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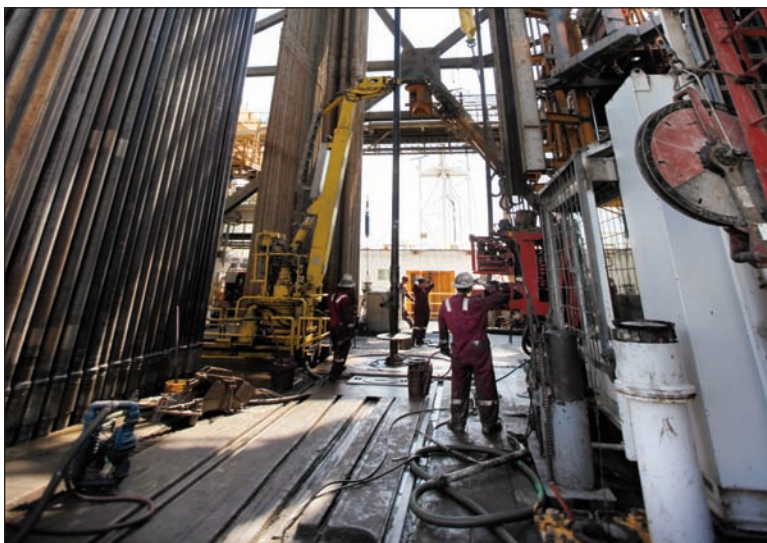
By KRISTEN DURBIN
News Writer

On a typical summer day, sophomore Emily Degan enjoys boating and fishing in the bay near her vacation home in Mississippi. However, the catastrophic Deepwater Horizon oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico drastically altered her family's plans this summer.

"One time, we were fishing in an inlet in the bay before it was boomed off," Degan said. "But a boat approached us and said the area we were in had been closed off to boaters."

Degan also saw oil sheen and boon from both Mississippi and her home in New Orleans, two effects of the spill that have contributed to the closure of numerous bodies of water throughout the Gulf region.

Although the United States government declared the disas-



Workers remove a drill pipe that pumped the cement to seal the well that caused the oil spill off the Louisiana Coast.

ter-causing oil well dead on Sept. 19, Degan and people across the country are questioning the immediate and long-term

effects of the spill on life in the Gulf region. Teams of scientists,

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ASU students to visit during football game

By MEGAN DOYLE
News Writer

Arizona State University (ASU) students and staff will experience the energy that electrifies the Notre Dame community on a home football weekend when they visit campus for the upcoming Pittsburgh game.

Director of Student Activities Facilities Ryan Willerton said 15 students and six administrators from ASU will arrive on campus Thursday to participate in a weekend designed to teach them about tradition at Notre Dame.

ASU Associate Athletic Director Steve Hank graduated from Notre Dame in 1994 and contacted the University's Athletic Department to coordinate the trip, Willerton said.

"Their intent is to see what makes Notre Dame special and

take ideas back to ASU," Willerton said. "They want to use this opportunity to make their student life more vibrant."

The ASU students were selected from undergraduate and graduate student government, residence hall associations and major student organizations, Willerton said.

The relationship between the athletic program and the student body at Notre Dame is one of the main reasons ASU will visit the campus.

"When we say student athletes are truly a part of the student body, it is true. We are not cheering for a separate entity when we root on our team. We are cheering for our peers," Hall Council President Alexa Doyle said.

Student leaders on campus

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Past SMC president dies at 89

Observer Staff Report

Former president of Saint Mary's College Dr. Edward L. Henry died Sept. 30. He was 89.

Henry was the first male lay president to lead at Saint Mary's, serving from 1972-74. He took the position after an attempted merger between Saint Mary's and Notre Dame fell through, and the future of the Saint Mary's looked uncertain, according to a 1972 South Bend Tribune article.

When Henry took over at Saint Mary's, the College was set to lose over \$600,000 because of the failed merger, the article said.

"Dr. Edward L. Henry, Saint Mary's new president, is counting on unprecedented student recruitment, fund drives, plus a nudge from Women's Lib to pump life back into the faltering campus," the article said.

During that time, Notre Dame also began admitting women, which hurt Saint Mary's enrollment.

An edition of Michiana — a weekly magazine that was distributed in South Bend at the



Henry

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Traveling Bishops discuss peace in Sudan

By LAURA MYERS
News Writer

Bishop Paride Taban and Bishop Daniel Adwok Kur are part of a Sudanese religious coalition traveling to Europe and the United States looking to stave off a civil war in their country. With high-level meetings arranged in Washington, D.C., and with the United Nations in New York City, the two traveled to America a week early in order to begin their appeal at Notre

Dame.

Along with John Ashworth, acting director of the Denis Hurley Peace Institute in South Africa, Taban and Adwok spoke of possible impending trouble in Sudan Tuesday in a talk titled "Sudan: Peace in the Balance."

"Notre Dame is an important University with interacting with peace-building people," Ashworth told The Observer following the presentation. "Obviously in Washington and New York we're reaching out to government and the U.N. and

others, but this is us reaching out to the Catholic community."

The northern and southern parts of Sudan have been in conflict on-and-off for more than 50 years; in 2005, the two parties signed the Comprehensive Peace Agreement, which scheduled a referendum for Jan. 9, 2011, in which citizens of Southern Sudan could vote whether or not to secede from the country.

With less than 100 days until the referendum, however, things have not progressed as planned and peacemakers fear that the

centralized government of Sudan, which is located in the country's capital, Khartoum, will somehow rig the vote.

Regardless of the official results, Ashworth said, the south will want to secede.

"For them, the vote is just a formality," he said. "On Jan. 9 will be the formality, the process of voting. The process of informing the world, 'we have decided to secede.' They know that the decision has been made to secede"

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Married professors work together

By MOLLY MADDEN
News Writer

Many members of the Notre Dame community believe there is a "ring by spring" sentiment that pervades campus and the students. But what many people might not realize is that there is something in the air for many members of the Notre Dame faculty as well.

Notre Dame's faculty features several individuals who are not only professional colleagues, but also husband and wife.

Some of these Domer duos came to teach at Notre Dame together, while others spent time at separate institutions or careers before becoming the second member from their family to receive a faculty position at the University.

Professors Joshua Diehl and

Kristin Valentino both teach in the Department of Psychology at the University. The couple, who have been married "5 years, 1 month and 27 days" both received positions at Notre Dame last year.

"During our postdoctoral fellowship at Yale, we both went job hunting as a 'package Diehl,'" Diehl said. "Notre Dame was the best opportunity for both of us because of its fantastic psychology department, top notch students, and the mission of the University fits well with both of our programs of research."

Other professor-couples struggled with trying to find an academic position at the same university, or even in the same time zone.

Professor Annie Coleman of the Department of American Studies, who is married to



Photo courtesy of Joshua Diehl

Professors Joshua Diehl and Kristin Valentino bond in the locker room during their faculty tour in 2009.

Professor Jon Coleman of the Department of History, said before she found a position at Notre Dame last year, balancing her own career with her hus-

band's was difficult.

"Jon got a position here at Notre Dame in 2004 when I was

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QUESTION OF THE DAY: WHAT DO YOU DO WHEN THE WEATHER GETS COLD?



Theresa Lai
*sophomore
Lewis*

“I wear layers!”



Christie Ahn
*sophomore
Lewis*

*“I put on
Muffrique and
Tabitha
(mittens).”*



Anh-Ton Tran
*sophomore
Keenan*

*“I don’t get
cold, I’m just
hot.”*



Nikita Taniparti
*freshman
Badin*

*“I wish I was
back in India!”*



Tyler Richards
*freshman
Keenan*

*“I play in the
snow, when it’s
down.”*



Ana Dionne-Lanier
*freshman
Pasquerilla West*

*“I like to come
to LaFun to get
some hot
chocolate.”*

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



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Seniors **Brittany Johnson**, left, and **Katie Dorociak** hand out **fact sheets** and **surveys** in **LaFortune Student Center** for their class assignment to **raise awareness** about **eating disorders**.

OFFBEAT

Fed-up girlfriend calls cops on pot-smoking beau

LEBANON — A 35-year-old man was charged in Missouri with possessing marijuana after his girlfriend called 911 and said she was tired of him smoking pot all day instead of working. Dispatchers in the southwestern Missouri town of Lebanon got a 911 hang-up call Saturday night from a motel room. Police said officers went to the motel and were told by the woman that her boyfriend did nothing during the day but smoke marijuana.

The Lebanon Daily Record reported that the man told police his girlfriend was angry because

he didn’t have a job yet. He then admitted having marijuana in his car, and handed over a pipe containing the illegal drug.

He was issued a summons for possession and released.

Police: Napping man had meth lab in back of truck

GOOD HOPE, — Authorities said sleeping behind the wheel wasn’t the only problem for a western Illinois man they caught napping at a gas station. Police said 26-year old Adam Barcroft also had a meth lab in the bed of his truck. The McDonough County Sheriff’s Department said Barcroft was asleep at a Good Hope

gas station Monday when deputies discovered him.

He was arrested, and his truck was pushed away from the gas pumps.

The Illinois State Police Methamphetamine Response Team then arrived and secured the truck.

Officials said they recovered several items used to make meth, 2 grams of finished meth and \$238 in cash.

Barcroft, of Monmouth, faces five drug-related charges.

It wasn’t immediately clear whether he has an attorney.

Information compiled from the Associated Press.

IN BRIEF

Free flu shots will be given out **today** at **Stegan Center** from **8 a.m. to 5 p.m.** The shots are available for all students, faculty, staff, retirees and spouses of retirees. **Tomorrow**, the shots will be available from **1 to 9 p.m.**

An **International Summer Service Learning Program Information Session** will take place **today** in the **McNeill Library** in **Geddes Hall** at **6 p.m.** Past participants will be there to describe the process, the requirements, and the different sites. There will be time for questions.

The Department of Film, Television and Theatre presents **“The Bible: The Complete Word of God”** (abridged) **today** at **7:30 p.m.** at the **Philbin Studio Theater**. Tickets are **\$10** for students and can be purchased online at performingarts.nd.edu or by calling the Ticket Office at (574) 631-2800.

The **Annual McBride Lecture: “Beyond the Glass Ceiling: It’s Time to Redesign the Building”** will be given **today** at **7:30 p.m.** in the **Andrews Auditorium** in **Geddes Hall**. The lecture will be given by **Ellen Bravo**, the executive director of **Family Values @ Work Consortium**. The event is **free**.

This **Friday**, the **Even Fridays** activity will be a **Pumpkin Patch Visit**. It will begin at **5:30 p.m.** and is open to all students, faculty and staff. Register before the event through **RecRegister** on the **RecSports** website.

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

	TODAY	TONIGHT	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	GAME DAY	SUNDAY
LOCAL WEATHER						
	HIGH 70 LOW 50	HIGH 58 LOW 50	HIGH 70 LOW 46	HIGH 72 LOW 47	HIGH 68 LOW 45	HIGH 70 LOW 50

Gigot hosts 'Idea Challenge' at ND

By PATRICK CRUITT
News Writer

Ideas ranged from the high tech to the socially and environmentally conscious to the bizarre at the third annual Gigot Center for Entrepreneurial Studies' Idea Challenge, held yesterday in the Mendoza College of Business.

Ideas included everything from laser pointers to automated urinal carnival games.

Each student is given one minute to present their idea in front of an audience, which then votes on the best.

The objective is to simulate

an "elevator pitch" — the opportunity to present potential investors or partners with an original idea.

"The goal of the Gigot Center is to really look at the idea of venture development as a spectrum from idea to enterprise," Laura Hollis,

director of the Gigot Center, said.

The event is meant to kick off the rounds of competitions that come later, such as the main

McClosky Competition, which gives students the opportunity to present their business plans in the hopes of the \$15,000 grand prize, according to Gigot's website.

Students can be intimidated by the prospect of presenting their ideas, so this event is supposed to help ease that anxiety, Hollis said.

Both the Idea Challenge and McClosky Competition are open to all Notre Dame students, no matter the major.

"The best projects are usually interdisciplinary," Hollis said.

After all of the students have presented, the audience votes. There are two

overall winners in two categories, Best Social Venture and Best Health care Venture.

The Best Social Venture award went to a plan to set up medical kiosks around the world so that doctors in developing nations could learn about medical procedures while providing data for the study of disease, Hollis said.

A plan to apply mobile technology to fighting diabetes in developing nations won the Best Health care Venture category.

Casey Cockerham and Joe Miller won the general competition, both garnering new iPads for their ideas. Cockerham's idea was to put bar codes on posters in order to instantly obtain digital information about the event

in question.

"It was one of those back of the envelope sketches," he said.

Now that it appears to have earned a certain amount of attention, he plans on devel-

oping it further, Cockerham said.

Miller's idea consisted of putting a Bluetooth connection in digital cameras, to allow for instant sharing of pictures.

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"The goal of the Gigot Center is to really look at the idea of venture development as a spectrum from idea to enterprise"

Laura Hollis
director
Gigot Center



SMC hosts fall show for cancer

By KELLY MURPHY
News Writer

Fall is here, and with the cold starting to creep up, students are changing from summer's shorts and tanks to fall's jeans and scarves. Saint Mary's will be holding a Runway Fall Fashion Show on Oct. 7 at 6 p.m. in the Dining Hall to give students ideas for fall fashions, junior Brianne Suckow said.

Suckow, the Women's Health and Wellness commissioner for Saint Mary's Student Government Association (SGA), said the event will give 15 percent of the proceeds to support Vera Bradley Breast Cancer Awareness and Research.

"One in eight women will develop breast cancer during her lifetime, so raising awareness about the disease is important, especially at an all-women's college," Suckow said.

This fashion show will be featuring fall trends from Flourish Boutique and Gallery, run by a Saint Mary's alumna, Vanessa Cooreman Smith, located in Granger, Ind.

Models for the event, which are current Saint Mary's students who submitted applications, were chosen based on different hair color, ethnicities and sizes, Suckow said.

Each model will be showing two different outfits.

According to Flourish Boutique's website, the Saint Mary's models will be showing all different ranges of styles from different brands, including Cupcake, Shennel, CC Couture, Berek and Signette.

There is no admission fee or ticket required to attend this event, Suckow said.

Flourish Boutique and Gallery will have their clothes, shoes, jew-

elry, artwork and other accessories available for purchase in the Student Center Atrium on Oct. 7 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Flourish carries sizes XS to XL or 4 to 16. Students will receive a 15 percent dis-

count, Suckow said.

Along with Flourish Boutique's sale, pink hairstreaks will be offered for purchase from Cilantro Hair Spa in the Student Center.

The first 20 people who come to purchase a pink hairstreak will receive a \$20 gift card to Cilantro Hair Spa.

On Oct. 7, the Saint Mary's Noble Family Dining Hall will be providing pink-colored food. This ranges from pink-frosted desserts to pink applesauce.

"We have received a great response and a lot of enthusiasm from the student body about this event," Suckow said.

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"One in eight women will develop breast cancer during her lifetime, so raising awareness about the disease is important, especially at an all-women's college."

Brianne Suckow
junior

Dante expert to join ND faculty

Special to The Observer

One of the world's leading Dante scholars, Zygmunt G. Baranski, is slated to join Notre Dame faculty next fall as the University's first Notre Dame professor of Dante and Italian Studies.

He also serves as a distinguished visiting professor this semester.

Baranski comes to Notre Dame from the University of Cambridge, where, since 2002, he has been the Serena Professor of Italian and, between 2002 and 2006, head of the Department of Italian in the Faculty of Modern and Medieval Languages. From 1987 to 2002, Baranski first held a Personal and then an Established Chair in the Department of Italian Studies at the University of Reading, where, for many years, he was also head of the department.

"I feel that Notre Dame is exactly the right place for me to be going at this point in my career," Baranski said. "I have a lot of respect for the colleagues I've met, and have already collaborated with a lot of them. One of the other things I find extremely attractive is the fact that the University has a strong commitment to modern languages."

Notre Dame also has a strong commitment to Catholicism and to a classic liberal arts education,

which makes Dante an ideal subject to research, teach and study here, said Baranski, who joins other top Dante experts in the College of Arts and Letters, including Albert J. and Helen M. Ravarino Family Director of Dante and Italian Studies Ted Cachey, associate professor of Italian Christian Moevs and assistant professor of Religion and Literature Vittorio Montemaggi.

"I will be the fourth Dantist in the department," Baranski said. "Nowhere else in the world is there such a grouping of Dante scholars."

Baranski has been a visiting distinguished professor at Notre Dame on several previous occasions and has given numerous guest lectures on campus over the past two decades, said Cachey, who also is chair of the Department of Romance Languages and Literatures, and co-director of Italian Studies at Notre Dame.

"Last spring, he gave an excellent lecture on the Divine Comedy in the Medieval Institute that illustrated well the profoundly Catholic character of his scholarship on the greatest poet of the Middle Ages," said Cachey. "The visit consolidated the reputation that Zyg Baranski has established here at Notre Dame as a wonderful teacher and an inspiring intellectual presence."

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coming up for tenure at IUPUI [Indiana University Purdue University at Indianapolis]," she said. "I drove down to Indianapolis for four or five years and was gone two nights a week to keep on the tenure track."

Jon and Annie said it was especially difficult because their children were 1 and 4 years old when the family moved to South Bend.

"It strengthened our relationship in a lot of ways," Coleman said. "But I couldn't have kept doing it forever, but it worked out really well in the end because I love working in the Department of American Studies here."

Other professor couples have found different ways to pursue their professional academic life while remaining on campus with their spouse.

Professor Kevin Vaughan of the Department of Biology was recruited to teach at the University in 1998, but his wife, fellow biologist Patricia Vaughan, took a different route within the University.

"I chose not to pursue a tenure track because of our children," she said. "I'm research faculty so I work in my husband's research lab, but I've also taught since 2005."

The two remain in close proximity and see each other throughout the day.

"Our offices are right next door to each other and we usually have lunch together," she said.

Other faculty couples do not see each other often due to different fields of study.

Ramzi Bualuan, a professor of Computer Science and Engineering, has been at the University since 1990. His wife, professor Ghada Bualuan, whom he married in 2001, received a job in the Department of Classics in 2006.

"We surprisingly don't see each other that much," Ramzi said. "Our schedules don't coincide but that's intentional so that we can better manage our children's schedules."

Ghada said working at the same University, albeit in different fields, does have its advantages.

"It does make it easier working in the same place," she said. "We share almost similar backgrounds, talents and aspirations."

While the Bualuans may not run into any professional disagreements because of their different subjects, Diehl and Valentino have found ways to make their shared professional interests into an intellectual competition involving their students.

"We have a lab rivalry," Valentino said. "At the end of each semester our labs engage in a competition for a trophy. Currently, Professor Diehl's FUN Lab has the hardware."

Diehl and Valentino have also found a unique way for informing unaware students that the two professors are married.

"We both tend to use clips of our son to highlight examples in class," Diehl said. "It's always kind of funny when students realize that we must be married based on the fact that we have the same adorable child."

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will host the visitors in their dorms and introduce them to Notre Dame traditions.

"Notre Dame hosts are welcoming them into their hall communities for the weekend," Willerton said.

Doyle said she wanted to host a visiting student because conversations between schools can provide an interesting viewpoint on the way other universities function.

"Over 80 percent of our students live in residence halls," Doyle said. "I hope they get a feel for how we maintain that bond."

The line between the athletic program and the student body really blur with the sense of community at this school, Doyle said.

Student body president Catherine Soler said she hopes the students will see the family aspect of the Notre Dame community.

"We have a lot of external events going on during a football weekend," Soler said. "But our student body is really motivated internally with a love and a loyalty for Notre Dame."

The Arizona State group will participate in events that define a traditional football weekend, including the Friday trumpet under the dome, the drummer's circle, the player walk from the Basilica to the Notre Dame Stadium Saturday and the band concert on the steps of Bond Hall before the game.

They are also encouraged to attend events for men's and women's swimming and diving as well as women's soccer.

"This is also meant to be an educational experience where the visitors can witness and participate in Notre Dame traditions but also see how the entire weekend operates," Willerton said.

The ASU students and staff will hear presentations from Game Day Operations, women's basketball and the Athletics Department. The students will also attend an open house with informational tables from student government, Student Union Board, The Shirt Project and several other student groups.

Sophomore Ricky Bevington will host a member of ASU's Interfraternity Council (IFC).

The unique residential life on campus is the base of game day spirit at Notre Dame, Bevington said.

"I feel that it will be a great opportunity for the ASU IFC leaders to see how our residence halls play an integral role in game weekend," he said. "What makes game day so great is the sense of community formed when thousands of students come together with thousands of fans to support a University that means so much to us."

Sophomore Class Council vice president Kevin Doherty said the visitors' schedule will take them through all the events that contribute to the vibe of a Notre Dame football weekend.

"I think it is hard to put into words but it all comes down to the tradition of the football program here," Doherty said.

The Notre Dame representatives hope the ASU students will see the spirit that builds through Friday march out, the pep rally, the drummer's circle, Saturday concession stands and game day events, and hopefully they can take some strategies back to their campus to build a community of fans there, he said.

"We all just truly love our University," Bevington said. "That's what makes the alma mater at the end of the game so awesome."

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time — said when Henry stepped down in 1974, Saint Mary's enrollment was up by 150 percent since he entered office.

"The scholastic average at Saint Mary's is above the level prevailing before the merger attempt even though the school has lost some of the very top girl students to Notre Dame," the Michiana article said.

Henry resigned from his posi-

tion as president in January of 1974.

"My timetable for those areas over which I could exercise influence is running ahead of itself. My commitments to the College, I feel, have been more than fulfilled," Henry said in a 1974 press release from the College.

Before coming to Saint Mary's, Henry served as mayor of St. Cloud, Minn. from 1964 to 1971, professor and vice president at St. John's University and president of St. Michael's College, Marian College and Wisconsin and Belmont Abbey.

Henry was born in 1921 in St. Cloud, Minn. He graduated from Saint John's University and went to graduate school at Harvard University and the University of Chicago.

Henry also served as a naval officer during World War II.

Saint Mary's current president, Carol Ann Mooney, expressed her regret over Henry's passing in a press release.

"Ed Henry became president of Saint Mary's at a pivotal time in our history," Mooney said. "We are grateful for his strong leadership and send our condolences to his family."

Sudan

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and they will try to secede.

"That could lead to war. So we're warning that there is a very, very real danger that this war is going to start again. And it's not often that we can give you a start date of a war."

Adwok, auxiliary bishop of Khartoum, works with southern refugees living in the north part of the country. He said the centralized government of Khartoum, which controls nearly all of the country's resources, has oppressed the Southerners for many years.

While Muslims run the government, Taban, bishop emeritus of Tobit, said Islam and Christianity are not in conflict.

"When we founded the new Sudan council of churches in the south, even the Muslim churches wanted to join," he said. "We said, let us be friends. We know you don't get much aid. We shall share what we have. And we live so friendly in the south with the Muslims who are there."

Taban said the role of religion in Sudan is no longer being confined to the spiritual.

"Religion is being exploited by those in power. Once people have

that power, they have the wealth, they forget even about their religion. Unfortunately, that is what is happening in Sudan."

In fact, one of the south's biggest concerns is being able to have an identity separate from the northern religion, Adwok said.

"The question of identity was raised right from the beginning," he said. "The people of the south, they say, 'Among us there are Muslims, among us there are Christians. Therefore, not one system can be imposed on us.'"

The government's oppression of the south makes the idea of unity nearly impossible, Adwok said. This is why the groups are trying to raise international awareness, in hopes of reducing a violent northern reaction to southern secession.

"The reason that we are coming here is to allow the people of the south to hear their voice, their cry for justice, their cry for dignity," Adwok said. "And even if the referendum is manipulated, is rigged, I don't think the dignity of the human person can be rigged by anybody. And here in an international community, we have to say, 'Let these people go.'"

After the talk, the delegation had dinner with students of the Kroc Institute for International

Peace Studies.

"It seems that for Notre Dame, this is an issue that would matter to us all," said junior Patrick McCormick, Student Senate social concerns chair, who attended the dinner. McCormick intends to introduce a resolution to the Senate in Wednesday's meeting that will outline an education and advocacy campaign about the issue. He said the Senate has been working closely on the issue with Catholic Relief Services (CRS) and a copy of the resolution was given to each panelist.

"They're going to put it on the CRS website as an example of what students can do," he said. "From what CRS is telling us, the more we can do to draw attention to what's going in the Sudan, the better off the people on the ground think that they'll be."

Taban said it is especially important for students to be informed.


"This is a university. These are the future leaders," he said. "Tomorrow they will be the leaders of the country. They should know about other parts of the world. ... We are billing them as future leaders. Not just by words, but by action."

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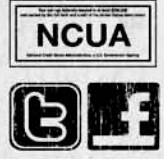


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Spill

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including Notre Dame professors, are attempting to answer the most pressing questions about the aftermath of the spill.

Joannes Westerink, professor of civil engineering and geological sciences, said the primary question to be answered is simple: Where did all the oil go?

"The oil obviously dispersed throughout the region, but the exact locations and concentrations of this oil are relatively unknown at the moment," Westerink said. "In such a huge volume of water, the oil has mixed into different layers of

water, but no one knows how much oil has actually deteriorated thus far."

Westerink said it is too early to determine the effects of the mixing of oil with Gulf waters, especially on wetland ecosystems and human health. However, he noted that the initial visual inspection of wetland areas throughout the Gulf region has been somewhat promising in that the oil has not seemed to penetrate deep into those areas.

Unfortunately, this does not mean the oil has fully disappeared, he said.

"Even though we can't see a lot of this oil anymore, its impacts will be discovered over the next few years if people diligently look for it," Westerink

said.

However, the Gulf region's high propensity for hurricane activity has prompted Westerink and his colleagues with another important question.

"We are trying to predict what would happen to the oil in these inland waters if a major hurricane were to occur," Westerink said.

In response to this question, Westerink and his colleagues are applying their Advanced Circulation Model (ADCIRC), a sophisticated computer model used by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and FEMA that measures inland storm surge penetration, to the Deepwater Horizon spill as a means of predicting the long-term effects of a

hurricane's storm surge on inland waters such as bays, estuaries, and wetlands in the Gulf coastal flood plane.

Westerink said his team is using ADCIRC in conjunction with satellite imagery from the University of Texas to form a forecasting system that can track the movement of a simulated spill of millions of oil particles with tide, wind and atmospheric pressure data. The data gathered by this system would be compared to an image taken several days later to project a clear picture of where the simulated spill has moved.

"From this data, we should be able to determine how far inland the oil would penetrate, what kind of wetlands it would impact

and the possible impact on marine and human life if a hurricane were to occur," Westerink said. "This is important because even small concentrations of oil can be very harmful to marine life and human health."

A point of concern for residents of the Gulf region lies in the impact of the spill on marine life, namely shell fisheries in wetland regions and the blue fin tuna spawning ground located near the site of the disaster.

"This summer, I saw a brown pelican covered in oil while I was fishing in Mississippi," Degan said. "It made me sad and angry about the spill in general."

The economic effects of the spill have already taken a toll on the fishing industry and local eateries in that many shell fisheries have been closed due to the presence of oil, which has been reflected in the skyrocketing prices of seafood, especially oysters.

"Oysters are one of the main exports from southern Louisiana, so their high prices have hurt everyone who makes their living off the sea," senior Margaret Jumonville said. "The spill really economically affected a state that was having a hard enough time coming back from Hurricane Katrina."

In response to the effects of the spill on people in the fishing industry, the Catholic Charities in the Archdiocese of New Orleans began needs assessments in coastal areas where many workers in the industry live, Catholic Charities Parish Social Ministry Coordinator Nick Albares, a 2008 Notre Dame graduate, said.

"Since those initial assessments, we have established social service centers in five Catholic parishes in various areas of New Orleans," Albares said. "At these sites, Catholic Charities social workers and counselors work with clients on case plans, including budgeting and accessing government assistance and other services."

Catholic Charities workers also assisted clients in obtaining food, direct financial assistance, clinical counseling and pastoral care, Albares said. He said all people affected by the oil spill were also impacted by Hurricane Katrina and, to a lesser extent, Hurricane Ike.

"They are resilient but suffering," Albares said. "The claims process has been highly ineffectual for many, and the national media has turned its attention away from the Gulf Coast."

Just five years after Katrina took its toll on the Gulf region, the Deepwater Horizon spill has created another economic crisis for Louisiana and its neighboring states that will take years to be fixed.

"It's going to be years before our economy and lifestyle go back to normal," Degan said.

Despite the huge potential for economic and ecological damage due to the spill, Westerink said he hopes the improvement in technology that occurred after Katrina will happen again in the aftermath of the oil spill.

"After Katrina happened, people invested in understanding the processes behind it and put effort into improving technology such as computational models," Westerink said. "The same is true for the oil spill. It triggered a push for improved technology and measurements, and the number one thing we've learned is how little we know about its effects in the future. We need to improve our ability to understand and predict the effects of these disasters."

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You never really pray alone

Soren Kierkegaard
Danish philosopher

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

It is about winning

Recently an observant (read: pigheaded) freshman decided to let her thoughts regarding the senior class be known. With infallible logic such as, “Notre Dame Football” is not about the football!” I realized how blind I have been the last four years. I haven’t been paying \$245 each year to watch football, I’ve been donating that minor fee to socialize for four hours once a week.

End sarcasm. Notre Dame football will always be about football, not showing up to the game plastered and taking a zillion pictures with every person I stumble into (which is what I assume she means when she says “being crazy, stubborn and unrelenting”). The bigger issue here is this: Notre Dame football is about winning. This applies to the whole school; winning drives this campus. People come to Notre Dame because they were student body president, valedictorians, or more concisely, winners.

While this seems arrogant, this is what makes our school great. We have the confidence to expect to conquer whatever challenges we face. But not every person can be a winner, and sports are the perfect example. Unfortunately, in the last four years we have been too often on the losing side, with many of these losses being ugly. While BK has the team on the right track, we’re cautious to give ourselves to a freshman’s boundless optimism because we know the sting of a thorough drubbing (see Notre Dame football 2007). It’s like a cheating girlfriend. Every time you find out she cheats, it hurts you, but then for some reason you take her back. Then she cheats again, and it hurts even worse, because you should have seen it coming, but you didn’t. At some point you reach an ultimatum: show me real change or don’t come back. While I’m not disowning the football team, my optimism only asks that you give it a good reason to show itself again.

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Oct. 5

Gun control

In Monday’s Observer (“My cold dead hands”, Oct.4), Mr. Kyle Retzlaff writes that Nazi Germany’s alleged confiscation of private weapons is proof that an armed citizenry can act as a check on tyranny. This is a claim one often hears from pro-gun commentators. The history of armed citizens in modern politics is indeed instructive, but not as Mr. Retzlaff suggests.

Armed resistance by isolated individuals is pointless, because a modern state easily crushes such opposition. It happens in our own country with awful regularity: a gunman holes himself up; the police lay siege; the gunman dies. All that, without the government having to deploy a single one of its tanks, fighter bombers, or attack helicopters.

Of course, individuals can band together. Guerrilla forces sometimes wear out the patience of foreign invaders, but not a determined government. Nazi Germany occupied most of Europe during World War II. Most countries produced heroic resistance fighters, but to the Germans they were little more than a nuisance; defeating Hitler’s army took the full force of the Allied armies, not bands of armed citizens. After World War II, Ukrainian guerrillas fought on against the Soviets; they too were crushed, because a band of citizens is no match for an army.

There is one exception: armed citizen “resistance” can indeed go far if the police and the army don’t defend the government. The German army watched from the sidelines as Hitler’s brown-shirted storm troopers (the SA) caused mayhem in the streets and destroyed German democracy. Mussolini made himself dictator by using his black-shirted *squadre* to bully the government and murder the opposition while the army looked on. The Bolsheviks came to power in Russia when the army was too much in disarray to stop a coup by the Red Guards. The drug gangs presently terrorizing Mexico illustrate the same point about the power of armed “citizens” to fight their government and bring fear and misery to their people.

And the guns that Hitler is supposed to have taken away from the German people? As best I can tell, this story refers to the confiscation in 1933 of weapons from former Communist and Socialist militiamen. The Nazis’ own militia, the SA, of course kept their guns. Then, in 1934, Hitler had the entire SA leadership butchered. Even a heavily armed militia, it turned out, was helpless against the dictator.

There are valid arguments for and against gun control. However, to imagine private gun owners standing up to totalitarianism is pure fantasy.

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Oct. 4

Action in accordance with our principles

In response to Sarah Furman’s viewpoint in the Sept. 24 issue of The Observer about ethical investments (“A call for ethical investment”), I read some interesting and troublingly dismissive responses on The Observer’s website. Some people have argued that the NLRB settlement closes the issue and that students who are raising concerns about HEI are drawing the matter out unnecessarily, or that the Notre Dame magazine article concerning Scott Malpass and his investment strategy is enough of an explanation of the University’s “ethical investments.” The article from the 2007-2008 winter issue states that the University investments are held to the standard of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) and their investment principles. Drawing on this, the USCCB website states investors must seek “investment opportunities that meet both our financial needs and our social criteria...[specifically] 1) refusal to invest in companies whose products and/or policies are counter to the values of Catholic moral teaching or statements adopted by the Conference of bishops; 2) divesting from such companies.” Also, the USCCB calls on the necessity of active corporate participation of investors in any case, but especially when the questions of ethical investments are being voiced “to influence the corporate culture and to shape corporate policies and decisions.” In dialogue with the University, these specifications by the USCCB have not been carried out, or at least the University has not mentioned their efforts, if there have been any, which is suspect because it seems

logical for the University to underscore these activities if the students are demanding evidence of ethical investment.

Due to the lack of progress from the University about the ethical considerations of its investments, I decided to visit a few HEI owned properties this summer to personally inquire about the condition of their workers. I spent a week in the Los Angeles area talking with workers about their jobs and the stories I heard were far more troubling than I imagined. I spoke to a worker about the missed breaks that had occurred for the last three years and she explained further that they were a result of more extensive problems of staff cuts and increased work loads, all intended to increase profit. Not only was this mother of three working longer and harder under HEI management without the respite of breaks mandated by California state law, but her wages are too low to cover the cost of healthcare provided by the company. She had to take on a second job working nights after working long days at the hotel, hardly seeing her children and still just barely scraping by. Other workers I spoke with shared similar stories.

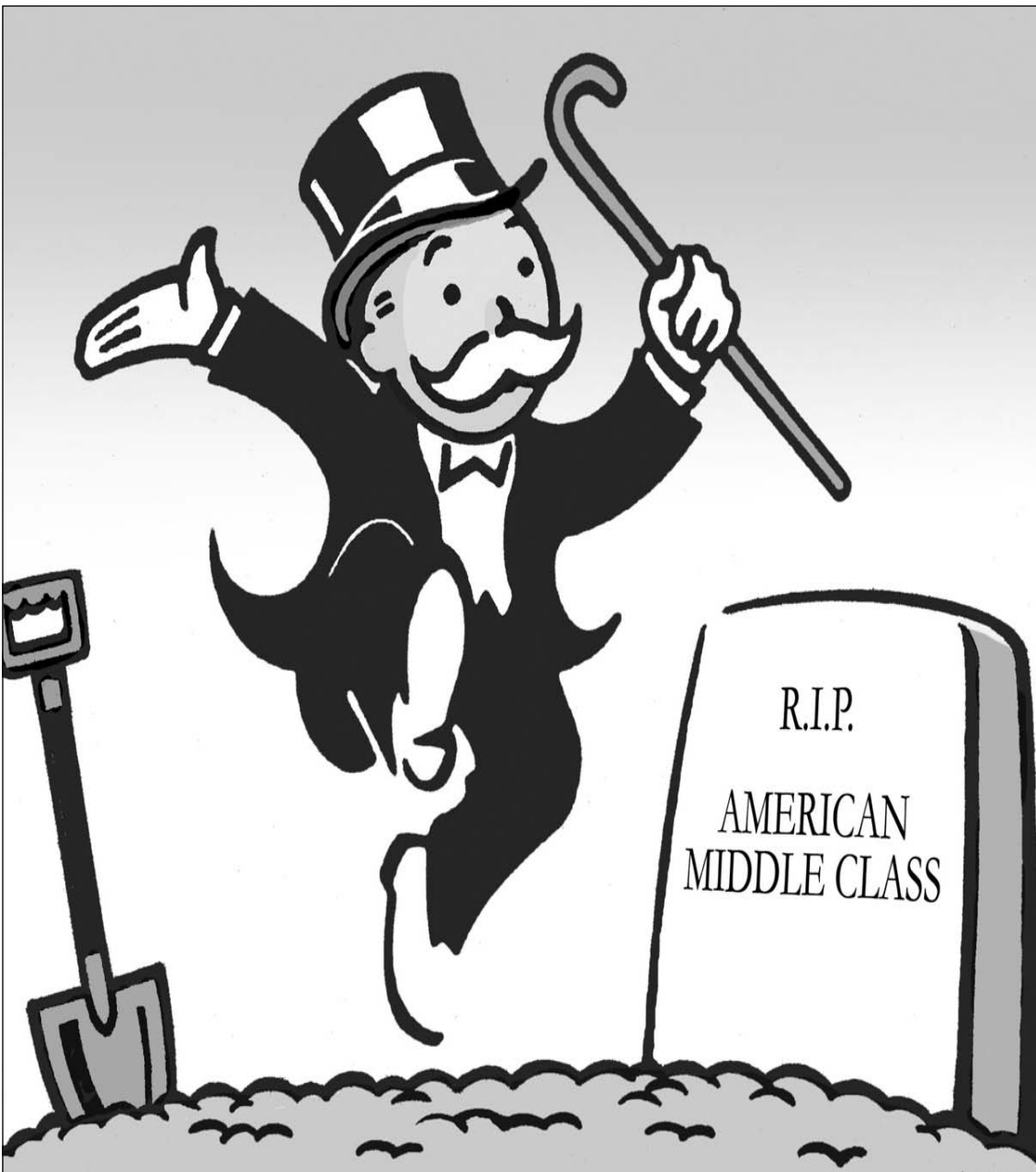
These conditions are making people suffer and our University is standing by. Notre Dame prides itself on encouraging students to be involved with social justice, so we should act in accordance with our principles and set an example for others.

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junior

Oct. 5

EDITORIAL CARTOON





Campus concerts

In case you haven't heard, OK Go is coming to Notre Dame this weekend to perform at halftime of the Pittsburgh game and later in the evening at Legends Nightclub. Some other musical acts that have graced South Bend with their presence in the last couple of years include Good Charlotte for "The Show" in 2008 and Papa Roach with Trapt at Club Fever just last week.

Now, I am not equating the caliber of OK Go's music with that of Trapt (although I do not doubt several of you know every word to "Headstrong"). I recognize OK Go's talent and staying power. Nor am I denying that we have welcomed some other extremely gifted acts to campus in recent years (Guster, Mike Posner, The Roots).

But I cannot lie. As I paged through the yearbooks of the 1970s to see what artists had been at Notre Dame, I wept out of jealousy. Each year in the blissful decade, at least one music legend performed at Stepan Center, the Athletic and Convocation Center (ACC, now the JACC) or at an intimate blues festival. Only a straightforward chronology can do the 70s set-lists justice, and I am only mentioning some highlights. My apologies if you end up wallowing in the mediocrity of modern campus concerts after reading.



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Scene Writer



1970

Welcome **Smoky Robinson and the Miracles** (left), the first successful group act signed by Motown Records and performers

of Motown's first million-selling record, "Shop Around." **Dionne Warwick** (right) also made an appearance, an artist probably best known to our generation as the singer of "I Say A Little Prayer," featured in the hit 1990s film "My Best Friend's Wedding."

1971

"Jeremiah was a bullfrog..." sang **Three Dog Night** at Notre Dame. It's safe to say their hit single "Joy to the World" is known by almost every American.



1972

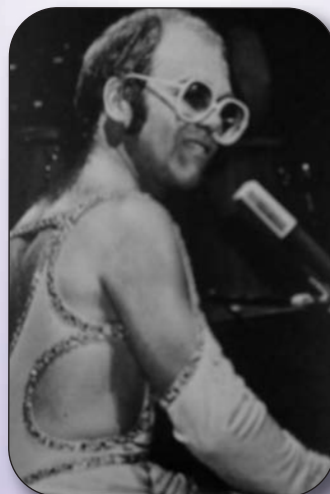
Students hopped on **Cat Stevens'** "Peace Train," were entertained by "Proud Mary" herself, **Tina Turner** (left) and relished SoCal vibes with **The Beach Boys**.

1973

The student body received English rock from **Yes**, local American rock from **Chicago** and Latin rock from **Santana**.

1974

Rock and roll pioneer **Chuck Berry**. Motown phenomenon, **The Temptations**. Sibling duet, **The Carpenters**. **Paul Simon** of Simon and Garfunkel. **Joni Mitchell**. Words do not suffice.



1975

Van Morrison serenaded female Domers with "Brown Eyed Girl." **Elton John** (left) donned a flashy sequined costume to entertain. And **Elvis Presley** (right) was just an added bonus.



1976

The Beach Boys returned. Notre Dame experienced another British invasion, this time from **Rod Stewart** and **Jethro Tull**.

1977

This year was host to a couple familiar faces as well as some notable newcomers: **Chicago**, **The Doobie Brothers**, **Boston** and **KISS** (left).

1978

Hall and Oates and **Steve Miller**. Don't you wish you could hear "Rich Girl" and "The Joker" live? **Crosby, Stills and Nash** finally performed together, having visited Notre Dame as solo acts or duos in years past.

1979

Neil Young's performance was apparently a "disappointment" to students, according to "The Dome." Maybe they preferred the performance of **Bruce Springsteen** (right), **The Beach Boys**, **Yes** or **Aerosmith** (who's "warm-up group" just happened to be a little band called AC-DC).

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Fit or fad?

'Fitness shoes' not for everyone

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Reebok Easy Tones promise a nice posterior, Skechers Shape-Ups claim to give Joe Montana better posture and myriad knock-offs at stores like Target and Wal-Mart offer all the benefits at half the price.

But can so-called "fitness shoes" actually tone muscles on the walk to class? Dr. Damian Dieter, a podiatrist at the Portage Foot Clinic in South Bend, has treated some patients who have worn the shoes and has tried out a pair himself.

"It's not a cookie-cutter answer, that it's good or really bad," he said.

From working muscles to increasing circulation, the benefits described in the commercials and other promotional materials are mostly true, he said, but there are some caveats.

Dieter said people with foot problems — such as plantar fasciitis, heel spurs, bunions or arthritis — should be careful when trying out the shoes, since it might aggravate their discomfort.

"If you've got a really whacked-out foot and you think going around in these shoes, all your prayers and questions are answered, that's not the case," he said.

The most important part

of any walking shoe is the heel counter, Dieter said. This "cup" in the shoe that surrounds a person's heel has to be stiff in order to keep the arch of the foot from wobbling.

Most fitness shoes do have this heel support, Dieter said. However, in most of the designs, instability in the rest of the body of the shoe is the whole point.

For example, the Reebok Easy-Tone shoes have two air chambers (what the commercials call "balance ball technology"). Dieter said the air cushion is forced from heel-to-toe, heel-to-toe, in the reverse direction of the force of the step, so the wearer is constantly working against normal walking motion.

Dieter said he tried out the Skechers Shape-Ups in a store for about 15 minutes, but did not feel stable in them.

"I constantly had to hold onto something," he said. "Now, if I wore them for a week straight, I probably would get used to it."

Forcing wearers to overcome that unsteadiness is an intentional part of the shoes' design, he said.

"Well, if you're unsteady, you clench up muscles," he said. "It's like sea legs. When you're on a boat, the boat is constantly moving, so even without thinking, you're clenching your leg muscles to stay on balance, that's why you get stronger legs."

The Skechers' website recommends going through some warm-up and adjustment exercises when first putting on the shoes, in order to adjust to the new form of walking. Re-learning how to walk shouldn't



Reebok EasyTone
reebok.com/easytone
\$99 — \$125

be the goal of any exercise routine, he said, especially just for one pair of shoes.

"You shouldn't have to tell your body what to do when you walk," he said. "Walking should be like breathing. You shouldn't have to say to yourself, time to breathe in now. It's an automatic response."

Additionally, Dieter said "rocker bottom" shoes like the Skechers Shape-Ups, with a curved sole, actually shorten the wearer's gait. The shoes force people to shorter, faster steps.

"It increases blood flow just because you're walking fast," he said.

But he added, "You can just do jumping jacks to get your blood flowing, too."

"People that are going to go work out with any shoe, yeah, they're going to have better circulation," he said.

While Dieter said the instability and gait-changing aspects of these shoes will help some people with posture or circulation, just wearing a different kind of footwear won't replace eating healthy or breaking a sweat.

"The marketing thing is that everybody wants to sell you something that, if you do this, you don't have to go to the gym, you don't have to watch what you eat," he said. "Everybody's got a gimmick."

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Skechers Shape-Ups
skechers.com/shapeups
\$75 — \$130

Does Kanye West have the potential to make a bad album? "808s and Heartbreaks" was a scare, but proved its worth over the long haul. With four dynamite albums behind him, three of which place on almost every American "Best of the Decade" list, Kanye West has set a high standard for himself.

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Scene Writer

KANYE WEST'S NEW ALBUM



Nine years from now, when the umpires of musical taste come together to analyze the defining moments of the decade, if Nov. 22 doesn't land on the table early in the discussion, then something will have truly gone wrong.

If the tracks released off his new album are any indication its quality, fans have nothing to worry about. In fact, while tabloid and media hounds continue to portray him as the anti-Christ for interrupting VMA acceptance speeches and accusing pres-

idents of racial apathy, Kanye may be finishing up his magnum opus to shut them up once and for all. If West can outdo himself again and releases his fifth great album, he can storm overrated award show acceptance speeches and interrupt public service announcements until he loses his voice.

Album release delays can be irritating for music aficionados, and Kanye West fans have had their fair share of aggravation. The numerous pushbacks of West's fifth album have thus come as little surprise. Originally slated for a summer release, the album was pushed to Sept. 14, and then moved again when West announced that it would be hitting stores "sometime in November." Until yesterday, the date and album title were unconfirmed.

In a Twitter update, West revealed the new title and official release date of Nov. 22.

Never mind that the new title, "My Beautiful Dark Twisted Fantasy," sounds like a bad manga series. The early track

releases are some of the most innovative hip-hop tracks of the last couple of years. "Power," the first single from the album released in June, is five minutes of classic bragging, soul searching and spot-on self-identification.

In July, West started the "GOOD Friday series," releasing a new track every Friday for eight straight weeks, ultimately collaborating with over 15 artists. Among the eight tracks, four crossed the six-minute mark, six were brand new concepts and three were some of West's best in years. "GOOD Friday," "Monster" and "Christian Dior Denim" were the highlights and will hopefully make their way onto the album.

The most promise lies in the second single, "Runaway," which West premiered at the MTV Video Music Awards in September. Last week, the final mix was officially released for digital download. The song is West's most accurate and peculiar artistic statement yet. Raising a glass to "scumbags" like himself, the song is the perfect mix of self-

loathing and spite.

Excitement for the new album began back in 2009 before anyone had heard a minute of it. Confirmed collaborations with fellow innovative producers Q-Tip, DJ Premier and Pete Rock began anticipation. DJ Premier expressed excitement for the novelty of the material in an interview, and fellow rapper Drake speculated that the album could be one of "the best hip-hop albums of the last 10 years."

Early evaluation for the album is highly speculative, considering most tracks have yet to see the light of day, but the album certainly has the potential for greatness. If Kanye West can pull off this album, he may secure himself a slot in not only rap history, but in the pantheon of popular music icons.

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CLUB SPORTS

Bowling team competes in tournament in Wisconsin

Equestrian participates in show at University of Wisconsin; Field hockey victorious in season opener; Rugby travels to IU

Special to the Observer

The Notre Dame bowling team traveled to Wauwatosa, Wisc., this weekend to compete in the Midwest Collegiate Tournament.

Senior co-president Drew Crail led the team in pins with 1,536 pins in nine games, followed by junior co-president Richard Skelton 1,506 pins. Both were in the top third of individual scorers for the entire tournament.

Next up for the club is the Kegel/ISBPA Collegiate Classic Oct. 23-24 in Addison, Ill.

Equestrian

Competing for the first time in a new region, the Notre Dame – Saint Mary’s equestrian club opened its season at the University of Wisconsin show.

Amy Giordano garnered High Point Rider honors and Katie Pietrucha claimed Reserve High Point Rider. Giordano’s performance also qualified for regionals in intermediate flat.

Notre Dame - Saint Mary’s finished as Reserve High Point team, behind the host Wisconsin club.

Saturday’s list of outstanding results included Katie Walsh and Mia Genereux taking first and sixth in open fences, Giordano and Pietrucha both taking first in intermediate fences and Tori Scheid and Sarah Dolton earning third and fifth, respectively, in novice fences. Genereux and Walsh also finished first and third in open flat, while Giordano, Pietrucha and Mana Espahbodi stood first, second, and fourth in intermediate flat.

Nicole Oberschmied took third in novice flat, while teammates Whitney Preisser and Natalie Stoerger tied for fourth.

Walk-trot-canter was a clean sweep for the Irish as Katrina Stewart, first, Caitlin Harris, second and Laura Tiche, third and Patricia Walsh, third, claimed top scores.

Highlights from Sunday’s competition included Walsh and Generux taking second and fifth in open fences, Pietrucha and Giordano finishing third and fifth in intermediate fences, and

Espahbodi, third, Sarah Lusher, fourth, and Oberschmied, fourth in novice fences.

Points were earned in open flat, Walsh, third, Genereux, fifth, intermediate flat, Scheid, first, Petrucha, fourth, and Espahbodi, fifth; novice flat, Lusher, fourth, Oberschmied, sixth and walk-trot-canter, Catie Hradrick, first, Stewart, second, Walsh and Emma Rhoades, fifth.

Field Hockey

Notre Dame won its season opener against Vanderbilt 2-0, with goals scored by Maria Kosse assisted by Chrissy Affleck and Kim Weisenberger.

The Irish dropped the second game, 1-0, to host Kentucky.

The team tied for second overall in the UK Invitational at Lexington.

Sailing

Notre Dame again split its club into three squads this weekend, entering three regattas.

In the Pere Marquette Regatta at Marquette University, gusts up to 30 knots made conditions too windy to race Saturday.

Three races per division were completed Sunday to meet the minimum requirement for a regatta. Full results were not available when the Notre Dame team had to leave.

The Irish had two berths, totaling four boats. Notre Dame skippers were Kevin Condit, Greg Torrisi, William Everage, and John Hrabick.

Marquette, Minnesota, Northern Michigan, Iowa, Indiana, Wisconsin, UW-Milwaukee and Robert Morris also participated. At Michigan’s Cary Price Regatta, held in Ann Arbor, conditions were chilly and occasionally wet.

Michigan, Northwestern, Western Michigan, Wisconsin, Purdue, Minnesota, Notre Dame, Ohio State and Queens took part in the regatta.

Elizabeth Werley and Jessica Hedrich sailed in the A Division, while Emily Golden and Tom Temmerman sailed in the B Division.

Notre Dame placed seventh of nine. The teams finished with Michigan first, followed by Minnesota, Northwestern, Purdue, Ohio State, Purdue

2, Notre Dame, Wisconsin and Queens. In New York City at the Jesuit Open at Fordham the breeze never exceeded 5-6 knots while there were multiple postponements as the wind shifted from the north to the west and back again within two minutes of a start.

The Race Committee was able to complete only six races before throwing in the towel.

Sunday was just the opposite as a steady northeast wind of 13-17 knots with gusts reaching 22 greeted the sailors and continued through 14 more races until the regatta was called at 2:30 p.m. after one full round-robin of 20 races had been completed.

Waves, three to four feet high, came rolling down Western Long Island Sound throughout most of the morning, causing challenging conditions for the stalwart sailors and several capsizes. The teams finished with first Fordham, then Georgetown, Navy, NY Maritime, Notre Dame, Fordham 2, McGill, Army and Loyola. Competing for the Irish were: Notre Dame A’s: Skipper Nathaniel Walden and Crew Ali Donahue. Notre Dame B’s: Skipper Jeff Miller and Crew Natalie Fang.

Ultimate Frisbee

This weekend Notre Dame Ultimate hosted the 15th anniversary of its annual tournament White Smoke this weekend.

The White Smoke tournament has been held in the spring in past years, but was moved to the fall this year. This year the tournament was the biggest it had ever been with 24 male teams and 18 female teams.

The Notre Dame men’s team split into two different squads of fairly even skill under the leadership of captains Justin Browne and Michael Della Penna to ensure equal playing time and to help teach some of the more inexperienced players.

Both Notre Dame teams are still getting used to playing with each other and worked hard to teach the new players various aspects of the game as Notre Dame X and Notre Dame Y, went 2-5 and 4-4 respectively.

Both teams showed determination throughout the

weekend with a couple of losses by only one point. In the end, both teams were satisfied with how the weekend wrapped up and are looking forward to continuing to develop new players, and the team as a whole, throughout the fall season.

The Notre Dame women’s squad hosted their section of the tournament this weekend on the Saint Mary’s campus. Notre Dame again fielded two teams, which allowed returners and rookies alike to get lots of playing time and a great first tournament experience.

Notre Dame X, captained by senior Molly Thompson, opened the weekend with a game against eventual tournament champion Northwestern. Northwestern won handily, but the Notre Dame women embraced the challenge and used the game as a great introduction to competitive Ultimate. Its next game came against St. Louis University, where they also lost by a score of 8-5. The team really started improving their chemistry in the second half of the day in close losses to DePaul and Purdue.

At one point in the Purdue game, Notre Dame X scored an upwind break and held their first lead of the year, but unfortunately they couldn’t hold onto it for the victory. On Sunday morning, the team played a hard-fought game against Wooster that ended in a 5-3 loss, but it did set them up to play their final game against Notre Dame Y. This low-key game was a great way to end the weekend and do some team bonding, and Notre Dame X used their strong deep game to pull away with a 6-4 victory.

Thompson did a fabulous job of leading the first-time team throughout the weekend both on the off the field. Sophomores Kelsey Taylor, Andrea Scheder, and Allie Hawkins stepped up into leadership roles and new positions and also had some great defensive plays, with Hawkins along with senior Rachel Newkirk notching their first layout D’s. All of the rookies worked hard through windy playing conditions and the challenges of a first tournament and improved a lot. Freshman Kelsey Fink played excellent zone offense, junior Megan

Dillon had some clutch catches, and freshman Devlin Lynch had great in cuts.

Notre Dame Y had a similar weekend of tough losses but encouraging improvement. They lost in pool play on Saturday to Case Western Reserve, Michigan State, Truman State, and Illinois. The Truman State game was very exciting as Notre Dame Y lost by only one point. The team struggled in its early morning game on Sunday, falling to Grinnell by a score of 7-1. However, they rallied in the game against Notre Dame X, and, although they eventually lost that game also, the team regained a lot of their confidence and chemistry. Senior captain Megan Franke led the team for the tournament and played intense defense all weekend to help get the team fired up.

Juniors Vicke Hadlock and Ashley Satterlee stepped into new roles as handlers and had some great offensive plays, and sophomore Courtney Iversen had her first layout D. Sophomore Erinn Riley and freshman Jennifer Perugini played solid offense and defense all weekend and showed a lot of promise. Senior Kim Ford directed the tournament and did a fabulous job of coordinating and organizing play all weekend. Both teams were very excited about the overall success of the tournament and the great improvement they saw over the course of the weekend.

Rugby

The Irish left South Bend at 6:30 a.m. Saturday to take on Indiana University in Bloomington.

After the four-hour bus ride, the Irish stepped out onto a wet and muddy field to prepare for the match. From the opening kick, the Irish played with intensity as they sought to avenge last week’s loss. Senior center Andy Mullen was unrelenting in defense and attack until he was forced off with an injury.

In his absence, seniors Sean Mitchell and Packy Griffin stepped up their game and ensured Indiana stayed off the board.

Indiana won with a final score was 7-6. In the subsequent B-side match, freshman scrum-half Byron “Kelleher” Henry led the Irish to a redemptive 14-5 victory.

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Michael: “It was on company property with company property. So double jeopardy, we’re fine.” Ryan: “I don’t think you understand how double jeopardy works.” Michael: “Oh, I’m sorry. What is ‘we’re fine?’”

Dan: “I could not answer you that question.”

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Harry: “Yeah I called her up, she gave me a bunch of crap about me not listening to her, or something, I don’t know, I wasn’t really paying attention.”

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Dick Pepperfield: “How did you learn to play basketball?” Jackie Moon: “I saw it on TV a couple times, I thought I could do that.”

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NCAA FOOTBALL

No. 6 Oklahoma looks to improve in title hunt

Associated Press

NORMAN, Okla. — No. 6 Oklahoma has a perfect record after clearing what's usually the toughest hurdle on its way to the Big 12 championship game and beyond.

Still, coach Bob Stoops sees no room for his Sooners (5-0, 1-0 Big 12) to relax, even with an off week before they host Iowa State on Oct. 16. He said this week started with the team addressing "at great length" the areas where improvement is needed.

"College guys are so young that there's a lot of maturity and experience gained in technique work that should improve as you go through the year, and we've got to make it," Stoops said Tuesday.

"We're a long way from a finished product. Our job is to keep working it and pushing it to make that improvement, and I think we will."

Stoops has led Oklahoma to a 5-0 start on six other occasions, and it's almost always been a good omen. Five of those seasons have concluded with the Sooners playing for the Big 12 title, and four times they've played for the national championship, too.

Of course, making it to the halfway point of the season without a blemish means the Sooners have prevailed over archrival Texas, just as they did Saturday with a 28-20 win in the annual Red River Rivalry game. That's usually an indicator that Oklahoma is on track to represent the Big 12 South in the conference title game, although team captain Travis Lewis doesn't want to hear that as he sees other strong teams around the league.

"It's not just a two-horse race anymore," said Lewis, a linebacker. "It used to be if we beat Texas or Texas beats us, that team's going to be in the Big 12 championship. It's not going to be like that anymore."

Stoops said he sees no difference in player attitudes now than in the spring and summer, when they were eager to make amends for finishing last year 8-5.

"They've had an attitude that way of being hungry to improve and work, so we've got a lot of work ahead of us," Stoops said. "I said that last week. The Texas

game is one game. We've got seven conference games ahead of us, and if you don't win those, that game doesn't much matter."

Chief among the concerns for Oklahoma is a disturbing trend of poor play in the fourth quarter.

Opponents are outscoring the Sooners 51-17 in the final period, with Texas becoming the latest team to mount a comeback from a double-digit deficit that came up just short.

The Longhorns scored 10 straight points in the fourth quarter Saturday and had an opportunity to tie it when Sooners quarterback Landry Jones fumbled inside the 10-yard line. He was able to knock the ball away from Texas linebacker Jared Norton before he could scoop it up and score.

"We're still playing great defense 80 percent of the time and the other 20 percent we're giving up big plays," Lewis said. "And we're giving up too many points in the fourth quarter."

"It's good to be 5-0 and have all the problems that we do."

The Sooners have won four of their five games by eight points or less—after leading by at least 15 points in each game.

"I know we're in good enough shape where it's not fatigue. Players are just getting their eyes in the wrong places and trying to do someone else's job, and then they hit the big play on us," Lewis said. "It's a discipline type of thing. We need to be more disciplined in the fourth quarter."

Offensive coordinator Kevin Wilson said his unit also needs to do a better job of protecting—and extending—late leads. After going up 28-10 on Texas, Oklahoma totaled just one first down on its next two drives while trying to put the game away.

"The bottom line is we're not a tough-enough, pounding-it running team where we can totally just ram it against a really outstanding defense, which they had," Wilson said. "We ran the ball well, but we ran it when we had good balance."

The Sooners were also at their best when using their hurry-up offense, not exactly their best weapon when trying to drain the clock. Yet Wilson said he still plans to operate at a slower pace late in games.



Oklahoma coach Bob Stoops, speaking at the Sooners' media day on Aug. 6, said he sees multiple things his team must improve.

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NFL

NFLPA director Smith warns of 2011 lockout

Associated Press

GREEN BAY, Wis. — NFL Players Association executive director DeMaurice Smith sees new signs that owners are preparing for a football-free 2011.

With support from Packers quarterback Aaron Rodgers, he asked fans to take the players' side.

Speaking at a tailgate-style fan luncheon a few blocks from Lambeau Field on Tuesday, Smith referred to a recent Sports Business Journal report that said the NFL is requiring banks that lend money to its teams to extend grace periods for loan defaults through the end of the 2011 season in the event of a lockout.

"That to me is a step where the owners are protecting themselves in the event that there is no season," Smith said.

Smith said that move, along with provisions in television deals that provide for some payments even if there is a lockout, are evidence that owners are planning for the possibility that there won't be a season in 2011.

NFL spokesman Greg Aiello noted that the players are going through the process of approving the potential decertification of their union, a move that could be seen as preparing for protracted negotiations.

"There are many preparations taking place, including the union preparing to decertify and go out of business," Aiello said. "Our focus is on negotiating a new agreement with the union. The longer it goes, the tougher it will be and we are not sure if this union plans on continuing to be a union."

Rodgers, the Packers' newly elected player representative to the union, asked the crowd of about 300 fans for their support.

"We're going to keep you guys daily on our minds and we realize how much this means, and affects not only us but this community," Rodgers said. "We thank you for your support, and stand with us. It's going to be a tough fight, but we're trusting that in the end everything's going to turn out to way it's supposed to."

In a meeting Monday, Packers players voted to become the latest NFL team to give the union approval to decertify in the event of a lockout. Decertification would give players the right to sue the NFL under antitrust laws if

there is a lockout, a threat that could strengthen the players' position in CBA negotiations.

Smith said lawsuits have played an important role in past gains by the players, referencing late Packers icon Reggie White's role in the implementation of today's free agency system.

"Look, the fact is most of our fans who love this game right now believe mistakenly that free agency was a gift to the players," Smith said. "That's not true. Reggie White and Freeman McNeil put their careers on the line and had to sue for free agency."

But Smith wouldn't say whether the union or individual players currently are considering a new lawsuit, or are simply relying on the threat of legal action to force owners to make concessions in negotiations.

"The only thing that we will do is continue to protect our interest," Smith said.

Smith said players have always been willing to keep playing under an extension of the existing CBA, and reiterated complaints that owners refuse to open their financial records. As the NFL's only publicly owned franchise, the Packers are the only team that makes it financial information public.

The Packers posted an operating profit of approximately \$9.8 million in the fiscal year that ended March 31, down from \$20.1 million the previous year. Taking into account investment losses that were less severe, the team reported net income of approximately \$5.2 million, up from \$4 million.

"Show us the financial data that says that the National Football League is in some sort of economic (hardship)," Smith said. "And so far all we've heard back is from their lead negotiator, who said that's none of our business."

Smith took a positive tone when he spoke about his good working relationship with NFL Commissioner Roger Goodell, but wasn't willing to estimate how likely it was that a new deal could come together in the near future.

"It seems to me that the greatest gift we could possibly give is a Christmas gift where we sign a new deal and tell people that football for our fans is not only going to continue, but the businesses that rely on football and the jobs that this game generates are going to be secure," Smith said.

MLB

Yankees set playoff rotation

Associated Press

MINNEAPOLIS — The New York Yankees bumped struggling starter A.J. Burnett to the bullpen for the AL playoffs against Minnesota.

Game 1 starter CC Sabathia would pitch on three days' rest if a Game 4 is necessary. Andy Pettitte will follow Sabathia and start Game 2, with Phil Hughes going in Game 3 back in the Bronx.

The series opens at Minnesota with games on Wednesday and Thursday.

Yankees manager Joe Girardi said he wants to throw as many lefties as he can against a Twins lineup loaded with dangerous left-handed hitters.

"We felt with all the left-handed hitters we would try to throw four lefties at them in five games," Girardi said.

The Twins do have slightly better numbers this year against righties. They hit .276 with a .432 slugging percentage and .343 on-base percentage and went 62-44 (.585). Against lefties, they hit .268 with a .400 slugging percentage and .336 on-base percentage while going 32-24 (.571).

Burnett took the news in stride. He was 10-15 with a 5.26 ERA in 33 starts this season. He hasn't pitched in the bullpen since April 16, 2008, when he appeared for Toronto in the 14th inning against Texas.

"It'd be different if I had a great second half," Burnett said. "But I took baby steps, not a huge leap. Those three guys (Sabathia, Pettitte and



Yankees starter CC Sabathia delivers against the Rays on April 10. Sabathia will headline New York's playoff rotation.

Hughes) have been our main starters."

Burnett joined the Yankees as a free agent before last season, signing an \$82.5 million, five-year contract. He pitched well against Minnesota in the first round of the playoffs, allowing one run and three hits in six innings during a Game 2 start.

Girardi also decided to go with Sergio Mitre and Dustin Moseley in the bullpen over Javier Vazquez and Chad Gaudin. The manager kept outfielder Greg Golson as the final position player.

"We really like the way (Mitre's) sinker has been working lately and the way he has been throwing the ball,"

Girardi said.

Girardi left open the possibility that Burnett could start in the series if Sabathia told the Yankees that he didn't feel good enough physically to pitch on three days' rest. But if all goes according to plan, Burnett will remain in the bullpen.

"I'm not going to cause drama or be the bad apple," Burnett said.

Girardi said all his roster decisions were difficult and he appreciated how Burnett handled the news.

"I didn't know how he would take it," Girardi said. "But we talked about it and he seemed like he's on board. He's going to do whatever he can to help us."

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NFLPA executive director DeMaurice Smith, right, warned that the owners will lock out players in 2011.



Freshman outside hitter Andrea McHugh passes the ball during Notre Dame's 3-0 victory over West Virginia on Sept. 24.

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would come in and that has a good command of all aspects of the game. That's definitely the void that we had to be filled."

Not only has McHugh been able to take on the role Notre Dame had ready for her but she also comes with extensive experience that has prepared her well to compete at the collegiate level.

A Yoba Linda, Calif. native, McHugh was a member of the 2009 U.S. Youth National Team and she also played in the 2009 FIVB World Youth Championships in Thailand. On the high school stage, McHugh set a number of school records, including career leader in kills (1,019) and digs (793), and led her El Dorado High School team to league championships in 2008 and 2009. Her school's team was ranked 40th in the nation by PrepVolleyball.com while she was named 76th on their list of Senior Aces as well as one of their 2009 All-Americans.

"She's a strong competitor,

and she's easy to get along with," Brown said. "I think her teammates enjoy playing with her and she enjoys playing with them."

The 11-5 Irish team is a central component in McHugh's early success, especially on the conference level where they were undefeated at 4-0 and from which she has earned three Freshman of the Week honors.

"Every time she's won it, obviously her stats have been very good and the team has won," Brown said. "Whenever we have the individual recognitions, it's always because the team has done well, first and foremost. Usually with her, she's hitting for a high percentage, she's hitting for kills per game, she may have either aces or digs to go along with that to get the award. She is very deserving of it, but it's something that wouldn't happen without the team having success as well."

The first came on Aug. 30 when McHugh was given the honor after her Irish Invitational debut performance. It was the first time a Notre Dame player had earned the award after the season's opening weekend since Christina Kaelin did in 2006.

The second came Sept. 27 after she had 4.17 kills/set and 3.33 digs/set in Notre Dame's conference opening weekend, and the third this week from

her 13 kills and five aces against USF Oct. 1 and 19 kills on a .562 hitting percentage at Georgetown Oct. 3.

McHugh and the Irish are back on the road this weekend, taking on Louisville Oct. 9 and Cincinnati Oct. 10, where they will hope to carry on their four-match win streak.

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"She's a strong competitor, and she's easy to get along with."

Debbie Brown
Irish coach

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native, is currently ranked fourth.

"There aren't any bad players in this tournament," Irish coach Ryan Sachire said. "We knew going in that they were going to face top competition."

Despite the losses, Sachire said he feels good about the talented players moving forward.

"The fall is all about development," he said. "While we are trying to win in the fall, it

is the spring when it counts the most. The goal is to get better and learn and we're trying to apply that to our matches."

Irish junior Casey Watt, who also traveled to Tulsa to compete, will not play until the main draw begins Thursday. The top 54 players face off in the main draw, and Watt is currently 39th.

"We expect Casey to go out and compete and see what he can do," Sachire said. "He has really put in a lot of work and has improved a lot since the NCAA Tournament last May."

Sachire said he expects Watt

to use his development to his advantage.

"He's really improved with his forehand and volley," he said. "It's a matter of cementing things in competition. He feels good and he's going to go out and see what he can do on Thursday."

Following the ITA All-American Championships, the Irish will have a break in competition until Oct. 21-25 when they will host the Midwest Regional Championships.

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Senior Daniel Stahl prepares to play a volley during Notre Dame's April 14 victory over Ball State.

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ing about it on Monday more so celebrating the victory.”

The Irish didn’t play a perfect game, Kelly said, but he saw signs that his team is improving.

“You just need to win to cure a lot of things. But they’re very positive things,” Kelly said. “I pointed out to the offense the third quarter drive. Those are important steps forward, when you can put together 14 plays.

“And on the defensive side of the ball, when you can limit a team to very minimal rushing [yards], those are good signs. So I pointed out the signs that I see that are positive towards getting this to be habit-forming. But we’re far from that yet.”

Turnover trouble

Despite some of the positive strides the offense made Saturday, the Irish are still turning the ball over at an alarming rate.

In the win, sophomore quarterback Dayne Crist threw a pick, and running backs Armando Allen and Cierre Wood each lost a fumble.

“How do I coach it? Well, I think first and foremost, you make sure that you’re doing the fundamentals right, so during practice, during individual, we’re making sure that we’re talking about taking care of the football and doing those kinds of things,” Kelly said. “You just demand it. If it’s something that is lack of attention, if it’s lack of putting the ball away, we’re going to address it.

“So we’re pointing out things that we see that can put the ball on the ground. We’re trying to coach it during practice, and then we’re demanding it from our players.”

Fresh face

The Irish special teams got a lift with the insertion of freshman wide receiver Bennett Jackson into the role of kick returner. Jackson returned four kickoffs for 111 yards Saturday, including a long of 43 yards.

“I think certainly you have to have the right mental approach to it, that you’re going to catch it and go,” Kelly said of what it takes to be a good return man. “You can’t think a lot back there ... You’ve got to hit it, and he’s got that ability where he’s a bit fearless from that stand-

point. So it takes a different kind of guy to do that.”

Jackson had made a splash in the opening win against Purdue with four tackles on kickoff coverage. Kelly has mentioned Jackson’s name in the context of potential playing time at receiver, and the move to return man involved the head coach feeling comfortable with placing a starter back there, Kelly said.

“We had to obviously move one of our starters out of a position there, so that didn’t happen until [last] Wednesday,” Kelly said of putting Jackson in the lineup. “I had not cleared that hurdle in my own mind that I was ready to go in that direction. Once we did, [Jackson] practiced at it hard on Wednesday and Thursday and was prepared for his chance on Saturday.”

No cover jinx

Sophomore linebacker Carlo Calabrese graced the cover of The Observer’s Irish Insider last Friday, and he backed that appearance up by leading the Irish with 10 tackles on Saturday, including one sack and 3 ½ for loss.

He trails only fellow sophomore inside linebacker Manti Te’o for the team-lead in



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Sophomore linebacker Carlo Calabrese makes a tackle during Saturday’s Irish victory at Boston College.

tackles on the season. Te’o has 64 tackles (32 solo) on the season, while Calabrese has 38 (21 solo).

“Carlo is developing into a very solid linebacker and a consistent player for us,” Kelly said. “He’s tackling well in space. He’s much better in

his coverage fits. That was some of our concerns.

“I think, really, he’s just tackling better and he’s playing more consistent on a play-to-play basis.”

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Bragging

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rights are on the line. This game has a derby feel, as Notre Dame and Indiana are certainly two of the biggest names in the state.”

The Hoosiers (5-3-1) come into the game against the Irish (4-2-3) with a dominant 24-5-1 lead in the all-time series, including a 3-0 victory over Notre Dame at Alumni Stadium last season.

Clark said he believes this year’s Hoosier performance — in their first season under new head coach Todd Yeagley

— is better than their record lets on.

“They’re very similar to us in a number of ways,” Clark said. “They’ve played a tough schedule just as we have. Their record isn’t indicative of their ability. They’ve taken some close losses, but they’re a good team.

I think Indiana can win a championship just as I think Notre Dame can.”

The Hoosiers are led by junior forward Will Bruin whose seven goals and 15 points lead a talented roster that includes standout sophomore goalie Luis Soffrier.

“There’s more to this game

than just a rivalry,” Clark said. “It’s a jolly game because both teams are filled with such talented players.”

Clark’s squad will head into the contest fresh off a 2-1 weekend victory over Providence. After the game, Clark expressed displeasure with his team’s defensive focus, something that he said the team would work on for future games.

“You don’t have a ton of time between games to address these things,” Clark

said. “We just need to make sure that we communicate the key concepts to the players.”

The game-winning goal in the Providence game came from senior forward Steven Perry, who leads the Irish with five goals on the season. Perry also leads the Big East in game-winning goals, with three on the season.

Clark said that although the Irish are embracing a complete team approach to scoring, Perry will need to contin-

ue to score if the Irish are to take down top teams like the Hoosiers.

“That’s what you look for from Perry up top,” Clark said. “It comes with the position. We’re getting better at getting the whole group involved though.”

Perry and the rest of the Irish attack will be on display at 7 p.m. Wednesday against the Hoosiers in Bloomington.

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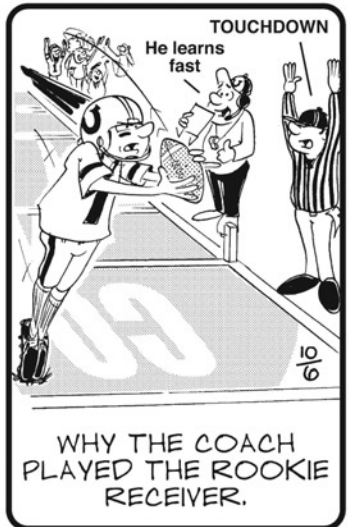
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I TAKE FIVE HOUR ENERGY!

I FOUND A BETTER JOB!

(Answers tomorrow)

Yesterday's		Jumbles: VOCAL LEAVE SCHOOL JOSTLE
		Answer: What the reckless driver gave the barber – A CLOSE SHAVE



Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

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FOOTBALL

Back on track

Irish look to build on momentum from win

By MATT GAMBER
Sports Writer

After Notre Dame opened its season with a 23-12 victory over Purdue on Sept. 5, Irish coach Brian Kelly noted that while his team didn't play a perfect game, he wanted to remind his players to celebrate a victory they worked hard to earn.

That wasn't the case after Saturday's 31-13 road win at Boston College snapped a three-game losing streak and improved Notre Dame to 2-3.

"We didn't have to tell them to celebrate," Kelly said at his Tuesday press conference. "They knew it was a road victory. Any road victory is one to celebrate. But we just have so many other moving pieces that we spent most of our time talk-



Irish coach Brian Kelly motions from the sideline during Saturday's road victory over Boston College. Kelly said that he saw much improvement from his squad on Saturday.

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MEN'S TENNIS

Two Irish bounced in qualifier

By ANDREW OWENS
Sports Writer

Irish senior Daniel Stahl and sophomore Blas Moros fell Monday in the singles division qualifying round of the ITA All-American Championships at the Case Tennis Center in Tulsa, Okla., taking them out of the tournament's next round.

University of Florida sophomore Nassim Slilam eliminated Stahl in straight sets (6-0, 6-0). The senior qualified for the tournament after being ranked No. 69 in the preseason.

After a tightly contested three-set match with Virginia standout Julien Uriguen, Moros fell 3-0 (3-6, 6-3, 6-3). He earned a berth in the tournament by being ranked 112th during the preseason while Uriguen, a Guatemala

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SMC VOLLEYBALL

Belles can't break losing streak, fall to No. 13 Flying Dutch

By ANDREW OWENS
Sports Writer

It was another difficult evening on the court for the Belles as they dropped their seventh consecutive match Tuesday against ranked conference foe Hope College.

Saint Mary's (3-13, 1-7 MIAA) continues to struggle within its conference. Of its last seven losses, five have

come against MIAA opponents.

The No. 13 Flying Dutch defeated the Belles in straight sets (25-10, 25-16, 25-15) to improve to 11-4 (7-1 MIAA) on the season.

Hope jumped out to an 8-3 lead in the first set and never looked back, posting a .615 hitting percentage then and finishing with a .449 for the match.

The Belles narrowed the deficit to 13-9 in the second set

before the Flying Dutch went on a hot streak, winning 12 of the last 19 points to complete the set. The Flying Dutch were again in control the entire third set, finally finishing the Belles by a score of 25-15.

Junior Lindsey Stuss paced the Belles offense with eight kills in the match while sophomore Stephanie Bodien added seven kills and eight digs in the losing effort. Freshman Hailee Leitz picked up a team-high 19

assists.

Flying Dutch star Jessica Maier led both teams with 18 digs and 15 assists in the win.

The teams will meet again at Hope towards the end of the season. The match will be the regular season finale for both the Belles and the Flying Dutch. In order to earn a better seed in the MIAA tournament, the Belles will need to end their losing streak, which hopefully will come this week-

end.

Saint Mary's will take part in a triangular event this weekend against conference opponent Albion and Beloit College in Albion, Mich., with matches scheduled for 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. The Belles last win was against Albion Sept. 10, a trend they hope to repeat Saturday.

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MEN'S SOCCER

Hoosier showdown looms

By CHRIS ALLEN
Sports Writer

The recent creation of the Rakes of Mallow student section at Notre Dame home soccer games is a testament to the intensity of the sport — something that will be on display Wednesday night as the Irish travel to Bloomington to take on No. 25 Indiana with Hoosier State bragging rights on the line.

"In Britain you call these types of games derby games," Irish coach Bobby Clark said. "It's like when Rangers takes on Celtic in Scotland or when Manchester City faces Manchester United in England. City bragging



Irish senior forward Jeb Brovsky takes a free kick in Notre Dame's 2-1 win over Providence Sunday in Alumni Stadium.

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ND VOLLEYBALL

All-around freshman makes quick impact

By MEAGHAN VESELIK
Sports Writer

From the junior national team courts to the Purcell Pavilion to earning three Big East honors, freshman outside hitter Andrea McHugh has made her skills known early on in her Irish career.

"What her biggest strength is, is her ability to play the whole game," Irish coach Debbie Brown said. "She's a really good all-around player. She's a good passer. She's a good defender, good hitter, good server. Front and back row she does a really good job. That's so valuable to have somebody like that on

the court."

An outstanding player from anywhere on the court, McHugh has brought her extensive experience to Notre Dame and has proved an unstoppable force thus far. She put up a career-high 19 kills at Georgetown Oct. 3 to place her at a total 189 in 16 matches. Add in her .909 serving percentage, 18 blocks and 128 digs, and you have the versatile player Brown felt the Irish needed this season.

"We really needed somebody who we would call a sixth rotation outside hitter," Brown said. "Somebody that

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