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Crime and Punishment
A six-part series on discipline at Notre Dame

Changes, unrest mark ND policy history

By MADDIE HANNA
Associate News Editor

It was a riot that shook Our Lady — literally.

Two thousand students brandishing beer cans stormed the Main Building on April 18, 1984 in a frenzied response to an alcohol policy report released two days earlier, which they ripped and strewed over the rotunda, leaving toilet paper and distressed administrators in their wake.

Dissatisfaction with residential life is not a modern phenomenon. While the most recent campus drama has been not under the Dome but concerning the Dome itself — the decision to begin the regilding process before last May's commencement had seniors up in arms — the 1984 protests were indicators of student unrest that has been present in different degrees throughout the decades.

Policy changes have punctuated Notre Dame's history. The transitions may be smooth or rocky, but the changes and the emotions evoked are to be expected.

"The party is over"

On April 16, 1984, the University Committee on the Responsible Use of Alcohol — established in response to a November 1982 report on "Priorities and Commitments for Excellence (PACE) at the University of Notre Dame" — released a new alcohol policy report.

Banning private parties was its most controversial aspect.

"The students do not consider drunkenness an act that requires disciplinary measures. This attitude must change," committee chair Father William Beauchamp said in an April 17, 1984 Observer article. "The whole party scene leads to alcohol abuse. So we've got to elimi-

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GRAHAM EBETSCH/Observer Graphic

Tuskegee Airmen speak in honor of Veteran's Day

By RYAN SYDLIK
News Writer

Three men who broke racial barriers while fighting against Nazi Germany in World War II related their inspiring stories to the Notre Dame community Friday in honor of Veteran's Day.

Retired Maj. Gen. Lucius Theus, retired Lt. Col. Alexander Jefferson and retired Lt. Col Washington DuBois Ross, who served in the Army Air Corps during WWII, drew a crowd to the Carey Auditorium of the Hesburgh Library. The men told of their experiences as both blacks and war veterans.

"These airmen broke a lot of barriers and were not expected to succeed. However, they were the only fighter escort squadron in Italy to have never lost a bomber they escorted, a pretty incredible record," department chair of aerospace studies Col. Michael Zenk said. "We owe them a debt of gratitude not only for serving their country, but also for showing us all how to succeed against huge odds. Each of these three served in the military with distinction and then served their fellow man in the civilian life as well."

Theus was the first African-American support officer and only the third African-American to be appointed general in the U.S. Air Force. During his 36-year service, he received the Distinguished Service Medal with Oak Leaf Cluster, the Legion of Merit and the Bronze Star.

JENNIFER KANG/The Observer

An ROTC cadet stands guard next to Stonehenge Friday as part of a Veteran's Day ceremony.

Theus explained the reasoning behind the creation of the Tuskegee Airmen.

"At that time, it was not possible for an African-American to join the Air Corps or learn to fly military aircraft," he said. "The Tuskegee experiment would determine once and for all if African-Americans could fly military aircraft.

"From all over our nation, these

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2,000 students attend rally

Officials allow non-students to sit in empty student seats

By MARY KATE MALONE
News Writer

While students did not completely fill the 3,000 seats allotted to them at Friday's Navy pep rally, officials allowed non-students to sit in empty student seats and fill the Joyce Center with cheering Irish fans.

Despite lowering the student seat allotment from 6,000 at the Tennessee pep rally to 3,000 for the Navy pep rally, there were still empty seats in the student section 10 minutes before it began, hall presidents council athletic co-chair Justin Doyle said.

Officials decided to admit non-students into the student section once it became clear that the seats would not be filled by students.

MATTHEW SMEDBERG/The Observer

Irish fans cheer at the USC pep rally Oct. 14 inside Notre Dame Stadium.

"There were individuals who waited in

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Chase at SMC leads to crash

By MEGAN O'NEIL
Saint Mary's Editor

A police pursuit that began as a routine traffic stop in Mishawaka concluded with the alleged suspects driving straight through Saint Mary's campus and crashing into a tree behind Loretto Convent Sunday afternoon, authorities said.

After entering campus at the Saint Mary's Inn entrance, the alleged suspects weaved through some trees and passed directly between the library and Havican Hall, police said. They then proceeded across the library green and into the parking lot between the Student Center and McCandless Hall before driving to the far southwest corner of campus, where they crashed in a dirt lot behind the Loretto Convent — then took off into the woods, police said.

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INSIDE COLUMN

Curtain calls

Nicole Zook

Assistant News Editor

"Macbeth doth murder sleep."

For the last 10 weeks, this wasn't just Act II Scene II line 48 of one of Shakespeare's most famous tragedies. It was a rallying cry for 30 young women — extremely tired young women. Women who woke up at 5 a.m. to run after studying until three or slaved over their senior comps or directing finals for hours before heading to rehearsals that sometimes ran past midnight.

Sometimes it was yelled, sometimes it could be read in away messages and sometimes it was softly sighed as the girl thought of all the homework she didn't have time to do and would have to lose more sleep over.

To the cast and crew of Macbeth, the line rang true — we sacrificed sleep. But it didn't matter, because what we gained from working on the production was worth losing sleep over. We learned to swordfight, became fluent in Shakespearian language and became comfortable on a stage. We learned tangible things, skills that will be useful later in our lives.

But what we really gained was an intangible, something that cannot be explained. It was the chance to be a part of something bigger than all of us. We spent hours together, onstage and off, bettering our acting and bettering ourselves with the help of the people around us. We became a tight band of brothers mirroring the Scottish clans we were portraying.

And what we came up with was magic. A five night run of a sold out show, a play that turned women into men and brought the dead to life for the audience. Somehow 115-pound girls turned into fierce medieval warriors and three college students, awkward on stilts behind the scenes, became 8-foot-tall witches onstage. It was certainly an experience for all of us, one that will never be forgotten.

In 30 years, I know I won't remember my lines. I won't remember how many hours I spent at rehearsal each week. I may not even remember the inside jokes the cast members shared with each other. But what I will remember is that we had them. I'll remember headbanging to Bohemian Rhapsody in the dressing room before the show, quoting Anchorman incessantly with other members of the cast and mispronouncing the phrase "I am a mother pheasant plucker" on a nightly basis.

I'll remember the excitement of opening night and the sadness of taking down the set, the pure energy of jumping around to the bouncy soundtrack of our weeks together, and giving everyone in the cast "my best" every night. I'll remember that feeling of being a part of something bigger than myself, and I'll remember the other women who, both onstage and off, gave it their all. The managers who fretted over the details, the crew who worked behind the scenes to make them come to life, and the cast member who, though she could not speak, somehow found the voice to share with the rest of us the lesson that the show must go on.

I wish I could give them all a more fitting tribute. But the show ended yesterday, and I think that means it's finally time to get some sleep.

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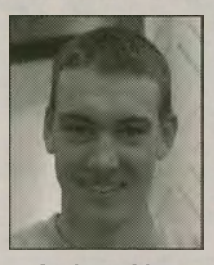
CORRECTIONS

Due to editing error, Kuukua Yomekpe's last name was spelled wrong twice in the Nov. 11edition of The Observer — once in the text of the article and once in the pull quote on page 6.

Due to a reporting error in the Nov. 11 edition of The Observer, junior Sara Otto was reported to be a senior, and senior Becky Feauto was reported to be a junior. The Observer regrets the errors.

QUESTION OF THE DAY: *WHAT DID YOU THINK OF SATURDAY'S GAME?*



Andrew Linn
sophomore Morrissey
"I bought Descartes and read."

Lakota Mowrer
senior Cavanaugh
"There was a game?"

Glenn Gutierrez
freshman Knott
"It was good to see a lot of respect for the future of the armed forces."

Mary Kate McNamara
sophomore Welsh Fam
"One step closer to a BCS bowl."

Katie Gibbons
sophomore Welsh Fam
"Maurice Stovall for Heisman."

Joey Leary
freshman Dillon
"It was nice to see a clean, respectful game between two quality schools."

CLAIRE KELLEY/The Observer

Fighting Irish cheerleaders perform a stunt during Saturday's Notre Dame-Navy game. The leprechaun and cheerleaders entertained the crowd as the Irish beat Navy 42-21.

OFFBEAT

Drunk moose invades senior citizen home

STOCKHOLM, Sweden — They rarely have problems with drunks or rowdy animals, but residents of a retirement home in southern Sweden had to deal with both: A pair of intoxicated moose invaded the premises.

The moose — a cow and her calf — had become drunk over the weekend by eating fermented apples they found outside the home in Sibbhult, said employee Anna Karlsson.

Police managed to scare them off once, but the tipsy mammals returned to get more of the tempting fruits. This time the moose were drunk and aggressive, forcing police to send for a hunter with a dog to make them leave.

Police did not pursue the culprits, but made sure all apples were picked up from the area, police chief Bengt Hallberg said. No one was hurt.

Police respond to burglary call, find marijuana

PALM SPRINGS, Calif. — In retrospect, it probably wasn't such a good idea to call the police. Ronald Meyers summoned officers to his home in an upscale neighborhood Thursday morning, claiming that someone was trying to open his windows and that he could hear voices outside.

Responding officers found no burglar but asked if they could check inside, said Sgt. John Booth, a Palm Springs police spokesman. When Meyers, 59, let them in, officers allegedly found more than $100,000 worth of marijuana, he said.

The alleged stash included an 8-foot-tall pot plant, more plants growing in the garage and harvested marijuana — some packed into large closeable plastic bags — stuffed in large storage bins in a bedroom, Booth said.

IN BRIEF

Quinlin Terry, a leading figure in the revival of classical architecture, will present the **2005 Richard H. Driehaus Prize** lecture at **7 p.m. today in the Snite Museum** of Art. The lecture, **"Designing and Building a Sustainable Future,"** is free and open to the public.

An examination of the various aspects of literary art in the 1960s will be the focus of a **two-day lecture series**, "Artworlds of the Sixties," **today and Tuesday in McKenna Hall** beginning at **4:30 p.m.**

Suzan Shown Harjo, a Native American journalist, will speak on Diversity **Tuesday at 7 p.m.** in **Vannet Theater** at Saint Mary's Student Center.

O. Carter Snead, associate professor of law in the Notre Dame Law School, will be giving a lecture on **"Speaking Truthfully About Stem Cell Research and Human Cloning"** at **4 p.m. Wednesday** in **McKenna Hall auditorium**.

Jaleel White, a.k.a Steve Urkel, will be speaking about life and experience in show business on **Thursday at 7:30 p.m. in DeBartolo 101**.

Susan Peters, Vice President of General Electric, will speak on the roles of women in corporate America at **7 p.m. Thursday** in **The Little Theater in Moreau Hall**.

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

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Whitmore wonders if sweatshops, social thought mix

By KAITLYNN REILY
News Writer

When professor Todd Whitmore asked his class if they believed the University of Notre Dame was a brand, 76 percent replied they strongly agreed, 24 percent agreed and no one disagreed.

Whitmore says the abundance of Notre Dame goods available, such as rawhide bones inscribed with the Notre Dame logo and can openers that sing the fight song, contribute to a growing consumer culture surrounding Notre Dame. Ken Shanzer, the president of NBC Sports, described the contract between NBC and Notre Dame as "a great linkage of brands."

Whitmore, an associate professor of theology and the director of the Program in Catholic Social Teaching, presented a lecture entitled "Catholic Social Teaching, Notre Dame Sports Apparel and the Problem of Sweatshops" as part of a three-day conference held in McKenna Hall Nov. 10 to 12 on "Catholic Identity and the Role of Sport."

"It is not intrinsic to football to have an Adidas contract."

Todd Whitmore
professor

Whitmore serves on a sweatshop task force started by University President Emeritus Father Edward Malloy to ensure ethical labor practices by licensees of the University. Notre Dame requires all licensees to reveal where each of its factories are located and to adhere to the labor codes and the principles of Catholic social teaching.

According to Whitmore, Notre Dame expects its licensees to follow the codes of conduct dictated by the Fair Labor Association (FLA) and the Worker's Rights Consortium (WRC). These codes prohibit forced labor, child labor, harassment and discrimination and require the maintenance of certain health and safety standards and freedom of association.

Whitmore described the poor working conditions for a sweatshop in Lesotho, a country in Africa, but also mentioned the presence of sweatshops in the U.S. Under the Department of Labor's definition of a sweatshop as any factory that violates more than one of the fundamental U.S. labor laws, two-thirds of the garment factories in Los Angeles, Calif., would fall into that category, he said.

Whitmore said Kinko's, which recently entered into a contract with Notre Dame, has violated some labor ethics by engaging in the practice of electronic deduction of hours. The managers tell workers to clock out, and then require them to stay for two hours to clean up.

Much of Whitmore's lecture focused on Notre Dame licensee Adidas. Adidas is a signatory to the Fair Labor Association, and Whitmore has found the apparel company to be generally loyal to the FLA's requirements.

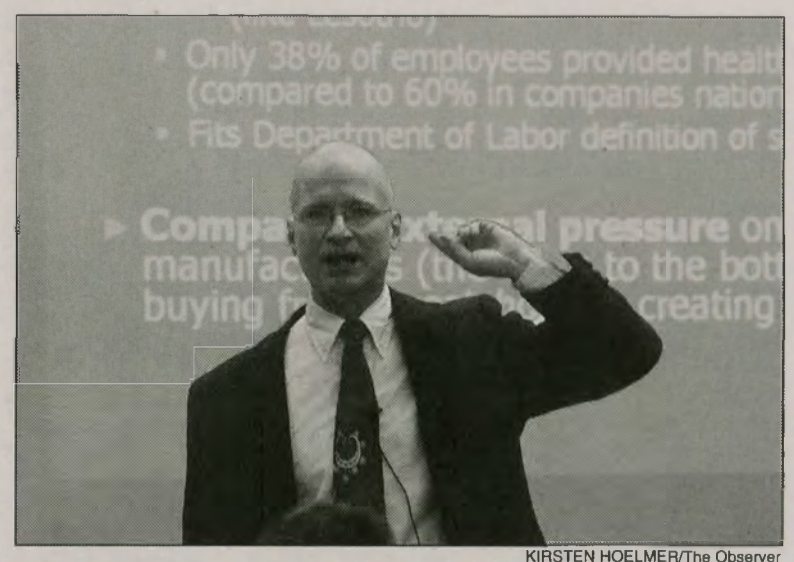
"They've ended contracts with certain producers when they haven't followed their code of conduct," Whitmore said. He believes Adidas does intend to operate by fair labor processes, but says the main factor is deciding, "[if] the code is adequate and is the code adequately monitored? The code is worth nothing if it is not adequately monitored." The Adidas Company has only 30 inspectors to cover its factories worldwide.

"If they see something, they try to address it," Whitmore said. "The question is whether there are enough monitors."

Whitmore said Notre Dame has a "No trade in China" policy, so the University prohibits Adidas from making Notre Dame logo apparel in China. However, Adidas maintains factories in China to manufacture other goods. A Notre Dame Varsity athlete at the lecture informed Whitmore that his Adidas shoes, which do not have the Notre Dame logo on them, were made in China, proving that there may be loopholes to this policy that Adidas exploits.

Whitmore said that overall, Adidas is doing a good job compared to other clothing manufacturers.

Notre Dame's labor views are influenced by Catholic social teaching, which states that workers should be guaranteed a living wage and the right to organize. It also states, "living wage is morally prior and ought to be legally superior to the contract."



KIRSTEN HOELMER/The Observer

Professor Todd Whitmore delivers a lecture on Catholic social teaching, sports apparel and sweatshops Friday.

Whitmore attempted to refute the argument that enforcing a living wage would drive up prices and thus reduce demand for the product by asking the audience if they would pay $53 instead of $50 for a Notre Dame sweatshirt if it was guaranteed that the person who made the sweatshirt was making a living wage. The audience responded in favor of purchasing the more expensive sweatshirt.

"The argument that [the living wage] would drive up prices is not an economic argument, but one of moral will," Whitmore said.

Whitmore and the sweatshop task force presented a conscious clause to Malloy as part of Notre Dame's labor position. This clause stated, "If a coach or athlete, after careful examination and discernment, cannot in good conscience wear the official contracted apparel, he or she may wear a situationally-appropriate alternative." While Malloy did not approve this clause, Whitmore said he stands by the importance of the primacy of conscience.

"It is not intrinsic to football to have an Adidas contract," Whitmore said. "Notre Dame's heydays were prior to that. The contracts are secondary. They might be helpful, they might help us to do better things, but they are not intrinsic to us."

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Irish performance pleases fans

Respectful matchup against Navy continues tradition, reflects character

By MARY CONROY
News Writer

Many Notre Dame fans — who sometimes deal with rude fans and opposing team members spiking their flags into Irish turf — saw Saturday's respectful matchup with the Naval Academy as a breath of fresh air.

Fans said the respectful nature of Navy's players, fans and band along with the winning Irish performance made the game an enjoyable experience.

Freshman Courtney Vietmeier was particularly amused and impressed by Anthony Fasano's vertical jump over a Midshipman at Navy's 10-yard line.

"Fasano displayed great athleticism and agility when he bounded through the air over the midshipmen defense," Vietmeier said.

Freshman Cameron Muhlenkamp was pleased with the victory, and is looking forward to what it means for the team's future.

"It was great to get a step closer to [a] bowl game," he said.

Freshman Tom Mazzacavallo said he was fond of Navy's sportsmanship.

"I liked the Navy fans. They're classy people," he said.

Upon completion of the game, Irish football players traditionally shake hands with the opposing teams and hold their golden helmets up to the crowd before heading to the locker room.

Saturday, however, after shaking hands with Navy, the Irish players followed Navy to their band, and stood silently, along with the rest of the Stadium, to listen to the playing of Navy's Marine Hymn by the Naval Academy Drum and Bugle Corps.

"I liked the Navy fans. They're classy people."

Tom Mazzacavallo
freshman

Navy fans then returned the respectful act by removing their hats during the playing of the Notre Dame alma mater.

Sophomore Peter O'Malley said this was a significant reflection of Notre Dame's character.

"At the end when Navy played [the] Marine Hymn and people gave respect, it was very important," he said.

Notre Dame band member and freshman Lauren Momenee said the Navy band not only exemplified good sportsmanship, but was also very talented.

"[The] Navy band played very well, and compared with other schools we played, [they] were one of the nicer bands. They congratulated us afterwards," she said.

Momenee also said it is important to remember that the game is a friendly competition.

"Even though [there is a] rivalry, with Navy everyone comes together and hangs out the night before," she said.

Freshman Janelle Wise said she also admired the Naval Academy Drum and Bugle Corps.

"I thought it was a good game. Navy was the only band that turned around and played our song for us, it was great," she said.

Freshman Lauren Mangiaforte said that what makes this game unique is the history behind it.

"If you are a true, hard-core Notre Dame football fan, you understand the magnitude of the Notre Dame-Navy series," she said. "[It] is so pure, and so intense.

"[The] fact that two teams share this tradition and respect for one another is amazing. It is nice to have a connection that goes so far back."

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Rally

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line for tickets who may not have received them," Doyle said. "But immediately before the pep rally began, the ushers allowed those individuals who did not receive one of the 5,000 general admission tickets to sit in the empty student seats."

Associate athletic director John Heisler said the seat allotment has varied from pep rally to pep rally as officials have tried to predict how many students will actually attend.

"We need to be flexible and try to understand that it's just not going to be realistic to sit there ... and suggest there's going to be an absolute, specific number that's going to be the same from week to week," Heisler said. "The bottom line is you want the seats to be full. So however the numbers worked out, that was pretty well accomplished Friday night."

"The Joyce Center was ultimately filled and the crowd was lively. I was pleased; it was a very good pep rally."

Justin Doyle
athletic co-chair
Hall Presidents Council

The dwindling attendance at pep rallies in recent weeks caused rally organizers to rethink their admission policy for fans. For the Tennessee pep rally on Nov. 4, 6,000 seats were reserved for students — but only about 2,400 actually attended — leaving thousands of seats empty in the student section. The overestimate caused officials to turn away many non-student Irish fans.

But the Navy pep rally was far more organized and efficient, Doyle said.

"All of the individuals involved, from students planning it to the athletic department and Joyce Center officials, they all worked very hard to make it successful," he said. "The Joyce center was ultimately filled and the crowd was lively. I was pleased; it was a very good pep rally."

The number of seats that will be allotted to students for the final pep rally on Nov. 18 will depend on student interest. Doyle said the pep rally might attract a lot of seniors since it will be their last.

"We are going to speak to the hall presidents," Doyle said. "We're going to ask them to approximate what they believe their dorm's student attendance will be at the next pep rally. We'll also ask off-campus representatives the same questions, and we will move forward from there."

Students who did attend the pep rally said they didn't notice any problems.

"I had no trouble [getting into the pep rally]," freshman Thomas Fletcher said. "There just weren't that many students there."

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MONDAY, NOVEMBER 14

OPENING KEYNOTE LECTURE
Notre Dame alumna, Melinda Henneberger, (ND '80; Angers program '78) will kick off International Education Week, speaking to students from 10-11:30am (131 Decio) about her career as a journalist. She will address a group of university leaders at 12noon with her reflections on international education and the media. Sponsored by the Office of the President; Office of the Dean, College of Arts and Letters; Program in Gender Studies; Career Center; Dept of East Asian Language & Literatures; and Department o American Studies.

NANOVIC INSTITUTE FOR EUROPEAN STUDIES *PANEL AND DISCUSSION:* Why is France Burning?
4:15-6:00pm, Hesburgh Center Auditorium
The recent riots and burnings in Paris and the rest of France have caught the attention of the world. This roundtable will explore the historical, political, sociological, and economic reasons that helped ignite the flames.
Participants include: Professors Catherine Perry, Anthony Messina, Teresa Ghilarducci, Sébastien Dubreil, Julia Douthwaite, and A. James McAdams, moderator; and Students Drew Cramer and Leslie Kealhofer.

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DISCUSSION ON DIPLOMACY AND THE FOREIGN SERVICE
James Creagan, American Ambassador (ret.)
5:30pm, McKenna Hall, Room 208. Reception to follow.

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

French riots seem to be near end

PARIS — France's worst rioting since the 1960s seems to be nearing an end, the national police chief said Sunday as fewer cars were torched nationwide and Paris remained calm despite Internet and cell phone messages urging violence in the capital's streets.

In scattered attacks, youths rammed a burning car into a center for retirees in Provence and pelted police with stones in the historic heart of Lyon, the country's third biggest city. A firebomb was tossed at a Lyon mosque but did not explode.

The nationwide storm of arson attacks, rioting and other violence, often by young people from impoverished minorities, has lost steam since the government declared a state of emergency Wednesday.

Youths set fire to 374 parked vehicles before dawn Sunday, compared to 502 the previous night, police said. A week ago, 1,400 cars were incinerated in a single night.

French monk beatified at Vatican

VATICAN CITY — A French monk who lived among the Tuareg people in the Sahara and was killed in an anti-French uprising in Algeria in 1916 was beatified by the Vatican on Sunday, the last formal step before possible sainthood.

Pope Benedict XVI praised Charles de Foucauld for his humility during the ceremony at St. Peter's Basilica.

De Foucauld "discovered that Jesus, joined in our humanity, invites us to universal brotherhood, which [the monk] later lived out in the Sahara," Benedict said, speaking in French to an audience that included Tuaregs in their robes and headgear.

NATIONAL NEWS

Tornadoes rip through Iowa

WOODWARD, Iowa — Tornadoes swept across central Iowa on Saturday, ripping up farms, destroying homes in several towns and sending college football fans running from a stadium for shelter.

At least one person was killed in the storm, two others were hospitalized, and a gas leak forced authorities to evacuate part of Stratford, a town of about 746 residents 50 miles northwest of Des Moines.

"Half the town's gone," said Bob Smith, who has lived in Stratford for 12 years. He said he ran from his camper as the tornado touched down.

Teen kidnapped at gunpoint

LITITZ, Pa. — A 14-year-old girl was missing after her parents were shot to death in their home Sunday morning, and authorities were searching for her 18-year-old boyfriend, who reportedly abducted her at gunpoint.

Michael and Cathryn Borden, both 50, were found shot to death shortly after 8 a.m., Lititz Police Chief William Seace said.

The couple's 9-year-old son David, the youngest of five children, had fled to a neighbor's house and called 911, Seace said. An older daughter still living at home and two adult sons were also safe, he said.

The Borden family had lived in the home for several years, said neighbor Tod Sherman.

LOCAL NEWS

Attorney no challenge to Lugar vote

INDIANAPOLIS — Indianapolis attorney David Johnson portrayed himself five years ago as the most formidable candidate ever to take on Republican Sen. Richard Lugar, only to become the latest challenger to muster less than a third of the vote against the venerable politician.

With a year left before the next election, Indiana's longest-serving senator appears poised for a stroll to a sixth term.

JORDAN

Iraqi admits to trying to blow herself up

Jordanian television airs woman's confession of plotting to attack hotel wedding

Associated Press

AMMAN — Wearing a disabled explosives belt, the Iraqi woman calmly described the plot to attack a hotel wedding party with her husband — confessing on Jordanian television after al-Qaida's mistaken boast of her "martyrdom" led to her arrest.

Millions of viewers across Jordan and the region watched as Sajida Mubarak Atrous al-Rishawi, arrested Sunday, explained how her husband helped plan Wednesday's attacks, fitted her suicide bomb belt and blew himself up with his own bomb at the Radisson SAS — one of three hotels attacked by three Iraqi men.

"My husband detonated [his bomb] and I tried to explode [mine] but it wouldn't," said the 35-year-old al-Rishawi, wearing a white headscarf and wringing her hands.

"People fled running and I left running with them," she said during the three-minute segment, which showed her handling several pieces of the faulty trigger equipment that failed to set off about 22 pounds of RDX explosives and hundreds of ball-bearings.

The attackers killed 57 other people at the Radisson SAS, Grand Hyatt and Days Inn hotels.

Al-Rishawi's brother was once a deputy of Abu Musab al-Zarqawi, the Jordanian leader of al-Qaida in Iraq, said deputy premier Marwan Muasher. He said the brother, Mubarak Atrous al-Rishawi, was killed in the former terrorist stronghold of Fallujah, Iraq.

Officials believe al-Rishawi, who entered Jordan from Iraq on Nov. 5, may provide significant information about the operations of al-Zarqawi's group, which claimed responsibility for the hotel bombings, Jordan's deadliest terrorist attacks. The group said the attacks were retaliation for Jordanian support for the United States and other Western powers.

AP

Iraqi Sajida Mubarek Atrous al-Rishawi opens her jacket to show an explosive belt as she confesses her failed plot on Jordanian state-run television Sunday.

Al-Rishawi was shown on state television wearing a buttoned, body-length dark denim dress. Muasher told CNN the belts she also wore on the broadcast were captured with her.

Al-Rishawi said she and her husband, Ali Hussein Ali al-Shamari, 35, were wearing explosive-laden belts when they strolled into the Radisson ballroom where hundreds of guests, including children, were attending a Jordanian-Palestinian wedding reception.

"My husband wore a belt and put one on me. He taught me how to use it, how to pull the [primer cord] and operate it," she said.

Muasher said al-Rishawi's husband noticed her struggle when the belt failed and pushed her out of the ballroom in order not to attract attention before blowing himself up.

After a second showing of the tape, a TV announcer cited security officials as saying the woman gave no further details because "she was still suffering from the shock of the blasts and her subsequent arrest."

Al-Rishawi was arrested at a "safe house" in the same Amman suburb where her husband and the other two bombers rented a furnished apartment, a top Jordanian security official said.

Jordanian security was tipped off to her presence by al-Qaida in Iraq's claim of a female bomber, the official added, speaking on condition of anonymity

CHINA

Schwarzenegger fights DVD piracy

Associated Press

BEIJING — Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger left for China on Sunday for a six-day mission to encourage Chinese officials to crack down on the piracy of copyrighted music, movies and software and to promote California products.

The trip also gives him a chance to revive his political image after the bruising defeat of his "year of reform" package in a special election last week.

In China, his celebrity overshadows his recent political woes.

"Folks coming along recognize they want the exposure a celebrity like the governor can bring," said Jeff Williamson, director of the state's Center for International Trade Development.

Schwarzenegger's first-day schedule includes a Special Olympics tribute and a reception with the 80 business leaders accompanying him. Traveling with him are his wife, several cabinet secretaries and a delegation of executives eager to promote companies that include Pfizer Inc., Universal Studios and Qualcomm Inc.

Since becoming governor in 2003, Schwarzenegger has made official visits to Israel, Japan, Germany and Mexico. But China's size — 1.3 billion people and growing — authoritarian government and rapidly emerging economic clout offer a particularly vexing challenge in the global marketplace. Just last year, China sold $162 billion more goods to the United States than the United States sold to China, and the gap is widening.

California is the major gateway for U.S. trade to China, with cotton and computer-related products leading the way. The state exported $6.8 billion in goods to China in 2004, double what it exported in 2000, according to the California Chamber of Commerce.

Veterans

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young men flocked to this program. They trained hard. They exceeded all expectations. They were given dangerous missions deep within Nazi-held territory. They never lost an American bomber that they were escorting to enemy aircraft. They went on to do some other things that seemed improbable, if not impossible," he said.

"I think it is important to have an understanding of the history of your nation."

Maj. Gen. Lucius Theus
U.S. Air Force (retired)

Theus also described the purpose of his visit.

"We Tuskegee airmen enjoy getting together with fine young people because you fine young people are indeed the future of America," he said. "I think it is important to have an understanding of the history of your nation."

Ross, who served in the Air Force Reserves for 25 years, spoke of his experiences in the 332nd Fighter Group and the 15th Air Force, which included long-range escort missions protecting Allied bombers.

"We were not super-people, we were people just like everybody else," he said. "We had to work."

Jefferson related the experience of his plane being shot down by ground fire.

"The shell came up through the floor and out of the canopy," he said. "You hit your buckle and came out."

Jefferson was captured by German troops and interred for nine months as a prisoner of war. Although he said he was treated well at the Stalag Luft 3 and Stalag 7a prison camps, Jefferson also said he experienced firsthand the sheer brutality and evil of the conflict.

Upon release, Jefferson said he was told "there's a place down the road with a whole lot of dead people."

"We could smell Dachau two miles before we got to it," he said.

Jefferson, who received the Air Medal, Air Force achievement medal, Prisoner of War Medal and the Air Force Presidential unit citation, stated his opinion on the brutality of war.

"War is hell. In some aspects it's glorious. But basically, it only comes out to those that survive."

Lt. Col. Alexander Jefferson
U.S. Air Force (retired)

"War is hell. In some aspects it's glorious. But basically, it only comes out to those that survive," he said.

Jefferson also gave advice to young people that he said is often difficult for them to hear.

"This is the best country in the world," he said. "You are here, why in the heck don't you learn how to join the system? If you are going to be dumb, stupid and ignorant and refuse to get an education, don't cry and get a bellyache. Do what you have to do to the best of your ability."

Lyle Summerix, a representative of American Legion Post 51 who arranged the visit, said he greatly appreciated the Airmen's dedication.

"The Airmen proved conclusively that African Americans could fly and maintain sophisticated combat aircraft," he said. "Their achievements, together with the men and women who supported them, paved the way for full integration of the U.S. military."

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Crash

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"The two occupants left the vehicle and went down the embankment," St. Joseph County Police Cpl. Corey Brothers said early Sunday evening. "There are still a couple of officers milling around to see if they got out of the woods."

No one was injured in the incident.

Described as two black men in their twenties, the alleged suspects are believed to have fled south down along the St. Joseph River, Brothers said. As of Sunday night neither had been apprehended, he said.

"We saw the flashing light but there were no sirens. What caught my eye was the flashing lights."

Erin Nolan
junior

The alleged suspects, who were driving a white compact car, were pulled over by a Mishawaka police officer near the intersection of Grape Road and Douglas Road after he found their license plates did not match the vehicle, Brothers said. When the officer approached the vehicle, the alleged suspects drove off, he said.

The Mishawaka officer and a St. Joseph County Sheriff unit pursued the car onto the College's campus. Brothers estimated the speed of the pursuit to be between 60 and 70 miles per hour.

"[It was] a decent speed, because they got where they were going quickly," Brothers said.

The chase caused landscaping damage and damage to the vehicle the alleged suspects were driving, he said.

Brothers said he did not know whether the alleged suspects were armed.

Police and Saint Mary's security units patrolled the western border of campus, which abuts the St. Joseph River, much of the afternoon looking for the alleged suspects. The car was impounded, Brothers said.

Saint Mary's security officer Joyce Vrasis would not comment on whether College security officers had searched for the alleged suspects in any buildings on campus. She did confirm that there was no significant physical damage to the campus.

Identification for one of the men was found under a seat in the car, Brothers said.

There had been no cars reported stolen as of Sunday, Brothers said, and the alleged suspects probably removed the license plates from another vehicle and placed them on the one they were driving.

Despite the pursuit, the campus remained quiet and most students said they did not see or hear the incident.

Junior Erin Nolan, who was studying in front of a large window in the Cyber Café that faces the path the chase took across campus, said she saw a few police cars but little else.

"We saw the flashing light but there were no sirens," Nolan said. "What caught my eye was the flashing lights."

College spokeswoman Melanie McDonald was unavailable for comment Sunday night.

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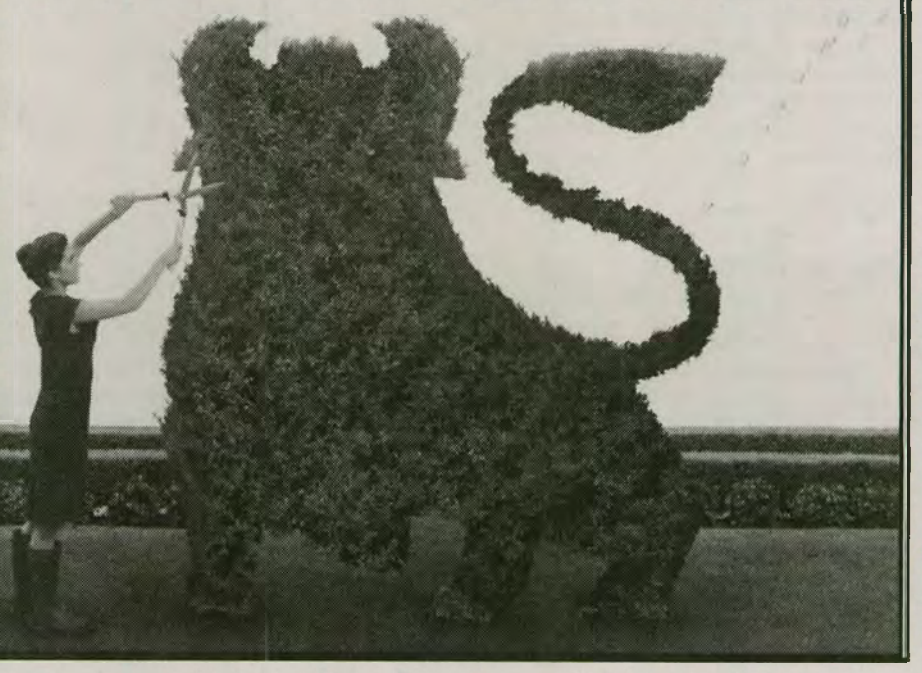

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IN BRIEF

No ruling by Fla. judge in Morgan Stanley contempt case

NEW YORK — A Florida state judge Thursday declined to rule on Ronald Perelman's motion to subject Morgan Stanley to criminal contempt charges for mishandling e-mails, pending the investment bank's appeal of a $1.58 billion verdict in favor of the billionaire financier.

Perelman was awarded the sum earlier this year after a jury trial over the bank's role in advising appliance maker Sunbeam Corp. in its 1998 purchase of Perelman's camping goods company, Coleman Co. Sunbeam later admitted it inflated its results, and sought bankruptcy protection.

Thursday's eight-page ruling by Palm Beach County Judge Elizabeth Maass is a victory for Morgan Stanley, which had argued, among other grounds, that Perelman failed to show why contempt charges were warranted.

A representative for Perelman was not immediately available for comment. A Morgan Stanley spokesman declined to comment.

Dollar nears two-year high against rebounding euro

NEW YORK — The dollar rose against the euro Wednesday as concerns about unrest in France and the lack of a new government in Germany kept the European common currency near two-year lows against the dollar.

In late New York trading, the 12-nation euro bought $1.1763, down from $1.1787 the night before in New York and its lowest levels since November 2003. The euro fell as low as $1.1711 on Tuesday before rebounding slightly.

The dollar has been buoyed recently by signs of economic strength as well as continuing increases in the U.S. Federal Reserve's benchmark interest rate. Policymakers raised the rate last week by a quarter percentage point to 4 percent — the highest rate in more than four years — in the 12th such increase since June 2004, and indicated they would continue to do so at a measured pace.

Georgia-Pacific, Koch to merge

$13.2 billion deal with paper giant will create nation's biggest private company

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Paper products giant Georgia-Pacific Corp., the maker of Brawny paper towels and Angel Soft tissue, has agreed to be acquired for more than $13 billion by Koch Industries Inc., a deal that would create the nation's biggest private company.

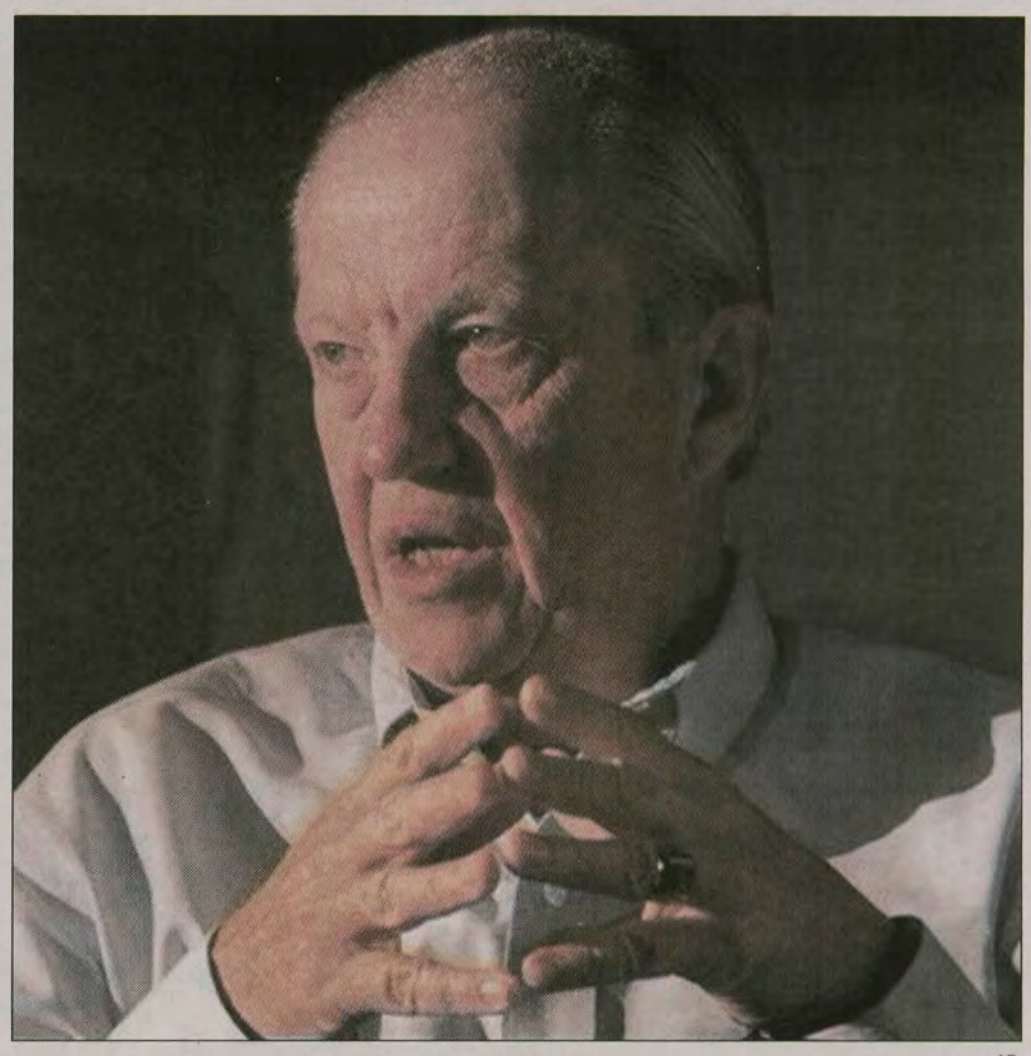
The $13.2 billion cash deal announced Sunday also calls for Koch to assume $7.8 billion in Georgia-Pacific debt and will result in the Atlanta-based company becoming a wholly owned subsidiary of Koch. The deal values GP at $48 per share, a 38.5 percent premium over its closing price of $34.65 Friday on the New York Stock Exchange.

Koch, based in Wichita, Kan., is a commodities conglomerate that operates refineries and pipelines, trades commodities and manufactures pulp, paper and fibers. With combined annual revenue of some $80 billion from Georgia-Pacific, Koch would surpass food and farm products maker Cargill Inc. as the largest privately held company in the U.S. Koch employs more than 30,000 people.

Besides Brawny, Georgia-Pacific's brands include Dixie paper cups and Quilted Northern bath tissue. The company also makes building products such as plywood, lumber and gypsum wallboard.

The deal marks the first major push into consumer products for Koch, which traces its history to 1927 when Fred C. Koch developed a new method to refine crude oil. Today it operates in diverse fields from ranching to fertilizer to petroleum processing and asphalt. Chairman and CEO Charles G. Koch and his brother, David, a company board member and executive vice president, are both worth $4 billion, according to Forbes ranking of the world's wealthiest people.

The proposed acquisition would be the largest in Koch's history, coming about 18 months after it acquired Invista BV, a nylon fibers business that makes Lycra and Stainmaster, from DuPont Co.



AP

Georgia Pacific CEO A.D. "Pete" Correll addresses a news conference on Jan. 14. He said Sunday that talks on a merger with Koch Industries began last month.

Koch acquired two pulp mills from Georgia Pacific in May 2004, a deal which executives of both companies said Sunday provided an introduction and prompted ongoing discussions.

"From the investment we made in Koch Cellulose, that really got us very interested in the entire forest products sector," Joe W. Moeller, Koch's president and chief operating officer, said in a telephone interview. "We see this really as a natural extension for our company and a great platform for growth."

Georgia Pacific CEO A.D. "Pete" Correll, who faced a mandatory retirement when he turns 65 next April, is expected to join Koch's board and help with the transition. Koch plans to name a new CEO and president of Georgia-Pacific later.

In a telephone interview, Correll said talks on the current deal began in earnest last month and that operating as a private company will allow Georgia-Pacific to invest in areas — particularly its packaging and building products businesses — where it has not previously because of concerns Wall Street would not approve of such expenditures.

Had it undertaken such investments, "we feel that the prospects are very high that our share price would go down," Correll said. Operating as a private concern also will allow Georgia-Pacific managers to "avoid the distraction of quarterly reports," better weather the industry's cyclical downturns and execute strategic decisions much faster, Correll said.

Correll joked that he also won't miss quarterly earnings conference calls with analysts, mandatory reporting requirements under the federal Sarbanes-Oxley corporate reform law "and 47 other" regulatory requirements.

A Koch unit, Koch Forest Products, will launch a cash tender offer for Georgia-Pacific correlmoells outstanding shares by Friday.

Writers to fight 'stealth advertising'

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Hollywood writers and actors are calling for a code of conduct to govern a growing trend of hidden advertising in TV shows and films, and they say they will appeal to federal regulators if studios don't respond.

The also want their share of the billions of dollars in advertising revenue generated by what they write and act in, their unions say.

Advertising has been creeping into programming for years, blurring the lines of ads and entertainment. It can be as simple as a Coca-Cola cup prominently displayed on "American Idol."

But increasingly, the products are becoming integrated into story lines as well.

The character Gabrielle on "Desperate Housewives" was seen last season as an auto show model touting Buick. Some reality shows base entire episodes on contestants working with sponsors. Contestants on "The Apprentice," for example, have been given tasks involving Burger King, Home Depot and the DVD release of the latest "Star Wars" film, among others.

The Writers Guild of America planned to release a study Monday calling for a code of conduct that would mandate full disclosure of all product integration deals at the beginning of a program so viewers would know they will be "subject to hidden or stealth advertising," according to a news release.

"Just as there is an established right to truth-in-advertising, there should be a similar right to truth-in-programming where advertising is concerned," said Screen Actors Guild President Alan Rosenberg.

The code would also require the issue to be discussed in bargaining with the studios to give actors, writers and directors a voice in how products are woven into the plot.

"We are being told to write the lines that sell this merchandise and to deftly disguise the sale as a story," the study states.

The effort is part of a larger push by the WGA to unionize writers, producers and editors who work on reality TV shows.

Changes

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nate it."

Many students were particularly angered by the report's limited view on acceptable social gatherings — "Whenever alcohol containers are open, the total number of people in one room may not exceed four persons, or two times the number of students assigned to sleep in that suite" — calling it a direct assault on their freedom to assemble.

The night of April 17, more than 1,500 students began a "spontaneous rally which climaxed with fireworks and horns," according to an April 18, 1984 article.

Banners swept campus, draping dorm windows. Dillon threatened secession. Cavanaugh asked the simple question, "Why?"

More than a week after rallies rocked campus — and national media picked up on the story — student body president Rob Bertino and vice president Cathy David took a calmer approach in an April 26, 1984 Observer column.

"It is not so much what was done, but the way in which it was done, that we find disturbing," the two wrote, stressing the need for student input in policy changes.

The report also recommended the ban of hard alcohol.

"Two or three martinis are most liable to lead to alcohol abuse to an 18- or 19-year-old than a beer," Dean of Students David Roemer said in an April 18, 1984 article — a refrain echoed by administrators today.

Other recommendations included bans on dorm room bars and the presence of underage students at hall parties where alcohol was served.

"When I first came here, we were at 'A,' which was totally dry," then-University President Father Theodore Hesburgh said in a May 7, 1984 article. "Then later we went to 'Z,' which was pretty wet. Now we're going to 'M,' which is somewhere in between the two extremes."

"Alcohol is alcohol is alcohol"

Students returned in August 1984 to find the previous spring's proposed alcohol policy revised and finalized.

This time, tailgates came under fire.

"No student, student organization, or residence hall may organize or sponsor 'tailgaters' on campus or on any adjacent fields or parking lots at any time for the purpose of serving alcoholic beverages," the report read.

The originally proposed report had not made such a restriction based on the explanation that "it would be almost impossible to eliminate alcohol at tailgaters on football weekends." But the Board of Trustees found fault with this reasoning.

"When they brought this up, it seemed to make a distinction between alcohol abuse and where it was done," said John Goldrick, then-associate vice president for Residence Life. "And it seemed not to address the final issue — the responsible use of alcohol. It became a matter of legal liability as well as educational liability."

The ban on private parties still stood, although the numeric limit on guests was left to rector discretion. But hard alcohol was back.

"Alcohol is alcohol is alcohol," Goldrick said. "The distinction has not been made in these regulations."

Then-Vice President for Student Affairs Father David Tyson said hard alcohol was acceptable when consumed moderately.

"The primary reason for the change in policy is if the University says that consumption in moderation is allowed then we allow the consumption of alcohol," Tyson said. "I don't want to have policies that are meaningless, or not enforced."

In marked contrast to the previous spring's uprising, student reaction was subdued.

"In my opinion now, we really haven't got a fight," Bertino said. "I think we would be more or less wasting our time."

"We've tried to avoid extremes"

The next significant policy change came in August 1988 along with a new University President — Father Edward Malloy. After a year of review, the Task Force on Whole Health and the Use and Abuse of Alcohol produced a new policy banning alcohol at hall formals.

The policy limited residence halls to one hall formal each semester and set restrictions on funding for the dances — specifically, no University or hall funds, or funds collected from the sale of dance tickets, can be used to purchase alcohol. The hall was also banned from distributing or supplying alcohol in any public or private area.

"I think this is a moderate policy that requires some degree of compromise. It's awfully hard to make everybody happy," Malloy said. "We've tried to avoid extremes and find a middle route."

"Save the SYR"

It was almost 15 years before University alcohol policy changed once more.

On March 19, 2002, Vice President for Student Affairs Father Mark Poorman announced the ban of hard alcohol in residence halls, the end of in-hall "screw-your-roommate" (SYR) dances and the enforcement of the rule that only students of legal age may host tailgates in designated parking lots.

Student government printed thousands of signs reading "We need a voice" and "Save the SYR" for students to hang in windows across campus. Student leaders expressed discontent with the University's system — similar to Bertino and David in 1984.

"The real frustration of executive cabinet was about students having a voice in these decisions," senior class president Peter Rossman said in a March 20, 2002 Observer article. "It could be any big decision, not just alcohol."

And while it wasn't the 2,000 students of 1984, 600 students marched to the Main Building on March 20, 2002.

Wielding "Save Liquor" signs and flaming copies of duLac, the students chanted "We Want a Voice" and rallied around their frustration.

"This is about dorm unity. This is about a hell of a lot more than hard alcohol," said Joe Muto, O'Neill Hall president-elect, in a March 21, 2002 Observer article. "If you want to take my Mardi Gras [O'Neill SYR] away, if you want to take my dorm unity away, then you'll have to pry them out of my cold, dead hands."

Muto added that he refused to be "pushed around by a bunch of celibate, white men."

The ban on in-hall SYRs, a practice steeped in Notre Dame tradition, was particularly controversial.

"The SYRs had just seemed to come out of the blue," Amy O'Connor, Club Coordination Council representative, said in the March 20 article. "To think when my brother comes here, he's not going to get to go to an SYR in his dorm, is something I can't believe."

The rationale behind outlawing in-hall SYRs was linked with that behind banning hard alcohol. With in-dorm dances, too many students could periodically go back up to their rooms and take shots, Farley rector Sister Carrine Etheridge told the South Bend Tribune in October 2002.

> *"I don't want to have policies that are meaningless, or not enforced."*
>
> **David Tyson former Vice President for Student Affairs**

The South Bend Tribune reported on the Notre Dame "drinking game" on May 12, 2002. Fifty ambulances were sent to campus during the 2001-02 academic year to bring inebriated people to Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, the article read.

But after the policy change, that number began to drop — eight people during the first eight weeks of the fall 2002 semester, compared with 25 during the same period the year before, the Tribune reported Oct. 13 2002.

"We realized pretty plainly, pretty clearly after that that we had a problem that needed to be addressed and haven't had anything close to that kind of problem since," Associate Vice President of Student Affairs Bill Kirk said. "It's all about education."

"Suspension or dismissal"

Before 1949, there were no visitors allowed in residence halls without rector permission. The precursor to the University's current parietals policy — which never fails to elicit strong opinions on both sides of the issue — was established in 1949, when the student manual allowed female visitors in private rooms before 9 p.m.

That time moved up to 6 p.m. in 1952, and in 1956, women weren't allowed anywhere on campus after 9 p.m. unless going to or from the Student Center or "any other official place of entertainment," the student manual read.

The 1961 Student Guide included a section entitled "The Student as a Gentleman," which read, "The Notre Dame student clearly sees that it is not fitting to entertain ladies in a men's residence hall. Neither the visitors nor the hall's residents would be at perfect ease."

The University began to gradually open the campus to women in 1967, with a directive allowing women guests in student rooms on occasions announced by the Dean of Students, such as football weekends and Mardi Gras.

In 1969, the Board of Trustees approved a "Hall Life Experiment," quickly followed by changes in 1970 implementing a parietals system allowing women guests in men's rooms until 11 p.m. on weeknights and 2 a.m. on Friday and Saturday nights.

With the coming of 1972 came the official admittance of women to Notre Dame. No longer guests on campus, women were members of the residential community. Parietals were extended until midnight on weeknights.

The gravity of the rule was fully articulated with the 1984 addition of a sentence to duLac: "Overnight parietals violations involve suspension or dismissal."

In 1986, the administration approved a minor change in the parietals policy allowing rectors discretion to extend Sunday night parietals to 12:30 a.m.

"In pretty good shape"

duLac states that the Associate Vice President for Residence Life will make a "best effort" to inform the Campus Life Council — a group composed of adminstrators, faculty, rectors and students that serves as an advisory board to Poorman — of policies under consideration in the next edition of duLac before the group's March meeting.

"[University policy] doesn't change a lot," Kirk said. "It's in pretty good shape. I think the rules accurately and fairly completely state the expectations of the University with regards to behavior."

Kirk said the decision to revise policies originates from meetings between the senior staff of the Office of Student Affairs, which includes himself, Poorman and the other associate and assistant vice presidents.

"If there's some substantive regulation that we need to address or change, we would consider that and pass it to the Office of Residence Life to develop a regulation to that The Office of Residence Life produces an official regulation, which is then presented to the Campus Life Council for feedback," he said.

While change is inevitable, the majority of the rules and regulations outlined in duLac have stood the test of time, largely due to their roots in traditional Notre Dame values and the idea of education. The third article in this series will examine current regulations, rationales and their roots.

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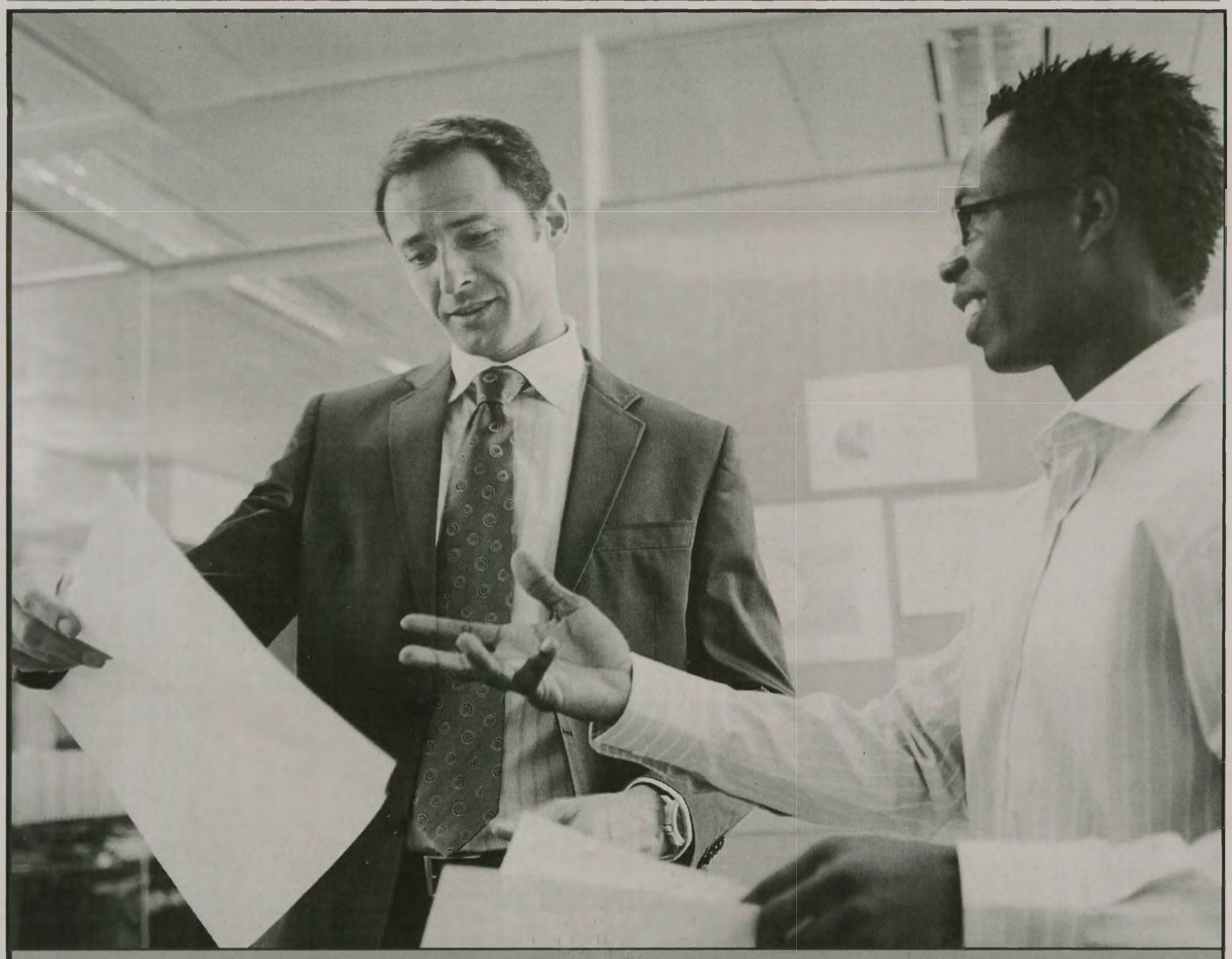

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ENGLAND

'Baby Branson' begins own airline company at age 19

Alpha One Airline flights set to begin Nov. 21, hoped Southhampton connection attracts business commuters

Associated Press

LONDON — The founder of Britain's newest airline is discussing his business vision when a very different image pops into his head — that of his newly hired troop of stewardesses.

At just 19 years old, entrepreneur Martin Halstead may be forgiven for displaying preoccupations more adolescent than corporate.

"They're all very good looking," he said of the onboard staff of Alpha One Airways, which made its debut flight this week between the south of England and the Isle of Man, a tax haven off the southeast coast. "I'm very pleased with the uniforms."

But he is as quick to talk about his very real achievements, seemingly lifted direct from the average teenager's daydreams: He set up his first business at 15, and qualified as a pilot at 18. Now, regular passenger flights on the new airline are due to start Nov. 21.

As the face of the airline, bawdy talk fits neatly with the persona he wants to project. "I see myself as a James Bond type," he said, and added that he hopes to be driving an Aston Martin fairly soon.

If this kind of personality-driven business strategy sounds familiar, it's because Halstead has honed his plans in talks with Richard Branson, chairman — and ubiquitous public relations face — of the Virgin group of companies.

"He's been so fantastic," said Halstead, who was invited on Virgin's inaugural flight to Mumbai after Branson read about him — inevitably earning Halstead the "Baby Branson" tag from the British press.

"Basically, he said the most important thing about how you present your business is in how you present yourself," Halstead said.

The admiration is mutual, with Branson describing Halstead as being "as bright as a button."

But air hostesses and Richard Branson are the glamorous end of the industry. When Halstead resolved to start the business, it was partly to address a more prosaic concern: He was worried about getting a job. He has been a plane fanatic since his first flight at age 6 and quit halfway through his studies for his A-level exams — the British equivalent of the SATs — at D'Overbroecks College in Oxford to train for his pilot license, which he was awarded age 18.

"When I started looking I found that jobs were very hard to come by, and I was chatting with a friend and we kind of joked that I should start up my own airline," he said.

The airline is not his first venture. He's been bringing in cash since he was 15, when he started selling his own computer programs — flight simulators.

Halstead wouldn't say how much he made from the sale of that business a few months ago, but acknowledged it amounted to about two-thirds of startup costs of Alpha One. Living with his mother in their Oxford home also freed up cash. And Mohammed Moinuddin, a Dubai businessman, invested $440,000 after becoming friends with Halstead at Oxford Air Training School.

Though his youth has drawn plenty of welcome publicity, Halstead has insisted that "age is just a number." He points out that he is the youngest of his 26-strong team by a good seven years, but that his board of directors boast years of business and airline experience. He'll be trying to keep them happy by initially flying 2,000 passengers a month.

EuroManx, another Isle of Man airline, flew roughly that number until discontinuing the route about a month ago, citing high charges at Southampton airport.

"I don't want to be the next Richard Branson. I want to be the first Martin Halstead."

Martin Halstead
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Halstead believes EuroManx floundered by flying large planes half-empty; he thinks success lies in flying smaller 19-seat turboprop planes at full capacity.

The airline is starting with just one plane on the Southampton to Isle of Man shuttle. Flights have no meal service, but offer complimentary champagne; tickets can be purchased directly from the airline and through travel agents.

Halstead is banking on interest from business travelers whom he believes will happily fork out from $175 for the 90-minute flight when the alternative is a ferry ride and a couple of train connections that can eat up the best part of a day.

"They're quite simple to please. They're not interested in bells and whistles. All they want is for you to leave on time," he said.

Malcolm Ginsberg, editor of Air and Business Travel News, warned that the success of flights within Britain has so far been limited to main routes such as London to Edinburgh or London to Glasgow.

"Once you get routes that are off the beaten track they become difficult to operate — the public have got used to paying very low fares, and it's not really possible to offer those fares on these sort of flights," Ginsberg said.

"I don't want to knock something when he might make a success out of it, but Isle of Man to Southampton isn't the first route that springs to mind. It's not an impossible one, we'll just have to wait and see."

Halstead said he believes the Southampton connection is attractive to business commuters because it has good links to the island of Jersey, another tax haven.

There are already plans to fly from the Isle of Man to Cardiff and Edinburgh, which are both discontinued routes that Halstead thinks could be successfully resurrected.

Meantime, Halstead's Alpha One still has the folksiness of the typical startup — instead of shots of a gleaming air fleet, the company Web site is dominated by a photograph of a man jumping up and down and flapping his arms. And it turns out Nick, the man who answers the ticket line, is also one of the pilots.

Halstead refuses to be drawn on any long-term goals. But he is clear about one thing: "I don't want to be the next Richard Branson," he said. "I want to be the first Martin Halstead."

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Martin Halstead poses for the launch of his new airline, Alpha One, Monday in Halstead, England. He is believed to be the world's youngest airline entrepreneur at 19, and said his company will travel routes that are too small for larger airlines.

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McCain warns torture policies tarnish American image

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WASHINGTON — Sen. John McCain said Sunday that America's image abroad could be ruined if Congress doesn't ban the torture of prisoners in U.S. custody.

McCain, who was tortured during the Vietnam War, is the leading supporter of a provision banning such inhumane treatment.

White House officials, however, have threatened a presidential veto of any bill with restrictions on handling detainees, saying it would limit the president's ability to protect Americans and prevent a terrorist attack.

"Torture cannot be justified."

John McCain
senator

"If we are viewed as a country that engages in torture ... any possible information we might be able to gain is far counterbalanced by [the negative] effect of public opinion," McCain, R-Ariz., said on CBS' "Face the Nation."

Terrorists are "the quintessence of evil," he said. "But it's not about them; it's about us. This battle we're in is about the things we stand for and believe in and practice. And that is an observance of human rights, no matter how terrible our adversaries may be."

Underscoring his fundamental support for the administration's position on going to war with Iraq, McCain said it is legitimate "to criticize and to disagree and to debate" the administration policy, "but I want to say, I think it's a lie to say that the president lied to the American people" about prewar intelligence on weapons of mass destruction.

The Republican-led Senate has approved McCain's anti-torture provision — an instance of rare defiance of President Bush's wartime authority.

But prospects of the bill clearing the House of Representatives are uncertain. Vice President Dick Cheney has vigorously lobbied Congress to drop or modify the detainee provisions, and wants to exempt the Central Intelligence Agency from the proposed torture ban.

McCain said he hopes to reach a compromise with the White House. But he said that after the discovery of widespread prisoner abuse at the Abu Ghraib facility in Iraq, public opinion about the United States has plummeted worldwide.

"We've got two wars going on: one a military one in Iraq, and then we've got a war for public opinion, for the hearts and minds of all the people in the world," McCain said. "We've got to make sure that we don't torture people."

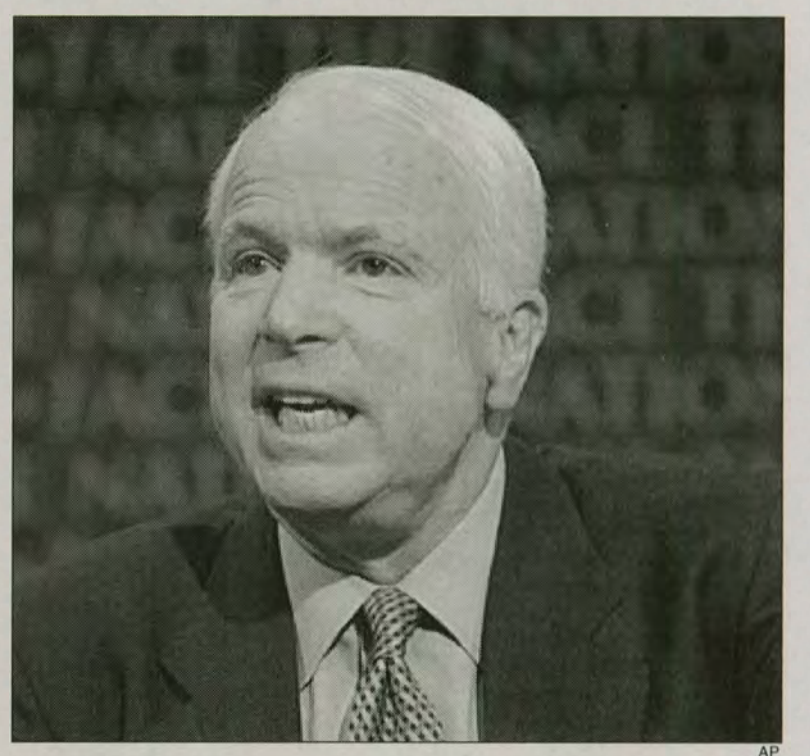
Stephen Hadley, Bush's national security adviser, said on CNN's "Late Edition" that the White House was working with McCain and other lawmakers to "come up with an approach that both allows us to do what we need to do to defend the country against terrorist attack and, at the same time, make good on the president's commitment that we will not torture and we will act within the bounds of law."

Hadley went on to describe a hypothetical situation that imagined one of the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorists had been arrested a few days before the attacks.

"It's a difficult dilemma to know what to do in that circumstance to both discharge our responsibility to protect the American people from terrorist attack and follow the president's guidance of staying within the confines of law," he said. "These are difficult issues."

Democratic Sen. Carl Levin, however, said it's "unthinkable that the vice president of the United States continues to insist upon an exception for the CIA, saying they should not be bound by our torture policy."

"Torture can't be justified," he told CNN.



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Sen. John McCain appears on CBS's "Face the Nation" Sunday to speak out against America's use of torture on prisoners.

Angioplasty becomes outpatient procedure

New approach allows growing number of patients requiring an artery cleansing safe, healthy alternative

Associated Press

DALLAS — It's not as routine as having your teeth cleaned, but a growing number of people are going to hospitals to get their heart arteries unclogged and going home the same day.

New research presented by Canadian researchers Sunday at an American Heart Association conference suggests a new approach to angioplasty makes it safe to send patients home the same day. Complications were no greater for those who went home a few hours afterward than for those who were hospitalized overnight.

"This is the kind of study that's going to turn the trend" and get more doctors to try it, said Dr. Timothy Gardner, a Delaware cardiologist who heads the meeting committee but did not have a role in the research.

Angioplasty is one of the most common medical techniques in the world. About 600,000 are done each year in the United States alone.

Through an artery in the leg near the groin, doctors snake a tube to blockages that are clogging vessels and preventing them from supplying enough blood to the heart. A tiny balloon is inflated to flatten the crud, and a mesh scaffold called a stent is left behind to prop the artery open.

Two kinds of complications can occur: bleeding from the leg incision and reclogging of the heart artery.

"This is the kind of study that's going to turn the trend."

Timothy Gardner
cardiologist

To avoid the first problem, Canadian researchers led by Dr. Olivier Bertrand of Laval Hospital Research Center in Quebec did angioplasty a different way, using an artery in the arm near the wrist instead of one in the leg, which greatly reduced bleeding.

Next, they tested the need to keep patients overnight by giving half the patients in their study a single dose of anti-clotting medication and sending them home 4 to 6 hours afterward. The other half got standard treatment: the single dose plus a 12-hour intravenous one given overnight in the hospital.

Six months later, the rates of major bleeding, heart attacks or need for repeat procedures to treat blockages were nearly identical in the two groups: 30 among the 504 patients given the single drug dose versus 28 in the other 501 patients.

The combination of arm angioplasty and single-dose drug treatment "is extremely safe," Bertrand said.

The study was funded by Eli Lilly and Co., Bristol-Myers Squibb and Sanofi-Aventis, makers of ReoPro, the anti-clotting drug used in the experiment. Bertrand said he had no financial ties to any of the companies.

Outpatient angioplasty is common in France, Japan, Canada, Germany, much of South America and Australia, and is growing in popularity around the United States.

Dr. Elizabeth Nabel, director of the National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute, thinks it's a good trend for people with simple, routine blockages in non-emergency situations.

"It helps reduce costs of unnecessary hospitalization," she said. Lowering hospital costs can offsets the expense of drug-coated stents that in recent years became the standard of care because they cut the chances that an artery will reclog. That risk is now less than 0.1 percent, Nabel said.

But many doctors remain leery of outpatient angioplasty.

"My view is that we're not ready for that," said Dr. Eric Topol, a cardiologist at the Cleveland Clinic.

The arm approach holds a lot of promise, but doctors will be reluctant to learn it because they've all been trained to use the leg artery, Topol said.

The Society of Interventional Radiology's guidelines note that studies so far have found no greater rate of complications, but the group still recommends that angioplasty patients be kept overnight.

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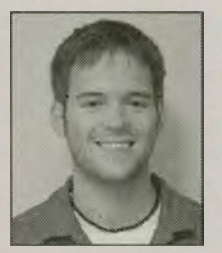

Peter Schroeder

Will Write for Food

It was another Notre Dame-Navy game this past weekend, an affair that these days seems to be as fresh as Grandma's ubiquitous fruitcake. We all know the routine; these two teams face each other, Notre Dame wins, Navy loses, dance a jig, yadda yadda yadda. It's been that way for 42 years now, and Saturday's game was no different. Save a 7-7 tie in the beginning of the game, the Irish had their way with Navy, to the tune of a 42-21 final score. The weather was beautiful, the team looked great, and the home crowd at Notre Dame Stadium had plenty to cheer about on Saturday.

However, the most impressive event in that stadium was when 80,795 people did no cheering at all. No yelling, no talking, not even an odd sneeze. Dead silence. That's what the Navy band received at the end of the game while they played their alma mater.

Well, it wasn't entirely silent where I was standing for the game. Just a few rows behind me, a couple Knievelesque Navy fans had made it into the student section with the help of some erroneous ticket booklets and a Notre Dame senior. And while Navy played their alma mater, one of their fans sang along. An opposing student, singing his alma mater in our student section. Surely he must have a death wish. But on this day, no jeers, insults, or contentious voices were heard; thousands of opposing fans simply listened as a solitary voice in a crowd of thousands rang out and sang for the Navy Blue and Gold. That silence, that voice and the goose bumps on my arm after it was all said and done is what makes this rivalry special.

It's easy to overlook the annual Notre Dame-Navy game. When one team wins 42 times in a row, there's not a whole lot of drama reserved for the football field. However, this historic match-up goes far beyond anything that could happen between the sidelines. The game is more of a ritual than anything else, an opportunity for each team to show their respect for the other. Notre Dame is forever grateful to Navy for supporting the University through tough times during World War II, and the Irish pay back the Middies by playing them year in, and year out. It's our way of saying "thanks" for something done half a century ago, and playing the game is all that matters, not who wins or loses. Of course, that's easy to say when you're on the winning end of 42 years of games, but I digress.

Remember when we were looking for a football coach, seemingly eons ago? One of the things that is always listed in the job requirements is a guy who gets Notre Dame. He has to get "it." Notre Dame may not be able to describe in words what "it" is, but the coach has got to have "it." If people weren't convinced yet, the end of Saturday's game proved Charlie Weis has "it" coming out of his ears. After convincingly crushing the opponent, Charlie led the team over to Navy's corner of the field to sing their alma mater. Just minutes before, these two teams walked on that grass as dire enemies, but now they walked across as one. Hopefully next year Charlie can show Michigan State how a real team celebrates a victory.

With no time left on the clock and the outcome decided, this respectful gesture wasn't about Navy's football team; it was about Navy. It was a sobering reminder that what we just poured all of our energy into was just a game. Many times that's easy to forget at Notre Dame, where football lies in the hierarchy of priorities somewhere between inhaling and exhaling. While we can spend countless hours worrying about Sagarin rankings, passing efficiency, and Mark May, Navy has bigger fish to fry. We may claim that we must protect this house, but Navy must protect something way bigger.

Sure, the last time Navy beat us, the twinkles in our parents' eyes weren't even us, but rather a Barbie Doll or a G.I. Joe. And sure, with Charlie at the helm, a loss to Navy doesn't seem forthcoming in the near future. Lee Corso will never come to a Notre Dame-Navy game. Nonetheless, I know I'll be looking forward to this matchup for years to come. I'll look forward to being able to cheer for everybody, clap for both fight songs, and enjoy a game for what it is, a game. Thank you, Notre Dame football players, for showing respect to an opponent who rightfully deserves it. Thank you, Charlie, for leading the team in that gesture. But most of all, thank you, Navy, for nothing football-related whatsoever.

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"One of the strongest characteristics of genius is the power of lighting its own fire."

John Watson Foster
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Americans lack literary enrichment

Arcadiy Kantor
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America has a problem, and we, as college students, are one of the leading contributors to it.

According to a study conducted in 2002 by the National Endowment for the Arts ("Reading at risk: a survey of literary reading in America," available online at www.arts.gov), only 46.7 percent of the adult U.S. population reads literature. The study asked more than 17,000 individuals whether they had read any novels, short stories, plays or poetry in their leisure time over the past 12 months. More than half of the surveyed population answered no.

When I first read these results a year ago my jaw literally dropped. Less than half of the American population is taking the time to read for pleasure? Sell your Barnes & Noble stock ladies and gentlemen, the country is headed straight to hell!

The population of readers in the U.S. dropped by more than seven percent between 1992 and 2002. Total book reading (56.6 percent of the population had read any book at all in the 12 months prior to the study) is also declining, although at a slower rate.

I've seen the truth of the study in my own conversations. More and more of my peers say they wouldn't think of picking up a book for entertainment, preferring the mindless diversions of television and movies.

And then, of course, there is the Internet. I'm a Computer Science major, so I would consider myself a rather large fan of the Web — bordering on addict, in fact. But the Internet is a vast repository of content, and what you do with it determines the benefit you gain from it. Thanks to sites like Project Gutenberg (www.gutenberg.org) and the Baen Free Library (www.baen.com/library/), you can even read full-length books online.

But most people who spend their free time online do so chatting or browsing utterly pointless sites like Myspace or eBaum's World. That doesn't do anything positive for anyone.

Even more disturbing than the general trend, however, is the decrease among adults 18-24 years old-college students, in other words. Only 42.8 percent of people in this age group read literary works, and the drop since 1982 is a whopping 28 percent compared to only 18 percent for the total population.

That's not just sad, in my opinion, it's nearly jump-off-a-bridge-in-a-final-blaze-of-glory depressing. Why aren't we reading?

There are two answers I hear most frequently from my peers. The first and more unfortunate of the two is that many people simply have no interest in books these days. Perhaps they're engrossed in Desperate Housewives, or maybe they are too obsessed with Soul Calibur 3, but the point is that fewer and fewer people look on books as a viable entertainment medium.

It seems that for students, imagination is but a relic of the past. This is unfortunate, because reading has a wide array of benefits. If there's one thing many engineers are accused of, it's their inability to write coherently (a very legitimate accusation, as anyone who's ever had to drudge through a scholarly paper in engineering knows). The first and most important step in learning to write well is to read, read and read some more.

If becoming a better communicator is not enough justification for becoming a reader, other attractions abound. Keeping a novel handy assures you have available entertainment in the dentist's lobby, during an airplane flight or any time you just have 15 minutes to kill.

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Furthermore, books are the single most affordable entertainment medium, particularly in terms of hours of enjoyment per dollar. Just think about it: a movie that is two hours long can cost $20 or more to buy on DVD. A video game that may take 30 hours to beat will run about $50. A novel, on the other hand, can provide anywhere from five to 50 hours of entertainment and is most likely available in a paperback edition that won't break seven bucks. And if you want to try before you buy, books are still superior; the Blockbuster of novels, your public library, has the additional advantage of renting its materials out for free.

Fortunately for those of us who would like to see books return to prominence, the other impediment to people's reading can be removed. Many college students who would otherwise read a novel or 20 say they simply don't have time to read during school. The keys to this problem are in the hands of professors and administrators.

Professors should go out of their way to encourage students to read books that are pertinent to the subject of their classes. Wouldn't both parties benefit if a student could read a quality novel that relates to issues covered within the class? The professor could possibly pique another person's interest in his or her field, and the student gains a deeper understanding of the class by seeing it from another perspective.

In fact, I think this is such a great idea that I will impart upon any professors who happen to read this a simple three-step program for encouraging students to read:

1. Include a list of pertinent books interested students can read on your syllabus.
2. Provide incentives for students who read these novels, such as extra credit for writing a paper on the subject.
3. Try to actually give your students time to read by not overloading them with homework, projects or papers every week.

Maybe I'm being idealistic, but I think these three steps would go rather far in getting books to students and would not even be that difficult to implement. The administration could also help professors get the ball rolling by providing opportunities to read and discuss novels that relate to their disciplines.

And while we're at it, dear administrators, could we please get more than the token 15 novels in our library?

All of this is nice to think about, but unfortunately I cannot realistically expect my suggestions to be implemented in my time here, if ever. As such, beating back the encroaching approach of illiteracy is up to the students. If you're reading this editorial, clearly you're capable of managing a novel as well. So take the time to read a book or three this semester, as well as the next one and the one after that. If we all do, maybe in 2012, when the study is likely to be conducted again, we can reverse the drops and show the world that America is still a literate nation.

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Capitalism creates, oppresses lower class

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Any capitalist culture will produce and rely upon a distinct class structure. Karl Marx' philosophy of social science proves the upper class needs a large lower class in order to maintain power in a capitalist society.

America's largest corporation, Wal-Mart Stores, Inc., provides a simple example for discussing capitalism and class structure.

Opponents of corporate America quickly point out a statistic Wal-Mart publicly recognizes: A single parent working full-time at a Wal-Mart store inevitably finds his or her family living below the poverty line.

However, on average, Wal-Mart offers better benefits and starting pay to employees than most other retail chains, despite failing to match most independent grocers in average employee wages.

Last week independent researcher Global Insight concluded Wal-Mart has a "net positive impact" on communities in the form of job creation, retail savings and real wages.

Still, a "net positive impact" is not enough to justify the cycle corporate Wal-Mart represents for lower-class America.

The cycle, emerging in the past 50 years through retail and fast-food growth and capitalist social systems, goes like this:

An uneducated member of the lower class has no opportunities available to them except for a job at the local Burger King or Wal-Mart. Because of the initial minimum-wage salary, the subject also must shop at Wal-Mart in order to maintain a bearable lifestyle.

If the subject decides to marry and start a family, an already low income must now provide for additional mouths, making it exponentially difficult to provide for each new child.

According to the National Center for Health Statistics, more than 50 percent of marriages end in divorce (2003). Thus, our subject may find himself raising one or more children on Wal-Mart's 2003 average annual cashier salary of $11,948. This is $1,000 below the poverty level if the parent has only one child.

The average American cannot break out of this pattern of self-perpetuating capitalism, while our flawed social systems provide nothing more than incentives for corporate growth.

In this position, the subject relies on public education, subsidized lunch programs and Medicare — the second cycle of capitalist class oppression.

The American system is not pure capitalism, but rather a free market economy augmented by social systems run by the government for general prosperity.

Franklin D. Roosevelt's New Deal programs of the Great Depression era sought to aid the lower class struggle against capitalism.

However, this confusion of capitalism and socialism provides the perfect blanket for corporate exploitation.

If individuals cannot afford private health care, they are largely guaranteed assistance from the state. This makes health care a closed system. Our subject cannot afford health care, so the government pays the child's doctor bills.

As long as the government is paying the bills, the health care provider can increase its costs and be assured of payment. By increasing costs, it further eliminates the possibility of the lower-class parent earning enough money to move to a private health care provider.

This cycle is paralleled by trends in public education, retirement savings and welfare, while forcing an increase in taxation. Tax increases further suppress our subject, as trends over the past 20 years invariably favor the upper class.

The average American cannot break out of this pattern of self-perpetuating capitalism, while our flawed social systems provide nothing more than incentives for corporate growth.

In a capitalist system the power ultimately belongs to the consumer. This means the only way Wal-Mart can undercut competition with lower prices is by increasing sales volume and making up the difference in price.

To do so, Wal-Mart finds the highest price that is still lower than the competition, and the lowest wage that is higher than other retailers, and creates a mediocre median for the lower classes to dwell in perpetually.

Marxism claims the only chance for the lower class to rise from its station comes through a self-motivated mass education. In modern context, this may be stated as a mass awareness of the system.

If the American proletariat wants to see an improvement in his or her station, we must choose to avoid convenience for the sake of greater societal issues. Too often the road of convenience is used to make life bearable, instead instigating change through the system's flaws.

We can choose to follow the pattern of the past decade and watch our country's wealth flow toward the disproportionately small number of Americans in the upper class, while the masses placate themselves with 60-hour workweeks and TV dinners.

Or we can face this issue head-on, working to eliminate the growing gap between American social classes. The choice belongs to us, our society and how we deal with the capitalist system.

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SCENE & HEARD

Save today's youth from the radio

Mary Squillace

Scene Writer

When the clock struck midnight on Jan. 1, 2000, we didn't all spontaneously combust, and our computers didn't start spewing out death threats in binomial code. Nobody was raptured up to the North Star to live with Elvis, and it turned out there was no need to seek shelter among the cans of Hormel Chili stored in the basement. The lights didn't as much as flicker. But as the '90s expired and we entered the new millennium, something catastrophic did happen.

Popular music, as we knew and loved it, died.

While it's difficult to imagine a time when music thrived in the absence of iPods, the 1990s supplied us with a veritable buffet of delectably catchy and memorable songs across genres. More importantly, the radio was an audio beacon of wisdom and solace for our generation, leading us out of childhood and safely into adolescence one hit song after another.

Upon first glance, the 1990s may seem like a wasteland for one-hit-wonders or a decade-long sugar high, fueled by the likes of Ace of Base and New Kids on the Block. And while it's partially true — the '90s remain unmatched in their selection of upbeat pop and dance tunes — they stand for a time when the problems of the world fell away to beguiling beats and lighthearted, ambiguous lyrics.

The music of the decade was riddled with enigmatic song premises and even made-up words. We may never understand why Whitetown (seemingly made up of a group of men) could never be "Your Woman" (and why they would want to be), or whether Ace of Base means that "All That She Wants" is another baby literally or figuratively. Likewise, we will probably never grasp the etymology behind phrases like "Tubthumping," "Blu Da Ba Dee" and "Mmm Bop." However, in spite of how cheesy and nonsensical these lyrics are, their inherent catchiness has immortalized songs like these.

When it comes to boy bands and teen queens, the '90s represent an age of innocence. Reputations untarnished by rehab stints or relationships with notorious party girls, members of boy bands wore their matching ensembles like pristine boy-scout uniforms. Likewise, Britney and Christina were as pure and virginal as if they had shimmied right out of the womb and onto MTV. Little has to be said for what has become of these stars today.

However, the effects of the fluffy and bright mainstream pop and dance music were kept in check by the gritty sounds of alternative bands like Nirvana, Bush, Pearl Jam and the Smashing Pumpkins. With their torn jeans, greasy hair and, most of all, true musical talent, these artists provided us an outlet for our pent-up pre-teen angst.

Today, mall-punk bands try to tap into the same audience with their whiny lyrics and facial piercings and with insufficient musical fortitude. Within the Rock-Alternative genre, bands such as Nickleback and Three Doors Down continue to rasp different lyrics over the same tired song and as a result, still receive airplay that is inversely proportional to the amount of talent they possess. It's no wonder kids these days struggle to express themselves.

Similarly, music today seriously lacks a strong female presence, unlike the '90s. In our day, Alanis ruled as the queen of righteous rage, whereas today's youth is left with Avril Lavigne and Ashlee Simpson, who have tried to take on the world with little more than a big fat stick of black eyeliner.

Though her recent efforts with "Hollaback Girl" ensure that she will either make the varsity cheerleading squad or win a first grade spelling bee, Gwen Stefani's latest hits leave something to be desired with her original fan base.

While she and Garbage's Shirley Manson once established credibility with their fierce lead vocals, today the Black-Eyed Peas' Sarah Ferguson inspires by singing about her "lovely lady lumps." How empowering.

In addition to experiencing a musically-mediated catharsis of frustration and anger via alternative artists of the 1990s, kids today may actually be completely devoid of emotion.

Boyz II Men stood alone in their ability to endow meaning to middle school romances and sweaty-palmed slow dances across the entire country. In fact, it's difficult to fathom how 13-year-olds today will ever learn to love sans the Mo-Town Philly foursome. What's more, ten years ago, tunes by Mariah, Whitney, and Phil Collins were readily available to the average smitten 16 year old via mainstream radio, whereas today such ballads can only be safely enjoyed secretly, usually after dark on adult contemporary specialty shows. Not that any of us would know about that.

And of course, no exploration of the '90s would be complete without mentioning the force of the 1990s dance craze.

Together, we put our hands to our hips and dipped, took a walk with Will Smith and the Men in Black and of course, did the Macarena. Under the power of the Macarena, we united not only in our synchronized pelvic thrusts, but eventually in our mutual hatred for the song that played nearly every hour, on the hour. Regardless, no song in the 21st century has had even close to the effect of the god awful, but strangely addictive, Macarena.

Quality music exists today, but it's certainly not readily accessible over the radio. In fact, it's often couched within the folds of music-sharing sites. And, while a rich array of indie artists satisfy the musical appetites of co-eds, think about how many years Tammy Twelve-Year-Old will inevitably spend in therapy after coming of age to the tune of Death Cab for Cutie's "Tiny Vessels" — that kind of music will only put the "emo" into her lifelong emotional baggage.

Then again, maybe what makes the music of the '90s so good is that it is inextricably nestled among memories of playing pogs under the bleachers at recess, passing notes in Language Arts class and that post-first date awkward embrace (shared while Mom and Dad waited in the van, of course).

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CONCERT REVIEW

Ted Leo rock

Indie rock hero returns to alma mat

By JOE LATTAL
Scene Writer

The last time Ted Leo played at the LaFortune Ballroom, he lived in Stanford Hall, he was with a band called Chisel and the calendar read 1990.

Saying that his return Saturday night as part of WVFI's Quadrock show was historic is an understatement. The indie rock superhero and Notre Dame graduate (Class of 1994) entertained a sold-out crowd with a mix of original songs and covers in an electrifying 90-minute set.

Leo took the stage with bassist Dave Lerner and drummer Chris Wilson just before 10 p.m. in front of more than 200 students down the hall from WVFI, the student-run radio station that sponsored the show and where Leo was a program manager when he was a student in the early '90s.

Leo opened the set with "My Vien Ilin" from his 2001 album, "Tyranny of Distance." The song began with Leo's smooth and accurate voice over rapidly changing power chords and finished with Wilson and Lerner joining in to repeat the main instrumental theme. Fans erupted in applause and cheers. Leo leapt towards the microphone and said a quick "thanks," as he did after every single song he played.

He immediately went into the frantic guitar introduction of "Little Dawn" from his most recent album, 2004's "Shake the Sheets." The audience clapped along to the extended introduction that led to dramatic, ringing chords of the first verse. The song ended with a repetitive sequence in which he replayed the introduction and whispered "it's all right" more than 100 times over the music while Lerner and Wilson jammed on bass and drums.

There was a scary moment when Leo turned away from the audience to cough twice before he started the next song. The crowd sighed collectively, possibly nervous about how much his voice could take before giving out.

Leo reported earlier in the day that h had been sick and actually cancelled formal interview, but he was still we enough to play the show. He kept th crowd involved and comfortable b telling jokes about U2 frontman Bon and encouraging the audience to talk t him as he re-tuned.

Despite the coughing here and ther between a few songs during the se there was no noticeable damage o weakness in his voice as he continue singing for another hour.

He continued the set with a new song "Sons of Cain," and the recognizable "M and Mia" before playing one of hi biggest hits to date, "Where Have All the Rude Boys Gone?" from his 2003 album, "Hearts of Oak." Leo swung his head side to side violently to the music, singing some of his most unforgettable lyrics:

"Gangsters and clown with a stereotyped sound / It's coming like a ghost town ... ooh it's easy to see / we could dance to be free / to that two-tone beat / but it looks like it's gone."

Leo went into "The High Party," one of his more unusual and popular songs. As he hit the high notes of the chorus, his eyebrows went up and his eyelids went down with his head swiveling back and forth on his neck. A bearded and khaki-clad Wilson whipped drumsticks through cymbals as though they weren't even there. Lerner remained mostly still throughout the evening with the bass guitar around his neck, sometimes pedaling forward and backward to the beat in a sweater and a mop of curly hair.

Leo played nine more songs in the main set, a mix of material from all three of his most recent releases. He wrapped it up with the upbeat title track from "Shake the Sheets," a political anthem with an elegant and dramatic deceleration at its finale.

The band left the stage to prolonged cheering, and Leo returned by himself about three minutes later to begin one of the most unordinary encores from a

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Bassist Dave Lerner rocks out during Saturday's concert. He and drummer Chris Wilson backed Ted Leo on a variety of tracks, including new material and covers.

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Sto-ed away

Stovall's three touchdowns and the Irish defense keep Midshipmen docked

By HEATHER VAN HOEGARDEN
Sports Writer

Brady Quinn threw for four touchdowns, broke Notre Dame's single-season passing record, led the No. 7 Irish to a 42-21 victory over Navy and still wasn't happy.

"I should have done better, whether it be mental mistakes or physical things, there's still lots of room for improvement," he said. "I was unhappy with the way I performed."

The junior quarterback led a balanced Notre Dame attack that earned 505 total yards of offense en route to the Irish's NCAA record 42nd straight victory over the Midshipmen. Notre Dame passed for 284 yards and ran for 221, including 118 from Darius Walker, his first 100-yard game since he started the season with four straight. The Irish offensive line did not give up a sack.

"I think this team is light-years better offensively than they have been in past years," Navy head coach Paul Johnson said of the Irish. "Some of the other teams may have been better defensively. Each year they are different."

The Irish jumped to an early lead after Quinn hit Maurice Stovall in the end zone for a 31-yard score on the first drive of the game. But Navy responded with a drive of its own. The Midshipmen went 68 yards in 16 plays on the drive, taking up 7:45 and tying the game on a nine-yard scamper by Adam Ballard.

With 5:29 to play in the half, Irish running back Travis Thomas scored from 12 yards out to put Notre Dame ahead 14-7 after a 71-yard drive.

Navy got the ball at its own 30 after the kickoff, and was driving down the field. But one play after converting on third-and-7, quarterback Lamar Owens fumbled the option pitch to Ballard. Linebacker Corey Mays recovered for the Irish, and Notre Dame didn't look back.

Notre Dame got the ball at Navy's 49-yard line and three plays later the Irish were in the end zone. Walker danced in from 13 yards out to put Notre Dame up 21-7 with 2:08 to play in the half.

"Basically, they were doing what they wanted," Johnson said.

Navy was then forced to punt and Notre Dame got the ball back with 1:35 to play in the half. Quinn then hit Anthony Fasano twice — once for 30 yards, and another for an eight-yard touchdown to put the Irish ahead 28-7 at the half.

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Irish wide receiver Maurice Stovall grabs the third of his three touchdown catches in a 42-21 Notre Dame win over Navy at Notre Dame Stadium Saturday. Stovall has nine touchdowns on the season.

Navy came out firing in the second half, driving 80 yards for its second score of the game. Owens ran it in from one yard out to make it 28-14.

"I think that the first drive of the first half and the first drive of the second half were the two high points/low points, depending on perspective," Weis said. "I think that our defense, in both cases, settled down after those drives."

Notre Dame's defense got back to form, and the offense kept putting up points. Quinn hit Stovall for a 16-yard completion and safety Tom Zbikowski intercepted an Owens pass at the Notre Dame 12-yard line with the Irish up 35-14 to ensure the victory over a tough Navy team.

"They run what they run with perfection," Irish defensive lineman Derek Landri said. "We played hard and we played well and if you don't do that in this game, then you will be the victim of them putting up a lot of points."

Stovall finished with 130 yards receiving on eight catches, including three touchdowns. Quinn was 22-for-31 and before his interception in the fourth quarter had completed a school-record 130 passes in a row without an interception.

"We had trouble getting pressure on the quarterback, and if you've got gifted receivers like they do and a great supporting cast, [Quinn] is going to light you up," Johnson said. "And he did."

Navy finished with 239 yards on the ground, and had the ball for 31:35 to Notre Dame's 28:35. The Irish kept the time of possession, which normally works in Navy's favor, to a minimal advantage.

"They control the clock," Stovall said. "We knew every time we touched the ball we would have to score, and we sort of did that today. We didn't score [on] every possession, but [we scored on] the majority."

With the loss, the Midshipmen still have to win one game to become bowl-eligible and the Irish kept their BCS bowl hopes alive. But for the Midshipmen, the experience of playing the Irish is one to remember regardless of the results.

"All our guys look forward to this game, in essence, because it's a totally different kind of [opponent]," Johnson said. "We have a lot of guys who aren't recruited who come to Navy to have a chance to play Division-I football. And it's a chance for them to match up against guys who were Parade High School All-Americans and the guys who were more highly recruited and sought after. I'm sure a lot of them grow up thinking they can play at Notre Dame."

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player of the game

Brady Quinn

Notre Dame's quarterback threw four touchdown passes, broke more records and countered Navy's offense with a balanced, clock-controlling attack

stat of the game

221

Number of Irish rushing yards on 39 carries; good for a 5.7-yard average and 81.4 yards more than Notre Dame's previous average

play of the game

Corey Mays' fumble recovery

The senior linebacker pounced on a fumbled option pitch and set up a second-quarter Irish touchdown drive that broke the game open to a 21-7 Notre Dame lead.

quote of the game

"We knew coming in that they were a good offensive football team. I saw nothing today to change my mind."

Paul Johnson
Navy head coach

report card

B+ **quarterbacks:** Despite throwing four touchdown passes and directing a balanced offense, Quinn threw an interception and missed a few open receivers late.

B+ **running backs:** Walker, Thomas and Schwapp combined to for a solid Irish rushing performances. The backs made things easier on Quinn with a 5.7 yards-per-carry average.

A **receivers:** Fasano opened the field for Quinn, and Samardzija and Stovall posed obvious mismatches for Navy's smaller cornerbacks. Whenever the run game stalled, the pass still worked.

A **offensive line:** Quite simply, Navy coach Paul Johnson said the line's protection of Quinn was the defining factor in Notre Dame's offensive success on Saturday against a smaller defense.

B **defensive line:** Landri, Laws and Beidatsch stopped up the interior runs well, but Notre Dame's defensive ends did not deter the Midshipmen option attack from bouncing outside.

A **linebackers:** Mays had a team-leading 14 tackles, Hoyte had nine and Crum, Jr. had seven. The linebackers held their own, and Mays' second-quarter fumble recovery was a major turning point.

B **defensive backs:** Zbikowski had an interception. Navy only threw the ball 10 times, but the strong safety and Ndukwe still let receivers get behind them on deep routes.

B- **special teams:** David Bruton made two big hits on returns. D.J. Fitzpatrick had solid distance on his kickoffs. But sloppy returns, coverage and snaps had Weis frustrated Sunday.

A- **coaching:** Weis stayed on his players all week to prevent a letdown Saturday. He countered Navy's rushing attack with one of his own to win his third straight game at Notre Dame Stadium.

3.44 **overall:** Notre Dame did not play perfectly, but the game was never in doubt after Mays' recovery. The Irish did not underestimate Navy despite being heavily favored.

adding up the numbers

5 Penalties committed by Notre Dame (four) and Navy (one) combined in Saturday's game.

0 Irish punt attempts Saturday. In nine possessions, Notre Dame scored six touchdowns, threw one interception, turned over once on downs and ended the game with the ball.

3 Maurice Stovall touchdown catches Saturday. He has nine on the season, second only to Jeff Samardzija (12).

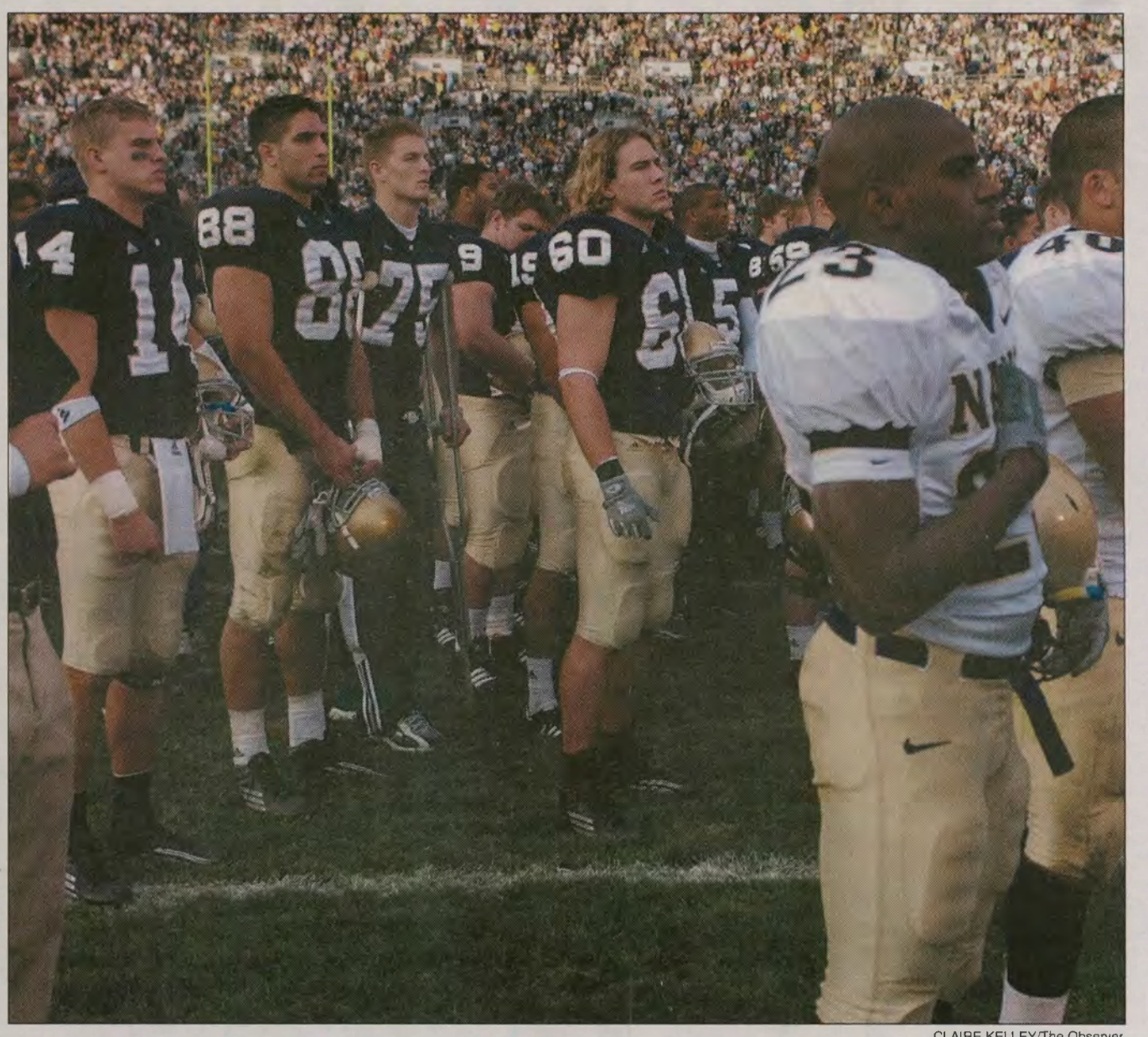
27:5 Brady Quinn's touchdown-to-interception ratio after throwing four and one, respectively, against the Midshipmen.

8 Notre Dame third-down conversions in 12 attempts. The Irish were 1-for-2 on fourth-down conversions in the contest.

44 Approximate yards below average that Navy gained against Notre Dame rushing Saturday. Navy gained 239 and previously averaged 282.6.

2002 The last season Notre Dame had seven wins.

6/7 Notre Dame's rankings in the updated AP and Coaches polls, respectively. Virginia Tech is No. 6 in the Coaches by three points.



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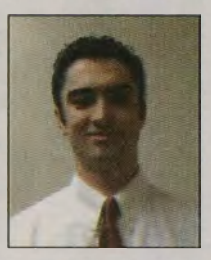
From left, David Wolke (14), Anthony Fasano (88), Chris Frome (crutches, 75), Casey Cullen (60) and the Irish joined Navy players and fans following the game in honoring the Midshipmen and their alma mater.

Weis controls, molds his team



Pat Leonard

Sports Writer

This past Wednesday, a few coaches and defensive players entered the Guglielmino Center's auditorium for weekly interviews. It was all part of the routine, as it had been set up to be, but with one small change.

The players found seats almost as quickly as they had entered the room. A few, including tackles Derek Landri and Brian Beidatsch, appeared visibly more drained than after a normal practice. Both players admitted fatigue.

And the point was hammered home after Saturday's game — coach Charlie Weis worked his team into the ground, all week, for a game against Navy. The Irish were favored heavily going into the contest. Weis didn't care.

Most likely the last thing Landri or Beidatsch wanted to do after a grueling Wednesday practice was put on a green polo shirt and sit in an auditorium for 25 minutes. Weis doesn't care.

But Weis does care about honoring his opponent's alma mater. He does care about doing the right thing and respecting an Academy, about loving his family — about all of the things he should care about.

And more so than ever on Saturday, the Notre Dame football team showed it has become a mirror image of its first-year coach with only one exception: Weis never admits to being tired.

Notre Dame dominated Navy on the field and stood together with them afterwards. Forty-two points is not running up the score, but it leaves no room for doubt, either. And that has become the pattern Weis demands of his team — be courteous, be respectful, now go out there and …

From all accounts, including Weis' own, the next comments aren't for everyone's ears.

"I might have had a couple of choice words somewhere in the pre-game when we got in the locker room to encourage them to come out fairly hyped," he said with a smirk on Saturday.

He used the word "encourage" almost sarcastically, as if to imply how harsh he can actually be. Then he explained his game week preparation tactics further, calling to memory his pre-season promise of a "nasty" football team.

"You never let [your players] think that you're happy, because if they think that you're happy then they start to loosen up a little bit," Weis said. "You just stay on them, you just keep your foot on their throat the whole time. It was not a good week for them."

As of Saturday at 4:19 p.m., Weis was continuing to earn a paycheck and validate a contract extension by remembering the two most important goals of a Notre Dame football team — to win, and to be respectful while doing it.

Is this the same Weis who voluntarily stood straight for the Navy alma mater and made his team do the same?

"He was making his paycheck this week, let's say that," linebacker Corey Mays said.

As of Saturday at 4:19 p.m., Weis was continuing to earn a paycheck and validate a contract extension by remembering the two most important goals of a Notre Dame football team — to win, and to be respectful while doing it.

And from past experience, Weis has learned not only what those goals should be but how he should foster and implement them.

Like New England Patriots head coach Bill Belichick, Weis has assumed complete control of the program and adopted an all-through-me policy, in which any request or question of the football program is approved or rejected by Weis himself.

Like Dallas Cowboys head coach Bill Parcells, Weis is not afraid to tell you how good he is. (Last week, he said quarterback recruits should "get in line" to play for him.)

The brashness of a family man contradicts itself. To most, a throat-stepping football bully clashes directly with a smiling, friendly father.

But push aside the language Weis uses to motivate his team from week to week, and all that remains is a frustrated opposing coach.

"Anytime we didn't score, it was big," Navy coach Paul Johnson said following the game.

Notre Dame's opponents are beginning to realize what is happening with the Irish offense, with the Irish program. And they know they have to play their best to compete, because the Irish will, too.

And with all of the intimidation tactics, whether it be "encouraging" players with unique methods or storming through a tunnel to open a game, Notre Dame under Charlie Weis has begun to create an identity.

Following Saturday's game, Weis began conducting a nationally televised interview when he all of sudden cut an answer abruptly short and trotted with his team to the South end zone. The Navy alma mater played, the Midshipmen singing and mouthing the words softly, and the entire Stadium became still.

"I would have done that whether we won or lost," Weis said afterward. "We were going over there."

That's because Charlie Weis does things the way he knows how and the way he wants. And whatever repercussions that attitude brings in the future — positive or negative — for right now, it's working.

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Running game is back at right time

Darius Walker leads the Irish with 118 yards on the ground, scoring a second-quarter TD

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Notre Dame relied on quarterback Brady Quinn's arm for two consecutive games against Brigham Young and Tennessee. But in Saturday's 42-21 win against Navy, the Irish reestablished a running game that had been quiet in the team's two previous victories.

Darius Walker led the Irish with his fifth 100-yard game of the season, rushing 19 times for 118 yards and a touchdown. Travis Thomas added 58 yards and a touchdown on 11 carries.

"We wanted to play more of a ball control game," Irish coach Charlie Weis said. "You get towards the end of the year and you don't know what the weather is going to be, you just can't count on going out there slinging it on every play. We wanted to try to have some balance out there, to run it a little bit more than we were throwing it and I think we ran it fairly efficiently."

Notre Dame ran the ball 39 times for 221 yards. The Irish time of possession was 28:25 — only the second time all season that an opposing team has controlled the clock against Notre Dame.

Quinn knew it would be important to establish the running game early. Notre Dame needed to keep the ball on offense to make sure its defense was fresh against Navy's option attack.

"We knew that whenever they got the ball they were going to eat up a ton of the clock," Quinn said. "Our defense was going to be out there for a good amount of time. So now when we get our there we need to score and be efficient but also kind of having similar long drives."

These long drives also made the quarterback's life a bit easier. Quinn, who has 27 touchdowns and five interceptions this season, enjoyed watching the running game click.

"Any time you have a balance like that and have the running game going for you, it allows you to relax and sit back and watch Darius and Travis," Quinn said. "It's kind of fun for me."

Much of the success of the Irish running game rests on the shoulders of the offensive line that controlled the undersized Navy line throughout the game.

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Notre Dame running back Darius Walker hops through a hole in the Navy defense Saturday. The Irish gained 221 rushing yards against the Midshipmen.

"We knew we wanted to run the ball because a lot of teams, future opponents, may say they can't run the ball," Irish offensive tackle Ryan Harris said. "We came out today and showed that we can run the ball if the game plan asks for it."

The Irish coaching staff has shown an ability to adapt their offense to the weaknesses of the opposition all season. Because Navy was allowing Notre Dame to run the ball — unlike BYU or Tennessee — the Irish took advantage of it.

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Charlie Weis
Irish coach

The 221 yards rushing were 81 yards better than Notre Dame's 139.6 yards per game season average heading into the game. Thomas spoke about the importance of having a game like this going into the last few games of the season.

"We want to have a two-headed offense, you want to run and you want to pass," Thomas said. "I think anytime we can do both of that, defenses are going to be nervous coming into the game."

The last few games have been productive for Thomas. The junior has moved up on the depth chart to the point where he is now the power running back playing behind Walker.

"Something that I set as a goal for myself this year was to become a key player on offense," Thomas said. "It makes me feel good that I'm doing well and I've made myself a player that the team can count on."

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Quinn continues to break Irish records

Irish quarterback has 53 career passing TDs, passes Powlus

By HEATHER VAN HOEGARDEN
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Friday night at the pep rally, former Notre Dame quarterback Ron Powlus — now the director of player personnel development for the Irish — joked about Brady Quinn breaking his records.

Saturday against Navy, Quinn did just that.

With his four touchdown passes, Quinn moved his career total to 53 touchdowns, one ahead of Powlus. He has 27 touchdowns and five interceptions in his junior season.

"It's something where I'm really not going to focus on and look at it until I'm done here," Quinn said of his records.

Quinn also moved into first place on the single-season passing yardage list, with 2,931, surpassing Jarious Jackson's 1999 record.

"He was kinda quiet today, and he still had four touchdowns," tight end Anthony Fasano said of Quinn. "He continues to do a great job and put us in great situations."

Quinn had time to throw all day, as he was not sacked.

"For the most part he could just stand back there and wait for somebody to come open," Irish head coach Charlie Weis said. "Not every throw was timed ... one time he went off to his fifth receiver. You usually don't have time to get through the whole progression."

Samardzija finally doesn't find the end zone

For the first time this season, Irish wide receiver Jeff Samardzija did not score a touchdown. He was thrown to in the end zone, but the pass was broken up.

Coming into this season, he hadn't caught a touchdown pass, but had at least one in each game this season, good for 12 on the year, until Saturday's game.

He finished with five catches for 42 yards on the day.

Hoskins gets back on the field

Sophomore running back Justin Hoskins saw action on Saturday for the first time since Notre Dame played Purdue on Oct. 1.

He returned one kickoff for 13 yards and carried the ball twice for a loss of one yard.

Gameday captains

Quinn was the offensive captain and Brandon Hoyte was the defensive captain for the Irish, as they have been all year. Tom Zbikowski was the special teams captain, named such during the week after returning a punt and an interception for a touchdown against Tennessee Nov. 5.

Notre Dame won the toss and elected to receive. The Irish then scored on the first possession of the game.

Honoring their opponents

After the game, the Irish went to the Navy side of the Stadium and stood in reverence of the Naval Academy alma mater. Weis said he talked to Navy head coach Paul Johnson before the game and asked if it was all right for Notre Dame to stand as a team as a sign of respect for the Midshipmen.

"That's out of respect for those guys," Weis said. "They stand for a lot more than just college football players."

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scoring summary

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
Navy	7	0	7	7	21
Notre Dame	7	21	7	7	42

First quarter

Notre Dame 7, Navy 0
Maurice Stovall 31-yard reception from Brady Quinn with 10:31 remaining (D.J. Fitzpatrick kick).
Drive: 8 plays, 73 yards, 4:29 elapsed

Notre Dame 7, Navy 7
Adam Ballard 9-yard run with 2:46 remaining (Joey Bullen kick).
Drive: 16 plays, 68 yards, 7:45 elapsed

Second quarter

Notre Dame 14, Navy 7
Travis Thomas 12-yard run with 5:29 remaining (Fitzpatrick kick).
Drive: 10 plays, 71 yards, 3:08 elapsed.

Notre Dame 21, Navy 7
Darius Walker 13-yard run with 2:08 remaining (Fitzpatrick kick).
Drive: 3 plays, 49 yards, 0:21 elapsed.

Notre Dame 28, Navy 7
Anthony Fasano 8-yard pass from Quinn with 0:40 remaining (Fitzpatrick kick).
Drive: 6 plays, 48 yards, 0:55 elapsed.

Third quarter

Notre Dame 28, Navy 14
Lamar Owens 1-yard run with 8:48 remaining (Bullen kick). Drive: 12 plays, 80 yards, 6:12 elapsed

Notre Dame 35, Navy 14
Stovall 16-yard pass from Quinn with 3:33 remaining (Fitzpatrick kick).
Drive: 11 plays, 82 yards, 5:15 elapsed.

Fourth quarter

Notre Dame 42, Navy 14
Stovall 10-yard pass from Quinn with 6:48 remaining (Fitzpatrick Kick). Drive: 11 plays, 57 yards, 4:44 elapsed

Notre Dame 42, Navy 21
Tyree Barnes 17-yard pass from Brian Hampton with 3:33 remaining (Fitzpatrick kick).
Drive: 13 plays, 78 yards, 5:31 elapsed.

statistics

total yards
ND 505
NAVY 314

rushing yards
ND 221
NAVY 239

passing yards
ND 284
NAVY 75

return yards
ND 79
NAVY 159

time of possession
ND 28:25
NAVY 31:35

ND		Navy
39-221	rushes-yards	58-239
22-31-1	comp-att-int	4-10-1
0-0.0	punts-yards	2-38.5
0-0	fumbles-lost	2-1
4-35	penalties-yards	1-4
29	first downs	21

passing

Quinn	22-31-1	Owens	3-7-0

rushing

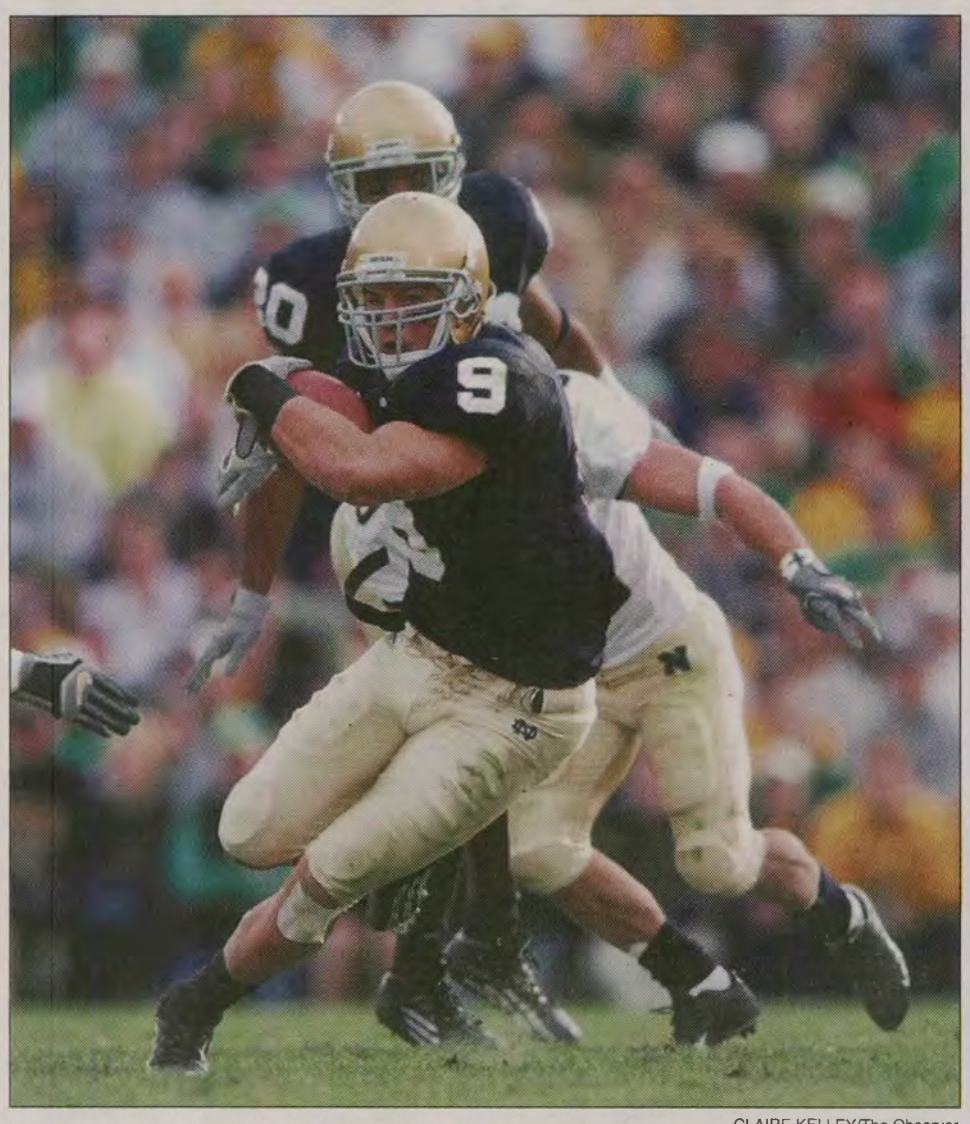
Walker	19-118	Owens	26-62
Thomas, T.	11-58	Whittaker	7-50

receiving

Stovall	8-130	Campbell	1-34
Fasano	4-70	Barnes	1-17
Samardzija	5-42	Yokitis	1-14

tackling

Hoyte	14	Caldwell	14
Crum	9	Biles	11
Landri	7	Little	8
	7	Price	6



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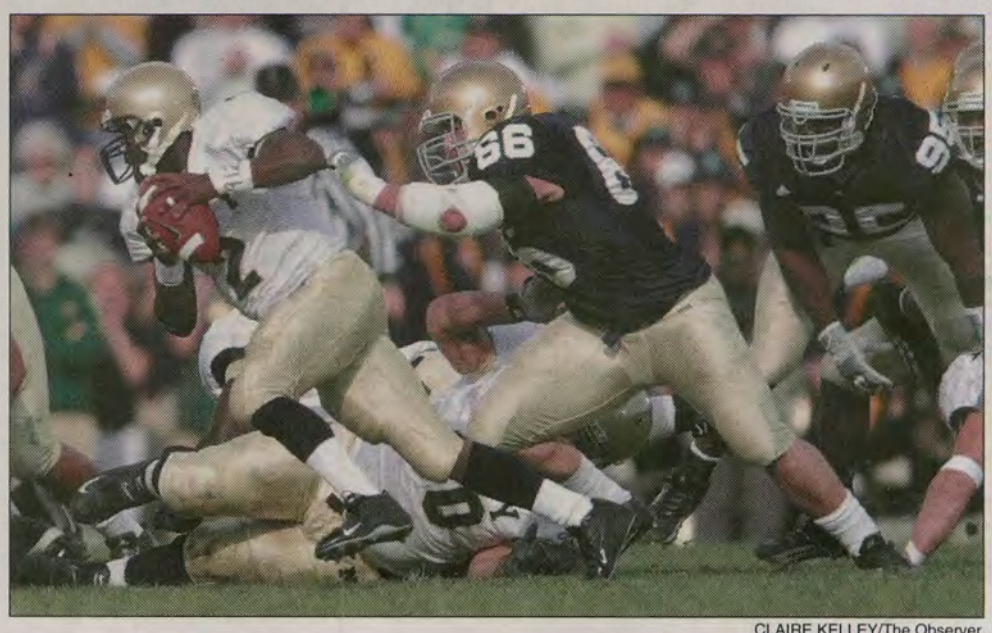

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Navy blues

With BCS implications and a 41-game winning streak against Navy on the line, the Irish defeated the Midshipmen 42-21 thanks to three second-quarter touchdowns. Notre Dame returned to a run-first offense after quarterback Brady Quinn carried the load against BYU and Tennessee, as the Irish rushed the ball 39 times for 221 yards. Darius Walker led the Irish with 19 carries for 118 yards and a touchdown. Travis Thomas had 11 carries for 56 yards and a score. By solidifying the run game, Quinn was able to explode for four touchdown passes — three of which went to Maurice Stovall — and pushed his season total to 27. With the four touchdowns, the Irish quarterback passed Ron Powlus for first place on the career-touchdown passes list at Notre Dame. Stovall finished with eight catches for 130 yards. Navy ran its option offense against Notre Dame, racking up lengthy drives and keeping the time of possession in its favor. The Midshipmen ran 68 total plays, 58 of which were runs. At the end of the game, Notre Dame honored the Naval Academy by walking to their section in the stands and listening to the Navy alma mater.

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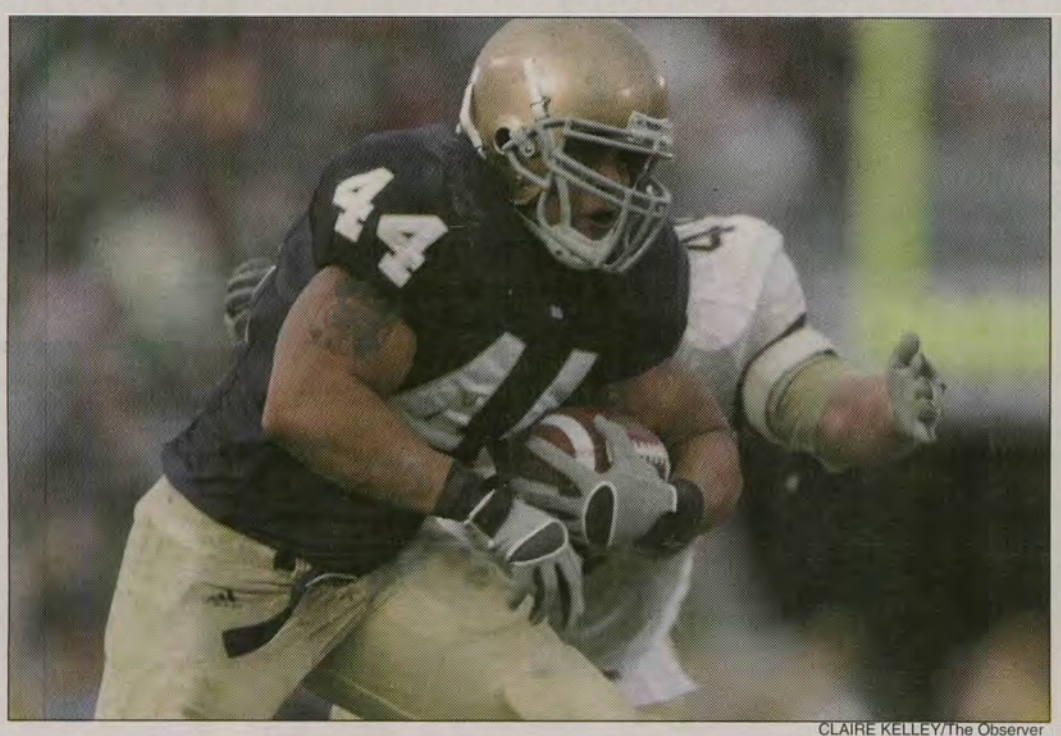

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Top left, Irish safety Tom Zbikowski runs up field. Top right, running back Travis Thomas is tackled. Middle top, Derek Landri pursues Navy quarterback Lamar Owens. Middle bottom, Corey Mays celebrates the victory. Bottom right, Brady Quinn runs out of bounds on the Notre Dame sideline. Bottom left, fullback Asaph Shwapp runs past a defender.

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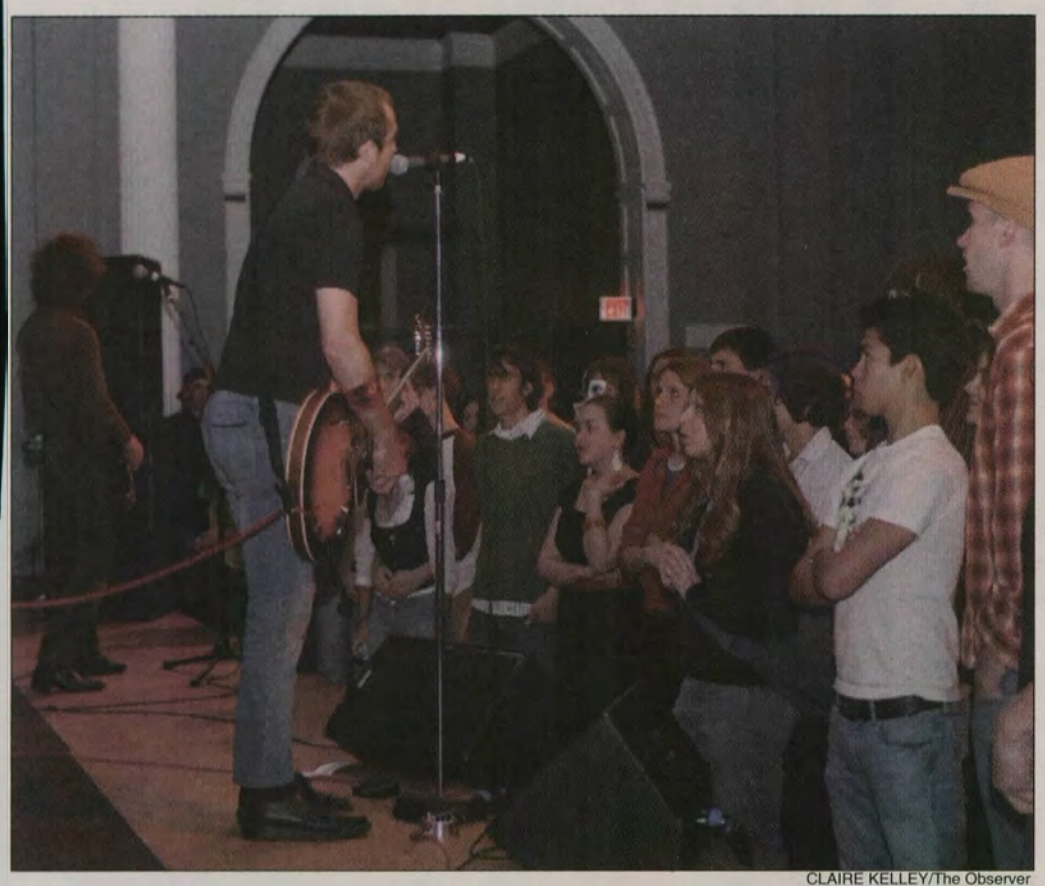

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Ted Leo, a 1994 gradate and former resident of Stanford Hall, returned to Notre Dame on Saturday for Quadrock. Over 200 students attended the sold-out show.

band of their level of prestige. The encore set was four covers by artists from New Zealand to Ireland. The first song was a solo electric rendition of "Dirty Old Town," an Irish folk tune originally by legendary Irish songwriter Ewan MacColl that Leo also performed on his solo EP "Tell Balgeary, Balgury Is Dead."

Lerner and Wilson returned to the stage to assist in a cover of Split Enz's "Six Months in a Leaky Boat," another song featured on "Tell Balgeary, Balgury Is Dead" and also included on another EP titled "Sharkbite Sessions." The band raised the intensity with another cover, Stiff Little Fingers punk masterpiece "Suspect Device," the highlight of "Sharkbite Sessions" and perhaps the most energetic song of the evening.

Leo concluded the show with a soft and dark cover of Richard Thompson's "Beat the Retreat." The melancholy guitar and vocals echoed in the LaFortune Ballroom as the audience stood in silence, realizing that this was the end of a milestone evening.

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The Ted Leo concert opened with the Somersaults, a Notre Dame student band. The group consists of seniors Kevin O'Sullivan, Nathan Origer and Jason Moy.

CONCERT REVIEW

Elegance and fury

Piano virtuoso Krystian Zimerman gives varied, emotional performance that reveals musical talent

By ANALISE LIPARI
Scene Writer

Pianist Krystian Zimerman's performance at the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center Wednesday night featured a fascinating array of elegance and fury in his selected pieces. His concert was a relief for any midweek boredom, showcasing his impressive skill and sophisticated selection of pieces.

Zimerman opened with Beethoven's Sonata in C minor, "Pathétique." The speed and strength of the opening movement grabbed the attention of the audience, and Zimerman's subtle skill as a pianist was apparent in the intricacy of each note.

The first half of the performance continued with "Valses Nobles et Sentimentales" by French composer Maurice Ravel. Here the pace of the concert slowed dramatically, which had a calming effect on the audience. The final piece prior to intermission, "Ballade" by Frederic Chopin, cemented that tone of tranquility.

The Chopin pieces in particular displayed Zimerman's mind-blowing artistry and deftness at playing this most classic of instruments. With each increasingly complex piece, Zimerman's hands flew more and more wildly over the keys of his piano. It was truly remarkable to behold.

The second half of the concert opened with two Mazurkas by Chopin. A Mazurka is a traditional Polish folk dance, and the playing of this type of lesser-known piece was a creative introduction to Zimerman's home culture for the audience. The Mazurkas were less energetic than was probably needed, however, after the tone of the previous two pieces. The continued subdued mood of the concert lost the attention of the audience, and it took the concert's final piece, Chopin's third Sonata, to bring the energy level back up.

The Sonata was, in a word, magnificent. The four separate movements were distinct but thematically connected, and the final moments were dramatic and exhilarating. It was in this final piece that Zimerman's talent exhibited at full force, with increasing speed and intricacy proving no obstacle for the pianist.

"I've played the piano for 11 years, and I have heard a lot of amazing people play, but nothing to compare to Zimerman," freshman Emily Doll said. "What can I not say about him? He was spectacular."

Historically, Zimerman travels with his own piano, and his familiarity with the instrument is apparent in his inherent ability to play. The crisp simplicity of his performance — Zimerman alone with his instrument — lent to the focus of the evening to the music itself.

"[This] allows him to eliminate, or reduce to the absolute minimum, everything that might distract him from purely musical issues," his official biography states.

Regrettably, the average age of the concertgoers was somewhat above that of a typical college student. Perhaps due to the nature of the music selection or the weeknight scheduling of the concert, the absence of a significant number of students was noticeable.

"I think it's a shame that such a world-renowned pianist didn't receive a larger turnout from the student body," freshman Laura Benca said. Attracting students to such "high-art" type concerts is undoubtedly difficult, however, and Zimerman fortunately did not suffer for it during his performance.

An impressive dedication to his craft lends Zimerman to deserved praise, and the four encores he received Wednesday night proved this point apparent.

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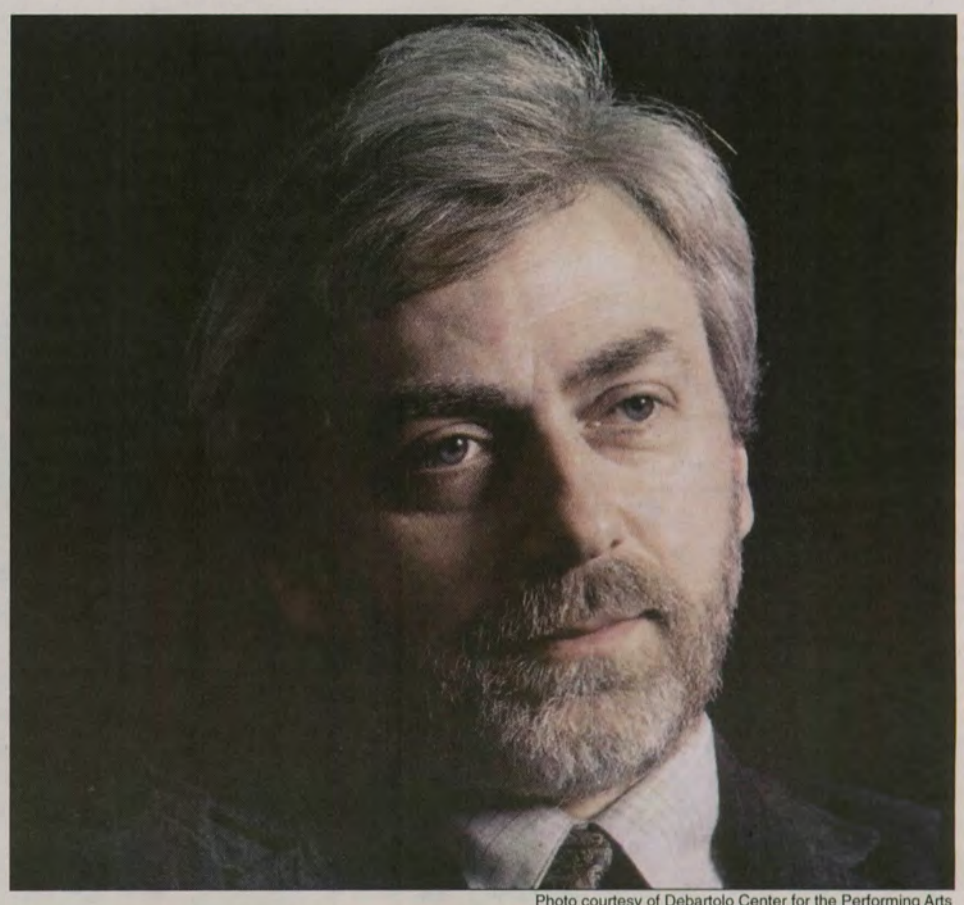

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Krystian Zimerman performed a variety of classical pieces that showcased his musical prowess. He often brings his own piano to concerts for consistency.

NBA

Frye helps Knicks boil Kings, grab first win

Cleveland's James becomes youngest player in league history with 4,000 points

Associated Press

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — Though Larry Brown knew his first win with the New York Knicks would come eventually, he was a bit surprised to pick it up in what used to be one of the NBA's most intimidating road arenas.

Brown won for the first time in six games as New York's coach, with rookie Channing Frye scoring 19 points in a 105-95 win over the floundering Sacramento Kings on Sunday night.

Stephon Marbury had 17 points and seven assists for the Knicks, who jumped to a big early lead and hung on late to halt their worst start in 18 years during Brown's first season in charge of his hometown team.

Historically, Brown hasn't put great trust in young players, but his youthful Knicks might win him over eventually — particularly if they keep playing this way. Frye had 13 points in the first half, and Jamal Crawford and Eddy Curry later added 16 points apiece as New York never trailed while snapping an eight-game losing streak in Sacramento.

Brown ascribed no special significance to the win, but his players knew it meant something.

"It feels good. I always feel good after a team tries hard," said Brown, the only head coach to win championships in the NBA and NCAA.

"We had a lot of guys contribute. To win one on the road against a pretty good team is a good feeling. ... People don't win in this building much, so it feels good."

Brown's club won by making 54 percent of its shots — and finding an opponent with even worse late-game execution. The Knicks wasted second-half leads in both of their last two games, and blew most of a 19-point lead in Sacramento, but hung on when the Kings couldn't capitalize on several chances to rally.

"We were very resilient, and we played with a lot of heart," Marbury said.

"It's just one game, but winning that first game after we lost the last five, that's tough to do. Coach was happy we won, and we were happy to win for him. He deserved it."

New York reached season highs with 105 points, 41 field goals, 22 assists 15 steals, in addition to its sharp shooting.

Peja Stojakovic scored 14 of his 31 points in the fourth quarter, but missed seven 3-pointers for the Kings, whose 2-5 start has caused discontent in Arco Arena's nightly sellout crowds. Sacramento is off to its worst start since 1997 — the year before coach Rick Adelman took over the club.

Denver 102, Minnesota 91

DerMarr Johnson scored 17 points in his first start of the season and Marcus Camby had 18 points, 22 rebounds and seven blocked shots to help the Denver Nuggets to a victory over the Minnesota Timberwolves on Sunday night.

Carmelo Anthony matched his season high with 23 points for the Nuggets, who played without Kenyon Martin while the starting forward rested his tender left knee, still hurting after offseason surgery.

Wally Szczerbiak led the T'Wolves with 20 points. Kevin Garnett had 19 points and nine rebounds, but Minnesota fell behind by double digits late in the third quarter and never got closer.

Camby was his usual dominant self. He recorded his fifth double-double in seven games this season. His 22 rebounds were two short of a career high and fell only eight short of Minnesota's entire total.

Nuggets coach George Karl put Johnson in the lineup in place of Voshon Lenard, hoping to restore some movement in an offense that had become stagnant during the team's 2-4 start and maybe improve on Denver's league-worst, 16-percent accuracy from 3-point range.

All that worked. Johnson made two of Denver's seven 3-pointers to bring the team total to 19 this season. And with Anthony's outside shot working, the Nuggets moved the ball well and shot 48 percent.

AP

Denver point guard Earl Boykins drives past Minnesota forward Marko Jaric during the fourth quarter of the Nuggets' 102-91 victory over the Timberwolves Sunday.

Cleveland 108, Orlando 100

LeBron James made history. Donyell Marshall helped make sure it came in a victory.

James became the youngest player in NBA history to reach 4,000 career points and finished with 26 to help the Cleveland Cavaliers beat the Orlando Magic in overtime on Sunday night.

"Unbelievable," Cleveland coach Mike Brown said. "That kid is a talent. It couldn't happen to a better person. He's a great person, great leader and I enjoy being around him. To be around him when it happened is a tremendous feeling."

James (20 years, 318 days) entered the game needing 10 points to pass Kobe Bryant (21 years, 216 days).

After scoring on a jumper, two driving layups and a dunk, James reached the milestone on a 21-footer with 58.7 seconds left in the first quarter.

"I don't let individual statistics make me unfocused or more focused," James said. "I just came out and tried to attack early, and get us a big lead. We were able to take it into overtime and get a win."

Boston 102, Houston 82

Raef LaFrentz feels healthy, and it showed.

LaFrentz was 7-for-7 from 3-point range in the first half and scored 27 of his 32 points in the opening 24 minutes to lead the Boston Celtics to a win over the Houston Rockets on Sunday night.

LaFrentz, who had his 2003-04 season cut short following right knee surgery in December 2003, matched his career high for points, added eight rebounds and finished 7-for-9 on 3-point attempts.

"If I'm healthy, I know I can shoot the ball," he said. "If you don't have your legs, you can't shoot the ball."

LaFrentz admitted that he wasn't confident last season.

"Anytime you go through an injury, that takes away some confidence you have in your ability and in yourself," he said.

The 6-foot-11 center thrives when the team is moving the ball around.

"One of the things we've always said: 'if Raef gets a lot of attempts, that means the ball is moving extremely well'," Boston coach Doc Rivers said.

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MacB cast and crew: Congrats on a sold-out run! Enjoy your free nights now that your 'hour upon the stage' is done. - Nicole

His pants aren't square ...

they're more rectangular.

A.P. Football Top 25

	team	record	points
1	USC	10-0	1,616
2	Texas	10-0	1,569
3	Miami	8-1	1,483
4	LSU	8-1	1,418
5	Penn State	9-1	1,334
6	NOTRE DAME	7-2	1,246
7	Virginia Tech	8-1	1,214
8	Alabama	9-1	1,176
9	Ohio State	8-2	1,163
10	Oregon	9-1	1,022
11	Auburn	8-2	963
12	UCLA	9-1	876
13	West Virginia	8-1	837
14	Georgia	7-2	780
15	TCU	10-1	719
16	Fresno State	8-1	632
17	Michigan	7-3	607
18	Louisville	7-2	486
19	South Carolina	7-3	402
20	Florida	7-3	325
21	Texas Tech	8-2	319
22	Florida State	7-3	173
23	Boston College	7-3	154
24	UTEP	8-1	124
25	Wisconsin	8-3	104

ESPN/USA Today Top 25

	team	record	points
1	USC	10-0	1,543
2	Texas	10-0	1,495
3	Miami	8-1	1,421
4	LSU	8-1	1,363
5	Penn State	9-1	1,251
6	Virginia Tech	8-1	1,168
7	NOTRE DAME	7-2	1,165
8	Alabama	9-1	1,088
9	Ohio State	8-2	1,068
10	Oregon	9-1	1,001
11	UCLA	9-1	890
12	Auburn	8-2	872
13	West Virginia	8-1	842
14	Georgia	7-2	763
15	TCU	10-1	672
16	Fresno State	8-1	557
17	Michigan	7-3	495
18	Louisville	7-2	445
19	Texas Tech	8-2	382
20	Florida	7-3	322
21	South Carolina	7-3	252
22	Florida State	7-3	236
23	Boston College	7-3	216
24	Wisconsin	8-3	147
25	UTEP	8-1	142

Men's Hockey Top 20

	team	record	points
1	Colorado College	9-1-0	798
2	Michigan	7-1-1	740
3	Cornell	3-1-0	678
4	Maine	8-2-0	664
5	Wisconsin	6-1-1	631
6	Michigan State	5-1-1	608
7	Denver	5-3-0	514
8	Boston College	3-2-1	465
9	Vermont	7-1-0	464
10	North Dakota	5-4-1	382
11	Miami	5-1-0	376
12	Minnesota	3-3-2	356
13	New Hampshire	4-3-1	355
14	Boston University	3-2-0	244
15	Alaska-Fairbanks	4-2-2	225
16	St. Lawrence	6-2-0	166
17	Colgate	5-1-1	152
18	Bemidji State	5-1-0	129
19	Northern Michigan	5-3-0	129
20	Quinnipiac	8-2-0	92

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COLLEGE FOOTBALL

AP

South Carolina head football coach Steve Spurrier is surrounded by media after his team defeated his alma mater, Florida, on Saturday at Williams-Brice Stadium in Columbia, S.C.

South Carolina moves into Top 25

Associated Press

Columbia, S.C. — Steve Spurrier has South Carolina in the Top 25.

The Gamecocks made it to No. 19 in The Associated Press media poll Sunday, the first time they have been in the rankings under their new coach.

South Carolina (7-3) ended a 14-game losing streak to Spurrier's old school on Saturday, beating Florida 30-22 in Columbia, S.C.

"Well, that's wonderful," Spurrier said Sunday when told the Gamecocks broke into the AP rankings. "That was one of the goals, for the team to finish the regular season ranked."

No. 1 Southern California and No. 2 Texas remained at the top of the poll, as they have been since the preseason.

USC received 56 first-place votes and extended its record stay at No. 1 to 30 straight poll. Texas received the remaining nine first-place votes.

With Alabama losing to LSU 16-13 in overtime on Saturday, the Trojans and Longhorns are major college football's only unbeaten teams.

Miami was No. 3, followed by LSU and Penn State. Each has one loss."I think Miami's clearly playing the best of the three," said Neill Ostrout, of the Connecticut Post. "I've had them as top one-loss team for several weeks."

Ostrout said he moved LSU past Penn State this week, but said the Nittany Lions and Tigers are practically a tossup.

The USA Today coaches' poll had the same top five as the AP Top 25. In the Harris Interactive poll, the top 12 teams occupied the same spots they did in the AP poll.

Notre Dame was No. 6 and Virginia Tech was seventh. The Crimson Tide dropped four spots to No. 8, and Ohio State and Oregon completed the top 10. Auburn moved up four spots to No. 11 with a 31-30 victory over Georgia. UCLA was 12th and West Virginia was No. 13. Georgia dropped five spots to No. 14.

No. 15 TCU, the Mountain West Conference champion, finished its season 10-1 with a 51-3 victory over UNLV. Fresno State, leading the Western Athletic Conference, was No. 16.

IN BRIEF

James reaches scoring milestone

ORLANDO, Fla. — LeBron James became the youngest player in NBA history to reach 4,000 career points Sunday night in Cleveland's game against Orlando.

James (20 years, 318 days) entered needing 10 points pass Kobe Bryant (21 years, 216 days). James reached the milestone on a 21-foot jumper with 58.7 seconds left in the first quarter.

Earlier in the period, James scored twice on driving layups and also had a dunk.

Kim wins LPGA Tournament of Champions

MOBILE, Ala. — U.S. Solheim Cup star Christina Kim won her second career title Sunday, closing with a 5-under 67 for a one-stroke victory over Australia's Rachel Hetherington in the Mitchell Company LPGA Tournament of Champions.

Kim two-putted from 80 feet on the final hole, tapping in for par after Hetherington missed a 20-foot birdie attempt. The 21-year-old Kim then celebrated with a hug from father-caddie Man Kim and a beer shower from fellow player Jennifer Rosales.

"I have been struggling since the Solheim and to know that I could come out there and be a champion of champions, it's an incredible feeling," Kim said. "All of the girls here know how to win and to win this event is just unbelievable."

Kim finished with a 15-under 273 total on the Magnolia Grove Golf Club's Crossings Course and earned $138,000. She also won the 2004 Longs Drugs Challenge.

Hetherington shot a 68 en route to the eighth runner-up finish of her career. She won the last of her eight LPGA Tour titles in 2003.

Sweden's Liselotte Neumann, the 1996 winner, closed with a 71 to finish third at 12 under. Hall of Famer Juli Inkster (69) followed at 11 under.

Neumann, who started the final round with a one-shot edge, made a 7-foot eagle putt on the fourth hole and took a two-stroke advantage into the back nine. But Kim birdied Nos. 11 and 12 to gain a share of the lead.

Huston and Perry win Franklin Templeton Shootout

NAPLES, Fla. — Kenny Perry and John Huston won the Franklin Templeton Shootout on Sunday, combining for a 13-under 59 in the scramble format for a one-stroke victory over Fred Couples and Adam Scott.

Perry and Huston, who each earned $315,000, had a 30-under 186 total on the Tiburon Golf Club course. They opened the event with a 64 in modified alternate shot and had a 63 on Saturday in the best-ball round.

Couples and Scott finished with a 62.

Mark O'Meara and Nick Price (60) were third at 27 under. Tournament host Greg Norman, playing a month after minor knee surgery, and Steve Elkington shot a 17-under 55 to finish fourth at 26 under. They birdied every hole but two and eagled No. 17.

NFL

Steelers overcome injuries to knock out Browns

Portis' 144 rushing yards aren't enough as Tampa Bay outscores Washington

PITTSBURGH — For many NFL teams, all these quarterback injuries might ruin a season. The Pittsburgh Steelers simply plug in another player and keep winning.

Charlie Batch improvised a 1-yard touchdown run late in the second quarter, and his passing led to another score before he left with a broken right hand. The Steelers withstood their second QB injury in three weeks to beat the rival Cleveland Browns 34-21 Sunday night.

Whatever the Steelers lack in quarterback quality — and, with a 7-2 record that ties them with Cincinnati for the AFC North lead, it's not much — they're making up for it with depth. Ben Roethlisberger missed a second straight game with an injured knee, but their other three quarterbacks were just fine.

Tommy Maddox replaced Batch to run an efficient and time-consuming offense in the second half, and college QB-turned-wide receiver Antwaan Randle El threw a 51-yard scoring pass to Hines Ward on a reverse early in the third quarter to put the Steelers up 24-7.

Randle El, an option quarterback at Indiana, also lined up under center and scooted for a 12-yard run later in the third quarter, about the time the Browns were wondering where all these quarterbacks were coming from.

"It's really weird," Maddox said of a recent streak of injuries that also left the Steelers without star linebacker James Farrior. "Sometimes you don't need anybody. Sometimes you need to use everybody."

Batch, 2-0 as a starter this season after losing his last 10 NFL starts with the Lions in 2000-01, is expected to be out at least two games, according to coach Bill Cowher. However, Roethlisberger could return Sunday at Baltimore after missing three of the Steelers' first nine games with injuries to both knees.

And to think some NFL teams don't have a single quarterback who can move an offense, much less four.

"I can still play quarterback — I just don't have that urge I had as a rookie," Randle El said. "But maybe when I'm too old and slow to play receiver, they'll let me play quarterback."

Batch, shaky the week before in a 20-10 victory at Green Bay in his first NFL start in four years, looked smooth and polished while directing the Steelers to a 17-7 halftime lead. Even when he underthrew the ball, it worked out — Cedrick Wilson shed two defenders by coming back for a 43-yard reception that led to Jerome Bettis' 1-yard TD run midway through the second quarter.

Batch scored with 6 seconds left in the half, the Steelers out of timeouts and both teams scrambling to line up after Batch twice found Hines Ward to put the ball on the 1. Running a play Steelers QBs are supposed to use in such circumstances, Batch managed to line up the offense and score himself before the Browns' defense was set up.

"That's the objective — to get the play off before they can substitute on defense," Batch said.

Batch was hurt when his hand struck a Browns player's helmet on a followthrough during the second quarter but stayed in to direct that 40-yard touchdown drive, which was set up by linebacker Joey Porter's interception of a deflected Trent Dilfer pass.

Indianapolis 31, Houston 17

Edgerrin James is making a strong case for a hefty salary increase next year.

The Indianapolis Colts career rushing leader was designated the team's franchise player this season, and without a new contract he'll become an unrestricted free agent. In the meantime, he's one of the main reasons the Colts are still the NFL's only unbeaten team.

"Just going out and doing my job," James said Sunday after he rushed 26 times for 122 yards and one touchdown and caught three passes for another 26 yards in a win over Houston. "If they get it to me, I'm going to get it [yardage].

"I prepare myself, I train and I'm ready for the stuff," James said. "It doesn't matter when I get the ball. I'm just trying to make something out of nothing at times and when it's there trying to take advantage of it."

It was his 47th career 100-yard game — the Colts are 41-6 in those games — tying him with Franco Harris for the eighth-most in NFL history. He also topped 1,000 yards in a season for the fifth time, and he and receiver Marvin Harrison each had 100 yards in the same game for an NFL-record 21st time, breaking the previous record of 20 first set by Emmitt Smith and Michael Irvin of Dallas.

Peyton Manning passed for 297 yards and three touchdowns, including a 30-yard score to Harrison that made them the only quarterback-receiver tandem to top 10,000 career yards.

"In this offense, it can be anybody's day," Manning said. "But when you see it on film that we do spread it around — Marvin, Reggie [Wayne], [Brandon] Stokley, Dallas [Clark], Edgerrin out of the backfield —it can put the defense in a bind."

After punting the first time they had the ball, the Colts (9-0) scored on their next three possessions and seemed to have the game in control with a 21-0 lead over the Texans (1-8). But a pair of special teams miscues brought Houston back into the game.

Two short Houston punts hit Colts blockers as they ran downfield. The Texans recovered both muffs and converted them into a touchdown and field goal.

Seattle 31, St. Louis 16

It was as if dice-rolling coach Mike Martz was calling plays from his St. Louis-area home Sunday.

The Rams, actually under the direction of assistant head coach Joe Vitt while Martz recovers from a heart virus, were lining up for a field goal in the second quarter to add to a 3-0 lead against first-place Seattle. A third straight win and an improbable restart of the NFC West race was in sight.

AP

Pittsburgh cornerback Bryant McFadden is tackled by Cleveland running back Reuben Droughns after he recovered a fumble in the third quarter of the Steelers' 34-21 win over the Browns Sunday.

But instead of settling for the 25-yard kick, Vitt morphed into Martz, providing the turning point in the Seahawks' victory.

He had holder Dane Looker flip the ball to kicker Jeff Wilkins, who was about to throw to wide-open Cameron Cleveland at the 5. But Seattle cornerback Marcus Trufant charged the kicker. Wilkins aborted the pass and ran feebly into a turnover on downs.

Tampa Bay 36, Washington 35

With the ball sitting on the 1-yard line, Jon Gruden couldn't resist.

The temptation to give it to Mike Alstott on a gutsy 2-point conversion call — even if it meant going home without a victory — was too strong.

At least that way, the Tampa Bay coach said, he would have gone to sleep Sunday night knowing the Buccaneers gave it their best shot.

"It would have been tough not knowing what would have happened," Gruden said after Alstott somehow found a way across the goal line to give the Bucs a stunning victory over the Washington Redskins.

The run, with 58 seconds remaining, came after the Redskins blocked a potential game-tying extra point — but had jumped offsides in the process.

For a moment, Alstott didn't even realize Gruden had decided to try to break a two-game losing streak in dramatic fashion.

"People were hollering for me. I ran on the field, put on my helmet, heard the call and thought: 'Uh, oh, here we go," Alstott said.

"You have to put the trust in your team and the players and say: 'The heck with it.' You have to gamble once in a while."

Everybody in the stadium knew who would get the ball, but the Redskins (5-4) could not stop the 248-pound fullback, who scored earlier on touchdown runs of 2 and 1 yards. Alstott was hit at the line and looked like he might fall short before twisting and keeping his legs moving to barely get into the end zone.

The Redskins signaled the conversion failed, but the ruling stood after the replay official's review.

"Any time you lose, it's tough. There are always 50 plays where you could have won and 50 plays where you could have lost," Washington coach Joe Gibbs said.

"All of our guys thought he was on the ground. That's what everybody told me. I didn't see it, but that's what instant replay is for."

Chris Simms threw for 279 yards and three touchdowns, including a 30-yarder to Edell Shepherd that set up the exciting finish. Joey Galloway had seven catches for 131 yards and one TD.

Clinton Portis ran for 144 yards and put Washington ahead with an 8-yard scoring run midway through the fourth quarter. Mark Brunell threw for 226 yards and two TDs, and Ladell Betts scored on a 94-yard kickoff return for the Redskins.

The Bucs (6-3) surpassed their victory total for 2004 with Simms winning for the first time as a pro in a game he started and finished. The third-year pro struggled the previous two weeks after taking over for the injured Brian Griese, but played with much more poise Sunday than in losses to San Francisco and Carolina.

Tampa Bay had seven turnovers and Simms was sacked 10 times in those defeats. The left-hander was 15-of-29 with no interceptions and no sacks against a Redskins defense minus tackle Cornelius Griffin and safety Sean Taylor.

Simms threw a 4-yard TD pass to Ike Hilliard to make it 28-28 late in the third quarter.

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SMC BASKETBALL

Deep Belles drain Lake Mich. squad

Saint Mary's handles Lady Indians in final preseason scrimmage

By TIM KAISER
Sports Writer

Saint Mary's has been preparing for its first regular season game for a few weeks now, and judging from the Belles' performance in their second and final scrimmage before next weekend's Hanover Tip-Off Classic, they are ready.

The Belles traveled to Lake Michigan College Friday night and dominated the Lady Indians on their own court. Saint Mary's built an early lead and didn't let up, staying ahead for the remainder of the game in a 69-40 victory.

This was the Belles' first conventional contest of the year, after playing a three-half scrimmage against Bethel College Nov. 3.

Saint Mary's added three new players last week in Benya Broderick, who returned from an injury, cross-country runner Erin Newsom and volleyball player Shelly Bender.

The Belles' new depth was evident, as 12 of the 13 players on the roster scored points during the game. Alison Kessler led Saint Mary's with 13 points against the Lady Indians.

Belles' coach Steve Bender was thrilled with his team's performance.

"I was very, very happy," he said.

"You improve the most between your first and second games. It was good to see everyone in the fold. We had a lot more depth, and we were a lot better."

Bender was glad to see improvement on both sides of the ball.

The coach also said he was impressed with his team's athleticism and how well it played together, despite the absence of Broderick, Newsom and Bender in the first scrimmage.

"Defensively, we played so much better this game, and we had more confidence on offense," Bender said. "Bethel made us aware of our weaknesses, but this game was a big confidence builder."

"We had a lot more depth, and we were a lot better."

Steve Bender
Belles coach

Just as the team improved between its first scrimmage and the second, Bender hopes to see an even better performance from his team in its first regular season game when it travels to the Hanover Tip-Off Classic on Friday in Hanover, Ind. The Belles will play Hanover on Friday at 6 p.m. and Franklin on Saturday at 1 p.m.

In the meantime, Bender believes Saint Mary's has work to do.

"Our biggest deficiency [against Lake Michigan] was rebounding," Bender said. "We've got to get a lot more physical on the boards. We've got to develop more of a post presence, and pick up our intensity. Hanover and Franklin are going to come at us tough."

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MEN'S BASKETBALL

Israel leaves Irish, set to transfer

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Former Irish forward Omari Israel dribbles down the floor during Notre Dame's 59-40 exhibition win over Lewis on Nov. 3. Israel announced his decision to leave Notre Dame on Friday.

By PAT LEONARD
Sports Writer

Junior forward Omari Israel has left the Irish basketball program and has withdrawn from the University with the intent to enroll in another school, Notre Dame coach Mike Brey announced in a Friday afternoon press release and confirmed following that night's 80-53 win.

Israel played 10 minutes in the team's first exhibition game against Lewis and finished with two points and four rebounds. The 6-foot-9, 235-pound forward averaged 1.4 points and 1.8 rebounds in his sophomore season last year, his only full season as a member of the Irish team.

Israel has been nagged by injuries. He missed his entire freshman season recovering from knee surgery in February 2003 and had his knee scoped recently to remove debris from it.

Brey estimated in October that Israel would return Nov. 1 and said Friday that the forward practiced "probably about eight, nine, 10 days" after returning from the injury.

Brey was "not totally" surprised by Israel's departure.

"I'm disappointed," Brey said following Friday night's game. "You never want to lose anybody, but college basketball is survival of the fittest. And in fairness to Omari, he wasn't very healthy to compete this fall."

Israel's only available comments appeared in the press release.

"I believe that it is time for a change and I want to be able to move on with my basketball career," Isreal said. "I have enjoyed my experience at Notre Dame and wish my teammates and the coaching staff all the best during the upcoming season and in the future. I always will remember my time here as a member of the Irish basketball program."

Brey wished Israel the best but was not concerned about the team's ability to move on.

"As I told [Omari] when I sat with him, I said I want him to be happy playing basketball and I want him to graduate from college," Brey said. "We'll help him find a place. I've been on this end of it when they go and I've been on the receiving end. I know how to do this dance. But I'm obviously very comfortable with what we have remaining, and I'm not worried about our numbers. We're going to be OK there."

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SMC CROSS COUNTRY

Feauto paces squad at regionals

Senior's time of 24:00 on 6K course achieves runner's personal goal

By KEN FOWLER
Sports Writer

The Belles finished in style this weekend, achieving several personal-best times in the Division III Great Lake Regionals at Voice of America Park Saturday.

Senior Becky Feauto led the Belles with a time of 24:00 for the six-kilometer course. That mark matched her goal going into the race and broke her personal record by 17 seconds in the event.

Belles coach Jackie Bauters said Feauto's accomplishment was impressive on its own but even more so because junior Sara Otto, Feauto's running partner for most of the year, didn't compete in the event.

"It was great for her," Bauters said. "That was her goal time, and she achieved it. She ran really well, and she ran really well without having Sara there, who she usually runs with. When you lose your running mate, it's kind of tough."

"It was a wonderful season. I think the transition went really well."

Jackie Bauters
Belles coach

Five of Saint Mary's seven runners improved their 6K times from the MIAA Championship meet two weeks ago while three set personal records.

"I know we didn't place as a team as high as we had last year, but four of our five scorers ... were freshman," Bauters said.

Kelly Biedron and Alicen Miller led the underclassmen with times of 24:45 and 24:51, respectively.

Bauters said the stat lines might not reflect the duo's actual impact on the team.

"Miller had a standout performance," Bauters said.

Though the Belles finished No. 28 out of 31 schools in the meet, Bauters said they could take pride in their individual performances.

"Considering the situation, it was a great experience," she said. "To say the least, I'm not disappointed."

The first-year coach said she is also happy with the way the season went as a whole.

"I'm just really glad to be back at Saint Mary's," she said. "It was a wonderful season. I think the transition went really well."

"Being here wasn't hard at all."

Bauters said one of the difficulties in the beginning of the season was getting to know the freshmen, who were recruited by former head coach and current assistant coach Dave Barstis.

Highlighted by freshmen occupying four of seven places in the regional meet, Saint Mary's ran well all year, Bauters said.

"I didn't really know what to expect with the freshman ... because Dave [Barstis] recruited in the past," she said. "I'm really pleased with how the freshmen did."

Junior Katie White finished fourth for the Belles with a time of 24:55 Saturday. Freshmen Caitlin Stevenson and Grace Fey took fifth and sixth on the team, and senior Megan O'Neil placed seventh.

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ND MEN'S SWIMMING

Irish barely scrape by pesky Spartans

KIRSTEN HOELMER/The Observer

Irish swimmers await their turn to compete during the Dennis Stark Relays at the Rolfs Aquatic Center on Oct. 7.

Brown sparks squad's third dual victory this season for top-20 ND

By DAN MURPHY
Sports Writer

The Irish defeated Michigan State in a nail-biter Friday by a score of 122.5-120.5 to improve their record to 3-1. No. 18 Notre Dame held off the Spartans in the last race for a two-point victory.

After such a close win, Notre Dame's confidence is rising.

"We have the ability to sense urgency, and with that raise the bar in order to come out with a win," Irish swimmer Ted Brown said.

Brown certainly did his part to raise the bar by recording first-place finishes for the fourth and fifth time this season. His wins came in the 500- and 1,000-yard freestyle, with times of 4:34.89 and 9:27.33 respectively.

Other Irish swimmers with big days were captain Patrick Hefernan, who took first in the 200-yard butterfly, and Louis Cavadini, whose 21.18-second time in the 50-yard freestyle was good for first place.

The biggest contribution to the team's victory came from the diving duo of freshman Michael Bulfin and sophomore Sam Stoner. The young pair finished first and second in both diving events. Bulfin started off by winning the 1-meter competition, but was bested by Stoner in the 3-meter dive.

"Training with Sam has helped a lot; we both push each other," Bulfin said. "If we keep working hard I think that we are both on a pace to reach the [NCAAs]."

Both divers took a step in that direction against the Spartans by scoring high enough to qualify for the NCAA Zone Meet at the end of the season, where a win would place them in the national tournament.

Even Michigan State head coach Matt Giandotas was impressed with how the tandem performed on Friday.

"Your divers really pulled through for you today," Giandotas said to Brown after the meet. "They're becoming a huge part of the team."

"We have really separated ourselves in the past few years."

Jamie Lutkus
Irish swimmer

The diving team accumulated 29 points to help Notre Dame overcome the fired-up Spartan squad.

"We knew we were in for a tough meet from the very beginning." Irish swimmer Jamie Lutkus said. "We were just happy to come away with the win."

Notre Dame will now return home for a showdown with St. Bonaventure at 9:30 a.m. next Saturday at Rolfs Aquatic Center.

"We have really separated ourselves in the past few years. We are hoping to get a big win at home this weekend," Lutkus said.

The Irish have also been looking forward to the Notre Dame Invitational, to be held at Rolfs Aquatic Center from Dec. 1-3.

"We have been training really hard for the Invitational for the past couple weeks, trying to get as fast as we can," Brown said.

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ND WOMEN'S SWIMMING

Gophers not so golden at meet

SOFIA BALLON/The Observer

Irish swimmer Julia Quinn glides through the pool during Notre Dame's 163-135 win over Minnesota Friday at Rolfs Aquatic Center.

By GREG ARBOGAST
Sports Writer

The Irish women are starting to find their rhythm as Notre Dame won its second consecutive meet, defeating Minnesota 163-135 Friday. The win evens out Notre Dame's record at 2-2 on the season, but more importantly, it was the first home victory for first-year head coach Carrie Nixon.

"It's definitely a big deal," Nixon said. "It's the first one in this new era. It's always fun to win at home in front of your friends and your roommates and all the people that cheer you on every day."

The Irish turned in their most impressive performance of the season, winning 11 out of 16 events, even better than the eight of 13 events Notre Dame won against Pittsburgh the previous week.

Junior Katie Carroll, whose three wins pushed her season victory total to 10, once again led the Irish.

Carroll set two new school records as she bested the previous mark in the 200 freestyle, which she set two weeks ago against California, by .06 seconds, as well as setting a new record in the 100 butterfly with a time of 55.28.

Nixon has been impressed with the performance of her junior swimmer.

"She has really developed into a great leader," Nixon said. "She has taken on the challenge of making this team better each and every time she gets in the water."

While Carroll's performance was undoubtedly a good sign for the Irish, a better sign was the strong effort turned in across the board for Notre Dame.

Rebecca Grove, Julia Quinn and Jessica Stephens all won multiple events in Friday's meet, giving the Irish reason to think they will be well represented when the NCAA championships come calling.

"Some of our girls have a good chance to make the NCAAs in December," Nixon said.

While the NCAAs will be a major focus for Notre Dame in the near future, the Irish now turn their focus to this week's Minnesota Invitational.

Among others, the Irish will face the same Minnesota team they just defeated, and they have plenty of confidence entering the meet.

"This past meet was a great momentum builder," Nixon said. "We go into this week with a chance to fine-tune some things, and we're going to use this meet as a stepping stone."

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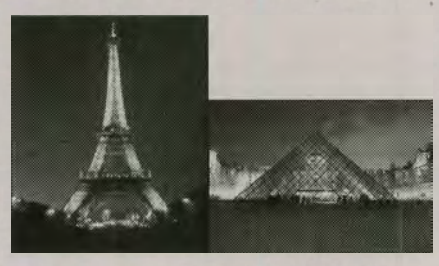

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ND Cross Country

Both Irish teams take second

Madia, Huddle pace women as Benninger leads men at regionals

By CHRIS KHOREY
Sports Writer

Both the Notre Dame men's and women's teams kept their national championship dreams alive Saturday, qualifying for the NCAA Championship meet with second place finishes at the Great Lakes Regional meet in Bloomington, Ind.

The No. 5 men's team ran conservatively, using a pack strategy to ensure a solid finish without overextending themselves before the NCAAs.

"We wanted to automatically qualify, but we wanted to qualify with a minimum amount of effort," Irish men's coach Joe Piane said. "Frankly, we knew if we were in the top four in the meet, we'd get a bid. Obviously, if we were in the top two, we would qualify automatically, but we felt if we were in the top four, we would get an at-large bid anyway."

Piane said his team's strong running throughout the year allowed them to take it easy during the regionals.

"It's pretty rare that you can do that," he said. "It's a wonderful luxury."

Still, Piane said that the team cannot expect to be conservative in the NCAAs and come away with a national championship.

"We've got to step it up, but I think we can," Piane said. "There were very few teams that could cruise through the region meet like we did."

Kurt Benninger led the Irish, who finished second to defending regional champion Wisconsin.

The junior finished second overall with a time of 31:06.

Seniors Sean O'Donnell, Tim Moore and Kaleb Van Ort ran in a tight pack for most of the race and finished 11th, 12th and 13th respectively.

Benninger ran with the pack for the first half of the race but pulled away over the last four kilometers.

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> **Joe Piane**
> **Irish coach**

Freshman Patrick Smyth was the No. 5 runner for Notre Dame, rounding out the Irish scoring lineup in 20th place with a time of 31:45.

"That was a terrific performance for a freshman," Piane said. "He ran a great race."

The No. 4 Irish women were led, as usual, by All-Americans Molly Huddle, Stephanie Madia and Sunni Olding, who all finished in the top 10 with times under 21:20.

Freshman Ramsey Kavan, who has been running with the three All-Americans all season, finished tenth Saturday with a time of 21:30.

Kavan was the highest-placing freshman in the meet.

"She's done an absolutely great job," Madia said of Kavan. "She's been pretty mature and dealt with a higher level of competition really great."

Madia also said the Notre Dame top four, who have all placed in the top 11 of three meets this year, have developed chemistry that has helped them in meets this year.

"I think the top four of us on any given day, whoever feels the best can take the lead," she said. "We're all really good friends, so I think that helps. We all want to help each other and get the job done for each other."

Jean Marinangeli, Elizabeth Webster and Katie DeRusso have competed all year to be the No. 5 runner for the Irish. Webster was fifth on the team with a 46th place finish Saturday.

Although Marinangeli, Webster and DeRusso have struggled most of the year to keep up with the top four, Madia said she is confident they will do well at the NCAAs.

"I have every confidence in the world in Jean, Elizabeth and Katie," she said. "I know if they run their best and have a good race, then we'll be happy at nationals. In cross country, if everyone runs their best and things don't work out, there isn't much you can do, but we think if we all run well we have a chance to compete at nationals."

The NCAA meet will be held Nov. 21 in Terre Haute, Ind on the campus of Indiana State.

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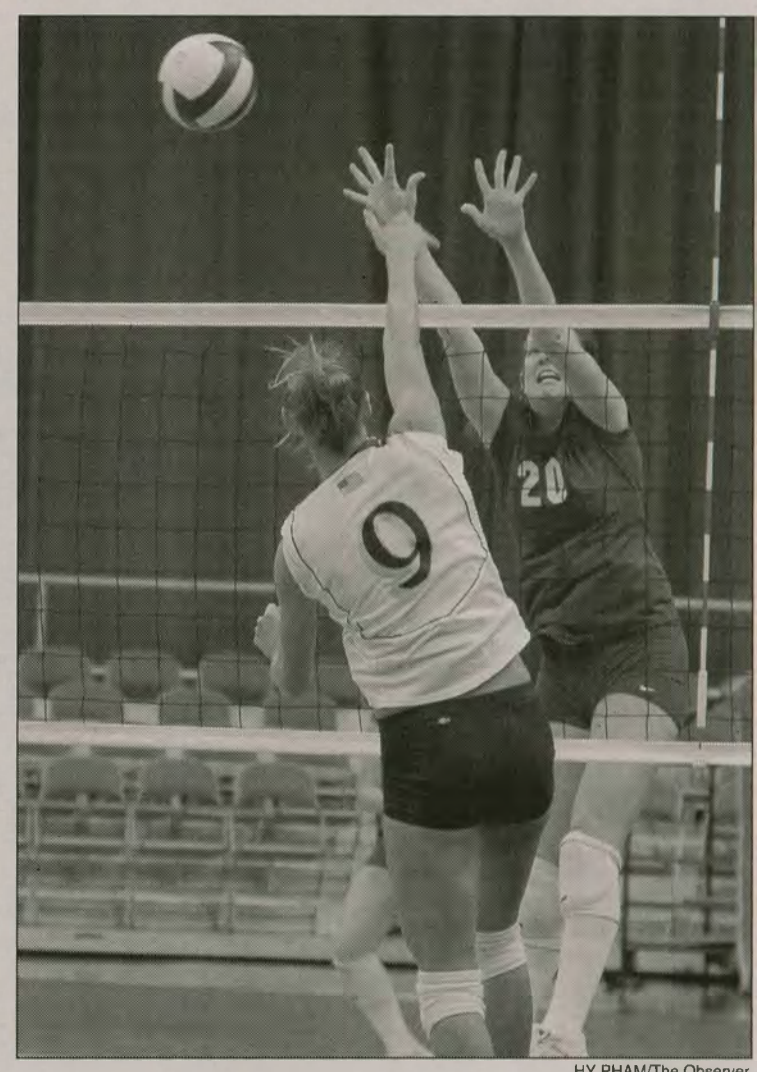
Rutgers, Georgetown finish up regular slate



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Irish middle blocker Carolyn Cooper spikes the ball past St. Louis' Angela Powers during Notre Dame's 3-0 win over St. Louis on Nov. 2.

Notre Dame clinches top seed in conference tourney next weekend

By TOM DORWART
Sports Writer

The Irish clinched it.

Saturday, No. 8 Notre Dame (24-2, 13-1 Big East) downed Villanova 30-13, 30-25, 30-23, and Sunday, the Irish swept Rutgers 30-23, 30-19, 30-27 to finish the regular season 13-1 in the Big East Conference in a tie with Louisville, a team the Irish beat in four games a little over two weeks ago.

This earns the Irish the No. 1 seed for this weekend's Big East tournament.

"There's definitely no time to celebrate because we're really not satisfied at all," sophomore outside hitter Adrianna Stasiuk said. "We're just hungry to keep doing well and keep working hard."

Still, the Irish say they aren't pleased they have to be considered, technically, co-champions.

"It's more motivation," Stasiuk said. "We don't want to share the title. It just fires us up to be first and beat Louisville again."

Against Rutgers, Notre Dame tallied 48 kills. Senior Lauren Kelbley and Stasiuk led the way with 10 apiece. Senior Lauren Brewster added nine, while freshman Mallorie Croal spiked eight.

On the defensive side, senior Carolyn Cooper had four blocks — one solo and three assisted. Stasiuk had four blocks — two solo and two assisted — while Brewster added two.

Rutgers, which was playing for a spot in the conference tournament, needed a win and a Villanova loss to qualify. The Scarlet Knights fell to 11-16 overall and 6-8 in the conference.

Saturday, Villanova fell to 20-10 overall and 7-6 in the conference.

Kelbley led the Irish again with 13 kills, while Brewster and Cooper each pounded 10. Stasiuk added seven.

As usual, sophomore setter Ashley Tarutis paced the offensive attack with 46 set assists.

After a win Sunday at DePaul, the Wildcats (21-10, 8-6 Big East) earned the No. 8 seed in the tournament.

Notre Dame will face Villanova in the first round of the conference tournament this Friday in Louisville.

After playing the Wildcats and sweeping them Saturday, the Irish consider it a positive to be playing them again so soon.

"I think it is [good] because you're familiar with the team," Stasiuk said. "They're pretty fresh in your minds. I think we felt good on the court playing them, and we're confident that we can play well and [win] again on Friday."

It's back to practice today as the Irish are determined not to slip up, saying they are determined to win the conference title outright.

Since losing their first and only conference match of the season a little over a week ago at Pittsburgh, the Irish have won two straight.

Friday, they hope to keep their streak going in a tournament in which they've had great success — Notre Dame has won the conference tournament eight of the past 10 years.

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Quinn said. "I think, as you can see, 80 points is a little bit better than, what did we have? 50-something?"

Notre Dame brushed a 59-point performance against Lewis Nov. 3 into the past, particularly with 14-of-15 shooting from its two starting frontcourt members, forward Rob Kurz (7-of-8, 14 points) and center Torin Francis (7-of-7, 16 points, seven rebounds).

Francis scored four points to open Irish scoring that blew the game wide open almost immediately from the tip. Quincy's Jordan Roth hit a layup after Francis' first bucket to tie the game at two, but two 3-pointers from Colin Falls (11 points, eight assists) and baskets by Quinn and freshman Ryan Ayers (seven points, two assists) opened a 14-4 lead six minutes in.

That lead grew to 21-9 by the 10-minute mark and 42-20 at halftime. The Irish never trailed in the game and played all available players.

The same starting five of Quinn, Falls, Kurz, Francis and Russell Carter represented the Irish to start and set the tone with a much more poised but forceful style of play in its opening minutes than it had against Lewis.

"They have to play their way out of [the starting lineup] right now," Brey said. "But nothing's etched in stone."

Freshman point guard Kyle McAlarney did not play, sitting with lower back spasms that Brey said he would reevaluate either Tuesday or Wednesday. Forward Omari Israel's departure from the team also shortened the Notre Dame bench. But Brey's need to experiment with player combinations did not diminish.

PHIL HUDELSON/The Observer

Notre Dame point guard Chris Quinn looks to pass against Quincy Friday. The Irish won 80-53.

"I'm glad have another nine days before we play again," Brey said. "It's been good when we've been able to almost get into a football week and just try to do a little bit better than the week before and not get ahead of ourselves."

Returned from an ankle injury but not fully healthy, forward Rick Cornett played just 14 minutes and shot 1-of-5 from the floor and 0-of-3 from the foul line. Brey played Cornett and Francis together at one point in the shuffle of players but insisted his starting lineup was in the team's best interests at this point in the season.

"The two bigs we start are our best defensive big guys. They guard," Brey said. "And they're physical. The other two guys that come off are coming and are very talented offensively."

Brey also said playing time of big men is predicated first of all on health, and secondly on who is playing consistently.

Carter, in his second straight start, scored just five points and did not get heavily involved in the offensive onslaught but still, his coach observed, added positives to the gameplan on defense and in running the floor.

"A couple of his drives ignite you a little bit," Brey said, referring specifically to Carter's baseline drive-and-dunk early in the second half. "He's just got to continue to understand he doesn't have to knock down a 3-point shot to help us."

Ayers impressed his coaches and teammates in a backup role at point guard when he played without Quinn on the floor. Ayers has auditioned in practice as Quinn's backup with McAlarney not in the lineup.

His maintenance of the tone set by the starting five Friday kept the game out of reach of Quincy.

"Once we secured the defensive rebound, we were getting out and we were running," Quinn said. "And when we can get some easy baskets, that always helps."

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Semifinals

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ulation tied at 6-6.

"We were expecting a fight from the beginning," Cermak said. "We were the underdogs in the game but were expecting to battle, but we knew we could."

Battle they did, as the Weasels knocked off the high-flying Cavanaugh offense.

Cermak said the Weasels used Cavanaugh's game plan of short passes in the windy conditions to PW's advantage.

"We let the girls catch the balls but stripped their flags right there," she said. "They would make their passes, but they wouldn't get anywhere."

The Weasels and Chaos traded touchdowns in regulation but played solid defense to keep the game a low-scoring affair.

Weasel quarterback Cara Davies set up the PW score with a deep pass along the sideline to Maureen Spring.

It was another big game for the freshman quarterback, who led the Weasels to a dramatic victory a week ago over McGlinn.

After needing a win in their final regular season game to seal their spot in the playoffs and overtime to win consecutive playoff games, the Weasels may be an unlikely team for the finals but not an unconfident one, especially not after the way the defense shut down the high-powered Cavanaugh attack.

"I knew our defense can make a stand — they have many times — no matter where [the offense is]," Cermak said.

Pangborn 13, Walsh 0

The Pangborn Phoxes punched their ticket to the Stadium Sunday afternoon by defeating the Wild Women of Walsh 13-0 in a matchup between two strong defensive teams.

With less than two minutes remaining in the game, quarterback Katie Mooney handed off to Brynn Johnson, who rushed in for a 3-yard touchdown to give Pangborn a two-touchdown lead and a berth in the Interhall championship game next Sunday.

The score was Johnson's second of the game, capping off another huge performance by the Phoxes. She carried the ball 12 times on offense for nearly 75 yards. Her longest run of the game was a 30-yard rush that set up Pangborn's first score.

A strong running game was essential in Sunday's game as inclement weather conditions hampered both teams' passing games. Gusts of winds blew continuously across the field, making it hard to complete any passes at all. Mooney and the Phox receivers were unable to connect on their 12 pass attempts.

"When we got to the field and saw all the wind, we knew it was going to be a day for our rushing offense," Pangborn defensive back Katie Riemersma said.

Walsh quarterback Mary Sullivan also struggled against the weather — completing just two of her 21 pass attempts and throwing one interception.

"The weather played a huge factor in the game, but I won't take anything away from Pangborn," Sullivan said. "They are a legitimate team and played well today."

Despite struggling on offense, the Wild Women were able to control field position in the first half and threatened to score on multiple occasions. The Walsh defense showed its toughness by sacking Mooney four times and holding Pangborn to a single first down for the half.

Walsh's best scoring opportunity came on the first drive of the game when Botta ran for one first down and then hit an open receiver for another. However, the drive was stopped when Riemersma intercepted Sullivan's pass on the goal line.

The Wild Women ended the year with a 6-2 record, falling just shy of the chance to defend last year's championship.

"Of course we're upset about not making it," Sullivan said. "But we base our success on relationships made and the fun we had ... on both accounts the season was a huge success."

Pangborn will trek to the Stadium next Sunday to face the winners of the other semifinal, Pasquerilla West. The Purple Weasels will be another tough test for the Phoxes.

"We beat them pretty badly earlier in the year, but they are a much better team now," Riemersma said.

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Pasquerilla West players and coaches celebrate their 12-6 overtime win over Cavanaugh Saturday.

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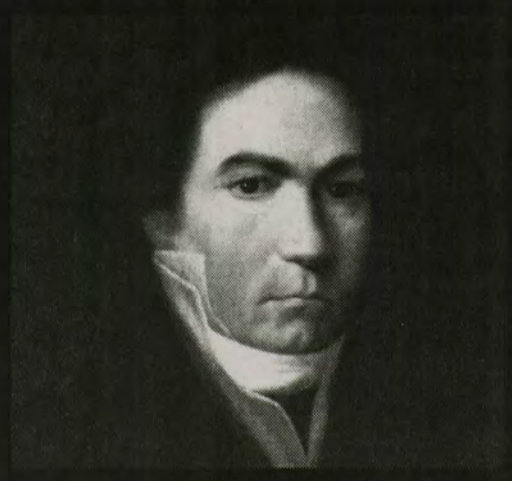

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Irish a quick 1-0 edge over the Crusaders.

Thorlakson said she doesn't feel any added pressure to reach certain statistical measures.

"My goal is to perform and try and win," she said.

Notre Dame went nearly 40 minutes without another good scoring opportunity, but Thorlakson made the most of one late in the half with goal No. 17 on the season. She recovered the rebound of a Maggie Manning shot and hit the back right portion of the net to extend the Irish lead to 2-0 before the half.

"The last five to seven minutes of the first half, we got a little bit chaotic, a little disorganized," Valparaiso coach Stephen Anthony said. "It took the wind out of our sails."

Valparaiso came back with a strong start to the second half and forced Notre Dame into physical play early.

"I just was really impressed with their heart and their fight," Irish coach Randy Waldrum said. "They hung in there and fought."

The Irish only cracked open the game after 15 minutes of tough play in the second half when second-semester freshman Kerri Hanks took a Thorlakson cross and tapped it in on the right side.

Less than three minutes later, Hanks maneuvered along the baseline and found Cinalli for another Irish tap-in, extending the Notre Dame lead to 4-0.

Freshman Brittany Bock scored her 10th goal of the year at 68:15 with a header into the upper right corner after a Maggie Manning cross and Jil Krivacek secondary assist.

With the Irish up 5-0, Waldrum substituted most of his reserves for starters and saw his second line add on a sixth goal against the Crusaders.

Susan Pinnick found Maggie Manning from the end line for a tap-in goal to give the Irish the 6-0 advantage that would stand as the final score.

Waldrum said Manning's four-point night was indicative of how she played toward the end of the season.

"She came on, and just a few minutes after coming on, had a goal and an assist," Waldrum said. "She's a really intelligent player. She sees the game."

Notre Dame 3, MSU 0

Thorlakson was back at her old tricks again Sunday, leading the Irish to a victory over the Spartans at a windy Alumni Field.

Michigan State contained the senior for much of the first half but couldn't keep Notre Dame's all-time leading postseason points scorer off the board too long.

Thorlakson got the assist on Notre Dame's first goal after taking the ball in the left corner, faking right, going left and finding Hanks cutting to the goal. Thorlakson's pass was right on line, and Hanks tapped the ball in to give the Irish a 1-0 lead.

Five minutes later, the Irish laid stake to a 2-0 advantage when Thorlakson took a pass from Annie Schefter on the right side, measured the goalkeeper and blasted a shot past Nicole Galas from the close right wing.

"We had our work cut out for us, and we knew that," Michigan State coach Tom Saxton said. "Notre Dame has two of the best forwards in the country on their team, and it's tough to play against that. ... [Thorlakson] did her job today, and she's a good one."

Schefter added a goal of her own three minutes into the second half with a header to the left side of the net thanks to a cross by Cinalli.

"I thought considering the wind and the weather ... I was fairly pleased with the way we played today," Waldrum said.

Michigan State managed just one shot on goal, an attempt by Emily Weigand late in the second half. Lauren Karas, who replaced Erika Bohn in net in the second half, dove to her left and blocked the only true Spartan scoring opportunity of the afternoon.

With the win, the Irish advance to the round of 16 in the NCAA Tournament and face Yale at home on Friday.

Yale pulled off the upset of the day Sunday, stunning Duke with a 2-1 victory thanks to a goal by Laurel Karnes with less than one second remaining on the clock.

The Bulldogs are one of just three unseeded teams left in the tournament.

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Notre Dame forward Brittany Bock moves upfield against UConn Nov. 6. The Irish won their first two NCAA tournament games.

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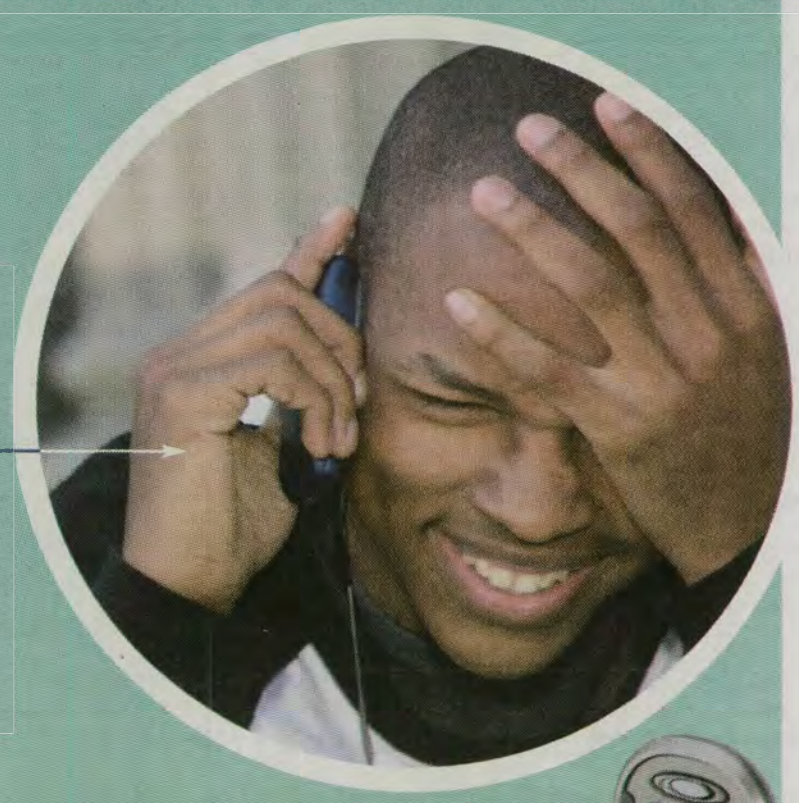

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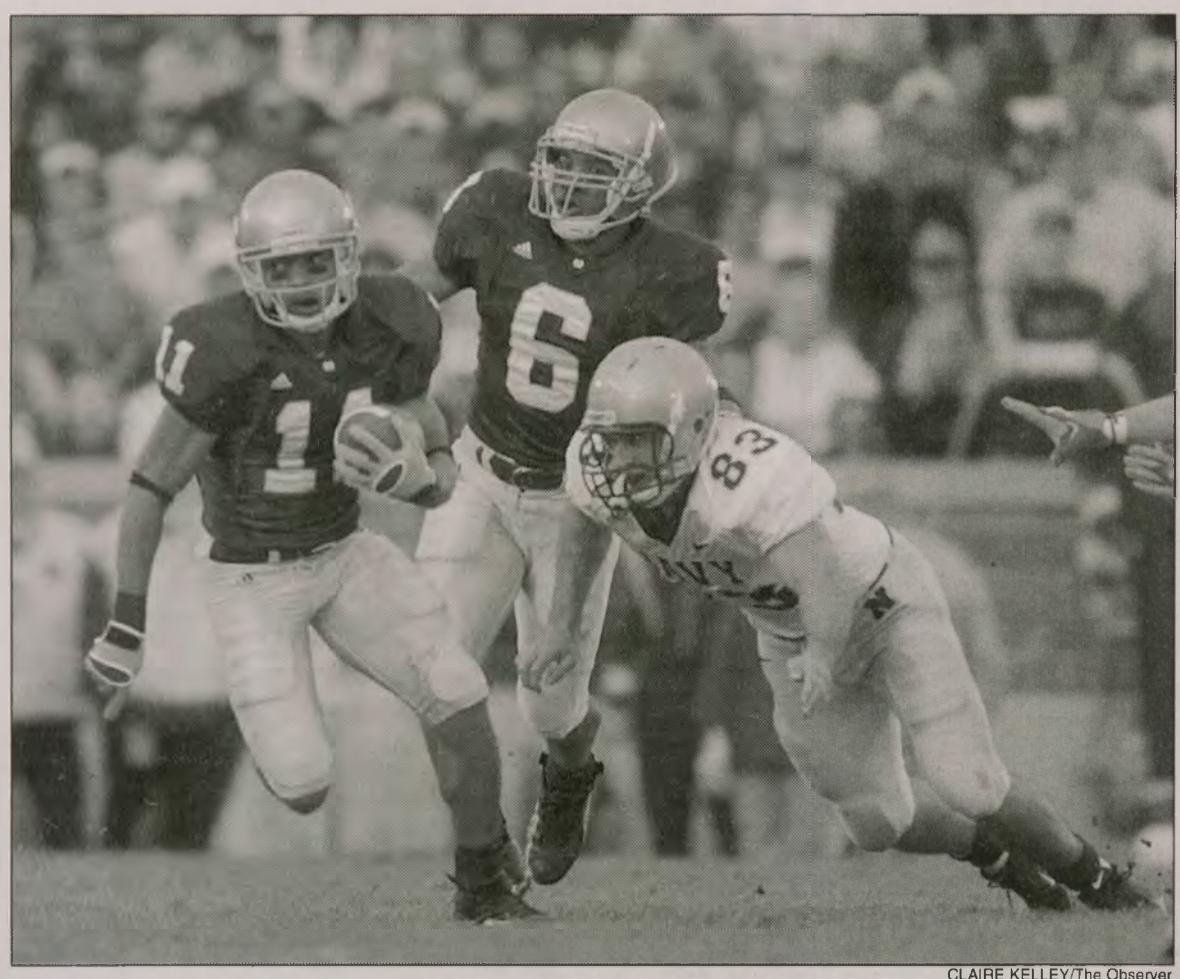

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Notre Dame wide reciever David Grimes returns a kickoff against Navy Saturday. Irish head coach Charlie Weis said the team has to improve its special teams play before playing Syracuse next week.

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prepares to host 1-8 Syracuse Saturday.

"Probably worse," Weis said during Sunday's press conference.

Coming into the pre-Thanksgiving matchup with Notre Dame, Syracuse has little to be thankful for.

After knocking off Buffalo Sept. 10 to even their record at 1-1, the Orange have lost seven consecutive games, including an ugly 27-0 shutout against South Florida last week.

Notre Dame's role as heavy favorite against the floundering Orange isn't the only factor contributing to Weis' discontent — a number of negatives from a 42-21 shellacking of the Midshipmen taint an otherwise convincing victory, he said.

Weis was particularly upset with the special teams play Saturday.

"This was one of the worst performances we had by our special teams all year long," Weis said. "With the exception of the kicking of D.J. [Fitzpatrick] and the coverage of David Bruton, I wasn't very pleased with just about anything we did."

From kickoffs to punting, the unit consistently failed to play its best football.

"Our kickoff average was poor, our kickoff return was poor. We almost had a punt blocked, we didn't snap very well," Weis said. "We missed some opportunities in the punt return game. Twice we had a chance of taking it to the house, and we were one man away from that being the case. We're obviously going to have to play a lot better against Syracuse."

In addition to special teams, Weis identified both mediocre tackling and pass coverage on defense as areas of concern.

"Although I thought we tackled okay, I thought they were soft at times, and we were definitely too soft with the quarterback," Weis said. "We were fortunate, we didn't get much of a ball disruption on the passing game. We were just fortunate they didn't hit on some of these play action passes because we all saw there were some guys wide open, they just didn't connect, so they turned out to be long foul balls."

Rounding out Weis' critique was disappointment surrounding Notre Dame's inability to stop the Navy offense on drives to not only start the game, but also to open the second half. The Midshipmen drove 69 yards on 16 plays on their first possession of the contest, culminating in an 8-yard touchdown run by Adam Ballard. Navy opened the second half with an 80-yard, 12-play drive that ended with a one-yard Lamar Owens touchdown run.

"They had a touchdown on the first drive the first half, which I can attribute to the speed of the game, which is not a good thing," Weis said. "But what I didn't like was we also gave up a touchdown the start of the second half, and we'll be working on the starts of the games again this week, even though we had emphasized that as a point for this week."

Notes:

◆ The Irish had a couple of new faces quarterbacking the scout team last week. In preparation for Navy's unique option-style offense, Weis had Darrin Bragg and Kyle McCarthy —who had experience as an option quarterback in high school — both take snaps and mimic the Midshipman attack.

"Both Darrin and Kyle were picked as our offensive scout team players of the week for their simulating the offense," Weis said. "I think they both helped us."

◆ Regardless of all the responsibilities that accompany his position as Notre Dame football head coach, Weis said he isn't worried about getting overwhelmed by the job.

"I don't get burned out," Weis said. "This has been easier for me. Don't take it wrong because I'm not being sarcastic, but that's almost comical. I've had more time this year than I've had in my entire life.

"My son said to me, 'I've seen you more this year, Daddy, than I've seen you in my entire life,' and he's 12. I have more energy this time of year. I'm usually at the halfway mark [of the NFL season]."

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An introduction to the nature and influence of Roman law, one of the most celebrated and distinctive elements of ancient Roman culture. The lasting effects of Roman law on modern legal systems will also be considered.

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This advanced course includes readings from Archilochus' iambic and elegiac poems, Sappho's monodies and Pindar's choral works. The manner in which these poets wrote and the ways in which they responded to the epic tradition are key themes for discussion in the course.

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and a 5-on-3 opportunity.

Jackson has rotated Pearce and Brown at goalie all season. There was some speculation that Pearce had won the job when he started Thursday's game, but Jackson quelled that notion Friday.

"I changed the rotation for one reason," Jackson said. "Pearce had the light academic schedule Thursday, and Brown had the light academic schedule today. These guys work really hard on their schoolwork, and I respect that, but I can work around it."

Amado's two scores earned him the first multi-goal game of his career. The senior center said his play has improved since he has been asked to take on a greater leadership role this season.

"I've always known that I can make plays and score goals," he said. "I expect myself to be a leader. The team expects me to be a leader, and the coaching staff expects me to be a leader. Guys see me differently this year. They look up to me. I'm not going to be the one screwing around in the locker room. I'm the one keeping it loose, but not too loose."

Jackson said he has been working with Amado on improving his fundamentals this year.

"I've been on him to use his speed more," Jackson said. "I've also been on him about his shot because he usually puts it over the net. Tonight he put his shots on the net, and you saw what happened."

Amado opened the scoring with a breakaway goal just 20 seconds into the game. The puck came loose soon after the opening faceoff, and Amado found himself racing down the ice with teammate Tim Wallace.

Wallace picked up the puck and passed to Amado, whose shot glanced off the glove of Bowling Green goalie Jon Horrell and went into the net.

Amado said he was excited to find himself on a breakaway.

"I haven't had too many clear shots this year, so it was good to get one off and put it in the back of the net," he said.

Jackson said the goal was important to get the game off to a positive start for the Irish.

"We scored on the first shift, and that certainly doesn't hurt our chances to win," he said. "Scoring the first goal is one of our team goals because the team that does that wins about 80 percent of the time."

The Irish struck again with a power play goal by Josh Sciba at the 15:07 mark of the period.

Sciba took a pass on the left side from Wes O'Neill and blasted a slap shot past Horrell.

Notre Dame scored again early in the second as Amado broke free again and beat Horrell top shelf.

The Falcons did not give up, however. Thirty-three seconds into the third period, they got a goal from Mike Falk, who tipped in the rebound of a slapshot by teammate Alex Foster.

Falk scored again 12 minutes later on a power play to cut the Irish lead to one.

Amado said despite the sudden comeback by Bowling Green, the Irish never felt like they would relinquish the lead.

"There was never really doubt," he said. "You always think you can win. There was a bit of a silence, but then people were right back yelling."

The team's confidence was rewarded as Wallace extended the lead to two with a putback of a Noah Babin, shot with 2:45 left in the game.

Notre Dame will be back in action this week in Oxford, Ohio against Miami University Friday and Saturday.

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JENNIFER KANG/The Observer

Notre Dame forward Tim Wallace skates up the ice against Bowling Green Friday. The Irish beat the Falcons 4-2 for their second straight CCHA victory.

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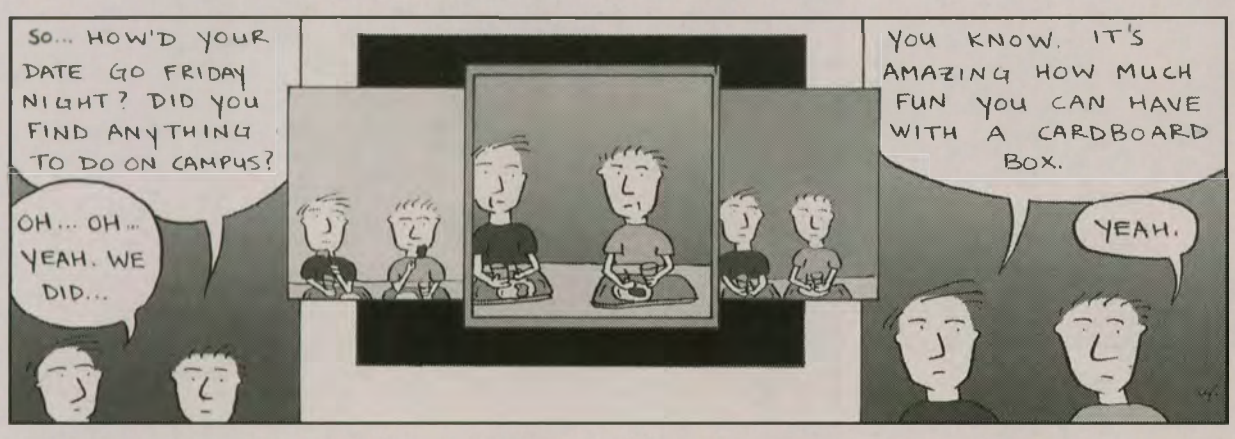

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23 Giant Hall-of-Famer
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51 Asinine
52 Move on all fours
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57 Exxon product
58 President Ford stared fiercely
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64 ___ Romeo (sports car)
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70 Potting material
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72 Fencing weapons
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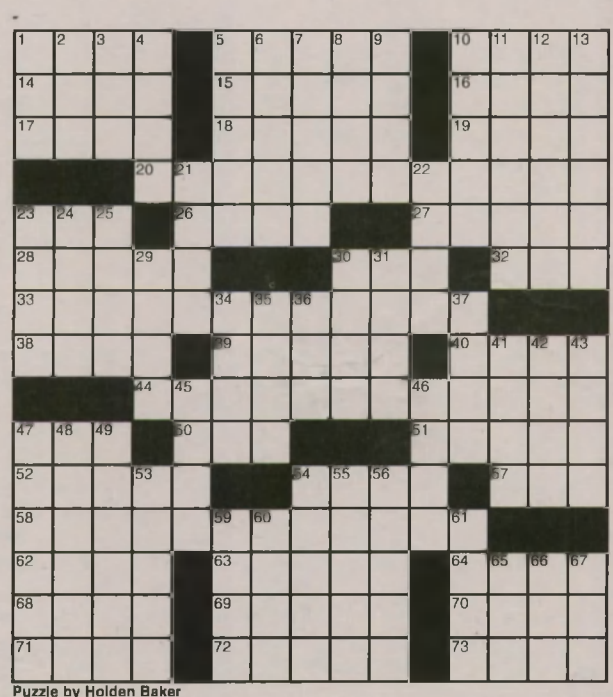

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Happy Birthday: Get into the right frame of mind -- idle time will be your enemy. You have a lot to prove this year, so don't be afraid to be a little bit different. It's your uniqueness that will be able to open doors. Sudden changes will leave you feeling lucky but surprised. Your numbers are 4, 12, 21, 33, 39, 41

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Time is of the essence today. Your accuracy will astound everyone. Your willpower and determination will help you see matters through to the end. You can learn a valuable lesson by watching others.***
TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Much will be conducted behind closed doors today. You may need to read between the lines if you want to get a clear picture. A problem with an older relative will not be as bad as you first thought. ***
GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Don't restrict yourself from making contact with someone you want to get to know better. You can adjust to whatever you are faced with and, because of this, will resolve any issues that arise. ****
CANCER (June 21-July 22): If you are open to suggestions, you will do much better today. Love is in a high cycle and should be nurtured. Don't get angry about financial matters or requests for donations. **
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Everything is looking good, so refrain from arguing or thinking you know everything. Take a short trip that will bring you in contact with someone who can get you thinking about your future. *****
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): You will have plenty to take care of today. Added responsibilities may bog you down, but your generosity and help will be rewarded. Taking care of the needs of others will give you insight into your own situation. ***
LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): It's time to get serious about a creative venture you want to pursue. You can find out some interesting information from someone you haven't talked to in a while. Get a head start on your work week today. ***
SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): If possible, attend an industry event or a trade show that can spark some ideas for future projects. Romance is looking good. Entertaining in your home will bring about an opportunity to work with an old friend. ***
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Problems with the people you live with will crop up if you stick around home. Get in touch with an old lover who has been on your mind. It will help you to make up your mind regarding the personal changes. *****
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Check into the risk factor before taking a chance with your money. Someone you are close to will have his or her own idea of how you should spend your cash. Take care of your responsibilities. **
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You will have a good idea regarding work and how you can make some additional money. Change may be inevitable, but that doesn't mean that it has to be bad. You'll realize you are long overdue for a complete shake-up. ****
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Consider putting in a few hours on a project that needs to be completed. You will feel so much better once the work is done. A jaunt to a place that you enjoy or time spent with people who have a unique lifestyle will be inspiring. ***

Birthday Baby: You are courageous when faced with danger. You are kind and empathetic with others. You are passionate, giving and spontaneous in love. You have a strong sense of who you are and what you can do.

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SPORTS

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WOMEN'S INTERHALL FOOTBALL — SEMIFINALS

Headed to Rock's house

Photos by ANN KELLEY/The Observer

Left, a Walsh player heads upfield. Center, a Pangborn running back bursts through a hole. Right, a Cavanaugh runner eludes Pasquerilla West defenders. The Phoxes and Purple Weasels won Sunday's semifinal matchups and will play Sunday at Notre Dame Stadium.

By KEN FOWLER AND DAN MURPHY
Sports Writers

Pasquerilla West made the defensive stop it needed and clinched a spot in the Interhall Championship next week with a thrilling 12-6 overtime victory over Cavanaugh Sunday.

After scoring on their possession in the extra period, the Purple Weasels stuffed the Chaos on first and second downs. Then, on third down, the PW defensive line broke through the Cavanaugh front and got to quarterback Lisa Ruffer for the sack. When Ruffer's desperate fourth-down attempt fell incomplete, the celebration was on for the Weasels.

"Our emotions are already high and are going to build throughout the week [leading up to the finals]," Weasels offensive lineman Sara Cermak said.

The overtime victory was the second straight for PW and extended the team's dream season to the championship game in Notre Dame Stadium.

The game was a battle for both teams, which ended reg-

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ND WOMEN'S SOCCER

Team wins two games in tourney

By KEN FOWLER
Sports Writer

Katie Thorlakson knows how to win in the NCAA Tournament.

The national player-of-the-year candidate and 2005 Big East offensive MVP led the Irish to victories in the first and second rounds of the NCAA Tournament this weekend with two goals and three assists.

Notre Dame 6, Valparaiso 0

Thorlakson scored or assisted on Notre Dame's first three goals of a 6-0 victory over Valparaiso Friday.

Just 3:03 into the match, Amanda Cinalli knocked Thorlakson's curving corner kick into the net to give the

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HOCKEY

ND completes sweep of Bowling Green with 4-2 victory

By CHRIS KHOREY
Sports Writer

Matt Amado scored two goals and Dave Brown made 29 saves as Notre Dame beat Bowling Green 4-2 at the Joyce Center Friday.

The Irish completed a two-game sweep of the Falcons after their 9-4 victory Thursday. The sweep was the first for Notre Dame since the Irish beat Michigan Feb. 27 and 28, 2004. It also represented the squad's first back-to-back wins since November of last season.

"[Those wins were] huge for us," Amado said. "We got two big wins to get to .500 in the CCHA. Now there's a big '3' on the board in the locker room because we're looking for our third straight win."

Irish coach Jeff Jackson credited the win to strong goaltending and penalty killing. Brown started the game in net after Jordan Pearce had started the previous two contests.

"We got great goaltending, and sometimes you have to win like that. Tonight was a war," Jackson said. "Last night we scored on the power play, and tonight penalty killing came through."

Bowling Green scored only one power play goal Friday, despite having nine chances

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MEN'S BASKETBALL

Irish blast Quincy in final preseason game

By PAT LEONARD
Sports Writer

Chris Quinn led Notre Dame with 20 points as one of four Irish players in double figures Friday night. Notre Dame won its second and final home exhibition game over Division-II Quincy at the Joyce Center, 80-53.

Quinn shot 7-of-13 and made 4-of-7 from 3-point range, helping the Irish shake the rust off of a 35.6 shooting percentage performance in their first exhibition to end the preseason on a favorable note.

"After our first game [with] the way we played offensively, we've been concentrating in practice on the offensive end of the floor and getting more movement,"

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FOOTBALL

Weis not overlooking 'Cuse

By MATT PUGLISI
Sports Writer

Expect more of the same from Irish coach Charlie Weis this week.

After exhibiting an ornery mood all last week in an effort to keep his players grounded against 24-point underdog Navy — a team the Irish have now beaten 42 consecutive times — Weis doesn't anticipate his demeanor changing much as Notre Dame

CLAIRE KELLEY/The Observer

Notre Dame head coach Charlie Weis and quarterback Brady Quinn discuss strategy against Navy Saturday.

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SPORTS AT A GLANCE

ND CROSS COUNTRY

Great Lakes Regional

Both Irish squads finish second, qualify for NCAAs.

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ND VOLLEYBALL

Irish down Hoyas 30-13, 30-25, 30-23 to earn the No.1 seed in the Big East tournament.

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MEN'S SWIMMING

Notre Dame 122.5
Michigan St. 120.5

No. 18 Irish edge Spartans Friday in East Lansing.

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WOMEN'S SWIMMING

Notre Dame 163
Minnesota 135

Irish win first home meet of Carrie Nixon era.

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IRISH INSIDER

Notre Dame had little trouble with Navy's option attack Saturday, as the Irish sunk the Midshipmen 42 - 21.