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Elam convicted of sexual battery

Former football player found not guilty of two more serious charges; sentencing Oct. 7

By SCOTT BRODFUEHRER and **MEGHANNE DOWNES** News Writers

SOUTH BEND — A jury of seven men and five women convicted former Notre Dame safety Abram Elam of sexual battery Saturday, but acquitted him of the two more serious felonies, conspiracy to commit rape and criminal deviate conduct, following over nine hours of jury delib-

Judge Roland Chamblee scheduled a sentencing hearing for Oct. 7 after Elam completes a required interview with the probation depart-

Mark Lenyo, Elam's attorney, said he was disappointed on the conviction for sexual battery but happy with the overall ruling.

"We are pleased the jury found Mr. Elam not guilty on the two more serious charges. It indicates the jury didn't believe everything the accuser had stated that [occurred] that evening," said Mark Lenyo, Elam's attorney.

Elam was charged following a March 28, 2002 incident at teammate Justin Smith's off-campus house that also involved former players Lorenzo Crawford and Donald Dykes. All three will go on trial later this year; Dykes' trial is the next to begin, on Sept. 8.

Special prosecutor Maureen Devlin said that while she was disappointed Elam was not con-

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defense Above, Mark attorney Lenyo responds to Saturday's verdict. Left, special prosecutor Maureen Devlin answers questions from the press.

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Trial brings out criticism of University's disciplinary process

By SCOTT BRODFUEHRER

SOUTH BEND — The University's disciplinary process came under harsh review from both the victim and the prosecuting attorney during the trial of Abram Elam.

During her testimony, the victim said she was told by associate vice president of residence life Bill Kirk not to report the rape to the police, an account Kirk disputed Friday when he was recalled to the stand by the defense. Kirk said he "absolutely did not" tell the alleged victim not to contact the police

"I know I did not dissuade her from reporting the incident to the police. That is not my practice or policy. I did not do that; it would have unethical and inappropriate," said Kirk.

During Devlin's cross-examination, Kirk said it was possible that he told the victim it might be easier if she solely went through the University's disciplinary process.
"I think dealing with [the incident] in the

University forum is easier than in this public forum ... this is a stressful setting for me and everyone involved. But I would not say that to her in an effort for her not to pursue [legal action]," Kirk said.

Devlin asked Kirk if he had taken notes during his conversation with the victim that would prove this statement. Kirk said that he

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Students give Legends positive review

By SHEILA FLYNN

News Writer

Students of all ages filled Legends to capacity Saturday, at times forming a line outside the door that stretched nearly to the end of the parking lot.

"I think it's really awesome," said Cavanaugh junior Julie Rombaut as she sampled menu items in the club area. "They did a really good job with

The doors opened at 2 p.m. to a line of waiting students, and students continued to come throughout the afternoon and evening, surpassing 2,000 patrons by 9:30 p.m., said general manager Belinda Deeds.

Students were asked to show their school IDs at the door, and those over the age of 21 needed proof of age to obtain a bracelet allowing entry into the Ale House Pub and the other bar area, adjacent to the dance floor.

"We've been giving out a lot of wristbands," said Welsh Family sophomore and Legends staff worker Claudia Gonzalez

She said she applied for the job because she believed it would become a popular on-campus destination.

"I wanted to be a part of something that a lot of students are going to come and enjoy," she said. "It's a good establishment.'

And Saturday's patrons expressed overwhelming approval of the spot. Legends provided free food samples, including items such as three-tiered burgers, buffalo wings, quesadillas and various desserts. Students were charged for alcoholic beverages.

"I definitely approve the 22 drafts," sad Drew Shula, an off-campus senior who called Legends "classier" than most of the other local bars and clubs.

"I think it's cool to be able to hang out with all the classes," Shula said.

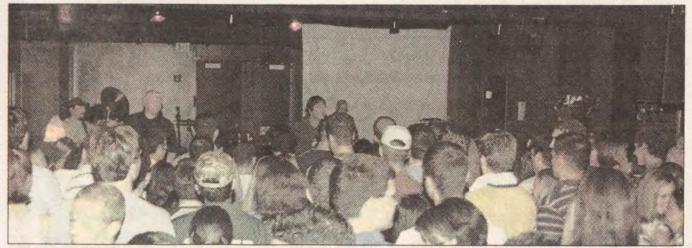
Many other students echoed the

"As a person who's 21 already, I

think it's a good place to come with my friends who aren't yet," Cavanaugh senior Katie Welch said.

Refreshments were not the only attraction Saturday. A moonwalk, bungee run and other entertainment were set up in the parking lot in front of the building, and various raffles were held. Students registered for the raffles while waiting on line to enter,

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A large crowd of students enjoys the new Legends dance floor at the club's grand opening Saturday night.

Water main break disrupts SMC campus

By ANNELIESE WOOLFORD Saint Mary's Editor

Just when Saint Mary's faculty, staff and students thought nothing more extreme than Tuesday's severe weather could disrupt the first week of classes, disaster struck the campus once again.

The pipe that carries water to three Saint Mary's facilities burst Friday morning, leaving much of the campus without water and air conditioning.

The cause of the water main break was a construction mishap at the location of the new student center.

"The demolition contractor demolishing the old dining hall hooked a 10-inch water main with his Caterpillar backhoe and tore a hole in it," said John DeLee, director of facilities. "That's one of the primary water mains on campus, so we had to shut that down, which shut off water to McCandless, Angela and the library. Because it was such a big leak, the whole campus had a pressure reduction.

DeLee said the main, which he estimated to have contained over 150,000 gallons of water, flooded, but was contained in the excavation of the old dining hall.

The campus-wide pressure reduction caused toilets in many buildings to run continuously. Maintenance employees were forced to manually reset each one.

"The maintenance guy came to my door and did something to the toilet," said senior Jani

INSIDE COLUMN

Ambiguous rape, definite victims

The word "rape" — in our society, our justice system, our media world is nearly synonymous with "ambiguity."

Unlike other crimes, such as murder or burglary, rape cases are almost

never clear-cut. A fine line exists between an offense and a human behavior, and that fine line makes it very possible to turn a case into a hesaid/she-said fiasco. Very often, there is no substantial evidence, and questions arise about whether or not there even is a victim. And "vic-



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tim" is very often another ambiguous catch-phrase in a rape trial, as the defense claims a man is being victimized by false accusations while the prosecution fumes that the woman is a victim of a violent and horrific crime.

But no one ever talks about the other victims permanently scarred by rape trials - and they are there, behind the

The victim's father and Abram Elam's parents and step-father spent five days sitting in a court room, listening to graphic, detailed accounts of the incident. At various points throughout the trial, the woman's father shook physically, covering his face with his hands as rape counselors attempted to comfort him. Elam's parents read the Bible during the trial and his mother often sat bent over, with her head in her hands

Elam's father and mother, who have already lost two children to gunshot wounds in separate incidents, had to hear their son - a hometown hero and remarkable success story, up to this point - pronounced guilty of sexual battery. They didn't lose him to guns, but they may lose him to jail.

The parents, almost never discussed, will never recover. They will always wonder how this could have happened, why this happened and what they could have done to prevent it.

And then there are the jurors. They knew that their verdict could forever brand the woman a liar or the man a sex offender. Their decisions, they knew, would dictate the fate of not just the defendant, but also the alleged victim. And that is probably what prompted the tears that several jurors shed when the verdicts were read. Their faces fallen, they emerged from deliberations emotionally shaken.

During the hype of a rape trial, these victims are not usually considered. The weight of the final decision on the parents, the jurors — the pain the families feel - these aspects do not necessarily make headlines. But these are the results of rape, the crime, and rape, the accusation. Rape may be ambiguous in nature and difficult to prove, but, in the end, it doesn't matter. The victims, without a doubt, are there. And they are numerous.

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QUESTION OF THE DAY: HOW DO YOU FEEL ABOUT HAVING CLASS ON LABOR DAY?



Matt O'Meara Adam Kaufmann

Junior

Off-campus

"Just because

we have class

doesn't mean l

have to go."



Junior

Alumni Hall

"It sucks."

Paul Critser







Freshman

Knott Hall



David Farley

Vanessa Garcia

Junior University of Indiana

Melissa de la Rosa

Junior Junior Off-campus Welsh Family

"It's the most (see above) ridiculous thing. ever."

"It's a federal holiday, yet we are better than the nation, so we work."

"Sucks to be уои."



Four Sorin residents camp out in front of the Eck Visitors' Center in hopes of obtaining a few coveted tickets to Notre Dame's Sept. 27 football game at Purdue.

OFFBEAT

Commuter vehicle to

replace shuttles in space

WASHINGTON - In just five years, astronauts may journey to the International Space Station in a stripped-down fourseater instead of the mammoth -- and aging space shuttle.

In effect, NASA hopes to commute to orbit in a sleek sedan instead of an 18wheeler.

Administrator Sean O'Keefe announced plans for the Orbital Space Plane before space shuttle Columbia came apart over Texas and killed seven astronauts on Feb. 1. But the tragedy has added a powerful incentive to find a cheaper, simpler and more dependable way to ferry astronauts between the space station and

It's a plan applauded by the Columbia Accident Investigation Board, which chided the nation for not already having a new spacecraft in production.

Eventually, NASA hopes to build a next generation shuttle, a more dependable heavy-lift cargo carrier to replace Columbia's three surviving sister ships. But it may be more than a decade before such a craft gets serious consideration.

Milk becomes bubbly

MILLFORD. N.Y. Adding bubbles to milk is tricky. Pump in too many, and it foams over. Add too few and why bother.

George and Mary Ann

entrepreneurs, have spent the past seven years trying to find the balance. Last week, they started production on a carbonated milkbased drink called Refreshing Power Milk RPM — and they already have orders coming in from school districts.

Mary Ann Clark, a registered nurse, said she was pained to see children drinking cola and shunning milk when she worked in schools so she decided to do something about it.

'If you take water and add carbon dioxide to make soda, why can't you do that with milk?" she

Information compiled Clark, husband-and-wife from the Associated Press.

IN BRIEF

Concession stand training will be held today in the Montgomery Theater of the LaFortune Student Center from 4 to 5:30 p.m. Attendance is required for all students planning to handle food at concession stands this semester.

A dance commissioner training session is recommended to help residence hall dance commissioners plan their events. The session will be held today in the Oak Room of South Dining Hall, from 6 to

Wednesday is the last day that Notre Dame students will be able to make changes to their fall 2003 class schedules. Saint Mary's students have until today to add classes to their schedules.

The Department of Film, Television and Theater will present On the Waterfront Thursday at 7 p.m. in the Carey Auditorium of the Hesburgh Library. The screening is part of the department's annual NDCinema film program.

The Student Union Board will present the first of its weekly on-campus movies this weekend with School," which will be shown in 101 DeBartolo Hall, on Thursday at 10 p.m. and Friday and Saturday at 10:30

The Notre Dame women's soccer team will play Arizona State Friday at 7:30 p.m. at Alumni Field.

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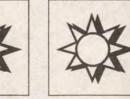
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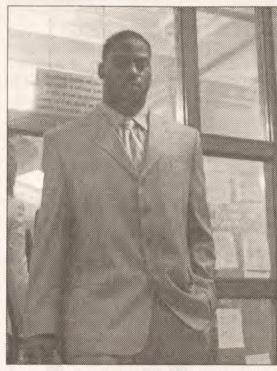
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Elam takes stand in defense of rape accusations



Former football player Abram Elam leaves the courtroom on Saturday after hearing the verdict in his trial. The jury found him guilty of sexual battery and dismissed two

more serious charges.

By SCOTT BRODFUEHRER and MEGHANNE DOWNES News Writers

SOUTH BEND — Former Notre Dame safety Abram Elam took the stand in his own defense Friday and acknowledged that he fondled his accuser and three of his teammates had sex with her, but maintained that the acts were consensual.

During his testimony, Elam admitted to fondling the woman while she was kissing his former teammate Justin Smith in the basement of his off-campus house on Warrick Street. Smith had invited the woman to his house after they danced with each other at the State Theatre in South Bend during the early morning hours of March 28, 2002.

Elam claimed he had gone to Smith's house with Lorenzo Crawford after spending the evening at the State Theatre. Elam said he was good friends with Smith and often spent time at his house.

Following the initial incident in the basement, Elam said he went upstairs to Smith's bedroom to locate a condom.

"I thought [the victim] was feeling for me," said Elam, who was found guilty Saturday on a charge of sexual battery but not guilty on the more severe charges of sexual deviate conduct and conspiracy to commit rape.

He said that while he was searching for the condom, he heard someone come upstairs and he hid in Smith's closet so he would not be discovered.

Elam said Smith and the woman entered the room and began to kiss, at which point Elam testified he came out of his hiding place and said he probably touched the woman's hips and legs. Then, he said the woman asked him if he had a girlfriend and he eventually left the room. He said he then put his ear to the door and later heard someone come to the door, prompting him to hold it

closed because he said he did not want the two to know he had been eavesdropping on them.

"I grabbed and held the doorknob, I didn't hear anyone on the other end. I held it for a couple seconds, I felt a tug ... I dashed off to the room across from Justin," Elam said.

Elam said he later returned to the room and saw Crawford, Smith and the woman engaging in sexual activity.

The woman testified these acts were not consensual, while the football players contended it was.

Elam said he came back into the room wearing his shorts, but removed them while he was in the room. He said Smith eventually got up and may have left the room. At that time, he said he exchanged words with the woman, "to ask her about having sex." He said the woman refused and again asked, "Don't you have a girl-friend?"

Thursday, Dykes and Smith testified that the woman specifically said no to Elam's request, citing the fact that he had a girlfriend.

Elam said Smith and Crawford again began to engage in sexual activity with the woman and he removed his shorts and began to fondle her. He denied, however, the woman's claim that he put his fingers inside her at any point during the incident.

During cross-examination, special prosecutor Maureen Devlin asked Elam if the woman gave him permission to touch her. Elam responded that the woman neither gave him permission to touch her nor told him not to touch her.

"I don't approve of the conduct performed that night ... I am embarrassed for all that I have lost. I ask God for forgiveness," Elam said.

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Legends

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and the same registration cards were used to tabulate the attendance of each dorm. DORM won the attendance contest and will be given a free party at Legends, with \$200 toward food. The Notre Dame Pom squad also performed.

During the evening, the Ryan Adcock Band and The Samples performed. DJ music began at midnight and continued until 4 a m

"I think it's great that they [The Samples] came here," said Welsh

freshman Chau Nguyen. "I think I'll hang out here a lot because I'm really into music."

Beth Silker, a 2nd-year law student and Double Domer, said Legends "doesn't even" compare with the former Alumni-Senior

"It's so much better," she said of Legends, sitting with a table of law students, three of whom were the first people in line to get in at 2 p.m.

"We felt that it was really important that the law school really make a strong showing at this afternoon's events," said Kyle Biebesheimer, one of the

From law students to fresh-

men, the student body did make a strong showing and responded very positively.

"It just kind of captures the aura of Notre Dame — the whole 'Legends,' thing," said O'Neill freshman Dan Allen.

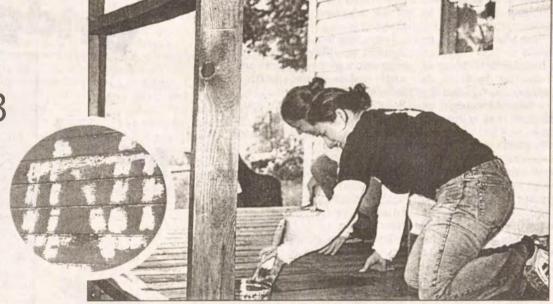
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Fall Break Seminars

October 19-25, 2003

Deadline: Sept. 4



Appalachia Seminar

Explore the religious, social, political and environmental issues facing the Appalachia region. (Theo 361)

Gospel of Life Seminar

Investigate a variety of pro-life issues (death penalty, euthanasia, stem cell research, abortion) in Washington, D.C. with Church, legislative, and non-governmental organizations. (Theo 368)

Cultural Diversity Seminar

Experience the divesity of our nation through food, art and dialog with community leaders at sites throughout Chicago.
(Theo 362/Soc 362/HPS 362)

Washington Seminar

Meet with catholic public policy organizations, activists and government leaders as we study how Christians are called to live and work in the world. (Theo 363/POLS 333W)

The Gullah Seminar

Examines the rich history and culture of South Carolina's Gullah people, many of whom are descendants of slaves brought over from West Africa. (AFAM 368/CSC 355)

Rosebud Reservation Global Health Initiative Seminar

Immerse yourself in healthcare and healthcare delivery on the Rosebud Native American reservation in South Dakota. (Theo 368)



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did not, prompting the prosecutor to ask why he would not take notes, given his training as an attorney.

"I would not normally take notes in the presence of a student ... I am trained as an attorney, but my role as a support person is to get her the resources she needs," Kirk said.

Kirk said it was possible he could have other notes from the case, but these would have been turned over to the General Counsel's office. Devlin then asked Kirk to provide her with any notes that he turned over to the General Counsel, a request Kirk said he would fulfill.

However, following the end of the trial Saturday, Devlin said she did not receive these notes.

"I haven't heard a word from

[Notre Dame]," Devlin said.

Defense attorney Mark Lenyo capitalized on the disagreement between Kirk and the victim over the advice that was given regarding contacting the police when he asked the jury who was more credible.

"The victim said Bill Kirk told her, 'Don't go to the cops, don't go to the police.' But Bill Kirk said he directed her to a portion of du Lac [dealing with support services for sex offense victims]," Lenyo said in his closing argument.

Thursday, lead investigator Detective Steve Metcalfe of the St. Joseph County Police Department also testified that a search warrant uncovered a copy of the woman's statement to Notre Dame officials at Smith's house

Devlin said advance knowledge of the victim's claims could have allowed Smith to destroy physical evidence mentioned in

the account.

But University spokesman Matt Storin said giving the alleged victim's statement to the accused parties is a normal part of the campus disciplinary process.

"We only give the statement to law enforcement if a subpoena is issued, although the victim could give the statement to law enforcement," Storin said. "Our process is our process. If there had been indictments made during that time, the process would have been halted."

In an April 8, 2002 interview of the victim by the St. Joseph County Police, she said she felt betrayed by the way she was treated by the University.

"It makes me feel like they say, 'We will help you out,' but they don't care about me," the victim

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Burns. "He seemed kind of frantic which made me more nervous."

The water main break caused the shutdown of several campus database systems. The disconnected databases did not directly affect students and faculty.

"Our air conditioner is a water-based system, so when the water went off, our air conditioning and cooling stopped working," said Keith Fowlkes, director of Information Technology. "In order to keep our systems from overheating and getting damaged, we brought down some of our central database systems and left core switches for campus networks and our electronic mail server."

The office of Information

Technology sent an e-mail message to students, faculty and staff alerting them of the situation.

"It was such a fast and furious process; we didn't have a lot of lead-time," Fowlkes said.

Fowlkes said he plans to discuss with the College's maintenance department the possibility of a back-up air conditioning system.

Access to the Internet, shared diamond network and telecommunications was maintained, and all technology systems were restored at 1:15 p.m. Campus water and air conditioning was restored at 4 p.m.

"The contractors knew where the line was," DeLee said. "All we can do is caution them not to get too close to the lines and we have to depend on them to do their work properly."

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Verdict

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victed on all counts, the jury's conviction of him vindicated the accuser and proved her story.

"We think the evidence did show he was guilty of [all of the] counts, but we had 12 people from the community who heard the evidence, listened to it very carefully, deliberated for a long time, and we got I think the right verdict based on that," Devlin said

Devlin, who will also be prosecuting the cases of the other accused former players, declined to comment on how this ruling would effect those trials.

Following the jury's verdict, Lenyo said he was uncertain whether he would ask Chamblee to reduce the Class-D felony sexual battery charge to a Class-A misdemeanor.

If the judge sentences Elam under the felony charge, he could receive a jail term of up to three years and a fine of up to \$10,000. Should the charge be reduced to a misdemeanor, the maximum sentence is one year in prison or a \$5,000 fine.

The jury heard over 60 hours of testimony during the trial, in which attorneys each depicted the essential events of the night as being either gang rape or consensual group sex.

The prosecution's case against Elam was largely based on the victim's testimony, the testimony from the case's lead investigator and testimony from the three other former football players charged in the incident, who were granted immunity for this case. The prosecution attempted to show that the victim did not consent to the sexual activity and was overpowered by the football players and saw that it would have been fruitless to fight back against them or seek help.

The prosecutor said that the victim told Elam no, but he kept returning to the room where the rape was occurring.

"He's right there in the middle of it and he comes back and comes back," Devlin said. She said that even though the

She said that even though the victim danced seductively with Justin Smith at the State Theatre before the incident occurred, that did not give him permission to have sex with her.

"She can dance with [Smith] as close as she wants, but the minute he lays a hand on her, no means no," Devlin said.

Devlin also minimized the fact that the victim did not immediately seek help after the rape was finished.

"What is she supposed to do?

Where is the manual for what a rape victim is supposed to do? Why do we think we know what a person is supposed to do," Devlin said.

The defense stated that the sexual acts were consensual.

"You have heard countless personal, embarrassing details. The conduct is regretful from all people participating in it ... while shocking, the conduct was consensual, not illegal conduct," Lenvo said.

The defense also pointed out inconsistencies between the victim's story and the way a rape victim might be expected to act—the fact that she voluntarily went to Smith's bedroom to set an alarm clock, that she spent the night at her attacker's house, sleeping in the same bed as him, that she removed her tampon prior to the incident and that she did not shower until the following day.

The defense also provided testimony from two people who were in the house during the incident and did not hear any screaming or unusual noises, although one of the witnesses was intoxicated that night.

Lenyo said that the police investigation was flawed because of inexperienced investigators and it neglected to explore pertinent information, only speaking to Smith's roommate, who was in the house at the time of the incident, for five minutes on the telephone.

He also provided reasons why the victim might want to fabricate the fact that she had been raped, such as morning-after regret and concern for her reputation at Notre Dame.

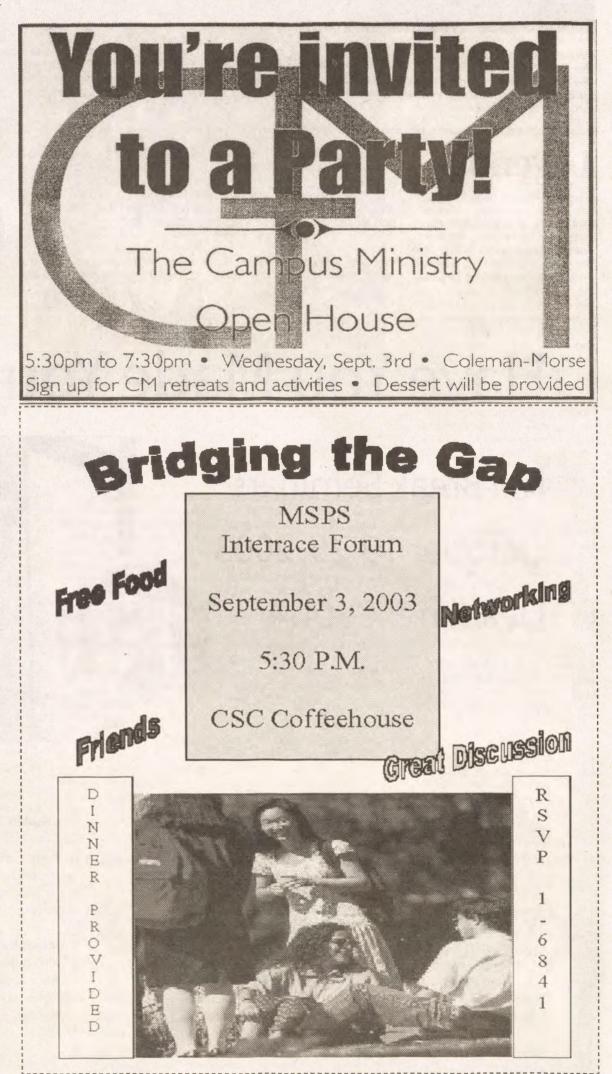
The defense attempted to point out inconsistencies in reports the victim made to various officials. However, the prosecution said these inconsistent reports did not necessarily represent an inconsistency in the victim's story and that the jury should believe her initial testimony.

"You must consider whether what you heard was a true inconsistent account by [the victim] ... you had a chance to hear her," Devlin said.

The prosecutor concluded her argument by saying that Elam had lost his status as a football player and should be convicted of the crime he committed.

"She said no and Abram Elam should feel sorry. What he did was illegal and immoral," she said. "It doesn't matter anymore that you are a Notre Dame football player," she added, looking at

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Russian sub sinks, killing 9 sailors MOSCOW — Russia's defense minister blamed the sinking of a derelict nuclear submarine on a national trait of carelessness and ordered a temporary halt Sunday to the towing of decommissioned subs.

The announcement raised the prospect of further delays in efforts to dispose of more than 100 rotting ships and their reactors, which have been a concern to environmen-

The K-159 submarine sank Saturday in the Barents Sea as it was being towed to an Arctic scrapyard where its reactors were to be removed and dismantled. Nine of the 10 sailors aboard died.

'There were definitely elements of this frivolous Russian reliance on chance, that everything will work out," Defense Minister Sergei Ivanov said from a ship monitoring search operations.

The sub went down in a storm, apparently after rough seas ripped off the pontoons that had been attached to it for towing.

Official: British dossier unrealistic

ATHENS, Greece — A British intelligence dossier "did not correspond to reality" by suggesting Saddam Hussein's regime could deploy weapons of mass destruction within 45 minutes, the chief U.N. weapons inspector said in an interview published Sunday.

Dimitris Perricos said in Sunday's Eleftherotypia newspaper that inspections found no evidence supporting American and British accusations that Saddam possessed an arsenal capable of widespread death and damage.

There is no doubt that the phrase of 'within 45 minutes' that was included in the British report did not correspond to reality," Perricos was quoted as saying.

NATIONAL NEWS

Voters can't name Dem. candidates

Most voters haven't started paying attention to the Democratic presidential race, says a poll released on Labor Day weekend — the campaign's traditional starting point.

Two-thirds of voters — including twothirds of Democrats — were unable to name any of the Democratic candidates for president, said the CBS News poll out Sunday.

Joe Lieberman, Dick Gephardt and Howard Dean topped the field in the poll, with relatively low numbers that suggest the race remains wide open.

John Kerry, a Massachusetts senator, was at 5 percent after being in double digits in national polls most of the year. Kerry will try to spark his campaign this week with the formal announcement of his candidacy.

Jimena heads for Hawaiian islands

HONOLULU - Hurricane Jimena plowed across the Pacific with 100 mph wind Sunday. heading for a glancing blow on the Big Island of Hawaii with high wind, strong surf and heavy rain.

The hurricane, about 300 miles southeast of Hilo at 5 p.m. EDT Sunday, was moving westward about 20 mph, the National Weather Service said. The hurricane was slated to pass just south of the Big Island late Sunday night until late Monday morning.

LOCAL NEWS

Doctor forbidden from practicing

INDIANAPOLIS — A physician convicted 35 years ago of kidnapping and burying a woman alive has been barred by a state licensing board from practicing medicine

Gary Steven Krist's probationary license, granted by the Indiana Medical Licensing Board in 2001, was suspended in March.

The board voted unanimously to revoke the license because of information that was not known when it originally was granted, board member William H. Beeson

Shiites protest assassination

FBI to investigate Najaf car bombing that killed 125, including Shiite cleric

Associated Press

NAJAF, Iraq — Vowing revenge and beating their chests, more 300,000 Shiites marched Sunday behind the rosestrewn coffin of a beloved cleric assassinated in a car bombing. The FBI said it would join the investigation into the Najaf bombing, which killed 125 people.

Iraqi police said the bomb that exploded after noon prayers Friday at the vast Imam Ali mosque contained the equivalent of 1,650 pounds of TNT.

In Washington, FBI John spokesman Iannarelli said the bureau will join the investigation in Najaf.

He said the bureau will provide forensic analysis of the evidence and said it was still working out what other assistance the FBI, which has agents assigned to the region, would provide.

The call for the FBI to join the investigation represented a shift after U.S. authorities had taken a hands-off approach — out of deference to the sacredness of the mosque, which houses the tomb of the Prophet Muhammad's son-in-law, Ali. Iraqi police say 19 suspects arrested so far may have

links to al-Qaida.

Many Shiites have blamed Saddam Hussein loyalists for the blast, but it has also stoked anger at the U.S. occupation forces among some faithful, who say the Americans have not provided security since Saddam's fall.

With a 110-mile march from Baghdad to the holy city of Najaf, Shiites hon-Ayatollah Mohammad Bagir al-Hakim, a moderate cleric and once-exiled opponent of Saddam Hussein. A three-day mourning period began early Sunday with services at the al-Kadhimiya shrine in the banners carried by connection with the blast. we are looking at."



A Shiite Muslim shouts anti-American slogans during a Sunday rally in Karachi, Pakistan to mourn the death of Ayatollah Mohammad Baqir al-Hakim.

capital.

Marchers followed a flatbed truck carrying a symbolic coffin: Authorities said they found only the cleric's hand, watch, wedding band and pen in the wreckage of the enormous blast.

Halfway along the route, at Karbala, the sec-Halfway ond-holiest Shiite city after Najaf, 3,000 mourners gathered at a shrine to await the procession. They prayed, beat drums and flagellated themselves with chains as the ayatollah's coffin and the huge procession neared. His funeral is planned for Tuesday in Najaf, his birthplace.

"Our revenge will be severe on the killers," read one of the many

mourners. Red and white roses were laid on the coffin and a large portrait of al-Hakim placed in front of it.

The U.S.-led Coalition Provisional Authority said Najaf Governor Haider Mehadi asked the FBI to join Iraqi police in the investigation and that the American investigators would be traveling to Najaf shortly.

FBI agents are leading the investigations into both the Aug. 7 bombing of the Jordanian embassy in Baghdad and attack on the U.N. headquarters 12 days later.

Iraqi police told The Associated Press they have arrested 19 men many of them foreigners and all with admitted links to al-Qaida - in

In Najaf, Maj. Rick Hall, spokesman for the 1st Battalion, 7th Marines said the death toll now stood at 125 with 142 wounded, some seriously. He also said the Marine transfer of the south-central territory around Najaf to an international force led by Poland, set for this week, had been put on hold.

"We now want to stay here and assist as much as possible," Hall said. He said U.S. forces had

two men in custody that were handed to them by Iraqi authorities. "We are questioning them, but we are leaning toward releasing them," Hall said, adding that the involvement of al-Qaida members in the Friday explosion was "an option

Bush to address unions on Labor Day

Associated Press

WASHINGTON - The nation celebrates Labor Day this year with an estimated 9 million Americans on the unemployment rolls — 700,000 more than on this holiday last year, when President Bush went to a union workers picnic and said he was encouraged about job growth, but "not satisfied."

This year, the president is marking Labor Day in Richfield, Ohio, where he will address members of the International Union of Operating Engineers and their families. Later in the week, Bush is to give economic speeches in Kansas City, Mo., and Indianapolis

In north-central Ohio, the president

planned to push his agenda to create

The nation's unemployment rate hit a nine-year high of 6.4 percent in June but then edged down to 6.2 percent in July, a possible signal that the economy may be on a comeback. That improvement, however, partly reflected the fact that 500,000 discouraged workers gave up looking for a job and left the labor market.

The economy grew at a solid 3.1 percent annual rate in the second quarter of the year, a better performance than the government thought just a month ago. Consumers ratcheted up their spending in July by the largest amount in four months. And manufacturers saw demand for bigticket products rise for the second straight month in July.

"Now we must build on this progress and make sure that the economy creates enough new jobs for American workers," Bush said in his weekend radio address.

While labor leaders acknowledge some positive economic reports, they also point to the nation's 6.2 percent unemployment rate in July and the 2.7 million net jobs that have been lost in the economy since the recession began in March 2001.

"The single most important issue on the minds of Ohioans right now is the economy," Denny White, chairman of the Ohio Democratic Party, said in a letter to Bush last week.

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IN BRIEF

ATA offers \$300 million note trade

INDIANAPOLIS — American Trans Air's parent company offered bondholders a note swap worth \$300 million and renegotiated its aircraft leases just weeks after warning it would not be able to meet debt obliga-

Indianapolis-based ATA Holdings Corp. on Friday proposed a swap covering \$175 million in 10.5 percent notes due in late 2004 and \$125 million in 9.625 percent notes due

In the 10.5 percent note swap, each \$1,000 in principal would be traded for \$940 in new 11 percent notes due in 2009 and a cash consideration of \$60.

In the 9.625 percent note swap, each \$1,000 in principal would be traded for \$960 in new 10.125 percent notes due in 2010 and a cash consideration of \$40.

The offer expires Sept. 26.

ATA said its outstanding debt stood at \$507.8 million as of June 30

Conesco sells GM Building for \$1.4 B

NEW YORK — Conseco Inc. has agreed to sell the General Motors Building in midtown Manhattan to a New York developer in what a newspaper reported was the largest deal ever for a U.S. skyscraper.

Macklowe Properties agreed to pay \$1.4 billion for the 50-story trophy building overlooking Central Park, The New York Times reported Saturday.

Representatives for both sides previously confirmed the deal to The Associated Press but declined to comment on the specifics of the agreement

The GM Building originally served as a showroom for General Motors cars and later as a toy showroom for FAO Schwartz. Its tenants include Bank of America, Estee Lauder, the CBS-TV studios and Weil Gotshal & Manges.

Conseco, a Carmel, Ind.-based insurer, paid \$878 million in partnership with Donald Trump to buy the white marble tower at Fifth Avenue between 58th and

59th streets in 1998.

Trump filed a \$1 billion lawsuit against Conseco in February 2002, saying the company breached its contract to sell him its interest in the building.

Dollar plummets to low against yen

NEW YORK — The dollar fell to three-month lows against the yen Friday and its lowest level against the euro in a week, as investors sold the U.S. currency on news that Japan didn't take action to weaken the yen in August.

However, the swift surge in the Japanese currency may have been too much for Japanese authorities, as dealers at Japanese banks in London said they saw the Bank of Japan buying dollars around 117 yen, then 116.40 yen, on the way to its eventual slide to 116.13 yen. Strategists view 115 yen as the critical level that would be defended by massive intervention.

Meijer, Target get 'freaky'

Back-to-school time big business for area retailers

By ANDREW THAGARD Assistant News Editor

SOUTH BEND - For many Notre Dame and Saint Mary's students, trips to discount retail stores have become part of the back-to-school routine at the end of August - right up there with the opening Mass, bookstore runs and Rally in the Alley Turtle Apartments.

Back-to-school shopping is undeniably big business for area retailers, especially giants Meijer and Target, who rank the twoweek period surrounding the start of Notre Dame and Saint Mary's with the holiday season as the busiest times of the year.

Tim Corbett, director of the Meijer on Grape Road, said his store sees a 33 percent increase in sales during this time.

'For those departments that are impacted, it certainly ranks up there with the holidays," he said.

Stephanie Anglin, Target's regional executive director, said it is against company policy to provide specific data on store sales. She said, however, that Target ranks a store's business level for back-to-school time using a three-fold scale. The scale places stores in categories, including "not affected," "freaky" and "super-freaky," depending on how much traffic it attracts. Anglin said the recently-opened Mishawaka Super Target is classified as a "freaky" store. She anticipates, however, that the store will earn the "super-freaky" designation next

"We're a brand-new store," she said. "We just kind of learned from this



Popular stores like Meiler see an annual increase in customers when students return to South Bend each fall.

year that we can sell even

Top-selling items at Meijer and Target include plastic products like space crates and boxes designed to fit under beds, along with typical school supplies like paper, pens and pencils. Dorm necessities like futons, rugs, minirefrigerators and bedding materials are also popular, Corbett and Anglin

"Students like anything that's hip and trendy, Anglin said.

Both stores begin the back-to-school planning process months in advance. Meijer begins ordering products for the end of August around Jan.

1, and the store starts planning displays and product positioning in March and April, Corbett said. Nationwide, the companies drum up back-toschool business by highlighting popular items in the six weeks of advertising prior to the event, Anglin said.

The retailers also try to make shopping as convenient as possible once customers enter the store. Both Meijer and Target place popular items toward the front of the store and use displays to attract shoppers' atten-

Target also integrates technology into the process, allowing customers to go online in the store and order items that may not be available onhand. The items are then shipped to the student's residence.

Meijer makes a special effort to ensure that students and their parents are having fun, Corbett said. The store sets up an outdoor tent stocked with games, food and prizes. This year's grand prize was a Pepsi vending machine, won by a Notre Dame off-campus senior.

"We really try to pull it off as a carnival or festival," Corbett said.

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Colo. investigates United's practices

Associated Press

DENVER — The Colorado attorney general is investigating whether some United Airlines practices are stifling competition in the state, a newspaper reported.

Ken Salazar is examining contracts between United and its regional United Express partners to determine whether the deals limit competitive air service from smaller Colorado cities into Denver, The Denver Post reported in Sunday's editions.

Salazar also said his office is concerned that a plan to build a new regional-jet terminal for United at Denver International Airport might perpetuate a "monopoly over regional air service."

United officials did not immediate-

ly return a call from The Associated Press on Saturday. An airline spokesman told the newspaper that United is willing to work with Salazar's office.

Salazar declined comment to The AP through a spokesman Saturday.

United Express is the only carrier connecting many Colorado communities to Denver, and some residents of Alamosa, Pueblo, Durango, Montrose and Grand Junction have complained about a lack of competition in air service. Aviation experts said it isn't clear whether small towns could support a second air-

United is the dominant carrier at DIA, followed by Denver-based lowfare carrier Frontier Airlines.

The regional terminal is part of talks between United and DIA to

renegotiate the carrier's lease under itsChapter 11 bankruptcy filing.

One factor in the talks is Frontier's request to take over lesser-used United gates. Frontier has said it may expand elsewhere if it cannot get more gates in Denver.

If United and the airport cannot agree on a lease that would free up the gates, the airport might have to expand the A Concourse to accommodate Frontier and drop plans for United's commuter-jet terminal, city officials have said.

Salazar said he has been concerned with United's market power at DIA since he took office in 1999.

Salazar said his office is closing an inquiry into possible predatory pricing by United, and there was not enough evidence to show United engaged in unlawful pricing.

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BUSILEY CHENEY 2004???

Where's the outrage?

Having uniquely irregular and unshakable sleeping problems is no Swiss picnic. I'm awake at the wrong times: I'm asleep at the wrong times. It's all wrong.

But it forces you into solitude, into reflection if not into Reckers for a meatball sub only before 4

a.m., that is.

BJ Strew

Straight, No Chaser

What is the focus of all this reflection? It's the whole of American politics. And these days, in light of who's running the show from Pennsylvania Avenue, I'm now acutely aware that politics is more than show business for ugly people.

Nowadays, it's show business for those of "the neoconservative persuasion." All right, it's more than that, but recently, it does seem dangerously one-sided. Media bias swings undeniably right: think FOX, Limbaugh, O'Reilly, Clear Channel, WSJ, Hoover, Cato and so on. With the media so openly slanted, it is no wonder that the question isn't being asked: "Where's the outrage?"

That was a rallying cry of the right during Zippergate. But in the hallucinatory three-ring circus we call the Reagan, I mean, the Bush administration, there are heaps of issues that merit far more fury than a president's sex life. How about unchecked media consolidation, erosion of civil liberties, Weaponsgate, harmful environmental deregulation and Ann Coulter, for starters? Perhaps foremost among the countless concerns, though, is economic inequality here in the United States.

So call me a class warrior. Name-calling is the quick way, the hard right sidelines, the grim reality. Funny how often it's an upper-class, right-winger who plays the class-warfare card, too. However, students at a first-tier university, with a claim to some measure of sympathy, should find it a bit harder to turn their backs on the truth.

The truth is bleak. The U.N.'s Gini

Index places the United States as fourth in the world in income inequality. Not only is inequality waxing, but mobility is waning. Not only is the economy faltering, but the Bush administration is sparing no effort to hide what should be public, nonpartisan facts about the extent to which it is faltering. President George Bush seems to be making war on the working class, upholding trends already working against them.

Exhibit A: That slick new tax-cut plan. Warren Buffet, showing scruples uncommon among moguls, denounced the plan. It's because, rather than despite, the "main beneficiaries" are people like him — that is, the world's second richest man. But that's how Bush prefers it. The rich get richer and the poor get poorer.

While inequality has risen, mobility—the mainstay of the so-called American Dream—has fallen, according to economists at the Federal Reserve Bank of Boston. The effect is social stratifica-

tion. In other
words, the rich
stay richer and the
poor stay poorer.
Tax cuts do not
equal prosperity
for everyone.
We don't need

tax cuts — we need tax reform. The lopsided Bush plan aims to relieve the wealthy and deepen the deficit indefinitely. His plan to end the dividend tax heavily favors the highest income class. In fact, in a telling contrast, tax cuts for the rich trump requested education spending 50 times over. Now that the earned-income tax credit, which has long helped buoy the working poor above the poverty line, is under attack, President Bush sees fit to sit back as the EITC courts extinction at the hands of right-wing lawmakers. All of this during a moribund economy.

Our economy just finished its sixth consecutive month of job losses. Poverty is increasing for the first time in a decade. The National Governors Association claims states that are in

"the worst fiscal crisis since World War II." The economy's in a worse state than Bush's septum. Everyone knows this.

But does everyone know that, trying to cover up mass layoffs, the Bush administration stopped issuing its monthly Bureau of Labor Statistics report on mass layoffs last year, until the Washington Post called them on it, and the report was reinstated? The would-be beneficiary — Bush-Cheney

Or that, in both 2001 and 2002, until the threat of litigation forced them to publish it, the Department of Labor kept roughly 50,000 agricultural "guest workers" in the H2A Program from receiving a better minimum wage by withholding the report that would allow an increase? The would-be beneficiary: big agricultural firms.

This is the tip of the iceberg. Misdirection and pandering to Big Business is business as usual for the Bush administration. The rich are first

priority. Worse still, the chances of an aboutface on Bush's policies approach the chances of Anne Coulter speaking without distorting the positions of and slandering less than two groups of people.

With the chasm widening between the rich and poor, with an economy rolling downhill faster than the White House would have us believe, with policies consistently favoring the rich, with the government's eye distressingly blind to the hardships of the working class and with President Bush as putative ring-leader, isn't it high time we ask ourselves, seriously: Where's the outrage?

BJ Strew: Sometimes he's sad, sometimes he's glad, but he's always bad, bad, superbad BJ Strew. And mad at Bush. Contact him at wstrew@nd.edu.

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How many games will the Irish win during this football season?

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

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pandering to Big Business

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"Politics is not the art of the possible. It consists in choosing between the disastrous and the unpalatable."

John Kenneth Galbraith economist

Now is the time to act

Throughout the past two years President George Bush and his advisers have seasoned their sermons on foreign policy with calls for "moral clarity." Yet Bush's fulminations have been anything but clear.

In September Stephen Beale

2002, Bush declared that because Iraq and al Qaeda

Brown Daily Herald

were "equally bad, equally as evil, and equally as destructive" that "you can't distinguish between al-Qaeda and Saddam when you talk about the war on

This fall, the Republican Party has a chance to renew its commitment to moral clarity and to take the offensive in the culture war. This window of opportunity applies to two issues: homosexuality and abortion.

Conservatives have adopted two diametrically different strategies for each. Regarding gay rights, Republicans favor a radically confrontational approach: A pre-emptive Constitutional amendment that would prevent courts from nationalizing gay marriage.

The second strategy calls for an ambitious incrementalism that would eventually nullify Roe v. Wade. Two bills implement the latter approach. The first is the Partial Birth Abortion Ban Act. Passed by the Senate in March and the House in June, the act must make one final stop at a House and Senate conference committee before it reaches the president's desk.

The measure would outlaw the heinous practice of partial birth abortion, in which a baby is partially delivered until only the head remains in the womb. Then "doctors" insert scissors into the brain and remove the contents.

Most of these abortions are performed in the fifth and sixth months of pregnancy — the point at which a premature baby is viable outside of the womb. In Kansas, the only state that requires separate recording of partial birth abortions, abortion doctors reported in 1999 that they performed 182 partial birth abortions on babies that were "viable."

The only thing that separates partial birth abortion from outright old-fashioned infanticide is a couple of inches of skin. Surely one does not need a degree in moral philosophy to recognize the absurdity of this procedure.

The operation recalls the half-blind justice described in the parable of Solomon and the two harlots in First Kings, chapter 3. The two women both give birth to babies, but one of them dies. In her moment of despair, the distraught mother switches their babies. The mother of the surviving child recognizes what has happened and appeals her case to King Solomon.

Solomon, in his wisdom, calls for a sword and suggests they split the baby between themselves. The mother of the living son objects, urging Solomon to give the baby to the other woman; only then did Solomon discover which of the two was telling the truth. A similar mentality governs those who wish to do all in their power to ensure a woman's right to choose yet cannot bring themselves to cross the imaginary line dividing abortion and infanticide.

Few pro-choice partisans would directly defend partial abortion. Instead, most fear that bans on the practice will further erode women's abortion rights in general — a classic slippery slope argument. Yet such a position is equally problematic. It is morally indefensible to sacrifice the lives of innocents for the liberties of others. Extremism in defense of liberty is indeed a vice.

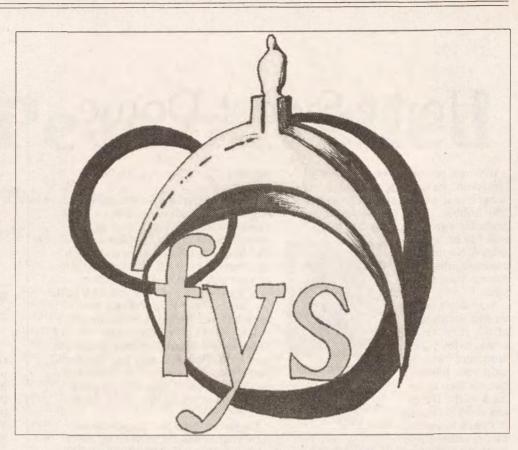
At the heart of the new pro-life push is the Unborn Victims of Violence Act which has received exceptional attention due to the Laci Peterson case. For its June 9 issue, Newsweek dedicated a feature story to the "war over fetal rights." The story begins with the case of Tracy Marciniak, who questioned her support for abortion rights after her estranged husband punched her in the stomach, killing her baby. The article, however, emphasizes that many pro-choice groups face a dilemma: They ardently wish to punish husbands and boyfriends whose violence prematurely terminates pregnancies wanted by mothers, yet worry that fetal rights may infringe upon a woman's right to end her pregnancy. So apparently it is acceptable for a mother to abort her baby, but it is not permissible for the father to do the same. Again, modern liberals make the woman's choice and her feelings central to the debate.

The conservative positions on all three issues — partial birth abortion, the status of unborn victims of violence and gay marriage — enjoy the support of significant majorities of Americans. The above Newsweek article noted that 56 percent of the public "say prosecutors should bring separate murder charges against someone who kills a fetus still in the womb, whether it is viable or not."

Other polls are even more encouraging. On June 4, The Atlanta Journal and Constitution reported that another survey revealed that as many as 84 percent of Americans view Conner Peterson as "a separate and distinct victim" of the homicide. Likewise, 70 percent approve of a partial birth abortion ban. Even on the issue of gay marriage, Americans are leaning to the right. The national Wirthlin poll released in March revealed that 62 percent defined marriage as the union of a man and a woman. Clearly, now is the time for the moral majority to act and reclaim its leadership of American public

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Listen up, freshmen

Well, freshmen, you've finished your first full week at Notre Dame. I'm sure you've already begun to figure things out and have had a lot of fun. Like during orientation, when you sang "You've Lost That Lovin Feeling" to the girls of Pangborn. Or when you sang "You've Lost That Lovin' Feeling" to the ladies of Lewis. And that great rendition of "You've Lost That Lovin Feeling" in front of Badin? That was awesome.

It's funny to be on the other side now. This year I'm an RA in Dillon, where I first awkwardly moved in three years ago. I remember how much my first RA helped me to adjust, and I think it's my job to do the same, at least when I have time off from my primary job here: modeling underwear for the Bookstore catalogs (4-1576, ladies). But why stop at just my section? I've decided to share some advice to help all you freshmen adapt.

Et Catara

Greg Ruehlman

Et Cetera, Whatever

When my orientation started, I was overcome with a deep sense of anxiety — not to mention indigestion, because I ate a lot of JuJuBees on the trip here. All I'd heard from Notre Dame students during my high school visit was "homework this," "responsibility that" and "GWAAAACK!" At least that's what some really drunk guy said as he vomited on my host student's carpet.

I noticed that starting college was a lot like starting first grade because there's so much uncertainty and excitement. The big difference is that here the teachers aren't so understanding when you fingerpaint in class or wet your pants. Sadly, I learned both of these lessons the hard way. Don't make the same mistakes.

A big question mark for me was fitting in. You see, I was always more of the intellectual type in high school. And by "intellectual type," what I really mean is "gigantic dork." But what you'll find is that, by and large, these labels disappear, and you'll be accepted as you are.

Another great thing about college is newfound free time and fast Internet. My roommate and I spent lots of time downloading Wesley Willis songs. For those of you who don't know about Wesley Willis, he was a musical genius who died a few weeks ago. And by "genius" I mean a paranoid-schizophrenic, 350-pound homeless man who shouted profanities over a pre-programmed keyboard beat. He wrote such classics as "I Whupped Batman's Ass," "Freak-Out Hell Bus" and "Cut the Mullet."

I think homework is the biggest difficulty at Notre Dame. Sometimes it simply becomes overwhelming. For me, papers were the worst. Fortunately, I developed a successful solution for dealing with that 10-page paper due in the morning:

Step 1: Come up with original, engaging thesis; develop it into coherent, cogent argument. Step 2: Erase everything you've written. It's terrible.

Step 3: Find hammer and hit yourself over head with it until you pass out. You will probably miss your family very much. Call as often as you can. But no matter how many times you do call, things just won't quite be the same anymore. "I love you"

how many times you do call, things just won't quite be the same anymore. "I love you" doesn't have much effect when it's said after shamelessly begging for money and awkwardly explaining that you've ruined 5 pairs of your underwear in Dillon Hall's dishwasher trying to save some money on laundry.

My advice is to expect the unexpected. My freshman year, someone told me they'd seen my picture in Sports Illustrated. At first I doubted, but then I saw it myself, every man's dream come true: half of my face, visible to the left of the basketball net at the JACC. I couldn't help but think of the song "One Moment in Time." I also thought about the song "Holy Crap, I'm in Sports Illustrated," which I will have to write someday if it is not a real song already.

This newfound celebrity had its pros and cons. Imagine the added intimidation for my Bookstore Basketball team when you've been in Sports Illustrated. But since I'm a terrible basketball player anyway, we lost and the only ankles I was spraining with my moves were my own. Unfortunately there was one big Sports Illustrated setback. They decided for some bizarre reason not to publish my follow-up, a "Speedo Pictorial" in the 2001 Swimsuit Issue. I've never felt so crushed. A \$40 bikini wax down the drain. I spent two weeks drowning my sorrows in Haagen-Dazs.

Now, I'm not saying you'll be in a famous magazine. But there's a wonderful kind of randomness about college. Embrace it. Be yourself and enjoy the heck out of this year. Who knows where you'll end up and what crazy adventures you'll have. Maybe someday you can write a stupid column about them, just like me.

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SCENE

Home Sweet Dome

Well, we're back. Our summers of "freedom" have come to an end and it is back to life in what we like to call "the bubble." Most people would probably agree with me that it is a

relief to be back to school. No more summer jobs, internships, or par-

Now don't get me wrong, summer is also a great time to relax, enjoy good food, and have fun with your friends, but it's nice to be back to the life of the weekly routine. It's back to the football craziness, the

loathing of homework, the occasional beer or ten, and the excitement of being with our friends we now consider family. It's all starting once again.

returning to school always gives me little jitters in my stomach. Of course mine usually come while I am doing my back to school shopping — and no

I don't mean for news pens, but for little things for my

might come when you see the Golden Dome from the highway or to others when they see the opposite sex with a new tan and tight shirt. We all have our new attitudes about school,

we convince ourselves that this year will be different, more organized maybe (?), and that we will actually prepare throughout the semester as all of our teachers preach, and we will no longer (gasp) go out during the week once school gets going ... yeah right. These goals last about as long as the cleanliness of a pair of new

running shoes, but hey, it's fun to

dream, right?

The new school year brings new beginnings for all of us. What's great about summer is that it is long enough to forget past grudges and bad habits, but short enough to pick up where we left off. They say another year older, another year wiser but, well, whatever way you look at it, it's just another year. We can take it for whatever we want. Some people will try to set new GPA's, some will try to set new drinking records, some will find butterflies in a new pair of shoes, some with a new schedule (whoever you people are — maybe your goal should be to try to rub off on the rest

No matter how you approach the new year, it should be seen by all of us as an open opportunity to do whatever you want- a clean slate. This is college; these are supposed to be the best years of our lives, so let go of the inhibitions or whatever has held you back in the past, and make the silly, or ridiculous, or even (God forbid) driven goals that you want and run with it - I know I plan to. So "go con-

fidently in the directions of your dreams.

I just hope it doesn't lead you to the nearest bar, or in my case, shopping

Emily Howald, a junior marketing major and journalism minor, spends far too much time at the mall. When not shopping, she can

usually be found watching mindless teen movies that offer escapes from reality or chasing around her roommate- that girl on a motorized cart with a broken leg. She can offer no advice on relationships, so just don't ask, but if you have any questions on clothes, email her at ehowald@nd.edu.



Assistant Scene



Emily Howald

Editor

It's back to the football

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Guster and Th

The Black Eyed Pea performing for the a

By SARAH VABULAS Scene Editor

So what is it like to live the life of a rock star, traveling from city to city, playing concerts for thousands of people? Guster took a few moments to talk about how they spent their day (and nights), as they drove from New York City to South Bend to play at "The Show."

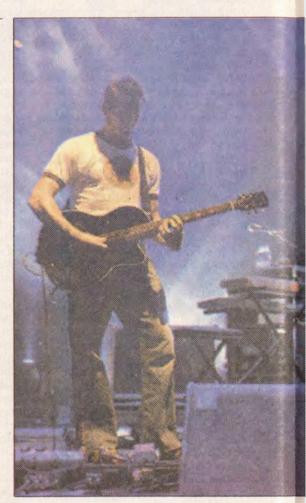
Thursday — 8:30 p.m. — Guster loads up the van in New York City to depart for Notre Dame, the first stop on their tour. They sleep for most of the trip after making friends with their new bus driver, Sarge, who named the band's new bus "Combat Situation."

Friday — 9:30 a.m. — The band arrives in South Bend and explores a little bit using bicycles, but spends a majority of time organizing and unpacking as the tour begins.

12:52 p.m. - Brian Rosenworcel, the percussionist, says after he spoke with Sarge about the new bus and its name, he politely nodded and accepted the new bus into his life. Shortly thereafter, he writes a post to the band's Road Journal for the Web site.

3:00 p.m. - Rosenworcel steps out of the dressing room backstage in the Joyce Center and says the band has just been hanging out and getting ready for their sound check and the

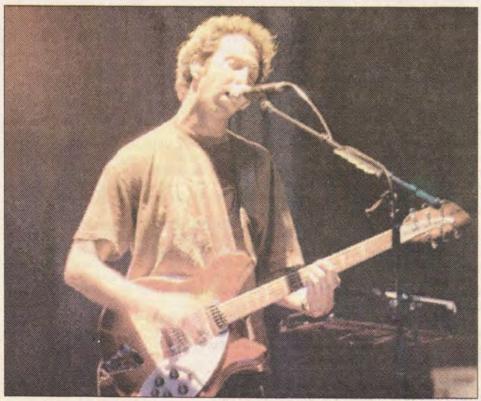
3:20 p.m. — News that The Black Eyed Peas are going to be late arrives. Their flights were cancelled and they are to arrive on a bus at about 6:15 p.m. from Chicago. Meanwhile, Guster's sound crew is busy setting up for the sound check, while the band sits in the dressing room or on the bus. The crew sets the light settings for the show, tunes all the guitars and Rosenworcel's percussion instruments



Guster members Adam Gardner, Joe Pisapia, Br Show" at the Joyce Center something to scream

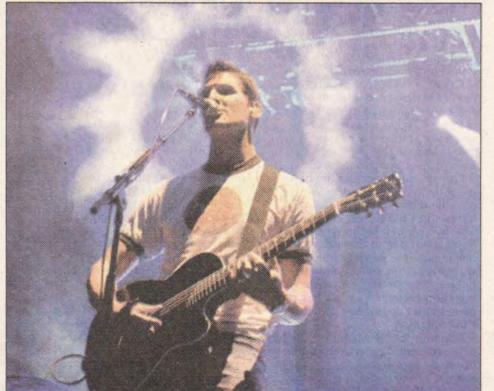
and plays a recording of some songs to test the speakers.

3:30 p.m. - Guster meanders out onto the stage for the official sound check. They start with "Lost in Amsterdam" followed by a couple of the other songs from their newest CD,



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Ryan Miller, the lead vocalist and guitarist for Guster, is also the oldest of the bunch and the most energetic and enthusiastic for the crowd.



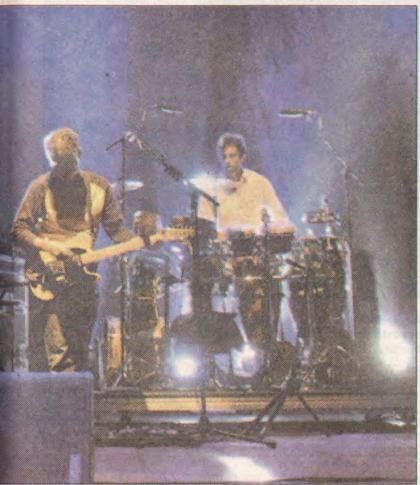
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Adam Gardner plays the guitar for Guster. He pleases the crowd with his talent, but is also a heartbreaker with his recent marriage to his college sweetheart.

SCENE

e Black Eyed Peas unveiled

s and Guster rocked the Joyce Center Arena Friday night nnual event, "The Show," attracting over 4,000 students



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rian Rosenworcel and Ryan Miller give the audience attending "The and sing about with their mellow, yet energetic Guster sound.

Keep it Together. The guys struggle to get the right sound in their earpieces, but joke around with the sound crew to make it more jovial and goofy. Adam Gardner, Ryan Miller and Brian Rosenworcel discuss what songs sound good and what needs to be worked on some more to please the crowd better. They tweak songs, both new and old, to find the right tempo.

Miller then announces that he wants to play "Say it to My Face" just for practice since he wants to "try to learn how to play it on this tour, but most likely will not play it tonight." Despite admitting they are still learning to play the song live, they sound very good.

When they rehearse, they are just like big kids on the stage, excited and searching for perfection to please the crowd.

4:07 p.m. — They wrap up the sound check, and have a meeting on final thoughts about how everything sounds.

4:15 p.m. — Guster's stage crew continues to set up the stage by moving the band's things to the back to prepare for The Black Eyed Peas — although they still have not arrived.

4:32 p.m. — Gardner comes out from backstage to talk with the sound and light guys before leaving to grab something to eat.

4:45 p.m. — Joe Pisapia, the fourth member of the band, or "the band renaissance man," comes out to talk. He "helps to fill in the blanks" by playing guitar, keyboard, bass, banjo, and the lap steel. Pisapia hails from a band called Joe, Marc's brother, who opened for Guster when they played at Notre

Dame in 2000. Guster asked Pisapia to join the band after his band took a break.

When asked what the band had been doing all day, Pisapia admits that the bus was "a world of geekdom," with lots of "eating and a lot of computer geekery."

The band is excited about playing Notre Dame again. Tonight we're all very excited to get back in the swing of playing nightly. We grow so much as a band when we are on tour. Tonight special because it is the first part of a fourmonth tour,' Pisapia said.

Pisapia also comments about the set list for the tour. "It will be a good blend of a lot of the new stuff and a lot of the Guster favorites. A lot of the new stuff; we're excited about doing. It will be challenging and fun, epic, orchestral pieces. But our set list varies day to day, depending on what area we're in. We change in just in case people travel with us. It's different every night with us."

6:45 p.m. — The Black Eyed Peas finally make it to South Bend and prepare for the show.

7:35 p.m. — The doors open and students rush in to secure front row seats or as close as possible. About 15 minutes later, the floor is packed and students begin to fill the seats.

8:00 p.m. — The arena's seats are almost completely full and students are still coming in.

8:05 p.m. — The Black Eyed Peas take the stage, filing out one-by-one with the drummer, keyboardist, and a synthesizer playing music to bring them out. They come out jumping around with tons of energy, and the crowd is screaming despite the fact that most of the students came to see Guster. BEP exemplifies hip-hop at its truest, expressing themselves through their lyrics, as well as their ability to partake in freestyle rap and break-

9:07 p.m. — The Black Eyed Peas end their set with their chart-topping hit, "Where is da love?" which brings the whole crowd into the show. Passion exudes from every member of the band as well as the audience. Not even a

minute after leaving the stage, the band comes back out for their 15minute encore, which involves a saxophone competing against a guitar for the sweetest-sounding solos before a trumpet steps in to take the limelight.

9:31 p.m. — A restless crowd begins to cheer for Guster to come out and play. The half-hour intermission seems too hard to handle for the Notre Dame Guster fans.

9:50 p.m. — The crowd picks up on the sounds coming from the speakers; most, if not all, Notre Dame students recognize that part of the movie Rudy was heard, so they begin to chant "Rudy; Rudy, Rudy" as the band climbs out of the darkness.

The band immediately begins the show with high-energy songs most of the audience is familiar with. Miller invites the crowd to sing along.

Throughout the whole show, the crowd remains in awe of Guster, excited to be listening to a band frequently heard in their dorm rooms and apartments. On request, Miller asks the band to play "Rocketship," saying "Do you mind if we go on an adventure? We have no idea what's going to happen, OK?"

10:30 p.m. — Guster is about halfway through their set, but both the crowd and the band are into it quite a bit as the band takes the time to jam out like they are known for in most of their concerts. During "Medicine," an older Guster song, they feature Pisapia by adding some 80s flare to the song with three guitar solos. The crowd erupts following each, cheering Pisapia for the amazing work of his fingers. In the

song following, Rosenworcel has the opportunity to show off his talents as a percussionist with a killer drum solo, leaving the crowd only to madly cheer for the exhibition.

11:05 p.m. — Guster exits the stage, but the crowd knows they will return and cheers for them.

11:07 p.m. — Guster returns to the stage to play three more songs before setting the audience "free to go to Rally in the Alley," Miller said.

11:22 p.m. — Guster leaves a stunned, yet enthusiastic crowd to depart the Joyce Center Arena for other evening activities.

Tai Romero, coordinator for "The Show", said, "There is no final count for attendance, but it is over 4,000 people. Over 1,000 bought tickets at the door."

"The Show" was a great event, and it

seemed that most students thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

"I think it was phenomenal. I couldn't see empty seats when it started. I was very impressed with all our student volunteers. I wasn't all me. It wasn't any me. It was everybody else pulling together," said Romero.

The band seemed to have a great time there, too. "I thought it went very well. The crowd was great. It was definitely a party atmosphere, especially with Rally in the Alley tonight. I can't wait to go to Rally," Gardner said.

Some students said they saw The Black Eyed Peas and Guster at Rally in the Alley later Friday night.

"It was great to kick off the tour with a great night. The Black Eyed Peas overcame all those obstacles of cancelled flights to do a great job. But I'm really excited for Rally in the Alley," Pisapia said.

Saturday - 2:00 a.m. — Guster climbs on their tour bus, "Combat Situation," guided by Sarge, to head for Chicago to fly to Oakland for a concert the next night

The Black Eyed Peas performed well and were full of energy the entirety of their set. It helped keep the crowd interested despite the unfamiliarity with their songs. Guster stole the show, however, with fans singing nothing but praises about the performance. Guster's reputation of being amazing live held true for "The Show" and this tour promises to be one Guster fans will not want to miss.

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Will.I.Am is the lead rapper and co-founder of The Black Eyed Peas, who awed the crowd with his freestyle rap.

MLB

Clemens reaches milestone in Yanks' win

Associated Press

BOSTON — Roger Clemens walked off to a standing ovation and came out for a curtain call, tipping his cap and waving to fans who saw what may have been his last pitch at Fenway Park.

"It was very special," he said. "It gave me the opportunity to say thank you."

And it gave Boston fans, who often booed Clemens after he left Boston following the 1996 season, a chance to show appreciation even though the New York Yankees were on their way to an 8-4 win Sunday over the Red Sox.

"It was exciting and that's what it should have been," Jason Giambi said. "The reason why they boo him is because they miss him. And Boston fans are just like New York fans. They love great players."

The victory was the 100th for Clemens at Fenway Park, where he wore the home uniform from 1984-96, compiling a 192-111 mark for Boston. He plans to retire after this season and could pitch again in Boston, where he is 100-55 in 199 regular-season starts, only if the teams meet in the playoffs.

The win boosted the Yankees to a five-game lead over the Red Sox in the AL East, although they lost Derek Jeter, probably for at least three games, with a rib cage injury.

White Sox 6, Tigers 1

Faced with the go-ahead run on second base and Frank Thomas and Magglio Ordonez coming up for Chicago in the eighth inning, Detroit manager Alan Trammell had some difficult decisions to make.

Trammell chose to intentionally walk Thomas and pitch to Ordonez, who hit a tiebreaking

single in the White Sox's 6-1 victory over the Tigers.

"Pick your poison — Frank Thomas or Magglio Ordonez," Trammell said. "That's just like with Boston, it's either Nomar Garciaparraor Manny Ramirez."

With the victory, Esteban Loaiza became the AL's first 18-game winner. Loaiza (18-6) allowed one run and four hits, struck out eight and one walk in eight innings.

Chicago leads the AL Central by 1.5 games over Minnesota and Kansas City.

Angels 7, Royals 4

For one of the few times this season,the Kansas City Royals couldn't come up with a clutch hit

Scott Spiezio and Garret Anderson each homered and drove in two runs, leading the Anaheim Angels past Kansas City 7-4 Sunday in what was supposed to be the first game of a doubleheader.

After a delay of 2 hours, 2 minutes, the second game was called because of rain, a clubrecord sixth rainout this season for the Royals during one of the worst droughts in this region in decades.

The doubleheader was scheduled to make up a game that was rained out Saturday night.

No makeup date was announced, although Sept. 29, the day after the end of the regular season, seemed logical because the teams do not have a common off day the rest of the year.

Marlins 5, Expos 3

Florida manager Jack McKeon wanted several players to step up and fill the void left by the injury to All-Star third baseman Mike Lowell.

He got it Sunday. Derrek Lee hit a three-run homer and Mark Redman won for the first time in four starts as the Marlins beat the Montreal Expos 5-3.

"We needed some of these guys to pick each other up," McKeon said. "Hopefully we can get five or six of them pounding away at once."

Lowell, the team's cleanup hitter and clubhouse leader, broke a bone in his hand when he was hit by a fastball from Montreal's Hector Almonte on Saturday.

He saw a hand specialist Sunday, but the prognosis didn't change: He's out for the rest of the regular season.

"They can win without one guy," Lowell said. "They know that, and we saw it today."

Nonetheless, McKeon said the Marlins were trying to make a trade to replace Lowell, and wanted to do it soon.

The deadline for adding players to the roster and having them eligible for the post-season is midnight Monday. Any player added after then wouldn't be eligible for the playoffs.

The Marlins are fied with Philadelphia atop the National League wild-card race.

The Expos, meanwhile, continued to struggle on the road, falling to 4-17 away from home since the All-Star break and dropping three games behind the Phillies and Marlins.

Phillies 4, Mets 1

Never mind a no-kitter, Vicente Padilla gave the Philadelphia Phillies all they really needed — another victo-

Padilla held the Mets nitless for six innings and Jim Thome homered as Philadelphia completed a three-game sweep of New York with a 4-1 victory Sunday.



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Roger Clemens waves to the crowd after being taken out in the seventh inning. Clemens got his 100th win at Fenway Park Sunday.

The Phillies, tied with Florida for the NL wild-card lead, finished 4-9 on a four-city road trip. Philadelphia had lost six in a row coming into the series.

"After the road trip we've had, to be able to sweep three games here was really tremendous," Thome said.

Mets rookie Jose Reyes, who broke up the no-hit bid with an

infield single leading off the seventh, injured his left ankle trying to break up a gameending double play.

Reyes seemed to catch his spikes in the dirt as he slid nto second.

He writhed in pain on the infield while fans and teammates watched in a hushed Shea Stadium. X-rays did not reveal a fracture

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American League Central

team	record	perc.	last 10	GB
Chicago	73-64	.533	7-3	
Kansas City	70-64	.522	5-5	1.5
Minnesota	71-65	.522	6-4	1.5
Cleveland	61-76	.445	6-4	12
Detroit	34-101	.252	3-7	38

American League West

team	record	perc.	last 10	GD
Oakland	82-55	.599	9-1	
Seattle	80-57	.584	4-6	2
Anaheim	66-70	.485	6-4	15.5
Texas	62-75	.453	2-8	20

National League East

team	record	perc.	last 10	GB
Atlanta	87-49	.640	6-4	
Philadelphia	73-63	.537	4-6	14
Florida	73-63	.537	4-6	14
Montreal	71-67	.514	5-5	17
New York	59-76	.439	5-5	27.5

National League Central

team	record	perc.	last 10	GB
St. Louis	72-64	.529	7-3	
Houston	71-65	.522	5-3	1
Chicago	69-66	.511	4-6	2.5
Pittsburgh	62-72	.463	4-6	9
Milwaukee	60-76	.441	9-1	12
Cincinnati	59-77	.434	3-7	13

National League West

team	record	perc.	last 10	GB	
San Francisco	82-53	.607	7-3		
Los Angeles	71-64	.526	6-4	11	
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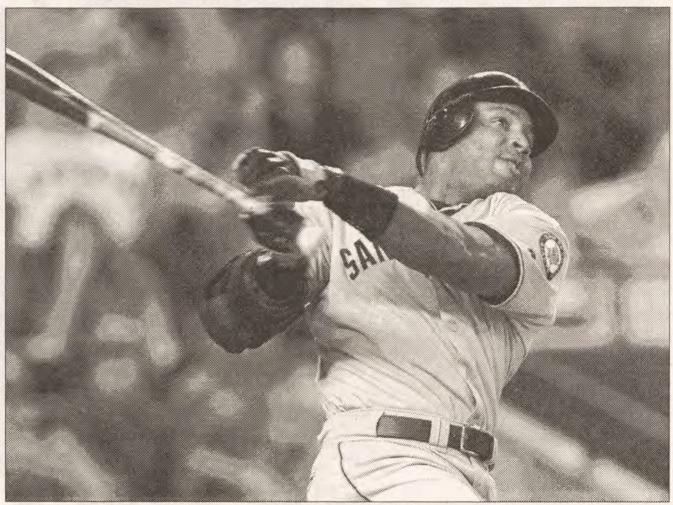
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MLB



Barry Bonds of the San Francisco Giants hits the 653rd home run of his career Saturday, off Arizona Diamondbacks pitcher Randy Johnson in the fourth inning of their game in Phoenix.

Bonds hospitalized for exhaustion

Associated Press

PHOENIX - Barry Bonds was hospitalized Sunday night because of exhaustion following his father's death.

Bonds was scratched from San Francisco's lineup just minutes before Sunday night's game against the Arizona Diamondbacks, one day after he left a game because of an accelerated heart rate

The Giants said Bonds was taken to a nearby hospital as a precaution

and overnight.

Team spokesman Jim Moorehead said the slugger was still "likely" to

play Monday in Phoenix. Bonds, 39, homered off Randy Johnson in the fourth inning of the Giants' 2-1 win Saturday, his first game back following the death of his father.

Overwhelmed by emotion, however, Bonds came out in the eighth inning because of heart palpitations, lightheadedness and trouble breath-

would remain ing he said started right after his home run.

San Francisco trainer Stan Conte said Bonds' heart rate was between 150-160 beats per minute after the home run — a normal adult heart rate ranges from 60-100 beats per minute.

The slugger was in the original lineup Sunday night, but the Giants announced minutes before the game that Jeffrey Hammonds would replace Bonds in left field and bat fourth.

Bonds went to the hos-

pital after consulting with Conte.

Bobby Bonds died Aug. 23 at age 57 after being ill for nearly a year with lung cancer and a brain tumor.

Barry Bonds missed the next six games. He was also on the bereavement list Aug. 14-18 to spend time with his father.'

Bonds' homer Saturday was his 40th this season and the 653rd of his career, moving him within seven of his godfather, Willie Mays, for third on the all-time list.

IN BRIEF

O'Donnell, Winters among NFL verterans cut

NASHVILLE - Neil O'Donnell, Frank Winters and Robert Edwards were among the NFL veterans cut Sunday as teams trimmed rosters to the season-limit of 53.

The release of O'Donnell by Tennessee was a surprise because it left the Titans without a veteran backup to quarterback Steve McNair. But the Titans needed the salary cap space because of shortages they must fill at other positions.

Oddly, the Titans released O'Donnell in February to get under the salary cap. After the 13-year veteran visited Minnesota, New Orleans and Miami, Tennessee re-signed O'Donnell in late June.

Winters, who was entering his 17th NFL season, joined the Green Bay Packers as a free agent in 1992 and ranked fifth among active NFL players in games played, 231. He played in all 16 games at center in 2002 after injury forced out Mike Flanagan.

Edwards made a remarkable comeback from a severe knee injury to play for Miami last season. He was second in Comeback Player of the Year voting behind Pittsburgh quarterback Tommy Maddox.

Edwards' career was in serious jeopardy after he shredded his left knee in a beach football game at the 1999 Pro Bowl. A former first-round draft choice by New England, Edwards rushed 20 times for 107 yards and had 18 receptions and scored two touchdowns in 2002 with a dislocated shoulder.

Vanderjagt remains with Colts as rosters trimmed

INDIANAPOLIS - Kicker Mike Vanderjagt kept his job with the Indianapolis Colts on Sunday.

Two veteran safeties did not. Rich Coady was traded to St. Louis for a conditional seventhround pick and last year's starter at strong safety, David Gibson, was

waived as the Colts trimmed their roster to the NFL limit of 53.

Indianapolis cut two draft picks linebacker Kevon Whiteside, a fifthrounder, and tackle Makoa Freitas, a sixth-rounder — along with Brett Conway, who battled Vanderjagt for the kicking job this summer.

"Our overall feeling is that Mike is an outstanding kicker," coach Tony Dungy said. "He's kicked well in practice, he's kicked well in the past and we didn't see any decline in his ability.'

The Colts brought in Conway to see if he had a stronger leg on kick-

But when Vanderjagt spoke during the preseason, he said he did not believe his job was in jeopardy.

That hadn't been the case a few months previously.

In February, Vanderjagt had said he was "concerned" the Colts would cut him after he and three-time Pro Bowl quarterback Peyton Manning feuded publicly.

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WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Krause leaving Irish squad

Observer Staff Report

Then there were three.

Basketball player Jill Krause decided late last week that she would not continue playing basketball for the Irish, making her the third person from the sixmember recruiting class of 2005 to quit the team. Allison Bustamante and Kelsey Wicks also quit McGraw's team in the past two years. Bustamante left because of homesickness, while Wicks quit for unspecified reasons. That leaves Teresa Borton, Katy Flecky and Jacqueline Batteast still on the team from that class.

Krause played in 20 games last season for Notre Dame, averaging 3.5 minutes and 0.4 points per game.

McGraw said she will miss Krause.

Krause.

"Jill is an amazing person with a tremendous heart and spirit," McGraw said. "We appreciate all she contributed to our team, both on and off the court over the past two years. We wish her the best as she continues working towards her degree here at Notre Dame."

Krause is the granddaughter of legendary Notre Dame figure Edward "Moose" Krause.

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SMC VOLLEYBALL

Belles fight hard, still drop season opener

By JUSTIN SCHUVER
Sports Writer

The Belles opened their regular season with a three-set loss to the Maple Leafs of Goshen College, following a scrimmage with the University of Chicago at the SMC Triangular Saturday afternoon.

Despite losing to Goshen in three straight sets, Saint Mary's (0-1) fought with a team-oriented attack far different from what coaches have seen from the Belles in previous years.

"It was nice to have four players in double-digits for digs," Belles coach Julie Schroeder-Biek said. "In years past, it's often been one or two people who have the bulk of our digs."

The Belles kept it close, but lost 24-30, 28-30, 24-30.

"I'm very excited to have come.

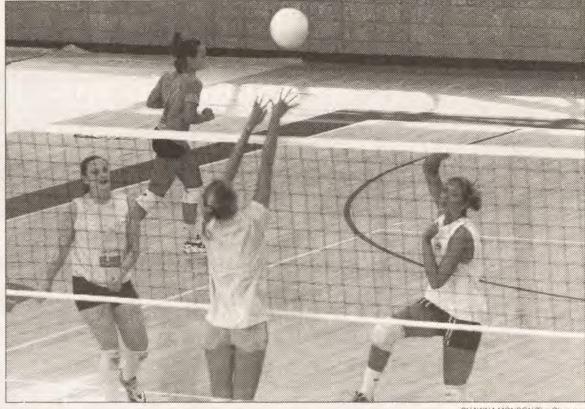
out as strong as we did," Schroeder-Biek said. "We had really good defense, but our hitting percentage (0.087) was not as high as it could be.

"It wasn't so much our errors, though. Goshen was very scrappy, and it was difficult for us to get a kill because they were playing such good defense."

Freshman outside hitter Kristen Playko had 12 digs and was the Saint Mary's leader in kills with 10, and freshman setter Lauren Temple had 33 assists and six service aces.

Team captains Alison Shevik and Ellise Rupright each had 10 digs, and sophomore transfer Michelle Turley got off to a fast start with her new team by leading the Belles with 13 digs.

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SHAWNA MONSON/The Observer

The Saint Mary's volleyball team works at one of its many summer practices. The Belles dropped their first regular season match this weekend to Goshen (24-30, 28-30, 24-30).

nificant amount as the team's

fifth defensive back last year.

D-backs

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safety, and Earl moved back to his regular position.

And that describes the turmoil in just half of the secondary. Two-year starter Vontez Duff is firmly entrenched at one cornerback position, but fifth-year senior Jason Beckstrom and Preston Jackson are waging a fierce battle for the other starting slot.

When will the coaches name the starters for Saturday's game against Washington State? Walters hopes to have made a decision by the time game-preparatory practices begin Tuesday, but even he doesn't yet know which players will stand out.

"It's been difficult for [the players]," head coach Tyrone Willingham said. "But they place the team first. Those guys are competing to see if they can help us out."

That's why Walters often tells

his charges that coaches are watching every action on the practice field to try to distinguish the starters.

The ultimate goal is to attempt to mimic the chemistry between the secondary that helped last year's starters intercept 14 passes and record 244 tackles.

"Those guys fed off each other and believed in each other," Walters said.

But as some players say, it has been a difficult quest to duplicate that chemistry this fall with the multitude of injuries and uncertainty at many of the positions

"Ideally, you'd look to your right and left and know who was going to be there," Earl said. "There hasn't been a constant thing"

What Walters said he is looking for is the best combination of players, not necessarily the best athletes. But he quickly adds that all the preseason shuffling has generated some much-needed depth in the secondary. If one defender goes down, another qualified player is able to take

his place. If the offense calls an audible, the players can easily change their assignments rather than their places on the field.

The four players competing for a starting spot offer a variety of strengths. Beckstrom gives the Irish an experienced fifthyear cornerback who sat out last season while recovering from a torn bicep. Jackson played a sig-

Bible started two games last season for an injured Sapp and can play either safety position. And Burrell possesses little game experience but a playmaking potential that has Irish coaches excited.

"When it's this close, whatever you do, the coaches are looking

at it," Walters said. "You look to see how they play together, if you get great communication, and if they perform smoothly and with enthusiasm.

"All will contribute. It's who we start that we have to figure out."

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ND WOMEN'S SOCCER

Goals easy to come by for Irish in openers

But weekend ends on sour note as Irish lose All-American Candace Chapman and midfielder Randi Scheller for season

By ANDY TROEGER Sports Writer

Notre Dame coach Randy Waldrum said that he liked where his team stood heading into their opening weekend against Hartford and Wake Forest. The team showed why Waldrum's optimism was deserved by dominating its opponents in two opening wins.

The Irish, who won 9-1 over Hartford Friday their opener, returned to shut out the Demon Deacons 3-0 on Sunday to go undefeat-



Connecticut's adidas Classic. Notre Dame received numerous strong efforts in both

games, headlined by junior

Mary Boland's hat trick in the decisive victory over Hartford. Boland added another goal against Hartford, while senior

forward Amy Warner had goals and three assists and classmate Amanda Guertin added two goals two assists

Scheller

The Irish won the two games while still suffering from some of the injuries that plagued them last season. The Irish found out before this weekend that junior All-American Candace Chapman will be lost for the season with a torn ACL, while senior Randi Scheller had surgery to correct a nagging hip injury that will also sideline her for the year.

Against Hartford, the Irish scored early and often. Boland started the scoring with a goal off of her own missed shot after a cross from Warner in the seventh minute. Warner and Boland struck again nine minutes later, with Boland's second goal giving the Irish a 2-0 lead.

Midway through the first half the Irish cashed in again, as senior Kim Carpenter rebounded a near-miss by sophomore Annie Schefter. Another rebound goal from sophomore Maggie Manning pushed the lead to 4-0 two minutes later.

Hartford avoided the shutout with a goal in the 42nd minute, but the Irish restored a fourgoal lead when Guertin converted a penalty kick after Warner was taken down on a breakaway. Guertin, Manning, Boland, and Warner all added goals in the second half, while Schefter added her second

Notre Dame again created numerous opportunities against Wake Forest. The Irish tallied 20 shots, with many near misses in addition to their three goals. Freshman Jill Krivacek gave the Irish a 1-0 lead with her goal in the final minute of the first half. Warner began the sequence with a pass to freshman midfielder Jen Buczkowski, who moved the ball to the left endline, where Krivacek gave the Irish the lead.

The Irish added two more goals in the second half, with Boland scoring her fourth goal of the weekend on a rebound from a shot by Guertin. Warner capped the scoring in the final minute with her second goal of the season.

Goalkeeper Erika Bohn had an outstanding weekend in net for the Irish, giving up only one goal. Defenders Melissa Gudrun Tancredi, Gunnarsdottir, Kim Lorenzen, Lizzie Reed, and Christie Shaner all had solid weekends in the back for the Irish, who yielded only one goal in two

Next up for the Irish is the Notre Dame Classic, which begins Sept. 5 and has the Irish hosting Arizona State and Oklahoma at Alumni Field.

NOTRE DAME 3, Wake Forest 0 at CONNECTICUT Sunday 1st 2nd Total

NOTRE DAME Wake Forest 0 0 0

Scoring Summary ND — Jill Krivacek (1), 44:34 (Jen Buczkowski, Amy Warner)

ND - Mary Boland (4), 64:13 (Amanda Guertin)

ND — Warner (2), 89:50

NOTRE DAME — Saves 6 (Erika Bohn

5), Shots 20 (Warner 7), Corner kicks 6, Fouls 12

Wake Forest - Saves 7 (Kenna Healy 7), Shots 8 (Melanie Schneider 2), Corner kicks 3, Fouls 11

NOTRE DAME 9, Hartford 1 at CONNECTICUT Friday

1st 2nd Total NOTRE DAME Hartford 1 0

Scoring Summary ND - Mary Boland (1), 6:32 (Amy

Warner) ND — Boland (2), 15:19 (Warner) ND - Kim Carpenter (1), 27:01 (Annie

Schefter) ND — Maggie Manning (1), 28:55 HART— Hilde Bakke (1), 41:47 (Jeanette Akerlund, Erin Mucha)

ND — Amanda Guertin (1), 43:09 (PK) ND — Guertin (2), 50:36 (Boland) ND — Manning (2), 58:07 (Guertin)

ND - Boland (3), 71:55 (Katie

Thorlakson, Schefter)
ND — Warner (1), 80:58 NOTRE DAME - Saves 4 (Erika Bohn 3), Shots 24 (Guertin 6), Corner kicks 5,

Hartford - Saves 5 (Heather Hinton 5), Shots 7 (Susanne Nilsson 3), Corner kicks 2, Fouls 10

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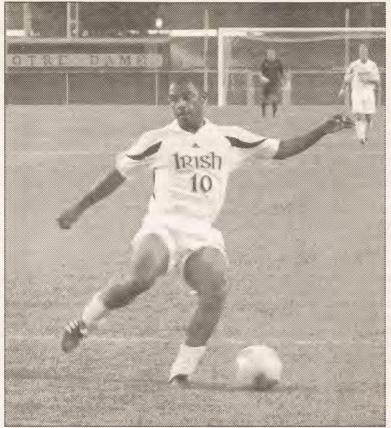
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Senior forward Devon Prescod scored both the game-tying and game-winning goal against California this weekend.

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however, netted a game-tying goal at the 80:07 mark and the game-winner 1:10 into the second overtime to beat the Golden Bears. Justin Detter and Kevin Goldthwaite assisted on the goals, respectively.

Clark spread credit around for both goals.

"Both goals were team goals," he said. "Justin and Kevin both made great passes on great team plays, and Devon happened to be the man with the ball at the end. There were some nice combinations.'

The Irish controlled play in the majority of both games. They out shot both opponents (13-8 against Cal) and played solid defense all weekend, which includes holding the Golden Bears to zero shots in the two overtime periods.

Without a loss and still near the top of the polls after the first weekend, Clark can be nothing but pleased.

"This was a good start, a very solid start," he said. "Both teams were excellent teams, but we clearly out shot both teams and carried the play in both games. We dominated and looked really strong, as well. In the Cal game, we got behind, and that's always a good test. We

got leadership from the seniors and played a lot of boys who had an impact on both

The irish host their regular season opener at Alumni Field against No. 5 St. John's at 7:30 p.m. Saturday.

NOTRE DAME 0, Alabama-Birmingham 0 at Bloomington, Ind.

1st 2nd 10T 20T Total UAB

Scoring Summary

None.

NOTRE DAME — Saves 3 (Chris Sawyer 3), Shots 18 (Nate Norman 3), Corner Kicks

UAB — Saves 9 (Alberto Robles 9), Shots 10 (Leandro de Oliveira 3), Corner Kicks 2, Fouls 19

NOTRE DAME 2, California 1 at Bloomington, Ind.

1st 2nd 10T 20T Total

Scoring Summary CAL— Acosta, Carl (1), 47:42 ND-Prescod, Devon (1), 80:07 (Detter,

ND-Prescod, Devon (1), 84:35

NOTRE DAME - Saves 3 (Chris Sawyer 3), Shots 13 (Prescod 5), Corner Kicks 6,

CAL — Saves 5 (Brian Walker 5), Shots 8 (Acosta 4), Corner Kicks 2, Fouls 13

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the way on offense with 16 kills and only two errors (.424 hitting percentage). Loomis finished with 14 kills with a .522 hitting percent-

Arizona was unable to match the Irish offensive attack, as they registered only eight kills in the first

The defense of the Irish, led by Jessica Kinder (10 digs) and Meg Henican (10 digs), also shone, as the Irish notched

"We came in with

confidence, but we broke

down. But we fought

hard and came back... We

knew we could do it."

Emily Loomis

outside hitter

nine blocks as a team. Coach Deb Brown

saw the Irish win their season opener the 1 3 t h straight e a r.

However, Saturday's match presented another challenge for the Irish as they faced the Waves of No. 5 Pepperdine, who proved too much for the Irish, as they defeated Notre Dame in four games (27-30, 30-22, 30-15, 30-23).

Despite a hot start in the opening game, the Irish were unable to maintain the

"Too many pieces broke down after the first game," Loomis said. "We didn't back each other up like the first game.

The Irish attack started the first game with 17 kills and only two errors, good for a scorching .469 hitting percentage. However, they couldn't sus-

tain the momentum, hitting

only .122 the next three games

Leading the way for the Irish was middle blocker Lauren Brewster (17 kills, .483 attack percentage), Kelbley (12 kills) and Loomis

"We were a little disappointed," Loomis said. "You never want to lose, but we can take a lot from this loss."

However, there was no shame in losing to the Waves, who currently carry the highest ranking in the history of their program. Pepperdine avenged last year's loss to Notre Dame in the championship game of the Golden

D o m e Invitational.

"We just couldn't turn it around in our favor,' Loomis said.

However, after the loss, Irish the rebounded against Eastern Washington.

After pulling off a marathon first game victory, 37-35, Notre Dame prevailed in four games (37-35, 25-30, 30-22, 30-21).

"We came in with confidence, but we broke down," Loomis said. "But, we fought hard and came back...We knew we could do it.'

Once again Loomis led the Irish with 18 kills. Katie Neff was right behind her with 15

Loomis also dominated at the net with five blocks, including two solos. The Irish had ten blocks as a team.

The Irish hope to continue the momentum this weekend at the Longhorn Classic in Austin, Texas, in which they University and Texas at hvanhoeg@nd.edu

University.

It will be the second of three tournaments the team plays in this season, as the Irish soon after will host the Shamrock Invitational from Sept. 12 to 14.

NOTRE DAME 3, Arizona 1 at Malibu, Calif. Friday

30 28 30 30 18 30 20 26 NOTRE DAME

NOTRE DAME -Kills 61 (Lauren Kelbley 16), Assists 50 (Kristen Kinder 26), Digs 44 (Meg Henican, Jessica Kinder 10), Blocks 9 (Kelbley 6), Hitting percentage .324 (Kelbley .424), Aces 6 (Jessica

Pepperdine — Kills 48 (Kim Glass 19). Assists 40 (Stephanie Butkus 36). Digs 46 (Jennifer Abernathy 11), Blocks 7 (Jolene Killough, Butkus 4), Hitting percentage .100 (Meghan Cumpston .250), Aces 10 (Bre Ladd 5)

Pepperdine 3, NOTRE DAME 1 at Malibu, Calif. Sunday

NOTRE DAME Pepperdine

30 22 15 23 27 30 30 30

NOTRE DAME -Kills 48 (Lauren Brewster 17), Assists 44 (Kristen Kinder 26), Digs 34 (Meg Henican 13), Blocks 9 (Emily Loomis 4), Hitting percentage .208 (Lauren Kelbley .308), Aces 2 (Kelly

Burrell, Jessica Kinder 1)
Pepperdine — Kills 70 (Katie Wilkins 21), Assists 62 (Melissa Mehlhorn 55), Digs 45 (Kristin Shultz 12), Blocks 7 (Lyndsey Hache 3), Hitting percentage 320 (Sophia Milo 444), Aces 7 (Hache 3)

NOTRE DAME 3, Eastern Washington 1 at Malibu, Calif.

NOTRE DAME 37 25 30 30 EASTERN WASH. 35 30 22 21

NOTRE DAME —Kills 67 (Emily Loomis 18). Assists 59 (Kristen Kinder 29), Digs 48 (Meg Henican 10), Blocks 3 (Loomis 2), Hitting percentage .222 (Loomis 412), Aces 6 (Jessica Kinder, Lauren Kelbley 3)

Eastern Washington — Kills 64 (Megan Kitterman 13), Assists 50 (Jessie Wright 23), Digs 51 (Sara Reilly 13), Blocks 3 (Lindsay Page 2), Hitting percentage .165 (Courtney Bush .750), Aces 3 (Lizzy Mellor

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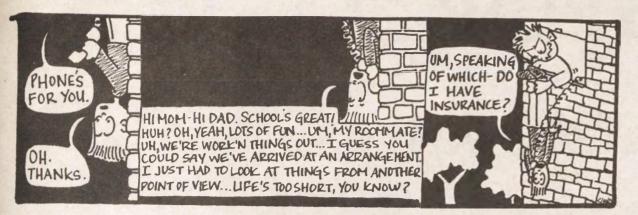
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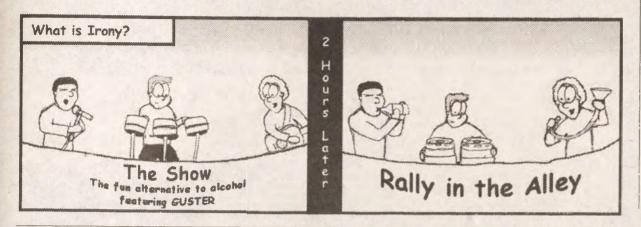
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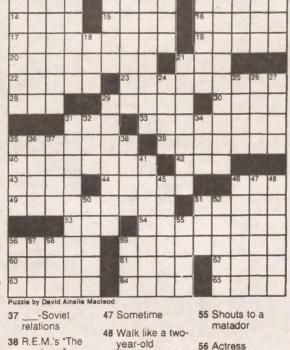
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EUGENIA LAST

Sharing this birthday: Gloria Estefan, Lily Tomlin, Rocky Marciano, Barry Gibb, Conway

Happy Birthday: Hesitation will be your downfall. Take immediate action when an opportunity arises and you'll prosper throughout the year ahead. Learn to take advantage of those who are interested and willing to help you achieve your goals, and you will be satisfied with your success. Your numbers: 3, 14, 27, 35, 39, 44

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Don't listen to everything you hear. Upsetting news about your lover may not be true. Don't get angry. Go directly to the source to find out exactly what's going on. ★★★

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): You can make your mark if you're willing to put all your energy into your professional goals. A lack of attention to loved ones will cause upset.★★★ GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Make plans to socialize. You will want to be where the action is. Travel should be on your mind. Investment deals will be good if you act quickly. Pamper yourself and you'll feel great. ★★★

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Family members will be difficult to handle. Try to understand their point of view. Talk to them, not at them. Financial limitations will result if you take unnecessary chances. ★★★

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Direct your energy into learning. Sign up for courses or seminars that will aid you in getting a better position or at least taking control of your life. You will meet potential mates in the process. **

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): You need to spend time with those dependent on you for advice. Open and honest group communication will solve a lot of the problems you and your

mate are facing. *** LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): You can get ahead if you play your cards right. Your boss will appreciate your work and your ability to meet your deadline. You will receive rewards for

your past good actions. ** SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Your competitive drive will enable you to forge ahead. Take on a challenge that will bring satisfaction and a pat on the back. You can make a difference if

you lend a helping hand to children. ★★★ SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You'll be upset with friends and relatives who try to

back you into a corner. Your schedule is hectic, and you can't really take time to sit down and CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Friends or relatives may try to interfere in your personal

life, but if you care about your mate, you will not allow this to happen. *** AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Make changes to your home that you've been thinking about. You need to cheer yourself and the rest of your family. Times have been tough, but making small changes will be important.★★

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): You must refrain from using emotional blackmail on your mate, or you may not have one for too much longer. This is not the time to disagree with employers or spend money you don't have. ★★★

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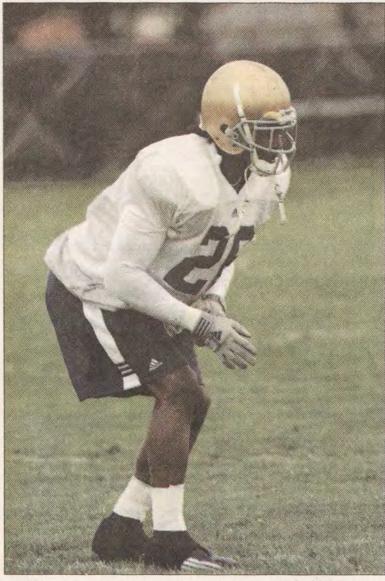
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SPORTS

FOOTBALL

Safety valves

Versatile members of Notre Dame defensive backfield rotate within system



Strong safety Garron Bible backpedals in a recent practice. Bible started two games last season for the Irish.

By ANDREW SOUKUP Sports Writer

Eli Whitney would have been proud of Trent Walters.

Had Whitney, who created the concept of interchangeable parts, seen how Walters, who coaches the Irish secondary, shuffles Irish defensive backs around the field, he might have

But Walters wasn't smiling when he was forced to shuffle players around earlier in the preseason after a series of injuries left the Irish with a temporary depth problem at safety.

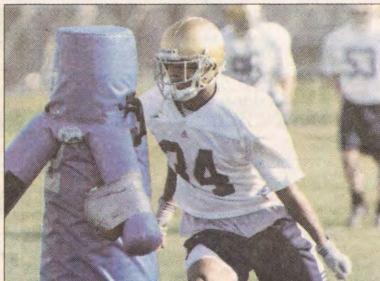
The Irish coach, however, believes the constant shuffling may help strengthen an Irish secondary that lost consensus All-American cornerback Shane Walton and strong safety Gerome Sapp to graduation.

"It goes straight to the philosophy of interchangeable parts,' Walters said. "We want our guys to be able to play a number of positions.

If that desire was only a dream before fall camp began, it became a reality when Garron Bible, Sapp's heir apparent, was sidelined with an injury. So Walters moved Glenn Earl from free safety, where the hard-hitter started all 13 games for the Irish last year, to strong safety. Meanwhile, Quentin Burrell moved in to replace Bible at free safety until he, too, was briefly sidelined with an injury. Bible came back to play strong

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Lionel Bolen, above, makes a tackle in the Blue and Gold game last spring. Vontez Duff, below, is a preseason All-American.

WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL

Irish stun No. 10 Wildcats

New rotation with two setters defeats 'Zona

By HEATHER VAN HOEGARDEN Sports Writer

Teams can only hope to start the season by playing well. The Irish took this a step further to knock off No. 10 Arizona in their season opener Friday

The Irish upended the Wildcats in four games (30-18, 28-30, 30-20, 30-26) at the Four Points Sheraton Classic in Malibu, Calif.

"It was so much fun," outside hitter Emily Loomis said. "We just brought a lot of energy to the match, and it paid

The Irish took advantage of their new 6-2 rotation that utilizes two setters to come away with a .324 hitting percentage. The Wildcats hit a mere .100 on the match.

Kristen Kinder and Kelly Burrell led the attack with 43 assists, 26 for Kinder and 17 for Burrell. Neither committed a handling error.

"Everyone worked hard through the match, and it showed," Loomis said. "We really came together, and that is why we were so successful."

Middle blocker Lauren Kelbley led

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MEN'S SOCCER

Lightning start on the road

By PAT LEONARD

At 31:24 in Bloomington, Ind., the clock stopped.

Heavy rain and lightning halted a match on Friday between No. 3 Notre Dame and No. 20 Alabama-Birmingham. The teams resumed play after a delay, but each squad had lost a step in the wait.

Still, the Irish escaped that game in a scoreless tie and later defeated No. 11 California, 2-1. in double overtime Saturday to finish the first weekend of the regular season with a record of

Notre Dame out shot Birmingham 18-10 in the first game of the Notre Dame adidas/IU Credit Union Classic.

Birmingham goalie Alberto Robles made nine saves and five in the first half. Still, the break in action slowed the Irish momentum.

"We lost our edge a little bit due to the delay," coach Bobby Clark said.
"We started sharply, but with the delay, it became a very long evening, which was unfortunate for both teams.

Irish keeper Chris Sawyer made three saves in the game and reserve midfielder Nate Norman led the team with three shots.

The win over California came as a result of two timely goals by forward Devon Prescod. Cal's Carl Acosta tallied first on a head ball at the 2:42 mark of the second half. Prescod,

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WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Junior guard Jill Krause has decided not to return to the team, according to a special Observer Staff

Krause played in 20 games last season for Notre Dame, averaging 3.5 minutes and 0.4 points per game. She is the granddaughter of legendary Notre Dame figure Edward "Moose" Krause.

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SMC VOLLEYBALL

Saint Mary's Goshen

The Belles dropped their regular-season opener in straight sets to the Maple Leafs.

WOMENS SOCCER

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The Irish win, but lose two key starters to injury.

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