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Students, community representatives discuss safety

Two groups meet at Robinson Community Learning Center to brainstorm crime prevention ideas, ways to raise awareness

By KATIE PERALTA
Assistant News Editor

Crime prevention and student safety are not the most lighthearted topics to bond over, but the Notre Dame and South Bend communities have recently strengthened their relationship through an agreement on the need for safety awareness, especially in the Northeast neighborhoods where many of the University's off-campus students reside.

Representatives from the two communities convened Wednesday night at the Robinson Community Learning Center to discuss

crime in the area as well as promote awareness about safety in South Bend's neighborhoods.

"[Safety] unites students and community members," student body president Grant Schmidt said. "There is no surrounding hostility. It's a bonding element."

Schmidt said the discussion about safety is not hostile because it avoids concerns about off-campus parties and other complaints targeting students.

"This is the true definition of collaboration," he said.

City and county law enforcement agents at the meeting addressed specific off-campus safety and crime

prevention measures, especially neighborhood watches.

"Even though you're students ... [you should] still take the time to get to know your neighbors," Corporal Pat Hechlin said.

He added that students should be careful not to "advertise what you have" by leaving electronics in car passenger seats in easy view of burglars.

If students see suspicious activity, Hechlin said, they should call the police immediately. He emphasized it is the job of the police to determine what constitutes a

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PAT COVENEY/The Observer

Members of the Notre Dame and South Bend community discuss safety at the Robison Community Learning Center Wednesday.

Native American dancers will perform at SMC

By CAITLIN HOUSLEY
News Writer

The sounds of American Indian traditions will fill the air tonight in O'Laughlin Auditorium at Saint Mary's College, as The Kevin Locke Native Dance Ensemble will be performing on campus at 7:30 p.m.

The program will consist of a mix of American Indian traditions such as dance, song and sign language and will include spots for audience interaction.

According to the Moreau Center's Arts & Ideas 2009 Fall Season pamphlet, the group will present narratives from "the Plains nations of the Lakota,

Anishinabe, and Comanche, the Southeastern tribe Choctaw, and the Woodlands Nations of Ojibwe and Oneida."

The goal of the ensemble is to allow the audience to "discover how we can draw from our individual heritages to create a vibrant, evolving, global civilization embracing and celebrating our collective heritage," according to the pamphlet.

The event is sponsored by the Office of Multicultural Services and Student Programs at Saint Mary's and the National Endowment for the Arts, and is open to the public. Tickets cost \$12 for adults, \$10 for senior citizens, \$8 for faculty and staff

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Symposium to take place tonight

Undergraduates will present research in Jordan Hall of Science

By LIZ O'DONNELL
News Writer

The coordinators of the Fall Undergraduate Research Symposium (FURS) hope to overcome the perception of Notre Dame students' inferiority at intellectual discussion when students, faculty and staff gather in the Jordan Hall of Science tonight for presentations of student research projects.

Charley Spear, one of the student coordinators of FURS, said they have been working for more than two months to put tonight's event together.

"This is an opportunity for undergrads at Notre Dame

to showcase research they completed over the summer or past semester and to give people a chance to see what's out there, as well as find out where people got their grant money and internships," he said.

Senior Melissa Harintho, another student coordinator, said it would be the most extensive FURS to date. This year's event combines the traditional FURS program with the Undergraduate Research Internship Information Night (UGRIIN), which normally occurs on a separate date, she said.

"Tonight hundreds of students will fill Jordan Hall to participate in an event highlighting undergraduate research in two oral

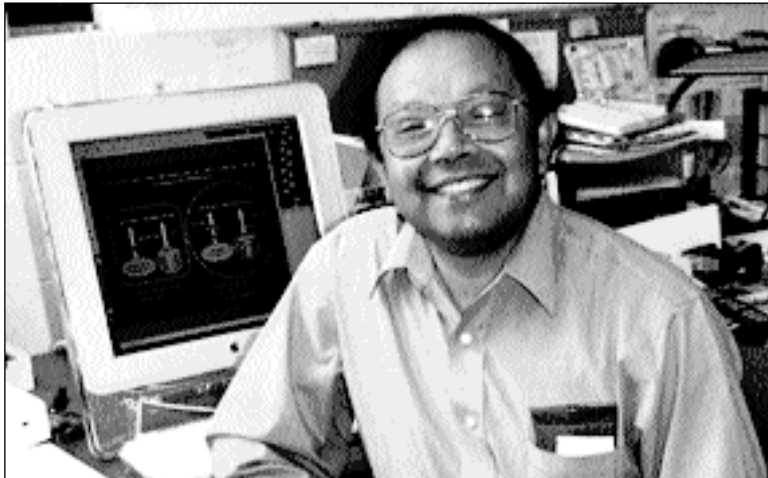
PowerPoint-style presentations and a Jimmy John's sponsored poster session in the Jordan Galleria," Harintho said.

In the Jordan Galleria, the Center for Undergraduate Scholarly Engagement and Scientia, the College of Science's undergraduate research journal, will be hosting informational booths for students, she said.

In addition, Harintho said two information sessions, hosted by the Department of Biological Sciences and by Notre Dame's American Chemical Society chapter, will also take place this evening to discuss summer

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ND prof. discovers new cancer killing agents



MOLLY MADDEN/The Observer

Chemistry and biochemistry professor Subhash Basu poses in his office Wednesday.

By MOLLY MADDEN
News Writer

A University professor has recently discovered certain chemicals that can kill cancer cells and potentially be used in a new generation of anti-cancer drugs.

Emeritus Professor of Chemistry and Biochemistry Subhash Basu recently announced his findings based on 10 years of research with almost 20 collaborators. During the past decade, Basu and his associates, including Dr. Rui Ma, Dr. Patrick Boyle and his wife, Dr. Manju Basu, have reported that apoptotic agents such as

Tamoxifen and Melphalan will initiate apoptosis, or programmed cell death, in metastatic breast and colon cancer cells.

"Cancer cells are unlike normal cells in that they don't want to die," Basu said. "A normal cell goes through a process that ranges from 'A' to 'Z' with the 'Z' being death, but cancer cells obviously never hit 'Z.' We found these apoptotic agents start this 'A' to 'Z' path so we discovered that they can be used to kill cancer cells."

Basu said he and his associates place the apoptotic agents into a liposome, which is composed of conjugated nanoparticles made of gold, iron oxide or cadmium sulfide, resulting in the

creation of a "Magic Bullet" that can target several types of cancer cells.

Basu believes the combination of the apoptotic agents with a liposome is a breakthrough in the field of anti-cancer drugs.

"When we administer anti-cancer drugs to patients we have to give them in high doses that kill normal cells as well as cancer cells," he said. "With the apoptotic agents we would deliver them in a hundred times lower level."

On Oct. 22, Basu gave a talk at the seventh International Drug Discovery Science and Technology Symposium held in

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INSIDE COLUMN

My Yankee romance

Remember, remember the fourth of November. The 27th title New York brought. I know of no reason why the 27th victorious season should ever be forgot.

I will forever remember tonight. And I don't care how many times you tell me the Yankees had won 26 times already, four times in my lifetime. This one is different, for me.



Douglas Farmer
Assistant Sports Editor

For you see, you can fall in love 20 times, but you'll never care about anyone in quite the same way you cared about your first girlfriend, the undoubtedly nauseating PDA and all. And for sports fans, true sports fans, winning a title after a prolonged wait is like falling for that first girlfriend.

I know, nine years hardly counts as a prolonged wait, but you have to realize, I turned 11 the day of the third game in 2000, a game the Yankees lost. I was a Yankees fan, have been since early 1996, but hadn't yet allowed myself to be gripped by sports. I was 11, I didn't take anything in life seriously.

In 2003 I was beginning to realize the place sports held in my life, and I watched the Yankees fall to Josh Beckett and the Marlins. Honestly, it didn't bother me all that much.

In 2004, a postseason I don't talk about much, I was almost 15. And sports, the Yankees, had started to grip me in a unique way. The impossible happened, the Yankees blew a 3-0 series lead to, the, ugh, Red Sox. I was crushed.

And since then, I have never had a chance to fall for my first girlfriend, but I have waited, somewhat patiently. I always took solace knowing that when the peak came, the valleys would be more meaningful to me.

As much as I cringe at the remembrance of the 2004 World Series, I vividly remember how my Red Sox fan of a father treated the closing moments. They hadn't won in 86 years. He refused to accept the possibility of a title until Doug Mientkiewicz had closed his glove around the ball, the third out of the ninth inning. At which point tears dropped down his cheeks as he called my Red Sox fan of a brother in joy. Had the, ugh, Red Sox won the Series his whole life, my father would never had that moment of euphoria, instead simply many moments of happiness.

This Word Series title, the 27th in Yankees history, on the fourth of November, to me, will always be my first real title after a prolonged wait. I have waited for the Yankees to win this Series nearly half my life, and throughout all of my time as an avid sports fan.

This is the team that I fell for like I fell for my first girlfriend sophomore year of high school. I don't care if they were supposedly bought or cheated. I can rationalize any of it. They got me my title, on the fourth of November.

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CORRECTIONS

An article in the Nov. 4 edition of The Observer titled "ND grad elected Gov. of VA" stated only three University alumni have previously served as U.S. governors. In addition to those listed, Pedro Rossello, a 1966 graduate, served as governor of Puerto Rico, a U.S. territory, from 1993 to 2001.

The Observer regrets the omission.

Also, the Quote of the Day from the Nov. 4 edition was misattributed to Isaac Asimov. The quote was said by George Carlin. The Observer regrets this error.

QUESTION OF THE DAY: WHAT IS THE PRETTIEST PART OF CAMPUS?



Rachel Chisausky
freshman McGlinn

"The Leprechaun's calves."



Chris Whelan
freshman Zahm

"Zahm House."



Tim Reidy
senior off campus

"The Grotto covered in snow with a beautiful woman."



Laura Bodien
senior McGlinn

"The Grotto covered in snow with Tim Reidy."



Richard Dominquez
sophomore Carroll

"All those lovely sculptures we have."

Have an idea for Question of the Day? E-mail observer.questions@gmail.com



QUENTIN STENGER/The Observer

Students walking through the Great Hall of O'Shaughnessy observe the exhibit of abstract sculptures on Wednesday. The sculptures appeared over the weekend.

OFFBEAT

Man says image of Jesus appears on truck window

JOHNSON CITY, Tenn. — Jim Stevens said he's not particularly religious and is clueless about why an image resembling Jesus Christ keeps appearing on his pickup. Stevens, of Jonesborough, said nearly every morning, an image that looks to him like the face of Jesus Christ has appeared in the condensation on the driver's side window of his Isuzu truck. A Johnson City Press photo of the truck showed a facial image.

Stevens said when he first saw the image, he figured it would evaporate and not

return. But it kept reappearing for two weeks now.

Stevens said folks at the grocery store he goes to were amazed to see the image.

He said he isn't going to wash the truck for a while.

Man appears alive at own funeral in Brazil

RIO DE JANEIRO — A Brazilian bricklayer reportedly killed in a car crash shocked his mourning family by showing up alive at his funeral.

Relatives of Ademir Jorge Goncalves, 59, had identified him as the victim of a Sunday night car crash in Parana state in southern Brazil,

police said.

As is customary in Brazil, the funeral was held the following day, which happened to be the holiday of Finados, when Brazilians visit cemeteries to honor the dead.

What family members didn't know was that Goncalves had spent the night at a truck stop talking with friends over drinks of a sugarcane liquor known as cachaca, his niece Rosa Sampaio told the O Globo newspaper. He did not get word about his own funeral until it was already happening Monday morning.

Information compiled from the Associated Press.

IN BRIEF

The College of Science is hosting its Fall Undergraduate Research Symposium today at 6 p.m. in the Jordan Hall of Science. There will also be information sessions hosted by the Career Center, the Center for Undergraduate Scholarly Engagement, and the Biology Club and Notre Dame American Chemical Society.

The Higgins Labor Studies Program is hosting a workshop on "Labor, The World Social Forum, Global Solidarity & Justice" Friday at noon in the Hesburgh Center. Peter Waterman from The Global Labour Charter Project will be speaking.

The men's basketball team will play Quincy Friday in an exhibition game at 7:30 p.m. at the Purcell Pavillion at the Joyce Center. Ticket information is available by calling 574-631-7356.

The Notre Dame Glee Club will host its Alumni Reunion Concert Friday at 8 p.m. with several hundred of its alumni at the Leighton Concert Hall of the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center. Tickets are \$3 for students.

The film "Strong Bodies Fight: Rough Cut" will be shown on Friday at the Browning Cinema at the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center at 9:30 p.m. The film examines the Bengal Bouts boxing club and its partnership with the Holy Cross Mission in Bangladesh. Tickets are \$3 for students and are available at performingarts.nd.edu.

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

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Theology professor discusses immigration

By MEGHAN PRICE
News Writer

Father Daniel Groody, Professor of theology at Notre Dame, discussed the theological dimensions of immigration during a lecture on “Crossing the Divide: Foundations of a Theology of Migrations” Wednesday hosted by the Saint Mary’s Department of Social Work.

“The issue of immigration is often thought of in terms of anthropology, sociology, economy and political science,” Groody said. “But it also has to do with theology, which is the one we are least aware of.”

Groody has experience working with immigrants through the parishes where he has conducted research in such places as Morocco, Slovakia, Ukraine and Mexico.

Groody shared the stories of immigrants he has known. He stressed the need to view the experiences of these people through a theological lens and to treat them according to Christian values.

Groody said he did not deny the need for border restrictions and regulations, but he did condemn the treatment of immigrants as less than human.

“After all, if we look back at our own origins, we all have

immigrant roots,” he said.

In his research, Groody has worked with people on each side of the debate. He explained one side is concerned about order and the security of citizens and the other side worried about the humanitarian plight of immigrants. He said both sides have valid arguments.

“It helps to understand and see the positives in other people’s viewpoints, even those you most disagree with,” Groody said.

Groody discussed the idea that immigration is a natural part of life for human beings. He said it is embedded in the Christian faith and gave evidence for this from the Bible. He discussed immigration in the time of Abraham, Moses, and even in the life of Jesus.

“The talk was very informative” Alexis Sontag, a Saint Mary’s junior, said. “I thought it was a very interesting — a new idea, the connection between something as political as immigration and theology.”

Groody’s research can be found in various books and articles in numerous languages. He has also produced several films including “Dying to Live: An Immigrant’s Journey.”

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and \$5 for students and children.

“The Cultural Affairs Committee and I chose the event because it looked like a powerful, compelling way to experience the visual impact of Native American Dance,” Richard Baxter, director of special events at Saint Mary’s College, said. “Our Performing Arts Series tries to present a diverse offering of disciplines and styles to the Moreau Center.”

He also noted this event was quite timely because Kevin

Locke, the head of the ensemble, was recently nominated for three Grammy awards. The Grammy’s, or “The Native American Music Awards,” honor those who have shown great achievement in the Native American arts. Locke has been

nominated for best artist, best flutist and best record.

“We are honored to have his company at Saint Mary’s,” Baxter said.

Students and faculty expressed excitement about the event as well.

“It’s nice to catch a glimpse

into the traditions of another culture,” Saint Mary’s sophomore, Lauren Metayer, said.

“I’m totally excited to go, not just because it seems fun, but also because I will get to see and learn about a different culture I’m interested in learning about,” Eva

Cavadini, a Saint Mary’s sophomore majoring in Theatre and Music, said. “Diversity is a beautiful thing and it’s wonderful that Saint Mary’s is offering us this experience.”

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crime, not the civilian’s.

He said potential burglars take note of a police officer responding to a call and driving through the neighborhood.

“People send a message that they are not scared to call the police,” he said.

He also emphasized the need to take necessary precautions within the home.

“You also might have to go through your landlord to ask for an alarm system, dead bolts on doors and other safety measures,” he said.

Tim Sexton, associate vice president of Public Affairs at the University, introduced the Northeast Neighborhood Council (NNC), composed of South Bend residents and Notre Dame representatives, as a group that collaborates on safety issues affecting their area.

He invited students to come forward with their concerns about off-campus safety.

“We want you to call us,” he said. “Give us ideas and suggestions. We all have to be a part of this effort.”

Sexton said involvement in efforts like the NNC has never been so high, but they are just the beginning.

“It’s time. All of these

folks are committing,” he said.

Sexton emphasized the need for students to speak up because living off campus comes not only with more freedom, but also more responsibility for personal safety.

Since taking office, Schmidt, along with student body vice president Cynthia Weber, have made off-campus issues and community relations a focal point.

“Off-campus students are still Notre Dame students,” Schmidt said. “There are about 1,500 students living off campus, and their issues are just as relevant.”

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research opportunities.

Biology professor Mark Olsen, who worked extensively with the UGRIN program, said the opportunity for undergraduate students to attend tonight’s event is something they should make the most of.

“We are trying to draw students as much as possible because the opportunities with this are fantastic,” he said. “It’s one thing to hear about the opportunity from a professor, but it is another to hear about it from a peer.”

Harintho agreed with Olsen that the opportunities at this event are not only a good way to prepare students for academic futures, but also a way for students to demonstrate their intellectual capa-

bilities.

“It may take time for the majority of the student body to acknowledge what many Notre Dame faculty regularly discuss and what other institutions already know — that

Notre Dame still has a ways to go in enhancing its current intellectual reputation,” Harintho said.

“Nevertheless, those who seek to be a part of meeting this challenge can begin to do so by actively engaging in intellectual discussion outside the classroom, forming true friendships and mentorships with their professors, and most importantly taking the personal responsibility of challenging ideas and concepts on their own — whether it be through research, organizing a conference or simply recording a journal of thoughts,” she continued.

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Shanghai, China. Basu said the reaction from China was positive.

“They were pleased with my findings but they asked a lot of questions too,” he said. “They wanted to know how stable the liposomes are and how we can direct the different agents to the different cancer cells. I had to give them a bit of a plan.”

Basu said this plan included continuing his research for at least the next five years.

“We need to definitely establish that the different anti-bodies in the ‘bullet’ go to the different cancer cells,” he said. “We need to make sure that the proper one goes to the liver, colon and breast; finding this information will take years.”

In addition to his recent talk

in Shanghai, Basu is slated to give a Plenary lecture at the 20th International Glycoconjugate Meeting in San Juan, Puerto Rico, on Dec. 2 and he has been invited to speak on his recent findings at an international symposium held in Mumbai, India, on Feb. 6.

Basu said the purpose of these talks is to make the scientific community aware of his findings as well as to seek funding for his research.

“You don’t get invited to speak unless they think the work you’re doing is important,” he said. “The talks I give are meant to bring greater notoriety to the work I’m doing

and we can receive more funding from pharmaceutical companies.”

Basu said he is always proud to report that he receives his funding from outside sources.

“In almost 39 years on campus, I have yet to take a penny from the University,” he said.

“In that time, I’ve raised five or six million dollars in support of my research.”

He gained \$1.5 million of that sum came when he received the Jacob Javits Research Award from the Neurological Disease and Stroke Institute in 1990. During that time, Basu also worked with internationally recognized cancer biologist Professor Morris Pollard who has been at Notre Dame for more than five decades. Basu said he plans to use Pollard’s cancer research in the initial phases of testing the delivery of the apoptotic compounds by different targeting systems.

Although there are still many years of additional research ahead of him, Basu said he is confident in his work and hopes that bringing more awareness to his findings will prompt further research by others.

“When I give talks I am trying to bring notoriety to what I’m doing and to also convince people that these apoptotic agents can be used as a drug,” he said. Hopefully, this will encourage them to do their own research based on my findings.”

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AARP endorses House health care legislation

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — In a coup for House Democrats, AARP will endorse sweeping health care overhaul legislation headed for a history-making floor vote, officials told The Associated Press on Wednesday.

An endorsement from the seniors' lobby was critical when then-President George W. Bush pushed the Medicare prescription drug benefit through a closely divided Congress in 2003. House Democratic leaders are hoping it will work the same political magic for them as they strive to deliver on President Barack Obama's signature issue.

An announcement from the 40-million member group is expected Thursday, said officials with knowledge of the group's decision. They spoke on condition of anonymity because the endorsement is not official yet.

Backing the 10-year, \$1.2 trillion House bill is a tricky move for AARP. Many retirees are concerned about cuts in Medicare payments to medical providers, which will be used to finance an expansion of health insurance coverage to millions of working families who now lack it. Also, AARP says its membership is about evenly divided among Democrats, Republicans and independents, meaning its endorsement in today's highly politicized atmos-

phere could anger many members.

Floor votes on the House bill could come as early as this weekend. Obama planned to visit the Capitol on Friday, according to congressional officials. They spoke on condition of anonymity because the meetings have not been announced.

Meanwhile, the Congressional Budget Office released an analysis of the House GOP bill that found it would reduce the number of uninsured by just 3 million in 2019. By comparison, the more expansive Democratic bill would gain coverage for 36 million.

While the Democrats' bill would cover 96 percent of eligible Americans, the Republican alternative would cover 83 percent — roughly comparable to current levels. The budget office said the Republican plan would reduce federal deficits by \$68 billion over the 10 year period and push down premiums for privately insured people.

House Democratic leaders moved on Wednesday to shore up support for the measure among their rank-and-file, even as they sharpened their fight with the health insurance industry.

Asked Wednesday if Democratic leaders had the 218 votes needed for passage, House Majority Leader Steny Hoyer, D-Md., responded: "We're counting. We're counting."

Winner in space elevator contest

Associated Press

EDWARDS AIR FORCE BASE — A robot powered by a ground-based laser beam climbed a long cable dangling from a helicopter on Wednesday to qualify for prize money in a \$2 million competition to test the potential reality of the science fiction concept of space elevators.

The highly technical contest brought teams from Missouri, Alaska and Seattle to Rogers Dry Lake in the Mojave Desert, most familiar to the public as a space shuttle landing site.

The contest requires their machines to climb 2,953 feet (nearly 1 kilometer) up a cable slung beneath a helicopter hovering nearly a mile high.

LaserMotive's vehicle zipped up to the top in just over four minutes and immediately repeated the feat, qualifying for at least a \$900,000 second-place prize.

The device, a square of photo voltaic panels about 2 feet by 2 feet and topped by a motor structure and thin triangle frame, had failed to respond to the laser three times before it was lowered, inspected and then hoisted back up by the helicopter for the successful tries.

LaserMotive's two principals, Jordin Kare and Thomas Nugent, said they were relieved after two years of work. They said their real goal is to develop a business based on the idea of beaming power, not the futuristic idea of accessing space via an elevator climbing a cable.

"We both are pretty skeptical of its near-term prospects," Kare

said of an elevator.

The contest, however, demonstrates that beaming power works, Nugent said.

"Anybody who needs power in one place and can't run wires to it — we'd be able to deliver power," Kare said.

Earlier out on the lakebed, team member Nick Burrows had pointed out how it grips the cable with modified skateboard wheels and the laser is aimed with an X Box game controller.

It had never climbed higher than 80 feet previously, he said.

The day's competition began late after hours of testing the cable system, refueling the helicopter and waits for specific time windows in which the lasers can be fired without harming satellites passing overhead.

The Kansas City Space Pirates went first with a machine that initially balked but eventually began climbing. Its speed was too slow to qualify for any prizes but it got within about 160 feet of the top before the laser had to be shut down for satellite protection.

Ben Shelef, CEO of the contest-sponsoring Spaceward Foundation, said the Pirates had a minor laser tracking problem but the real problem appeared to be in the mechanical system.

As the afternoon grew late, the University of Saskatchewan's Space Design Team had to put off its attempts until Thursday. All three teams had further chances to qualify through Friday.

The competition was five years in the making, Shelef said.

"A lot of hurdles to cross," he

said. "Now that it's happening I'm actually happy already. It doesn't matter what the outcome is."

Funded by a NASA program to explore bold technology, the contest is intended to encourage development of a theory that originated in the 1960s and was popularized by Arthur C. Clarke's 1979 novel "The Fountains of Paradise."

Space elevators are envisioned as a way to reach space without the risk and expense of rockets.

Instead, electrically powered vehicles would run up and down a cable anchored to a ground structure and extending thousands of miles up to a mass in geosynchronous orbit — the kind of orbit communications satellites are placed in to stay over a fixed spot on the Earth.

Electricity would be supplied through a concept known as "power beaming," ground-based lasers pointing up to photo voltaic cells on the bottom of the climbing vehicle — something like an upside-down solar power system.

The space elevator competition has not produced a winner in its previous three years, but has become increasingly difficult.

The vehicles must climb at an average speed of 16.4 feet (5 meters) per second, or about 11 miles (18 kilometers) per hour, to qualify for the top prize. A lesser prize is available for vehicles that climb at 2 meters per second.

The rules allow one team to collect all \$2 million or for sums to be shared among all three teams depending on their achievements.

Utah oil refinery partially explodes

Associated Press

SALT LAKE CITY — An explosion at a Utah oil refinery — the second this year — smashed windows, bent garage doors and peeled siding Wednesday from 10 nearby houses, officials said.

Federal investigators expressed alarm over the extent of damages caused by a refinery that has had a history of trouble dating to 2003.

The U.S. Chemical Safety Board was still investigating a January fire that burned for 11 hours when it dispatched a team to look at Wednesday's blast at Silver Eagle Refinery in Woods Cross, which is five miles north of Salt Lake City.

In all, 10 homes were damaged, said David McSwain, president of Silver Eagle, a company that operates its only oil refinery in Woods Cross.

A city building inspector condemned one house as structurally unsound after the blast shifted it off its foundation and knocked lose a roof truss, said Woods Cross Mayor Kent Parry. Officials feared the house could collapse in high winds.

The blast started in a vessel, called a diesel hydrotreater, that removes sulfur compounds from diesel fuel, said Donald Holmstrom, the Chemical Safety Board's investigations supervisor.

The refinery in Woods Cross had fires in 2003, 2005 and 2007, according to federal records. The board also was looking into an Oct. 21 fire at a nearby Tesoro Corp. refinery.

"We're concerned about the number of refinery accidents," said Daniel Horowitz, a spokesman for the board. "Counting this case, that's eight refinery cases open right now, with three in Salt Lake. It's a number we're concerned about."

The safety board, which is an investigative agency that has no regulatory or enforcement power, has faulted a decade of lax regulation by another federal agency, the Occupational Safety and Health Administration, for recent troubles among U.S. refineries.

OSHA has said it was catching up on refinery inspections. In a recent report, OSHA said that U.S. oil refineries have had more fatal or catastrophic releases of hazardous chemicals in the past 15 years than any other part of the chemical industry.

Silver Eagle executives said Wednesday that their safety record was "smack in the middle" of Utah's five refineries.

"I'll tell you we have spent a large amount of money on safety ... programs at the refinery," said McSwain.

Krege Christensen, a Silver Eagle vice president, said his company believed a utility outage Wednesday led to trouble at multiple refineries, but Rocky Mountain Power said it didn't cause the problem.

Utility spokesman Dave Eskelsen said the explosion at Silver Eagle briefly knocked out a 46,000-volt transmission line, leading to emergency measures at that refinery and two others.

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Leaders discuss climate change

LONDON — British Prime Minister Gordon Brown and Brazilian President Luiz Inacio Lula da Silva have met for talks on climate change, the Group of 20's role in global financial reform, and Olympic cooperation.

Brown's office said Wednesday that the pair discussed the upcoming U.N. climate change conference in Copenhagen. Silva has lobbied for rich countries like Britain to put up substantial sums of money to help poorer countries strike a deal on curbing global greenhouse gas emissions at the December conference.

Brown and Silva also discussed the world economic situation and how Britain and Brazil could share know-how ahead of the Olympic Games. London hosts the Games in 2012 and Rio de Janeiro four years later.

Karzai challenges results of re-election

KABUL — The challenger in Afghanistan's recent election called President Hamid Karzai's victory illegal and his government a failure, saying Wednesday that the tainted administration would not be able to check corruption or fend off the Taliban.

Former Foreign Minister Abdullah Abdullah said he did not plan to personally challenge Karzai's victory in court, but would leave it up to the Afghan people to decide whether to accept Karzai as the legitimate leader for another five-year term.

The Afghan election commission proclaimed Karzai the victor of the country's tumultuous ballot on Monday after Abdullah withdrew from a runoff race.

NATIONAL NEWS

Swine flu confirmed in feline

DES MOINES, Iowa — A 13-year-old Iowa cat has been infected with swine flu, veterinary and federal officials said Wednesday, and it is believed to be the first case of the H1N1 virus in a feline.

The domestic shorthaired cat was treated last week at Iowa State University College of Veterinary Medicine in Ames and has recovered, officials said. The virus also has been confirmed in two ferrets — one in Oregon and the other in Nebraska — but they died.

"We've known certainly it's possible this could happen," said Centers for Disease Control and Prevention spokesman Tom Skinner. "This may be the first instance where we have documentation that transmission occurred involving cats or dogs."

Man to be removed from sex registry

DETROIT — The Michigan appeals court ordered a man removed from the state's sex-offender registry Wednesday, saying it was cruel punishment for a young "Romeo" who had a consensual relationship with a teen and later became her husband.

Robert Dipiazza's lawyer said there are other men like her client who are on the list and could be removed because of the decision.

"It's a victory for common sense," Miriam Aukerman said. "Teens in romantic relationships shouldn't be labeled as sexual predators."

In 2004, Dipiazza was 18 when he had a consensual sexual relationship with a girl who was nearly 15. A teacher saw a photograph of him with his hand on her breast and contacted authorities in Muskegon County.

LOCAL NEWS

FEMA rejects disaster aid appeal

INDIANAPOLIS — The Federal Emergency Management Agency has again turned down a request for assistance to southern and central Indiana residents affected by severe storms in August.

The Indiana Department of Homeland Security said Wednesday that FEMA officials had denied an appeal of the agency's previous decision. Gov. Mitch Daniels appealed the decision last month, including additional damage reports from residents.

The federal disaster aid for areas hit by storms Aug. 4-9, some of which dumped up to 10 inches of rain in some locations.

ITALY

Judge delivers verdict in CIA case

23 Americans and two Italians are found guilty for the kidnapping of suspect

Associated Press

MILAN — An Italian judge found 23 Americans and two Italians guilty Wednesday in the kidnapping of an Egyptian terror suspect, delivering the first legal convictions anywhere in the world against people involved in the CIA's extraordinary renditions program.

Human rights groups hailed the decision and pressed President Barack Obama to repudiate the Bush administration's practice of abducting terror suspects and transferring them to third countries where torture was permitted.

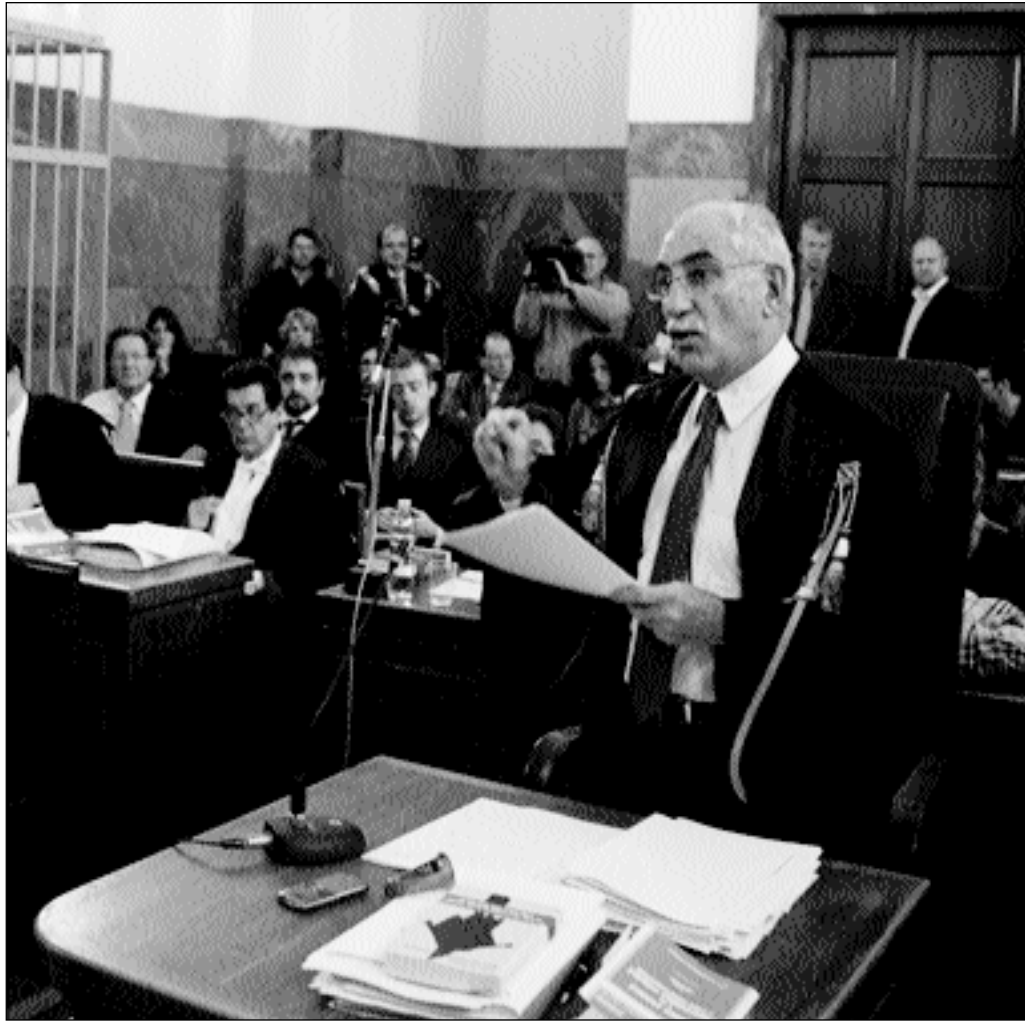
The Obama administration ended the CIA's interrogation program and shuttered its secret overseas jails in January but has opted to continue the practice of extraordinary renditions.

The Americans, who were tried in absentia, now cannot travel to Europe without risking arrest as long as the verdicts remains in place.

Despite the convictions capping the nearly three-year Italian trial, several Italian and American defendants — including the two alleged masterminds of the abduction — were acquitted due to either diplomatic immunity or because classified information was stricken by Italy's highest court.

The case has been politically charged from the beginning, with attempts to mislead investigators looking into the cleric's disappearance and derail the judicial proceedings once the trial was under way. But the Italian-American relationship, conditioned on such issues as participation in the Afghan campaign, is unlikely to be hurt by the convictions. The American Civil Liberties Union said the verdicts were the first convictions stemming from the rendition program.

Three Americans were acquitted, including the



Prosecutor Armando Spataro speaks in the Milan court Wednesday. This trial, begun in 2003, is the first trial in the world involving the CIA's extraordinary rendition program.

then-Rome CIA station chief Jeffrey Castelli and two other diplomats formerly assigned to the Rome Embassy, as well as the former head of Italian military intelligence Nicolo Pollari and four other Italian secret service agents.

Only two Italians were in the courtroom to hear the verdict, including Marco Mancini, the former No. 2 at Italian military intelligence, who embraced his lawyer outside the courtroom after he was acquitted.

Former Milan CIA station chief Robert Seldon Lady received the top sentence of eight years in prison. The other 22 convicted American defendants, including a former Milan consular official, Sabrina De Sousa and Air Force Lt. Col. Joseph Romano,

each received a five-year sentence. Two Italians got three years each as accessories.

U.S. State Department spokesman Ian Kelly said the Obama administration was "disappointed about the verdicts."

The State Department is being sued by De Sousa, a former State Department employee who denies she was a CIA agent and who believes she should have been granted diplomatic immunity by U.S. officials. The judge's verdict, however, did not extend diplomatic immunity to consular officials charged.

Mark Zaid, the American lawyer for De Sousa, told The Associated Press in Washington: "The Italian conviction merely confirms the U.S. government's

betrayal of our diplomatic and military representatives overseas."

Romano, who was one of only two Americans who received permission to hire his own lawyer, had tried to have the jurisdiction moved to a U.S. military court in the last weeks of the trial.

"We are clearly disappointed by the court's ruling," Defense Department press secretary Geoff Morrell told a Pentagon press conference Wednesday.

The Americans, all but one identified by prosecutors as CIA agents, were tried in absentia as subsequent Italian governments refused or ignored prosecutors' extradition request — a position that casts doubts on the Italian government's political will to enforce the sentences.

Restraining order put on abortion law

Associated Press

CHICAGO — An Illinois judge has issued a temporary restraining order delaying enforcement of a law requiring doctors to notify parents of teens who are seeking an abortion.

The order issued Wednesday was sought by the American Civil Liberties Union. It is to remain in effect until the judge can hear arguments on the group's opposition.

It came just hours after the state's Medical Disciplinary Board voted not to extend a 90-day grace period put into place in August, meaning the law would have taken effect.

Illinois' law was passed in 1995 but

never enforced because of various court actions. It requires doctors to notify the parents or guardians of girls 17 or younger 48 hours before a teen gets an abortion. There are provisions that allow girls to bypass parental notification.

Thirty-five other states have similar laws, which meant some teens seeking abortions came to Illinois for them.

The American Civil Liberties Union of Illinois planned to ask a Cook County judge on Wednesday for a temporary restraining order to keep the state from enforcing the law.

"What we're focused on now is protecting the health and well being of

young women across the state of Illinois," spokesman Ed Yohnka said.

Peter Breen, executive director of the Chicago-based Thomas Moore Society Pro-Life Law Center, said the group was "heartened" by the board's decision. Teenagers from surrounding states were skirting their own states' laws "on a pretty regular basis" by coming to Illinois to get abortions, Breen said.

"It's about parents and kids talking," Breen said. "No one should be against this."

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Panel votes for stronger regulators

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The House Financial Services Committee voted Wednesday to give federal regulators more power and money to police major players in the stock market, four months after Bernard Madoff was sentenced for the biggest investment scam in history.

The 41-28 vote was the panel's latest move to try to rein in abuses on Wall Street. It would give the Securities and Exchange Commission new enforcement powers, including the ability to offer bounty money to tipsters on fraud cases and the power to bar violators of the law from employment in any securities-related industry.

The bill also would double the SEC's budget in the next five years.

Rep. Paul Kanjorski sponsored the legislation after leading the panel's investigation into the government's failure to uncover Madoff's massive fraud scheme for nearly two decades. Madoff was sentenced in June to 150 years in prison.

"In the last five years, there's been a significant change and a greater sophistication in the financial service industry than has ever happened in the history of mankind," said Kanjorski, a Pennsylvania Democrat. "So we're going to have to change fast."

The proposal was part of a broader effort by the committee to tighten rules governing financial institutions after last year's market crisis. The full House was expected to vote on the bill and related proposals in early December.

In addition to giving the SEC more power, the committee has voted to impose new restrictions on investment rating agencies and require oversight of hedge funds and other large pools of private capital.

The panel also wants a new federal agency dedicated solely to protecting consumers from fraud and abuse on credit cards, mortgages and other popular financial products.

Also Wednesday, Rep. Barney Frank, the panel's chairman, indicated he wants to tighten legislation already approved by his committee that seeks to regulate the complex, privately traded derivative markets. In a letter to top government financial overseers, Frank said he wants to eliminate possible loopholes that would allow some financial institutions to avoid regulatory scrutiny.

The legislation requires derivatives trades to go through clearinghouses to increase transparency, and subjects financial firms dealing in the instruments to new capital requirements. The legislation gave clearinghouses the authority to decide what contracts were eligible for central clearing. Frank now wants regulators to wield that power.

As the House moves ahead to overhaul financial regulations, work in the Senate was just getting under way. Senate Banking Chairman Christopher Dodd has begun drafting a bill that would differ from the Obama administration's proposal by limiting the power of the Federal Reserve and consolidating banking supervision into a single regulator.

JPMorgan settles with SEC

Company agrees to pay more than \$700 million for "pay-to-play" charges

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — JPMorgan Chase & Co. has agreed to a settlement worth more than \$700 million over federal regulators' charges that it made unlawful payments to friends of public officials to win municipal bond business in Jefferson County, Ala.

The Securities and Exchange Commission on Wednesday announced the settlement with JPMorgan, which canceled interest-rate swap contracts with the county worth \$700 million in March. The move lowers the county's bond debt to about \$3.2 billion from \$3.9 billion, but officials had no immediate comment on whether that was enough to help the county avoid filing what would be the largest municipal bankruptcy ever.

The Wall Street bank did not admit or deny the SEC allegations in agreeing to pay a \$25 million civil fine and a \$50 million payment to the county, and to forfeit \$647 million in termination fees it claims the county owes from the canceled swap agreements. JPMorgan also was censured and agreed to refrain from future violations of the securities laws.

Regulators have issued warnings for years over so-called "pay-to-play" relationships between investment firms and government officials in the \$2.7 trillion municipal bond market, tapped by state and local governments around the country to finance schools, roads, hospitals and public works projects. The Jefferson County scandal has roiled Alabama's most populous

county and last week brought the federal bribery conviction and ouster of Birmingham's mayor.

In a civil lawsuit filed Wednesday, the SEC also accused two former managing directors of JPMorgan, Charles LeCroy and Douglas MacFaddin, of securities law violations. The agency is seeking unspecified restitution from them. They plan to contest the charges.

The SEC alleged that JPMorgan, LeCroy and MacFaddin made about \$8.2 million in undisclosed payments in 2002 and 2003 to close friends of several Jefferson County commissioners. The money went to local brokerage firms whose principals or employees were friends of the county officials, the SEC said. Starting in July 2002, LeCroy and MacFaddin solicited the county for a \$1.4 billion sewer bond deal.

Swayed by the payments, the county commissioners voted to select JPMorgan's securities division as managing underwriter of the bond offerings and its affiliated bank as swap provider for the transactions, the SEC said.

The \$5 billion in municipal bond business and swap agreements awarded to JPMorgan was the largest such deal in its securities division's history, according to the SEC.

JPMorgan failed to disclose any of the unlawful payments or conflicts of interest in the bond offering documents, but passed on the cost of the payments by charging the county higher interest rates on the swap transactions, the SEC

said.

"The transactions were complex but the scheme was simple," SEC Enforcement Director Robert Khuzami said in a statement. "Senior JPMorgan bankers made unlawful payments to win business and earn fees."

MacFaddin's attorney, Richard Lawler, said his client "has at all times acted properly" in his dealings with Jefferson County. He denies he has violated any securities laws and we're confident he'll be vindicated after trial," Lawler said.

LeCroy's lawyer, Lisa Mathewson, said he "believes that the SEC has overreached with this complaint, both by overstating its jurisdiction and by labeling permissible business practices as fraudulent."

New York-based JPMorgan said in a statement it has since discontinued its municipal swap-exchange business. The settlement with the SEC "does not impair any outstanding Jefferson County bonds and JPMorgan continues to work to achieve a responsible restructuring of Jefferson County's financial affairs," the statement said.

The SEC last year charged now-ousted Birmingham mayor Larry Langford and two others for undisclosed payments to Langford related to municipal bond offerings and swap agreement transactions made while he was president of the Jefferson County Commission. On Oct. 28, Langford was found guilty in the related criminal case on 60 counts of bribery, mail fraud, wire fraud and tax evasion.

Warren, Reader's Digest part ways

Associated Press

LAKE FOREST, Calif. — A joint publishing venture between influential pastor Rick Warren and Reader's Digest magazine has collapsed less than a year after it was announced with great fanfare.

The multimedia project, called the Purpose Driven Connection, will continue in a different form but be operated solely by Warren's Saddleback Church in Southern California starting next spring, church officials said Wednesday.

A quarterly print magazine of the same name will publish for the last time in mid-November, and its content will move to a free, expanded Web site starting in January, Warren said in a statement.

"The positive response from readers was so overwhelming we didn't want the content to be limited only to Americans who could afford a subscription to a magazine," Warren said.

The announcement comes months after Reader's Digest Association Inc. filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection as it faced falling print circulation and looming

debt payments. The Warren project, when unveiled, was portrayed as a partnership of two powerhouses — and a way for Reader's Digest to find new revenue. Company officials did not immediately respond to requests for comment Wednesday.

The recession and changing reader habits have prompted cutbacks at many magazines, and some have folded.

Warren, author of the best-selling "The Purpose Driven Life," said subscriptions to the print magazine were lagging. For \$29.99 a year, subscribers received the magazine, a workbook, DVD curriculum for church small group meetings and access to special features on a Web site.

Brian Bird, managing editor of the magazine and Web site, said subscriptions were between 2,500 and 5,000 per month.

"I imagine (Reader's Digest officials) were hoping for this to explode, and it didn't explode," Bird said. "But it's had slow, steady growth. It takes a long time for anything to really grow, especially in a competitive media culture."

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IN BRIEF

Whole Foods sees profit jump

PORTLAND, Ore. — Whole Foods Market Inc. appears to be adjusting to its new economic reality.

The natural and organic grocer, known for its high-end products and similarly high prices, says lower prices are bringing shoppers back in its doors, driving a surge in fourth-quarter profit.

Whole Foods said Wednesday that shoppers bought more items in its stores, but continued pressure to compete on price and uncertain economy made some investors nervous about its outlook for the year.

Whole Foods, based in Austin, Texas, was hard hit by the recession as consumers cut spending and turned to lower-priced stores. The company made several strategic changes — cutting costs, tightening inventory, securing a major investor, increasing its store brands and promoting other lower-priced options. It also created a new system to track competitors' prices and help it adjust its own.

Casino competition could raise taxes

INDIANAPOLIS — Ohio voters have approved the opening of casinos in Toledo and three other cities, leaving officials and gambling interests in neighboring Indiana and Michigan worried that millions of dollars in gambling revenues — and taxes — are at risk.

Indiana's casinos pay more than \$900 million in state and local taxes annually. A report released last month by the Indiana Legislative Services Agency predicted the competition from Ohio would lead to the state losing more than \$100 million of that slice of the gambling pie.

Any loss of casino tax revenue would also hurt Detroit and Michigan, which already face towering budget deficits. The state took a \$121 million share of the Detroit casinos' \$1.36 billion in revenues last year.

On Tuesday, Ohio voters approved a ballot issue to allow one casino each in Cincinnati, Cleveland, Columbus and Toledo.

"We're cautiously optimistic there's going to be a bit of an impact but not a profound impact," Richard Kalm, executive director of the Michigan Gaming Control Board, told The Associated Press on Wednesday.

THE OBSERVER
BUSINESS

New York joins effort against Intel

State Attorney General files federal lawsuit against world's biggest computer chip maker

Associated Press

NEW YORK — The legal challenges to Intel Corp.'s sales tactics mounted Wednesday as New York's attorney general accused the world's biggest computer chip maker of using "illegal threats and collusion" to dominate.

In filing a federal antitrust lawsuit, Attorney General Andrew Cuomo accused Intel of using its market prowess to "rule with an iron fist."

Intel's chips act as the "brains" of 80 percent of the world's personal computers. Cuomo said Intel paid billions of dollars in kickbacks to computer manufacturers and retaliated against those that did too much business with Intel's competitors, namely Advanced Micro Devices Inc.

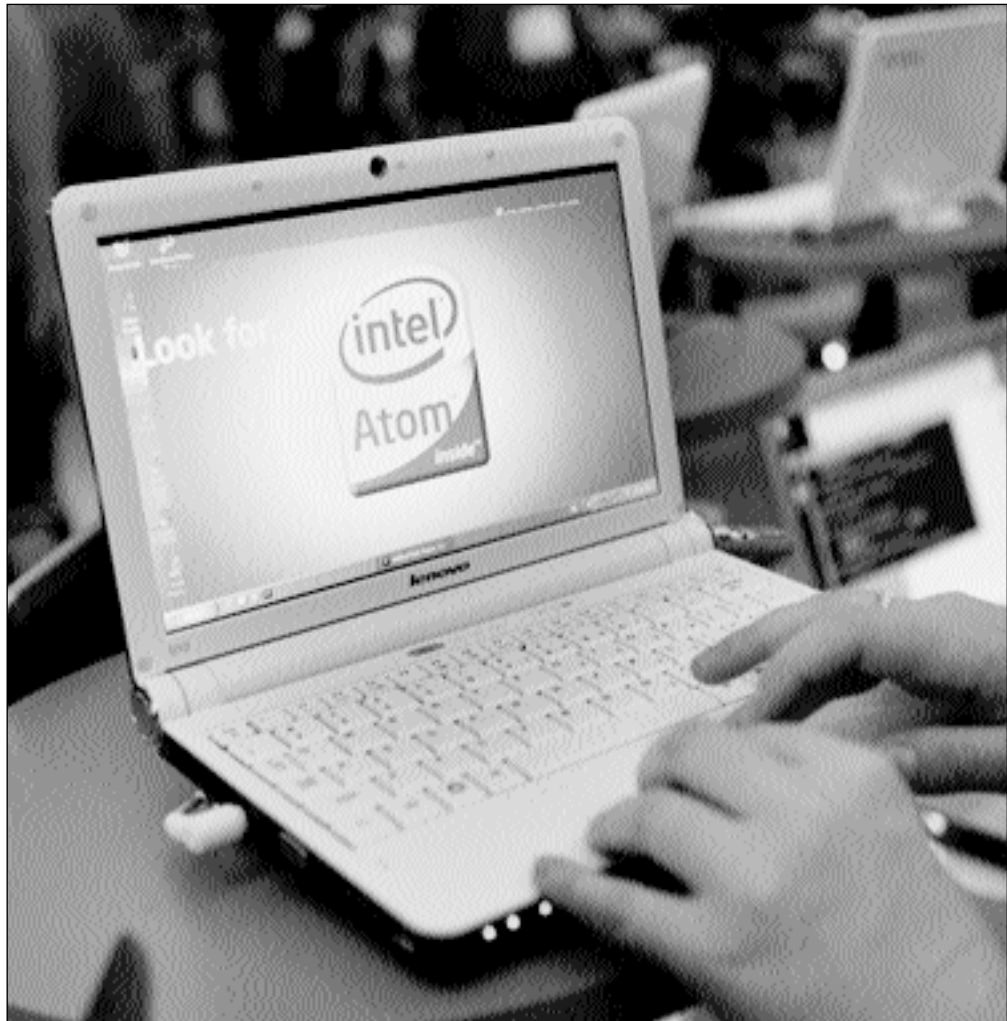
"Rather than compete fairly, Intel used bribery and coercion to maintain a stranglehold on the market," Cuomo said in a written statement. "Intel's actions not only unfairly restricted potential competitors, but also hurt average consumers who were robbed of better products and lower prices."

An Intel spokesman, Chuck Mulloy, denied the latest charges, as the company has in the past, and said Intel's sales practices were legitimate.

"We never threatened anyone," he said.

At issue are the large annual rebates Intel pays to big customers. Intel has described the rebates as simple volume discounts, but some regulators have disagreed, saying they illegally penalize Intel's customers for going with rivals' products, namely chips from AMD.

AMD has been complaining to regulators for five years that Intel has broken antitrust laws to keep AMD's market share down. The company has found its most sympathetic ear abroad.



New York's attorney general hit Intel with an antitrust lawsuit, claiming the company used "illegal threats and collusion" to dominate the market for computer microprocessors.

In May, the European Union fined Intel a record \$1.45 billion, and last year Korea's Fair Trade Commission fined Intel \$18.6 million. Intel is appealing both rulings. In 2005, Japan's Fair Trade Commission found that Intel violated antitrust rules there. Intel accepted that ruling without admitting wrongdoing.

The U.S. Federal Trade Commission is also investigating. That probe might take on increased urgency considering the mounting charges and the Obama administration's pledge to pursue antitrust cases more vigorously than the Bush administration did.

The FTC has investigated Intel before for evidence of anticompetitive conduct, but the company emerged relatively unscathed.

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The FTC dropped one probe in 1993, and after another probe accused Intel in 1998 of violating federal law by withholding technical information about its processors from computer makers with whom Intel was involved in patent disputes. Intel settled that case the following year.

Technology analyst Rob Enderle said Intel may be facing a harder fight this time. He said the company worked through its problems "elegantly" in the 1990s, but has become "much more combative" in the past decade in its dealings with regulators.

"This could represent one of the biggest dangers that Intel has ever faced," Enderle said.

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Cuomo's lawsuit was filed in U.S. District Court in Wilmington, Del., the same arena in which AMD sued Intel four years ago, accusing the rival of anti-competitive behavior. A trial is scheduled to begin in a few months.

AMD's lawsuit quoted managers from Toshiba saying Intel's financial incentives amounted to "cocaine." It also said executives from Gateway complained that Intel's threats of retaliation for working with AMD beat them "into guacamole."

Mirroring AMD's accusations, Cuomo said Intel's rebates were illegally designed to squash competition.

Cisco predicts growth after downturn

Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO — Cisco Systems Inc. is forecasting revenue growth for the first time in a year, offering further evidence that orders are rising again after passing what CEO John Chambers called a "tipping point" in the downturn this summer.

The world's No. 1 maker of computer-networking gear said Wednesday that given the brightening conditions, it will start to hire more employees after laying off workers over the past year. Cisco's work force has shrunk by about 3,500 over the past four quarters to about 63,800, mostly from layoffs but also from early retirement offers and attrition.

Chambers said during a conference

call with analysts that the hiring will be "very targeted" and focused on new markets.

Cisco's results are seen as a gauge of how large corporations and government agencies and Internet providers are managing their technology budgets. The downturn has caused them to rein in spending on such Cisco mainstays as routers and switches, a trend that is still hurting Cisco but is easing as rising data traffic from Internet video and other applications strain existing computing equipment.

Cisco executives urged caution, though. They said sales could still sputter if the economic recovery falters.

"There's still uncertainty in the economy on a global basis," Cisco's chief financial officer, Frank Calderoni,

said in an interview. "It's not completely back to normal levels, and with that kind of uncertainty, you really have to take things quarter by quarter."

The company's expansion into markets outside its core routing and switching businesses poses one threat to Cisco in the form of lower profit margins.

Cisco is entering the computer-server market, where it will compete with longtime partners Hewlett-Packard Co. and IBM Corp. It is also expanding its product line to include consumer gadgets.

Cisco's forecast is for revenue growth of 1 percent to 4 percent in the current quarter, which ends in January. That would translate to revenue of \$9.2 billion to \$9.5 billion.

Fire worsens second day of Philly transit strike

Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA — Commuters biked, walked, juggled carpool schedules and hitched rides as the city's transit system ground to a near halt for a second day Wednesday, a rush worsened when a regional rail train caught fire.

Regional rail lines are running because their workers are represented by a different union. But trouble hit around 7 a.m. when a car caught fire as it headed downtown, causing delays and confusion. Southeastern Pennsylvania Transportation Authority officials said it was likely an electrical fire and was not suspicious.

More than 5,000 members of SEPTA's largest union walked off the job early Tuesday, leaving thousands of people struggling for ways to get around without the use of subways, trolleys or buses.

"I can't take the whole strike off," said Niki LaGrone, 27, a Catholic school teacher in North Philadelphia, as she prepared to take regional rail as far as it goes and then walk a mile and a half to school. "I'm going to have to show up. ... Hopefully, I can find somebody when I get in to work to help me out."

The Philadelphia school district reported a 16 percent drop in high school attendance Wednesday. On an average weekday, about 54,000 public and parochial students take

SEPTA to school.

At the J.R. Masterman high school, Robin Carpenter unloaded a bicycle from his father's car so he could make the 7-mile ride home in the afternoon.

"I do ride my bike sometimes but not during cross-country season," he said, adding that the strike was an inconvenience. "It's too tiring."

Karen Pollack scrambled to find ways to get her 16- and 13-year-old daughters to and from their respective schools.

Pollack lives in the city's Germantown section and left about 15 minutes earlier to drop off her younger daughter at Masterman. Her husband dropped off their older daughter at a school about 5 miles from home.

Getting them home could be a challenge, though, since her older daughter usually takes SEPTA. Now, she's going to walk the 15 or so blocks to her sister's school and hopefully find a spot in that car pool — if there's room.

"It was a little stressful last night," Pollack said. "It's going to be day-to-day."

Jim Jordan, an assistant general manager for SEPTA, said the regional rail car that caught fire was about 40 years old, one of many slated to be replaced soon. The origin of the blaze was probably in the heating or electrical system, Jordan said, and the entire fleet will be inspected once the cause is determined.



Officials inspect the remains of a burned train Wednesday. A commuter train in Philadelphia caught fire and complicated the commuting situation already affected by the city's transit strike. AP

Flames could be seen shooting from the front of the train shortly after 7 a.m. A big cloud of smoke also billowed from the train. No injuries were reported, but hundreds of riders had to be evacuated.

Wayne Rafferty, 27, of Pottstown, a lab technician at Children's Hospital of Philadelphia, said he had to calm down another passenger on the packed train, and he saw other passengers kicking out the removable emergency windows. Once outside the train, he

took a picture of the front of it with flames and smoke.

"I already texted in the photos to my boss. I said, 'This was my train,'" he said. "He said he'll see me when he sees me, so I'm going to start making the hike." Rafferty estimated that it would take about an hour to walk to his workplace.

The sudden strike by Transport Workers Union Local 234 has all but crippled the system, which averages more than 928,000 trips each weekday. The union walked away from

negotiations on a new contract over disagreements on wage, pension and health care issues.

Union president Willie Brown said the main issue is pensions.

"My members stand strongly behind me," Brown said a news conference Wednesday, adding that he hopes to meet with Gov. Ed Rendell in the next day or two. "Even though we did not want to strike, we were forced into a strike."

SEPTA General Manager Joe Casey also said he planned to talk to Rendell.

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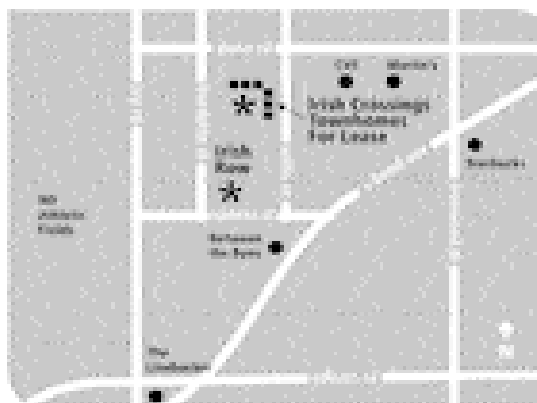
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Chimp attack victim to sue state

Associated Press

NEW HAVEN, Conn. — The family of a Connecticut woman mauled and blinded by a chimpanzee sought Wednesday to sue the state for \$150 million, saying officials failed to prevent the attack.

Attorneys for Charla Nash's family filed a notice Wednesday with the state Office of Claims Commissioner asking for permission to sue.

The 200-pound chimpanzee named Travis went berserk in February when his owner, Sandra Herold, asked Nash to help lure him back into her house in Stamford.

The animal ripped off Nash's hands, nose, lips and eyelids; she remains in stable condition at the Cleveland Clinic in Ohio.

A Department of Environmental Protection biologist warned state officials before the attack that Travis could seriously hurt someone if he felt threatened, noting that he was large and strong.

"We believe the evidence will show that the state, acting through the Department of Environmental Protection, failed to adequately address a serious public safety issue that resulted in tragic consequences for our client," said Matt Newman, attorney for Nash's family.

Attorney General Richard Blumenthal said Wednesday that his office is reviewing the claim. He said that he is sympathetic over the "horrific tragedy" but that the planned lawsuit "seems unprecedented in size."

Dennis Schain,
Environmental Protection

spokesman, said his agency had not received any paperwork yet but would cooperate with the claims commissioner and attorney general.

The claim comes at a difficult time for Connecticut, where the two-year, \$37.6 billion budget is already \$624 million in deficit.

"There is a potential for a very significant exposure to the state, depending on how the facts are developed in the claims process," said state Sen. Andrew McDonald, D-Stamford.

Nash's family earlier filed a \$50 million lawsuit against Herold, saying she was negligent and reckless for lacking the ability to control "a wild animal with violent propensities."

Herold's attorney, who declined to comment on the new claim, has called the attack work-related and said her family's case should be treated like a workers' compensation claim. The strategy, if successful, would limit potential damages in the case and insulate the chimp owner from personal liability.

The animal, which was shot and killed by police, had also escaped in 2003 from his owner's car and led police on a chase for hours in downtown Stamford. No one was injured.

Records obtained by The Associated Press through a state open-records request show the state began receiving warnings immediately after that event.

"The DEP had information for at least five years that would have permitted that agency to have removed Travis from its

residence," Nash's attorneys wrote in the new papers, noting the agency did prosecute the owner of a much smaller primate. "If the DEP had acted prudently, Charla Nash would not have been devastatingly injured."

Environmental protection officials have said that over the 13 years Travis was with Herold, the agency received only a few inquiries about Travis among thousands in general about possession of wild animals.

They said the memo from the biologist underscored the need for a clear, new law that would forbid ownership of potentially dangerous animals as pets and impose stiff penalties for those possessing them, and they blamed the failure to act on a communications problem and a lack of expertise in exotic animals at the agency.

Nash's family has a year from the date of the attack to file a claim with the claims commissioner office. The commissioner can recommend an award to the legislature or grant authorization to sue the state in court.

If the commissioner denies the request to seek damages from the state, the family could appeal to the legislature. Without its consent, the state cannot be held liable in a legal action for any damage or injury it may cause.

Police fatally shot the 14-year-old chimp when he tried to attack an officer responding to the assault on Nash on Feb. 16. Test results showed that Travis had the anti-anxiety drug Xanax in his system, but investigators don't know whether the drug played a role.

Wash. valley prepares for flooding

Associated Press

AUBURN, Wash. — On a sunny fall Saturday, friends and neighbors gathered at Bobby Kendall's place to help him build a 2-foot barrier of sandbags around his suburban Seattle home. Such get-togethers have become a familiar ritual on the block in recent weeks as people lend a hand to neighbors to barricade homes.

A similar effort is under way at a Boeing Co. facility, where workers put up an 8-foot-high floodwall. Managers of a nearby Starbucks roasting plant are in constant communication with federal disaster officials.

It is all part of a feverish effort to fortify the heavily developed Green River Valley against a potentially catastrophic flood during the winter rainy season.

Engineers have said there is a 1-in-4 chance that a flood will inundate the valley. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has been working around the clock to prevent flooding, namely by pumping tons of grout into the problem area — a dam abutment that was found badly weakened by a torrential storm last winter.

In recent weeks, some 40 miles of levees have been raised with sandbags, evacuation routes and emergency warning systems have been set up, and residents have been urged to assemble "go kits" — documents, medicine and other valuables they'll need if forced to flee on short notice.

"My house is my biggest

asset," Kendall said. "I don't want it to wash away or get filled with mud."

Other efforts have ranged from homeowners installing one-way valves to prevent toilets backing up, to Boeing erecting the sandbag wall around its sprawling Space Center in nearby Kent. Boeing also is barricading its costly aircraft flight simulators in Renton.

The valley cities and King County have held scores of informational meetings, passed out hundreds of thousands of sandbags, posted extensive information on special Web sites and organized a "reverse 911" system to automatically call or message residents if an emergency is declared.

Besides Boeing, the valley floor has miles of malls, warehouses, and businesses small and large, including Recreational Equipment Inc.'s headquarters and Starbucks' regional roasting plant. Starbucks did not provide specifics about its flood-preparation plan and how it will protect its beans and employees, but said it is doing its best to "minimize impact to our supply chain and operations."

The four major cities in the Green River Valley — Auburn, Kent, Renton and Tukwila — all face the threat of flooding. An estimated 25,000 to 30,000 people live in flood zones, but Hillman Mitchell, the emergency management director in Tukwila, points out that 200,000 to 300,000 work or shop in the valley each day.

"The number of people who may have to move could be very large," he said.

And beyond the physical damage, planners are warning people and businesses to prepare to be displaced for three weeks or more.

Boeing spokesman Bill Cogswell said the 3- to 4-mile barrier around the Kent complex is necessary insurance to protect about 3,000 employees, a data center and the plant's valuable defense work. Boeing is putting its valuables on higher floors, moving equipment out and planning which of its other Seattle-area facilities can take over if water reaches the plant or more likely, blocks valley roads.

"Our aim is to insure the safety of our employees, to make sure we minimize the potential business impact and that everyone knows where to go and what to do in the event of a flood," he said.

If a deluge comes, it will be because nature found a way to thwart a half-century of flood prevention.

Earlier this year, an abutment to the Howard Hanson Dam on the upper reaches of the Green River was found to be seriously weakened after record January rains. To reduce the danger the abutment might fail, the Corps of Engineers, which operates the flood control dam 22 miles east in the Cascade foothills, immediately restricted the reservoir to about 30 percent of capacity, greatly reducing its ability to limit how much water is released downstream.

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Tradition

I graduated from Notre Dame for the first time in 2007. I managed to stay away for a year. I sometimes quip that I failed to achieve escape velocity. While most take this to be a joke, it is not.

I was trained by our English Department to be a critic of post-modern literature. As a result, my sense of irony became overdeveloped: I learned to approach not just books but also people and institutions with a cold air of skepticism, looking for the self-serving agendas beneath their self-righteous rhetoric. I was convinced of my superiority — of the clarity of my vision compared to that of my peers, who somehow continued to take life at face value.

Nothing was safe from the critical mindset that I had internalized — including the institution that had taught me to adopt it. The elders of Notre Dame — its administrators, faculty, staff, and alumni—spoke of her tradition, of her inclusion of all of her children into one family under the sight of God. My peers accepted this without irony — an attitude that, at the time, I found incomprehensible: could they not see that this was just a story — a stratagem to generate, by means of enthusiasm and nostalgia, future donations? That the elders of Notre Dame encouraged orthodox morality so that her “children” might marry and, 18 years later, send their children and tuition back to the Dome?

There is an element of truth in these accusations: Notre Dame is an institu-

tion like any other, and if her actions did not lead to her continued survival, she would no longer be around to do things like publish student newspapers. Indeed, in hindsight, I see an element of brilliance in the story that the elders of Notre Dame tell their students — a brilliance that has allowed Notre Dame to endure against significant odds. Nonetheless, I had missed something crucial.

For Notre Dame is not an institution like any other, not quite. In my arrogance, I could not see this until I went into the world — where I could not shake the feeling that something crucial was missing. It took me a year to realize what it was: if one scratches the surface of those institutions on the outside, there is a shallowness to them, a smallness to their purposes that makes them impossible to take seriously. They too tell us stories, but their stories are rather less sincere: the entirety of popular culture has come to be a kind of marketing, leveraging our every behavior for ends that would be sinister if they were not so petty. We are to them cogs in the larger machinery of manipulation.

Notre Dame is not like this. She too is, in some sense, a machine in which we are but cogs. But what differentiates her is the depth of her purposes: Notre Dame takes steps to ensure her continued survival, yes, but that survival is not an end in itself. For she does not hoard the resources that we give her: she spends them. On us. Or, rather, on creating the family that she said she would create in the first place. I know this now because I have allowed myself to become part of that family — to take the words of the Lady not as manipulative but as sin-

cere. For the first time, Notre Dame is my home.

There is a tradition at Notre Dame that one will not graduate if one climbs the steps of the main building as an undergraduate. In my ironic mode, I could see this tradition only as a superstition: I climbed the steps every chance that I got, laughing each time at the simplicity of my peers. When I graduated anyway, I laughed harder: I had transcended Notre Dame. I had need of her no longer.

Things seemed less funny when I returned a year later. It was no longer so obvious to me that I had actually managed to transcend Notre Dame — and even less obvious that it was the kind of thing that one ought to transcend. I admit that it might be that I am now as blind as I once thought my peers. But if to look at the world with sincerity rather than irony is blindness, it is unclear to me that sight is better.

I suppose that I wrote this column to encourage those of you who might think as I once did to reevaluate things — to try to look at the Lady on her own terms. It is worth it, I think. At any rate, I have vowed not to climb the steps before I graduate. Maybe this time I will actually achieve escape velocity — maybe I will finally learn, that is, the sincerity that I was supposed to have learned the first time.

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

“Just because something doesn't do what you planned it to do doesn't mean it's useless.”

Thomas Edison
U.S. inventor

QUOTE OF THE DAY

“Man's main task in life is to give birth to himself, to become what he potentially is.”

Erich Fromm
U.S. psychologist

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A Notre Dame short story

Part 3 by John Cirilli


He did not know of what he was accused, only that he had done it. The starkly cold eyes (or he thought they might be eyes) of those sitting in council followed his every move with unrelenting focus. The minds behind those eyes, hard and sharp and twisted, would never have trifled to accuse the innocent. They saw further into him than he himself, but he knew one thing that they did not.

Part 4 by Cory Hartmann

The 7th Annual 'Council of Elrond of Middle Earth and Other Mythical, Magical Beings in Realms Not of Thine' Meeting stared in a mixture of bewilderment and disbelief as a stark raving madman had just inexplicably tore through the brick wall of Party Room #3 in the back of the local Toys-R-Us of Humptulips, Washington (south on Highway 101). Cosmetically enhanced ears perked up their angular tips behind felt Robin Hood hats as their bow strings grew taut, the soft swoosh of metal against leather whispered as imitation rapiers were drawn, and calloused hands nervously clutched expertly selected pokéballs. Their trepidation vanished from their pockmarked faces as the realization sunk in that after years of abuse and mockery, their vindication had finally arrived. The huge taste of repeated defeat hung sour on their collective tongue, and they were anxious to test the strength of their arms — magnificent specimens conditioned with years of lifting countless cans of Mountain Dew from the depths of the floor up to the heights of their mouth. Nerds no longer, these were action deprived warriors thirsting for validation. "YOU — SHALL — NOT — PASS!" screeched Aragorn Ketchum McCloud of Tattooine, and the first volley was launched.

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A Long Walk in Search of a Country, a Pint, and the Next Tee

Nov. 19: Emliy Giffin **7 p.m. Geddes Hall Andrew Auditorium**
Author of bestselling novels *Something Borrowed* and *Something Blue*
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You can't be poorer than dead

Flannery O'Connor, prone to wry humor for instructive purposes, titled one of her short stories "You Can't Be Any Poorer Than Dead." Her story characteristically examines how people face — or ignore — their limitations, both their own and others'. But more centrally, and hauntingly, O'Connor's work — beginning with her title — suggests that there is one giant human limitation that underscores all our others, and threatens us at every turn, and yet which we spend most our lives trying not to think about. At some point, our lives just ... end.

Fr. Lou DelFra

Faith Point

O'Connor loved the liturgical honesty of the Catholic Church. She thought that Catholic spirituality forcefully invited us to deal with important realities, like sin and death, that we would just as soon ignore. Judging from the number of blind and disfigured folk that appear in Flannery's stories, including plenty who blind and disfigure themselves, such ignorance to the total reality of life, including its uncomfortable parts, is hardly blissful; rather, she seems to suggest, it leads us to live life only half-awake and, well, blindly.

O'Connor was grateful that the Church doesn't let us turn a blind eye

to the discomforting realities of life, perhaps particularly during November, which the Church celebrates as the Month of the Dead. Consider the fact that, in its rich tradition of sacramentality — having physical things to mark invisible realities — the Church has always loved bones. Saints' relics — finger bones, shoulder blades, skulls — are some of the most sacred markers in Catholic churches. You most likely celebrate mass under the watchful eyes of a dead person — rendered, at least in the States, a bit less grotesque by the sculptor or stained glass artist. If you have ever carried a rosary, you have carried a dead man in your pocket. If this seems rather odd, or even slightly disturbing, then you are getting the point.

O'Connor must have loved that the Church has rather defiantly reserved the month of November to meditate openly on the reality of death, beginning with All Saints Day on Nov. 1 and All Souls Day on Nov. 2. At the doors of most chapels these weeks, you will note a book in which we can write down the names of the dead. Of course, Halloween, celebrated so ... vibrantly(!) ... throughout the dorms last week, owes its origin and macabre tone to being the eve of the Month of the Dead. November is a rather ghostly, if not ghostly, time of year, and the Church has uninhibitedly promoted it

as such, with good reason.

Death is all around us, and its seed is inextricably within us. And if prayer is bringing our whole selves before God as honestly as we can, it doesn't seem to make much sense to leave our helplessness before death out of the mix. Unhealthy? Depressing? Fulfilling Freud's death wish? Death, handled clumsily, fearfully, unconsciously, might lead us down any of these roads. This, it seems to me, is precisely why the Church invites us each November to meditate on death more deliberately, with the full complement of our faith, and the hope of the Communion of Saints, at our disposal.

On All Souls Day each year, I join my religious community in remembering the dead by walking the gravesites of our predecessors in Holy Cross. The deceased priests and brothers of Holy Cross are all buried in a cemetery on the outer edge of campus, by the road to Saint Mary's. For a while, this stroll among the dead, autumn leaves flaking my footsteps and a not-yet-biting nip in the air, is rather pleasant, even — dare I say — invigorating. I feel proud to stroll among the names of the priests and brothers who built so much of Notre Dame. My standing above their gravesites reminds me how much of my own life stands upon their earlier toil and sweat. But ... then I reach the last gravestone and, what is worse, the

expanse of undisturbed green grass beside it. It is the space where the rest of us, including me, will one day lie. I move across it quickly ... though perhaps one of these years, I ought to pause there, as a courageous nod to the future.

Instead, I scurry to the rest of our community, huddled around a statue of Mary holding her dead son recently crucified. And I listen as we proclaim into the graying autumn sky the words of St. John Damascene:

"Where is the ephemeral dream? All is dust, all ashes, all shadow. What glory does not fade? In a moment all is struck down. Now I know wisdom: I am dust and ashes. I search among the graves, see the bones laid bare. What mystery befell us? We wail and grieve at our beauty marred in the tomb. We stand over the graves of our lost, our bodies entwined by a mysterious wind — Christ murmuring: "trust, trust."

November is a month to scurry through. But ... slowly ... our faith beckons, for it is also a month to pause and trust.

This week's Faith Point was written by Fr. Lou DelFra, CSC, Director of Bible Studies and ACE chaplain. He can be reached at delfra.2@nd.edu

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This Week's Misc. Morrissey, Mum
and Madness



by Colin Rich

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| 6 | ✔ "Panic" |
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| 9 | ✔ "Ask" |
| 10 | ✔ "Heaven Knows I'm Miserable Now" |
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| 12 | ✔ "Last Night I Dreamt That Somebody Loved Me" |
| 13 | ✔ "There is a Light That Never Goes Out" |
| 14 | ✔ "Please, Please, Please Let Me Get What I Want" |

The bittersweet eclipse of fall, the hooded sweatshirt walks to class, the brisk gust of loneliness blowing down South Quad...no band can musically emulate all of the emotional realities of college life quite like The Smiths.

By ADRIANA PRATT
Assistant Scene Editor

It was a Wednesday evening when I got the tragic phone call. My 50 year-old mother had just invested in her first pair of Uggs.

I've prided myself on never owning Uggs, mostly because in a fit of snobbiness, I deemed them too unoriginal and generic for a true fashion statement. Plus, they're just plain ugly. I quickly scolded my mother for her purchase, both because she is clearly not a teenager and also because she has been a style icon of mine since youth and I couldn't believe she had committed such a fashion faux pas. The news that she had fallen to the dark side made me question my whole fashion doctrine.

Alas, here comes the lesson of learning not to speak too soon. I will grudgingly admit that the Uggs my mom bought are fantastic. They're chic, cute and undeniably warm. Thank heavens though, they look nothing like the typical tube-shaped boot that society invested in because a few celebrities paraded them around 90 years ago.

These new Uggs, called "Women's Shoreline," come in an olive color, lace up the front and have unique Indian-inspired details that make the boots not only eye-catching but also compatible with the season's trends. The fact that such a good-looking boot could belong to the Ugg family intrigued me and I searched the Web site for other good finds. Don't be fooled. The "Shoreline" is as good as it gets.

If Uggs aren't your thing, The North Face also

provides an attractive and functional snow boot called the "Women's Abby II." The Abby II is extremely comfortable and warm, but make sure to douse

Walking (and Dressing) In A Winter Wonderland

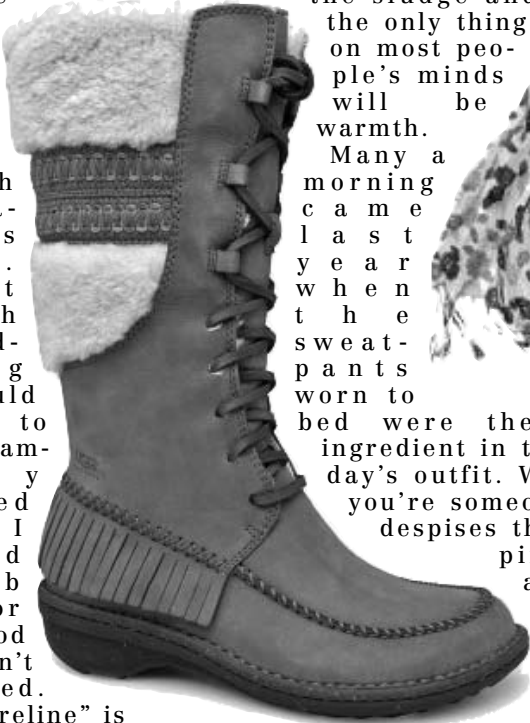


it in suede spray before stepping out into the South Bend slush if you want to maintain the shoes' color and texture. For a cheaper but similar

looking style, check out Target's "Women's C9 by Champion Neveah Lace-Up" boots.

South Bend winters are notorious for being unbearable, ugly and frigid. Once that magical first snowfall goes from white to gray, the desire to look cute will be plowed away with the sludge and the only thing on most people's minds will be warmth.

Many a morning came last year when the sweatpants worn to bed were the main ingredient in the next day's outfit. Whether you're someone who despises the sloppiness of a sweat



instead loves nothing more than taking your outfit from evening

to day (read: pajamas to class), a few items will adorn every girl's costume.

Jackets are an absolute necessity from late November to at least early March and, thankfully, there are plenty of fantastic options out there.

For those eco-friendly Green NDers, The North Face "Women's Denali Hoodie" provides not only warmth, but also a clear conscience. Made of materials that would have normally piled up in the trash, this jacket's fabric, recycled Polartec 300 series fleece, is derived from 90 percent post-industrial waste and 10 percent post-consumer waste. Save yourself and the environment by bundling up in this multifunctional hoodie.

If price is a concern, Target's "Merona Women's Short Hooded Puffer" jacket comes in a variety of colors, compliments the feminine shape and is only \$30. The teal, red and purple are especially flattering on any complexion and will light up Notre Dame's dreary winter campus.

The last vital component of the Notre Dame Winter Survival Outfit is the scarf. Go nowhere without one. Winds here turn viciously violent, and unless you're a fan of sporting the robber-like ski mask, a scarf will be your savior. Forever 21 is stocked with



delightful selections, ranging in price from less than \$5 to just over \$10. Both

American Eagle and the Gap have classic prep-py styles and plenty of pretty patterns, like the "Soft floral scarf," that will ensure you look good as you set out on the daily hike to class.

Don't be caught without the essentials this winter. One look that will NOT be in is frostbite.

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Weekend Events Calendar

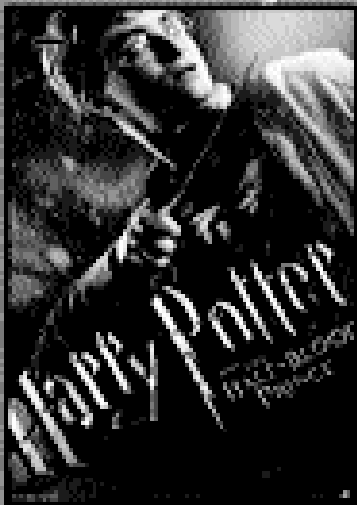
thursday



Badin Art Show @ 6-9 p.m.

The annual Badin Art Show is taking place Thursday evening from 6 to 9 p.m. in Badin Hall social space. This event features student artists from the University, as well as sidewalk chalk, music and free food. Submissions to the art show are judged and awarded prizes. This is a great opportunity to come out and support your fellow students and see some great art. You never know, your fellow classmates could be the next Van Gogh or Monet. Feel free to stop in at any time all evening, although the earlier you get there, the more likely there will still be delicious food.

friday



SUB Movie @ 8 and 10:30 p.m. in DeBartolo

This week's sub movie is "Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince." The sixth installment of the Harry Potter series, it chronicles the sixth year at Hogwarts for Harry and his friends. As Lord Voldemort's path of terror and destruction grows wider, Harry and Dumbledore work to discover as much as they can about He-Who-Must-Not-Be-Named, in hope of one day destroying him. Harry is also presented with the challenge of appeasing a new professor, Horace Slughorn, in an effort to secure his help when the time comes. This movie will be shown Thursday at 10 p.m. and Saturday at 8 and 10:30 p.m. Tickets are \$3.

saturday



End Zone @ 10 p.m. LaFortune Ballroom

End Zone is a fantastic event put on for the student body by the Student Activities Office after every football game, so be sure to take advantage of it. The theme for the End Zone this week is laser tag and Chipotle. And what better way to celebrate a win than with two awesome things? Stop in with your friends anytime during the evening after the game. You can play one game of laser tag or stay all night. The Chipotle is sure to go fast, so the earlier you stop by, the better your chances. If nothing else, it's always nice to have something new and different to do on Saturday night.

sunday



Irish Chamber Orchestra @ 2 p.m. in DPAC

The Irish Chamber Orchestra is performing at the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center. The Orchestra is composed of strings players with both national and international acclaim. Known for its fresh and exciting take on classical and contemporary music, this is one ensemble not to be missed. In addition to an already stellar group of musicians, Steven Mackey will be joining the Orchestra. He is known for his work on the electric guitar. Together with the Orchestra, Mackey will perform an original piece written for strings and electric guitar and commissioned specially for the group.

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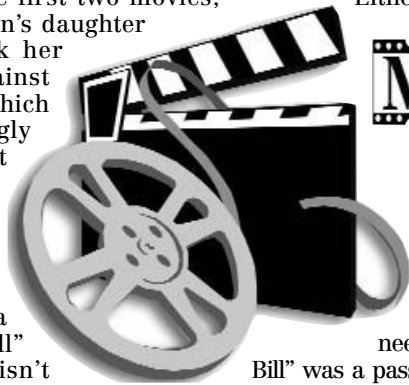
Beatrix Kiddo fans rejoice! The man himself, Quentin Tarantino, director of "Kill Bill," amongst other modern classics, has recently gone on record saying that he plans to make a third volume of the epic revenge saga. And, better yet, the Bride (Uma Thurman) is just as excited to get to work on "Volume Three." The Internet is booming with speculation about the plot. SPOILER ALERT. After all, Bill is officially dead. Not many are known to have survived the Five Point Palm Exploding Heart Technique.

The most popular potential plot choice: several years after the events of the first two movies, Vernita Green's daughter goes to seek her revenge against the Bride, which was strongly alluded to at the end of that great kitchen fight. However, can Tarantino really make a new "Kill Bill" movie that isn't about killing Bill? As has been suggested by some, will

the title be changed to "Kill Beatrix" or "Kill B?" The jury is still out. Either way, there is no

(Thurman) and several women baddies that need to be taken care of. "Kill Bill" is not for the faint of

ly after. No need to spoil that here, but you won't see it coming. She then has to continue with her killing



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'KILL BILL' KICKS BUTT

need to be scared. "Kill Bill" was a passion project for both Tarantino and Thurman, and there is no way they would screw up "Volume Three."

For those invested in some of Tarantino's more popular titles, like "Pulp Fiction," "Reservoir Dogs" and the recent "Inglourious Basterds," "Kill Bill" is a massively underrated piece of his repertoire. It features Tarantino staples, like blood (deliciously red and spurting everywhere), ridiculous but compelling dialogue and a bizarre but strangely moving plot. If he strays in any way from his standard non-formulaic formula, it's in filling his movie with a BA female protagonist

heart, but for those willing to revel in gore, Hattori Hanzo sword fights and the tale of a lover scorned, ready to seek her revenge, then this is it.

"Kill Bill" works best as one movie. "Volume One" is exciting and action packed, whereas "Volume Two," no less exciting, actually gets to the point of the movie, heading towards its resolution. It's guaranteed that watching them one after the other is really the only way to see "Kill Bill." For you unfortunate souls unfamiliar with the movie, it follows Beatrix Kiddo, the Bride, after waking up from a lengthy coma. Turns out she was once an assassin, but on her wedding day, was shot and put into a coma by her former associates.

What follows is the Bride literally slashing through her once-coworkers to seek her revenge. Only part-way-through "Volume Two" does she make it known what she is real-

spree, making her way towards the Head Honcho, the eponymous Bill. This essentially amounts to one of the most entertaining, hold-on-to-your-seat-in-anticipation, kick-butt movies ever. Ever.

Thus why Tarantino's big reveal has fans all up in a dizzy. Unfortunately, Mr. Auteur has a few projects currently up his sleeve likely to be made before "Kill Bill: Volume Three," including a remake of "Faster Pussycat, Kill Kill." However, it is, as of now, tentatively set for a 2014 release date.

These might be four of the roughest years to get through, just out of sheer anticipation, but there is no doubt that it will be worth it. In the meantime, get your hands on "Kill Bill" RIGHT NOW and watch it to your hearts content. Every time an artery is cut and blood begins to shower the room, just remember that there is so much more of that in store for you. Eyeball pulling and scalping might be at a minimum, but other body parts are sure to suffer.

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NBA

Wade leads Heat in victory over Wizards

Pacers defense wins team its first game of the season; Nuggets come back in third quarter to overthrow Nets

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Dwyane Wade scored 40 points, including a go-ahead jumper with 25 seconds left, to lead the Miami Heat in a 93-89 victory over the Washington Wizards on Wednesday night.

It was the first time Wade reached 40 points since getting a career-high 55 in April against New York. Quentin Richardson had 19 points and nine rebounds for Miami (4-1).

Wade took the spotlight away from Washington's Gilbert Arenas , who scored 32 but was 9 of 27 from the field.

Arenas missed a layup with 17 seconds left after Wade's jumper, falling hard to the ground after driving through traffic, and rushed a short jumper on the next possession with the Wizards trailing by three points to end Washington's chances.

Arenas gave Washington an 89-87 lead with 1:30 remaining, driving the lane for a layup with 1 second showing on the shot clock. Jermaine O'Neal hit a jumper to tie it 19 seconds later.

DeShawn Stevenson missed two free throws with 44 seconds left to set up Wade's jumper.

Brendan Haywood had 16 points and 11 rebounds and Caron Butler had 13 points and 10 rebounds for Washington.

The tight final minutes came after Miami opened up a big early lead. Haywood opened the game with the dunk, but the Wizards didn't hold the lead again until Haywood's hook shot at 6:28 left in the third quarter gave Washington a 57-56 edge.

The rest of the quarter belonged to the team's dueling stars. Arenas scored nine of Washington's final 13 points in the third quarter. Wade outdid him, tallying Miami's final 10 points, including a last-second layup to tie the game at 66 entering the fourth quarter.

Miami had led by as many as 19 in the opening quarter, going up 27-8 with 3 1/2 minutes left in the first.

The Wizards clawed back in the second period. With Arenas on the bench, Washington went on a 17-2 run over a nearly 5-minute span to pull to 37-36. Wade made sure the Heat would hold on to the lead with a pair of 3-pointers, and Miami led 50-41 at halftime.

The Wizards finished the

game without starter Mike Miller , who left in the fourth quarter with a left shoulder sprain. Miller first hurt the shoulder in the third quarter in a collision with the Heat's Mario Chalmers. Miller was taken to the locker room and returned to the bench a few minutes later with his shoulder taped. He re-entered the game late in the third quarter.

Miller, who was acquired by Washington in a trade with Minnesota in June, aggravated the injury with 9:11 left in the fourth quarter when he fell to the court on a foul by Miami's Joel Anthony. Miller completed the 3-point play and stayed in the game for about another minute before again leaving for the locker room.

Pacers 101, Knicks 89

A couple of top players were already on the bench, then leading scorer Danny Granger joined them after fouling out with plenty of time left.

No matter. The Indiana Pacers just won it with defense.

T.J. Ford scored eight of his 16 points in the final 3:12, and the Pacers won for the first time this season, holding the New York Knicks without a field goal for the final 9-plus minutes Wednesday night's victory.

"That has to be the signature of our team, that regardless of what we're doing on the offensive end, we can always stop you on the defensive end, and we did that tonight," Granger said.

Dahntay Jones had 19 points and 12 rebounds for the Pacers (1-3), who came in as one of the NBA's three winless teams and had lost all three games by double digits. Roy Hibbert added 15 points and 14 rebounds.

Brandon Rush had 12 points and 10 rebounds as the Pacers pulled it out despite losing Granger, who led them with 21 points, to fouls with 3:38 remaining. Indiana forced New York to miss its final 12 shots.

"I'm happy things worked that we've been working on for the past couple of weeks and to know that our defense can anchor us," said Jones, a defensive stopper last season for Denver who helped Indiana hold New York's starting backcourt of Chris Duhon and Larry Hughes to 6 of 23 shooting. "We were communicating and getting stops and trying to dig out

rebounds."

Al Harrington scored 22 points for the Knicks, who shot 2-for-17 in the fourth quarter. David Lee had 20 points and 19 rebounds, but New York hit 39.5 percent for the game.

"Our problems in this game started and ended on the offensive end," Lee said. "We talk a lot about our defense, but our offense in the second half, for us to shoot under 40 percent isn't a good sign."

The Pacers turned to their defense without starting forward Troy Murphy , who bruised his lower back in a hard fall during a 111-93 loss to Denver on Tuesday night. They are already without another top player, Mike Dunleavy Jr., who is recovering from surgery on his right knee.

They didn't need them against the Knicks, who fell to 1-2 on a four-game homestand that concludes Friday with the only visit this season from LeBron James and the Cleveland Cavaliers.

"Our guys are in terrific condition to be able to play that hard in the second half after playing back-to-back nights," Indiana coach Jim O'Brien said. "It shows how hard they worked up to this point."

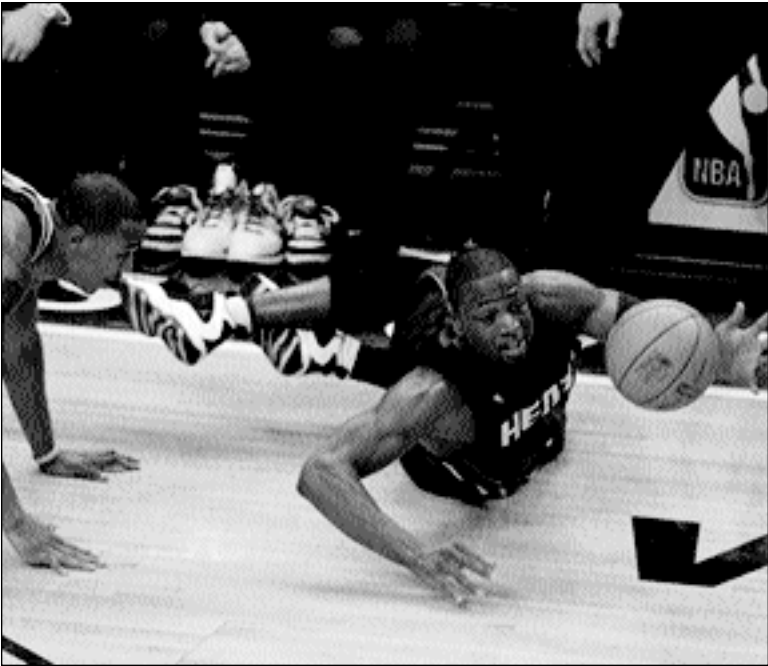
Hibbert tied it at 76 early in the fourth, then Granger made a 3-pointer to give the Pacers the lead for good. Wilson Chandler's jumper with 9:20 left made it a one-point game, but the Knicks were shut out from the field the rest of the night.

The fourth-quarter debacle came after the Knicks had averaged 40.5 points in the fourth quarters of their previous two games. They managed only 33 points in the second half Wednesday.

"For whatever reason, it seems every time we get stuck or whatever, instead of having a little more determination or patience, we just jack one up and that kind of got us in trouble in the second half," Knicks coach Mike D'Antoni said.

New York stayed within four points by making numerous trips to the line until Ford's jumper made it 93-87 with 3:12 to go. Ford followed with two free throws for an eight-point lead, and after Harrington hit two free throws, Ford knocked down another jumper to put it away at 97-89 with 48 seconds remaining.

The Pacers committed



Miami guard Dwyane Wade, right, and Washington forward Caron Butler chase after a loose ball in the second half Wednesday.

seven turnovers in the first quarter, but still trailed only 25-21 after both teams shot under 40 percent. The offenses picked up in the second, with Harrington scoring 10 points and New York hitting 62 percent to take a 56-50 halftime lead.

The Knicks led by seven late in the third quarter before the Pacers scored the final six points of the period. Granger made a 3-pointer, but the other points were on free throws that pulled Indiana within 74-73 heading to the fourth.

Indiana was 8 of 12 from the line in the third quarter. New York shot none.

Nuggets 122, Nets 94

Down by a point after subpar first-half performances by Chauncey Billups and Carmelo Anthony, the Denver Nuggets become the latest team to take advantage of the New Jersey Nets ' woes in the third quarter.

Billups and Anthony woke up the Nuggets by leading a 44-point third-quarter assault that carried unbeaten Denver to its fifth straight win, a decision over the victory over the winless Nets on Wednesday night.

"The first half, we couldn't it going at all," said Billups, who scored all 12 of his points in the third quarter. "There are not many times when Melo and I are off at the same time. But the bench came in and did a great job. Sometimes, the shots don't go, but we just had to regroup at halftime and get the job done."

The 5-0 start is Denver's best since winning six straight in 1985-86. It also handed the Nets their fifth straight loss, tying the worst start in franchise history, set in 1996-97.

"We knew going into halftime that obviously Carmelo and Chauncey were going to lead the charge and that's exactly what they did," said Nets coach Lawrence Frank, whose team scored seven points in the third quarter in a loss to Charlotte on Monday night. "They dominated the paint and the perimeter in the third quarter and we never recovered."

Denver hit 17 of 25 shots and outscored the Nets 44-26 in the third quarter in turning a 51-50 deficit into a 94-77 lead.

"The equalizer in NBA basketball is that the game is long and the better team usually comes out after a while," Nuggets coach George Karl said. "Our two best players weren't shooting well, but I felt pretty good about the way they came out in the third quarter."

Billups scored the first seven points to give Denver the lead for good. Anthony, who was 1 of 11 in the first half, scored 11 of his 22 points in the quarter, which was five points shy of the Nets all-time worst third quarter.

"I wasn't happy with the way things were going in the first half, so in the second half, I think we all wanted to pick it up in a hurry," said Anthony, who was 7 of 13 in the second half.

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Michael: I'm not usually the butt of the joke. I'm usually the face of the joke. I wish Jim had fallen into that pond and he'd have to put on my suit and it'd be too short and he'd

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For Michael and Bill: She wears high heels, I wear sneakers She's Cheer Captain and I'm on the bleachers Dreaming about the day when you wake up and find That what you're looking for has been here the whole time If you could see that I'm the one who understands you Been here all along, so why can't you see? You belong with me

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NFL



Browns running back Jamal Lewis said he is going forward with his plans to retire at the end of the season. Lewis was drafted 5th overall in 2000 by the Baltimore Ravens and won Super Bowl XXXV with them in his rookie seaon.

Browns' Lewis to retire after season

Associated Press

BEREA, Ohio — Jamal Lewis can see the goal line to his career. It's just eight games away.

Cleveland's durable running back said Wednesday that he hasn't changed his mind about retiring after this season, his 10th in the NFL. Lewis announced the decision following the Browns' 30-6 loss Sunday in Chicago, leading to speculation he was speaking from emotion.

Surely he would change his mind.

Not Lewis. Just as he runs with the football, he's churning his legs and trying not to let anyone

bring him down.

"I don't talk just to talk," he said. "I mean what I say."

The 30-year-old Lewis, who moved into 21st place on the league's career rushing list last week, hinted that he may have decided to retire long before the Browns' 1-7 start. Lewis paused when he was asked if he came into the season knowing it would be his last one.

"I'd rather not answer that question," he said. "I just wanted to come out here and give it a shot — check out the new system, the new coaches and give it another shot with my teammates. That's really

all I said I would do this season is hopefully go out and have a winning season."

It hasn't worked out that way. To this point, the Browns have shown little progress under first-year coach Eric Mangini. And beyond the losses, the club is still plagued by turmoil. Just this week general manager George Kokinis, who worked with Lewis in Baltimore, was relieved of his duties.

Lewis is disappointed with the Browns' continuous slide, but said the team's performance through eight gams had no bearing on his decision to retire.

"They didn't sour me,"

he said of the losses. "I just expected better. I expected more. I expected to win. I was excited to start off the season with the attitude Mangini and his staff instilled in us. At the same time, when you work as hard as we did you want to see results."

"I'm still looking for them."

Lewis may have lost a step or two since rushing for 2,066 yards for the Ravens in 2003. But his stature hasn't changed inside Cleveland's locker room. The Browns elected him as a captain before the season and the team's younger players look up to him as an all-around role model.

IN BRIEF

Caps' left wing Alex Ovechkin week-to-week

NEWARK, N.J. — As expected, Washington Capitals star Alex Ovechkin is out of the lineup because of an upper-body strain.

Ovechkin has been termed "week to week" by the Capitals, but the two-time NHL MVP was not ruled out beyond Wednesday night's game against the New Jersey Devils.

Ovechkin traveled with the team and could potentially play at Florida on Friday or at home in a rematch with the Panthers on Saturday.

The NHL's second-leading scorer was hurt Sunday during an over-time loss to Columbus. Ovechkin had a league-best 14 goals, and 23 points while playing in Washington's first 14 games this season.

"He said he's feeling better today, a lot better today," Capitals coach Bruce Boudreau said Wednesday morning. "I was excited about that.

NBA referee Donaghy released from jail

BROOKSVILLE, Fla. — Disgraced former NBA referee Tim Donaghy was a free man Wednesday after serving most of a 15-month sentence in a gambling scandal.

Pat Berdan, a consultant working with Donaghy, said he was released from Hernando County Jail in Florida. Donaghy had been jailed there since August after officials said he violated travel restrictions while living at a halfway house in the Tampa area.

A New York judge sentenced the ex-referee in July 2008 after Donaghy said he took thousands of dollars from a professional gambler in exchange for inside tips on games — including games he worked.

The 42-year-old pleaded guilty to conspiracy to engage in wire fraud and transmitting betting information through interstate commerce in the tips-for-payoffs scheme.

Dodgers pitcher Padilla shot while training

MANAGUA, Nicaragua — Los Angeles Dodgers pitcher Vicente Padilla is recovering from a bullet wound in his leg after a target shooting instructor accidentally shot him.

Dr. Eduardo Reguera said Padilla, who signed with the Dodgers in August, didn't need surgery after spending time at Managua's Metropolitan Hospital.

Police spokesman Vilma Reyes said Wednesday that Padilla's pistol apparently jammed during a target shooting session late Tuesday.

Padilla handed the pistol to a shooting instructor, a former police captain, who didn't realize there was a bullet in the chamber and shot himself in his hand, Padilla's legal adviser Roberto Calderon told The Associated Press. The bullet also grazed Padilla's leg.

NFL

Westbrook ready to return Sunday

Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA — Brian Westbrook is set to return from his latest injury when the Eagles host the Dallas Cowboys in a matchup of the top two teams in the NFC East on Sunday.

Westbrook missed the Eagles' rout of the Giants last week with a concussion sustained a week earlier in a victory over Washington. Coach Andy Reid said Westbrook, who practiced Wednesday for the first time since the injury, should be "good to go" against Dallas and will not need to undergo further testing.

"Right now he's fine," Reid said.

Westbrook said the headache he had last week is gone and he feels no ill effects from the concussion.

"I feel pretty good," Westbrook said. "My memory has returned. It really didn't go away except for that one play. I'm excited about the opportunity to play again."

While falling to the turf during a 5-yard run against the Redskins, Westbrook hit his head on the knee of linebacker London Fletcher. Westbrook briefly lost consciousness but walked off the field under his own power.

It was the first career concussion for the eight-year veteran, who remembers everything except the play on which he suffered the concussion.

"It's a trying time," Westbrook said. "You're not sure if it's going to be two

weeks, it's going to be one week — you're not sure exactly what it's going to be. You hope and pray that the symptoms will go away."

While rookie running back LeSean McCoy and veteran fullback Leonard Weaver filled in nicely against the Giants, rushing for 66- and 41-yard touchdowns respectively, Westbrook's return certainly will be a boost.

The Cowboys, who despite being 22nd in the league in yards allowed per game (342.1), are 10th in points allowed (19.4).

"Having Westbrook back will be definitely big for us," quarterback Donovan McNabb said.

Westbrook has struggled with injuries all season. After undergoing knee and ankle operations in the offseason, he sprained the same ankle in a Week 2 loss to New Orleans and missed the following week's win over Kansas City.

His best game of the season thus far came two weeks later. Westbrook was the lone highlight of a stunning loss to Oakland, gaining 141 total yards on 15 touches.

"I just look at it as a fluke thing," Westbrook said of his latest injury. "It was weird because I went into that game feeling pretty good. The first couple carries I felt pretty good."

Westbrook rushed for 13 yards on his three carries against Washington.

"I thought you were seeing the speed, the burst, the timing his vision," Reid said.

NCAA FOOTBALL

Florida ups Spikes' penalty to a full game

Associated Press

GAINESVILLE, Fla. — With all the negative attention "weighing heavy on his heart," Florida linebacker Brandon Spikes asked to serve a full-game suspension for apparently trying to gouge the eyes of a Georgia running back.

Coach Urban Meyer obliged, saying Wednesday that it was in the top-ranked Gators' best interest that Spikes sit out Saturday's game against Vanderbilt.

"I really don't want to be a distraction to the team," Spikes said after practice. "I want the guys to prepare without any negative things going on, and I feel like if I would play, it would be a big thing going on. I'm just trying to stay out of the way and just motivate the guys."

Meyer had faced some criticism for only suspending his star defender for the first half of the Vandy game. The Southeastern Conference accepted the original punishment.

Spikes stuck his hand into the facemask of Georgia's Washaun Ealey during

Florida 41-17 victory against the Bulldogs. There was no penalty called at the time, but after talk about the play spread, Meyer reviewed it and decided to punish Spikes.

Meyer, Spikes and defensive coordinator Charlie Strong agreed to increase the punishment.

"A lot of the negative things out there really weighing heavy on his heart right now and so we thought that, as a group, we decided the best interest just for the team to not play him Saturday," Meyer said. "It was a group decision and we're doing it out of respect to our team so we can focus on trying to win our ninth game."

"We think it's the right thing to do. We support Brandon fully and we look forward to get back and finish the season the right way."

Spikes is fourth on the team with 42 tackles and has three sacks.

He considered entering the NFL draft in January, but decided to return for his senior season in hopes of helping Florida win a third national title in four years.

NBA

Cavs' West faces more charges

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Cleveland Cavaliers guard Delonte West was indicted Tuesday on additional weapons and traffic charges stemming from his Sept. 17 arrest for speeding on a motorcycle and carrying multiple weapons.

The eight-count indictment sheds no new light on why West, 26, was riding a motorcycle on the Capital Beltway in Prince George's County, Md., at 10 p.m. with two loaded handguns and a loaded shotgun. Prosecutors on Wednesday added an 8 1/2-inch Bowie knife to the list of concealed weapons West was carrying.

It's illegal in Maryland to carry concealed weapons and to transport loaded handguns.

West was indicted on two counts of carrying a dangerous weapon, two counts of carrying a handgun, two counts of transporting a handgun, and one count each of reckless driving and negligent driving. The charges are all misdemeanors. Each weapons count carries a penalty of up to three years in

prison.

West was initially charged with just two counts of carrying a handgun and with driving in excess of reasonable and prudent speed.

Court records don't list a lawyer for West. His agent, Noah Croom, did not immediately respond to a message seeking comment.

West has been treated in the past for bipolar disorder, and last week his wife filed a domestic violence report against him in Ohio. No charges have been filed.

West, who could still face a league suspension over the charges in Maryland, made his season debut during Saturday night's 90-79 win against Charlotte, scoring 13 points in 24 minutes. He was expected to play in Tuesday night's game against Washington.

Cavaliers general manager Danny Ferry, who along with team doctors has been handling West's delicate state on a daily basis, issued a statement following the release of the new

charges against West.

"It is our understanding that today's developments are part of the legal process that continues to take place with Delonte and he and his legal counsel will handle that," Ferry said. "We will continue to take this matter very seriously and monitor and respect the legal process as it proceeds, but not speculate or comment about it."

Cavs coach Mike Brown didn't want to speculate on the possibility of West doing jail time.

"I believe in the process, I'm going to let it unfold and go from there," Brown said.

After the arrest, West reported to training camp on time but missed the team's first four practices without an excuse. He returned, but then left the team for a week to deal with personal matters. He missed all eight preseason games and Cleveland's first three regular-season games.

West, who lives in Brandywine, Md., was riding a three-wheel motorcycle when he cut off a police officer on the beltway in Upper Marlboro, authorities said. The officer pulled him over, and the weapons were discovered.

Prince George's County State's Attorney Glenn Ivey said West will likely be arraigned by the end of the week, and the case could go to trial early next year.

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**Danny Ferry
Cavaliers' general manager**

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NCAA SOFTBALL

Missing North Dakota softball players found dead

Three Dickinson State students found drowned in Jeep in a pond; police do not suspect foul play, autopsies planned

Associated Press

DICKINSON, N.D. — Three missing North Dakota college softball players were found dead Tuesday in a Jeep pulled from a pond, and police said they believed the women were in the vehicle when they made two desperate calls to friends for help.

Police Lt. Rod Banyai said

officers are investigating the cause of the deaths and autopsies are planned. He said he believes the women were in the Jeep when they called for help, but he didn't know whether it already was under water when those calls were made.

"At this time, foul play is not suspected," Banyai said Tuesday night.

Authorities had been

searching since late Sunday night for Kyrstin Gemar, 22, of San Diego; Afton Williamson, 20, of Lake Elsinore, Calif.; and Ashley Neufeld, 21, of Brandon, Manitoba.

The Dickinson State University students were believed to be in the white 1997 Jeep Cherokee with California plates when two of their friends received

telephone calls before the lines went dead. Police described the first as a "very scratchy" call for help in which one of the women said they were near a lake and water.

Banyai said the 12-foot deep pond where the women were found is on a farm northwest of Dickinson, a city of 16,000 people about 100 miles west of Bismarck

and 60 miles east of the Montana state line. Vehicle tracks were found leading into the pond Tuesday afternoon, he said.

"After that was located, the plane flew over the top and it could see that there was a white object in the water," Banyai said. The submerged vehicle was pulled from the pond about two hours later.

Banyai said the vehicle will be checked for defects. He said authorities don't know how it got into the pond.

Kyrstin Gemar's parents, Lenny and Claire, said during an earlier news conference at police headquarters, before the bodies were found, that they had talked to their daughter late Saturday night. Lenny Gemar said it was not uncommon for his daughter and her friends to go star gazing on the spur of the moment.

The women's families were not at the news conference where police announced the deaths.

Students at Dickinson State, where the women were stars on the school's softball team, led a prayer service Monday night that drew more than 300 people. Another service was scheduled at the 2,700-student school for Tuesday night.

"We are very deeply saddened by this turn of events and we are going to mobilize all of our resources to work with the families and the students on campus," Dickinson State spokeswoman Constance Walter said. "They will be greatly missed by their teammates and others."


The college lists Gemar as a senior business major who played third base on the softball team. Neufeld is a senior outfielder who is working on a degree in psychology, and Williamson, a junior, is a pitcher majoring in psychology with a minor in coaching.


Gov. John Hoeven issued a statement extending sympathy to the families and appreciation to those who participated in the search, "which ended in a way we all prayed it wouldn't."

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NCAA FOOTBALL

New Mexico rejects offer of silence

Associated Press

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. — University of New Mexico president David Schmidly said Wednesday that an attorney representing an assistant football coach sent a letter offering “continued media silence” in exchange for a \$500,000 settlement in a dispute with head football coach Mike Locksley.

Schmidly said the overture was rejected.

“I outright refused it,” Schmidly said during a news conference. “I turned the letter over to our legal staff and told them the answer is no.”

Julian Haffner, a lawyer in Bethesda, Md., who is representing receivers coach J.B. Gerald, didn’t immediately return telephone messages seeking comment.

Gerald, who claims he was punched and choked by Locksley, made his first public comments about the dispute during an interview broadcast last week by ESPN. Schmidly said he “wouldn’t be surprised” if Gerald files a civil lawsuit against the university.

Later, administrators released a Nov. 3 letter to Haffner in which university lawyers expressed concern that Haffner had tried to speak to other New Mexico assistants without the school’s permission.

After weeks of criticism over the Locksley mess, administrators gathered reporters on campus Wednesday to clarify their

version of events since the Sept. 20 altercation.

Gerald said he sustained a split lip when Locksley struck him. Locksley admitted grabbing Gerald’s collar but maintains he never threw a punch.

The latest developments changed nothing for Locksley, who last month served a 10-day suspension for his role in the altercation. Athletic director Paul Krebs said the coach will enter an anger management program after the season.

“Coach Locksley’s behavior surrounding an argument with a member of his staff was wrong, plain and simple,” Schmidly said. “He has painted this university, the athletic department, Lobo football and himself in an extremely poor light.”

New Mexico (0-8, 0-4 Mountain West) plays Saturday at No. 17 Utah (7-1, 4-0).

Schmidly acknowledged the school made mistakes in following internal personnel procedures as the investigation unfolded. He also said the university improperly failed to provide records requested by several news organizations, including The Associated Press.

“We bungled the process in the areas I have mentioned, and we have already taken steps to correct and refine our procedural issues,” Schmidly said. “But, and I want to repeat this, I am not aware of any evidence that would suggest a cover-up.”

The university’s vice president for human resources, Helen Gonzales, emphasized her investigation wasn’t able to corroborate Gerald’s claim to police that he was punched. Gonzales also said notes gathered by an athletics administrator were not used in the university’s official investigation because that person, Shannon Garbiso, was not a trained human resources investigator.

She also said Garbiso didn’t use a tape recorder to document her meetings with assistant coaches and later compiled the notes from memory. Garbiso’s notes confirm that Locksley was swinging his arms while being restrained by assistant Mike Degory. Another assistant, Cheston Blackshear, reported that “Locks grabbed him (Gerald) by the shirt and started choking him.”

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David Schmidly
President
University of New Mexico

MLB

Cubs’ Lilly has shoulder surgery

Associated Press

CHICAGO — Chicago Cubs left-hander Ted Lilly, who’s been one of the team’s most consistent starters the last three seasons, had surgery on his left shoulder and no timetable has been set for his return.

The Cubs said the arthroscopy and debridement procedure performed Tuesday by Dr. Lewis Yocum in Los Angeles revealed no major damage to Lilly’s shoulder. Yocum performed a washout and clean-up of the shoulder during the one-hour surgery.

Lilly, who was 12-9 with a 3.10 ERA in 27 starts this season, said he was told initially he might not be able to start throwing for four months, depending on how well his rehab progresses.

“That could change one way or the other. My intention is to try to get back as fast as I can without setting myself back,” Lilly said Wednesday during a conference call.

The Cubs are hoping he can join the rotation sometime in April.

Lilly, who went on the disabled list in July with inflammation in the shoulder before returning to the rotation, said he hoped rest after the season ended would help. But after a month off, sur-

gery became the best option.

“Initially I wanted to try and avoid it,” Lilly said. “I figured it would get better and it did not.”

Lilly, who signed a four-year \$40 million deal with the Cubs on Dec. 12, 2006, was 15-8 in 2007 and 17-9 a year ago, making 34 starts each season.

He couldn’t pitch the way he wanted to with the shoulder continuing to bother him.

“My symptoms were to the point it was affecting the way I was throwing and I didn’t feel like I was able to throw the ball without pain and from the normal arm slot that I need to,” he said. “All in all, the news was good to come out of it (the surgery). There wasn’t anything structurally wrong with my shoulder or any significant damage on the inside.”

General manager Jim Hendry said the surgery shouldn’t alter the team’s off-season plans because the Cubs hope Lilly will be back in April. Lilly turns 34 in January.

“We don’t want to take that spot away from Ted,” Hendry said.

Hendry was asked if the Cubs might now consider resigning free agent right-hander Rich Harden or adding another pitcher. The team is having organizational meetings this week in Arizona.

WGC

Woods and Mickelson face off at world championships

Associated Press

SHANGHAI — Tiger Woods and Phil Mickelson sat across from each other in a mock game of Chinese checkers against the spectacular backdrop of Shanghai’s trendy Bund district. Later, they posed with the HSBC Champions trophy.

The world’s best two players have been taking part in plenty of photo opportunities together lately.

Only six weeks ago in Atlanta, they shared the spotlight at the Tour Championship when Mickelson won the tournament by three shots over Woods, and Woods hoisted the FedEx Cup trophy. Then came a trophy they shared at the Presidents Cup, where both produced unbeaten records in San Francisco.

Halfway around the world, they are going at it again.

Despite a 78-man field from 23 countries at this World Golf Championship — the strongest field ever assembled in Asia — Woods and Mickelson remain the top attraction.

“I’m excited that Tiger and I

are able to compete in the same event here in China,” Mickelson said Wednesday on the eve of the HSBC Champions at Sheshan International Golf Club. “I think that it will provide some exposure to the game of golf throughout the country, and I’m hopeful that we compete head-to-head over the weekend, and are both in contention.”

The HSBC Champions might be the appropriate way to celebrate a phenomenal year for golf in Asia.

Y.E. Yang of South Korea made history in two respects at the PGA Championship,

becoming the first Asian-born golfer to win a major and the first player to win a major where Woods had the lead going into the final round.

Only a week ago, the first Asian Amateur Championship was staged at Mission Hills

Golf Club in China, with the winner awarded a spot in the Masters next year and an exemption into the final stage of British Open qualifying.

The year ends with the first World Golf Championship in Asia that counts toward the world ranking.

“I’m looking forward to it. I

think everyone is,” Woods said. “Having this now become a World Golf Championship, I think everyone is very excited about what this tournament means in the scope of things, not just here in China but in all of Asia. As a player, we are looking forward to playing this golf course against such a great field.”

The field includes defending champion Sergio Garcia, three-time major winner Pádraig Harrington, British Open champion Stewart Cink and Lee Westwood, who is leading the Race to Dubai on the European Tour.

Woods is no stranger to playing overseas, having played at least one international tournament every year since his pro debut in 1996. But while that familiar spinning globe — the World Golf Championship logo — is now found on the bright red signs around the course, there is no denying this tournament has a different feel.

HSBC has expanded its promotional effort to the point that it had sand in the bunkers on the practice range painted red, its corporate color. It also had pictures of Woods, Mickelson, Harrington, Geoff Ogilvy and Paul Casey painted on elevator doors at the official hotel.

Advance tickets sold at double the rate compared with last year, a product of Woods returning to Shanghai, the

tournament being upgraded to WGC status and the appearance of 18-year-old Ryo Ishikawa of Japan.

One Chinese boy no more than 10 was so excited to see Woods that he raced under the ropes with a camera draped around his neck to get a clear shot, only for a security guard to gently scoop him up and put him back in the gallery.

Hysteria erupted on the 14th hole when Woods and caddie Steve Williams stopped for a bathroom break, with Williams leaving the golf bag just off the tee. Within seconds, some 50 fans had it surrounded, gawking as though a meteorite had fallen on Sheshan International. One woman giggled as she timidly stroked the Kiwi head cover on Woods’ 3-wood until security shooed her away.

Even the excursions to Shanghai’s massive metropolis have been adventurous, as cars weave six-wide along three-lane highways.

“Amazing,” Nick Watney said. “The lanes are more like suggestions.”

The list of champions at Sheshan International is impressive. Garcia won last year, pushing him to a career-

high No. 2 in the world ranking. The year before belonged to Mickelson in his first sanctioned international victory.

And while not many knew him at the time, Yang introduced himself in 2006 by finishing two shots ahead of Woods.

“The biggest memory is of sitting with Tiger during the awards ceremony,” Yang said. “Having my picture taken with Tiger was probably the biggest thrill.”

That was nothing compared with Yang taking Woods apart at Hazeltine, then hoisting his golf bag over his shoulders after winning the PGA Championship. Yang said he is not quite as relaxed at the HSBC Champions as he was three years ago.

“There’s a little more pressure, I guess,” he said. “Maybe it’s because Tiger is here. Maybe it’s because I’ve been through a lot of tournaments. Maybe it’s because of the stress finally trickling down. As I told you, I’m trying to take it as just an ordinary tournament.”

From red sand in the practice range bunkers to Woods and Mickelson leading a world-class field, there is nothing ordinary about this tournament

“As a player, we are looking forward to playing this golf course against such a great field.”

Tiger Woods
PGA Tour golfer

MLB

Matsui leads Yankees to 27th World Series title

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Paint the town in pinstripes! Nearly a decade after their dynasty ended on a blooper in the desert, the New York Yankees are baseball's best again.

Hideki Matsui tied a World Series record with six RBIs, Andy Pettitte won on short rest and New York beat the Philadelphia Phillies 7-3 in Game 6 on Wednesday night, finally seizing that elusive 27th title — the most in all of sports.

It was the team's first since winning three straight from 1998-2000.

Matsui, the Series MVP, powered a quick rout of old foe Pedro Martinez. And when Mariano Rivera got the final out, it was ecstasy in the Bronx for George Steinbrenner's go-for-broke bunch.

What a way for Alex Rodriguez, Derek Jeter and crew to christen their \$1.5 billion ballpark: One season, one championship.

And to think it capped a season that started in turmoil — a steroids scandal involving A-Rod, followed by hip surgery that kept him out until May.

"My teammates, coaches and the organization stood by me and now we stand here as world champions," Rodriguez said. "We're going to enjoy it, and we're going to party!"

During postgame ceremonies on the field, the big video board in center flashed: "Boss, this is for you." And commissioner Bud Selig dedicated the moment to Steinbrenner.

About 100 miles south, disappointment.

For Chase Utley and the Phillies, it was a frustrating end to another scintillating season. Philadelphia fell two wins short of becoming the first NL team to repeat as World Series champions since the 1975-76 Cincinnati Reds.

Ryan Howard's sixth-inning homer came too late to wipe away his World Series slump, and Phillies pitchers rarely managed to slow Matsui and the Yankees' machine.

"It's important in our next couple years to stay afloat," Phillies manager Charlie Manuel said. "I know we can do better."

In a fitting coincidence, this championship came eight years to the day after the Yankees lost Game 7 of the 2001 World Series in Arizona on Luis Gonzalez's broken-bat single off Rivera.

New York spent billions trying to get back. At long last, it did.

"We're looking forward to this parade," Jeter said.

Hey Babe and Yogi, Mr. October and Joltin' Joe — you've got company. Mark Teixeira, CC Sabathia and a



Pitcher CC Sabathia and the New York Yankees celebrate with the World Series trophy following their 7-3 victory over the Phillies Wednesday. The Yankees 27 championships are the most in pro sports.

new generation of Yankees have procured their place in pinstriped lore.

And for the four amigos, it was ring No. 5.

Jorge Posada, Jeter, Pettitte and Rivera came up together through the minors and were cornerstones for those four titles in five years starting in 1996.

Now, all on the other side of age 35, they have another success to celebrate. And surely they remember the familiar parade route, up Broadway through the Canyon of Heroes.

Indeed, a New York City-sized party is next. Nine years in the making, with all the glitz and glamour this tony town can offer.

"You never know when you're going to get back here," Posada said.

Carrying flags that read 2009 World Series champions, Joba Chamberlain and Nick Swisher led a victory lap around the warning track. Players high-fived fans, then sprayed bubbly behind the mound.







Munyurangabo (2007)

Rwanda / US, Kinyarwanda with English Subtitles, 97 minutes

After stealing a machete from a market in Kigali, Munyurangabo and his friend, Sangwa, leave the city on a journey tied to their pasts. Munyurangabo wants justice for his parents who were killed in the genocide, and Sangwa wants to visit the home he deserted years ago. Though they plan to visit Sangwa's home for just a few hours, the boys stay for several days. From two separate ethnic groups, their friendship is tested when Sangwa's wary parents disapprove of Munyurangabo, warning that "Hutus and Tutsis are supposed to be enemies."

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es and were viewed as the underdog in some of their wins.

“Knowing the Big East, every team can beat us and we can beat every team,” Irish coach Bobby Clark said.

While Notre Dame's current record is almost identical to what it was at this time last year, the team was a dead lock to make the NCAA Tournament in 2008. This year, it's not so certain. The Irish were 36th in the final Ratings Percentage Index ranking of the season, and 32 teams are slotted for the tournament.

“[The conference tournament] is very important,” Clark said. “We need to get some wins. It's quite different because the last couple years we've felt comfortable with our position at this time so it hasn't been the same importance. But there's no question this time it's important.”

The 2009 season has been one of stops and starts — an encouraging victory followed by a demoralizing loss, and repeat.

Notre Dame began the season ranked at No. 10 and picked to win the Blue Division. It handily defeated No. 22 Michigan 5-0 in its first game. Now, the team is unranked and received just four points in the latest coaches' poll.

The conference tournament is single-elimination, so the Irish will need to put a winning streak together for just the third time this season.

“In the tournament you can't go up and down,” Clark said. “If you go down you go out. There's no question we have to put some runs together, that becomes very important. I

like that sudden death element. It will certainly bring a much greater sense of urgency to the team.”

Clark laid out goals in the beginning of the season that he said are still reachable despite the setbacks the Irish have faced this season. Highest among those goals was to make his ninth straight NCAA Tournament, and possibly to go far.

“Nearly all the goals are still ahead of us,” Clark said. “You obviously want to win the Big East tournament. We've got to get into the NCAAs. I think if we get a couple of wins we'll be in good shape for the NCAAs.”

The Irish lost to South Florida in the semifinals of the Big East tournament in 2008, and then fell to Northwestern in the second round of the NCAAs. Clark said he hopes to do better in each.

“That is the test of this squad, how much further we can take this,” he said. “And they're a very capable squad. They're very close to being a good team and the test is to get the consistency. This is the time when you want to get hot. It doesn't matter what's come before. Now we've got to start winning games and playing well.”

Notre Dame earned a first-round bye in the Big East and will begin play Sunday at home against the winner of Marquette and South Florida. The semifinals and finals will be held Nov. 13 and 15 at West Virginia.

Notre Dame hopes to exit Morgantown and head to the national tournament.

“There's no silverware in the cabinet right now and we need some silverware. We want to get that trophy,” Clark said.

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NHL

Bergfors leads Devils to 2-1 win

Associated Press

NEWARK, N.J. — The New Jersey Devils got their first break at home this season when the Washington Capitals scratched injured Alex Ovechkin from the lineup.

The next batch of good fortune came when Niclas Bergfors busted out with a pair of third-period power-play goals.

Bergfors connected for goals 3:13 apart to break open a tie game and send the Devils to a 3-2 victory over the Capitals on Wednesday night. It was only the second time this season New Jersey has won at home (2-4).

The Devils are 7-0 on the road.

“It's different,” coach Jacques Lemaire said. “It's good news and that is news.”

Just seconds after Alexander Semin's hooking penalty gave the Devils their third advantage, Bergfors took a pass from Zach Parise in the right circle and whistled a rising shot over Semyon Varlamov's glove with 8:40 left to make it 2-1.

Bergfors then deflected in Travis Zajac's long shot with 4:50 remaining to give the Devils a two-goal edge. Bergfors' game picked up Wednesday after Lemaire moved him to a line with veterans Zajac and Parise.

Bergfors' second goal was originally credited to Parise, but Bergfors knew it was his.

“As soon as I touched it,” said Bergfors, who has five goals in 22 NHL games. “It was just a little tip. I'm glad we got the puck in the net. That was the best feeling.”

The Devils ended

Washington's streak of nine straight games with a point (6-0-3) that started with a shootout loss at New Jersey on Oct. 12. The Capitals also had earned points in eight consecutive games against the Devils (4-0-4), but they have dropped three in a row overall — following overtime losses to the New York Islanders and Columbus.

“Not only did some of them not stand out, but they cost us the game,” angry Capitals coach Bruce Boudreau said. “It's a tough one to swallow.”

Ovechkin, the NHL MVP the past two seasons, sustained an upper-body strain on Sunday against Columbus and is considered week to week. Boudreau said Ovechkin told him he felt much better Wednesday.

The Devils were more than happy not to have to worry about him.

“The excitement level that he brings, the energy that he brings to the table — that wasn't there,” Devils goalie Martin Brodeur said. “When Ovechkin is touching the puck, it doesn't matter what building he plays in, everybody is looking for him to do something spectacular. It's tough to play.”

“He is such a good player, so not having him, we'll take it. We dodged one bullet.”

Ovechkin missed the fifth game of his five-season NHL career, his third absence caused by injury. Washington is 1-4 without him.

The last three penalties against Washington were taken in the offensive zone.

“Guys didn't come to play,” Boudreau said. “Whether they are feeling sorry for themselves because Alex is not in, I don't

know. Same thing happened last year when we went into Buffalo and got smoked 5-0 when he wasn't there.

“This isn't a one man team, but those guys have got to understand that. People can get hurt at any moment.”

Brian Rolston also scored, and Brodeur made 26 saves for New Jersey.

Tyler Sloan scored in the first period, and Tomas Fleischmann brought the Capitals to 3-2 with 1:37 remaining. Varlamov stopped 30 shots.

“We need to take leadership and take ownership of the dumb things we're doing,” Washington forward Mike Knuble said. “We have to stop it.”

Washington opened the scoring in the first when defenseman Sloan scored his first of the season and second in his NHL career.

Chris Clark kept the puck in the zone, and Mathieu Perreault — In his NHL debut — moved into the slot. He sent a pass left to Sloan, who also sees time at forward. Sloan showed precision when he squeezed a shot between Brodeur and the left post with 2:50 left in the period.

New Jersey got even 3:33 into the second with a little help from the Caps.

Jamie Langenbrunner worked the puck free in the left corner, and eventually Rob Niedermayer gained control. He handed the puck off behind the net to Rolston, who came out the right side. His pass attempt clipped Washington defenseman Mike Green and caromed past Varlamov into the net.

NBA

Garnett leads Celtics in return to Minnesota

Associated Press

MINNEAPOLIS — Kevin Garnett had 12 points and 11 rebounds in his third game back in Minnesota since he was traded in 2007, helping the Boston Celtics remain undefeated with a 92-90 victory over the Timberwolves on Wednesday night.

Rajon Rondo scored 14 of his 18 points in the third quarter for the Celtics (6-0), who join the Denver Nuggets as the only two teams in the league without a loss.

Garnett's former team gave his current one all it could handle. The Wolves had a chance to tie in the final 10 seconds of the game. But Garnett forced a jump ball with Corey Brewer on an amazing defensive play to stay undefeated in five games against the Timberwolves.

Oleksiy Pecherov scored a career-high 24 points and Al Jefferson added 18 points for the Timberwolves, who led throughout the first three quarters before Eddie House hit a 3-pointer at the buzzer to tie it going into the final period.

Garnett then made two nice passes to create easy layups to give the Celtics a 91-88 lead

with 3 minutes to go.

The young Timberwolves had several chances down the stretch to tie or take the lead, but their inexperience came through with poor shot selection and rushed attempts.

Garnett spent his first 12 seasons with the Timberwolves, growing up from a skinny kid that jumped straight to the pros from high school into a dominant force on both ends of the floor. He owns nearly every franchise career record worth having, but the Timberwolves decided to part ways with the only star they have ever had.

In just his third game back in the arena that he essentially built, it would be hard to imagine Garnett even recognized the franchise that he put on the map.

Every player from his final season in Minnesota is gone and so is the architect of the Garnett years — Kevin McHale. Owner Glen Taylor fired McHale this offseason, hiring David Kahn as president of basketball operations and Kurt Rambis as head coach.

The novelty of Garnett playing for another team in Target Center may have worn off, but it's clear he is still missed by basketball fans in Minnesota.


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Notre Dame senior Annie Brophy putts during the Lady Irish Invitational in 2006. Brophy and sophomore teammate Becca Huffer have led the Irish in scoring all season.

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tie for first place in the one-day Alamo Invitational on Oct. 27 in San Antonio, Texas, the best individual finish for an Irish golfer this season.

“[Brophy] has the respect of her teammates because she’s able to perform consistently for us, and she’s got a really good personality,” Holt said. “That bodes well for keeping good continuity and team unity for us.”

Huffer’s best individual performance came at the Windy City Collegiate, a tournament in which she shot even par and finished in a tie for fifth place. She was the top scorer for the Irish in three out of their five tournaments this

season

“[Huffer] is pretty quiet,” Holt said. “She’s kind of a silent leader. She just lets her golf game do the talking. She is just an all-around good player and good solid person. Her play has certainly earned her the respect of her teammates, even being a sophomore.

Brophy and Huffer each credit each other with helping to improve both their individual performances as well as the team’s performance. While Brophy’s leadership skills have helped give Huffer the confidence she needs to perform, it is Huffer’s work ethic and technical skill that has most affected Brophy.

“[Huffer] knows the mechanical part of the game much better than I do,” Brophy said. “It’s helpful to

have a teammate like her to help me out with my swing, putting stroke, short game, stuff like that. She is a hard worker and dedicated to the game and this team.”

Their on-course competition has not affected their off the course relationship, as Huffer and Brophy often room together during road trips. The competition is merely meant to boost their performance, and force each other to play up to their highest potential.

“I know [Brophy] and I both want to individually finish the best at each tournament and we tell each other that we’re going to have to go low to beat each other every day, but we definitely keep it fun,” Huffer said.

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CHAMPIONS LEAGUE

Liverpool in danger after draw versus Lyon

Associated Press

LONDON — Liverpool’s chances of progressing in the Champions League took a big hit Wednesday when the five-time European champions conceded late to draw 1-1 at Lyon, which advanced to the next round.

Liverpool looked to have secured victory when substitute Ryan Babel scored with 7 minutes left but Lisandro took advantage of a defensive error to tie the score in the last minute and put the French team through.

With Arsenal moving to the verge of qualification with a 4-1 win over AZ Alkmaar, Liverpool is in severe danger of becoming the first English club to fall at the group stage since Manchester United in 2005.

Even wins in its final two games may not be enough.

Also Wednesday, Sevilla advanced to the knockout stage after its 1-1 draw at Stuttgart and Inter Milan scored twice in the last 4 minutes to revitalize its chances with a 2-1 win at Dynamo Kiev.

But Liverpool let its winning position slip when defender Sotiris Kyrgiakos tumbled to the ground while contesting a long ball into the area, allowing Lisandro to steady himself and shoot past goalkeeper Pepe Reina.

“We deserved to win,” manager Rafa Benitez said. “To concede a goal in the last minute is really unlucky. I will see the replay and analyze carefully.”

Goalkeeper Hugo Lloris had starred for Lyon, which won 2-1 at Anfield two weeks ago. Lloris saved from Lucas Leiva in the 69th and then helped block Dirk Kuyt’s overhead kick on the rebound.

But Liverpool remained shaky in defense and remained under pressure even after Babel had smashed a shot past Lloris from well outside the area.

Liverpool has just four points from four games, six fewer than Lyon and five fewer than Fiorentina, which routed Debrecen 5-2 through goals by Adrian Mutu, Dario Dainelli, Riccardo Montolivo, Marco Marchionni and Alberto Gilardino.

“It’s hit us hard,” Liverpool defender Jamie Carragher said. “A draw doesn’t mean we were totally out of it but a win would have been great.”

Arsenal needs just one more point to be sure of fol-

lowing Manchester United and Chelsea, which advanced to the next round on Tuesday alongside FC Porto and Bordeaux.

Cesc Fabregas put the Gunners ahead at Emirates Stadium in the 25th with a soft 20-yard shot that goalkeeper Sergio Romero let in at the near post and Samir Nasri made it 2-0 just before halftime, stepping inside a defender and placing a shot in at the post from the edge of the area.

The Dutch side conceded again in the 52nd, giving the ball away in its own half and letting Andrei Arshavin set up Fabregas for a shot into the top corner.

Abou Diaby made it 4-0 in the 72nd from Arshavin’s backheeled pass.

“Let’s keep this attitude and spirit and we can deliver something special,” Arsenal manager Arsene Wenger said. “They have a fantastic attitude and great quality and great spirit.”

Standard Liege kept alive its faint hopes of securing runner-up spot to Arsenal in Group H with a 2-0 win over second-place Olympiakos.

Arsenal has 10 points, four more than Olympiakos and six more than Standard. Even AZ still has a chance of progressing despite being stranded in last place on two points.

Sevilla advanced despite surrendering a late goal to draw 1-1 against Stuttgart.

Sevilla had mostly backed off after Jesus Navas opened the scoring in the 14th minute at the Ramon Sanchez Pizjuan Stadium and Zdravko Kuzmanovic equalized with a powerful shot into the top of goal.

Sevilla dropped its first points in Group G but stayed top with 10 points, while Stuttgart has three. Unirea Urziceni drew 1-1 with Rangers to move to five points, three more than the Scottish club.

Inter Milan vaulted from last to first place in Group F, ahead of Barcelona.

Diego Milito equalized in the 86th after Andriy Shevchenko had given Dynamo Kiev the lead midway through the first half and Wesley Sneijder pounced on a goalkeeping error to hit the winning goal in the 89th.

Inter has six points in the competition’s tightest group, one more than Rubin and Barca, and two more than Dynamo Kiev.

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NASCAR

McMurray gets win in last race with Roush

Associated Press

TALLADEGA, Ala. — When Jamie McMurray got home on Sunday night following his dramatic win at Talladega hours earlier, he turned to his wife, Christy, and asked what they should do to celebrate his first victory in nearly three years.

Champagne? A nice dinner?

Not exactly.

Christy hopped on the computer while her emotionally drained husband crawled into bed with the couple's two dogs.

Sorry, McMurray's partying days are long gone.

"I've grown up a lot the last four years," the 33-year-old driver said.

He hasn't really had a choice. His four seasons at Roush Fenway Racing have been uneven at best. He moved to Roush from Chip Ganassi Racing in 2006 to compete for a championship. It simply hasn't happened.

McMurray failed to make the Chase in each of his four seasons and started 2009 knowing he'd likely be out of a job at the end of the year when Roush trimmed its Cup operation from five cars to four as part of a NASCAR mandate to limit team size.

His impending departure, however, seemed to alleviate some of the tension between McMurray and Roush. The team owner's tough love when McMurray struggled didn't produce the kind of results Roush expected, leading him to do something unexpected: change tactics.

"He came to me and said 'Jamie, I have learned that some people are motivated by humiliation, some are motivated by kicking them in the butt and I've learned with you that you're motivated more by positive reinforcement more than me yelling at you,'" McMurray said.

Now the prerace talks between owner and driver are friendlier. There are handshakes, compliments and the occasional joke.

There was plenty to smile about in the fading twilight at Talladega, where McMurray avoided the usual carnage to pick up his first victory since the 2007 summer race at Daytona.

McMurray and Roush doused each other with champagne, and Roush sounded wistful talking about McMurray's impending departure.

"(It's) a great sadness, but I hope that we can win another race with Jamie, and certainly am happy for this one," Roush said. "The guys did a nice job. The car had speed in it, and they didn't make a mistake all day."

It's a difficult task at the notoriously tricky 2.66-mile tri-oval. But after wrecking six laps in at the spring race at Talladega, McMurray opted to hang toward the back early on Sunday during the single-file parade. He figured he was in good company running alongside three-time defending Cup champion Jimmie Johnson.

"I thought (Jimmie) has pretty good luck," McMurray said. "If I'm around him, that's a good sign."

McMurray began his move to

the front with about 50 laps to go, and benefited from a decision to take two tires instead of four on his last pit stop. It gave him the track position he needed to get to the front, and he found a friend in teammate Matt Kenseth, who gave McMurray a partner to fend off the usual late-race insanity.

"I was lucky he was behind me," said McMurray, who is close friends with Kenseth. "He kept pushing me until the end. The fact he was behind me made it easier."

Yet the win may have been a perfect summary of McMurray's time at Roush. Instead of talking about his brilliant run, much of the postrace questions surrounded NASCAR's edict to ban bump-drafting in the corners, Johnson's move toward a fourth straight title or McMurray's own future.

"It just kind of is what it is," said McMurray, who admitted to googling himself after the race to read the coverage. "I'll just take it for what it's worth. It was big for us and big for our team."

Particularly crew chief Donnie Wingo, who worked with McMurray at Ganassi Racing before coming over to Roush.

"To do it with your friends, it was really special to me," McMurray said.

And the resume booster couldn't have come at a better time. It's no fun being a free agent driver in the middle of a recession.

Full-time job opportunities are hard to come by, and there's only one job that's really open right now: the No. 1 Earnhardt Ganassi Chevrolet.

McMurray is well aware of the speculation he may be heading back to Ganassi, the place where he began his career. He said he still has a good relationship with Ganassi and Felix Sabates, and Sabates said earlier this month he held no grudge toward McMurray for his decision to leave for Roush.

The truth was, Ganassi wasn't that good at the time and Roush was coming off a year in which all its cars got into the Chase.

"When Jamie (McMurray) went to Roush, they were on top of the world," Sabates said. "They had just won the championship."

Something McMurray expected to duplicate. He never imagined he'd fail to make the Chase in four years with Roush. Yet he's not angry. He gladly went and tire-tested at Daytona on Tuesday even though he knows he won't be in the No. 26 next year. Wednesday he headed to Roush's shop to hang out with the team and celebrate his win.

If he wants to get in the Chase, he'll have to do it somewhere else. Ganassi seems to be the landing spot, and McMurray said Wednesday he expects an announcement on his future before the end of the season.

The Ganassi team he would head back to isn't the same one he left. McMurray has marveled at the success of EGR driver Juan Pablo Montoya, who is fourth in the Chase standings heading into this weekend's race at Texas.

"Ganassi's team right now is as good as anybody," he said.



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Junior guard Brittany Mallory handles the ball on the perimeter during Notre Dame's 97-53 exhibition win over Indianapolis. Mallory had 12 points and four assists in the win.

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doing what they do well."

Barlow said the consistency in leadership helps the captains and the team.

"We know how they react to what we say and what we're doing," she said. "It's easier for us to be able to lead by example, lead them by showing them and by what we say."

While the team is dominated by upperclassmen, the younger players will not be cast aside, McGraw said. In fact, in Tuesday's 97-53 exhibition win over Indianapolis, the top three scorers were underclassmen who came off of the bench. Freshman forward Skylar Diggins and sophomore guard Erica Solomon each scored 17 points, and sophomore guard Natalie Novosel

added 13.

"We're expecting everybody to contribute," McGraw said. "We don't look at it as seniors have to do this many things and freshman have to do this. It's going to be a team effort, and different people will have to step up on different nights and play well."

"I think everybody wants to win. I don't think anybody cares who's hot on a particular night, they'll just try to get them the ball."

While the offense drew attention in the win, the captains said the team spends a lot of time in practice working on defense.

"We've picked up the intensity a lot on the defensive end and I think that was the main focus in preseason as well," Barlow said. "The defensive intensity has picked up dramatically."

After all, the team does not want to see a repeat of last

year when they once again host the first two rounds of NCAA regional play in March 2010. Though the team is just beginning a long season, Notre Dame has the playoffs in the back of its mind.

"We want to be playing our best basketball in March," McGraw said. "We feel like we've got a lot to accomplish."

Lechlitner said the team is able to prove itself and to reach those accomplishments.

"Our first goal is just to play to our potential," she said. "We've got a lot of talented players on our team and a lot of good things can happen. If we have the right chemistry and everyone does what she needs to do, our team's success is really just going to skyrocket from there."

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WILL SHORTZ

- Across**

1 Paper carrier

8 Raised Cain

15 Heaped together

16 Element used in fire retardants

17 Something made to order?

18 With 55-Across, direction indicator (and what to draw in the center of this puzzle)

19 Women who get high?

21 Lay

22 Med. readout

25 Euripides play or its heroine

26 "Catch!"

27 Its motto is "Duty, Honor, Country"

30 Apple gadget

31 "The _____ Report"

32 Cold war grp.
- 34 Fast-food chain whose logo features a modified Italian flag

35 Defeated, as at a Nathan's hot dog contest

39 "_____ It Time" (1977 hit)

41 Hip (to)

42 Jag

45 Cockney, e.g.

47 Been abed

48 Ship's resting place

49 "I have an idea ..."

50 Global finance org.

51 Story that begins "All children, except one, grow up"

54 Place name popular in the 1990s

55 See 18-Across

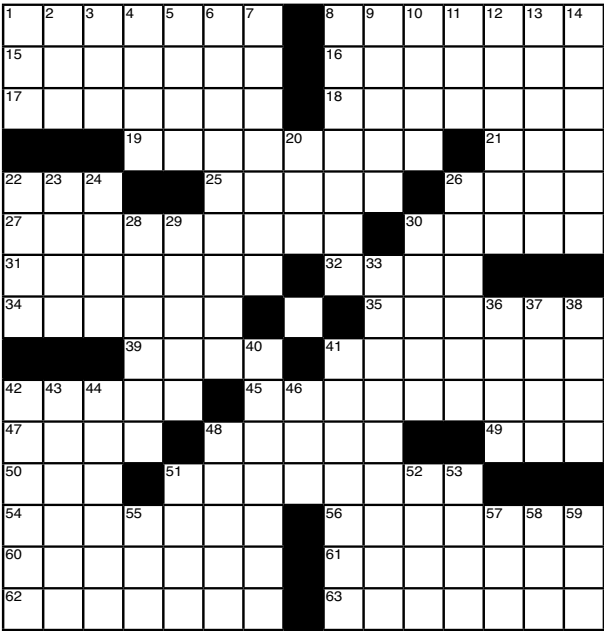
56 "Mr. Pim Passes By" playwright

60 "The Lion in Winter" queen
- 61 Like penthouse suites vis-à-vis other apartments, typically

62 Melancholy

63 Picnic pest, informally

- Down**
- 1 Attack signal
- 2 Santa _____
- 3 Bit of art on a chest, in slang
- 4 Balancing pros
- 5 Hawaii county seat
- 6 Toymaking center?
- 7 Recliner feature
- 8 "Nightline" presenter
- 9 Sing like Andy Williams or Russ Columbo
- 10 _____ River, N.J.
- 11 Titus or Tiberius: Abbr.
- 12 Something needed for a change
- 13 Dubious
- 14 Nag
- 20 It may be red or brown
- 22 Series conclusions: Abbr.
- 23 Remote ancestor?
- 24 Arizona's _____ Mountains
- 26 Get the lead out
- 28 Pat of "Knute Rockne All American"
- 29 As such



Puzzle by Patrick Blindauer & Rebecca Young

- 30 Trim, as a topiary

33 Long-running TV series set in Colorado

36 Puts on

37 How to _____ knot (Boy Scout's lesson)

38 One of eight English kings, to a 45-Across
- 40 Could fall either way

41 Features of some sandals

42 Slanders really badly

43 Bobby's wife on "Dallas"

44 Ransacked

46 "Right you _____!"

48 Spanish kisses
- 51 Soul food side dish

52 Le Havre honey

53 "Well done!"

55 Split

57 Pie-eyed

58 Name tag?

59 Give all for one or one for all, e.g.?

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CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY: Sean "Diddy" Combs, 40; Matthew McConaughey, 40; Ralph Macchio, 48; Markie Post, 59

Happy Birthday: You have to live and act in the moment this year. Strive for perfection and originality and don't be afraid to be different. You will be at your best when representing something you believe in, so don't bother with anything that doesn't move you. Focus, protect and persevere. Your numbers are 8, 12, 25, 33, 36, 41, 44

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Put your heart and soul into the development of something you really want to pursue. You will be able to maneuver your position to fit your own needs if you have a sound plan and the right people involved. ★★★

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): You have to be upfront about what you want and the way you see things unfolding if you want the same in return. Once you have laid your cards on the table, it will be much easier to strike a deal. ★★★

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): You will miss out if you don't get involved in something that requires extra hours or taking on work that will prove how valuable you are. This is the perfect time to impress someone personally or professionally with your versatility. ★★★

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Look for answers in unusual places. It will give you a greater sense of what you can do and how far you can go. Showing others your diversity will open all sorts of options that have been out of reach in the past. ★★★

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Work on personal aspects of your life and you will ease some of the stress you've been feeling. A partnership opportunity will open up through a mutual friend or someone you have partnered with in the past. Don't let jealousy cause you to miss out. ★★★★★

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): You may be surprised by a colleague's underhandedness. Protect your position by going the extra mile to do a stellar job. Your stability will depend on the precision and detail you include in your work and everyday chores. ★★

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): You can accomplish whatever you set out to do. Now is the time to travel, share your ideas and launch something that excites you. Plan a little romance for late in the day. ★★★★★

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Offer your talent and services to an organization you are dedicated to help. You will be introduced to someone who will help you get some of your work published or recognized in the future. Nurture all your relationships now. ★★★

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You will recognize an opportunity that will influence your life personally and professionally. Someone you know well will challenge you for jumping in quickly but, this time, you have to follow your heart and fulfill your own needs. Recognition is heading your way. ★★★

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Rely on your past experience to help you see clearly now. An old partner will help you revisit some of the things you once strived for. A fresh start will breathe new life into an old plan. ★★★

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You have plenty going for you but first you must let go of old grudges and stop blaming everyone (including yourself), for what's happened in the past. Living in the present and looking toward the future will bring positive results. ★★★★★

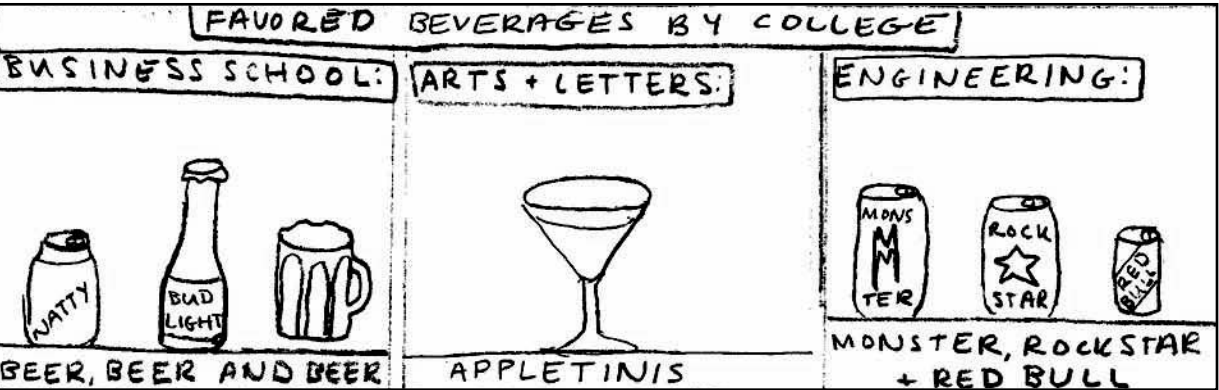
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Be careful how you conduct yourself. Someone will be watching every move you make. The more you stick to the rules, the better you will do and the more praise you will get. Work hard, play hard and be honest. ★★

Birthday Baby: You are aggressive and competitive. You know what you want and how to get it. You are creative, broadminded and intriguing.

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SAKMAD

FIMSIT

Answer here: _____

(Answers tomorrow)

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ND WOMEN'S GOLF

Teammates Brophy, Huffer push each other, lead Irish

By ERIC PRISTER
Sports Writer

Throughout Notre Dame's fall season, senior Annie Brophy and sophomore Becca Huffer have been outplaying their competition, leading the Irish to a huge jump in the rankings. It is their competition against each other, however, that truly brings the most out of the stellar Irish golfers.

"As teammates, we have always been encouraging and positive towards each other," Huffer said. "I think this past season though, we have really gotten into pushing each other to do our best at every tournament and figuring out how we can help each other improve."

This competitive spirit has paid off for Brophy and Huffer, who have finished first and second for the Irish in four of their five fall tournaments.

Huffer leads the Irish in stroke average, shooting less than half a stroke better than Brophy, and her average finish is only one place higher than her senior teammate.

"I think the best part about having a teammate like (Huffer) is that she pushes me to be better every time we play," Brophy said. "At the very beginning of the year, we had a team meeting about being more competitive with

each other in order to help be more competitive as a team. [Huffer] is one of the best players in every field we play. If I can keep up with her, I'm doing all right."

While Huffer holds a slight advantage on the course, Brophy remains the off-course leader of the Irish squad. Named captain at the beginning of the season, she has the ability to lead vocally as well as by example.

"[Brophy] came into this year and wanted to be that person," coach Susan Holt said. "She wanted to be a team captain. She wanted that role, that position, that responsibility, and I think that showed a lot of growth and maturity to want to be that person."

Ending the fall season on a high note, Brophy finished in a

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ND WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

No substitute for experience

Notre Dame returns all 12 players from '08

By LAURA MYERS
Sports Writer

After Notre Dame fell 79-71 to Minnesota in a shocking first round playoff game in March, 12 players left the Joyce Center stunned and disappointed.

They will enter a different arena, but the 12 players are the same, and they're ready to forget the ugly end to the 2008-2009 season.

"It's a new season, I think we're starting fresh," coach Muffet McGraw said. "We have great leadership and good energy."

The No. 4 Irish did not lose a single player to graduation after last season, and now return a squad of seasoned upperclassman.

"The experience level is something that is so nice to have come tournament time," senior captain Melissa Lechlitner said. "We've been



PAT COVENEY/The Observer

Irish senior guard Lindsay Schrader dribbles up the court during Notre Dame's 97-53 exhibition victory over Indianapolis at Purcell Pavilion Tuesday. Notre Dame, ranked No. 4 in the preseason AP poll, returns all 12 players from last season's team.

there, everyone has been through it. So many people can help the freshmen through things. We've all been there, done that."

Lechlitner and fellow senior

captains Ashley Barlow and Erica Williamson bring even more experience to the table — all three were captains in their junior year. The team elected the three to helm the

squad again for the 2009-2010 season.

"I think we have great leadership," McGraw said. "I think they're doing a remarkable job. I think they're working

well together and I think they complement each other really well. They have different strengths and they're each

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MEN'S SOCCER

Team fights for NCAA berth

By LAURA MYERS
Sports Writer

If Notre Dame wants to land in the NCAA Tournament, it needs to take a big leap through the Big East.

On paper, the Irish (10-7-1, 8-3 Big East) look good to go in the conference tournament — they finished second in the Big East Blue Division and defeated both No. 1 Big East seeds, Connecticut and Louisville, during the regular season.

But the Irish have learned the hard way that there are no sure things in the Big East, as they were favored in all three of their conference loss-



SARAH O'CONNOR/The Observer

Senior midfielder Justin Morrow dribbles away from a Connecticut defender in a 2-1 Notre Dame win Oct. 31.

ND WOMEN'S TENNIS

Frilling to compete in ITA Indoor Tourney

Observer Staff Report

One week after taking runner-up in the singles competition at the Midwest Regional, sophomore Kristy Frilling will compete at the ITA National Indoor Championships beginning today in New Haven, Conn.

No. 20 Frilling will take on California's No. 26 Mari Andersson in the first round of the singles tournament at 1 p.m.

The Sidney, Ohio native is no stranger to this level of competition. Last season as a freshman, Frilling and teammate Kelcy Tefft ('08) advanced to the finals of the

doubles competition before falling in the championship match to Fresno State's Renata Kucerkova and Anastasia Petukhova.

Frilling boasts a 5-2 record on the season in singles matches and leads the Irish at the No. 1 singles position.

The National Indoor Championships feature a 32-player singles field and 16 doubles teams.

The rest of Notre Dame's squad will travel to Kalamazoo, Mich. for its first match of the season when it competes in the Western Michigan Invitational on Friday.

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