubaker said Health Services strategically plans to administer the free flu shots about 10 days before students leave campus for fall break to allow students to develop immunity.

"[Students] come back from fall break with a lot of illnesses, and we try to prevent this as much as we can by offering the vaccine before fall break," Brubaker said.

Brubaker also said that Health Services offers the influenza vaccine earlier than other health care centers in the community, and that anyone who wishes to receive the vaccine should do so before December for the vaccine to be effective.

According to Brubaker, the flu season comes in two

waves, usually in December and March.

Brubaker said "high-risk" individuals should seriously consider receiving the vaccine, including anyone with asthma, chronic diseases, people taking medication and people with respiratory problems.

"[The vaccine] also helps prevent students from missing two weeks of school or from being miserable for two weeks," she said.

Sophomore Rachel Koch said she plans to take advantage of the free flu shots this week since the vaccines are conveniently offered on campus.

"It seems like it's something that is easy to do, and will prevent me from getting sick," Koch said.

Brubaker also explained it is much easier to prevent flu viruses than it is to recover from them.

"There is no cure for influenza, so it's better to prevent it than to try to cure it. There are some anti-viral medications, but it's up for debate about how good they are," Brubaker said.

According to Brubaker, University Health Services purchases the vaccines out of their budget in conjunction with money from Human Resources to provide the campus with free vaccines.

"We feel it's an investment to keep people well, and that preventing illness is as important as caring for sick students," she said.

Brubaker said University Health Services has been a

"sentinel site" for about the past 10 years, providing the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) with data about how influenza affects the campus community each year.

"Notre Dame is part of a national watchdog group for viruses," she said. "We collect data to help plan for which flu strains the vaccine will be made in the coming year."

Brubaker said all who wish to receive a flu shot from Health Services this week should bring their Notre Dame I.D. card, wear short sleeves and be prepared to sign a consent form before receiving a vaccination.

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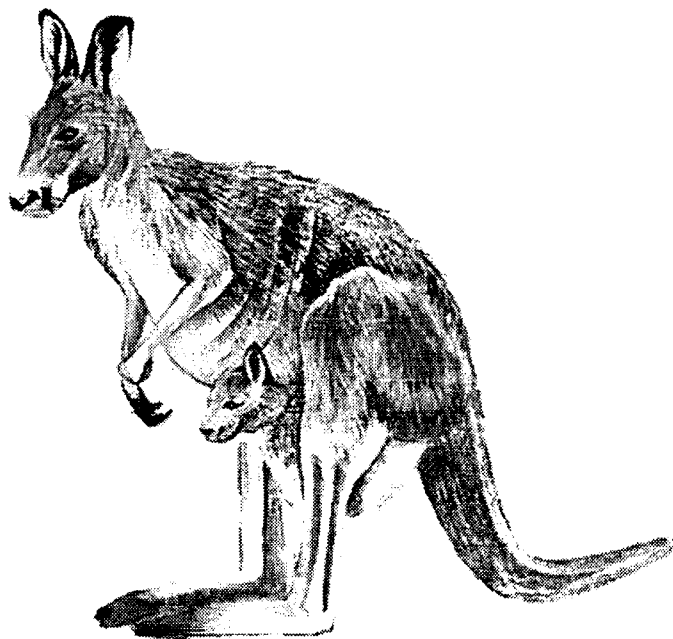
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Up: 283 Same: 18 Down: 3,261 Composite Volume: 3,771,422,315

**AMEX** 1,615.70 -131.87  
**NASDAQ** 1,862.96 -84.43  
**NYSE** 6,754.94 -334.03  
**S&P 500** 1,056.89 -42.34  
**NIKKEI (Tokyo)** 10,473.09 0.00  
**FTSE 100 (London)** 4,589.19 (281.15)

COMPANY	%CHANGE	\$GAIN	PRICE
S&P DEP RECEIPTS (SPY)	-5.09	-5.62	104.72
POWERSHARES (QQQQ)	-3.65	-1.32	34.86
FIN SEL SPDR (XLF)	-5.22	-0.98	17.80
GEN ELECTRIC (GE)	-0.88	-0.19	21.38

### Treasuries

10-YEAR NOTE	-5.98	-0.2180	3.4260
13-WEEK BILL	-12.77	-0.06	0.41
30-YEAR BOND	-4.39	-0.1810	3.9420
5-YEAR NOTE	-10.63	-0.29	2.39

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BRITISH POUND	0.5732

## IN BRIEF

### Americans lose utilities for non-payment

COHOES, N.Y. — The number of Americans whose electricity or gas has been shut off for nonpayment of their bills is up sharply in many parts of the country as people struggle to cope with higher prices and a shaky economy.

Shut-offs have been running 17 percent higher than last year among customers of New York state's major utilities, and 22 percent higher in economically hard-hit Michigan. They are up in all or part of dozens of other states, including Pennsylvania, Florida and California, according to an Associated Press check of regulators and energy companies.

Despite stepped-up efforts by state and federal governments, utilities and private groups to help people avoid shut-offs this winter, some worry the problem will only get worse in the coming months, particularly with the downturn on Wall Street.

"I just didn't have the money to pay," said Marie Williams, a single mother raising four daughters in Cohoes, N.Y., a former mill city on the Hudson River. "Rent had to be paid, and food for the girls."

Williams' power was cut off this summer for about a week, forcing her girls to do homework by candlelight. She became one of more than 230,000 residential customers of New York's 10 major utilities to have their service shut off for nonpayment through August of this year.

### Economists: U.S. on verge of recession

WASHINGTON — A growing number of economists believe the country is on the brink of — or already in — its first recession since 2001 and that it will be longer lasting.

That's part of the latest outlook from forecasters in a survey to be released Monday by the National Association for Business Economics, also known by its acronym NABE.

Close to 69 percent of the economists think the economy has started or will enter a recession this year. That's up from 56 percent in a survey in May. "The general view is ... that this recession will be longer than the last two — lasting roughly one year, but relatively mild," the survey concluded. The 2001 recession started in March and ended in November. The one before that began in July 1990 and ended in March 1991.

## Hearings open on Lehman collapse

*Lawmakers denounce executive's culture of entitlement at investment bank*

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The now-bankrupt investment bank Lehman Brothers arranged millions in bonuses for fired executives as it pleaded for a federal lifeline, lawmakers learned Monday, as Congress began investigating what went so wrong on Wall Street to prompt a \$700 billion government bailout.

The first in a series of congressional hearings on the roots of the financial meltdown yielded few major revelations about Lehman's collapse, and none about why government officials, as they scrambled to avert economic catastrophe, declined to rescue the flagging company while injecting tens of billions of dollars into others.

But it allowed lawmakers still smarting from a politically painful vote Friday for the largest federal market rescue in history to put a face on their outrage at corporate chieftains who took home hundreds of millions of dollars while betting on risky mortgage-backed investments that ultimately brought the financial system to its knees.

That face was Richard S. Fuld Jr., the Lehman chief executive who sat for a two-hour-plus grilling before the House Oversight and Government Reform Committee as the panel combed through his pay history, management practices and financial strategies.

"You made all this money by taking risks with other people's money," Rep. Henry Waxman, D-Calif., the panel's chairman, said. "The system worked for you, but it didn't seem to work for the rest of the country and the taxpayers, who now have to pay \$700 billion to bail out our economy."

A subdued Fuld opened his testimony declaring, "I take full responsibility for the decisions that I made and for the actions that I took," but he conceded no errors or misjudgments in the chaotic period that led to the firm's bankruptcy.



A man leaves the New York Stock Exchange following Monday's trading. The key Dow Jones index fell 370 points on the day.

And he said a compensation system that he estimated paid him about \$350 million between 2000 and 2007 even as the company headed for disaster was appropriate.

"We had a compensation committee that spent a tremendous amount of time making sure that the interests of the executives and the employees were aligned with shareholders," Fuld said.

That wasn't good enough for some lawmakers who decried what they called a culture of entitlement at Lehman even as the company's performance nosedived.

The panel unearthed internal documents showing that

on Sept. 11, Lehman planned to approve "special payments" worth \$18.2 million for two executives who were terminated involuntarily, and another \$5 million for one who was leaving on his own.

That was just four days before the government let Lehman go under, touching off a cascading series of financial shocks and failures that put Washington on track for the multibillion-dollar rescue the Bush administration urgently requested from Congress at the end of that week.

On Wall Street, uncertainty Monday about the effectiveness of the rescue sent the

Dow Jones industrials sinking below 10,000 for the first time in four years. Investors fear the crisis will weigh down the global economy and the bailout won't work quickly to loosen credit markets.

The bailout, now law, was so rushed that the usual congressional scrutiny is only coming now, after the fact.

"Although it comes too late to help Lehman Brothers, the so-called bailout program will have to make wrenching choices, picking winners and losers from a shattered and fragile economic landscape," said Rep. Tom Davis of Virginia, the committee's senior Republican.

## Bush: Economy will be fine in long run

Associated Press

CINCINNATI — As Wall Street reeled and global markets plunged, President Bush on Monday said the U.S. economy is going to be "just fine" in the long run. But he cautioned that the massive rescue plan will take time to work.

On another jittery day in the financial markets, the president made two rounds of unscheduled comments on the economy — first after meeting with small-business owners in San Antonio, and then at the top of a speech in Cincinnati about judicial nominees.

In both cases, he defended the \$700 billion economic bailout plan as one that won't just help Wall Street, but everyday workers and businesses, too.

"I believe that in the long run, this economy is going to be just fine," Bush said. In the short term, he said the Treasury Department must go about

enacting its plan to buy up troubled assets from financial firms so that credit will start flowing again to consumers.

Recognizing the scope of the government's intervention, Bush to reassure his audiences that taxpayer money will not be wasted.

The president added that the country has been through rough times before, and "we're going to come through just fine."

Earlier, in Texas, Bush emphasized that the program must be effectively designed and not rushed into action.

"It's going to take awhile to restore confidence in the financial system," he said. "But one thing people can be certain of is that the bill I signed is a big step toward solving this problem."

Bush signed the bill into law after Congress approved it last week.

On Monday, the Dow fell as much as

800 points at one point.

The catalyst for the selling was the growing realization that the Bush administration's \$700 billion rescue plan and steps taken by other governments won't work quickly to unfreeze the credit markets. Global banks, hobbled by wrong-way bets on mortgage securities, remain starved for cash as credit has dried up.

The president, after a weekend at his ranch in Crawford, Texas, met with small business owners at an old-fashioned soda shop in San Antonio. He said he understands why so many people are frustrated about why they were suddenly "helping Wall Street."

"The answer is because had we not done anything, people like the folks behind me would be a lot worse off," Bush said as the business owners stood with him. "We'll make sure, as time goes on, this doesn't happen again."

# Glass club gains official status

Organization, now University sponsored, is good stress reliever

By SARAH MERVOSH  
News Writer

Late at night in the labs of the Jordan Hall of Science, students gather to combine their scientific and artistic passions by molding hot glass into jewelry or etching a picture onto a pane as part of Notre Dame's Glass Club.

Both co-president Matthew Napierski and co-president Kelly Jones joined the club last year when it was first getting started and neither had previous experience working with glass.

"There's not experience necessary, just willingness to learn," Napierski said. "I came in knowing nothing about this and right now I love nothing more than to make beads."

Jones said although she is not artistically talented, she still enjoys working with glass.

"I'm not particularly artistically talented. You just have to like doing arts and crafts," said Jones.

Napierski added working with glass is a stress reliever, especially considering his busy

schedule.

"I'm on the crew team and I'm a chemical engineer and neither one of those things is relaxing. This is kind of my outlet," he said.

This is Glass Club's first year as an official club, founder and senior Bryce Chung said. He founded the club because he had worked with glass in high school and "wanted glass to be a part of campus."

He said members of the club can work with either hot or cold glass.

"Hot working" is anything that you do with glass involving a flame, he said. Most of the hot working that occurs in glass club has to do with bead making.

Sophomore and co-president Kelly Jones makes her own jewelry from the beads that she makes.

"You can use [the beads] as centerpieces or focal points of jewelry," Jones said.

Chung said that his favorite part about working with hot glass is that it takes on a life of its own.

"It's dynamic," he said. "It really does start moving on its

own. It's really a matter of working with the glass."

Chung explains that when the glass becomes hot, it becomes malleable and so he must keep it constantly moving. When working with hot glass, he must be able to control multiple things going different directions at the same time.

"It's like driving a stick shift," he said.

Chung also said the malleability of hot glass is like having a little kid.

"It picks up everything you do, but you still have control," he said. "So it's like driving a stick shift with a little kid in the car."

Jones said Glass Club provides alternatives to working with fire, such as stained glass or etching.

Glass Club also offers services such as hosting section events.

"It's a bonding thing that a lot of girls dorms like to do," Napierski said. "What most of them end up doing is stuff for their dorm."

The Glass Club meets every Tuesday and Wednesday from 8 to 10 p.m. in Room 106 in Jordan Hall of Science. The cost to join Glass Club is per attendance. It is \$5 for the first time, and \$10 for every meeting attended after that. But \$65 is the maximum price per semester.

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# Fan use lowers risk of sudden infant death

Associated Press

CHICAGO — Using a fan to circulate air seemed to lower the risk of sudden infant death syndrome in a study of nearly 500 babies, researchers reported Monday.

Placing babies on their backs to sleep is the best advice for preventing SIDS, a still mysterious cause of death. Experts also recommend a firm mattress, removing toys and pillows from cribs, and keeping infants from getting too warm.

Such practices helped slash U.S. SIDS deaths by more than half over a decade to about 2,100 in 2003. But SIDS remains the leading cause of death in infants ages 1 month to 1 year.

"The baby's sleeping environment really matters," said study senior author Dr. De-Kun Li of the Kaiser Permanente Division of Research in Oakland, Calif. "This seems to suggest that by improving room ventilation we can further reduce risk."

SIDS is the sudden death of an otherwise healthy infant that can't be attributed to any other cause. These babies may have brain abnormalities that prevent them from gasping and waking when they don't get enough oxy-

gen.

The new study, published in October's Archives of Pediatrics & Adolescent Medicine, offers another way to make sure babies get enough air.

More research is needed, said Dr. Fern Hauck of the University of Virginia in Charlottesville, but she said that because fan use is in line with theories, it may be worth considering.

*"The baby's sleeping environment really matters."*

Dr. De-Kun Li  
Kaiser Permanente  
Division of Research

"This is the first study that we know of that has looked at this issue," said Hauck, a member of the American Academy of Pediatrics SIDS task force.

Researchers interviewed mothers of 185

infants who died from SIDS and mothers of 312 infants of similar race and age. Moms answered dozens of questions about their baby's sleeping environment.

Researchers took into account other risk factors and found that fan use was associated with a 72 percent lower risk of SIDS. Only 3 percent of the babies who died had a fan on in the room during their last sleep, the mothers reported. That compared to 12 percent of the babies who lived.

Using a fan reduced risk most for babies in poor sleeping environments.

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## ELECTION 2008

# Character attacks rear their heads in campaign

*Obama, McCain ditch economic issues, 'different kind of politics' to trade barbs over decades-old associates*

Associated Press

SHEVILLE, N.C. — The two men who supposedly exemplified a different kind of politics are engaged in an increasingly bitter campaign as character attacks are emerging to compete with issues like the troubled economy.

With the election four weeks away, chances dimmed that Republican John McCain and Democrat Barack Obama could reclaim the often lofty images they cultivated early in their presidential bids as their campaigns focused new attention Monday on decades-old events involving a former radical from Chicago and a convicted thrift owner from Arizona.

McCain's campaign added another figure when his running mate, Sarah Palin, said there should be more discussion of

Obama's incendiary former pastor, Jeremiah Wright.

Obama and McCain faced cameras Monday with harsh words for each other. Obama, taking a break from debate prep in Asheville, N.C., accused McCain's campaign of "smear tactics."

In Albuquerque, N.M., McCain delivered an unusually scathing broadside. He accused Obama of lying about McCain's efforts to regulate the home loan industry. And he suggested Obama is a mysterious figure who cannot be trusted.

"Who is the real Barack Obama?" McCain said to a cheering crowd. "Ask such questions and all you get in response is another barrage of angry insults."

Some analysts called the change in tone disappointing but predictable. Presidential candi-

dates who are losing on policy issues often turn to character, they said.

As McCain's poll standings fell along with the economy, his campaign began the new character criticisms and used Palin to spearhead the push. Obama's campaign didn't wait long to respond.

Brookings Institution political scientist Thomas E. Mann said he had felt for months that McCain "would eventually have to try to undermine Obama as an acceptable choice for president and commander in chief." Key issues, he said, including "an economy in turmoil, an unpopular war and a politically discredited president are working powerfully against McCain and the Republican Party in general."

Obama, meanwhile, has learned the lessons of Michael

Dukakis and John Kerry. Those Democrats lost presidential elections after hesitating to counter hard-hitting and factually dubious attacks on their character and judgment. The shorthand terms for those attacks — "Willie Horton" and "Swiftboating" — have become a call-to-arms for Democratic activists who vow always to return fire with fire.

"We don't throw the first punch, but we'll throw the last," Obama said Monday on Tom Joyner's syndicated radio show.

Several Democrats said on Sunday talk shows that Obama's campaign would revisit McCain's long-ago involvement in the thrift scandal if the personal attacks on him continued. Within hours, the Obama campaign released a memo and Web video doing just that.

Obama and McCain have hit

each other at personal levels before. But the vitriol increased dramatically Saturday, when Palin repeatedly raised Obama's relationship with former 1960s radical Bill Ayers.

Obama, she said, was "palling around with terrorists who would target their own country."

Ayers helped found the violent Weather Underground group, whose members were blamed for several bombings when Obama was 8. Obama has denounced Ayers' radical views and activities.

The two men live near each other in Chicago, and once worked on the same charity board. Ayers hosted a small, meet-the-candidate event for Obama in 1995, at the start of his political career, but multiple news accounts have said they are not close. The campaign called Palin's remarks outrageous and grossly exaggerated.

A 13-minute Web video Obama's campaign released Monday revisits McCain's ties to Charles Keating, a former friend, campaign contributor and savings and loan owner who was convicted of securities fraud in 1991.

As a senator, McCain participated in two meetings with banking regulators on Keating's behalf. He became one of the "Keating Five" senators investigated by the Senate ethics committee. The panel cited McCain for a lesser role than others, but criticized his "poor judgment."

McCain has since called his involvement with Keating "the worst mistake of my life."

McCain and Obama say they are dredging up Ayers and Keating because the episodes shed light on each other's current judgment — and because the other campaign is on the attack, though a McCain aide said the GOP campaign wanted to change the subject from the failing economy.

A few months ago, both candidates promised something better.

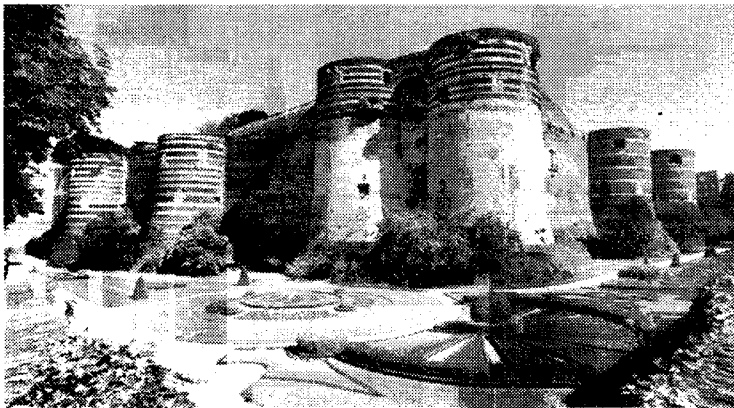
Obama, extolling a new brand of politics, told an Iowa audience in January: "We can't afford the same old partisan food fight. We can't afford a politics that's all about tearing opponents down instead of lifting the country up."

McCain, shaken by a vicious whisper campaign in South Carolina that helped George W. Bush beat him there during the 2000 Republican primaries, has often vowed to be a straight-shooting candidate who puts honor ahead of winning. When Republicans attacked fellow retired Navy officer Kerry in the 2004 "Swiftboat" episode, McCain called the ads "dishonest and dishonorable."

Earlier in this campaign when the North Carolina Republican Party said Obama's relationship with Rev. Wright made him "too extreme," McCain asked it to stop and said: "There's no place for that kind of campaigning, and the American people don't want it."

The new tone may depress many, but a top independent pollster in the battleground state of Pennsylvania said it's unlikely to change many minds.

"The economy is so dominant and the change focus so great, I just don't think voters are going to buy into it," said Terry Madonna, a political scientist at Franklin and Marshall College.



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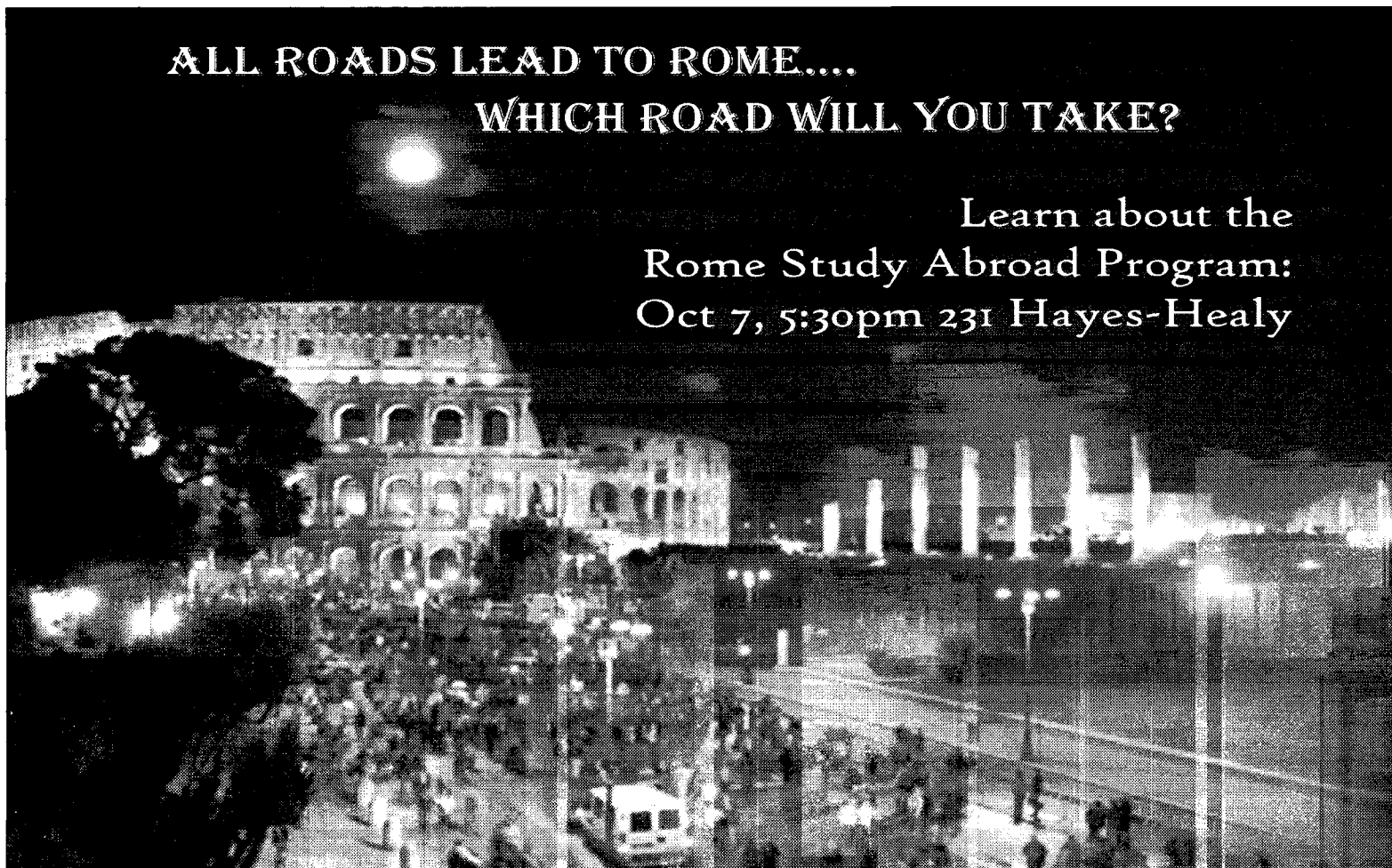
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## Who is to blame?

With the financial sector in crisis mode, Americans are once again tuning in to everyone's favorite reality TV show, The Blame Game. This season's riveting plot takes place in our nation's capitol, where Congressmen and Senators on both sides of the political aisle have launched an all-out attack on one another, with plenty of name-calling and finger-pointing to go around. People all across the nation, not to mention the world, sit perched at the edge of their seats, eagerly awaiting the upcoming installment and hoping to find out the answer to a single question: who is to blame?

The whole debacle might be mildly entertaining if it were for a slight problem: this particular reality show, unlike others of the same genre, portrays reality. And it comes with a hefty \$700 billion dollar price tag for American taxpayers. Now that the bailout plan has been passed and signed, the finger-pointing can continue without any pesky legislation to negotiate. The question of who is at fault, however, remains unresolved.

Amidst the political chaos of the past few weeks, it has become difficult for observers to determine which indictments are justified and which are merely attempts to win over public support. What seems to have registered among voters is that corporate greed has led to the current predicament, and it is now up to hardworking, middle-class Americans to bail them out. With both John McCain and Barack Obama launching into similar tirades against Wall Street, backed by a chorus of support in Congress, the reasons behind these widespread beliefs are understandable.

If Congressional leaders really wanted to discover the truth of who is to blame, however, all they would have to do is look into a mirror. Unfortunately, finding a politician who is willing to take responsibility for his or her failures would be asking for nothing short of a miracle, especially during an election season. Instead of admitting guilt, they will often resort to

reciting populist mantras against easy targets. In this case, they have attempted to avert conviction by projecting their own greed and incompetence onto those voracious villains on Wall Street.

Greed in Wall Street is nothing new; on the contrary, our capitalist system is driven by it, and thrives because of it. Of course excessive greed can be dangerous if it leads to reckless financial practices and illegal activity, but blaming the pursuit of wealth for the situation at hand is akin to blaming hunger for obesity, when it is really the poor decisions made in between that lead from one to the other. The poor decisions that led to the current mess, as we will soon discover, were encouraged by governmental encroachment on the market.

In order to determine the source of today's financial crisis, we must go back in time a few decades, beginning with the passage of the Community Reinvestment Act in 1977 under President Jimmy Carter. This law was implemented "to encourage depository institutions to help meet the credit needs of the communities in which they operate, including low- and moderate-income neighborhoods, consistent with safe and sound banking operations."

In 1992, when Bill Clinton was President, the law was amended to address problems of oversight and to appease community activist organizations that demanded an increase in the number of low income homeowners. Among other mandates, the amendment required that Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac purchase a certain percentage of loans to areas of low income and poor credit ratings.

Normally, lending institutions would refuse to make these sub-prime loans because of the risk of not being repaid, and Fannie and Freddie would not purchase them because of their stringent guidelines. After 1992, however, the guidelines were loosened in order to encourage sub-prime lending, thereby allowing lending institutions to profit while transferring the risk onto Fannie and Freddie. It is a classic example of good intentions leading to disastrous

unintended consequences.

Now let us jump ahead to 2003, when the Bush administration was calling for renewed efforts at regulation in light of charges of fraud and mismanagement against Fannie and Freddie. Democratic Representative Barney Frank of the Financial Services Committee was quoted in the New York Times as saying, "These two entities — Fannie Mac and Freddie Mac — are not facing any kind of financial crisis. The more people exaggerate these problems, the more pressure there is on these companies, the less we will see in terms of affordable housing."

Two years later, Sen. McCain co-sponsored a second attempt to forestall a financial meltdown, stating "If Congress does not act, American taxpayers will continue to be exposed to the enormous risk that Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac pose to the housing market, the overall financial system, and the economy as a whole." His bill never made it to the Senate floor. The two biggest financial beneficiaries of Fannie Mae in terms of political money, Democratic Representative Chris Dodd and Senator Obama, were conspicuously silent.

And the rest is history.

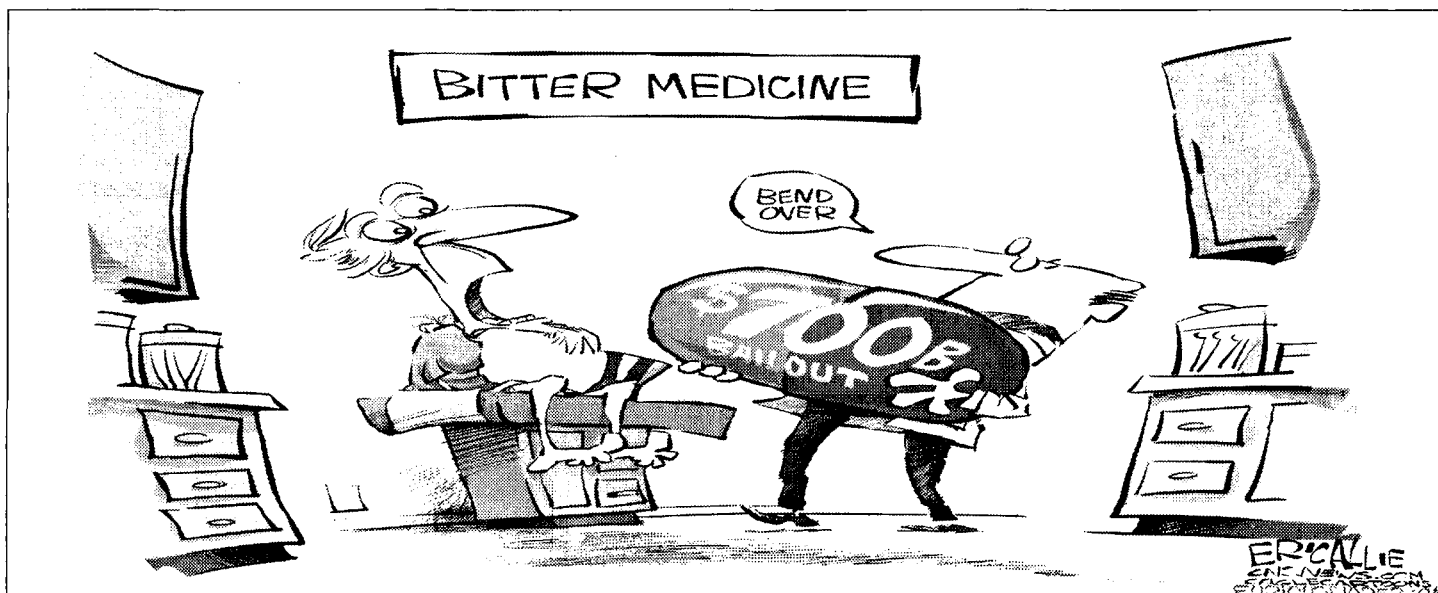
The moral of the story? Government regulation, despite good intentions, can easily turn a secure situation into an unmitigated disaster.

Now politicians are demanding more federal regulation to solve the problem. Most Americans would hope that people elected to such high office would have the intelligence and wisdom to learn from past mistakes, but this isn't the case when politicians are caught up in the latest season of The Blame Game. Realizing that avoiding calls for more regulation would mean an admittance of guilt, they have decided to transfer the blame elsewhere, in effect risking the nation's economic stability to save their own skins.

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### EDITORIAL CARTOON



### QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Life can only be understood backwards; but it must be lived forwards."

Soren Kierkegaard  
Danish philosopher

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Irish flag won't fly

I agree that making an Irish flag out of our student section is a fantastic idea. However, it's just not going to happen this year. For starters, you can't expect a couple of columns to impact the game day dress of thousands of student fans. Secondly, as I mentally rummage through my dresser drawers, I'm pretty sure I don't have an orange Notre Dame shirt. Anyone in the "orange" section would second guess the idea of wearing a shirt on game day that has nothing to do with Notre Dame football, even if it is for a greater visual cause. So here's my idea: next year, when students buy their tickets, include "The Shirt" with that purchase. And let the section on a student's ticket booklet determine which color shirt (green, white, or orange) he or she receives. I've never understood why Notre Dame hasn't integrated the spirit shirt with the ticket booklets; a lot of other schools do this and achieve great results in participation (forget other schools, just look at the uniformity of the Leprechaun Legion). By the way, the fund-raising muscles of "The Shirt" project wouldn't be hurt in the slightest; the bookstore could still sell the green version to fans. And it might make tickets cost \$15 more next year, but let's face it, Notre Dame was already going to do that anyway.

Pat Moore  
senior  
Duncan  
Oct. 2

### Fun police

I have read several of the letters and articles about the Gestapo-like behavior of the ND and other security "forces" on campus for football weekends and generally on campus and in town throughout the year. I wholeheartedly concur in the view that these "squads" are completely out of control. Their tactics and obsessive pursuit of "rule enforcement" regularly taint and, at times, ruin the experience of being on campus for me. My wife, who is not an ND/SMC grad, is astonished by their anal behavior and "goon-like" approach to their work. The unfortunate reality, however, is that they are just following orders. If the University Administrators wanted a more relaxed approach that is conducive to the festive camaraderie that football weekends are supposed to be, they could very easily "call off the dogs". But over the last 37 years that I have been coming to ND as a student, alum, and now parent/alum, I only see the situation becoming more insulting and obnoxious.

With respect to the game day experience, I would ask Fr. Jenkins: What is it about the ND faithful that makes the University so afraid of us being on our campus? How is it that the University knows better than us what our "family atmosphere" is supposed to be like or what we need to do to be "safe?" At what point does the University recognize us as the responsible grown-ups we were supposed to be, in part, due to the benefit of our ND education and experience? I would advise Fr. Jenkins to tell the troops to lighten up or ND's reputation as a great place to be from but not such a great place to be at, will continue to grow.

Paul Cordes  
alum  
class of 1975  
Oct. 3

### Of colors and T-shirts

As mentioned in several letters last week, I too think it would be great to have a green-out or blue-out with all fans wearing the same color. However, there are only two feasible ways to do this. First, is the responsibility of the Alumni and other fans to wear the color of the students. This year, The Shirt is blue, and most students wear either The Shirt or a knockoff of the same color. The other option (for a green-out if in a blue The Shirt year) would be to have free T-shirts handed out at the stadium when fans enter. Get a good sponsor and it might not even cost too much. There is one more thing though. There will always be those people (especially students) who think they will be really cool or funny if they wear something else to stick out. If this occurs in your section, simply notify a nearby usher that you may have smelled some kind of alcohol near that person. They will promptly be removed for most of the game regardless of their sobriety.

Matt Mooney  
junior  
Alumni Hall  
Oct. 3

### Vermin come out on top

I write this on behalf of the Vermin of Carroll hall, who so recently had their dignity challenged by Mimi Disipio, a Sophomore in Pangborn Hall. When asked an ambiguous question, posed by a low-level member of the Observer, she voiced the opinion that Carroll Hall is the most irrelevant dorm on campus. Ha! Upon reading this comical statement, my fellow Vermin and I realized that it may not be as obvious to everyone else on campus, why Carroll Hall is near the top of the relevance food chain.

Ms. Disipio argues that Carroll is irrelevant because "it 's out there by itself. " If this argument held any water, then we could effectively regard Yoda as irrelevant to the original Star Wars trilogy. Faulty, this logic is. To the outsider, the distance from Carroll to South Quad probably seems daunting. "They should get you golf carts!" or "Do you ever get lost on your way to class?" are common and cheeky questions that we must endure and pretend to find funny and original time after time. But if everyone had to walk an extra five minutes to and from the dining hall, they wouldn't have to pretend to feel guilty about going to the soft-serve machine anymore. Our location on campus is actually far more convenient than it may appear. With adjacent outdoor basketball and volleyball courts, the Carroll Country Club on the Lake encourages an active lifestyle for the residing Vermin.

A quick trip into the dorm will reveal doubles the size of your super quad, and 12-foot ceilings. Our location also allows us to be the Notre Dame ambassadors to another area college, the College of Saint Mary 's. With our dorm strategically placed between the middle of campus and Saint Mary 's, Belles don't fear the distance to campus, and often stop to enjoy the welcoming company of our fine gentlemen. Finally, let 's talk about signature events. With the arrival of every cold December, comes the warm and festive celebration of Christmas, Carroll style (I think we all remember the embarrassing ink that Pangborn got about their secular display of Christmas spirit last Winter). "A Carroll Christmas," the hall event with the third highest budget awarded by the Hall President 's Council, includes performances from choirs on campus, Christmas treats, a visit from Santa Claus, and the lighting of the tallest Christmas tree on campus (as a side note, our hall event is never canceled due to bad weather).

This fine University was founded on the idea of Mary giving birth to the Messiah, so clearly, any allegations of irrelevance directed towards the dorm deemed worthy enough to host such a celebration are in fact irrelevant themselves. In conclusion, and after much consideration, I not only place Carroll on the "list of relevant dorms," I posit that Carroll Hall is the greatest of all dorms on Our Lady 's campus, and any arguments against this proven fact are based solely on pangs of jealousy and spite. Go Vermin!

Patrick Berry  
sophomore  
Carroll Hall  
Oct. 2

### Straight from the bleeding heart

When someone gets dumped by their boyfriend or girlfriend, the rule of thumb is one week of mourning for every six months you were together. Well, the 2008 Cubs reported to spring training about eight months ago, so we Cubs fans are going to need at least ten days to get over this. And by this, I mean the choke or sweep from this year.

We will never get over the cloud that eternally hovers over these players in the blue pinstripes every year.

I am not going to pick out a single curse or story, but I am going to affirm the much bandied-about idea that we are cursed. And I use "we" because it is not just the team; it is the fans, too. While these things happen over and over again on the field, the fans continue to be stupid and loyal enough to stick with the team and get their hearts broken repeatedly. We lead a trivial sports life of hardcore rooting and blind prophecies that this will be the year while all other fans smile and nod at our stupidity and see through our words to the sad truth.

One could say, "They're not cursed, they just have bad luck," or, "They choke or just can't come through in big games." Well, fine. I agree with that and while it's commonly called a curse, you could just as easily throw jinxed or hexed or whatever you want on there. It's a matter of semantics, and we are all talking about the devastating reality. Something about the intangible concept of playing for the Cubs causes ground balls to trickle through infielders' legs, hitters to take pitches down the middle while swinging at junk in the dirt, and ace starting pitchers to throw awful games when it means something.

So contest it being a curse or a hex or bad luck or even deny its existence if you so choose, but if you do that, tell me how a 97-win team — the best since 1945 and the best team in the NL — manages to lay an egg and get swept by a team that did not smell .500 for more than three weeks of the year.

Dan Masterton  
sophomore  
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Oct. 6

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Today and tomorrow, the Philbin Studio Theatre will host "The Mushroom Picker" on behalf of the Nanovic Institute for European Studies at the University of Notre Dame. "The Mushroom Picker" is a one-man show written by playwright Patrick Dewane.

The play tells the story of Dewane's Czech-American grandfather, Matt Konop. A member of the "Greatest Generation," Konop was a World War II veteran whose radio handle in the 1970s, "The Mushroom Picker," helped inspire Dewane's venture into his family's past. The play moves from Konop's roots in a Midwestern Czech farming community — Konop was born near Green Bay, Wisconsin — to the war years.

Dewane cites his heritage and family background, as members of the Czech immigrant community in the United States, as the larger inspiration and overarching context of the show.

"Those people, my people spoke Czech for fifty years in this country before they learned English," Dewane told Minnesota Public Radio in May.

The play is presented in English with various references to that Czech language. According to Dewane's retelling, this lingual duplicity is what lent his grandfather to military service. Konop was a lieutenant colonel in the Army whose unit led the liberation of Czechoslovakia from Nazi forces. Fluent in Czech and English, Konop was able to play a critical role in the operation. Those years of Konop's life are the main focus of "The Mushroom Picker."

Dewane, in an interview featured on the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center Web site, retells how he came across his grandfather's story. "Twenty years after he died, my sister Jane is in my aunt's basement, rummaging through old things, and she comes across a box that has a stack of writings. She brought them out and made copies of them, and handed out my grandfather's writing as Christmas presents."

Dewane was struck by the poignancy of the writing that Konop had left behind.

"I became obsessed with his story," Dewane said. "So what I did is I turned it into a one-man show. I've come to believe that he wrote down his stories for me, that I could tell them to you."

"The Mushroom Picker" is playing tonight and Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$10 for general admission, \$8 for faculty and staff, and \$5 for seniors and students. Veterans are invited to the performance with a special ticket price of \$5. The show will run approximately two hours and 15 minutes.

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## SCENE AND HEARD ADVENTURES WITH TOM SAWYER



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The first time we hear his name, his Aunt is screaming it. When we say goodbye at novel's end, the sometimes noble, often mischievous, but always God-fearing 10-year-old Mississippi river boy has walked down the aisle at his own funeral, used reverse-psychology to wiggle out of a day's labor, wooed and broken and broken twice and wooed again a young girl's heart, and most importantly, transformed a Missouri town. I'm talking about Tom Sawyer.

Sunday night marked my return to the lives of Tom Sawyer and Huckleberry Finn and before I knew it, hours had gone by, their story was over, and I felt satisfyingly charmed.

Yet it is not just the boy's daring adventures, nor their comical follies or even their glorious deeds that makes "The Adventures of Tom Sawyer" so appealing. No, in fact, much of it has to do with the raconteur, the narrator himself.

There is no one more infatuated with or protective of Tom than the narrator. He has high hopes for the boy and writes about him with great fondness, even pulling the curtains on a scene early rather than have Tom's shame at confusing the Old and New Testaments put on display: "Let us draw the curtain of charity of the rest of the scene." The narrator sets Tom upon a pedestal from which he refuses to have the young man fall, placing him sublimely above the rest of the town's otherwise ignorant youth. However, as a product of his often bigoted age, Tom's character is consequently flawed. But before one begins to think of reasons to knock the young Sawyer of his perch, we must pause a moment and ruminate on the significance of this dashing young man. Tom Sawyer understands human nature.

The scene is timeless. Tom, resigned to punishment, stands whitewashing his Aunt's fence. Next we see Ben "Steamboat" Rogers chewing on an apple, eyeing Tom, and brimming in anticipation of the mockery to follow. Then suddenly

Ben is washing the fence, while Tom, savoring the apple, reclines in the shade. Before long scores of boys have happened along and before the afternoon is up the whole fence has been painted and our glorious miscreant hasn't even moved a muscle. The narrator doesn't hesitate to laud Tom's crowning achievement: "[Tom] had discovered a great law of human action, without knowing it—namely, that in order to make a man or a boy covet a thing, it is only necessary to make the thing difficult to attain."

Tom Sawyer is also a romantic. He entices Becky Thatcher, the daughter of the prominent Judge Thatcher, to promise him her hand at age ten. Before the week is up he breaks her heart, not once, but twice. Yet despite overwhelming adversity the courageous boy never loses heart, and when the teacher discovers that a student has torn up his precious textbooks Tom stands up before the entire class and takes responsibility for a crime he didn't commit, preserving the dignity of the guilty party. Becky Thatcher swoons, "Tom, how could you be so noble."

But most importantly, Tom Sawyer is a social worker. When he, Huck and Joe Harper show up to their own funeral—a consequence of having run away to play pirates while their families mourned after their disappearance—and Tom and the Harper boy receive a smattering of kisses and affection from their families, Tom notices that Huck is receiving only bitter stares. Taking it upon himself to right this egregious wrong, Tom exclaims, "Somebody's got to be glad to see Huck!" And they are.

The story of Tom Sawyer is a reflection of something timeless about Twain's hometown of Hannibal, Mo., something as unchanging and constant as the Mississippi itself. It is a subject Twain seems to have written most affectionately about. Childhood. And it still has much to teach us.

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It has been said that the "Golden Days" of cinema have long since passed. Sure, "Citizen Kane" is but a memory that can be bought as a 60th anniversary DVD, and the raw essence of romance has never again been so vividly depicted as it was in "Casablanca," but that doesn't mean that brilliance in filmmaking is a lost art.

It seems that the original classics were the first films to combine all the elements of masterful filmmaking. They will always be put on a pedestal that new movies, no matter how masterful, are incapable of reaching. Why? Sadly, because we all (especially many top critics) have a preconceived notion that nothing can top the great films of the past.

Yes, the caliber of movies as a whole has suffered in recent years, but the 'masterpiece' is still very much alive. It took 20 years for the film industry to realize that "Citizen Kane" was worthy of being called "the greatest film of all-time," so perhaps all is not lost. Maybe one day a modern film will be put on the same pedestal as the classics. The following is a list of the five 21st-century American films most likely to attain legendary status down the road.

5) United 93: Paul Greengrass' heart-wrenching docudrama is undying in its commitment to telling the arresting true story of what happened to the doomed heroes aboard United Airlines flight 93 on Sept. 11, 2001. Both impossible to watch, yet too difficult to turn away from, "United 93" is pitch-perfect and represents the most inexorably true account of 9/11 to grace the silver screen to this day.

4) Lord of the Rings: Return of the King: Everything about the last installment of the Lord of the Rings trilogy is epic. Clocking in at a lengthy 3:30, Peter Jackson's send-off to J.R.R. Tolkien's beloved classic manages to tie together every element of the journey while achieving the type of metaphori-

cal brilliance the first two films lacked.

3) There Will Be Blood: This one is destined to be studied by film students for years to come. Paul Thomas Anderson's unrelenting work details the life of a genius oil man, Daniel Plainview, played by Daniel-Day Lewis in one of the most searing performances in movie history. His greed and moral corruption lead him down a path of conflict with religion and humanity alike, is, in its purest form, an aesthetic revelation the likes of which haven't been seen since "Citizen Kane".

1 (tie) Mulholland Drive: David Lynch's masterpiece is film at its very best. From the bewildering opening scene, when Lynch first immerses his audience in a fever hallucination of a film, until the perfectly measured ending, a spine-chilling air of brilliance engulfs the theater. This incredibly tantalizing dive into the heart of insanity and the subconscious becomes more ingenious as it unravels, and once solved, all that is left is the overwhelming feeling that what Mr. Lynch has created is so beyond perfect, it's downright scary.

1 (tie) No Country For Old Men: The Coen brothers' jaw-dropping neo-western veiled as a thriller brilliantly blends all of the themes that the Coen's have played around with ever since their directorial debut in "Blood Simple". Both awe-inspiring in a "Popcorn movie" sense and undeniably triumphant in an "Oscar season movie" sense, this adaptation of Cormac McCarthy's 2005 novel about life, death, and the loss of innocence, is incredibly measured and flawless from head to toe. Javier Bardem's turn as a psychopathic killer tasked with hunting down Llewelyn Moss (Josh Brolin), a foolhardy southerner who is simply in the wrong place at the wrong time when he stumbles across a satchel filled with \$2 million is enough to send shivers down even Hannibal Lecter's back. Simply put, with "No Country for Old Men" the Coen brothers have not only managed to top "Fargo", but

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Any listing of "classic" films, particularly if they were released in the last 10 years, is immediately ripe for debate. Subjectivity can take precedence over real criticism, as can the lack, by default, of historical perspective. Can a film qualify for classic status if it's still making money at the box office? What will we think in five, 10, even 20 years of "the next big thing?" Who knows who will still be relevant to our cinema sensibilities in a generation?

That being said, trying to piece together an American film canon for the new millennium is an admirable effort, albeit a complicated one. Precluding any film released in 2008 (why judge a year when it isn't even over yet?), as well as any foreign films — which deserve their own countdown — here is an admittedly tentative list of five classic films since 2000.

Big Fish (2003): Steeped in Southern Gothic sensibilities, yet with a wry sense of humor, wide-eyed wonder and a mythic backbone, "Big Fish" is arguably Tim Burton's strongest film since 2000. A father-son relationship told in memories and tall tales, "Big Fish" is a joy to watch and experience. The film shines, sometimes literally, as it tracks Edward Bloom (Ewan McGregor, Albert Finney) through his storied life. His son, Will (Billy Crudup) is grappling with his father's legend, hoping to find the truth of the enigmatic man who raised him. The film's sense of the unexpected, delight in small moments, and sweeping emotional strength is pitch-perfect.

Brokeback Mountain (2005): It's been called revolutionary. Groundbreaking. Historic, even. But what "Brokeback Mountain" really is, at its heart, is simply a love story. It is a tough, powerful love story, told by director Ang Lee with skill and sensitivity. It would be easy to see a film like "Brokeback Mountain" falter in the hands of a lesser filmmaker. The story could be sensationalized, the subject handled with clumsiness or prejudice. But it wasn't; the film's leads, Heath Ledger and Jake Gyllenhaal, were both compelling, complex characters in their own right, turning

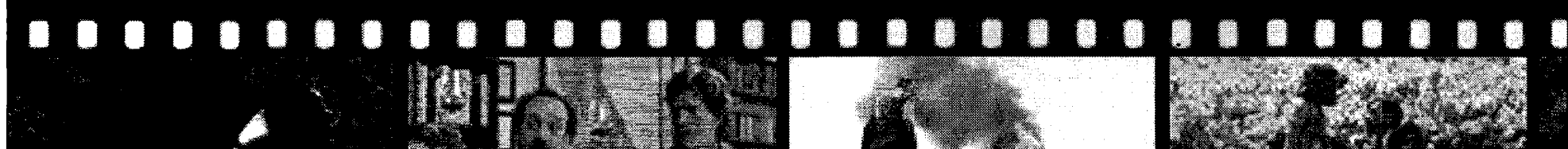
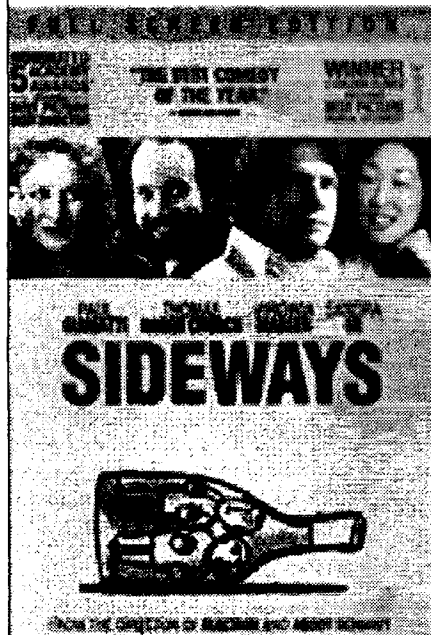
something "sensational" into something tragically ordinary. Truly an instant standard.

Monsters, Inc. (2001): You might think that "Finding Nemo" is a more likely choice among the Disney/Pixar film canon. Sure, the heartwarming tale of a lost clown fish with a malformed fin is compelling, and the voice talent (Albert Brooks, Ellen DeGeneres) is top-notch. Still, its 2001 predecessor, "Monsters, Inc." is more deserving of a top spot. The concept is witty and charming, and the film's style is at times angular and artistic, and furry-soft with blue and purple spots. Heartwarming, but never cheesy — a tricky balance — funny, sweet and just right.

Donnie Darko (2001): When was the last time you saw a "teen" film that discussed, among other things, philosophy, family, the search for God, psychology, time-traveling, moral ambiguity and demonic rabbits? This 2001 cult classic starring Gyllenhaal is a touchstone for the thinking filmgoer. With a skilled ensemble cast that includes Maggie Gyllenhaal, Jena Malone, Noah Wylie, Drew Barrymore and Patrick Swayze, the film is remarkable in its scope and haunting in its style and tone. It raises questions without answers, and almost requires a second, if not a third, viewing to try and grapple with its complexities.

Sideways (2004): Based on a Rex Pickett novel, "Sideways" is an existential road trip with a top-notch wine palate and an endearing sweetness at the heart of its cynicism. Miles (Paul Giamatti, excellent as always) and Jack (Thomas Haden Church) are touring California wine country before Jack settles down and gets married. The pair meet two women, Stephanie (Sandra Oh, "Grey's Anatomy") and Maya (Virginia Madsen), and alternately bicker and bond as they taste wine after wine after wine. Madsen won the Academy Award for Best Supporting Actress for this film, and her performance is a humble anchor for Giamatti's neurotic Miles. See "Sideways." Relax, maybe with a glass of wine, and enjoy one of the funniest character studies to come out of American film in years.

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## WOMEN'S INTERHALL

# Swarming Lyons defense keeps Pyros winless

McGlinn completes dramatic comeback to down PW; Welsh Fam wins battle of unbeatens with Farley

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## Welsh Family 15, Farley 7

Welsh Fam remained undefeated this Sunday when it came from behind to defeat Farley in an exciting battle of two previously unbeaten teams.

The game began with several turnovers. Farley (2-1-1) forced an interception on Welsh Fam's first drive of the game. However, Welsh Fam (4-0) regained possession quickly, as its defense forced an interception and took the ball right back on a third down play.

After going up 2-0 on a safety on a fumble in the end zone, the Whirlwinds took over on offense.

A long pass that would have taken Welsh Fam far down the field was called back on a questionable sack. After this call, quarterback Jenni Gargula threw another interception. Farley capitalized on this error and scored, going up 7-2 at halftime.

However, the Welsh Fam offense turned the momentum around. Its defense consistently kept Welsh Fam in the game, forcing yet another interception to start off the Farley drive. This drive brought Welsh Fam completely downfield and ended with a touchdown when quarterback Gargula ran the ball up the middle for the score.

Its defense held onto the lead, putting constant pressure on Farley quarterback Emily Murphy. In addition, the Welsh Fam offense was anchored by Gargula, who was skilled at evading the defensive line in the pocket and consistently found her receivers, even through traffic.

"Being down is not something we've been used to," Gargula said. "We did a really good job of staying focused second half."

Gargula extended her team's lead on a final touchdown pass that sailed through the hands of the defender to put her team up 15-7 in the final minutes of play.

"We faced adversity in the

first half," Welsh Fam coach Mike Kaiser said. "We were able to take what the defense was giving us though. It was a huge win."

Farley left with its first loss of the season, although the Finest were happy with their performance.

"We're excited that we hung in with them," Farley senior Courtney Haven said. "We just need to work on execution."

Farley captain Jennifer Rolfs also remained positive even after the loss.

"Overall our defense played well and held a very strong offensive team to almost nothing for a lot of the game," Rolfs said. "We hope to see them again in the playoffs."

## Lyons 12, Pasquerilla East 7

Lyons' defense took care of its most recent victims Sunday, holding Pasquerilla East to one touchdown in its 12-7 win.

"The offense did what we needed to score, but the defense really won the game," Lyons sophomore center Kelly Pierson said.

The Pyros (0-4) struggled on offense to start the game.

Quarterback Caitlyn Lynch threw a pair of incomplete passes, and was sacked by the Lyons defense.

The Lions (3-1) wasted no time, completing two passes in a row, followed by a short pass to wide receiver Kelsey Christoffel for the Lyons touchdown. A failed extra-point attempt gave the Lions an early 6-0 lead.

The Pyros took over on offense, and Lynch completed a long pass to freshman wide receiver Nneka Ekechukwu. A pair of penalties against the Lions helped the PE drive, which brought them close to the goal line. A touchdown from Lynch to center Emily Meyer, with a completed extra-point conversion to Maggie Waller gave the Pyros a surprising 7-6 lead. But those would be the only points the Pyros would get.

"In the second half, the Lyons defense really stepped it up even more," Pyros coach Scott Rice said.

The Lions asserted themselves in the second half,

though, intercepting a pass from Lynch and running it back for the second Lyons touchdown of the game, giving the lead and the game back to Lyons, 12-7.

"For next week, we will mostly concentrate on making sure that we finish the game with as much excitement and momentum as we begin each game with," Pyro junior captain and linebacker Liz Ruiz said. "We have all the right stuff for a win, we just need to put it all together now."

Despite his team's effort in the hard-fought win, Lyons coach Matt Gelchion could only come up with a trite metaphor to compliment his team.

"Our team is a paragon of unity and community," he said. "I guess you could liken us unto onesie pajamas, with every part flowing into the next and no part superior. In other words, it was a total team victory"

## McGlinn 14, Pasquerilla West 12

McGlinn has certainly had a flair for the dramatic this season, and Sunday was no different, as it came back to defeat Pasquerilla West.

PW (1-1-2) dominated the first half of play. Its defense was strong and forced several three-and-outs against a McGlinn (3-1) offense that could not convert drives into points.

Even when quarterback Sarah deGroot unleashed a 50-yard bomb that was reeled in for a completion on diving catch, the McGlinn offense could not finish the drive.

Leading 6-0 at the half, PW continued to dominate as its defense forced another interception. The Purple Weasels took advantage of the opportunity, and scored another touchdown on the quick legs and long passes of captain Cara Davies. Their attempt at the extra point failed, putting them up 12-0.

However, this was the last time PW would score.

McGlinn took over on offense. On a key third down play, deGroot completed a pass to continue the drive. The re-energized offense finally finished a drive, running in a touchdown almost 30 yards. The two-point conversion was successful. The Shamrocks now trailed by four.

Minutes later, on another bomb by deGroot that easily floated into the hands of her receiver, the Shamrocks scored again, taking the lead for the

first time all game with time running out for PW.

A tight McGlinn defense held the two-point lead for the last minutes, locking up the victory and handing PW its first loss of the season.

"This is exactly the momentum we need right now," said captain Sarah deGroot. "The team has really meshed."

This is the second game in a row that McGlinn has come from behind to win in the second half.

"The girls never doubt themselves," McGlinn coach Craig Wiborg said. "We know we have good players."

In addition to the confidence the Shamrocks exude, McGlinn is dynamic on both sides of the ball and adeptly makes adjustments.

"In the first half, PW was dictating us," McGlinn coach Keith Creasy said. "We put ourselves in control the second half. That is what gave us the win."

## Walsh 25, Breen-Phillips 21

Trailing by two points and with only seven seconds to score, Walsh quarterback Amy Langnecker threw the ball deep to Lindsay Schanzer, who made the catch and raced past the goal line to snatch a victory for the Wild Women.

"It was an amazing end to a cold, rainy day of football," Walsh captain Kehau Meyer said.

The Wild Women (2-2) had an incredible finish to the game despite a rough start on both sides of the ball.

"Our offense struggled at first to hold on to the ball," Meyer said. "Breen-Phillips made an interception in the first few minutes of the game, scored, and unfortunately Walsh's offense was unable to make connections for a while. We were mostly upset because the rain really took away from our strong passing game".

The Babes (0-1-2) had a 21-7 lead as the first half ended.

"We played a great first half and got off to a big lead," Breen-Phillips captain and senior quarterback Melissa Meagher said.

However, the second half was all Walsh.

The Wild Women scored a touchdown but missed the extra point to bring the score to 21-13. The Walsh defense then held Breen-Phillips offense, allowing the Wild Women to score yet another touchdown and bring the score to 21-19 after a missed 2-point conversion.

With three minutes left in the game, Walsh's defense played aggressively and, thanks to a sack by Alexa Doyle, forced the Babes' offense to punt. Walsh had 21 seconds left to score

and, after making a first down, spiked the ball to stop the clock with 7 seconds left. Needing a touchdown, Langnecker made a clutch throw to Schanzer, who adjusted to the pass and caught it over her shoulder for the score.

"Amy was intercepted twice but came back to win a big game for Walsh," Meyer said. "Also, I'm proud to say that our defense, which was struggling earlier in the season, played hard and did its best to keep BP from running out the clock".

"Obviously we are disappointed with the loss," Meagher said. "But we know that we're a great team and we're looking forward to winning a lot of games throughout the rest of the season".

Although this was a huge win for the Walsh Wild Women, they are taking this season one game at a time.

"We are looking forward to the next game which we hope has much better weather," Meyer said.

## Pangborn 25, Lewis 12

The wet conditions of Sunday's game against Lewis didn't bog down Pangborn, as it took down the Chicks 25-12.

The Phoxes' (3-2) success, according to captain Andrea Ragsdale, was due to their explosive offense.

"We really came alive in the second half," she said.

Pangborn's strong quarter-

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Scott Rice  
PE coach

*"Being down is not  
something we've been  
used to. We did a  
really good job of  
staying focused  
second half."*

Jenni Gargula  
quarterback  
Welsh Family

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## NCAA Men's Hockey USCHO Top 20

	team	points	last poll
1	Boston Coll. (36)	969	7
2	Michigan (5)	922	1
3	Colorado Coll. (7)	874	6
4	NOTRE DAME(1)	829	12
5	North Dakota (1)	789	3
6	Denver	707	4
7	New Hampshire	648	5
8	Miami (Ohio)	613	2
9	Boston Univ.	565	15
10	Minnesota	503	10
11	Michigan State	440	9
12	Princeton	427	13
13	Clarkson	375	11
14	Wisconsin	358	17
15	St. Cloud State	299	8
16	N. Michigan	257	NR
17	Cornell	186	NR
18	Minnesota State	170	14
19	Harvard	134	16
20	Vermont	90	18

## NCAA Men's Hockey USA Today Poll

	team	points	record
1	Boston Coll. (26)	500	25-11-8
2	Michigan (4)	452	33-6-4
3	Colorado Coll. (4)	430	28-12-1
4	NOTRE DAME	378	27-16-4
5	North Dakota	361	28-11-4
6	Denver	328	26-14-1
7	New Hampshire	275	25-10-3
8	Miami (Ohio)	259	33-8-1
9	Boston Univ.	222	19-17-4
10	Minnesota	192	19-17-9
11	Michigan State	162	25-12-5
12	Princeton	111	21-14-0
13	Clarkson	109	22-13-4
14	Wisconsin	82	16-17-7
15	St. Cloud State	66	19-16-5
16	Northern Michigan	38	20-20-4
17	Minnesota State	28	19-16-4
18	Northeastern Uni.	18	16-18-3
19	Uni. of Vermont	18	17-15-7
20	Ferris State	16	18-16-5

## Big East Women's Soccer Standings

	team	record
1	NOTRE DAME	5-0-0
2	Rutgers	4-1-0
3	Georgetown	3-0-0
4	Marquette	3-1-1
5	Villanova	3-2-0
6	Louisville	2-1-2
7	West Virginia	2-1-2
8	Cincinnati	2-2-1
9	USF	2-2-1
10	Connecticut	1-2-2
11	Syracuse	1-2-1
12	Seton Hall	1-3-1
13	Providence	0-2-3
14	Pittsburgh	1-4-0
15	St. John's	0-2-2
16	DePaul	0-5-0

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### NCAA FOOTBALL

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## MLB



Jonny Gomes, center, leads the Tampa Bay celebration after the Rays' first postseason series victory in franchise history after the Rays beat the Chicago White Sox in Game 4 of the ALDS 6-2 Monday.

## Rays advance to ALCS over ChiSox

Associated Press

CHICAGO — B.J. Upton and these Tampa Bay Rays are headed home — to get ready for the American League championship series.

Worst in the majors last year, the Rays will play for a spot in the World Series after finishing off the Chicago White Sox 6-2 Monday in Game 4 of the AL playoffs.

Ray-markable!

Upton homered twice, Andy Sonnanstine pitched a solid 5 2-3 innings and manager Joe Maddon's surprising Rays won 3-1 in the best-of-five series — their first trip to the post-

season. Next up, the Boston Red Sox or the Los Angeles Angels starting Friday.

"We feel like we belong and it's showing right now," Upton said.

After staving off elimination several times and winning a tiebreaker for the AL Central title, the White Sox were finally knocked out.

The loss dashed Chicago's hope for a championship — days ago, local fans were thinking the Cubs and White Sox might meet in a Windy City Classic. But the Cubs got swept by the Dodgers and now both teams are done.

Upton, the game's second batter, homered to left-center to put the Rays ahead.

He went deep again in the third, driving a full-count pitch from Gavin Floyd to center, and the confident Rays had a two-run cushion.

Tampa Bay, which never won more than 70 games during its 10 previous seasons, went from 96 losses last year to 97 wins and passed the big-spending Red Sox and New York Yankees in the AL East.

"It's a gratifying moment for all of us," Maddon said.

No longer bedeviled, the Rays won all year with young talent and improved pitching. Sonnanstine, who pitched a three-hit shutout against the White Sox at

Tropicana Field in April, reversed a late-season slide that saw him go winless in his final seven starts.

He allowed two runs and three hits before J.P. Howell relieved. Grant Balfour completed the four-hitter, striking out midseason addition Ken Griffey Jr. to end it.

Upton, who hit only nine homers in 531 at-bats during the regular season, also homered in Sunday's 5-3 loss. Benched by Maddon during the season for not hustling, the talented 24-year-old's power display came against a team that relied on homers all year and led the majors in long balls.

## IN BRIEF

### Weeks has surgery to repair cartilage in knee

MILWAUKEE — Brewers second baseman Rickie Weeks had surgery Monday to repair a cartilage tear in his left knee and is expected to be ready for spring training.

Weeks had part of the damaged meniscus removed by team physician Dr. William Raasch. Weeks will begin rehabilitation at home this week.

A first-round draft pick by Milwaukee in 2003, Weeks hit .234 with 14 homers and 46 RBIs in 129 games in his fifth season. Weeks slumped and spent most of September in a reserve role to veteran Ray Durham.

Weeks was injured on Saturday night in Game 3 against Philadelphia when he jammed his knee running out a hard-hit grounder and got tangled up with first baseman Ryan Howard.

Weeks was removed from the post-season roster and finished the series 0-for-4.

### Lowell removed from roster with hip strain

BOSTON — Third baseman Mike Lowell was removed from Boston's first-round postseason roster on Monday because of a right hip strain.

He would be ineligible to play in the AL championship series if the Red Sox advance past their first-round opponent, the Los Angeles Angels.

Last year's World Series MVP, who also has a torn labrum in his right hip, was replaced on the active roster by infielder Gil Velazquez, who made his major league debut on Sept. 25.

Lowell was 0-for-8 in two games during the series against the Angels.

The Red Sox led the series 2-1 after the Angels won 5-4 win in 12 innings Sunday night. Lowell walked in the 10th inning and Alex Cora pinch ran for him.

### Westbrook questionable with two broken ribs

PHILADELPHIA — All-Pro running back Brian Westbrook broke two ribs in the Eagles' 23-17 loss to Washington on Sunday, though he stayed in and finished the game.

Westbrook missed one game with an ankle injury, but it's too early to know if his latest injury will keep him out of Sunday's game at San Francisco.

"We just have to see," coach Andy Reid said Monday. "We have to see how it all works out and exactly the pain level there. Right now, he's very sore, so we'll see how things go over the next few days."

Westbrook had 84 total yards against the Redskins. He leads the Eagles with 194 yards rushing and has six touchdowns, including two receiving.



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## MEN'S GOLF

# Irish slump to bottom of pack after two rounds

By MICHAEL BLASCO  
Sports Writer

Despite home-field advantage and a budding crop of young talent, Notre Dame's two squads slumped to last and second-to-last place at the end of two rounds at the third annual Fighting Irish Gridiron Classic.

The 'A' team sits in 15th place with a 48-over par 608, while the Irish 'B' team is in dead last with a 49-over 609, a single stroke behind its brethren.

At the top of the leaderboard, No. 47 Minnesota (579) currently holds a one-stroke lead over No. 4 Arkansas (580), while No. 41 Michigan State and No. 3 Lamar are in shouting distance of the lead after a solid day of action at Notre Dame's par 70, 7,023-yard Warren Golf Course.

Heading into play, Irish head coach Jim Kubinski knew that his young team would be facing an uphill battle this week, considering the competition.

"Hosting so many great teams this week ... we need to play smart golf out there, maybe beyond our experience level at this point," Kubinski said. "We can do it, though. If we play intelligently and allow our talent to come out, there's no reason why we can't be in the mix on Tuesday afternoon."

Sophomore Jeff Chen leads the Notre Dame effort with a 10-over 150 through two rounds, good enough for 35th overall. After an error-filled opening round in which he carded an 8-over 78, including three bogies and two double-bogies on the back nine, Chen fired a 2-over 72 in his second round to bounce back.

This week, Kubinski singled out Chen in particular as an example of the success of the youth movement in the Irish program.

"He has played incredibly well this season after not making our starting lineup as a freshman," Kubinski said. "I'm as proud of the way he handled himself when he didn't get the call [last year] as I have been with his recent solid play."

Junior Doug Fortner, coming off a sixth-place finish at last week's Saint Mary's (California) Invitational, trails Chen by a hair, shooting an 11-over 151 to end up 38th overall. Fortner's 75 and 76 were marked by erratic play in which he recorded a team-leading four birdies against eleven bogeys and two double bogeys.

Sophomore Connor Alan-Lee carded a 12-over 152 (46th overall), while fellow sophomore Dustin Zhang turned in a disappointing 159 to finish Monday in 76th place. Freshman Max Scodro's 21-over 161 (79th overall) rounded out the Notre Dame 'A' squad.

For the Irish 'B' team, junior Olavo Batista and freshman Tom Usher head into the third round in 46th place, each with 12-over 152s. Sophomore Tyler Hock's 153 landed him in 53rd place, while junior Carlos Santos-Ocampo shot a 14-over 154.

Freshman Chris Walker finished alongside fellow underclassman Scodro with a 21-over 161.

Play resumes this morning, with the final round beginning at the first and 10th holes at 8:20 a.m. at Notre Dame's Warren Golf Course.

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NCAA FOOTBALL

Willingham's job in jeopardy

Associated Press

SEATTLE — Matters only continue to get worse for Washington and coach Tyrone Willingham.

The losing atmosphere has only increased around a team that is:

- Starting 0-5 for the first time in 39 years.
- One of only two winless Bowl Subdivision teams in the country.
- Owner of the longest current losing streak of any team in the FBS: seven straight dating back to last season, thanks to Army's win over Tulane last weekend.
- Without star quarterback Jake Locker, after he broke his thumb trying to be the lead blocker on a reverse.
- The loser of three games this year by 30 or more points, including Saturday's 48-14 drubbing at the hands of Arizona.

It's not pretty.

In a rare positive, the Huskies did finally record a sack against the Wildcats, becoming the final team in the country to accomplish the feat. That was about the only bit of good news to come out of the Huskies' loss in the desert on Saturday.

"They say in life that winning is a habit, but also losing is a habit, and we have to make sure those things don't slip in there, that our guys can get back off the mat, get their (energy) up, and concentrate and focus and do the things you have to do to win," Willingham said on Monday. "That's important, we have to do that."

While the long-term prognosis for Willingham's future employment as Washington's head coach continues to get darker with each loss, his short-term future appears secure. Athletic director Scott Woodward told reporters on the sidelines after Saturday's game that despite the lopsided score and 0-5 start he had no intentions of making an in-season move to fire Willingham. While not happy with the losing direction of the program, Woodward said his approach would be giving Willingham the entire season before deciding whether to keep Willingham around for the final year of his contract.

If there was a time to make such a transition, it would be this week with the Huskies having their second weekend off before hosting Oregon State on Oct. 18.

Woodward wasn't the only one making compelling statements after Saturday's loss. Perhaps one of the harshest indictments of the Huskies came from Arizona running back Nic Grigsby, who "sensed (the Huskies defense) were quitting already" late in the first half of Saturday's romp.

Willingham defended his beleaguered defense on Monday, a unit allowing nearly 500 yards of offense per game, well above the 446 yards Washington allowed last year — the worst mark in school history and one that cost Kent Baer his job as defensive coordinator.

"No, I don't think so. I think that's depending on

how you take that comment and how you take those words and interpret them," Willingham said of Grigsby's comment. "But I think our kids kept playing, kept trying. We just were not successful, but I do not think our kids quit."

Washington and North Texas are the only FBS teams without victories, and the Huskies have just two in their last 16 games.

In Washington's defense, the combined records of its five opponents this season is 22-6, but the lack of competitiveness has provided a stark realization of just how far the Huskies are from returning to being the elite program that went without a losing season from 1977-2003. Washington is being outscored 210-93, including 110-35 in the first and third quarters.

The struggles are also having an impact on recruiting. The top Washington state recruit last week pulled back his oral commitment to the Huskies, and most recruiting services have Washington with only a handful of commitments nearly halfway through the fall.

There are some still holding onto hope for a respectable turnaround.

"Losing it tough. It hurts. But I've learned a lot from my head coach. He puts it behind him. He's a fighter and I came here because of him," Washington quarterback Ronnie Fouch said. "It's hard to lose but we've got to keep fighting and we've got some more games left to put something together."

NCAA FOOTBALL

Muschamp has Longhorns rolling

Associated Press

AUSTIN, Texas — The infatuation began when Will Muschamp was hired at Texas.

The love affair began with the blood.

It's taken five games for Muschamp to go from just the latest Texas defensive coordinator — the fifth in six years — to cult hero among Longhorns fans mesmerized by the way he walks, talks, yells ... and bleeds. His defense looks good too.

The No. 5 Longhorns (5-0, 1-0 Big 12) are rated No. 6 nationally in scoring defense going into Saturday's game against No. 1 Oklahoma (5-0, 1-0) in Dallas and vastly improved over last year.

"Stats are for losers," Muschamp said after Texas whipped Colorado 38-14. "I like winning games."

Bravado like that has pleased has pleased Texas fans who watched opponents pile up yards and points in bunches last season.

The 37-year old Muschamp came to Austin in January with a stellar resume including a national championship with LSU in 2003, a season as assistant head coach for the Miami Dolphins and two seasons at Auburn where he had one of the top defenses in the country.

For all of that, Muschamp was perhaps best known to Texas fans as the coach caught on video swearing and whooping it up with Auburn players after a big play in a clip that became a YouTube sensation.

Texas coach Mack Brown hired Muschamp to rescue his sagging defense, paying him \$425,000 a year, although it's widely expected he'll soon be offered a head coaching job somewhere.

Muschamp's first decree was that he'd put the best 11 players on the field regardless of seniority and experience. And then came the blood.

In Texas' first game against Florida Atlantic, Owls coach Howard Schnellenberger had riled things up by suggesting the Longhorns weren't very tough.

Things were still close in the first quarter when Muschamp, upset by a broken assignment in pass coverage, apparently ripped off his headset with such a violent motion that part of it tore open a cut on his left cheek. A long line of blood dripped to his chin. Muschamp ignored the distraction and kept on coaching. Photographs of the bloody scene quickly hit the Internet.

"The man is fiery," said defensive end Brian Orakpo, who leads the Longhorns with seven of their 19 sacks. "He acted like it wasn't even there. He kept coaching, even with blood all over his face."

It wasn't the first time Muschamp drew blood. In practice, he once grabbed a players' facemask and head-

butted him. Of course Muschamp wasn't wearing a helmet and got the worst of the contact.

When he's not bleeding, Muschamp prowls on the sidelines, yelling at bad plays and chest bumping and head slapping players after good ones.

"That's just me," Muschamp said. "I can't change who I am. I enjoy being in the arena."

Off the field, he can look bookish and boyish behind his eyeglasses and hairstyle that sort of parts on the right side of his head. He sets up camp in the film room to study opponents and Brown joked that Muschamp may sleep there this week.

"Whatever it takes to win," Muschamp said with an impish grin.

The defense has delivered what the Longhorns needed the first five games. Texas has surrendered just five touchdowns, the line has become a dominant unit and the secondary has held up despite starting freshmen Blake Gideon and Earl Thomas at safety.

*"Stats are for losers. I like winning games."*

**Will Muschamp**  
Texas defensive coordinator

"Watching them play, you can tell that the effort's there, you can tell they're disciplined in what their responsibilities are and they mix things up well," Oklahoma coach Bob Stoops said. "Will has definitely had an impact there. It's obvious."

But Texas' hasn't played a team like Oklahoma. The Sooners are trouncing opponents with a fast, no-huddle offense that is piling up points in a hurry.

Texas has played its best in the second half of games while the Sooners have usually put away teams in the first two quarters. Oklahoma has outscored opponents 168-30 in the first half and quarterback Sam Bradford is sure to test the young Texas safeties from the start.

The secondary remains Texas soft spot. The Longhorns may not give up many points, but they still give up a lot of yards and rank No. 96 in pass defense with only two interceptions. Muschamp insists he only cares about points.

Saturday's Texas-OU game will be Muschamp's first and the emotions surrounding the rivalry could spark some real fireworks. Muschamp beat the Sooners for the 2003 BCS championship when he was with LSU, but that Sugar Bowl was played before what most would consider a home crowd for the Tigers.

The Texas-Oklahoma rivalry tends to turn the Cotton Bowl into a swirling cauldron of emotions and things can get pretty nasty with 92,000 fans split down the middle at the 50-yard line.

"At first, we weren't used to him," Orakpo said. "But he's the first person out there chest-bumping, slapping helmets. We love it."



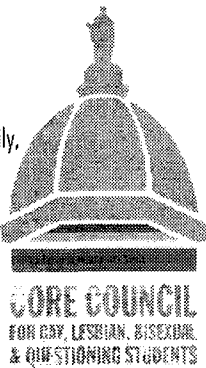
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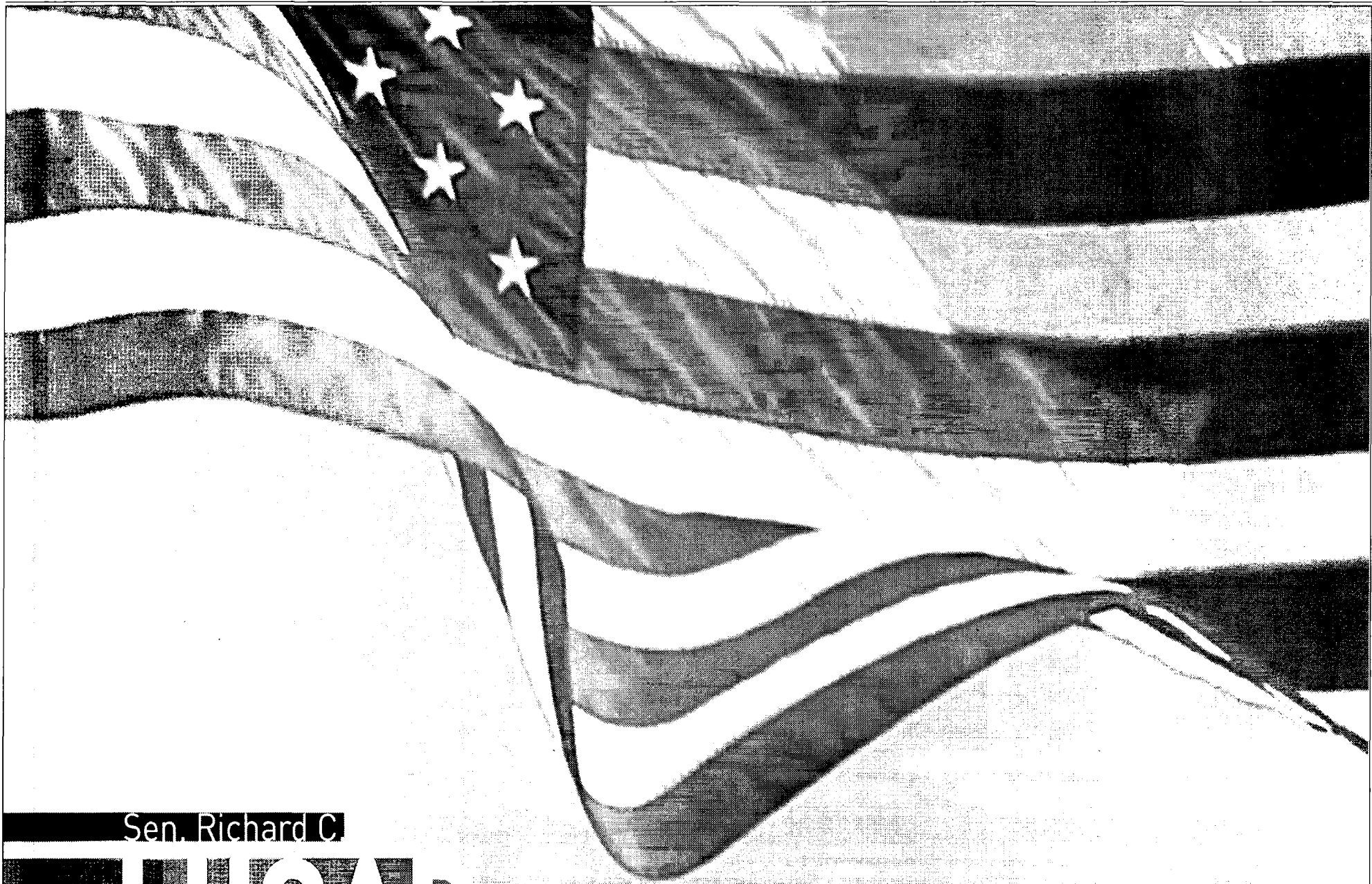
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The Phoxes' defense, however, was equally impressive, forcing three interceptions, one of which came on a Lewis drive that would've tied the game.

The Chicks (0-4) struck early with an interception return for a touchdown by captain Kristie Shushinsky, but could not generate much offense afterwards.

Despite the loss, Shushinsky recognized her team's improve-

ment throughout the season.

"We did a really good job of moving the ball downfield," Shushinsky said.

Coach Perry Schumaker added: "We had some great plays and amazing catches," he said. "We just need to learn how to put everything together".

Despite its inability to make the playoffs, Lewis is approaching these games with the same tenacity as they have all season.

"We're keeping our heads high and aren't rolling over for anybody," Schumaker said.

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## SMC VOLLEYBALL

# Belles prepare for home clash with Hope

By PAT STYNES  
Sports Writer

After dropping a tough loss to Alma on the road last Friday, the Saint Mary's volleyball team will look to bounce back at home tonight at 7 p.m. against Hope college. The Belles are 12-6 overall, 5-4 in conference play and will need a win to stay above .500 in the MIAA.

Pulling off a win against Hope College, however, will be quite difficult for the Saint Mary's squad. Hope is an impressive 18-3 on the year, is undefeated in conference play and the record is certainly not a fluke. Out of nine conference matches, Hope has dropped a mere three sets — that is an astonishing 90 percent set winning percentage. And while Hope is undefeated at home, they are equally impressive on the road, their only loss coming against Wittenberg way back in September. Hope captain senior Nora Slenk has 259 kills, with a solid .292 conver-

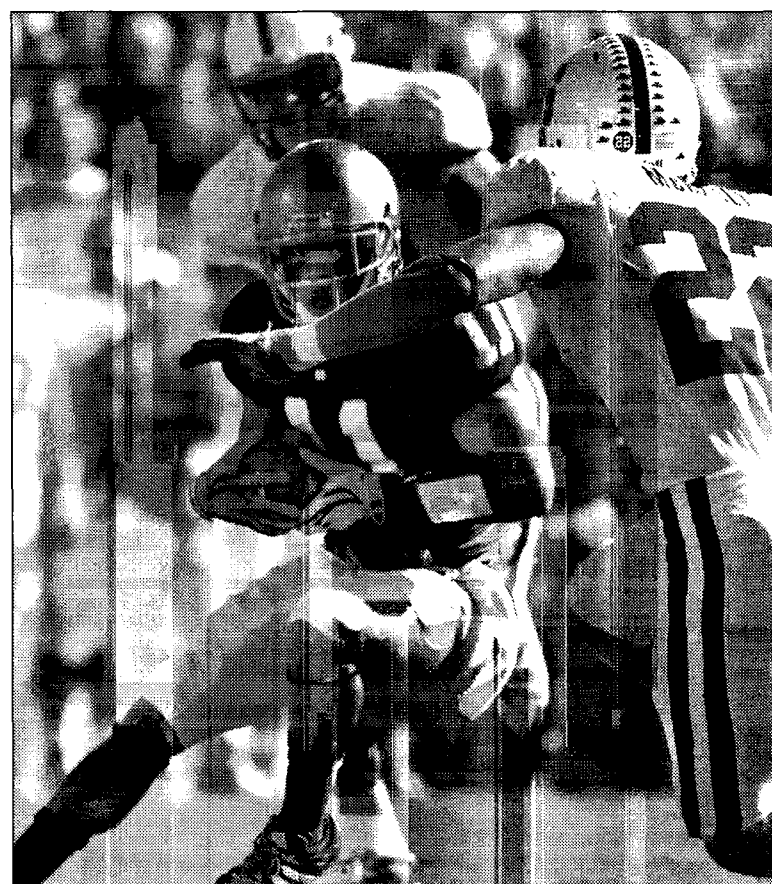
sion percentage.

The Belles will have a tough time dealing with both the offensive and the defensive fronts of Hope College. While junior Lorna Slupczynski and senior Kaela Hellmann have been very impressive on the offensive side of the ball, contributing 222 and 192 kills respectively, they will have a difficult job of finding kills, as Hope is averaging 17.36 kills a game, limiting their opponents to a paltry 3.85 kills a game, their defensive efforts spearheaded by Senior Meghan Winer's 346 digs.

Overall it will be a tough game for the St. Mary's, as Hope College is stringing together a truly dominant performance in both conference and out of conference play. However do not count out the Belles at home, as aside from their first September 2nd home match, they are undefeated at St. Mary's.

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Senior wide receiver David Grimes looks to slice through the Cardinal defense during Notre Dame's 28-21 win over Stanford Oct. 4.

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## McGlinn

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receivers Lourdes Meraz and Stephanie Grandits, as well as defensive lineman Casey Robertson.

"I think we have more natural athleticism than most teams out there," team captain Sarah deGroot said. "We have a lot of great freshman this year and a lot of great athletes on the team."

Sunday, McGlinn fought hard for a 14-12 victory against PW, overcoming a 12-0 deficit for the victory. A second half resurgence enabled the Shamrocks to scrape away with the victory, a testament to their heart and determination.

Thanks to their defense's ability to keep each game within reach, the Shamrocks know they are never out of contention.

"The last game we definitely relied on the defense to hold us the second half and get some quick turnovers," deGroot said.

DeGroot acknowledged that her team traditionally struggles at the start of games, but she hopes they can reverse the trend and start fast against Howard.

"We've relied on the second half to make adjustments," she said. "[We want to] work on getting ahead early and not putting so much pressure on ourselves in the second half."

### Lyons vs. Pasquerilla West

Thanks to a few big wins including a victory over last year's champion, Lyons has already clinched a playoff spot heading into Tuesday's game against Pasquerilla West.

For PW (1-0-2), making the playoffs will be a difficult task that will certainly require wins as opposed to more ties. Last week's disappointing tie against Howard didn't slam the door on the Purple Weasels' playoff hopes, but it definitely didn't help their cause.

Lyons (3-1), on the other hand, is sitting comfortably atop the Blue League. They've been impressive

in every game but their lone loss, with their offense and defense combining to form a very well rounded team filled to the brim with talent.

If PW is to win this game, it'll have to establish more consistency on offense while maintaining what has thus far been a stellar defense. Jordan Johnson will lead a pass rush that has thus far been more than able to put quarterbacks in pressure situations, which have led to turnovers and sacks.

Today's game pits Lyons, a team pumped and anxious to prove itself amongst the league's best, against PW, a team desperate for another win as they try to find their way into the playoffs. While it may seem as though PW will play with a heightened level of intensity that Lyons, in its current position of having already clinched a playoff berth, cannot match, Lyons should not be overlooked, for the Lions are just as actively pursuing a win.

"We've been playing with a lot of

fire and we're going to keep playing with that same intensity because we're out there to prove that we're no fluke," Lyons coach Matt Gelchion said.

### Pasquerilla East vs. Cavanaugh

For Pasquerilla East and Cavanaugh so far this season, it has been a tale of two different teams.

Going into their matchup at 8 p.m. tonight at Riehle Fields, the Chaos are 2-1-1 while the Pyros are 0-4. Cavanaugh is coming off its first loss of the season, a tough defeat to Lyons, but still can't be counted out as a threat to defend their championship season from last year.

The Pyros, on the other hand, have lost their last three games all by less than a touchdown.

"We've been very close but not quite there the last few games," captain Tara Pillai said. "It's all about consistency because we have signs of being a good team but we just haven't put it all together."

The Chaos enter the game with a confident, yet fun-loving, attitude as they attempt to recover from their first loss of the season last week.

"Cavanaugh's greatest strength year in and year out is that our love for flag football make's Palin's and Biden's love for Israel pale in comparison," senior quarterback and captain Katie Dunn said. "And like them, we are just trying to continue the tradition."

The Pyros are remaining optimistic despite a tough start to the season.

"We know we are very close to getting that elusive win," Pillai said. "Hopefully it all comes together tomorrow."

Cavanaugh is hoping to capture another win before the playoffs with strong senior leadership from middle linebacker Megan Ladrie

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a lead. Once they got ahead by two or three goals, their pressure offense would take its foot off the pedal. Sergei Federov would put on the brakes and dump the puck into a corner. It came back to bite them at times; if they got too complacent, the opposing team would storm back.

That's what Notre Dame's second half reminded me of Saturday. After scoring 21 points in the first half, the Irish scored seven in the second half and none at all in the fourth quarter. The offense had just 152 yards of offense in the second half, or 21.7 yards per drive.

Of the seven drives in the second half, one resulted in points. The others: four punts, a missed field goal and a turnover on downs, which we'll return to later.

But for now, let's start with the lack of offense. It's not that it can't move the ball. It proved quite the contrary in the first half, when it rolled up 278 yards of offense and three touchdowns. It's that the offense got overly complacent with its lead.

The Irish had a chance to bury Stanford. Their defense turned the ball over and got in Stanford quarterback Tavita Pritchard's face, and it was up to the offense to put the game out of reach.

How much of a confidence boost would that be? Off to a hot start, proving Chris Marinelli wrong, intercepting three passes and passing the ball well? Charlie Weis said he'd never seen his team as jacked up before a game as before Stanford. That excitement needed to transfer, not just into the first half but also throughout the whole game.

But it didn't. Two Irish drives netted negative yards in the second half, and two others gained less than 10. The most telling play, however, happened near the end of the fourth quarter. With fourth down and two chain links to go, the line couldn't dig in enough to get James Aldridge past the sticks. That first down ices the game; a field goal, as we saw previously, was out of the question, so Notre Dame needed to convert.

Never mind that the play pinned Stanford deep in its own zone with eight seconds to play; there will be a time when Notre Dame needs a

fourth-and-short conversion, and if it couldn't get it then, against Stanford, when it came into the game pumped up, that doesn't bode well for the rush game.

Defensively, Notre Dame relented in the second half as well. It intercepted three passes in the first half but none in the second. Two of Stanford's three drives in the fourth quarter, not counting the one-play drive to end the game, resulted in touchdowns. Again, no biggie in this game, but that's not the point.

Someday, perhaps if the offense has an off day, the Irish defense will stand in between an opponent and a victory, and they'll need to play at the level they're capable of for the entire game.

I have full confidence in the abilities of the team on both sides of the ball. The Irish moved the ball well on offense and kept Stanford under control on defense, and most importantly, they won the game. But they had the potential to clobber Stanford, to prove to any remaining doubters that they've

returned, to say to Marinelli with actions what they said with words after the game. They can't let those opportunities pass in the future, especially on the road, where they play four of their next five games.

Notre Dame must seize the opportunities to control games when they come, and in so doing prove they can do something else I remember the Wings doing — buckling down when needed.

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## Adrian

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Belles head coach Ryan Crabbe said. "The girls gave an incredible effort following the tying goal and had numerous chances to win the game in the final 15 minutes."

After Saint Mary's took a 1-0 lead into the half, Hope tied the game midway through the second half to ultimately force the overtime.

"We played in a more defensive shape in the second half," Crabbe said. "The tying goal by Hope was one of the better goals scored from a corner kick that I have seen. The difference in overtime was simply getting caught in transition."

But games like the one

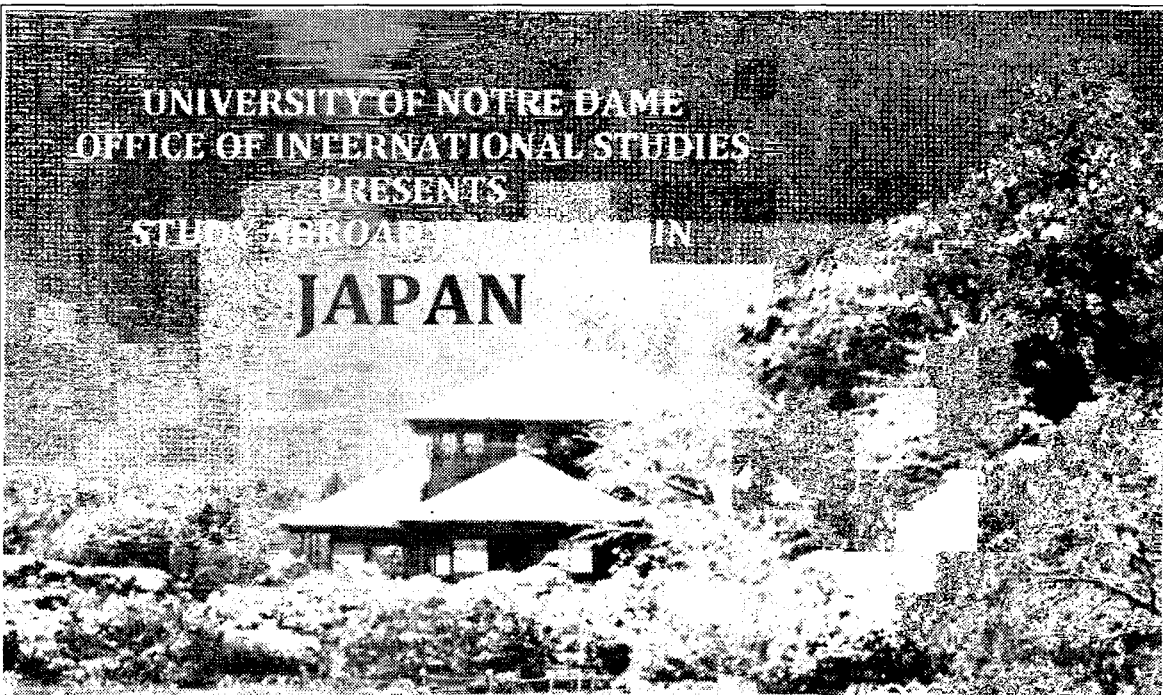
against Hope have become a frequent occurrence this season for Saint Mary's. Nearly every game has hinged on one or two plays.

Senior Lauren Hinton has stepped up as the leading scorer this season with four goals to go along with one assist. Saint Mary's has also received contributions from its freshman class who have already accounted for three goals and three assists on the season.

A win against Adrian would give the

Belles some much needed momentum as they approach the heart of their conference schedule.

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"We gained yards in short increments by hitting guys over the middle," St. Ed's coach Cameron Hogue said. "We did as best as we could with what their defense showed us."

A Matt Abeling touchdown pass provided the only scoring of the first half, and St Ed's went into halftime with a 6-0 lead.

Momentum dramatically shifted in Fisher's favor, though, when St. Ed's muffed a punt return that was then recovered by Fisher freshman Chris Charnock. That momentum carried Fisher to its only touchdown of the game, a score that came without starting quarterback Mike McMahon, who suffered an injury midway through the drive.

Freshman Pat Hertenstein took over as quarterback and made a few key passes en route to Fisher's touchdown before throwing a game-ending interception late in the fourth quarter.

"He did well for someone who hadn't taken many reps in practice," senior offensive lineman Dan Mahon said.

One more win will all but assure St Ed's a playoff spot.

For Fisher, its closing game against Zahm will be a chance to end this season's woes and possibly hurt Zahm's chances of making the playoffs.

"We're definitely looking to be a spoiler," Mahon said. "But more than anything we're going to try get the seniors involved because this is going to be their last chance to play organized football here at Notre Dame."

## Zahm 6, Carroll 6

Zahm and Carroll faced off Sunday in a matchup of gritty

defenses that saw six turnovers, two extra-point stops and only two touchdowns.

In the first quarter, both teams had trouble moving the ball and each team punted at the end of its first possession. On the first play of their next drive, Rabid Bat freshman quarterback Greg Bennett was intercepted, only to have the defense force and recover a fumble on the next play.

The Zahm (0-1-1) offense continued to struggle with the Vermin defense, as it moved only nine yards on their next seven plays, and was forced to punt again. Carroll (1-1-1) wasn't any better moving the ball against the Rabid Bat defensive line, turning it over on downs after getting stopped on a 4th and 5.

Taking over on his own 48, though, Bennett quickly got his offense going, and threw for 17 and 16 yards on the next two plays, before handing the ball off to freshman running back Colin Casey for a 15-yard scoring run. The 2-point conversion attempt was broken up, and the Rabid Bats settled for a 6-0 lead.

In the final minutes of the first half, Vermin sophomores quarterback Nick Ruof and running back Kris Kast lead a drive down to the Zahm 20-yard line. With a minute left, and the Vermin knocking at the door, senior defensive back Jason Hensler intercepted Ruof, and the Rabid Bats would run out the clock to take their 6-0 lead into half time.

"We played well, but we made some key mistakes," Ruof said. "We will perform well when we cut down on those."

The third quarter continued to highlight both teams' defensive efforts, with each team producing two scoreless drives, while Carroll sophomore cornerback Sam Russ grabbed a

pick.

The Vermin's next drive lasted only two downs as Ruof was intercepted again. Zahm struggled as well, and four plays into its drive, Vermin junior defensive back Tommy Mumford would pick Bennett, then fumble the ball, only to have it scooped up by Russ and carried to the Carroll 19-yard line. With just over two minutes left in the game, Ruof optioned to Kast, who threw a 64-yard pass to a wide-open Mumford. As the clock ticked down to one minute, Ruof hit Russ in the end zone for the tying score.

"We did the same thing last week, giving up a big play at the end," injured Zahm Captain Theo Ossei-Anto said. "We can win if we just play hard consistently all four quarters."

The Rabid Bat's blocked the potential twinning PAT, and the offense was unable to move the ball for a last second score.

## Keenan 14, O'Neill 0

After his team's game against O'Neill, Keenan quarterback Terry Mahoney declared "This is the new Keenan football team."

He was right. Keenan is now a football team with a win.

After being shut out by Dillon last week, Mahoney threw a pair of touchdowns to lead the Knights (1-1-1) to victory. The Knights scored early, as Mahoney went 3-for-3 passing on the opening drive capped off by a 1-yard quarterback sneak for the score. The Mob tried to answer by quickly moving down the field, but was unable to score despite moving deep into Keenan territory, turning the ball over on downs. The two teams went to halftime with the Knights leading 7-0.

Motivated by an inspiring halftime speech by team captain Matt Bono, O'Neil (1-1-0) running back Tom Friel took a handoff 65 yards up the middle

on the first play of the second half, breaking several tackles on his way to tying the game at 7-7.

On the ensuing drive, the Knights drove down inside the Mob 5-yard line. On second and goal, while stretching the ball out for the end zone, it appeared that the Knights had fumbled and The Mob had recovered the ball on the 1-yard line. However, the referees ruled that the player's knee was down.

Two plays later, Mahoney connected with receiver Patrick Kelly in the endzone for the game winning score.

"The team played great as a whole," Kelly said. "We need to keep sticking to a simple offense and establishing the running game."

O'Neill running back Dave Zimmer left the game in the second quarter because of an injury and did not return.

"Dave is the heart and soul of our team," Zimmer's backup Tom Friel said. "He's part of a mix of fire and passion we have. If he would have played, maybe there would have been a different result."

O'Neill plays Stanford next week, while Keenan has a bye before playing Stanford on Nov. 2. Both teams need wins against the Griffins to improve their playoff positioning.

## Dillon 7, Stanford 6

Dillon got its revenge Sunday as the Big Red triumphed 7-6 over the defending Interhall champion Stanford.

Stanford, who defeated Dillon in the playoffs last season, got on the scoreboard first, late in the second quarter when quarterback Brian Salvi connected with wide out Tony Rizzo, who made a diving effort to get into the end zone for a 10-yard touchdown.

The Griffins, who were without their injured kicker, attempted a 2-point conversion that was stifled by the Dillon defensive line, and the half would end with the score 6-0 in favor of Stanford.

A huge play by Dillon cornerback Brian Shafer late in the third quarter shifted the

momentum and left the Griffins deflated. Under pressure, Salvi threw up a pass that was intercepted by Shafer, who returned it 25 yards for the touchdown.

Dillon captain Chris Cugliari was thrilled that his defense was able to make the big play.

"I'm glad that our defense was up to the task," he said.

Kicker Rick Beuke converted the extra point and Stanford looked stunned as it came on the field for the start of the fourth quarter trailing 7-6.

After going three-and-out, the Griffins lined up to punt, but Dillon's special teams came up with a huge play. Jordan Smith broke through the line and with a leaping effort, blocked the punt to give Dillon prime field position and time on its side.

"Special teams was definitely the key to the game for us," Cugliari said.

The Big Red kept the ball on the ground and burned precious minutes off of the clock.

By the time Stanford took over, there was a little over one minute remaining but the Griffins couldn't mount a last minute charge.

On the first play of the drive, it was Smith who again broke through the Griffin's line and knocked the ball out of Salvi's hand, and Dillon recovered to seal the victory.

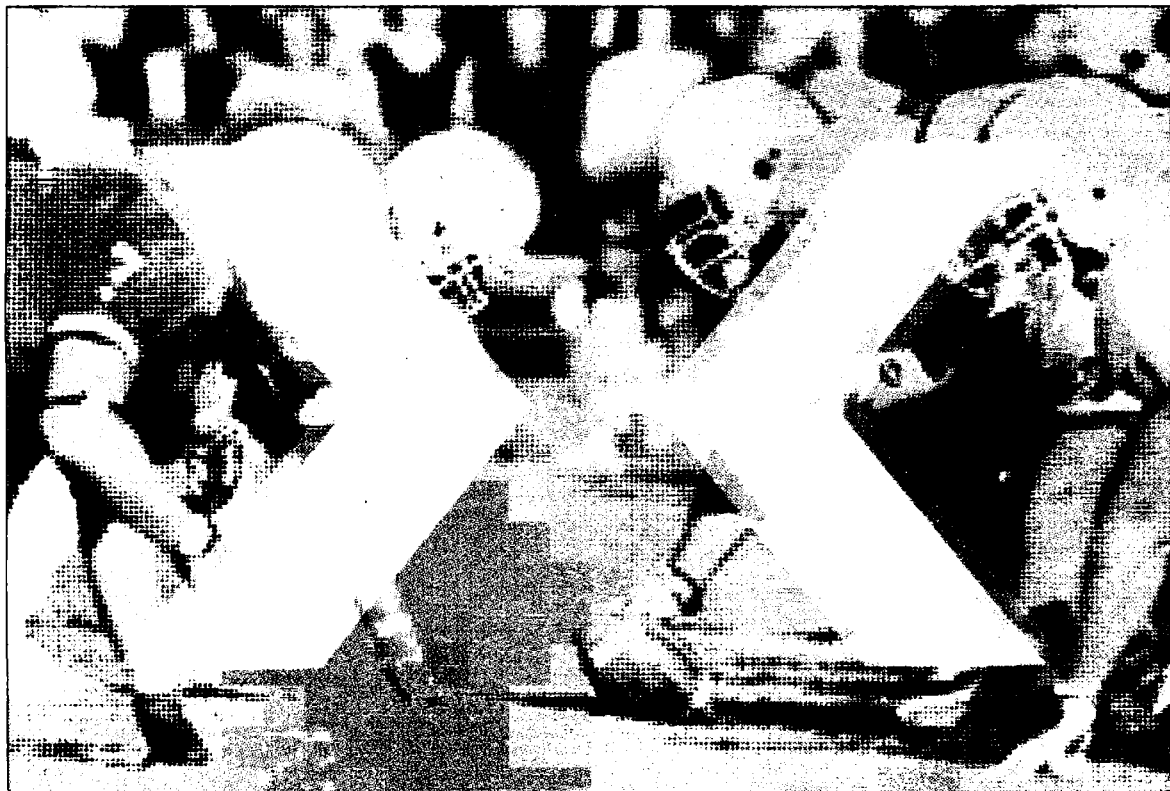
After last year's overtime playoff loss, the victory was especially sweet for the Big Red.

"We felt like we should have had them both times last year," Smith said. "To finally come out and get it done feels great."

It was a tough loss to swallow for Stanford captain John Burke, but he saw no reason to complain about his team's performance.

"We had a couple lapses in concentration," he said. "Other than that I thought we played a very good game."

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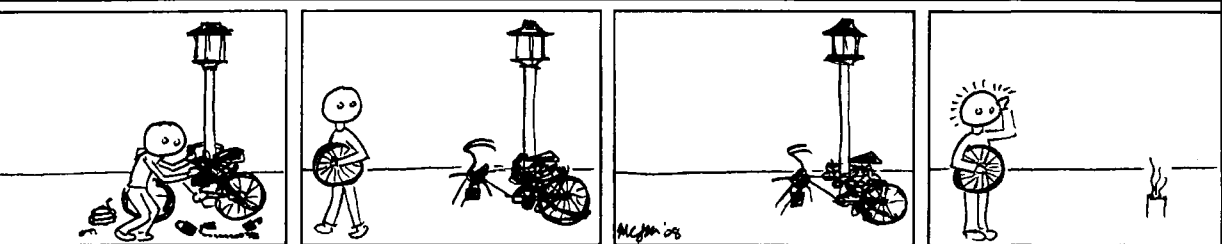
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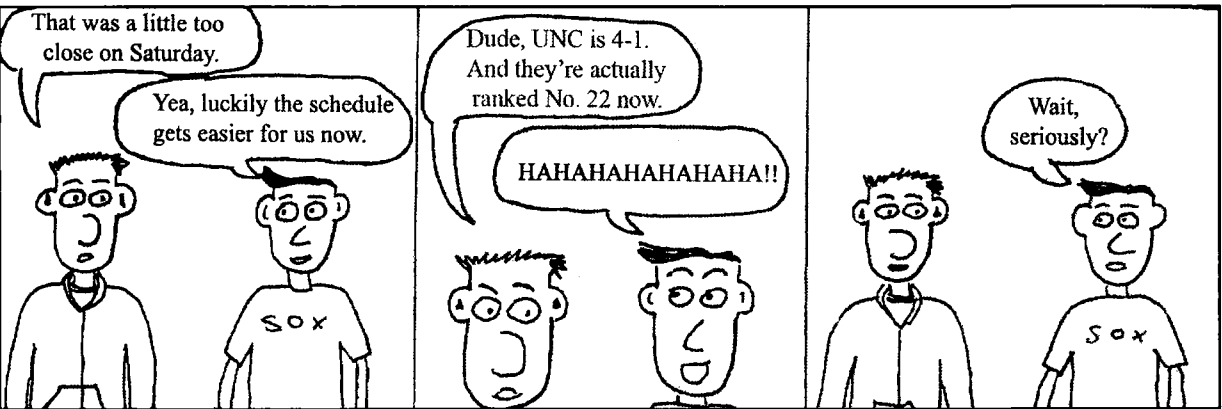
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**ARIES (March 21-April 19):** Don't go overboard because someone else does. It's nice to feel in control but sometimes it's not the best route to take. Don't promise what you can't deliver and you will avoid an embarrassing set of circumstances. ★★

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20):** Use your keen sense of fair play along with past experience to help you achieve. A business trip or educational pursuit will bring high returns. Keep things simple, listen and observe. ★★★★★

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20):** Don't overspend to impress. Wasting money on products that promise to change your life must be avoided. You can out-talk anyone who challenges you. A creative project will be lucrative. ★★

**CANCER (June 21-July 22):** You'll be pulled in several directions today. Choose what suits you best or go where you know you can accomplish the most. Emotional matters will escalate if you try to talk about the situation. ★★

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22):** You'll be looking for a good fight with someone who has been causing you grief. When it comes to physically doing what you say, it won't be that easy. Keep a low profile and concentrate on your job. ★★

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):** Take hold of a situation that is festering and stifle whatever is going on. You can make some worthwhile alterations to a partnership that has been strained. Love is on the rise. ★★★★★

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22):** You are likely to end up causing a ruckus if you gossip or exaggerate. Problems at home are apparent, especially if you are trying to change things. Costly ventures will set you back further than you anticipate. ★★

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):** Look for new ways to make more cash. You have to diversify in order to make ends meet. Personal problems can be dealt with by making a couple of changes to your schedule that allow you quality time with the one you love. ★★★★★

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):** Don't give up on someone or something because of the effort involved. Travel or communications can lead to life-altering changes that will cause some worry initially. ★★

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):** Don't give in to anyone putting demands on you today. Love is in the stars and a meeting with someone you've always been attracted to will prove to be beneficial both personally and professionally. Change is upon you. ★★

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):** Secrets will lead to trouble. Be open and deal with the consequences head-on so you can put them behind you. It's time to think about your future and how you can make more money and improve your way of living. Don't be fooled by someone who's complimentary. ★★

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20):** Get out and sell your ideas and concepts to people who can foot the bill and help you achieve your goals. A partnership can be formed that is complementary to all involved. ★★★★★

**Birthday Baby:** You are original, creative and like to do things in a big way. You are curious, inventive and drawn to the unusual. You support the underdog.

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## MEN'S INTERHALL

# Morrissey stays perfect with victory over winless Duncan

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Sports Writers

### Morrissey 16, Duncan 6

After the first half, with Morrissey leading 13-0, Sunday's game looked like more of the same from Duncan, who had yet to score on the season.

However, with just under two minutes left in the game, Highlander wide receiver Mike Kearney had a breakaway run to score Duncan's (0-3) first

touchdown of the year.

Highlander captain Garrett Burke's prediction that Kearney "would just tear it up on the field," definitely held true on Sunday, as the senior sparked Duncan's offensive drives with several great catches. Overall, though, the Highlander offensive could not gain significant yardage, giving up interceptions and a safety to the Morrissey (2-0) defense.

On the other side of the ball, the Duncan defense showed potential when it held off the Manorite offense at the goal line late in the third quarter, forcing a change of possession.

The line was hitting hard, including some great tackles by Highlander freshman Brett Leahy.

Offensively, Morrissey was forced to play without its starting right tackle, who is currently recovering from a sprained ankle injury.

"We definitely saw the effects of losing him for today's game," Manorite captain Joe McBrayer said. "But he will be ready for next week."

Quarterback McBrayer connected consistently with junior Daniel Reimer for a touchdown at the end of the second quarter. Reimer emerged as a key

player in Sunday's game and will be a continued force on the Manorite offensive.

Running for Morrissey was Danny Deveny, who set up scoring opportunities in the third quarter, and rushed for the extra point at the end of the second.

Undefeated Morrissey is already focusing on its next game.

"If people don't get hurt, we have the potential to do well in the regular season and in the playoffs," said McBrayer.

### St Ed's 12, Fisher 6

St Ed's overcame a second-

half miscue that led to a Fisher touchdown and took down the Green Wave 12-6.

The Green Wave (0-3) offense struggled for much of the game, failing to sustain a drive long enough to end their streak of three games without scoring more than one touchdown. The Fisher defense meanwhile maintained a bend-but-do-not-break mindset, rarely giving up a long gain.

But St. Ed's, with its effective short passing game out of a shotgun set, was able to string together long scoring drives.

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## FOOTBALL COMMENTARY

# Finishing strong

### Squad needs to finish games to reach elite

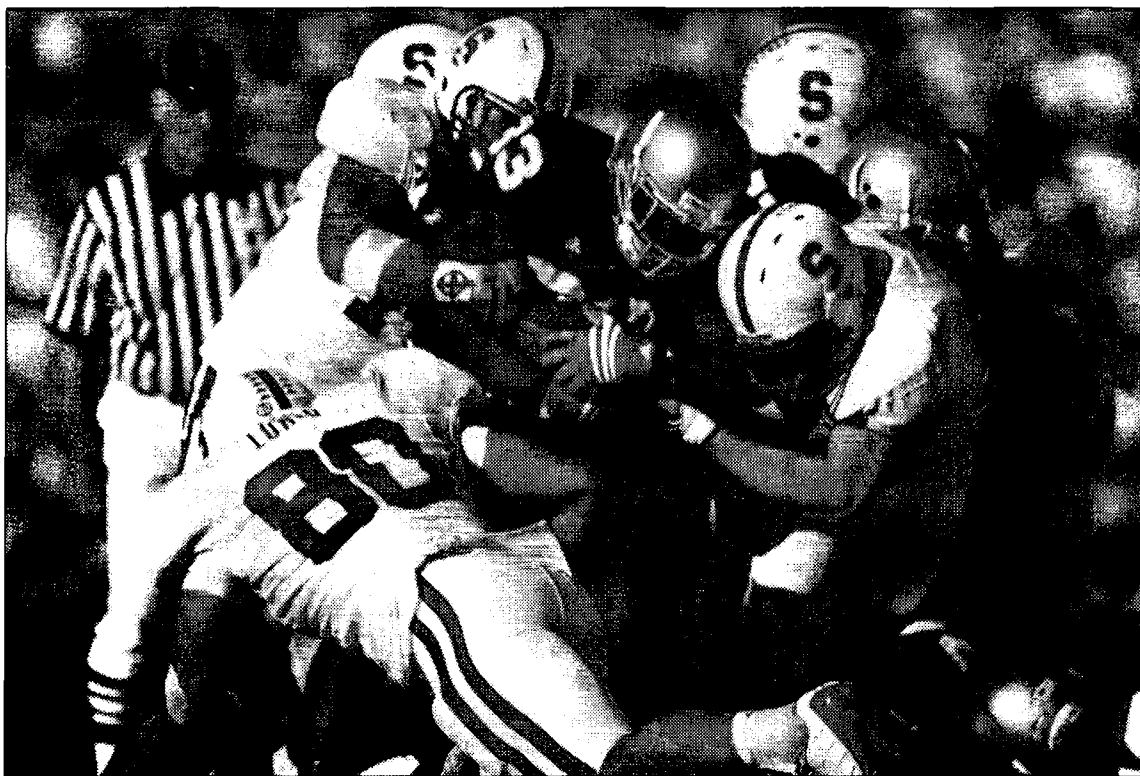
I spent a good portion of my childhood growing up outside Detroit, where I got the chance to watch the Red Wings play every night. It was tough, because I was a Rangers fan, but at least it was good hockey. I was at Game Four of the 1997 Stanley Cup Finals and saw them win a cup, and while my New York fanhood wouldn't let me root for them, it was a special experience.

What I noticed about them, however, was their tendency to shut down when they had



Bill Brink

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JENNIFER KANG/The Observer

Stanford's defense swarms around sophomore runningback Robert Hughes to make a tackle in Notre Dame's 28-21 victory Saturday.

## ND WOMEN'S SOCCER

# WPS team in St. Louis picks Cinalli

### Observer Staff Report

The latest member of the Notre Dame women's soccer program to be drafted to a professional league was current volunteer/assistant coach, Amanda Cinalli.

With the 26th overall pick in the Women's Professional Soccer league, the St. Louis franchise selected the former forward/midfielder.

The general draft allowed squads to select players that had completed their collegiate eligibility.

Cinalli will join former Irish teammate Melissa Tancredi on the St. Louis roster as well.

Cinalli ranks 16th on the program scoring list with 100 points (34 goals, 32 assists) through 100 games. Cinalli served as the lone captain during her senior year in 2007.

## INTERHALL PREVIEWS

# McGlinn faces Howard in hopes of claiming 1st

By KYLE SMITH, SHANE STEINBERG, and CHARLIE SPOKES

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### McGlinn vs. Howard

McGlinn will try to vault to the top of the standings in the Blue League when it faces off against Howard on Tuesday at 7 p.m. at Richle Fields.

The success of the Shamrocks (3-1) hasn't been realized so far by the Ducks (1-2-1), but Howard knows it can beat anyone if its offense can perform to its potential.

"We need our offense to do a better job of being more consistent," team captain Kayla Bishop said. "We're going to look to our

receivers to make more catches and have fewer dropped balls."

Bishop said that too many dropped balls were key in a disappointing tie last Thursday against Pasquerilla West.

She is confident, though, that wide receiver Kristen Jeffries and running back Beth Gribble each have the ability to steady the Ducks' offense.

The Shamrocks, meanwhile, find themselves in position to take sole possession of first place with a victory tomorrow.

The raw talent of the Shamrocks has been an integral part of the team's success this year, especially that of wide

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## SMC SOCCER

# Belles aim to alter poor play

By ALEX BARKER  
Sports Writer

Looking to get its first MIAA victory of the season, Saint Mary's will travel to play Adrian today at 4 p.m.

So far this season, the Belles have suffered several close losses and currently sit at 0-2 in the conference and 1-7-1 overall.

Their most recent matchup was Saturday at Hope College which proved to be a fiercely contested match that went into double overtime before the Flying Dutch were able to net the game-winner.

"It was a very well-played game between both teams,"

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KELLY HIGGINS/The Observer

Senior forward Lauren Hinton tries to run past an Adrian defender in the 4-3 Saint Mary's win last October.