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ELECTION 2008

Obama's victory carries major implications

Historic results improve racial equality in America

By JOSEPH McMAHON
Assistant News Editor

President-elect Barack Obama shattered the race barrier Tuesday, and in doing so has given hope to millions of black people who once thought they would never live to see a black president.

"It is a very significant rewriting of the history of African-Americans," director of Multicultural Student Programs and Services Iris Outlaw said. "This election will not eradicate the racial barriers, which exist. It will help to provide hope for young people who felt hopeless until now."

President of the black men's group Wabruda Matthew Tipton agreed with



From left to right, president-elect Barack Obama, Michelle Obama, Jill Biden and vice president-elect Joseph Biden celebrate their victory Tuesday in Chicago.

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Professors examine future challenges for new president

By JOHN TIERNEY
News Writer

The challenge for President Elect Barack Obama will not end with Tuesday's election, but will continue until and beyond his inauguration on January 20, 2009, according to Notre Dame professors of American Studies Robert Schmuhl and Matt Storin.

Assembling a White House staff and a Cabinet is Obama's next step on his road to the presidency.

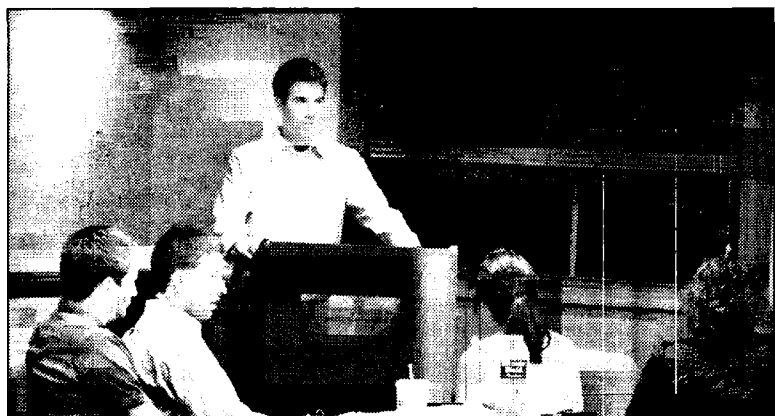
"Given the problems that exist domestically and internationally, he will need to move quickly to assert himself as president," Schmuhl said. "This will mean appointing his cabinet and staffing his administration quickly

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SENATE

Reish presents state of student union

Student body president discusses future of community relations, achievements in address



Student body president Bob Reish, center, speaks to the Student Senate during his state of the student union address Wednesday.

TOM LA/The Observer

By JOSEPH McMAHON
Assistant News Editor

Student body president Bob Reish lauded the accomplishments of his administration while saying that a lot of work still needs to be done, specifically in the area of student safety off campus, in his state of the student union address at the Student Senate meeting Wednesday.

Reish said his administration has worked on "bridging the gap between students and student government" by focusing

on becoming more approachable as well as more visible around campus.

Reish focused much of his speech on the issue of student safety off campus, which has become the hot-button topic this year. He said he had been working with the ad hoc committee on Stadium security, which was recently created by University president Fr. John Jenkins, and assured the Senate that "tangible progress is being made, although you may not yet see it."

However, Reish said student

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Libertarian provides alternative

Bob Barr takes votes away from McCain

By LIZ O'DONNELL
News Writer

While much of the election coverage focused on the candidates of the two major parties, Libertarian nominee Bob Barr — the only candidate to visit Notre Dame — provided a refreshing alternative to both Barack Obama and John McCain, president of the College Libertarians Ben Linskey said.

"Bob Barr did a tremendous service over the past few months by opening up the political debate in our country and giving Americans a real alternative to the two-party system," Linskey said.

Barr, who visited campus earlier this year, garnered 28,982 votes, which is about 1.1 percent of the popular vote in the state of Indiana. His showing helped contribute to McCain's loss of the traditionally red state.

"The Libertarian Party is dedicated to the principles of limited government and individual freedom upon which our country was founded. We stand for free-market economic policies, low taxes, personal freedom, the preserva-

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ND Votes holds final election forum

By SARAH MERVOSH
News Writer

ND Votes '08 hosted its final Pizza, Pop and Politics event in the Coleman-Morse Lounge Wednesday, which featured two professors who explained the Tuesday's results, along with the election's future implications.

Political science professor David Nickerson spoke about the accuracy of polling and the ability to predict results from these polls.

"If I were to take my computer and just predict what the outcome would be, I would have predicted this outcome in almost

every state," he said. "It's just a bad year to be a Republican."

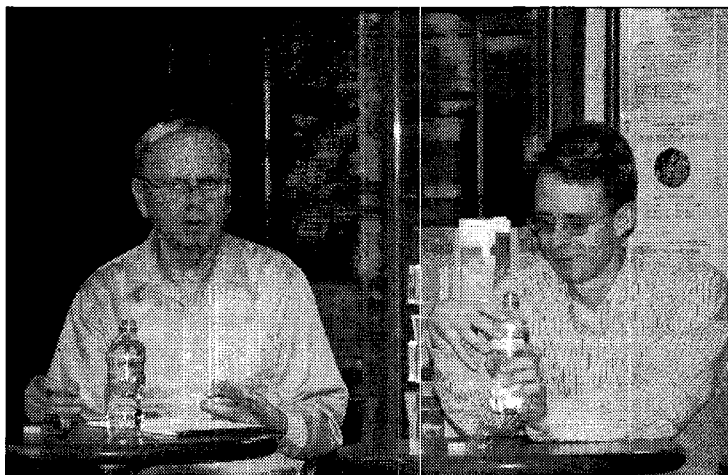
He said Republican candidate John McCain did not have the support he needed to win, while President-elect Barack Obama was able to organize a powerful political force.

"John McCain didn't even have a tiny fraction of the kind of support [that Bush had in 2004]," Nickerson said. "Barack Obama did an excellent job of getting people involved."

Nickerson boiled the results of the election down to two major factors.

"You had a really unpopular

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CASEY CAREY/The Observer

Professors Jack Colwell, left, and David Nickerson discuss the election results during the final Pizza, Pop and Politics Wednesday.

INSIDE COLUMN

The good 'ole days

When I say the "good 'ole days", I'm not talking Knute, Ara or even Lou — I wasn't alive for the reign of the first two and was too young to appreciate all that is Lou Holtz.

No, when I ask if you remember the good 'ole days, I'm talking about the most recent peak of Irish football, the last glimpse of what big games in Notre Dame Stadium should be like. And, in a sad sign of the current — but not permanent, I might add — state of Notre Dame football, that "peak" came in a loss.

Matt Gamber

Associate Sports Editor

I'm talking about USC 2005 — you know, that game with that Bush-league push.

Standing on the sidelines of Saturday's four-overtime loss to Pitt (I won't describe it as gut-wrenching, or heart-breaking, or mind-boggling, or inexplicable, or inexcusable, because it was all of those things), I couldn't help but wonder what I would have been thinking had I been back in, yes, the good 'ole days, when a three-point loss to the hated Trojans would be more disappointing than shocking (as in, shocking that the game was that close).

As I ran from the North end of the field to the South four times with dozens of reporters following the overtime action, sure, I was invested in the game — it's my school, after all. But the fact remains that this team, despite its talent, just isn't yet to the point where this loss should merit the kind of cell phone-breaking, note-book-throwing, tantrum-starting kind of reaction that the '05 loss to USC induced.

When the Florida Gators — my dad's alma mater and the only team I'd consider rooting for against the Irish — lost a 31-30 home game to Mississippi earlier this year, I stomped, sulked and swore all afternoon, even as I sat in the Notre Dame Stadium press box for the first time and watched Jimmy Clausen and the gang rout Purdue.

Why? The Gators, with a national title two years ago and a recent tradition of winning big games, have earned the high expectations placed upon them. When they fall short, it hits hard.

But the Irish, God love them, just haven't earned the high expectations we, as die-hard (read: delusional) Notre Dame followers, insist on placing upon them.

Put things in perspective. This is a young team that won just three games a year ago, so the fact that they're likely heading to a halfway-decent bowl game this year is an accomplishment — don't overlook it, appreciate it.

Of course the loss to Pitt hurts. It was a game the Irish and their fans expected to win and truly should have won. The Irish didn't get it done, but there's still a lot left to accomplish for this team, even if it falls short of somewhat-unrealistic expectations.

The Irish will soon have a return to the true "good 'ole days", when Notre Dame's on-field record will match its storied tradition and top-caliber talent. But until then, I can only remember, both with envy and disgust, USC '05 as the closest thing to them.

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

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CORRECTIONS

Due to an editing error, some stories did not end in the Nov. 5 edition of The Observer. Please see The Observer's Web site at www.ndsmcobserver.com for the full text. The Observer regrets this error.

QUESTION OF THE DAY: WHAT IS YOUR PROJECTION FOR THE NEXT FOUR YEARS IN THIS COUNTRY?



David Wilbur

senior
off-campus

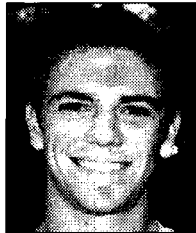
"The rest of the world will have a more favorable view towards us."



Kevin Kimberly

senior
O'Neill

"Not what either candidate said."



Sean Lindbloom

freshman
Dillon

"We'll get through this together."



Sean Sall

freshman
Keenan

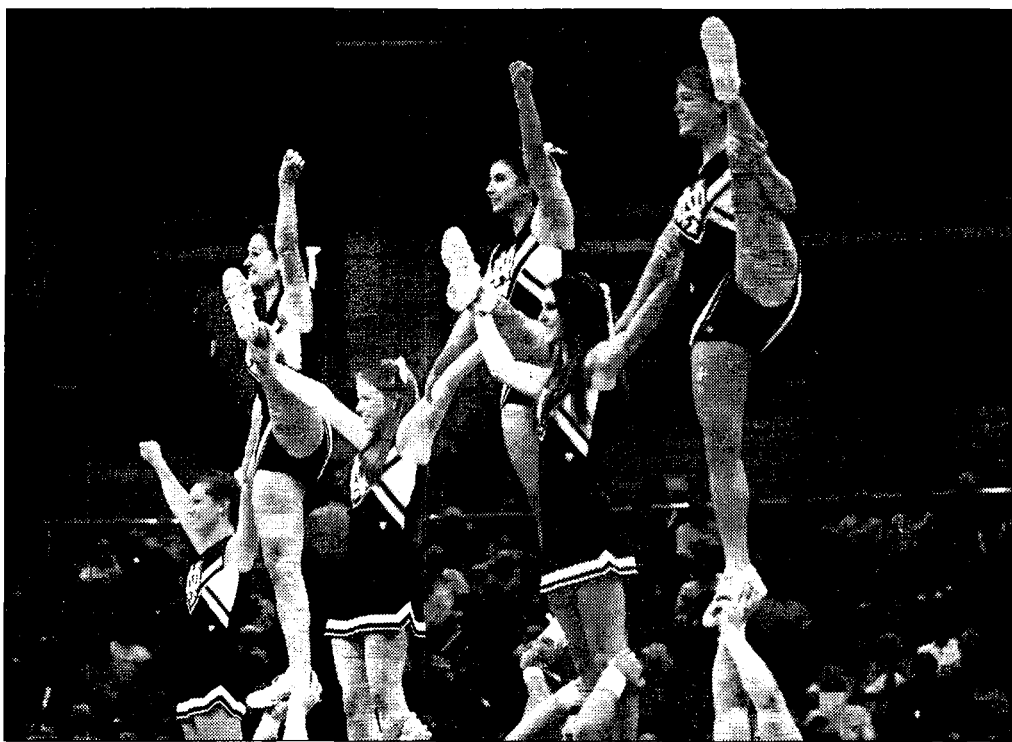
"I'm a Republican, so it's going to be rough, but [Obama] was elected so we have to get through it."



Tim Ryan

freshman
Keenan

"Obama is going to be the best president since FDR."



CASEY CARNEY/The Observer

Irish cheerleaders build a pyramid during a timeout at the Notre Dame women's basketball game Wednesday against Gannon College.

OFFBEAT

Jogger runs a mile with rabid fox attached to arm

PRESCOTT, Ariz. — Authorities in Arizona say a jogger attacked by a rabid fox ran a mile with the animal's jaws clamped on her arm and then drove herself to a hospital. The Yavapai County sheriff's office said the woman told deputies she was on a trail near Prescott on Monday when the fox attacked and bit her foot.

She said she grabbed the fox by the neck when it went for her leg but it bit her arm.

The woman wanted the animal tested for rabies so

she ran a mile to her car with the fox still biting her arm, then pried it off and tossed it in her trunk and drove to the Prescott hospital.

FBI: Airline passenger restrained with duct tape

RALEIGH, N.C. — An airline crew used duct tape to keep a passenger in her seat because they say she became unruly, fighting flight attendants and grabbing other passengers, forcing the flight to land in North Carolina.

Maria Esther Castillo of Oswego, N.Y., is due in court Thursday, charged with

resisting arrest and interfering with the operations of a flight crew aboard United Airlines Flight 645, from Puerto Rico to Chicago.

Castillo, 45, struck a flight attendant on the buttocks with the back of her hand during Saturday's flight, FBI Special Agent Peter Carricato said in a criminal complaint filed in U.S. District Court in Charlotte. She also stood and fell onto the head of a blind passenger and later started pulling the person's hair, the complaint stated.

Information compiled from the Associated Press.

IN BRIEF

The play "Loyal Daughters and Sons" sponsored by the Gender Studies Program will take place tonight, Friday and Saturday at 7:30 p.m. in Washington Hall. Tickets will be sold at the LaFortune box office and are \$3 for students and \$5 for the public. The play addresses the diversity of approaches to sexuality and bringing awareness to sexual violence. It is written, directed, produced and performed by students.

The Children's Defense Fund is holding an event to advocate for children's rights called "One Night Stand." It will take place tonight at 8:00 p.m. in the LaFortune Ballroom. There will be a panel discussion, music, food and videos on children's issues.

Olympic athlete John Carlos will be at Jordan Hall room 101 tonight at 9 p.m. to speak about the important role of Black athletes in the Civil Rights and Black Power Movements. Find out how this simple demonstration has become a significant symbol for human rights from the man who had the courage to stand up against civil disorder.

St. Edward's Hall is hosting "ND's Got Talent!" Nov. 11 at 8 p.m. in Washington Hall. Auditions are Saturday, Nov. 8 at 2 p.m. in the St. Ed's Chapel (2nd floor). All talents are welcome. There are going to be first, second, and third place prizes and it's to support Holy Cross schools in Uganda. Any questions can contact Michael Eardley at meardley@nd.edu

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

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BOARD OF GOVERNANCE

Student group asks for sponsorship

Club hopes to make trip to ASHA convention in Chicago later this month

By ASHLEY CHARNLEY
News Writer

Saint Mary's Communicative Disorders Club asked Board of Governance (BOG) to help fund their trip to the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA) convention during the Board's meeting Wednesday night. The convention is being held in Chicago from Nov. 20-22.

The club represents Saint Mary's newest major on campus, Communicative Disorders, which began last year, Amanda Blackwell, president of the club, said.

"The reason we are asking for sponsorship is so that we can be a prominent voice on campus for people who have communicative disorders," Blackwell said.

The convention consists of seminars and learning sessions for the students, a graduate school fair and other networking opportunities, Blackwell said.

"It's where 12,000 speech language pathologists and audiologists from all over the world come together and share the most current research and

talk about the most pertinent issues pertaining to our field," Blackwell said.

The group would like to share the information they receive at the convention with their fellow classmates, Frannie Shelburn, vice president of the club, said. They hope to give an information session to students as well, she said.

After voting on the co-sponsorship, student body vice president Sarah Falvey

One of the changes she said she would like to look into was the time frame for student government elections, although Election Commissioner Francesca Johnson would have to propose any changes.

"I would like to have the Constitution revised so that students can vote on it at the same time they vote on the president and vice president, and I don't think we can have it done by the second week of school."

Sarah Falvey
student body
vice president

said the Constitution Oversight Committee met for the first time Monday and began discussing possible amendments to the Constitution.

"We are going to try and hold a Constitution Forum in the next two weeks," Falvey said. She wants to give students

of the second semester, and then turnover occurs on April 1, Falvey said. The committee would like to decrease the amount of time between the elections and when the new elected officials actually take office.

Pushing back the elections would also give the Board the opportunity to finish the Constitution in time for students to vote.

"I would like to have the Constitution revised so that students can vote on it at the same time they vote on the president and vice president, and I don't think we can have it done by the second week of school," Falvey said.

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Abroad students take in '08 election

By ROBERT SINGER
News Writer

Students abroad noticed two interesting trends: Foreigners took a strong interest in the election, and they overwhelmingly supported Barack Obama.

Junior Becky Kant, who is studying in China, watched the coverage in a hotel. The event was hosted by the U.S. Chamber of Commerce.

"We were surrounded by members of the Chinese press who began snapping picture after picture of our reactions to the results," she said.

"With all those cameras flashing around us, we felt like celebrities although all we were doing was showing support for our country."

She also noticed some things about the American government's presence in China.

"There were tables set up explaining the American method of democracy in an attempt to spread these ideas to the Chinese," Kant said. "I feel that is was a large form of propaganda for the American system of government."

Junior Tiffany Olier went to a bar in Angers, France to see who would be her next president. She was surprised about the level of interest around her.

"I was astonished to learn that even the nine-year-old granddaughter of our host parents knew who Obama was and wanted him to be successful," she said. "The surprising part of the French opinions towards our elections was the strong, unified support of Obama over McCain."

Junior Michelle Nguyen, now in the London Program, had some festive discussions with fellow students before heading out for the night.

"Before heading to the pub, many of the flats in our building hosted 'political parties' where drinks, snacks and hotly debated issues and party positions were shared," she said. "With an almost even distribution of Republicans versus Democrats present, debates became friendly shouting matches of economic policies and free trade agreements."

Junior Keriann Hopkins

watched the results come in while studying in Dublin, Ireland.

"No one here is surprised at the outcome. Obama is so heavily favored in Dublin that some of the Irish students I've talked to cannot even fathom that people exist in America that would vote for McCain," she said. "Or for that matter, that anyone in America is conservative."

Hopkins said the close economic ties between Ireland and the United States sparked interest in the election.

"There's a saying here: 'When America sneezes, Ireland gets pneumonia,'" she said. "Our

economies are so closely tied that one of my Irish professors said half-seriously he feels that he should have the right to vote in our elections."

Junior Michael Dean said his host family in Puebla, Mexico treated his absentee ballot as though "it was

the most important document they had ever seen."

Junior Kelley Kanavy, who is studying at Oxford for the year, noticed a major contrast with the American political environment.

"One perspective that I have enjoyed is the freedom from the combination of religion and politics," she said. "They don't put religion and politics together at all and the concept of the 'religious right' is very foreign to them."

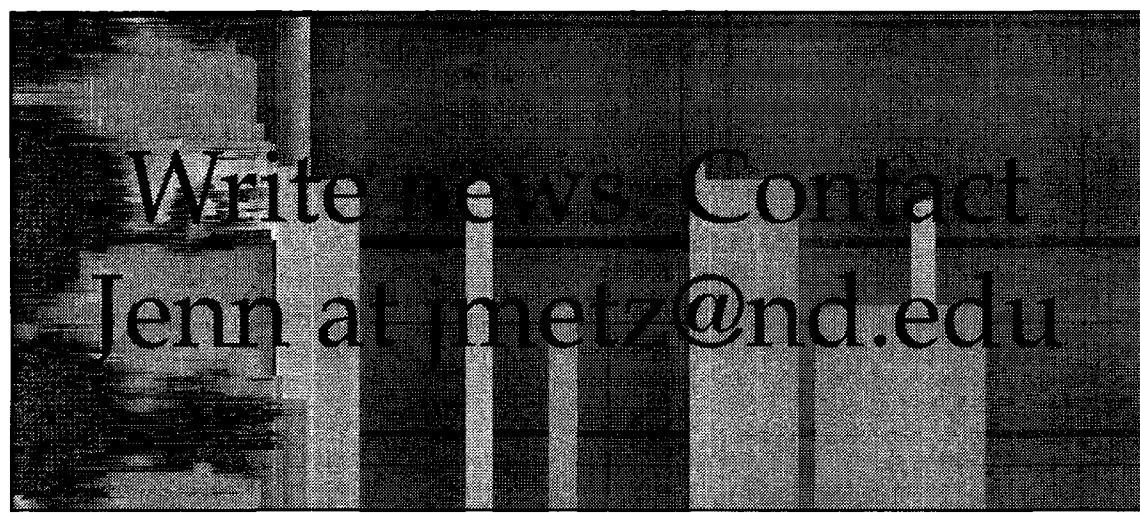
Like the other students who shared their experiences, Kanavy observed keen interest in the election and a strong preference for Obama.

"It was weird to see someone else care so much about our election because we barely watch theirs. I asked my friend how their elections were and he said not as exciting as this," she said. "I feel that the foreign perspective is highly biased towards Obama."

From Kampala, Uganda, junior Eleanor Huntington experienced the excitement Obama has elicited from the African continent.

"Ugandans — and Africans in general — are obsessed with Obama, so there is wild excitement throughout the city," she said.

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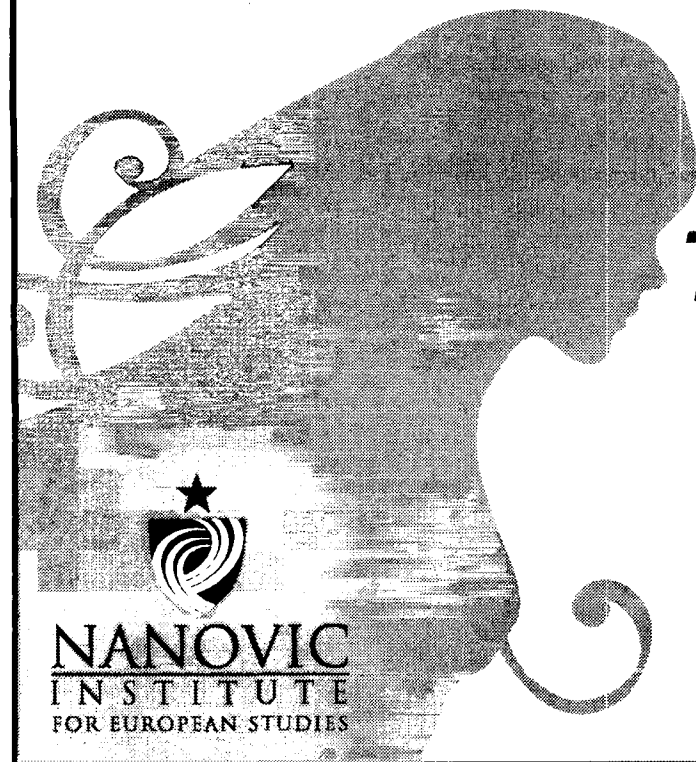
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The Roma and their Migration

Lecture by Dezső Benedek
Associate Professor of Comparative
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Race

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Outlaw's assessment, saying Obama has provided an inspiration to all black people, but there is still work to be done.

"President Obama has knocked open a huge door for African-Americans to do anything we wish to achieve and he has given us the strength to know that sky is limit," he said. "However it is still our responsibility to walk in that door."

Outlaw said the focus on the economy and the wars overseas helped numb the issue of race in the campaign. If the country were not in such dire straits, the so-called Bradley Effect, where voters have trouble pulling the lever for a black candidate. But she added that could have played a larger role.

"If the economy and mood of the country had been different, we may not have seen him win. He had an excellent strategist, who knew how to galvanize people overwriting generational and racial differences," she said.

Tipton echoed Outlaw's sentiments, arguing race took a backseat to the important

issues in the campaigns.

"People who normally would not have the strength to pull the lever for the best-qualified black candidate did so because America is in dire need of change," he said. "I think in the end, as race stood down and the issues stood up, people confided in President Obama and simply pulled the trigger, thus making the Bradley Effect non-effective in this election."

Once he takes office in January, however, Obama will not enjoy the luxury of a grace period to adjust himself to the presidency, and instead will face intense scrutiny,

political science professor Darren Davis said.

"Usually, presidents are given a honeymoon period when they are first elected," he said. "I think that people are going to be more critical of Barack Obama."

Davis said race is still relevant to society and still presents a major challenge.

"If we elect an African-American to the most powerful position in the world, people would tend to say that race is no longer relevant," he said. "That is the downside to Barack Obama's success."

Outlaw said she hopes there is no racist backlash after this historic event, and Tipton added Obama's wide appeal will probably help prevent

any widespread violence.

"Of course we are going to have those few people who still think we are living in the Civil War era and still cannot fathom how on earth a black man was elected," Tipton said. "However I think that a majority of America is behind President Obama, and this backlash will be minimal. To quote Sen. McCain, 'The American people spoke, and they spoke clearly.'"

Outlaw said the diversity she saw at the Obama rallies across the country bodes well for future race relations and collaboration within the Obama presidency.

"What is promising was the diversity that was seen in Grant Park, Times Square and Harlem, which was a true picture of what we as American people who work collectively can accomplish," she said.

Outlaw, who still has vivid memories of the Civil Rights Era and the atrocities committed by men such as George Wallace and Bull Connor, concluded by saying Obama's election is just one more step on the long road to full equality.

"Racism unfortunately, is alive and well, this is a step to begin to eradicate it, but more is needed, which includes a change in mindset and acceptance of all humankind," she said. "We still have to address disparity in housing, education, employment and other areas, where institutional racism is deeply embedded."

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Senate

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government has decided to create its own committee to address student safety. Various members of student government, including many from the Council of Representatives (COR), had been holding closed meetings to plan the committee.

Reish said off-campus president Billy Lyman had recently "stepped up" to chair the committee, whose goals will include creating an off-campus listserv, designing an off-campus Web site which will "provide more legal information for students" and finding new ways for students to get involved off campus.

"We're trying to interact with the South Bend community," Reish said.

Student safety had also been the major topic of discussion when Reish and student body vice president Grant Schmidt met with the Board of Trustees.

Reish said the meeting was very successful.

"We've already seen changes from the University and also from student government."

Reish stressed the importance of student involvement in on-campus activities as well, and cited Sorin's pep rally protests as evidence of how student action can lead to real change.

"We've already seen modifications based on their actions," he said.

Reish also cited the tangible accomplishments of his administration, pointing especially to the new DVD rental program. Reish said 110 students had signed up, which "means 110 new faces visiting student government."

Reish also said more than 3,500 students had completed the recent student government survey, which was many more than he expected. He cited this as evidence that "student government is more approachable and student government has become more meaningful."

In closing, Reish charged the Senators with the task of making student government more visible and a bigger part of the lives of Notre Dame students.

"As members of student government, I extend this challenge to you [the Senators]," he said.

In other Senate news:

♦ The Student Senate also held a brief discussion addressing the concern that there is not enough study space on campus. Academic Affairs Committee chair Ryan Brellenthin said good study space is defined as an area that has "good furniture, good lighting, good wireless connectivity and good temperature."

Schmidt said one concern was finding a place for groups to study.

"We've been trying to find a central spot for students to meet," he said.

Cavanaugh Senator Robin Link cited discrepancies in study space between dorms, noting neighbor Zahm Hall has much more study space than Cavanaugh.

However, Morrissey Senator Austin Holler said there is plenty of study space on campus.

"I feel like there's plenty," he said. "The only time I feel there is an issue is during Finals week."

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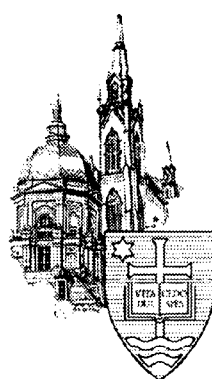
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For registration information and a complete program for the conference, please visit <http://ethicscenter.nd.edu>

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Iraqi officials expect no hasty pull-out

BAGHDAD — Iraqi officials said Wednesday they don't expect Barack Obama to withdraw U.S. troops hastily from Iraq because he told them last summer that he wouldn't make a decision without consulting them and U.S. commanders on the ground.

With violence down and the economy No. 1 on American voters' minds, the Iraqis said they believe the new president will take his time before fulfilling his promise to end the war in Iraq, which costs U.S. taxpayers \$12 billion a month at a time of financial crisis back home.

Exit polls Tuesday showed that only one in 10 American voters considered Iraq their main concern in choosing a president, suggesting that Obama will focus more on the economy when he takes office Jan. 20.

"Obama has to deal with Iraq's issues in a positive way and have a sense of responsibility to correct the situation in Iraq, as well the situation inside America," said Salim Abdullah, spokesman of the largest Sunni bloc in parliament.

New king brings many to capital

THIMPHU, Bhutan — Nomadic yak herders trekked for days from icy Himalayan peaks to join thousands of people in the capital as Bhutan prepared to celebrate the coronation of the fifth king of the Land of the Thunder Dragon.

Many hope Thursday's ceremony will usher in a new leader who will follow in the ways of his gentle-spoken, much-loved father.

"This ceremony, it's not just about crowning a prince," said Tinde Tenzin, 39, who owns a shoe shop in the capital, Thimphu. "It is about a new king who we hope will bring much good for the country and the people."

NATIONAL NEWS

Voters against gay-rights in CA

LOS ANGELES — Voters put a stop to same-sex marriage in California, dealing a crushing defeat to gay-rights activists in a state they hoped would be a vanguard and putting in doubt as many as 18,000 same-sex marriages conducted since a court ruling made them legal this year.

The gay-rights movement had a rough election elsewhere as well Tuesday. Amendments to ban gay marriage were approved in Arizona and Florida, and Arkansas voters approved a measure banning unmarried couples from serving as adoptive or foster parents. Supporters made clear that gays and lesbians were their main target.

Emanuel chosen as chief of staff

WASHINGTON — President-elect Barack Obama pivoted quickly to begin filling out his new administration on Wednesday, selecting hard-charging Illinois Rep. Rahm Emanuel as White House chief of staff while aides stepped up the pace of transition work that had been cloaked in pre-election secrecy.

Several Democrats confirmed that Emanuel had been offered the job. While it was not clear he had accepted, a rejection would amount to an unlikely public snub of the new president-elect within hours of an electoral college landslide. With hundreds of jobs to fill and only 10 weeks until Inauguration Day, Obama and his transition team confronted a formidable task complicated by his anti-lobbyist campaign rhetoric.

LOCAL NEWS

i-Zoom rates lowered in Indiana

GRANGER, Ind. — The Indiana Toll Road Concession Co. lowered the initial cost of purchasing an electronic i-Zoom for passenger vehicles and motorcycles from \$50 to \$10 Wednesday, hoping to encourage less frequent drivers on the northern Indiana interstate to use them.

"We focused in on these infrequent customers and learned that they were seeking easier access to electronic tolling — a more affordable way to drive electronic and to pay their tolls in the easiest way," said Fernando Redondo, chief executive officer of the ITRCC.

ELECTION 2008

Minnesota recounts votes for Senate

Race between Franken, Coleman may remain undecided until December

Associated Press

ST. PAUL — A slugfest for nearly two years, Minnesota's U.S. Senate race headed into a new round Wednesday as the campaigns girded for an automatic statewide recount to determine whether Republican Sen. Norm Coleman's bare lead over Democratic challenger Al Franken would stand.

Coleman declared himself the winner of Tuesday's election, but Franken said he would let the recount play out, hoping it would erase the incumbent's 475-vote lead out of nearly 2.9 million ballots. State officials said the recount wouldn't start until mid-November and would probably take weeks.

If he hangs on, Coleman would be among the Republicans who survived Democratic gains in Senate races nationwide. Democrats ousted two Republican incumbents and picked up three seats held by retiring GOP incumbents. Three other Republicans besides Coleman were trying to hang on in races too close to call.

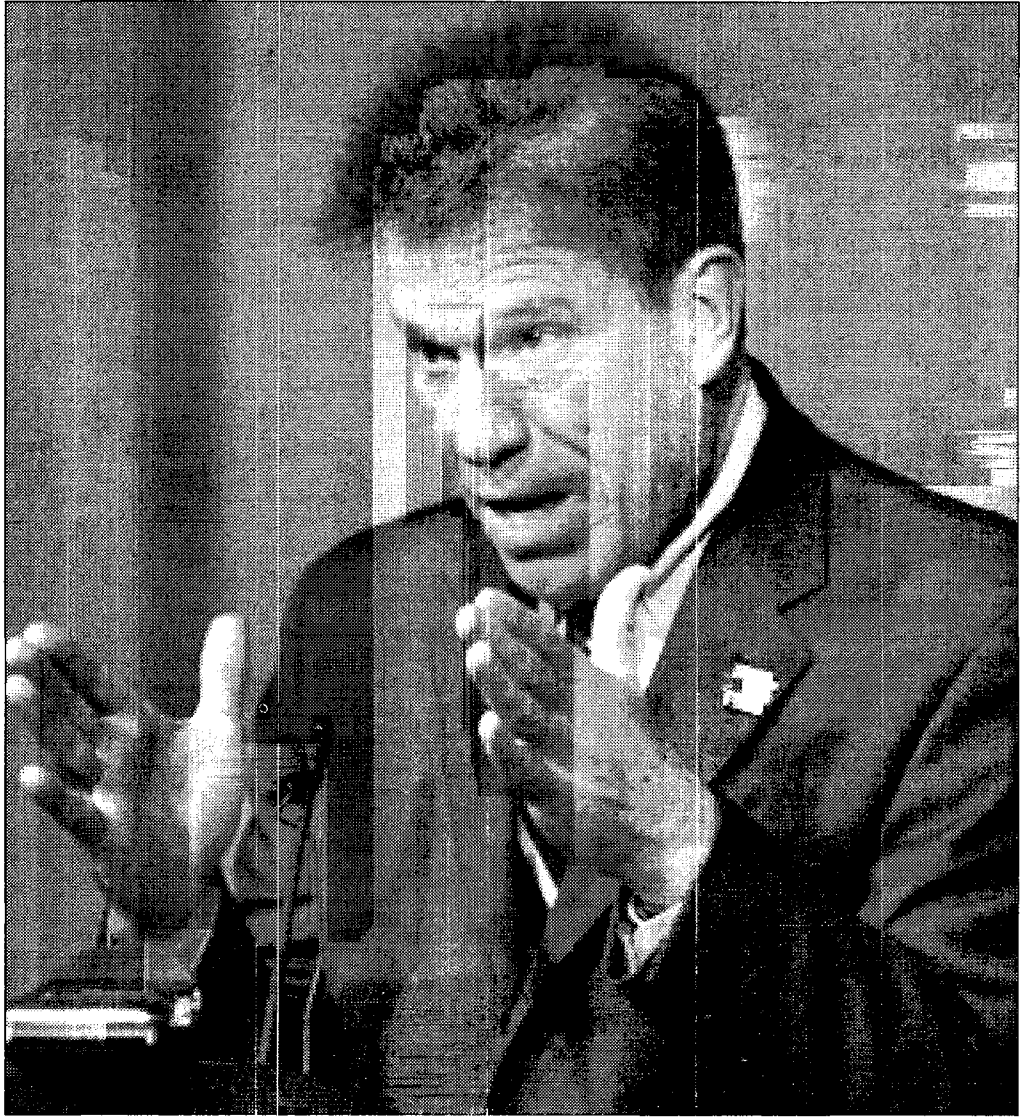
"Yesterday the voters spoke. We prevailed," Coleman said Wednesday at a news conference. He noted Franken could opt to waive the recount.

"It's up to him whether such a step is worth the tax dollars it will take to conduct," Coleman said, telling reporters he would "step back" if he were in Franken's position. Secretary of State Mark Ritchie said the recount would cost 3 cents per ballot, or almost \$90,000.

As counties and Ritchie's office reconciled their unofficial vote totals Wednesday, Coleman's margin fluctuated but was at 475 votes Wednesday afternoon: Coleman had 1,211,642 votes, or 41.99 percent of the total votes cast, while Franken had 1,211,167 votes, or 41.98 percent.

Dean Barkley of the Independence Party was third with 15.16 percent.

State law provides for automatic recounts in races decid-



Mark Ritchie, Minnesota Secretary of State, explains the recount process for the Senate race between Republican Sen. Norm Coleman and Democrat Al Franken.

ed by a half-percentage point or less.

"We won't know for a little while who won the race, but at the end of the day we will know the voice of the electorate is clearly heard," Franken said Wednesday. "This has been a long campaign, but it is going to be a little longer before we have a winner."

Franken said his campaign was looking into reports of irregularities in Minneapolis, where some voters had trouble registering, though he didn't elaborate.

"We'll all have to be vigilant and work together to complete this recount successfully," his attorney, David Lillehaug, said.

Coleman said he had hoped that "the healing process would begin today" but indicated he would nonetheless begin preparations for a second term.

"My focus from here on out is giving Minnesotans the leadership they deserve in these challenging times," Coleman said.

Ritchie, a Democrat, said a recount wouldn't begin until Nov. 19 and could stretch into December. It would involve hand counts by local election officials from around the state, and lawyers from both campaigns would be allowed to observe.

"No matter how fast people would like it, the emphasis is

on accuracy," Ritchie said.

-Ritchie's office ran a speedy recount in September of a close primary race for a Supreme Court seat. That took just three days, but Ritchie said the Senate race is different.

"Having a ton of lawyers and other partisans injected into the process, that will change the dynamics of it," Ritchie said.

Each ballot will be inspected manually. Ballots with improper or stray marks could be analyzed to determine voter intent, but partisan observers can challenge those they deem questionable. The five-member state canvassing board votes later on the challenged ballots.

ISRAEL

Hostility in Israel claims six lives

Associated Press

GAZA CITY, Gaza Strip — Israel and Gaza's Hamas rulers scrambled Wednesday to contain fallout from the worst fighting since a truce was declared five months ago, but a flare-up later in the day threatened to unravel it anew.

Gaza militants pounded southern Israel early Wednesday with dozens of rockets to avenge raids a day earlier that killed six militants, but the guns quickly fell silent with neither side appearing to have much to gain from renewed hostilities.

"We have no intention of violating the

quiet," Israeli Defense Minister Ehud Barak said on a tour of areas bordering Gaza. "But in any place where we need to thwart an action against Israeli soldiers and civilians, we will act."

Hamas spokesman Fawzi Barhoum said the group fired deep into Israel to demonstrate the price of continued aggression. At the same time, he said, Hamas had contacted Egyptian mediators to find ways of keeping the truce intact.

But late Wednesday night, Israel launched another airstrike, killing a Palestinian militant in northern Gaza.

The army said it was targeting a rocket launcher, whom the Islamic Jihad group identified as its own. The group had fired two rockets at the Israeli border town of Sderot and one of its leaders, Khader Habib, declared the truce over.

Hamas, which agreed to the Egyptian-mediated truce, said Israel was breaching it.

Before the Egyptian-mediated truce in June, near daily rocket barrages played havoc with southern border towns and Israel has not found a military solution to stop them. Retaliatory Israeli airstrikes killed scores of Palestinians in Gaza.

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and what will be interesting to watch here is whether he emphasizes bipartisanship in the selection process."

Storin predicts Obama will choose to have a bipartisan staff.

"I definitely think you will see some symbolic moves including appointing two or three high profile Republicans in the senior levels of his administration," he said.

Obama's bipartisanship will extend into his dealings with Congress, according to Storin.

"He will make efforts to reach out to Republicans to socialize with them somewhat," he said. "I wouldn't rule out his working with Senator McCain in that regard."

Storin said Obama's major accomplishments of change will be the result of this bipar-

tisanship. "It's going to be very difficult for him to fundamentally change how things are done," he said. "But the tone will be somewhat better. To the extent that he can reign in the partisan impulses of his own party, there could definitely be a change in tone."

These partisan impulses will most likely come from the Democratic Congressional leadership, including Speaker of the House Nancy Pelosi and Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid, Storin said.

"Left to their own devices, Congress, particularly the House, would want to roll back the last eight years in eight weeks," Storin said.

But Storin said Obama would stand up to his own party.

"Judging by the way he ran his campaign and with his own sense of self-confidence, Obama is smarter than that," he said. "He's smart enough to know it's a bad idea."

Obama will be helped by the

fact that many of the newly-elected members of Congress are indebted to him for their elections, Schmuhl and Storin said.

"Obama's word should be stronger than anybody else's," Storin said.

In terms of specific policy initiatives, Storin said Obama will focus first on Iraq and health-care reform, but could be distracted by the economic crisis.

"I suspect that he will keep his promise to some extent with regard to Iraq," Storin said. "But Obama will not be willing to do something that leads to chaos. So I wouldn't take a specific timeframe to the bank."

Still, Obama's promise to end the war "is kind of a non-negotiable part of what made him

president," Storin said. "He has to change the paradigm over there, including with regard to Afghanistan. He realizes that the idea that you can achieve a military victory with regard to Afghanistan is even more remote than in Iraq."

Storin said health care will be a priority for the administration, but comprehensive reform may not be successful.

"There are going to be so many other problems and distractions, including problems facing Social Security and the economy that a lot of other things that he has talked about are going to take a back seat for a while," Storin said.

Obama should mostly be able to pursue his own agenda in

foreign affairs, according to Storin.

"He's an internationalist, he's a negotiator, he's a collaborator," he said. "There's going to be enormous change in how we do business internationally."

Obama has some skills that should prove to be particularly helpful in foreign affairs, Storin said. "He's a good listener, he's strong willed when he makes up his mind, and he's surrounded by smart people," he said. "Look for him to travel a lot and to talk to all sorts of people — friends and foes."

At the end of the day, Obama's promises of change will not come up empty, according to Schmuhl.

"Barack Obama is very different from the person who now occupies the White House, and in both policy and perception, we will see change," he said.

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president. The economy, it ain't doing so hot," he said. "This isn't rocket science."

Nickerson said many people were interested to see if the Bradley Effect, or whether many people would have trouble voting for a black candidate despite telling pollsters they would do so, would take place. Ultimately, it did not occur and polls were consistent with the results.

Professor Jack Colwell, who teaches in the Journalism, Ethics and Democracy department, spoke about the impact of the media on the results of the election.

He cited one of his students, who comes from a traditionally conservative state and family, who participated in early voting over fall break.

"She went in to vote a straight Republican ticket. She got into the voting booth and suddenly, something just kind of struck her. She thought of Tina Fey," Colwell said. "Right in the polling booth she thought, 'I

can't do this,' and she voted for Obama."

Colwell said people are increasingly getting their perception of the candidates from shows like "Saturday Night Live," the "Daily Show" or "The Late Show with David Letterman."

"More so than the newspapers," he said. "I guess it's good if they're getting their information from somewhere. But it is a little bit scary if Tina Fey is having more effect on the election than something that appears in the New York Times."

Colwell said Obama's television ad campaign helped him win Indiana.

"Obama saturated Indiana with TV spots and clearly won the air war," Colwell said.

While the air war was advertising for television spots, the ground war was physical campaigning, which he said Obama also won in Indiana, visiting the state 49 times, compared to McCain's three visits.

Colwell said the air war played a big role in the election of governor in Indiana, which was won by Republican Mitch Daniels. Daniels dominated the airwaves.

"The ability to get on television can determine whether you have any chance at all or whether you will wind up with little chance to win," Colwell said.

Senior Alicia Conley found the connections Colwell made between television and the success of the candidate particularly interesting because "he wasn't talking about party or policy."

"People are so excited about Barack Obama, you don't really think about that if he wasn't the candidate, the Democratic Party probably would have won," Conley said.

Graduate student Jessica Heringer had hoped to hear more "political analysis of the current situation. I was thinking they would talk about where we go from here as a country."

But she added that she personally benefited from the efforts of the University to educate students about voting, specifically the e-mail reminders sent out.

"I really do think that it's great that the University does this," Heringer said.

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Barr

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tion of our civil liberties and a foreign policy focused on defending America," Linskey said.

The Libertarian Party tends to attract some of the more conservative Republicans. McCain, who earned the moniker "maverick" for his moderate viewpoints, may have lost some of his would-be supporters to Barr. Barr, however, was adamant he was not running to take away votes from any other candidate.

"Barr was a very attractive candidate to many Republicans. The GOP, once home to a number of Libertarian-minded voters and politicians, has redefined itself as the party of big government, economic intervention, and misguided foreign adventurism," Linskey said. "With

so little real difference between John McCain and Barack Obama, Bob Barr gave a real choice to disaffected Republicans who believe in small government."

Barr's platform included more dramatic governmental reforms than either of the two mainstream candidates."

Barr's campaign focused on the Libertarian principles of limited government and free market economics.

"Bob Barr's campaign was focused on reducing the size and scope of the federal government in our lives," Linskey said. "Unlike Obama and McCain, [Barr] vociferously opposed the massive Wall Street bailout passed by Congress last month. He called for tax cuts for all Americans along with major reductions in spending."

Unlike Ross Perot and Ralph Nader, who ran multiple times, Linskey doubts Barr will run again in the 2012

election.

"I don't expect Barr to run again. However, he will undoubtedly continue to work to expand the Libertarian Party and advocate for American's freedom," he said.

Nationally, Barr received 487,101 votes or 0.4 percent of popular vote.

Linskey said while Barr may no longer be a challenger in presidential elections, the Libertarian Party has firmly cemented its place in American Politics.

"As Americans will soon learn, Barack Obama's promise of 'change' is just more of the same repackaged and rebranded. The next time we go to the polls, the Libertarian Party will once again be on the ballot, offering a real choice to Americans who are fed up with our government's failed policies."

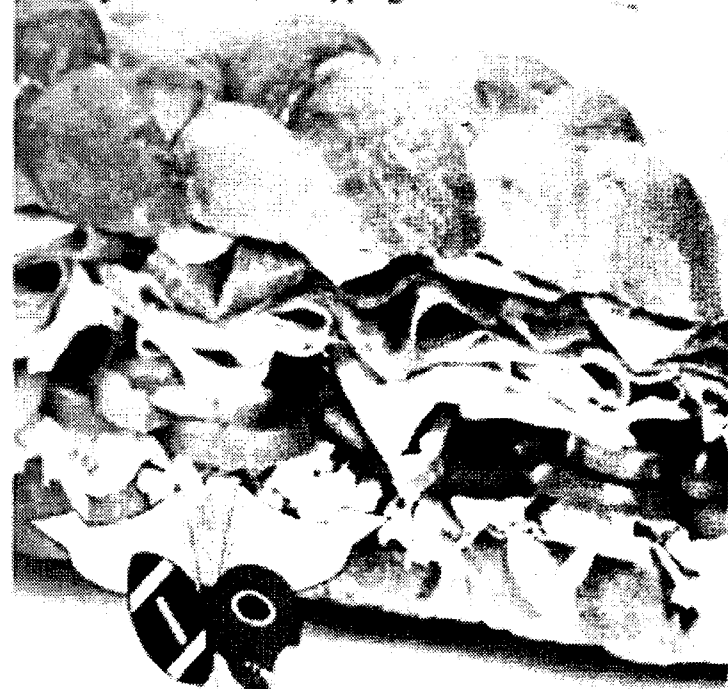
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IN BRIEF

Fallen stocks cause Wall Street woes

NEW YORK — A case of postelection nerves sent Wall Street plunging Wednesday as investors, looking past Barack Obama's presidential victory, returned to their fears of a deep and protracted recession. Volatility swept over the market again, with the Dow Jones industrials falling nearly 500 points and all the major indexes tumbling more than 5 percent.

The market was widely expected to give back some gains after a runup that lifted the Standard & Poor's 500 index more than 18 percent and that gave the Dow its best weekly advance in 34 years; moreover, many analysts had warned that Wall Street faced more turbulence after two months of devastating losses.

Bush to borrow \$550 billion for bailout

WASHINGTON — One day after Barack Obama was elected the next U.S. president, the outgoing Bush administration detailed its plans to borrow a record \$550 billion through the end of the year to back the financial bailout.

The Federal Reserve, meanwhile, said it will boost interest payments to banks as authorities battle the worst financial crisis in decades.

The Treasury Department said Wednesday it will sell \$55 billion in bonds next week, part of a massive borrowing effort to cover the \$700 billion bailout and a budget deficit that's expected to hit a record of nearly \$1 trillion next year.

The government's surging financing needs are a stark reminder of the challenges awaiting Obama even as the current administration moves to implement its rescue program and the Fed fine-tunes its approach to the crisis.

The financial turmoil flared anew Wednesday with the Dow Jones industrial average plunging 486.01 points, or more than 5 percent, as investors absorbed more bad economic news.

The central bank said it will slightly boost the interest rates it pays banks on their required reserves and the excess reserves they choose to deposit with the Fed. The rescue bill authorized the central bank to start paying interest rates to commercial banks on the reserves. Policymakers hope the move will further bolster the banks' reserves.

Chrysler to cut 18,500 jobs as plant closes

Financial crisis causes businesses to layoff workers, close factories

Associated Press

Steven Ridenhour knows how to build a car. But after the Chrysler plant where he worked for 15 years in suburban St. Louis shut down last week, Ridenhour has little else to show on his resume.

With four kids, a wife and a mortgage, Ridenhour, 39, is scrambling to replace his \$28-an-hour pay. He isn't optimistic. He knows thousands of others are being thrown out of work every month, making his job hunt a worsening struggle.

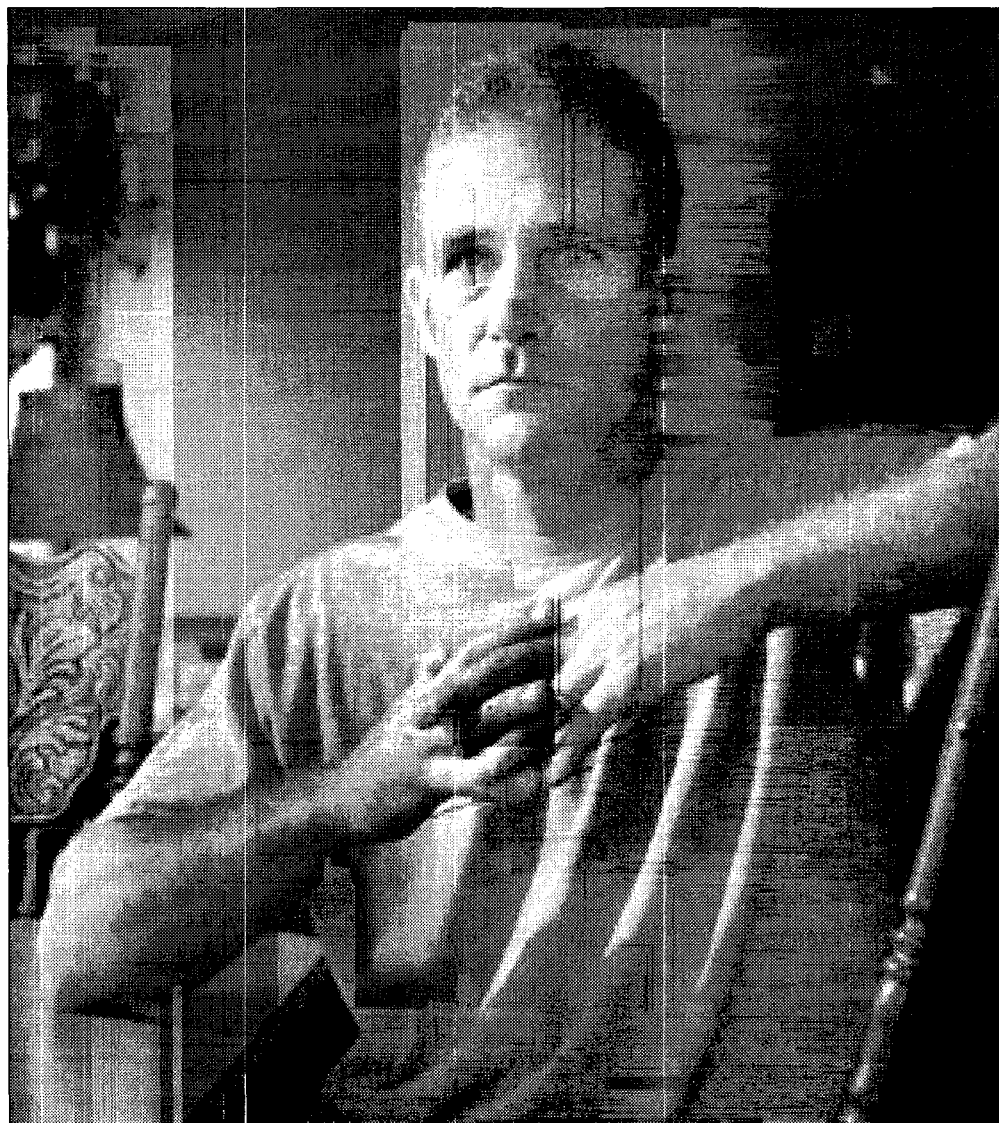
"I don't have any proof I have skills in any other area," he said. "So I'm competing with a lot of other people, and there aren't a lot of jobs around."

Workers across the country are stuck in similar straits. Even before the financial crisis hit the economy hard in late summer, companies had shed tens of thousands of jobs every month this year. Then the credit crisis aggravated the misery.

Many job seekers and employers had been awaiting the presidential election, hoping it would lend some certainty to the economy. But few expect Barack Obama's victory to produce any immediate gains.

On Friday, the government will report the unemployment rate for October, and economists surveyed by Thomson/IFR on average expect a drop of 200,000 jobs.

The current wave of layoffs is unusual because it seems to be coming fairly early in the downturn, noted David Card, an economics professor at the University of California-Berkeley. No one is quite sure why, Card said. One factor could be that companies now are more adept at monitoring inventory and projecting sales



AP

Steven Ridenhour of Eureka, Mo. sits in his kitchen Wednesday after recently being laid off from the nearby Chrysler plant.

"Firms are more aware of how sales are going and cutting employees right away," he said.

In October, PepsiCo Inc. cut 3,300 jobs, Goldman Sachs Group Inc. 3,260, Xerox Corp. 3,000 and Time Inc. 600.

Chrysler LLC announced it would cut 18,500 jobs and American Express 7,000, or about 10 percent of its worldwide work force. And this week, Circuit City said it will cut about 17 percent of its domestic work force, or about 7,300 people.

Economists say the surge

in layoffs is just starting, with some saying the unemployment rate could reach 8 percent or higher, which would be the highest since it hit 10.8 percent in December 1982.

The collapse of the housing and credit markets has led thousands of companies to rein in spending and lay off workers. The cuts have dealt a spiraling blow that threatens to produce more job losses: As families have lost income, they've cut back on spending and hurt companies that depend on their consumption.

"It's like you're down and getting a kick in the pants," said Lawrence Mishel, president of the Economic Policy Institute think tank in Washington.

Job losses were already dragging down family incomes and spending, Mishel said. The latest cuts could delay any recovery by at least a year, he said.

Mishel expects the jobless rate to rise from the current 6.1 percent to 8 percent or more. Before the credit meltdown, he thought the rate would peak at about 7 percent.

Crude oil prices continue to slide

Associated Press

SINGAPORE — Oil prices slid below \$69 a barrel Wednesday in Asia, retreating after a U.S. Election Day rally, as expectations a slowing global economy will cut crude demand reemerged as the market's dominant driver.

Light, sweet crude for December delivery was down \$1.98 to \$68.55 a barrel in electronic trading on the New York Mercantile Exchange by midday in Singapore, ignoring the cue from Asian stock markets, which rallied as Democrat Barack Obama claimed an historic victory in U.S. presidential elections.

The contract overnight rose \$6.62 to settle at \$70.53 as the two-year U.S. presidential election campaign wrapped up.

"This is partly just a correction from a

very large gain yesterday," said David Moore, commodity strategist at Commonwealth Bank of Australia in Sydney. "In the near term, worries about the international economic outlook will be really hard to overcome. The data flow is going to contain a lot of negatives that create pressure on the oil price."

Economic indicators out of the U.S. this week suggest the world's largest economy may be heading for its worst recession in decades. A Commerce Department report Tuesday said factory orders fell 2.5 percent in September from August, much worse than analysts had predicted.

On Monday, U.S. manufacturers reported lethargic numbers for October, showing the worst reading in more than a quarter century, according to the Institute for Supply Management.

The slowdown, which was sparked by

a credit crisis that began in the U.S. last year, shows signs of spreading across the world. Credit Suisse on Monday cut its forecast for growth in China's oil demand next year to nearly zero from 4 percent on the back of lower economic growth forecasts.

"There are two forces working on the oil price," Moore said. "One is fear of weaker consumption and the other is OPEC cutting output to wind back surpluses in the market."

The Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries said last month it would cut output quotas by 1.5 million barrels a day in addition to a 520,000 barrel cut announced earlier. Venezuelan Oil Minister Rafael Ramirez has said OPEC, which controls about 40 percent of world crude oil production, may slash production by at least 1 million barrels daily when it meets next in December.

Festival hosts authors during Nov.

SUB holds Student Lit Night to allow students to present work

By MOLLY MADDEN
News Writer

The Student Union Board hosted author Ben Nugent as a part of the 42nd annual Notre Dame Literary Festival at the LaFortune Student Center Tuesday, which will feature three more authors in addition to a variety of other events throughout the month.

"The purpose of the festival is to bring authors to Notre Dame," festival programmer Alex Benner said. "The Student Union Board wants to give students access to real-life authors. They also get to see insights into what the literary profession is all about."

The festival lasts throughout the entire month of November and features authors from across the country as well as Notre Dame student writers. The festival began on Oct. 28 with Student Lit Night, which gives students a chance to showcase their own writing.

"Student Lit Night gives students a chance to present their work to other students," Benner said. "This year we had about seven or eight students and we featured short stories and poems. We're open to any type of genre."

The remainder of the festival features four authors whose appearances are spread out over three weeks. Every author has one day in which they participate in a question and answer session in the afternoon followed by a talk and reading later that night. After the reading, there is a reception

where the attendees are able to meet the author and have their books signed.

"We try and get a variety of authors," Benner said. "Novelists, journalists and short story writers have all been a part of the festival in the past."

Benner says that the most important thing when selecting authors is to try and bring ones that will be appealing to the Notre Dame community.

"The Student Union Board is looking to bring in authors that the students will find interesting. We hope that the festival generates interest in literature, reading and writing."

This year's selection of authors has something for every Notre Dame student.

The first author that spoke at the Montgomery Auditorium in the LaFortune Center Tuesday night was Nugent, who is a journalist and an essayist whose work has appeared in Time and The New York Times Magazine.

Nugent's most recent work is entitled "American Nerd: The Story of My People."

"It's a combo of memoir, history and cultural criticism," Nugent said. "It has stories of my nerdy childhood and also a history of nerdy people."

The second author is Rivka Galchen, who will be at the University tomorrow. Galchen is a novelist and the author of "Atmospheric Disturbances," a novel about doctor whose wife disappears but then meets a woman who not only looks and behaves like his missing wife, but also claims to be her.

On Nov. 12, novelist and short story writer Marisa Silver will be speaking at LaFortune. Silver is the author of the short story collection Babe in Paradise as well as the novels "No Direction Home" and "The God of War."

The final author is the journalist and novelist Aleksandar Hemon, who will speak on Nov. 17. His latest novel, "The Lazarus Project," is a finalist for the National Book Award.

Overall, the Student Union Board hopes students who attend the festival will feel the desire to pick up a book.

"I hope that by attending something like this will spur someone to read," Benner said. "I hope that that the festival encourages them to read for pleasure or even write themselves."

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Alex Brenner
festival programmer

AME to hold 34th annual conference

'Faith, Democracy and Values' will feature 100 presenters from around the world

Special to The Observer

The Association for Moral Education (AME) will hold its 34th annual conference, titled "Faith, Democracy and Values: The Challenge of Moral Formation in Families, Schools and Societies," at the University of Notre Dame from Nov. 13 to 15 (Thursday to Saturday).

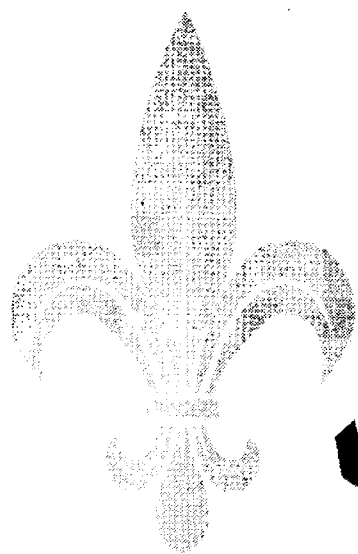
Featuring more than 100 presenters from around the world, the conference aims to examine moral education and the ways it informs and, in turn is informed by, faith and political perspectives in a diverse and complex global community. Principal speakers for the event will be James Youniss, Wylma R. and James R. Curtin Professor of Psychology at Catholic University and Fellow of the Life Cycle Institute, and Carolyn Nordstrom, professor of anthropology at Notre Dame.

The AME is the leading professional society for social scientists studying moral psychology and education.

In conjunction with the

conference, Notre Dame's Center for Ethical Education (CEE) will hold its second annual Notre Dame Symposium on Moral Personality on Nov. 13. This event will explore the relationship between personality theories and moral character with the aim of providing a psychological foundation for moral education. Speakers for the symposium are John Doris of Washington University in St. Louis, Owen Flanagan and David Wong of Duke University, Jorge Moll of the National Institutes of Health, and Linda Stitka of the University of Illinois at Chicago.

The CEE (soon to be renamed the Collaborative on Ethical Education) builds ethical community and character and envisions a world in which media, sports and schooling embrace opportunities for ethical leadership and intentionally promote ethical growth. The center accomplishes its goals by fostering scholarship and developing resources for education, sports and media.



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SMC alumnae panel offers career advice

Members stressed importance of internships, writing skills in students' job searches

By TARA SCANNELL
News Writer

A panel of Saint Mary's College alumnae answered students' questions about their future careers and gave valuable advice on their own experiences last night in Vander Vennet Theater.

Many of the panel members stressed the importance of internships in college so students gain experience before graduation. Gaining an in-depth knowledge of a certain field through internships sets an applicant apart from others and makes them more likely to get hired.

"I actually studied journalism in college but the one reason I didn't really pursue it out of college was because I never interned and didn't have that experience," Sara Whitfield, a 2005 graduate who currently works as an assistant manager for Enterprise Rent-A-Car, said.

Even if a student does not plan on applying for a job right after graduation, the panel stressed internships are résumé builders which help when applying to law or graduate school.

The alumnae panel also explained the impact that Saint Mary's had on how they approached their job searches prior to graduation.

"I think a lot of our professors tried to instill in us that you can do anything and there is no guy out there that can do anything better than you," Jennifer Urgonski, a 2004 graduate who now works as an investment advisor for the John Hancock Financial Network, said.

Other alumnae spoke of how beneficial the emphasis the College places on writing skills impacted them.

"The writing skills that I learned here were essential. Being able to write well is

beneficial in any job setting, and that's something that Saint Mary's teaches their students well," Debbie Higgins, a 1992 alumna, said.

One regret several of the panelist shared about their interviewing experience is they felt they simply did not go on enough interviews.

"I should have just gone to more, if only for the interview experience," Urgonski said. Emphasizing interviewing is a skill that needs to be practiced just like any other, Urgonski said she wished she had not been so critical about the interviews she chose.

Many of the students present at the discussion were anxious to hear the panel's opinion on the affect the economy would have on graduating students' job searches. The general consensus was that it depends on the student's area of interest.

"Hospitals are always in need, so nursing students definitely have an advantage," Ellie Ryan, who received her nursing degree from Saint Mary's College in 1986, said.

Panelists also advised students to set themselves apart from the group in interviews. Sending a thank you note after an interview can often be the deciding factor between two closely qualified applicants.

When students asked panelists how well Saint Mary's College was actually known on a national level, many turned to each other and laughed.

"There's no question that Saint Mary's is known on a national level. There's a certain amount of prestige that comes with graduating from here," Whitfield said. "Just wear your ring and people will know where you're from. They recognize the ring and know we're well-educated women."

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Well, our long, national nightmare is finally over.

No more Joe Six Pack. No more hawkeye mawms. No more candidates-as-terrorists.

The election is over, and Sarah Palin is on a plane back to Alaska, ready to donate her wardrobe and become a grandmother.

For now.

In the next days, and weeks, and years, we'll doubtless hear a few different ways to interpret this loss.

We will see the development of one of two storylines: either you will see Republicans try to return to Reaganism (claim that McCain was not similar enough to Reagan) or you will see them shift left (McCain was too Reagan-y). Do we interpret this election as a rejection of Reagan Republicanism/Palin Republicanism of the last three decades (and more)? Or do we interpret it as a rejection of McCain?

To some — especially Democrats — this is a sign of the failure of Republican ideas. It is a rejection of "the failed economic policies of George W. Bush," as a certain President-elect might put it. It rejects trickle-down justice and the PATRIOT Act and torture.

This is a refrain we've heard before, though W.'s "mandate" in 2004 was supposed to be a rejection of Democratic ideas. But, of course, the outcome of this year's election and the state of the economy should make us question that wisdom. 2004 was not a rejection of Democratic politics and an embrace of Reaganomics.

It was a rejection of John Kerry and, at the time, an embrace of George W.



Andrew Nesi

Spicy Sea Nuggets

Palin'll be back

Bush (How strange is that to see in print?).

Now, 2008 is not 2004 and the collapsing economy made this election more about ideas than people than the 2004 election was.

But, appropriately, to a certain breed of Republican this is a sign that John McCain simply was not a compelling candidate. McCain couldn't decide if he was a Republican or an Independent. He wanted to have one foot in each, and ended up in neither.

What's that mean? It means that this isn't the last we'll see of Sarah Palin.

Last week, a McCain campaign advisor told CNN: "She is a diva. She takes no advice from anyone. She does not have any relationships of trust with any of us, her family or anyone else. Also, she is playing for her own future and sees herself as the next leader of the party. Remember: Divas trust only unto themselves, as they see themselves as the beginning and end of all wisdom."

Saturday Night Live last weekend played on the same view of Palin: Tina Fey mock-advertised "Palin 2012" T-shirts which weren't to be worn until after Tuesday.

In her rhetoric and appeal, Sarah Palin represents some of the worst American politics has to offer.

Republicans — and Democrats — have long offered a false populism fused with "have a beer with" likability as a winning strategy. They've been appealing because they seem to be like you — they don't seem caught up in the pretentious self-righteousness of academia and Washington.

But Palin relies exclusively on her ability to have a beer with you. While others — Reagan, Bush Sr., and, yes, even W. — combined their relate-ability with the underlying knowledge that they are not actually just your average Joe Six Pack from down the block, Palin's consistent policy stumbles make no such guarantee.

Voters want people who seem similar to them, not people who are them. But by 2012 or, more likely, 2016, Palin will have a chance to improve. She'll be able to position herself — maybe as a Senator — as your average Joe Six Pack who can speak competently on Meet the Press.

And that will allow her to run the sort of campaign that she seems to run best.

Way back when in 2000, then-Gov. Bush claims that he would "change the tone" in Washington. He was a "uniter, not a divider." Palin doesn't even pretend.

Her rhetoric isn't that of the appealing bipartisanship that Bush the candidate embraced. It is that of the red state/blue state dichotomy that Bush the President embraced. She is a culture warrior through and through. There is a pro-America America (Kansas, Dick Cheney, Hank Williams Jr.) and an anti-America America (Massachusetts, Barack Obama, Rosie O'Donnell). You're either with her or against her.

The story of Sarah Palin will likely be one with which many of her supporters are particularly familiar:

Sure, her chances at the vice presidency died Tuesday night. But give it four years, maybe eight.

She will rise again, and I can only hope she won't be the savior.

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"The place where optimism most flourishes is the lunatic asylum."

Havelock Ellis
British psychologist

Retaining the center ... of ourselves

A regular reaction typically follows in the wake of an election like the one just completed. Aware of the divisiveness of the past months, many instinctively want to reforge the unity — however tenuous or illusory — that the campaign season has shredded.

Fr. Paul Kollman

Faithpoint

Neither the polarization nor the reaction afterwards is surprising. Political battles encourage the drawing of clear differences, as competing candidates present themselves in as good a light as possible, usually by simultaneously diminishing the competition. With electoral pressure eased after the votes are counted, however, a long-receded tide of fellow feeling returns to cover the stark contrasts that the logic of electioneering catalyzed or uncovered. We can be one again, the post-election balm suggests, and embrace common purposes together.

Yet it is worthwhile — before simply moving on — to consider the costs of the polarization typical of elections. Political electioneering certainly encourages distortion in the portrayal of one's opponents — sometimes even outright mendacity. Yet polarization shapes self-presentation, too, in misleading ways, as

those engaged in contested environments imagine themselves in terms of the ever-present contest in which they have been engaged. Marginal differences with opponents loom large in self-presentation, while core values recede in the performative act of presenting the self. Thus polarization, at times necessary and desirable, can subtly distort self-perception.

Appreciating how polarized environments shape us represents a political maturity associated with responsible citizenship. But polarization increasingly shapes not only elections but our entire lives, both inside and outside the formal political arena. As someone committed to the church and the faith of believers, I care in particular about how ubiquitous polarization in church matters predisposes us to view religious beliefs and practices in ways that exaggerate the peripheral or marginal while submerging foundational aspects of our religious identity. It is all too easy, I believe, to think of our faith lives in terms of the features that distinguish us from others — not only from non-believers but even from fellow believers less like us. This is very dangerous.

I believe Jesus' frustrations with the Pharisees, as depicted in the Gospels, reflect his (and, perhaps more decisively,

the early church's) instinct about the dangers of polarization in distorting our religious sensibilities. Christ not only rejected the Pharisees' supposed hypocrisy, but also warned about how their very zeal led them to emphasize those aspects of their faith-based behavior that differentiated themselves from other Jews, at the expense of what they shared with them. Anxious to display their special status, the Pharisees (in the gospels' portrayal, at least) paraded their works, emphasized their adherence to Sabbath regulations that burdened ordinary people, and delighted in showing how they exceeded required legal observances. In so doing, they risked de-emphasizing the central features of their faith. The logic of differentiation by which they determined their religious status distorted their self-understanding.

The Pharisees were neither the first nor last ambitious religious practitioners led astray by their very zeal. I observe these days that life in the church all too often generates the felt need to perform one's religious identity in order to differentiate from rather than unite with. Zeal for holiness is to be applauded, of course. But when used for the purposes of self-congratulatory comparisons it is dangerous indeed, and not only for how

it depicts others. We distort ourselves.

We need to remember that unity is work, requiring constant vigilance. It is more than a discovered result in the backwash of an event like an election, even if we can breathe a sigh of relief after the commercials have left the airwaves. Moreover, unity in faith is a religious duty. Unity among Catholics, between Catholics and other Christians, among believers in the one God, among those who embrace religious faith, among people of good will — at each stage and in various ways unity at each of these levels of human interaction does not come naturally. It requires the kind of self-awareness that sees how the instincts to differentiate that typically accompany polarization can seduce us. Such instincts not only foreclose avenues to deeper unity, they lead us away from the important features of our lives of faith. Phariseism in the service of religious distinctiveness is an ever-present spiritual danger.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Politicians are people too

Barack Obama is an evil man. Joe Biden is retarded. John McCain is a doddering old fool. Sarah Palin is an idiot.

These types of comments dotted political conversations in the weeks leading up to the election, and unfortunately continue to plague conversations today. I have heard condescending statements of Democratic dominance and last-jab attempts at that dominance by reluctant Republicans. Today, on Nov. 5, I am voting for a dose of compassion.

It's easy to forget that we are talking about actual people. Particularly with this campaign, it's easy for Presidential candidates to look like products to be bought and sold. We quickly pass judgment on them, failing to realize that they are a lot like us. I'm not trying to vouch for their moral character or defend them as people, but I am asking that we remember their humanity. Remember that we are human, too.

The dimensions of this kind of talk have deeper implications than we realize. It affects not only our political outlook, but also the way we respond to everyone. If I am in the habit of bad-mouthing Presidential candidates, it becomes easier for me to extend those comments to people I actually know. I have gotten mad at Presidential candidates several times, and that tension carries over into my entire day. I'm more likely to get angry at other people if I let petty anger at Presidential candidates constantly boil beneath my surface.

I'm not asking for total unity (although that would be great), or for an end to heated debates, or for apathy. I'm asking, if for no other reason than my sake, that we realize Democrats and Republicans aren't all that different. In fact, we are a lot more alike than we realize, and everyone deserves to respect others and themselves enough to think before we talk. It's fine to not like Obama or McCain, but please, make sure what you're saying is true and think about how it's going to sound to those around you before you let it come out. We'll all be better for it.

Nicholas Bloom
junior,
Zahm House
Nov. 5

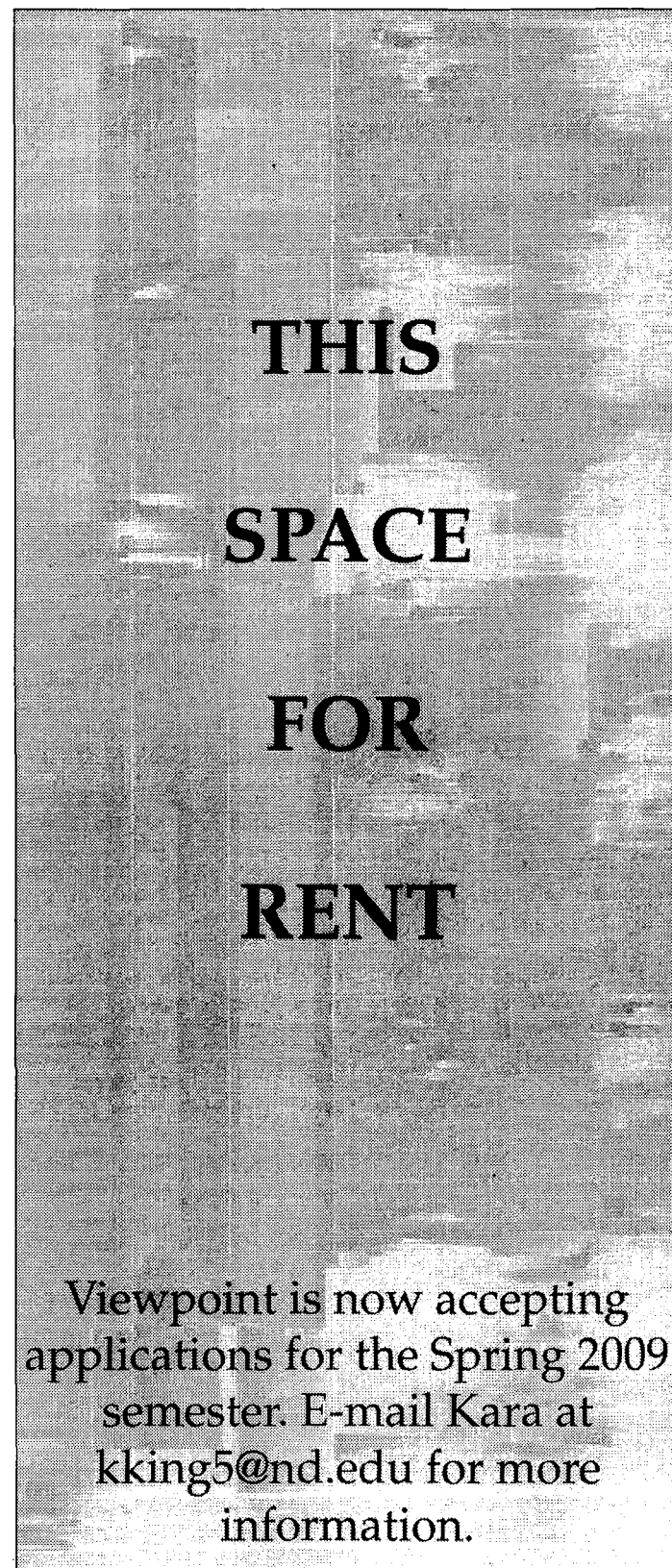
Drunken revelry inappropriate

I believe that many of the celebrations that occurred after the elections were inappropriate and uncalled for. Several groups of students ran amuck and shouted banter while the rest of us tried to stay focused on our studies.

On my short walk to LaFortune, I noticed several instances of rioting. In one particular instance, I came across a group of girls shouting and screaming at the top of their lungs, disrespecting the students working on final projects within Bond Hall. One girl had even taken off her shirt in what seemed to be a drunken frenzy and ran around at the top of the Bond Hall stairs. She had taken with her a student's bike, attempting to block the doors to Bond Hall. I also noticed a few other bicycles waving in the trees.

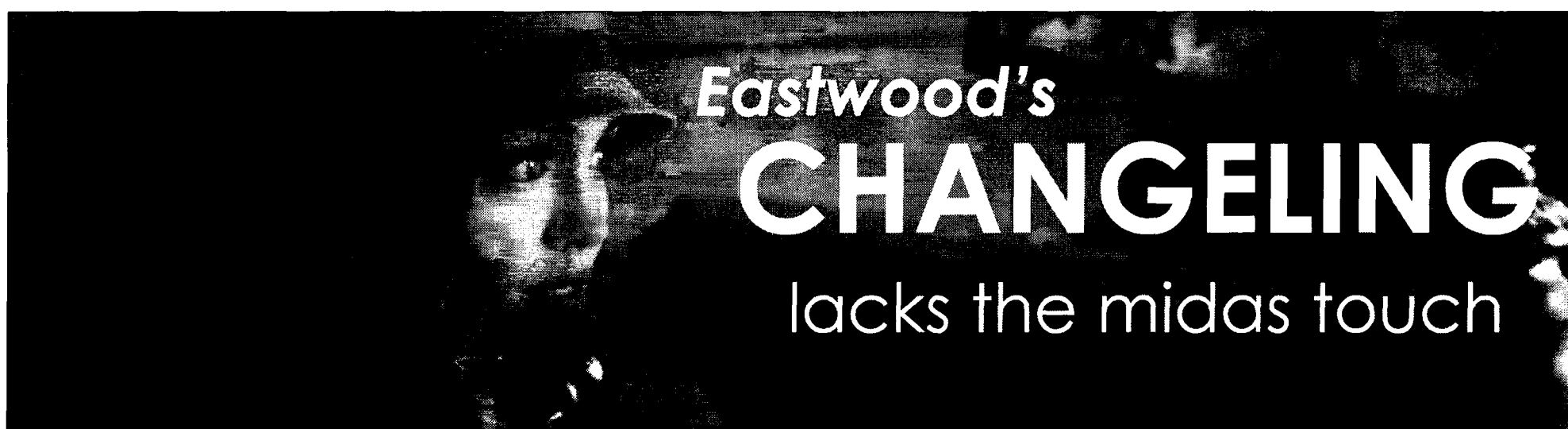
I believe that we are all entitled to celebrate the results of this year's election, but we should do so with restraint and be aware that others on campus are trying to study for important tests and are working on important projects. We should show the same respect towards our fellow student as McCain showed towards Obama. We should not result to rioting on campus and drunken revelry. If you want to go crazy, please take it to the bar.

James Miller
senior
off campus
Nov. 5



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Eastwood's CHANGELING

lacks the midas touch

MADELINE NIES | Observer Graphic

By SHANE STEINBERG
Scene Writer

Ever since 2003's "Mystic River," Clint Eastwood has had the Midas touch. He reads a script, picks it and turns it into Oscar gold. It's as simple as that.

So it comes as no surprise that when it was announced that Eastwood's latest film, "Changeling," was slated for release this year, Oscar hopefuls throughout Hollywood began quivering in their shoes. Too bad Eastwood's streak of brilliance ends here.

Sure it's an OK movie, perhaps even a good one by some measures, but for a film bearing Eastwood's stamp, "Changeling" doesn't quite make the

grade. Its plot is suspect, the actors give forced performances (minus Angelina Jolie's perfectly-cast turn), and to make matters worse, in keeping with a mostly-faithful transition from historical record to script, writer J. Michael Straczynski ends up writing an open-ended conclusion that is far from satisfying. The journey, however, isn't strong enough to justify the disappointing destination here.

Set in Los Angeles during the late 1920s, this arresting, true story chronicles Christine Collins (Jolie), a mother forced to confront the Los Angeles Police Department. Following her son Walter's abduction, Christine launches an unsuccessful search to find him. Just when it seems like all hope is lost, a nine-year-old boy claiming to be her son (Gattlin Griffith) emerges seemingly out of nowhere. After taking in the child, she begins to realize that he is in fact not her son, and challenges the LAPD about the issue. However, the Prohibition-era department alienates Collins, making her out to be a bad mother. Torn down and cast aside by society because she dared to

challenge the corrupt forces behind the cover-up of her son's abduction, she finds a lone source of hope in local activist Reverend Briegleb (John Malkovich) and together they try to expose the corruption.

Although it's Eastwood's film, Jolie steals the show. Perfectly cast as Collins, the script gives her the chance to shine, especially in the latter half of the film when she gets thrown in a psych ward, bringing back memories of her Oscar-winning turn in "Girl Interrupted." She hones her emotions exceptionally well, often erupting like a storm cloud one second, only to wind down and give a heartfelt, low-key performance the next. However, Jolie has one downfall: she is ensemble-proof. While the lights shine on her throughout the film's two-and-a-half hour runtime, the rest of the cast is hung out to dry by her domineering on-screen presence.

As "Changeling" half-consciously tip-toes its way towards its disappointing ending, Eastwood piles climax upon climax and in doing so he turns the film from a mildly interest-

ing melodrama into a dull and increasingly contrived mess. What starts as a mystery turns into an open book, and what is initially a tastefully shot vintage-feeling film becomes its own convoluted head-trip, filled to the brim with confusing dialogue and

shots that can only be found in horror films.

The script doesn't know when not to be slavish to the historical record, and Eastwood's directing, I'm shocked to say, is clumsy and allows the intended themes of the film to be lost and buried six feet

under the ground. In the end, "Changeling" will probably be more heavily criticized than it deserves to be, but that's only because Eastwood has set the bar so high for himself that anything less than perfection is a disappointment.

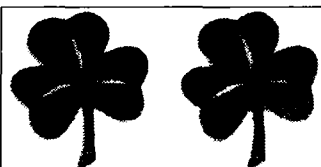
In Hollywood, you're only as good as you're last film. With that in mind, it may be right to say that Clint Eastwood no longer has the Midas touch.

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Changeling

Directed by: Clint Eastwood

Starring: Angelina Jolie, John Malkovich, Gattlin Griffith and Jeffrey Donovan



Browning Cinema to host

PEDRO COSTA

MADELINE NIES | Observer Graphic

By ANALISE LIPARI
Scene Editor

In the Fontainhas district of Lisbon, Portugal, one man has met with local men and women to create a new kind of cinematic art. Tonight, the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center will host director Pedro Costa and show his latest film, "Colossal Youth," the third in his series depicting the lives of marginalized Cape Verdean immigrants in Lisbon.

"Colossal Youth," or "Juventude em Marcha" in its original Portuguese, follows 1997's "Bones" and 2000's "No Quarto da Vanda" (In Vanda's Room) in portraying the people of Fontainhas. The film reunites Costa with a man only identi-

fied as Ventura, a 75 year-old Cape Verdean immigrant who has known Costa since the filming of "Bones." The film also features Vanda Duarte, whose struggles with heroin were the focus of Costa's 2000 film. In "Colossal Youth," Ventura wanders between the former Fontainhas district, which has been razed by the city government in favor of new developments on the outskirts of Lisbon.

In the film, Ventura visits Vanda and others of his "children," who call him "papa." His wife has left him, and he lives a meandering life between settlements. Ventura's wife has left him, leaving him with

little but the time to make rounds from child to child. The film depicts what the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center Web site calls a "material and

emotional wasteland," while also featuring Costa's filmmaking style, one of aesthetic austerity and naturalistic dialogue. The blend of reenactment and improvisation, of film and documentary, is an exercise in experimental filmmaking that should not be missed.

Costa is a Portuguese film director best known for "In Vanda's Room," which won the France Culture Award for Foreign Cineaste of the Year at the 2002 Cannes International Film Festival. "Colossal Youth" was selected for the Cannes Film Festival in 2006, and earned the Independent/Experimental prize from the Los Angeles Film Critics Association earlier this year.

"For me, the primary function of cinema is to make us feel that something isn't right. There is no difference between documentary and fiction

here," Costa said in a series of lectures he gave in Japan in 2004. With meandering dialogue, episodic moments and a largely nonprofessional cast, "Colossal Youth" is attempting not to be commercial film art, but to examine a group of lives in a situation where "something isn't right."

Students will have the opportunity to hear Costa speak at this evening's screening of "Colossal Youth," as the director is scheduled to attend. The screening, to be held in the Browning Cinema, has been sponsored by the Kellogg Institute for International Studies, and is a free but ticketed event. Visit performingarts.nd.edu or call (574) 631-2800 for further information.

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Pedro Costa
director

Weekend Events Calendar

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

Thurs: SUB Movies presents "Tropic Thunder" in 101 DeBartolo at 10 p.m.

Craving something politically incorrect, controversial, debaucherous, and just downright good, side-splitting fun? Then the summer blockbuster "Tropic Thunder" is the film for you.

Washed up action star, Tugg Speedman (Ben Stiller), fresh off a failed foray into the mentally handicapped world of "Simple Jack," teams up with the award-winning Kirk Lazarus (Robert Downey, Jr.), the coke-addicted, fart-movie star Jeff Portnoy (Jack Black) and bawdy rapper Alpha Chino (Brandon T. Jackson) to make the most expensive war film every made. When the film quickly falls behind schedule, director Damien Cockburn (Steve Coogan) decides to take drastic measures, rigging the jungle with cameras and dropping his actors off to film, and fend for themselves. Things heat up when a heroin-cartel discovers the misfits and don't realize it's all an act. This one is not to be missed. Admission is \$3. (There are also showings on Friday 8 p.m. and Saturday at 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m.)

Sat: Aziz Ansari at Legends, midnight

Los Angeles based award-winning comedian and up-and-coming star Aziz Ansari will be bringing his stand-up routine to Legends Saturday night. The NYU graduate starred on the MTV sketch comedy series "Human Giant" and has appeared on the hit HBO show "Flight of the Conchords" as well as Comedy Central's "Premium Blend."

According to Ansari's website, he currently has a part in Judd Apatow's new movie "Funny People" which will star Adam Sandler and Seth Rogen. Ansari is traveling with the star of the show "Cavemen," Nick Kroll. If you're looking for some laughs after the game, stop by Legends for this free show (with a student ID).

Fri: Howie Day at Legends, 10 p.m.

You've undoubtedly heard Howie Day's music. It's been featured on such shows as "Scrubs," "Grey's Anatomy," "ER," "Bones," "Cold Case," "One Tree Hill" and "Lost." The singer-songwriter's music has been compared to the likes of Dave Matthews and John Mayer and his hit single "Collide," off the album "Stop All the World Now," broke into the Top 10 of the US Adult Top 40 charts in 2004. Rumor has it that the Maine native has a third album in production and a single "Everyone Loves To Love a Lie" was released on Day's Myspace page in February.

Day brings his solo act to Legends Friday along with Internet sensation Nick Zuber. The show is free with a student ID.

Sun: Third Day at the Morris Performing Arts Center, 7:30 p.m.

Since they formed in the early 1990s, the Christian Rock and Worship group Third Day has sold more than six million albums. Their 2000 record "Offerings: A Worship Album" went platinum and six other records have gone gold. The Grammy-award winning band dropped their 11th studio album "Revelations" over the summer with the help of new producer Howard Benson (Daughtry, Hoobastank) and it has become one of the highest selling Christian Alternative albums on the market.

If you're looking for an added kick to your Sunday worship, check out Third Day. Tickets for the show range from \$23.50 - \$33.50 and can be purchased at the Morris Box Office or by calling 235-9190.

-Mark Witte

SATURDAY

SUNDAY

Dining Hall Dish

By MICHELLE FORDICE
Assistant Scene Editor

Grilled cheese ... who doesn't love it? A childhood memory and one of the first meals a lot of people learn how to make, it holds a special place in a lot of our hearts.

The dining hall gives us the great classic version — gooey, buttery, cheddar cheese and white bread — most every day. This column gives you a selection of ways to put a twist on an old classic. Made using the Panini press, they lose the butter but keep all the good insides, making them healthier options (Want that golden brown goodness back? Butter them up and stick 'em in a pan at home.) I think grilled cheese sandwiches are best served

with tomato soup, an option the dining hall has most days, but they are good with a handful of chips and a pickle or a salad too. Don't forget the glass of milk to really take you back!

This week's recipes:

Bacon, Tomato and Apple Grilled Cheese

The savory bacon and cheddar balance out the sweet tomatoes and apples in this sandwich, filling it with tons of flavor.

1. Pick up apple slices (or slice an apple yourself).
2. Pick up two slices of wheat bread.
3. Layer on two slices of cheddar cheese, tomatoes, the apples and bacon (two slices, ripped in half so that there is a full layer should be enough).

4. Grill in the Panini press until the cheese melts and the bread browns.

Swiss and Spinach Grilled Cheese

Most people think cheddar when they think grilled cheese, but don't forget the other options! This sandwich takes advantage of Swiss cheese, tosses in some pickles to give it a zing and uses dense dark bread and vegetables like spinach and bell peppers to make it really hearty.

1. Pick up two slices of dark bread.
2. Spread one side with Dijon mustard.
3. Layer with two slices of Swiss cheese, spinach, bell peppers and pickles.
4. Grill in the Panini press until the cheese melts and the

bread browns.

Want an even easier option? Try ham and cheddar (sometimes the dining hall does this one for you) or mozzarella or provolone and tomato. If you're really having a lazy day, you can take one of the dining hall's pre-made grilled cheese sandwiches, pull it apart, and toss in tomatoes or lettuce.

Quick Tip

Make a quick fruit salad. Slice up pieces of whole fruit and toss it in with whatever other fruit is available in the dining hall. Use yogurt or honey and lemon as a dressing.

Have your own dining hall recipe? We would love to feature it! E-mail mfordice@nd.edu.

MLB

National League names Gold Glove winners

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Age is no issue for Greg Maddux when it comes to fielding his position.

The 42-year-old pitcher won his record 18th Gold Glove on Wednesday while outfielder Shane Victorino of the World Series champion Philadelphia Phillies was among five first-time winners in the National League.

Slick shortstop Jimmy Rollins joined Victorino from the Phillies, winning for the second consecutive season. The New York Mets also had two winners: outfielder Carlos Beltran and third baseman David Wright, both of whom repeated.

"Winning a Gold Glove is a tremendous honor for me in what was already an amazing season," Victorino said. "I take a lot of pride in playing defense and to get the recognition of the managers and coaches around the league is a great compliment."

Other first-time honorees for defensive excellence were St. Louis catcher Yadier Molina, San Diego first baseman Adrian Gonzalez, Cincinnati second baseman Brandon Phillips and Pittsburgh outfielder Nate McLouth.

The Houston Astros, who committed 16 fewer errors than any other major league team, did not have a winner.

Rawlings has presented Gold Gloves annually since 1957. Managers and coaches vote on players in their own leagues before the regular season ends, but they may not select members of their own teams.

American League winners will be announced Thursday.

Pondering retirement after 355 wins, Maddux has been the NL recipient for pitchers every year since 1990 with the exception of 2003, when Mike Hampton interrupted the streak.

"I can't imagine winning two, much less 18," Wright

said. "But I think it goes to show you how much pride he takes in winning."

Last year with the Padres, Maddux snapped a tie with third baseman Brooks Robinson and pitcher Jim Kaat for the most Gold Gloves.

Maddux spent most of this season in San Diego before an Aug. 19 trade to the Los Angeles Dodgers. He struggled in seven starts down the stretch for the NL West champions, going 2-4 with a 5.09 ERA to finish the year 8-13 with a 4.22 mark overall.

The four-time Cy Young Award winner may have lost a yard on that pinpoint, tailing fastball, but his reflexes are still quick as a cat's on the mound. At 6 feet, 170 pounds, his simple windup has always left him in perfect fielding position after each pitch.

"I've seen some balls hit pretty hard right back at him," Wright said. "Those kind of reactions at 42, you just don't see that."

Maddux worked four

innings out of the bullpen during the playoffs and the Dodgers were eliminated by Philadelphia in the NL championship series. He filed for free agency after the World Series.

Victorino moved from right field to center this season to replace Aaron Rowand, a 2007 Gold Glove winner for Philadelphia before signing with the San Francisco Giants.

McLouth's award capped a breakout season for the 25th-round draft pick in his first year as a full-time starter. A bright spot for the last-place Pirates, he showed off his strong arm in the July All-Star game at Yankee Stadium by throwing out a runner at the plate to keep the score tied in the 11th inning.

"I am thrilled," said McLouth, the first Pirates player to win a Gold Glove since shortstop Jay Bell in 1993. "I worked especially hard on my defense from the beginning of spring training

and I'm glad all that work paid off with this award. The Pirates have a long list of past winners like Roberto Clemente, Bill Mazeroski, Tony Pena and Andy Van Slyke. I'm especially honored to be included on that list."

All three NL outfield Gold Gloves went to center fielders.

"I take a lot of pride in being a complete player," Beltran said. "Even on the days when I don't get a hit, I feel I can make a difference in the field."

Phillips lost out to Arizona's Orlando Hudson last season despite leading the NL in fielding percentage, which he did again this year.

"I think this thing here is the best thing that ever happened to me," Phillips said.

Winning the Gold Glove raises Phillips' salary next season by \$250,000 to \$5 million. The award earns Beltran a \$100,000 bonus, while Gonzalez, Maddux, Molina, Rollins and Wright get \$50,000 bonuses.

NCAA FOOTBALL

Kansas State coach Prince will not return for 2009 season

Associated Press

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Kansas State coach Ron Prince was unable to rebuild the Wildcats into the Big 12 contender they were under his predecessor.

Now after 2 seasons in Manhattan, Prince is on his way out and K-State is in the market for another coach who can do what Bill Snyder did in the Little Apple.

Kansas State athletic director Bill Krause fired Prince, effective at the end of the season, on Wednesday, just three months after signing the coach to a five-year contract.

Prince took over for Snyder in 2006, his first head coaching job after 14 years at six different schools. He never lived up to the standard Snyder set, going 16-18, including 4-5 this year.

"It's a decision that we arrived at in the best interest in the institution and the program," Krause said during a conference call. "All along I've looked at understanding we're in a performance-based profession and in the final analysis we're at a point that while our goal remains the same. A change is necessary."

Snyder was a consistent winner in 17 years as Kansas State's coach, turning a team that won one game from 1987-89 into one

that racked up at least 10 victories seven times, and reached bowl games 12 straight seasons from 1992-2003.

He retired after a 5-6 season in 2006, handing the program over to Prince, Virginia's relatively unknown offensive coordinator the previous three years.

Prince never got the Wildcats going in the right direction.

Kansas State was 7-6 and went to a bowl game in his first season, but the program has regressed since, going 5-7 last season and losing four of five Big 12 games this year.

The Wildcats have lost three straight headed into Saturday's game against Missouri, including a 56-21 setback to Kansas last weekend that dropped Prince to 0-3 against Kansas State's in-state rival.

"The reality is that all coaches want to compete and win championships," Prince said. "That's why we came here and that's why we do what we do, and ultimately educate these kids along the way. We're disappointed, but we're in a position to accept the decision that's been made."

In August, Kansas State signed Prince to a contract that runs through 2012, paying him a base salary of \$143,000 with a total guaranteed package of \$1.1 million. The deal included a larger

buyout, meaning Prince will receive \$1.2 million, along with a prorated longevity bonus of about \$150,000.

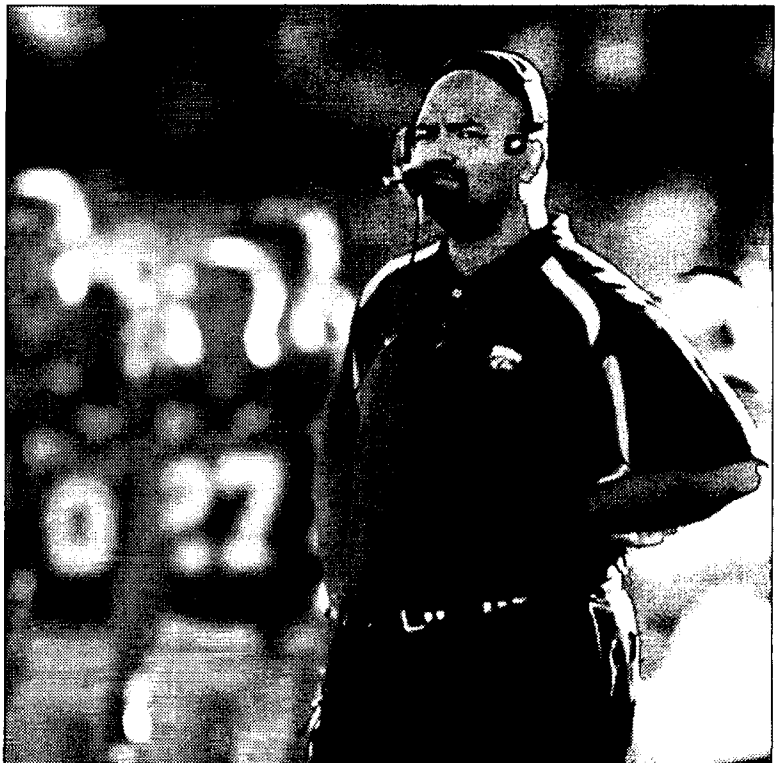
The midweek announcement, during preparation for a game, was unusual, but not the midseason move. Clemson, Washington, Tennessee and Toledo have already started looking for new leaders after announcing coaching moves earlier this season. Earlier this week, the Volunteers announced Phillip Fulmer won't be back next season.

"There's a plan in place and there's some consultation I want to have with some individuals," Krause said. "It's coming down to the point where you have a list of folks you think have the ability to take the program and accomplish the things we want to accomplish."

Prince's teams never had trouble generating offense, with a wide-open attack and strong-armed quarterback Josh Freeman piling up yards and points.

Defense has been a problem, though.

Kansas State had one of the nation's worst last season, allowing 30.8 points and 400.6 yards per game, and the Wildcats have been even worse this year. They rank 107th in scoring defense at 33.7 points per game and 108th



Kansas State coach Ron Prince watches the end of a 2007 game against Missouri.

in total defense at 444.67 yards per game.

Kansas State allowed 110 points in its past two games, more than 50 three times this season.

"Our objective in coming to Kansas State in December of 2005 was to establish a program that was built to last, a team that would consistently compete for championships," Prince said. "Today, we ran out of time to accomplish that."

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Men's Basketball AP Top 25

	team	point	previous
1	North Carolina	1,800	1
2	Connecticut	1,661	16
3	Louisville	1,638	13
4	UCLA	1,487	3
5	Pittsburgh	1,319	17
6	Michigan State	1,311	18
7	Texas	1,259	7
8	Duke	1,250	9
9	NOTRE DAME	1,243	15
10	Gonzaga	1,162	24
11	Purdue	1,099	20
12	Oklahoma	987	NR
13	Memphis	977	2
14	Tennessee	920	5
15	Arizona State	645	NR
16	Marquette	592	25
17	Miami (FL)	570	NR
18	USC	414	NR
19	Florida	403	NR
20	Davidson	347	23
21	Wake Forest	312	NR
22	Georgetown	311	8
23	Villanova	256	NR
24	Kansas	233	4
25	Wisconsin	196	6

Women's Basketball AP Top 25

	team	points	previous
1	Connecticut	1,124	1
2	Stanford	1,018	4
3	Maryland	1,005	5
4	Oklahoma	946	14
5	Rutgers	914	7
6	North Carolina	892	2
7	Tennessee	857	3
8	Duke	815	9
9	California	769	10
10	Louisville	726	19
11	Texas A&M	624	8
12	Vanderbilt	546	21
13	Texas	501	NR
14	Oklahoma State	442	13
15	Virginia	437	24
16	NOTRE DAME	374	15
17	Arizona State	364	NR
18	Ohio State	359	25
19	Baylor	353	12
20	Auburn	239	NR
21	Florida State	204	NR
22	Xavier	170	NR
23	Purdue	148	NR
24	LSU	133	6
25	Old Dominion	124	11

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	Men	Women
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2	Oklahoma State	Oregon
3	Stanford	Florida State
4	Portland	Princeton
5	Alabama	Villanova
6	Wisconsin	West Virginia
7	Northern Arizona	Minnesota
8	Iona	Wisconsin
9	Michigan	Texas Tech
10	Georgetown	Michigan State

around the dial

NCAA FOOTBALL

Maryland at Virginia Tech
7:30 p.m., ESPN

NFL



Cowboys quarterback Tony Romo looks on during practice Wednesday at Dallas' training facility. Romo has not played since breaking his pinkie during a loss to Arizona on Oct. 12. The Cowboys have struggled without him.

Romo returns to practice during bye-week

Associated Press

IRVING, Texas — Tony Romo was back under center at practice Wednesday, once again zipping passes to Terrell Owens.

Expect him to be doing so the next time the Dallas Cowboys play, too.

Romo's return from a broken pinkie on his throwing hand is coming along as expected. The clunky cast he wore the last three weeks has been replaced by a small splint covering only the pinkie. It's as much for support as protection, and he wasn't even wearing it between a walkthrough and a practice Wednesday

afternoon.

"It's still not all the way healed, but it's getting there," Romo said. "I can definitely grip the ball much better."

Romo was hurt during a loss to Arizona on Oct. 12. He practiced a little that week and tried to play in the following game, but realized during warmups that his bulky bandage prevented him from properly controlling the ball and sat out ever since.

Dallas went 1-2 without Romo, scoring no more than 14 points with Brad Johnson and Brooks Bollinger running the offense. The Cowboys scored at least 24 all six games that Romo played.

Romo also has the NFL's third-best passer rating and averages the third-most yards passing per game. His 14 touchdown passes are sixth best, even after missing three games.

However, the Cowboys were only 1-2 in his last three starts. So the notion his return will cure all that ails them might not be accurate.

"I don't think it's a matter of him coming in and trying to be Superman and really saving this team," Owens said. "We have more than enough capable guys in the locker room to make plays for him"

Still, Romo's return is a

source of optimism for a team that's gone from preseason Super Bowl favorites to last place in the NFC East. Even team owner Jerry Jones has said Dallas (5-4) needs to aim for just making the playoffs.

Romo also thinks he's figured out some things during his time off.

"I'm not going to tell you what they are, but I think this team is going to have its best football in front of it," he said.

The Cowboys will practice again Thursday, then have a three-day weekend. They'll return to the field Monday, then get back to their regular routine Wednesday.

IN BRIEF

Raiders cut ties with Hall after just eight games

ALAMEDA, Calif. — DeAngelo Hall's disappointing stint with the Oakland Raiders came to an early finish.

The Raiders waived Hall on Wednesday, less than eight months after they traded for the former Pro Bowl cornerback and gave him a \$70 million contract.

The acquisition of Hall from Atlanta in March was a big part of Oakland's plans to rebuild its defense. But the move has backfired. The Raiders gave up a second-round pick to acquire Hall and also gave him a seven-year contract.

But Hall never played up to that level. He struggled with nagging injuries throughout training camp and was picked on constantly by rookie receiver Eddie Royal and quarterback Jay Cutler in a 41-14 season-opening loss to Denver.

Gwynn gets 3-year contract extension at San Diego State

SAN DIEGO — Hall of Famer Tony Gwynn signed a three-year contract to remain the baseball coach at San Diego State, his alma mater.

The former San Diego Padres star is 173-190 in six seasons at SDSU.

"Now that the contract has been signed, we can move forward and concentrate on our aim of making Aztec baseball a perennial contender both in the Mountain West Conference as well as nationally," Gwynn said in a statement released by the school Wednesday.

"I remain fully committed to my job here at San Diego State and look forward to working with my staff and players toward these goals."

Gwynn has taken two of his teams to the title game of the MWC tournament, and was the conference coach of the year in 2004 after leading the Aztecs to a first-place finish.

Giants place Super Bowl hero Tyree on injured reserve

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — Super Bowl star David Tyree was told by the New York Giants that there will be no catches this year.

Tyree, who made "The Catch" in New York's Super Bowl victory over the Patriots in February, was placed on injured reserve by the Giants on Wednesday. The move was made after Tyree ran out of time trying to get back on the field following offseason knee surgery and then a hamstring injury.

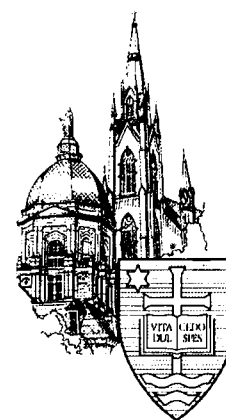
The 28-year-old Tyree spent the entire training camp on the physically unable to perform list because of knee surgery. Being on PUP prevented him from playing until after the sixth week of the season. He had a three-week window to earn a roster spot after he started practicing on Oct. 15. However, a hamstring injury allowed him on the field only a couple of times.

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7:40 p.m. The Josef Pieper Keynote Lecture
On Retranslating Humanae Vitae
--John Finnis, University of Notre Dame and Oxford University
9:00 p.m. Reception

Friday, November 7

- 9:00 a.m.-10:15 a.m. Colloquium Sessions
Session 1: Legal and Ethical Issues Related to Same-Sex Marriage
Session 2: The Family, Health Care, and Human Ecology
Session 3: The Fragility of the Family and Its Reasons for Hope
Session 4: Panel: The Philosophical Problem of the Family
Session 5: Divine and Human Intimacy
Session 6: Parenting: Its Rights and Virtues
Session 7: Panel: Embryo Adoption and Catholic Moral Tradition: Enlarging the Debate
Session 8: Literary Arguments for the Family
Session 9: Panel: The Family and Vocation: Celibacy and Complementarity
Session 10: The Family and the Parish
10:15 a.m.-10:45 a.m. Break, Refreshments
10:45 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Invited Speakers
Session 1: Finding Fairest Love in the Church of the Home
--Fred and Lisa Everett, *Office of Family Life, Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend*
Session 2: Beyond the Rights of Children: The Family Critically Re-Examined
--H. Tristram Engelhardt, Jr., *Rice University*
Session 3: An Aristotelian Feminism?
--Sarah Borden, *Wheaton College*
12:15 p.m.-1:15 p.m. Lunch
1:30 p.m.-2:45 p.m. Invited Speakers
Session 1: Fundamentals of Human Infant Biology and Its Relationship to Parental Caregiving: Western Constraints on Creating a "Fairest Love"?
--James McKenna, *University of Notre Dame*
Session 2: Families, Neighborhoods and the Built Environment: A New Paradigm for Notre Dame
--Philip Bess, *University of Notre Dame*
Session 3: Lessons from the Locker-Room on Courtly Love
--David Lyle Jeffrey, *Baylor University*
Session 4: Conscious Parenthood
--Janet Smith, *St. Paul Seminary*
2:45 p.m.-3:15 p.m. Break, Refreshments
3:15 p.m.-4:30 p.m. Colloquium Sessions
Session 1: Panel: Contraception and Assisted Reproductive Technology: The Church's Pro-Woman Response
Session 2: Panel: Dostoevsky on the Family
Session 3: After *Humanae Vitae*
Session 4: The Family as Domestic Church
Session 5: Economics and the Family
Session 6: Fatherhood
Session 7: The Social and Political Context for the Family
Session 8: The Spiritual Renewal of the Family
Session 9: Vulnerabilities at the Edge of Life
5:15 p.m. Mass at the Basilica of the Sacred Heart
6:00 p.m. Dinner

- 7:30 p.m. The Jack Schuster Memorial Lecture
Does Sarah + John = 3? The History and Future of Complementarity in Catholic Feminism
--Elizabeth R. Schiltz, *University of St. Thomas School of Law*
9:00 p.m. Reception

Saturday, November 8

- 9:00 a.m.-10:15 a.m. Colloquium Sessions
Session 1: The Devotional Life of the Family
Session 2: Lessons for the Family from Other Cultures
Session 3: Panel: The Legacy of Elizabeth Anscombe
Session 4: Panel: Justice, Friendship and the Family in Political Philosophy
Session 5: The Family and the Modern State
Session 6: The Family as School of Virtue
Session 7: On the Nature and Extension of "Family"
Session 8: Biotechnology and the Abolition of Man
Session 9: Literary and Cinematic Perspectives on the Family
10:15 a.m.-10:45 a.m. Break, Refreshments
10:45 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Invited Speakers
Session 1: The State of the Marital Union: International Human Rights Law, the Family, and the U.S. Supreme Court
--William Saunders, *Senior Fellow and Director of the Center for Human Life and Bioethics, Family Research Council*
Session 2: The Family: The Crisis and the Romantic Temptation
--Thomas S. Hibbs, *Baylor University*
Session 3: The Pastoral Method of Pope John Paul II
--Michael Waldstein, *Ave Maria University*
Session 4: The Bishop as sponsus ecclesiae particularis: Family Structures and Ecclesiological Developments in the First Millennium
--Monsignor Charles Brown, *Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith*
12:15 p.m.-1:15 p.m. Lunch
1:30 p.m.-2:45 p.m. Invited Speakers
Session 1: A Catholic Perspective on the American Family Law Governing Intimate Partnerships: Gift Exchange or Balance Sheet Accounting?
--Helen Alvaré, *George Mason University School of Law*
Session 2: Medicalizing Childhood
--Gilbert Meilaender, *Valparaiso University*
Session 3: Philosophers, Fetuses, and the Family: Autonomous Appetites Bound by Choice
--Francis Beckwith, *Baylor University*
2:45 p.m.-3:15 p.m. Break, Refreshments
3:15 p.m.-4:30 p.m. Colloquium Sessions
Session 1: The Fair Love of Human Sexuality
Session 2: Panel: Fathers and Sons...and Daughters: Aristotle and Austen on Paternal Friendship
Session 3: Abortion: The Persistent Evil
Session 4: Panel: The Moral Challenges to the Family in the 21st Century: Experiences of a Catholic Family
Session 5: Embodiments of Faith, Hope & Charity
Session 6: Family Dysfunction and Virtue in Literature
Session 7: Cultural Aspects of Courtship and Marriage
Session 8: The Theology of the Body
Session 9: Authority and Complementarity in Marriage
Session 10: Issues in Contemporary Education
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7:00 p.m. Closing Banquet

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NFL

Steelers unsure if Big Ben will play

Associated Press

PITTSBURGH — Ben Roethlisberger held his sore right shoulder on Wednesday, although his latest tests showed no additional damage. The Pittsburgh Steelers might not know until late in the week if he can play Sunday against Indianapolis.

Byron Leftwich, who came off the bench to lead two key second-half touchdown drives against the Redskins on Monday night, practiced with the regulars and said he's ready to play if needed.

"It really depends on where he (Roethlisberger) is at the end of the week and if he is capable of being Ben," coach Mike Tomlin said. "If he's not, we will go with Byron."

Roethlisberger's MRI exam on Tuesday "is very similar (to his previous one), but it is not the same as it has been," Tomlin said.

Roethlisberger's throwing shoulder was slightly separated while he was sacked by Houston's Mario Williams during the Sept. 7 opener. He aggravated the injury on a 1-yard touchdown run late in the first half of the Steelers' 23-6 win Monday night and did not play again.

"I think what happened was it was getting better, then it went back to square one," said Roethlisberger, although he is optimistic about playing. "I played through it before and we'll do it again."

Resting a week might not necessarily benefit Roethlisberger, Tomlin said, even if sitting out would temporarily alleviate the stress placed on the shoulder in games. Tomlin suggested the shoulder might not be 100 percent until after the season ends.

"I don't think he is any more susceptible to injury than if he was given a clean bill of health," Tomlin said. "I think it is one of those injuries that is going to be better in the offseason, like a lot of (the injuries) those guys have down in the locker room."

Despite the nagging injury, Roethlisberger has thrown 10 touchdown passes while guiding the division-leading Steelers to a 6-2 record.

Leftwich, if he is needed to play, knows the Colts well. He was Jacksonville's quarterback from 2003-06, going 2-4 against Indianapolis while completing 100 of 155 passes for 1,134 yards, six touchdowns and three interceptions.

"It's two different teams, two different organizations, but we did play each other twice a year," Leftwich said. "You knew each other pretty well. But I don't think that, because I've had some success in the past, it will automatically carry over."

One problem for Leftwich is getting comfortable with a Steelers offense he only began learning two weeks into training camp. He didn't sign with them until Charlie Batch broke his collarbone Aug. 8.

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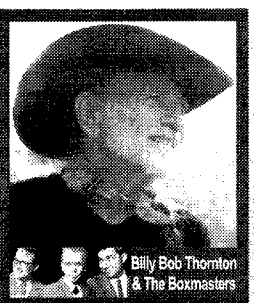
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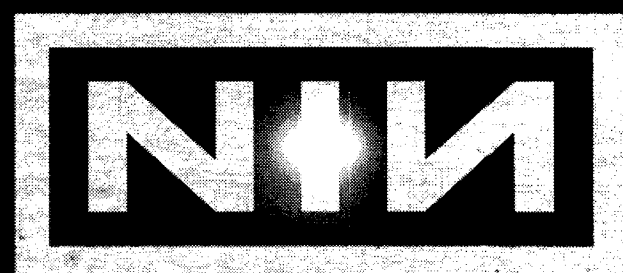
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NFL

Recently unretired Culpepper may start for Lions Sunday

Associated Press

ALLEN PARK, Mich. — The Detroit Lions tried to be coy about how much Daunte Culpepper practiced Wednesday and whether their new quarterback will play just days after signing.

In the locker room, though, it seemed obvious Culpepper is expected to make his Lions debut against the Jacksonville Jaguars.

"We're throwing him in the fire right away," captain Cory Redding said. "I feel like it's something he can handle because he's been in this league long enough. It's like riding a bike."

Coach Rod Marinelli and Culpepper declined to reveal how the first-string snaps were shared between the former star and second-year pro Drew Stanton.

But wide receiver Shaun McDonald provided at least a hint.

"It was pretty even," McDonald said when asked how the repetitions were divided. "Daunte might've had a little bit more."

Culpepper arrived in the Detroit area on Monday, was given a playbook when he signed a two-year deal Tuesday and then practiced the next day for the first time this year.

"I'm like a sponge right now, trying to absorb it all," he said.

Culpepper may make his Detroit debut in haste because Dan Orlovsky's injured right hand is severe enough to be covered by a soft cast and examined by a specialist and the team does not seem to be confident in Stanton.

Orlovsky, who started the previous four games, said he had "no idea" whether he could be ready to play this week.

Stanton hopes to get a chance to play in an NFL game for the first time.

Despite being a second-round pick last year, Stanton might not be get a chance to play for the Lions, whose offensive coordinator said last week he didn't want to embarrass Stanton by putting him in a game because he wasn't ready.

Marinelli said Culpepper looked "solid."

"It's got to play out as the week goes," Marinelli said.

The 31-year-old Culpepper had 10 lackluster starts and 11 appearances in the previous two seasons

for Oakland and Miami. He was a three-time Pro Bowl quarterback in Minnesota before a knee injury stunted his career in 2005.

"Believe it or not, I was contacted a lot since I had retired," Culpepper said.

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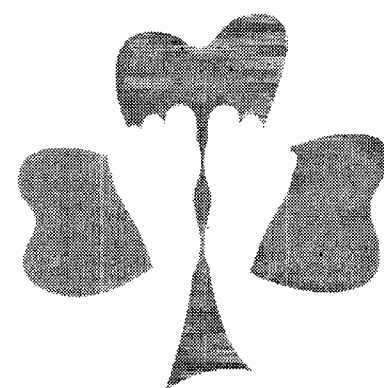
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Lapira

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claimed himself just about fluent at listening to Norwegian but still unable to speak the language.

"It sounds like they're singing when they talk," Lapira said.

The former Irish striker has also had to adapt to a new set of coaches. After four years spent building strong relationships with head coach Clark and assistant coaches Jamie Clark and Chad Riley, Lapira has had his ups and downs gelling with his coaching staff at Nybergssund.

"It has helped me in terms of realizing how biased professional sports can be," Lapira said. "My coach isn't my favorite person in the world, to say the least. It kind of helps you to know that the best player isn't always going to play because you're not the one who makes all the decisions."

But professional soccer in Norway does have its perks. The aforementioned log cabin on the ski mountain — paid for by the club — has put outdoor activities like hiking, fly fishing and skiing at Lapira's doorstep.

In between all those outdoor activities, Lapira has still found time to do plenty of what he does best — scoring goals. Despite playing outside midfield instead of his natural striker position, Lapira has scored eight goals in 32 games, good for third on the club. That type of performance should lead to increased interest in Lapira

when his contract ends this month, although the former Notre Dame striker said he isn't concerned with that at the moment.

"I have an agent, and I think some stuff has come up, but I've told him that I don't want to worry about that until the time is closer," Lapira said. "I like to worry about what's going on right now like getting my fitness up."

But such words don't mean Lapira isn't interested in exploring new opportunities once the time is right. With the professed ultimate goal of playing in the English Premier League, Lapira recognizes that a few intermediate steps may still lie ahead. Lapira said that signing with a first-division Scandinavian team or non-EPL team in Great Britain are more realistic immediate goals.

But Lapira is confident, or more accurately, he said he knows he needs to be confident he will fulfill his goals if he wants to eventually compete against the likes of Liverpool, Chelsea and Manchester United.

"Fitness, patience, and confidence," Lapira said when asked what the defining characteristics of a first-class footballer are. "Confidence is the most important of the three. Confidence can turn a bad player into a good player and a good player into a great player. If I can get my confidence under control as well as my fitness, I think I'll be well on my way to achieving my goals."

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Gannon

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ease her way into the game before tip-off, but she forced a turnover just eight seconds into her college career.

The entire Irish defense played in midseason form, holding Gannon to only 11-for-49 shooting (22.4 percent), while forcing 46 turnovers — 29 off of steals. In fact, only forward Erica Solomon failed to grab a steal. Instead, the 6-foot-2 freshman had four blocks.

Solomon's most impressive stretch came in the second half, when Lady Knights guard Abby Bunstine launched a seemingly wide-open 3-pointer from the right corner, only to have Solomon run from the post to swat it out of bounds.

"She was really altering shots. The one she didn't block, I think she changed," McGraw said. "For her to run out there — and that wasn't even her job, she wasn't supposed to go out there — that was just a heads-up play. She saw that she was wide open and went out to help out and did a great job."

Solomon was filling in the middle for forward Devereaux Peters, who had to sit out Wednesday's game because she missed a tutoring session.

The one low point for the Irish against Gannon was their scoring. Even though Notre Dame did drop 96 on the Lady Knights, the team shot only 46.8 percent (37-for-79) from the floor and 58.8 percent (20-for-34) from the free-throw line during the game. The free-throw shooting was particularly unnerving, McGraw said, especially because last year's Notre Dame team shot 75.8 percent from the charity stripe.

McGraw said executing the offense will be a point of emphasis during upcoming practices this week.

"I thought we did a good job running the floor, but we didn't really

run a lot of [plays]," McGraw said.

One reason the Irish could not run their set offense was because they were almost constantly in a fast-paced offense. Notre Dame managed 56 points off turnovers — including 18 in the fast break.

The fast break was mainly successful because of Notre Dame's depth. Freshman guard Fraderica Miller played the least amount of time but still notched 13 minutes of game time and added five points and three steals to the Irish effort.

"I think it puts pressure on the defense when you can keep running fresh bodies in and out of the game," McGraw said. "I thought the pace of the game was very fast because I thought we were pretty well-rested most of the time."

Starting point guard Melissa Lechlitrer could not run the Irish offense early in the contest after committing two fouls in the first four minutes, landing her on the bench for the rest of the first half.

"Nothing you can really do about [the fouls]. The refs make the calls and you just gotta take them and head to the bench," Lechlitrer said.

But the junior found her minutes in the second half, and scored 13 points and had three assists without a turnover.

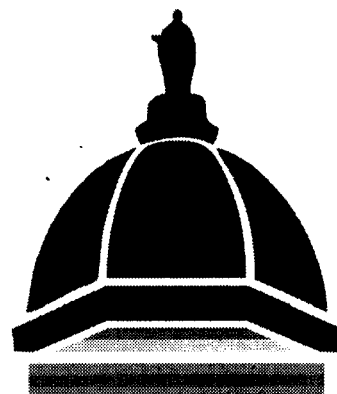
McGraw said she was pleased with Lechlitrer's performance in the second half.

"I thought the second half is what you're going to see from Lech all year long," McGraw said. "I thought she just played great. She made good decisions, she took great shots, she performed well, she defended well, she ran the team. She did absolutely everything she needs to do for us to be successful this year."

Notes:

♦Skylar Diggins, a five-star recruit from Washington High School in South Bend, attended the Gannon game. Diggins took her official visit to Notre Dame last weekend.

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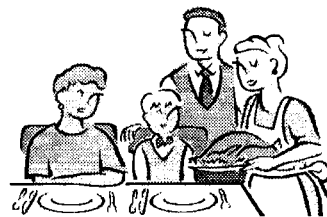
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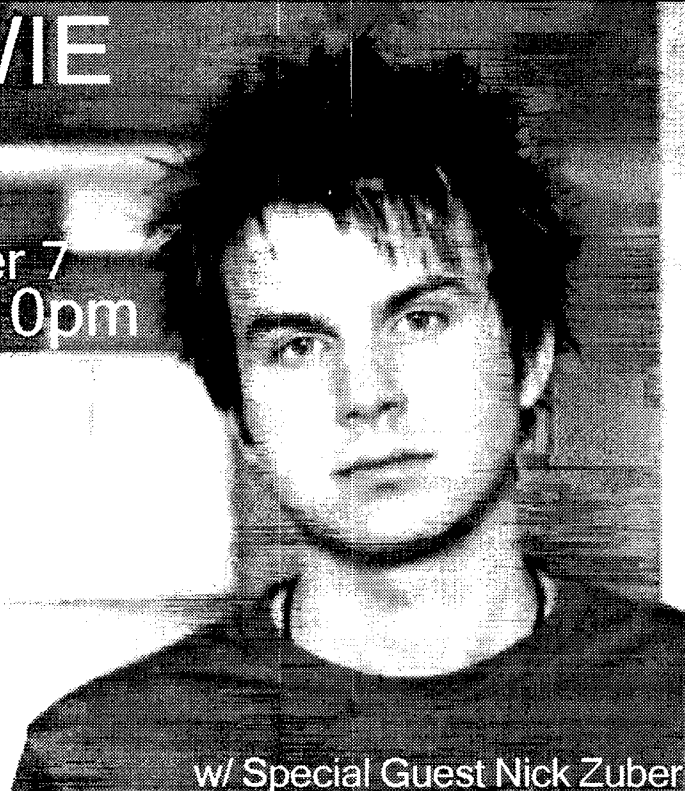
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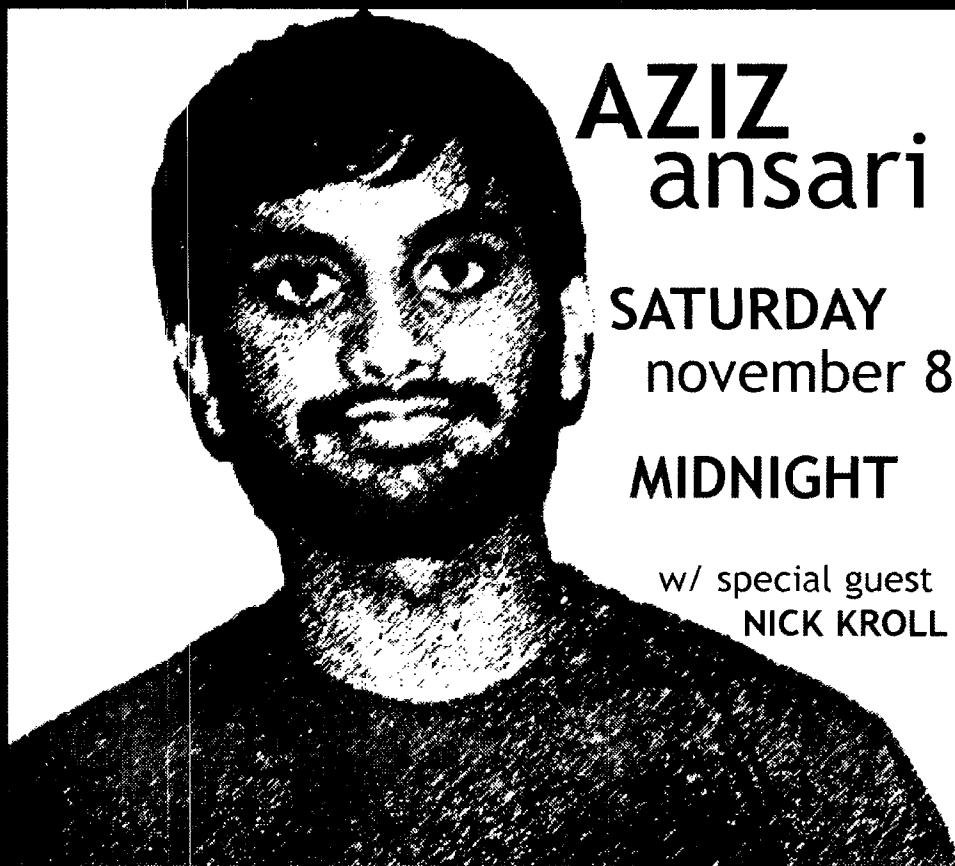
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Helgeson

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slots. The best thing about this appearance is the opportunity to play some of the country's best players, thus securing a strong national ranking, increasing his NCAA status."

Helgeson is coming off a run to the quarterfinals in the ITA Midwest Regional event that was held in Columbus, Ohio on Oct. 17-19. Helgeson lost to a German player from Wisconsin named Marek Michalika.

Helgeson was ranked No. 25 in the national preseason rankings.

"I think Brett had a very strong showing at regionals," Bayliss said. "He reached the quarters against a very strong field, losing to a red-hot German player from Wisconsin. He demonstrated poise beyond what he had shown a year ago and is finding more ways to get to the net and put pressure on his opponents."

Among the teams that will be at the William and Mary Invitational are Maryland, William and Mary and the College of Charleston.

The Irish again will turn to a team of young talent to lead them and prove that they are a squad to be reckoned with.

"We are making progress this fall," Bayliss said. "Our youth is pretty scary, but at times we look like we will be pretty good. There is a chance that all of our starters except Brett will be freshmen and sophomores."

Bayliss also said that with the team's youth comes enthusiasm and the willingness to exert maximum effort in every practice.

Notre Dame will rely heavily on young leadership from sophomores Tyler Davis and Dan Stahl with some help from David Anderson, Bayliss said.

Stephen Havens, last season's No. 4 singles player, will be relied upon to get some upper lineup wins this season.

Sophomore Matt Johnson will also be a force in both singles and doubles, Bayliss said. Sean Tan will also travel with the team to Williamsburg this weekend.

"Our freshmen have been quite good, if somewhat inconsistent," Bayliss said. "Sometimes the best thing about freshman is they become sophomores, but this group can be really good if they buy in. Casey Watt is a real shot-maker who needs only to improve his volleys and become more consistent. Niall Fitzgerald needs to believe in himself more at crunch time and firm up his backhand. Sam Keeton has been practicing without being able to use his best shot — a two-handed back hand — because his right wrist has been broken."

All of those players will be important if the Irish are to have success this season, and in the spring. After the William and Mary Invitational, the team will take a break until they face Pepperdine on Jan. 16.

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Sophs

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Amywren Miller, backstroker Lauren Parisi, butterflyer Katie Casey and diver Heidi Grossman took two individual events each.

Coming into the season, the sophomores had increased expectations in a program in transition. Of the three swimmers that Notre Dame sent to the NCAA championship, two of them — Maxwell and Miller — came from the sophomore class.

Sylvester said her class' success can be partly attributed to practices under first-year coach Brian Barnes.

"We have a new coach this year and our entire team is just overall thrilled with the decision to have him coach here," Sylvester said. "The

program is a lot different than it has been in the past, and the practices are a lot more challenging than they were last year. Everyone has really

stepped up to the challenge and just accepted that it's going to be hard, even out of the pool. Practices seem to be going really well this early in

the season and we have already seen some personal best times."

With a year of experience under their belts, the Irish sophomores feel comfortable and confident about the upcoming season. Furthermore, the Irish sophomores share a strong bond with each other that helps them to succeed along with their other teammates.

"I know I can speak for the whole team, and I can definitely say it for the sophomore class, but we do not like to lose whether it be as a team or in our individual

aces," Sylvester said. "We are a really competitive class and team overall."

Although the season is young, the team has high aspirations. For starters, Notre Dame looks to extend its 12-year Big East title streak. In addition, they will try to increase the number of qualifiers they send to the NCAA Championship. It is clear that, like their counterparts who line up on Saturdays in Notre Dame Stadium, any success that the Irish women have this season will greatly depend on contributions from their talented sophomore class.

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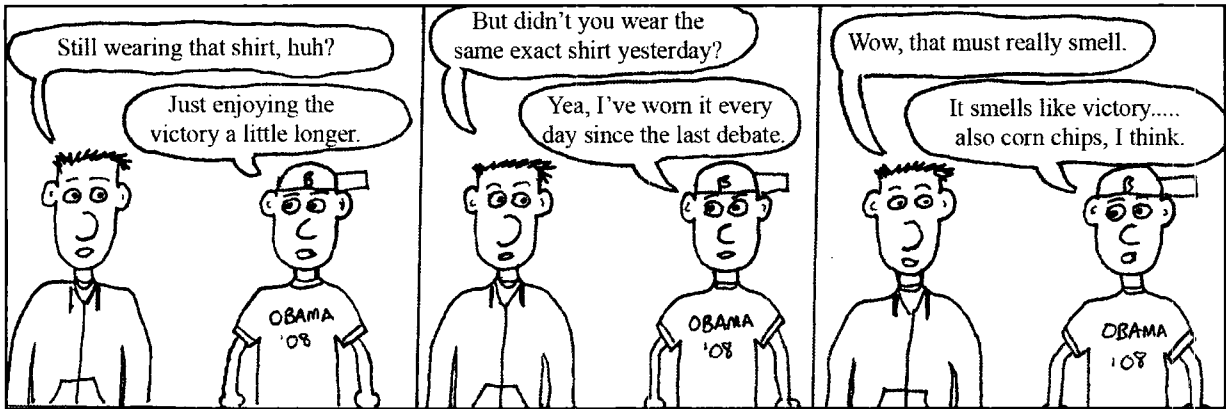
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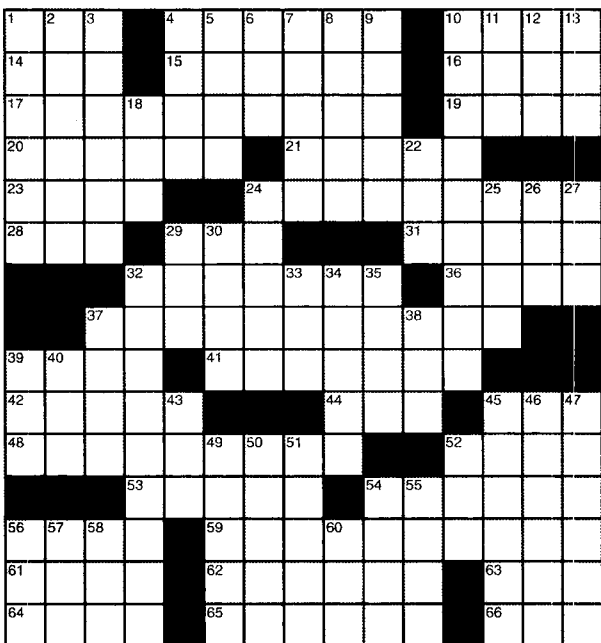
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- 14 Org. that publishes health studies
- 15 Butt in
- 16 One who may be caught off base?
- 17 Food transportation ... that Harry Belafonte sang about
- 19 Place for a footballer's pad
- 20 Indiana and Ohio are in it
- 21 Play ice hockey
- 23 Charles Lamb, pseudonymously
- 24 ... that's an ambulance, in slang
- 28 It ends in the fall: Abbr.
- 29 Shade of green
- 31 Helpful
- 32 Symbol of love
- 36 "Sometimes you feel like ____"
- 37 ... that a rube might fall off
- 39 Al Jazeera viewer, typically
- 41 He danced in "Silk Stockings"
- 42 Put on the payroll
- 44 Stimp's cartoon pal
- 45 Org. for drivers?
- 48 ... that may be upset
- 52 Place to load and unload
- 53 R & B singer Mary J. ____
- 54 Sen. Feinstein
- 56 Pork chop?
- 59 ... that's a source of easy money
- Down**
- 1 Poked
- 2 Communicates with online
- 3 "Phooey!"
- 4 Trig function
- 5 Tax cheat chaser, informally
- 6 Alert for a fleeing prisoner, in brief
- 7 Bullwinkle, e.g.
- 8 Japanese city whose name means "large hill"
- 9 Go after
- 10 Stick out one's tongue, maybe
- 11 Hold title to
- 12 Coffee, slangily
- 13 Corrida cheer
- 18 One ____ time
- 22 Afternoon hour
- 24 Home run hero of '61
- 25 Icky stuff
- 26 Home of the Cowboys: Abbr.
- 27 New Jersey cager
- 29 Part of r.p.m.
- 30 Novelist Ferber
- 32 Mingle (with)
- 33 Make a choice



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- 35 Keystone State port
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- 38 Caterer's coffee holder
- 39 "So it's you!"
- 40 Boot Hill letters
- 43 Actor Benicio ____ Toro
- 45 Party animal?
- 46 Wish offerers
- 47 Soccer venues
- 49 Prop for Groucho Marx
- 50 See eye to eye
- 51 Plays parent to
- 52 72, at Augusta
- 54 Turned blue, maybe
- 55 "____ deal!"
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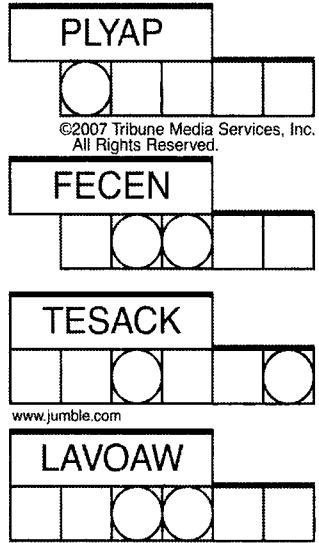
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ND WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Tipping off

Irish secure win in first exhibition game

By JAY FITZPATRICK
Managing Editor

If freshman guard Natalie Novosel and the rest of the Irish had any opening game jitters, they sure had a funny way of showing it.

Every Notre Dame player who played registered at least five points during the team's 96-30 exhibition win over Div. II Gannon Wednesday night.

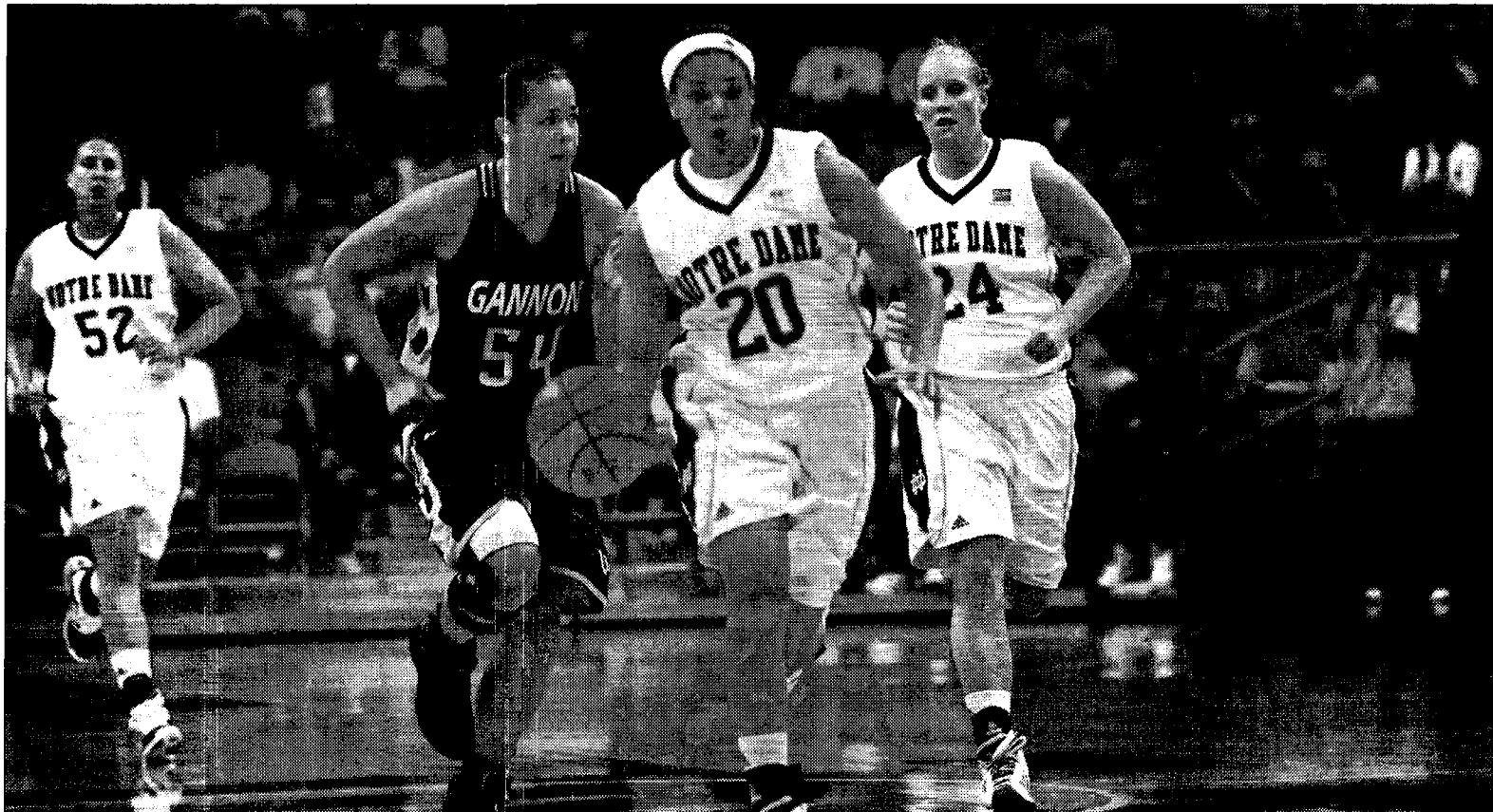
"It is a really great opportunity, mostly for the freshmen, just to get in front of a crowd with the uniform on," McGraw said. "I like these games because we get that jitters out. That's probably the best part of it."

Novosel was one of four freshmen who made their debuts during the win.

"I was really anxious just to get out there and then once I get out there not to go in there and try to do everything at once," she said.

Novosel might have wanted to

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CASEY CARNEY/The Observer

Irish junior forward Ashley Barlow dribbles upcourt during Notre Dame's 96-30 win over Gannon in the team's exhibition opener at the Joyce Center Wednesday night. Every Irish player notched at least five points in the victory.

MEN'S SOCCER

ND grad Lapira adjusts to playing in Norway

By GREG ARBOGAST
Sports Writer

Settled in a log cabin on the top of a ski mountain surrounded by woods, rivers and bears, one might say that Louisiana native Joseph Lapira is a long way from home.

About 4,000 miles to be more specific.

After three record-setting seasons at Notre Dame that included winning the program's first-ever Hermann Trophy in 2006, Lapira opted for the fjords of

Norway over the fertile plains of America and Major League Soccer (MLS). Tagged as a top prospect for the MLS Superdraft, Lapira was put off by the MLS requirement that all players must sign at least a four-year contract.

"If you ask any player in the States if they want to play in MLS or Europe, they'd say Europe because that's the center of football," Lapira said. "I didn't want to wait four years for a chance to come overseas."

With that reasoning, Lapira was off to the other side of the

pond by last January — although Norway wasn't the original destination. Initially, Lapira received trials from several squads in Great Britain including Southampton and Nottingham Forest of the English Championship League. Lapira also got a look from Scotland's Aberdeen, who current Irish coach Bobby Clark played for from 1965-1982 while winning the 1980 Premier League Championship.

Lapira failed to receive a contract offer before the end of January, which marked the end

of the transfer window for the British leagues. Consequently, if Lapira had signed a contract with a team in Great Britain, he would have been unable to play until the following season.

"My first few trials I wasn't in the best shape, and that might have cost me a few opportunities," Lapira said. "[After the Great Britain transfer window closed], the Scandinavian transfer window was still open, and that was ideal for me because I didn't want to be without game experience for several months."

A few weeks later, Lapira signed a one-year contract with Nybergsund of the Norwegian second division. Setting foot in Scandinavia for the first time, Lapira began his journey of European football and all that comes with it — culturally and from a footballing perspective.

Surrounded by new teammates and coaches who all speak an unfamiliar language, Lapira has made great efforts to improve his Norwegian. Hard at work since March, Lapira pro-

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WOMEN'S SWIMMING AND DIVING

Talented sophomores pace squad in meets

By MIKE GOTIMER
Sports Writer

Most Notre Dame students would probably agree that Notre Dame football's sophomore class, featuring such playmakers as Jimmy Clausen and Golden Tate, is integral to the team's success on the gridiron.

For Notre Dame's women's swimming and diving team, the story is no different. The sophomore class has had a profound impact on Notre Dame's early-season success.

The No. 24 Irish head into this weekend's meet against

Purdue with an undefeated home record and they have not lost any of their 28 races at the Rolf's Aquatic Center. Of the 14 individual events the team won against Pittsburgh last weekend, all but one of them were won by a Notre Dame's sophomore.

The 13 wins for the Irish sophomores against Pittsburgh were split amongst six different swimmers. Breastroker and individual medley swimmer Samantha Maxwell won three individual events while distance freestyler Lauren Sylvester, sprint freestyler

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MEN'S TENNIS

Team heads to William and Mary

By KATE GRABAREK
Sports Writer

Senior Brett Helgeson will travel to Charlottesville, Va., to compete in the ITA National Indoors this weekend, while the rest of the team will compete in the William and Mary Invitational in Williamsburg.

"We are involved in two events this weekend," Irish coach Bobby Bayliss said. "Brett Helgeson was able to get into the ITA National Indoors in Charlottesville. This is an elite event limited to the top 32 players in the country and Brett secured one of only six at-large

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Irish sophomore Stephen Havens attempts a forehand during the Tom Fallon Invitational on Oct. 11.