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Forum will focus on global health

Seven experienced panelists to share thoughts, knowledge

By EILEEN DUFFY

Assistant News Editor

An issue that covers the tiny — the chromosomes of malaria-carrying mosquitoes — to the massive — the two billion people thought to be affected with the tuberculosis virus — will take center stage for seven panelists in the Notre Dame Forum today.

The second annual forum, entitled "The Global Health Crisis: Forging Solutions, Effecting Change," will be held from 1:15 to 3:15 p.m. in the Joyce Center.

Panelists include Dr. Paul Farmer, the founding director of the international non-

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Photo courtesy of Mark Rosenberg

Dr. Paul Farmer, founding director of Partners in Health — an international non-profit organization — and an Academic Forum panelist, checks the health of an African girl.

Gender numbers uneven

ND administrators look for solution to level percentages

By ROHAN ANAND

News Writer

While Notre Dame began accepting women in 1972, 34 years has not been quite enough to balance out the male-to-female ratio — currently a lopsided 53 percent men to 47 percent women.

"It is what it is and hopefully, once we review our numbers at the end of this year, we can go deeper into finding a solution," Arts and Letters Associate Director Ava Preacher said.

Though the Admissions Office — which has been "gender blind" since 1997 — is working hard to maintain a solid equilibrium in each admitted class, the gender imbalance becomes more clear when students separate amongst the five undergraduate colleges their sophomore year, Assistant Provost for Admissions Dan Saracino said.

The College of Science boasts more women than men, with a ratio of 52 percent to 48 percent. The College of Architecture is nearly even with 51 percent men and 49 percent women. The College of Business, however, maintains a roughly 1-to-3 ratio of women to men, with 38 percent women and 62 percent men, Saracino

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Saint Mary's diversity highest in five years

Diversity at Saint Mary's College

Class of

Nationality 2005 2006 2007 2008 2009 2010

African American	4	4	6	2	1	11
Native American	1	2	1	4	1	2
Asian American	9	9	6	10	9	10
Latina	29	12	19	16	21	20
Total Minorities	43	27	32	32	32	43
Class Size	436	376	402	350	377	426
Percent Minority	9.9%	7.2%	8.0%	9.1%	8.5%	10.1%

SOURCE: Dan Meyer, Vice President for Enrollment Management

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By KATIE KOHLER

News Writer

The number of Saint Mary's freshmen representing diverse multicultural backgrounds increased this year to the highest number — 10.1 percent — the College has seen in the past five years.

Though the College is interested in bringing in minority students, the initiative to increase diversity is more about retention and the three-year goal to increase diversity to 15 percent, Vice President for Enrollment Management Dan Meyer said.

"The institution is committed to increasing diversity represen-

tation," he said. "Now Admissions needs to execute."

Since 2001, the percentage of minority students has hovered between seven and 10 percent, with this year being the highest. The next highest percentage, 9.9 percent, was in 2001.

"The retention rate for minorities is roughly the same for the typical student, which is about 84 percent of freshmen returning for their sophomore year," Meyer said.

Saint Mary's has used different methods to attract more multicultural students, Meyer said, following up more persistently with interested students.

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Record number of ND alums donate money

By AMANDA MICHAELS

Assistant News Editor

If the screaming blue-and-gold thousands who pack into Notre Dame Stadium aren't enough to prove that loyalty to the University lasts far longer than four years, the latest alumni giving rate certainly is.

During the 2005-06 fiscal year, 53.2 percent of Notre Dame alumni gave some sort of monetary donation to the University — setting an all-time record for the school, said Lou Nanni, vice president of University Relations.

The previous record was set in 1994, when an even 53 percent of former undergraduates gave back.

"The number is less indicative of the efforts of the [Department of Development] and more a sign of how impacted alumni are during their time as students," Nanni said. "They feel loyalty and give back to support the mission of Notre Dame."

Notre Dame has consistently been ranked in the top three in the nation for its alumni giving rate, along with Princeton University and Dartmouth College.

Nanni said 53.2 percent should put the University "squarely in second place, behind Princeton."

"Many of the top universities in the country, the Harvards, Yales, Stanfords, their schools average

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SENATE

Group, BOT to discuss technology

By MARY KATE MALONE

News Editor

Student government's fall presentation to the Board of Trustees (BOT) will focus on technology and student networking, student body president Lizzi Shappell announced at Wednesday's Student Senate meeting.

Vice President for Student Affairs Father Mark Poorman and the chair of the Student Affairs committee on the BOT selected the topic, Shappell said. The Board wants to learn more about the popular social-networking Web site, Facebook.com, as well as students' use of Instant Messaging, e-mail and cell phone usage.



TOM FOLEY/The Observer

Student body president Lizzi Shappell discusses the Board of Trustees' desire to learn about the popular social-networking Web site, Facebook.com, at Wednesday's meeting.

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Students consider forum

By EILEEN DUFFY
Assistant News Editor

To some students, today's second annual Notre Dame Forum is a can't-miss event led by big names and equally big ideals. To others, however, the cancellation of class for the two hours while the forum takes place is the real news.

Father Thomas Streit, director of the University's Haiti Program and the Center for Global Health in Biology, said the forum has generated anticipation among students.

"I think [the forum] already has achieved a lot in that it has gotten the discussion really going already," he said. "I've noticed that already in my classes. The forum will be the great culmination of all this buzz that's already been going since the beginning of the semester."

Students like sophomore Courtney Haven said the University did a commendable job in choosing the focus of this year's forum.

"The topic is really interesting," Haven said. "I think it's going to be a big thing in the future, the issue of global

health."

Sophomore Dan Thaner, who works with biology professor Nora Besansky at the Center for Global Health and Infectious Diseases, said the issue is especially pertinent today.

"It's definitely opened up my eyes — it's made me want to go to Africa this summer, just to see what it's really like," he said. "Even though I'm more aware of it, I still feel ignorant of it all."

The problem being so dire in Africa, a continent quite a distance from South Bend, may diminish it in the minds of some Notre Dame students, Assistant Vice President for News and Information

Dennis Brown said.

"I think most people here are cognizant of the fact that there's a real problem with AIDS in Africa, but that's in Africa, not middle America. So they don't really take it very seriously," he said. "This is an opportunity to focus in, to give the student body a chance to hear from internationally known experts in the field, an opportunity to look at this thing in depth."

Sophomore Claire Sloss — who is "interested in social

justice" — is planning on attending the forum, but admits that she's required to do so for a class.

"I think it's nice [that classes are cancelled]. It allows everybody who wants to attend, to attend," she said. "But I think it's also a good excuse for kids not to go to class."

A good excuse for students like senior Jorie Reger, who said she is "stoked" about classes being cancelled.

"I don't think it's a good idea to cancel classes, even though I'm excited," she said. "People who have class cancelled aren't saying, 'Yes, I can go to the forum.' They are saying, 'Sweet, I can go do whatever I want now.'"

Panelist Michael Dewan also expressed concern over the length of the program.

"To be honest, I don't know how much inspiring two hours can do," he said. "But at the very least, it can raise people's eyebrows and get people to start thinking about [global health]. If people can listen to what Drs. Farmer, Sachs and Opwonya have to say, maybe they'll be that much more interested in educating themselves or going out and making a difference themselves."

"Ideally, that's what the purpose of the forum is."

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Senior wins national humanitarian award

Special to the Observer

Steven Cartwright, a University of Notre Dame senior from Pittsburgh, will receive the 2006 Howard R. Swearer Student Humanitarian Award from Campus Compact.



Cartwright

The first Notre Dame student to receive this award and one of only five selected nationwide, Cartwright was honored based upon his commitment to public service and for developing an innovative program to address issues facing the community. Cartwright will receive a \$1,500 contribution to be used in a service program of his choice.

Cartwright has participated

in numerous service activities within the Notre Dame and South Bend communities. In 2004, he founded Lead-ND, a student organization providing equitable after-school opportunities for South Bend youths to learn the value of community service and active citizenship. Operating programs at three local schools, the organization has developed leadership programs, sponsored National Youth Service Day events and devoted countless hours to engaging young people in the community.

Campus Compact is a national coalition of nearly 1,000 college and university presidents who are committed to fulfilling the civic purposes of higher education. Cartwright previously has been recognized for his work with an award from Indiana Campus Compact, a member of the national organization.

Renowned theologian set to deliver lecture

Former ND visiting prof. to discuss book

Special to the Observer

Theologian and author Michael Novak will discuss his book "Business as a Calling" at 6 p.m. Thursday (Sept. 14) in the Jordan Auditorium of the Mendoza College of Business at the University of Notre Dame.



Novak

The director of social and political studies at the American

Enterprise Institute, Novak also is the Institute's George Frederick Jewett Chair in Religion and Public Policy. He is the author of 24 books on the philosophy and theology of culture and received the \$1 million Templeton Prize for Progress in Religion in 1994. He was the Welch Visiting Professor of American Studies at Notre Dame in 1987-88 and also has taught at Harvard, Stanford and Syracuse Universities and the State University of New York.

Novak's talk, which is free and open to the public, is sponsored by Notre Dame's Mendoza College of Business, the Center for Ethics and Culture and the Jacques Maritain Center.

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said.

Divisions in the remaining two colleges, Arts and Letters and Engineering, were not as close. Females leapfrog men in Arts and Letters, with a ratio of 75 percent to 25 percent. Conversely, the College of Engineering has 73 percent men and only 27 percent women, Saracino said.

Despite the breakdowns, Saracino said intended majors indicated by prospective students on their applications have no bearing on their chances of being admitted.

"Quite candidly, intended major plays no role in admissions decisions," he said. "That being said, we also do not look at one's 'intended major' on his or her application — knowing full well that students will change their minds about their academic intents quite often — when arriving at our decisions."

Many students, particularly those pursuing double or supplementary majors between two colleges, said the gender gaps are becoming increasingly noticeable.

"There's definitely a big discrepancy," said senior Terin Barbas, who is pursuing a major in marketing and a supplementary major in gender studies. "From my experience, business fields such as finance and accounting is male-dominated, marketing is split 50-50, and gender studies is female-dominated."

Those splits, Barbas said, may be due to perceived psychological differences between the sexes. She believes her marketing major allows her the best of both worlds.

"More men have a tendency to go to business and science because it requires more thought processes, and women opt for Arts and Letters because they are more analytical," Barbas said. "I think marketing is more creative and leans towards the liberal arts, thereby drawing more women to it."

In the College of Arts and Letters, however, students said gender differences need to be addressed. Robert Hyde, a senior sociology major and gender studies minor, said that has taken classes with female-to-male ratios as high as 6-to-1 and that many of the courses offered are portrayed as "man-hating."

"These courses are dealing with feminism that does portray men as being the enemy," he said. "Because they are all discussion-based, a lot of men feel like they have to come to class prepared to defend themselves. I was among three men in a class of 30 at one point."

As recent as 2001, men were the majority — at 56 percent — in the College of Arts and Letters, said Preacher.

"While some courses like economics and political science retain popularity among male students, it's interesting how many other fields, like English, have started attracting more women," she said. "The imbalance, however,

does make it seem that some things belong to one gender and that's innate, but I don't agree with that."

Preacher said that Arts and Letters is currently undergoing a study to examine the numbers more closely and devise a strategy to improve them.

"Throughout the year, we're keeping a record of how many women and men come in for advising and we'll see if we need to outreach more to men. Then we'll be able to determine if it's a cultural or practical difference preventing [the underrepresented gender] from studying here," she said.

In the College of Engineering, while men outnumber women three to one, both female students and faculty praise the structure of the school and its improvement in the number of undergraduate women in the program.

"The national average of women in engineering colleges is 19 percent, so we're above the national average," said Cathy Pieronek, director of the College's Academic Affairs. "The question that people have been trying to answer about why more women aren't interested in engineering as a career field is really the \$64,000 question."

Pieronek said she is especially proud of how the women do not seem threatened by being the minority, which is reflected in the College's retention rate.

Still, Pieronek said that admissions could help in increasing the numbers.

"What we get, we keep, but what we don't get, we can't keep," she said. "If you want more women in the sophomore class of engineers, you need to have more women in the freshman class, so they need to be admitted right upfront."

Freshman Nicole Shuttleworth said her engineering, calculus and chemistry classes are "probably 70 percent" male — but that's not a problem.

"I don't see that as discouraging at all," she said. "I actually think women studying engineering are at an advantage, because they do get a lot of assistance from the guys, yet don't feel the need to compete amongst each other because they exist in fewer numbers."

Kara Kelly, the College of Architecture's director of Communications, credited the school's balance of 93 women and 95 men to a change in era. Now, she said, the career is considered much more flexible for women.

"It used to be difficult to gain a woman's interest in architecture because the profession requires odd hours, away from their homes when they were raising families," she said. "We had Suman Sorg, who owns a firm with 20 female associates in Washington D.C., Sorg and Associates, P.C., speak with our female students to remind them [of] the flexibility and balance that female architects can easily obtain."

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Forum

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profit organization Partners in Health; Dr. Jeffrey Sachs, director of the United Nations Millennium Project and Dr. Miriam Opwonya of the Makerere University Infectious Diseases Institute in Uganda.

Gwen Ifill, moderator and managing editor of "Washington Week" and senior correspondent for "The NewsHour with Jim Lehrer," will moderate the event.

Even more so than last year's "Why God? Understanding Religion and Enacting Faith in a Plural World," which coincided with University President Father John Jenkins' inauguration, this year's forum aims to educate students, said Assistant Vice President for News and Information Dennis Brown.

"I think the primary goal in this particular case is to bring to the student body some real depth of knowledge concerning what is a massive problem worldwide," he said. "It's a problem that I think most people are aware of on a sort of surface level, but it's got a little bit of an 'out of sight, out of mind' aspect to it."

Also participating are seniors Michael Dewan and Ailis Tweed-Kent, as well as alumni Keri Oxley, Class of 2004 and Dr. David Gaus, Class of 1984. All of the participants have personal experience with the global health crisis.

Time Magazine named Farmer — who has worked with the poverty- and disease-stricken populations of Haiti, Peru, Russia and Rwanda — "America's most celebrated doctor for the poor." He was the subject of Pulitzer Prize-winning author Tracy Kidder's 2003 book "Mountains Beyond

Mountains: The Quest of Dr. Paul Farmer, A Man Who Would Cure the World."

Farmer's organization, Partners in Health, describes its goals on its Web site as "bringing the benefits of modern medical science to those most in need of them and serving as an antidote to despair."

Opwonya, too, has seen the issue of global health firsthand. At Makerere University, she is the coordinator of clinical trials for anti-retroviral HIV/AIDS therapy. Prior to her position there, she coordinated an HIV/AIDS home-based care program in the city and suburbs of Kampala, Uganda.

"Effecting change" is a familiar concept to Sachs. An advisor to Kofi Annan, he directs the United Nations Millennium Project, an international effort to reduce poverty, disease and hunger by the year 2015.

Father Thomas Streit, director of the University's Haiti Program and the Center for Global Health in Biology, commended the choice of panelists.

"In academic circles, some of these speakers have achieved rock-star status," he said. "At other universities, people have to pay to see these speakers. We have not just one, but three."

Dewan traveled to Uganda through one of the Center for Social Concerns' International Summer Service Learning Programs (ISSLP), where he was meant to be a primary school teacher. But that plan changed once he got there.

"I ended up spending half my time at an HIV-malaria clinic a few miles away," he said. "I got a really good picture of the situation of health there."

A combination of extreme poverty and a lack of health professionals in the area left

Ugandans neglected in terms of health care, Dewan said.

"They didn't have a lot of places to go when they were sick," he said. "And even if they did, a lot of them were too poor to really receive any care that could have been available to them, like anti-retrovirals for HIV or quinine for malaria. You read about this stuff, but actually witnessing it is pretty powerful."

Dewan described testing Ugandans' blood for diseases like HIV, hepatitis, tuberculosis and malaria — a disease he himself fell victim to, though he "didn't want to make a big deal of it." His bout with malaria only lasted a week and his treatment cost the equivalent of eight U.S. dollars.

"You and I spend the same amount of money on a burger and fries without thinking twice," he wrote in an essay for the forum's Web site. "Meanwhile millions of children are dying from this same disease every year simply because they cannot afford the treatment ... Pretty messed up, don't you think?"

While Dewan and Tweed-Kent have a great deal of experience, Dewan said he has no intention of saying "anything life-changing or world-changing" during the forum.

"That's what people like Dr. Farmer and Dr. Sachs are there for," he said. "I think the purpose of myself and Ailis being on the panel is to show the [undergraduates in the] audience that as much as anybody, we as young people are responsible for the things that happen in this world."

"It's not something that's abstract or separate from us. We are supposed to be the difference-makers for tomorrow."

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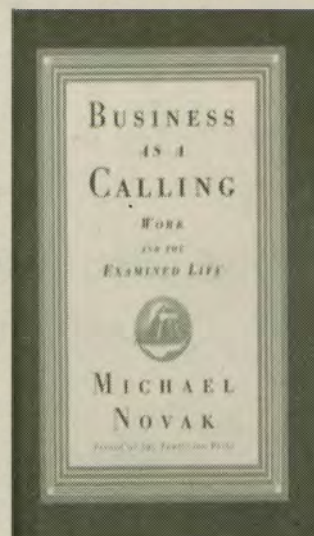
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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Shooter attacks college, wounds 20

MONTREAL — A man in a black trench coat and a mohawk haircut opened fire Wednesday at a downtown Montreal college and wounded at least 20 people — eight critically — before police shot and killed him, witnesses and authorities said.

Police dismissed suggestions that race or terrorism played a role in the lunch-hour attack at Dawson College, where scores of panicked students fled into the streets after the shooting began. Some had clothes stained with blood; others cried and clung to each other. Two nearby shopping centers and a daycare center also were evacuated.

"I was terrified. The guy was shooting at people randomly. He didn't care, he was just shooting at everybody," said student Devansh Smri Vastava. "There were cops firing. It was so crazy."

Syrian attacker dies from wounds

DAMASCUS, Syria — The bold attack on the U.S. Embassy has thrown new light on what President Bashar Assad calls the growing threat in Syria from Islamic extremists. But some critics say the regime is exaggerating the problem for its own political gain.

With questions still unanswered about the assault, the only attacker captured in the gunbattle died from his wounds before police could question him, officials said Wednesday, leaving the investigation's future unclear.

The state-run Syrian Arab News Agency said the dead man and three other gunmen killed during Tuesday's attempt to storm the embassy compound were all Syrian citizens.

NATIONAL NEWS

Interrogation treaty faces dissent

WASHINGTON — Negotiations between the White House and a trio of powerful GOP senators snagged Wednesday over Bush administration demands that Congress reinterpret the nation's treaty obligations to allow tough CIA interrogations of terrorism suspects.

Sen. John Warner, chairman of the Armed Services Committee, said his panel would meet Thursday to finalize an alternative to President Bush's plan to prosecute terror suspects and redefine acts that constitute war crimes. Warner said he was aware the White House may come out in opposition of his legislation.

Distraught mother commits suicide

LEESBURG, Fla. — Two weeks after telling police that her son had been snatched from his crib, Melinda Duckett found herself reeling in an interview with TV's famously prosecutorial Nancy Grace. Before it was over, Grace was pounding her desk and loudly demanding to know: "Where were you? Why aren't you telling us where you were that day?"

A day after the taping, Duckett, 21, shot herself to death, deepening the mystery of what happened to the boy.

Police have refused to say whether she left a suicide note, and said nothing they have found so far in their investigation of her death has shed light on the whereabouts of her 2-year-old son, Trenton.

LOCAL NEWS

Lawyer arrested for intoxication

ANDERSON, Ind. — A police officer arrested a lawyer after telling a judge that the man had showed up drunk for a court hearing.

Paul E. Baylor, 35, of Anderson was released from the Madison County Jail's detox unit on his own recognizance Tuesday night several hours after his arrest on a charge of public intoxication.

State Trooper Chris Noone was in Madison Superior Court to testify in a case and was sitting near Baylor when he noticed he seemed to be intoxicated, Judge Dennis Carroll said.

IRAQ

65 dead discovered in Baghdad

Latest Middle East violence leaves tortured bodies strewn around capital city

Associated Press

BAGHDAD — The leader of Iraq's biggest Sunni Arab group demanded Wednesday that the beleaguered Shiite-led government take steps to disarm militias after police said the bodies of 65 tortured men were dumped in and around Baghdad.

On a violent day even by the standards of Baghdad, car bombs, mortars and other attacks also killed at least 39 people and wounded dozens. Two U.S. soldiers also were killed, one in enemy action in restive Anbar province on Monday and the other in a roadside bombing south of Baghdad on Tuesday, the U.S. military command said.

The attacks have been unrelenting despite a security crackdown around the capital by 12,000 U.S. and Iraqi troops. The more than 1,500 violent deaths last month at the height of the joint operation speak to the difficulties in restoring any semblance of security to this sprawling city of 6 million people.

Although Sunni Arabs operate some death squads, the vast majority are run by Shiite militias and gangs.

Shiite political groups, including those in power, claim that armed militias have nothing to do with them and that their own military wings were disarmed months ago and turned into social and humanitarian groups. They claim that armed groups and militias are "rogue" elements beyond their control, but many Sunni Arabs contend that they are in fact controlled by Shiite politicians and clerics.

Adnan al-Dulaimi, a Sunni who heads the Iraqi Accordance Front political party, called on Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki, a Shiite, to take a first step by honoring a pledge to disband militias.

"We hope the govern-



Iraqi family members cry as they arrive to take the body of their relative, one of the 65 dead, from the hospital mortuary in Baghdad on Wednesday.

ment carries out what it pledged and disbands militias and considers them terrorist organizations," al-Dulaimi told The Associated Press. His party is Iraq's largest Sunni Arab political bloc and holds 44 seats in the 275-member parliament.

"Their presence is deteriorating the situation and bringing more troubles to the political atmosphere," al-Dulaimi said of militias. "We call upon all religious authorities to raise their voices and demand militias be disarmed."

Police said 60 of the bodies were found overnight around Baghdad, with the majority dumped in predominantly Sunni Arab

neighborhoods.

All the bodies were bound, bore signs of torture and had been shot, police said. Such killings are usually the work of death squads who kidnap people and usually torture them with power drills, or beat them, before shooting them execution-style with a bullet to the head.

The U.S. military said it could not confirm all the executions and that their body count so far was lower than that reported by police.

"It is looking like about a 50 percent discrepancy on execution-style killings so far," said Maj. Josslyn Aberle, chief of the media relations division for the

Multi-National Corps-Iraq.

The reason for the difference was not immediately clear. The confusion over numbers underscores the difficulty of obtaining accurate death tolls in Iraq, which lacks the reporting and tracking systems of most modern nations. Also, counts by the U.S. military often lag behind those of the police.

According to Iraqi police, 45 of the bodies were discovered in predominantly Sunni Arab parts of western Baghdad. Fifteen were found in predominantly Shiite areas of eastern Baghdad. And five were found floating down the Tigris river in Suwayrah, just south of Baghdad.

U.S. forces avoid Taliban funeral target

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The U.S. military acknowledged Wednesday that it considered bombing a group of more than 100 Taliban insurgents in southern Afghanistan but decided not to after determining they were on the grounds of a cemetery.

The decision came to light after an NBC News correspondent's blog carried a photograph of the insurgents. Defense department officials first tried to block further publication of the photo, then struggled to explain what it depicted.

NBC News claimed U.S. Army offi-

cers wanted to attack the ceremony with missiles carried by an unmanned Predator drone but were prevented under rules of battlefield engagement that bar attacks on cemeteries.

In a statement released Wednesday, the U.S. military in Afghanistan said the picture — a grainy black-and-white photo taken in July — was given to a journalist to show that Taliban insurgents were congregating in large groups. The statement said U.S. forces considered attacking.

"During the observation of the group over a significant period of

time, it was determined that the group was located on the grounds of [the] cemetery and were likely conducting a funeral for Taliban insurgents killed in a coalition operation nearby earlier in the day," the statement said. "A decision was made not to strike this group of insurgents at that specific location and time."

While not giving a reason for the decision, the military concluded the statement saying that while Taliban forces have killed innocent civilians during a funeral, coalition forces "hold themselves to a higher moral and ethical standard than their enemies."

Donations

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between 35 and 40 percent [alumni giving], so we're significantly ahead of most of the elite schools," he said.

The US News & World Report factors an institution's alumni giving rate into the equation that produces its yearly rankings, which placed Notre Dame as the 20th top national university for 2007. According to USNews.com, "the percent of alumni giving

serves as a proxy for how satisfied students are with the school."

Though the total dollar amount of alumni monetary donation was not available, Nanni said the University did receive approximately \$181 million in cash receipts last year. That amount includes not only donations from alumni but also from parents of students and "friends" of the University — people not directly affiliated with the school that donate.

Of that number, more than \$25 million came in the form of unrestricted giving — another all-time

University record. Unrestricted gifts are those that can be directed to whatever the greatest needs are for the given year and typically come in the form of smaller donations, Nanni said.

The rest of the money has a purpose designated by the donors, with a great deal of it going toward undergraduate financial aid, Nanni said.

It also is funneled into areas like endowed chairs, endowments for excellence for specific departments and capital projects for undertakings like the construction of the Jordan Hall of Science and,

in the future, the Law School and the engineering building projects.

Nanni said the Department of Development reaches out to the University's approximately 115,000 alumni through several mailings a year, personal calls and pledge calls from students, who logged around \$2 million in pledges last year.

Based on the response rate from these methods, as well as the number of donations, the breakdown of who the money is coming from and University priorities, the Department of Development sets goals for the

upcoming fiscal year, Nanni said.

With a banner year of giving behind it, the University will continue to look toward alumni and other donors to support its ongoing projects and future endeavors to improve the school.

"It's no surprise that we get such a strong response [from alumni]," Nanni said. "We leave an indelible impression on students, who, when they leave, want to turn around help out other students."

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Diversity

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Admissions also chose which high schools to visit more carefully, focusing on "higher diversity populations" in Chicago and northwestern Indiana.

"[Admissions] chose to visit schools with greater minority representation," he said. "We got this information from their high school profiles."

Of the new recruitment procedures and programs, Meyer said the most effective way to increase enrollment was by

using multicultural students as tour guides and encouragement.

"When bringing minority students to campus, we want to make it a positive experience and use positive role models," he said. "We made sure diversity students were represented on campus. We also tried to engage current diversity students in the recruitment of other multicultural students."

Meyer said Saint Mary's has initiated more multicultural-themed programs to benefit the entire student body.

"We are trying to work from a programming standpoint that allows the whole campus to

diversify, not just multicultural students," Meyer said.

Meyer also said he hopes faculty diversity will increase through the College's new hiring policy.

"Our goal is to advertise in order to reach a large group and attract diverse professors as well," he said. "When we want to bring a candidate to campus, we want a diverse pool of applicants before making our selection."

Mona Bowe, associate director of Admissions at the College, is part of the minority population at Saint Mary's.

"I personally am very excited about this recruitment goal [of

15 percent diversity in three years]," she said. "As a Latina myself, I greatly value the informal education I have received from years of working in intercultural environments."

Sophomore Grace Fey, a member of the Diversity Student Leadership Committee, said she is pleased with the increase in diversity this year.

"The increased diversity is definitely a positive thing," Fey said. "It will help us move forward toward a more unified [Saint Mary's]."

The Diversity Student Leadership Committee consists of about 30 students who try to

raise awareness about diversity. Last March, the group hosted a premiere conference for local minority high school seniors.

"This conference opened the door to Saint Mary's for many minority students," Fey said.

Bowe said diversity is an issue that will remain of peak importance in the Admissions Office in coming years.

"We could be much more of a community if we had wider representation of cultures and races, geographic locations and other backgrounds," she said.

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Senate

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To do that, Shappell, student body vice president Bill Andrichik, chief executive assistant Liz Brown and two or three students will "introduce the Student Affairs committee to this social network that many people outside the 16-25 year-old range are not very familiar with," Shappell said.

Instead of issuing a formal report, the team of students will first provide information about Facebook.com to Board members and then engage in a conversation about how technology affects the social lives and social networks of students, Andrichik said.

The Oct. 5 presentation is the first of three BOT meetings student government will participate in this year. Since student government did not learn the topic of the presentation until last Friday, no firm plans about the presentation have been set in motion yet.

However, Andrichik said they are considering having a few students keep a daily log of time spent using Facebook, Instant Messenger, e-mail and cell phones.

In other Senate news:

♦ Shappell and Community Relations committee chair Josh Pasquesi met with Karen White of the South Bend Common Council last week.

White, who is chair of the Council's Community Relations

Committee, invited Shappell and Pasquesi to a special meeting on Sept. 27 where Council members and a group of students will discuss the disorderly house ordinance — a point of contention since it was amended in summer 2005.

Previously, tenants were allowed three reported noise violations before the city of South Bend could send them a notice to abate. Now, the ordinance allows the city to send a notice to abate after just one reported noise violation. The city also sends the landlord a

notice to abate. If the noise violation reoccurs, both the landlord and the tenants get fined — unless the landlord evicts the tenants within 30 days of the receipt of notice of the prohibited conduct.

At the Sept. 27 meeting, students will be able to voice their concerns to Council members, and Council members can do the same.

♦ In anticipation of the upcoming mid-term election season, junior Mike McKenna, coordinator for Rock the Vote, asked senators to encourage their constituents to register to vote.

He said his bipartisan group wants to provide students with the informational resources they need to be "responsible citizens."

♦ Senators rejected a resolution that would re-name Zahm Hall "Zahm House." The measure needed a two-thirds majority to pass, but only received 14-of-24 votes.

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IN BRIEF

Ford may cut jobs, close factories

DETROIT — Ford Motor Co.'s board of directors began a two-day meeting Wednesday to contemplate a plan that could have the ailing automaker slash jobs and reduce factories further and faster in its quest to revive profits.

Details from the meeting, which is expected to continue Thursday, were not available Wednesday.

Many industry analysts say the new round of restructuring is crucial to the company's future and will involve cuts to bring Ford's production capacity in line with its declining sales and market share. White collar jobs and benefits also reportedly are in line for reductions.

In July, Ford pledged to accelerate its "Way Forward" plan, which when introduced in January called for cutting up to 30,000 jobs and closing 14 facilities by 2012.

HP board may face criminal charges

SAN JOSE, Calif. — Criminal charges could come within a week in the boardroom spying scandal at Hewlett-Packard Co., the state Attorney General's Office said Wednesday.

Spokesman Tom Dresslar did not say who would be charged or what the charges would be. He also emphasized that it may take longer for the detailed investigation to produce charges.

"We're not going to confine ourselves to any particular timetable," Dresslar said. "We'll go when we're ready to go, and not a minute before that."

On Tuesday, Attorney General Bill Lockyer said he already had enough evidence to charge HP insiders and the private investigators who impersonated board members and journalists in order to access logs of their personal phone calls.

"We currently have sufficient evidence to indict people both within Hewlett-Packard as well as contractors on the outside," Lockyer told PBS' "NewsHour with Jim Lehrer."

He has said HP's internal probe of media leaks violated two California laws governing identity theft and illegal access to computer records.

U.S. urges Chinese fiscal reform

Treasury secretary criticizes protectionism as only response to trade deficit

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Treasury Secretary Henry Paulson urged China to undertake a broad range of economic reforms and said the country's failure to overhaul its currency system could raise the threat of a protectionist backlash.

But Paulson let it be known that the Bush administration would firmly oppose any efforts by Congress to erect trade barriers in response to America's large and growing trade deficit with China, which last year hit a record \$202 billion.

"Protectionist policies do not work and the collateral damage from these policies is high," he said Wednesday in a speech in Treasury's ornate Cash Room. "We will not heed the siren songs of protectionism and isolationism."

Paulson sought to lower expectations that he will achieve any major breakthroughs when he visits Beijing for two days of talks with Chinese officials next week.

While former Treasury Secretary John Snow, Paulson's predecessor, pursued an increasingly tough line that China needed to move more quickly on the currency issue, Paulson, who took over from Snow in July, adopted a less confrontational approach.

He mentioned the currency issue as one of a number of economic reforms that China needed to pursue along with modernizing its farm economy, opening up its financial system and pursuing domestic-led growth rather than relying so much on exports.

"These changes will help create the millions of jobs that China needs to generate annually and will help create markets for U.S. exports of goods and services," Paulson said.

Analysts said they believed Paulson, who gained his expertise on China from the 70 trips he made to the country as



Treasury Secretary Henry Paulson urges China to reform its currency system Wednesday in his first formal speech since joining President Bush's cabinet in July.

head of investment giant Goldman Sachs, was dialing down the rhetoric in hopes of achieving better results.

"The Chinese never want to be in a position where they are seen as moving in response to external pressure," said Nicholas Lardy, a China expert at the Institute for International Economics.

Paulson sought to put the need for a more flexible currency in the context of a move that would help the Chinese government prevent a "boom and bust" economic cycle in its own country as well as dampening protectionist pressures around the world.

"To be underestimated only at China's own peril is the fact that their currency

exchange rate is increasingly being viewed by their critics as a symbol of unfair competition," Paulson said.

Democratic critics have charged the administration has not done enough to deal with the soaring trade deficits, which they blame as a major contributing factor in the loss of nearly 3 million manufacturing jobs since President Bush took office.

One bill being pushed by Sen. Charles Schumer, D-N.Y., would impose 27.5 percent tariffs on all Chinese imports unless China does more to allow its currency to rise in value against the dollar as a way of boosting U.S. exports to China and reducing Chinese imports to this

country.

Schumer said that he was not concerned by Paulson's apparent change of tone, saying he had been effective at Goldman Sachs in dealing with the Chinese.

"But if he comes up empty-handed, we will be disappointed," Schumer said, saying he still intended to push for a vote on his legislation by the end of this month if there is not more movement on the currency issue.

American manufacturers contend that China's currency is undervalued by as much as 40 percent against the dollar, making Chinese goods cheaper in the United States and American products more expensive in China.

House to debut fund-tracking Web site

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Curious about how much of your money is going to encourage hydroponic tomato production in Ohio — or to build bridges to nowhere in Alaska? A user-friendly Web site is going to help you find out.

The House on Wednesday passed and sent to the White House a measure to create a Google-like search engine that will help interested citizens, as well as advocacy groups, track some \$1 trillion in federal grants, contracts, special projects and loans.

The Office of Management and Budget is to create the database, with a Jan. 1, 2008, target for opening it to

the public.

"This is a huge victory for all who believe sunshine is the best disinfectant," said House Government Reform Committee Chairman Tom Davis, R-Va., on the uncontested voice vote.

"This bill will make tracking government spending easier for citizens, reporters and legislators alike," the Senate sponsors, Tom Coburn, R-Okla., and Barack Obama, D-Ill., said in a statement. "Improving transparency will force lawmakers to be more accountable to the American people."

Passage allows lawmakers to claim some success in making government more open. The House is also expected to vote on a rules change this week to bring more openness to "ear-

marks," or special projects. But a main legislative objective this year, lobbying reform in the wake of the Jack Abramoff lobbying scandal, has languished.

The database will join numerous others that provide detailed information on public and political spending. But the sponsors said it would be accessible to the average citizen as well as the taxpayer watchdog groups.

Users will be able to type in "Halliburton" or "Planned Parenthood" to find out what kind of contracts or grants over \$25,000 have been awarded such companies or groups. They can also do a search for a specific state or district to see what kind of money is flowing from Washington.

Leader uses racist term

Associated Press

CONCORD, N.H. — The state ports director won reappointment Wednesday despite acknowledging using a racist term to refer to someone of Middle Eastern descent. He had apologized for that remark but denied allegations that he hurled similar slurs in the workplace.

Geno Marconi agreed to take diversity training and apologized to the Executive Council, which confirmed him unanimously for another five-year term as state ports and harbor director. Gov. John Lynch chose not to veto the decision of the council, a five-member elected body that approves contracts and appointments.

A longshoreman, a union local president and a pay agent for longshoremen accused Marconi of using the term "sand n-----" in talking about a "Captain A." in front of his staff and stevedores at the port of Portsmouth.

The men told investigators from the state attorney general's office that Marconi also called Captain A., who was trying to bring container-ship service to Portsmouth, a "towel head" and a "camel jockey," and that he referred to someone else as a "New York Jew with the chink wife."

Marconi told an investigator he probably said "sand n-----," but not in reference to Captain A. He did not say in what context he made the remark, and he denied making the other comments.

The investigators questioned the motives of Marconi's accusers, saying they came forward this spring, shortly before Marconi had been set to be reappointed, even though their allegations date to 2004. The investigators also concluded that Captain A.'s loss of his contract with the port did not result from racial animus on Marconi's part.

The investigators said they could not prove that Marconi referred to anyone in particular as the "New York Jew and his chink wife," but said he may have used the phrase while telling a story.

After reviewing the report, the Pease Development Authority, which supervises the port, decided against firing Marconi, authority Chairman Arthur Nickless

said.

"We feel he's doing a good job," Nickless said. "I think it really comes down to how credible were the complaints, who was making them and why."

Dan Ball, owner of Port-City Stevedore & Linehandling Inc., contacted Lynch's office initially with complaints about Marconi's behavior. His company is a pay agent for longshoremen working in Portsmouth. William Roach, part-time harbor master and president of the International Longshoreman's Association, and James Geekie, owner of Global Pallet and Packaging and a longshoreman, also complained.

Roach and Ball did not immediately return telephone messages Wednesday afternoon. No listing could be found for Geekie.

"I think it really comes down to how credible were the complaints, who was making them and why."

**Arthur Nickless
Chairman
Pease Development**

Felon charged in jailbreak

Phillips' arrest ended 5 month manhunt, one of largest in N.Y. history

Associated Press

BUFFALO, N.Y. — Ralph "Bucky" Phillips, accused of killing a trooper and wounding two others during more than five months on the lam, was charged Wednesday in a jail escape that preceded one of the largest manhunts in state history.

Phillips was arraigned via video conference in state Supreme Court in Buffalo from Chemung County, where he is being jailed on charges of attempted murder of a trooper.

A plea of not guilty was entered on his behalf to charges of first-degree escape and third-degree criminal mischief, Erie County District Attorney Frank Clark said.

Phillips is accused of escaping from the Erie County Correctional Facility in Alden

on April 2 by using a can opener to make a 2-by-2-foot hole in a metal roof. A career thief who has spent 24 of his 44 years behind bars, he had been jailed on a parole violation.

After escaping, authorities allege, Phillips zigzagged across western New York state and into Pennsylvania, stealing vehicles, raiding unattended homes and hunting cabins and receiving help from friends and relatives to stay a step ahead of police.

He is charged with attempted murder in the shooting of a state trooper near Elmira in June, and is suspected of shooting two more troopers Aug. 31 in Chautauqua County as they staked out the home of a former girlfriend. Trooper Joseph Longobardo died three days later.

Phillips was captured just across the Pennsylvania bor-

der on Friday.

If convicted of escape as a persistent felony offender, Phillips could face a sentence of 15 years to life. Chautauqua County prosecutors may charge Phillips with aggravated murder, a count that carries a penalty of life without parole.

A state commission that reviewed the escape issued a scathing report in August, concluding that the facility was overcrowded and understaffed and that several lapses in protocol enabled Phillips to get away.

Phillips triggered an alarm during the escape, according to the report, but a guard turned it off without notifying an officer assigned to the prison's perimeter. That guard was fired, Brian Doyle, the Erie County sheriff's chief of administrative services, said Wednesday.

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Big families equal big trouble

He had a fantastic British accent. And with that British accent, he told us to think about having small families — maybe just one kid.

That is what I remember about Dominic Chaloner, my Environment and Evolution professor from my first semester at Notre Dame. Three years later, his "one kid" schpeal is what stuck with me.

After all, in the years since Professor Chaloner's class, I have come to some conclusions of my own. Terrorism will not bring about the death of humankind, nor will weapons of mass destruction. The culprit? Too many people.

Humanity was supposed to go extinct in the mid-19th century — or at least, that was the projection of another man from Britain, 18th-century demographer Thomas Malthus. He said that by 1850 the population would outgrow the food supply, thus setting off the demise of humankind.

Clearly, humanity outlasted this life expectancy. But how much longer do we have?

This summer, Al Gore shed light on the issue as he shared "An Inconvenient Truth" — the imminence of global warming — with America. Because of skyrocketing carbon dioxide levels, the death of the world may be impending. And America is one of the leading killers in the ongoing murder of Mother Earth.

But of course, America refuses to be bullied. If you insult America, it will

always have a comeback. Wage war on the country, and floods of patriotism will follow. Tell the country that it is killing the world, and the "greening" of America will ensue.

Recyclable products, hybrid cars and "sustainable" houses are now on the rise. But if the population continues to soar as well, these changes will hardly make a difference.

People talk about reducing their "ecological footprint" (the amount of land and water that a person needs to support himself and to absorb his wastes). What we really need, however, is for there to be fewer ecological footprints in the first place.

For example, the city of Austin, Texas, was praised for reducing its garbage per household from 1.14 tons in 1992 to 0.79 tons in 2005. But if the number of households in Austin continue to grow, these numbers can hardly be considered a sign of progress.

More than six and a half billion people currently live in our world. That is more than five times the world population (1.2 billion) in 1850, the year previously slated for humanity's funeral.

Just as current global conditions dictate that liquids can no longer be brought on planes, global conditions of a different sort dictate that parents now be more responsible when it comes to family size.

Out of love, parents want to give their kids as much as they can. But if you are a parent with six kids, and you give your kids everything that you can, you are utilizing a lot of resources. So in a sense, having six kids is selfish. While your family of eight may be happy, you are actually adding to the unhappiness of the world; you are hastening its death.

No, America should not become China and mandate that there be only one child per family. But as Americans, we should take our own initiative to be socially responsible. Having six kids is no longer socially responsible.

No, the United States does not have the highest birth rate in the world; that title belongs to countries like Niger and Uganda. But Americans do have one of the heaviest ecological footprints. Thus, each person in America contributes more to the death of the world than does each person in a Third World country.

So let us be the America that we know and love. Let us not go down without a fight. If Al Gore wants to bully us, then we must have a comeback. So go plant a tree. Recycle more. Have fewer kids. And by all means, give those kids every ounce of love that you have. But just have two kids instead of five.

As for Professor Chaloner, his British accent is still intact. He and his wife plan on having a family — one with just a few kids. And when he encouraged this year's freshmen to consider having small families as well, what he described as a "palpable disquiet" fell upon the classroom.

But if the population continues to grow at its current rate, there will be less than a disquiet in the classroom; there will be absolute quiet — humanity will be extinct.

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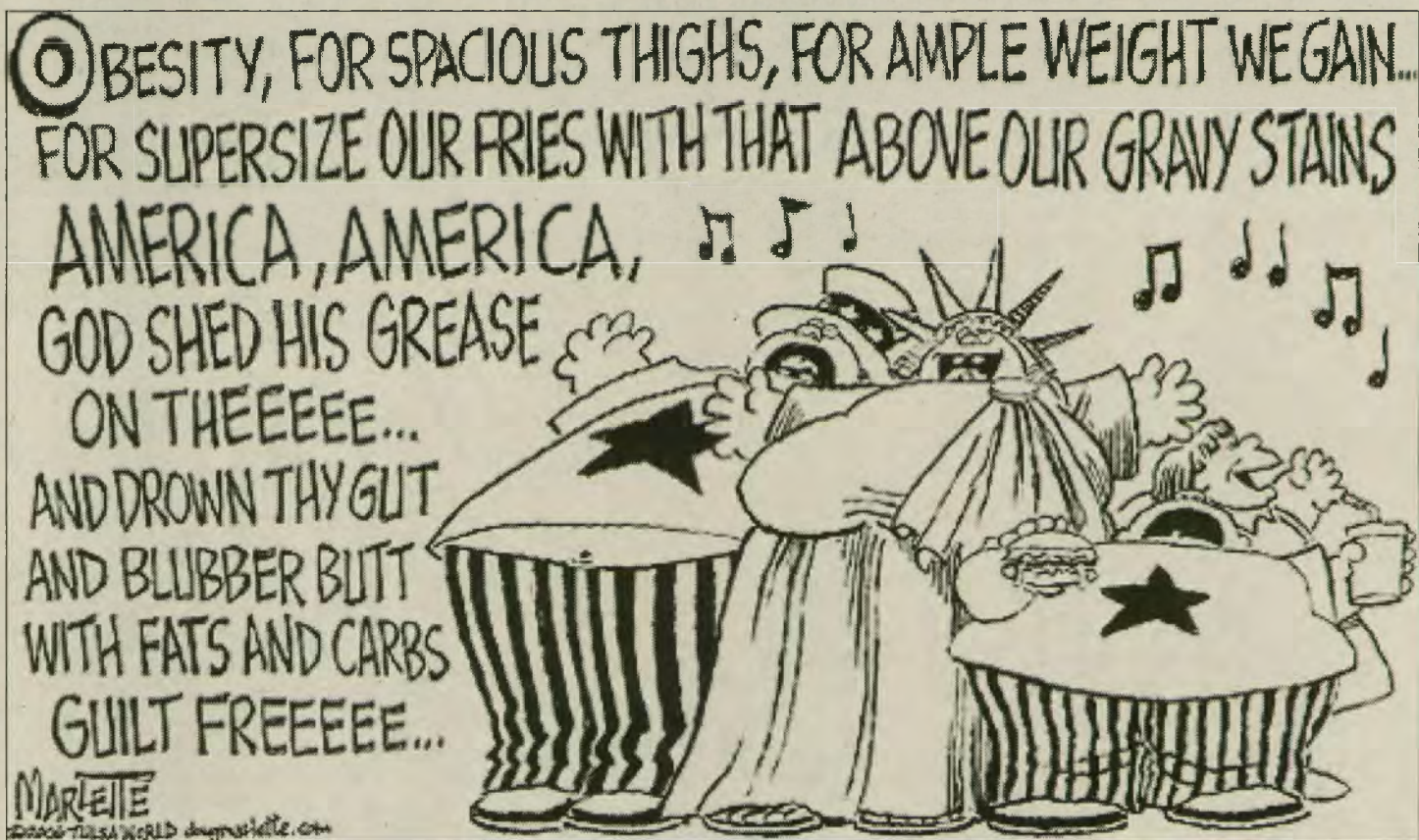
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"The people can always be brought to the bidding of their leaders. That is easy. All you have to do is tell them they are being attacked, and denounce the peacemakers for lack of patriotism and exposing the country to danger. It works the same in any country."

Hermann Goering
Nazi Party leader

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Why I deactivated: Confessions of a former Facebook addict

I have done it. I have removed myself from the Facebook. The minute I clicked the "Deactivate" button, I expected my world to come crashing down.

But my world didn't come crashing down.

Actually, my world became a more beautiful place.

"Oh, but Amanda, you'll miss all the positive aspects to it," you say confidently. "You won't be able to keep in touch with as many friends from high school or other colleges. You won't be able to look up kids in your classes for their AOL Instant Messenger screen names. You'll have to rely solely on email and the chance that people chose to list their cell phone number in the Notre Dame directory."

I can't argue with you. This is true.

Actually, I won't just admit to you that this is true. I'll go a step further, and admit that I have greater concerns about deactivating my account than just those "politically correct" ones. I'm afraid I won't get invited to as many events. I'm afraid

many, many of my friends — both from Notre Dame and from home — will forget about me. Heck, I'll admit it — I am terrified of life after the Facebook.

So why did I do it?

I believe the Facebook was a gigantic roadblock in my journey to become a better person. While others may use the Facebook for positive reasons, I, a true Facebook-aholic, allowed it to exploit every jealous and spiteful inclination I might possess in my far from perfect self.

I would notice who updates their profile way too much and snicker (though this, of course, was hypocritical). I would look on it to see what people did this weekend and hope that the photos did not show them having more fun than I did (when really, I should be hoping everyone I know — friends or people I have felt offended by alike — should be having nothing but a completely fabulous time all the time). I would update my profile, listing everything about myself vainly (when really, who should care? I am not that interesting!).

And really, when I was not using the Facebook for

less terrible reasons, I was wasting valuable time. Time I could spend not just doing homework, but calling someone to see how he or she is doing, rather than just looking it up. Time I maybe could have accumulated and spent helping a friend or even volunteering.

Essentially, Facebook time was time I now need to spend actually putting myself out into the world instead of dawdling reluctantly in my dorm room.

Yes, more time in the world might mean more hurt. It might mean more stress from more activity.

But who knows — it could mean I become that better person I want to be. It could mean that I learn that there is more joy in keeping your life private than there is making it public. And that chance alone makes life without the Facebook a life I am committed to trying.

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Sept. 13

Stop printing toxic letters

Matthew Hamilton continues to contribute his toxic opinions to the Viewpoint and the editorial staff continues to publish them ("Down with the Klan and down with Israel," Sept. 8). I can only fear what this says about the moral fabric of the student body.

His conflation of the current nation-state of Israel with American civil rights issues is one of the most confused and benighted moral equivocations in recent memory. He is incorrect in his assumption — and it can only be that, unsupported as it is by anything even alleging to be factual — that the real issue here is one of race. I would venture to guess that he believes the real issue in every disagreement to be racial.

I have two objections to make to his delusive pretense at argument. First, reducing Israel's conflict with the surrounding nations to one of race is a gross oversimplification that itself suggests deep-seated racism on Hamilton's part. The Middle East consists of at least half a dozen major ethnic groups, all ethnically distinct: Arabs, Syrians, Persians, Kurds, Egyptians (along with other North African groups), Turks and more. Persia and the territories to its east and north consist largely of Indo-Aryan groups that share a racial history with the peoples of Europe. Lumping all of these together under a single ethnic group displays ignorance to a degree that makes one wonder why Hamilton is concerned at all. Additionally, accusing the Israelis and their leadership of being white supremacists is absurd on the face of it as Israelis aren't white.

Second, as Hamilton displays such intractably paranoid anti-Semitism, one wonders exactly why he feels it worth his time to accuse anyone else of being racist. His discussion of the relationship between Jewishness and Zionism — the latter being a largely exploded myth with no serious credibility — is so ill-structured as to be impossible to refute by virtue of its sheer ineptitude.

I would implore the editors of The Observer, the official student publication of an officially and concernedly Catholic institute, to refrain from countenancing such immoral race-baiting in the future. It does nothing but unnecessarily inflame discussion with unrelated issues and has no place in serious academic discourse.

Ryan Davidson

graduate student

Sept. 12

Not all sold out

Tim Dougherty's Sept. 13 Inside Column "Saturday Sellout" baselessly accused "300 shameless students" of exchanging their tickets — "most, no doubt," for profit. During the time I spent in line on Tuesday morning, I was unable to determine the motives of the other 299 students who exchanged their tickets. Perhaps they do intend to make a profit. That would indeed be shameful. Then again, perhaps they don't. I don't know, and I am not sure why Dougherty is so confident that he does. I do applaud the new policy of printing the name of the guest on the ticket and requiring that it be presented with ID at Gate E. I imagine that this provides at least a little more of a challenge to would-be scalpers. I also expect that there will always be those who find a way to exploit University ticket policies for personal profit. I can only tell you that there were no more than 299 who did on Tuesday morning.

Donald Wittich

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Sept. 13

U-WIRE

Employment options for college students waning

Some would say that money makes the world go 'round. I would like to say I've found otherwise, but unfortunately I can't. It's for that reason I've held a job ever since I was 15 years old. In high school, I was able to find jobs during the summers because I wasn't going anywhere in the fall and could continue to work at my job through the school year. That all changed when I got to college though.

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I spent the first month of the first summer after my freshman year at UMass looking for a job. I wish I were kidding when I say I applied for over 10 different jobs that summer. I finally got a landscaping job and worked for the last two months of the summer. The next summer I was able to get a job a little bit earlier, but it still wasn't easy.

This summer I decided to live out of state with a friend of mine in Connecticut, and I moved into his house after I finished my finals. I decided to try looking for a job waiting tables, seeing as I've heard there's good money in that. I must have applied at every restaurant within a 20-mile radius.

Needless to say, that didn't work out for me. Every restaurant either couldn't take on any more staff or wanted someone that wasn't going to have to leave in the fall. To make a long story short, I ended up working a short-lived job as a grounds maintainer at an amusement park, as well as doing a few gigs with a catering company, all before going through a temp agency to end up getting an office job at a town water company. This summer was probably the most colorful period of time in my employment history to date.

Where am I going with this? Maybe I just want to rant a little bit about what a hard time the average college student has getting work during their summer breaks. Perhaps I want to let people like me know they're not alone in this common struggle.

Unsuccessful job hunting wouldn't be such a big issue for college students if it weren't for all the costs that come along with being in college. With tuitions on the rise all around the country and more and more students putting themselves through

school on their own, the need to have an income is mostly unavoidable.

There are those who are lucky enough to have mom and dad pay for everything, but don't even get me started on them. It's great that your parents have enough money to put you through college and unknowingly give you beer money, but the real world is going to come at you like a punch in the face when you graduate. That's all I'm going to say.

I'm sure it's been like this for college students for a long time, but I have to think that the current state of the economy has something to do with the hard time others, and I, have had finding work. With our country at war and more and more money being devoted to that end, the job market has taken a blow as a result. I don't want to make this a political argument, but I can't help but speculate as to why so many people have trouble finding employment.

Some would say the economy has barely changed since we went to war with Iraq, while others would view our foreign relations campaign as the biggest blow to the American economy in a long time. After viewing official rates of unemployment since 2001 on the official Web site for the U.S. Department of Labor, it becomes apparent an argument can be made on both sides. Since we entered Iraq, the unemployment rate has been a rollercoaster of highs and lows. With support for the war waning, I guess only time will tell who is truly right.

As I go into my senior at UMass, I can't help but look to next summer when I will be looking for something a little more permanent. Will I have to move somewhere far away to get a decently paying job? Am I going to be able to find a job at all? Like I said, the job market has been a rollercoaster, so only time will tell if things are going to get better from here. Personally, I hope they do. I've got to pay off my student loans somehow.

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CD REVIEWS

Beyoncé gives unkind present with 'B'day'

By BRODERICK HENRY
Scene Critic

For the average person, birthdays represent an opportunity to party. But for Beyoncé Knowles, former lead singer of the best-selling female group Destiny's Child, long-time girlfriend of one of today's most popular rappers, Jay-Z, and the arguably most "bootylicious" woman on the planet — birthdays are a time to go to work.

The release of Knowles' second solo album, 'B'day,' was accompanied by the typical hype often associated with the birth of a celebrity baby.

Released a day after Knowles' 25th birthday, 'B'day' is an attempt by the R&B diva to assert her independence and reaffirm her artistic abilities. Unlike its predecessor, her 2003 album 'Dangerously in Love' — which sold more than six million copies worldwide and earned her multiple Grammys — 'B'day' was recorded without the knowledge of Matthew Knowles, Beyoncé Knowles' father and manager. His marketing prowess has been cited as the

most influential force behind his daughter's success.

Knowles recorded 'B'day' over a two-week time period, bringing a number of producers into one building and launching a competition to land the most songs on the album. This risky recording approach — along with the absence of Matthew Knowles' vision — is a clear indication of why the album is in such a state of disarray.

The first single released off of 'B'day,' "Déjà Vu," features Knowles' beau, Jay-Z, and is performed in the vein of a 70s disco classic. With multiple horns blaring and an up-tempo beat, the song sounds a great deal like Knowles' mega hit "Crazy in Love." But, unlike that smash song, Jay-Z's rhymes are lackluster at best, and Knowles' over-singing is nothing more than a distraction.

"Ring the Alarm," the second single off the album, is, quite simply, a musical disaster that allows its production to steal as much attention as possible away from Knowles' sultry voice.

The song is composed of sirens and alarms screaming in the background, accompanied by aggressive singing that is not melodic and can best be described as "rap singing." However, Knowles lacks the credibility and grittiness of voice to make the song believable.

It seems that in recording 'B'day,' Knowles' forgot to take the tempera-



Photo courtesy of funmunch.com

With 'B'day,' Beyoncé attempts to step out on her own' — she recorded the album in two weeks — but ends up with a less-than-"bootylicious" album.

ture of the current music environment. At a time when R&B has made a comeback by emphasizing both melody and lyrical content, the singer chose to make an album that demonstrates the exact opposite.

She gives listeners offerings such as "Freakum Dress" and "Kitty Kat." The corny lyrics to these songs include, "Let's go, let's go Little Kitty Kat/ I think it's time to go, let's go Little Kitty Kat/ He don't want no mo/ Let's go Little Kitty Kat /Quite frankly no mo' getting it /I'm not feeling it." A number of songs sound like tracks that appeared on previous Jay-Z albums or are mere imitations of other artists' songs.

"Green Light" even comes off as a mediocre rendition of the hit "One Thing." As much as 'B'day' suffers from a lack of

vision, it also suffers from a lack of content — only ten tracks compose this uninspiring set. Considering that not a single one of these tracks is a masterpiece, listeners will find this dearth of material disappointing.

'B'day' achieves much of what Knowles intended with her sophomore effort. It definitely shows she is willing to take some artistic risk — at the same time, the diva forgot that her listeners actually need to enjoy the music.

Beyoncé's album is neither empowering or uplifting — nor is it a worthwhile birthday present.

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Beyoncé

B'day

Sony

Recommended tracks: 'Déjà Vu,' 'Green Light,' 'Ring the Alarm,' and 'Freakum Dress'

Maiden's 'Life and Death' hangs in music purgatory

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Scene Critic

Last week, London-based Iron Maiden unleashed its 14th studio album, 'A Matter of Life and Death,' on American soil. This 72-minute epic is the band's first studio collection of new material since 2003's 'Dance of Death.'

Following the infamous "egging" incident of Ozzfest 2005, Maiden — which boasts the powerful lineup of vocalist Bruce Dickinson, bassist and band leader Steve Harris, drummer Nicko McBrain and the guitar-wielding trio of Janick Gers, Dave Murray and Adrian Smith — could have easily avoided the touring circuit for a while. Instead, the band plans to launch a full world tour this fall in support of the album.

'A Matter of Life and Death' opens with "Different World," which starts off with a simple but classic guitar riff that leads into the vocals.

Dickinson's signature tenor voice, along with the rhythm section of Harris and McBrain, really drives this song, making it one of the catchiest tunes on

the album.

"These Colours Don't Run," the second track on the album, offers an immediate antithesis to that rocker, with a more subdued, yet ominous introduction.

The song does eventually kick into a strong mid-level tempo, once again driven by the rhythm section. "These Colours Don't Run" combines powerful patriotism with darker tones and strong guitar work and is the most complete track on the album.

Unfortunately, the album starts to lose focus after the second track. The mighty Maiden almost falls into a bit of a funk in the middle of the album, with songs like "Brighter Than a Thousand Suns" and "The Longest Day."

Not only are these tracks repetitive within themselves but they also sound similar to each other.

Both of these tracks, along with "Out of the Shadows," feature too much repetition of the chorus without any verses to build into it. "Out of the Shadows" is actually a very strong ballad for Iron Maiden, who is better known for its heavy-hitting songs, but it suffers from this repetition.

More balance would do the middle of this album well.

The one exception to this rule is the fourth track, entitled "The Pilgrim." Much like "Different World," this is an unrelentingly heavy rock track



Photo courtesy of superplay.se

Iron Maiden's latest album "A Matter of Life and Death," while still enjoyable to its fans, suffers from a fair amount of repetition and a loss of overall focus.

from beginning to end.

Of the album's last four tracks, only "The Reincarnation of Benjamin Breeg" and "The Legacy" stand out as interesting new Maiden songs. "The Reincarnation of Benjamin Breeg," the seventh track, as well as the first single off the album, opens with a Zeppelin-esque, almost ethereal introduction, which gives way to more typical Maiden sound.

This song stands out particularly because it harkens back to the band's history of storytelling, evident on older songs like "Flight of Icarus" and "Rime of the Ancient Mariner." "The Legacy," the album closer, begins almost as a children's lullaby.

Dickinson, accompanied by acoustic guitars, lulls the listener into a calm before the band unleashes a final aural assault on the listener.

'A Matter of Life and Death' features solid contributions on the part of each band member, but parts of the album fall flat due to repetition.

It is questionable whether this album will go down as one of the acclaimed classics of Iron Maiden's discography or if it will fall short of its predecessors in its success.

But, as Dickinson sings in "The Legacy," only time will tell.

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Iron Maiden

A Matter of Life and Death

Sanctuary Records

Recommended tracks: 'Different World,' 'The Pilgrim,' and 'The Reincarnation of Benjamin Breeg'



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Scene Writer

His name appears in The New York Times every day. Millions of people around the world have attempted to crack open his work. He's the only person in the world to hold a degree in Enigmatology — the study of puzzles, if you must know. And he manages to ensnare both young and old alike, enthralling icons like Bill Clinton, Bob Dole and Jon Stewart in the ritualistic daily scratching of stationary to newsprint, fingers to forehead, mind to matter.

Clearly, Will Shortz, the editor of The New York Times Crossword Puzzle and a National Public Radio personality, commands a widespread influence. But for all this hype, Shortz remains a mystery almost as veiled as the thousands of cryptic black and white squares he's dedicated years to constructing.

So when Notre Dame grad Patrick Creadon, crossword puzzle aficionado and documentary filmmaker, was searching for a subject for his first feature film, Shortz was an obvious choice.

"He's almost like the Wizard of Oz, because he's this person you never get to see," Creadon, Class of 1989, told The Observer. "You never meet him, but he's the one behind the curtain who's controlling everything. It's his responsibility that the puzzle is always accurate, that there're no mistakes in it."

Still, Shortz is just one piece of the captivating mosaic that is "Wordplay," a feature-length documentary that's been receiving national attention for its ability to spellbind audiences with a look at one of our culture's most engrossing pastimes — the crossword puzzle.

Finding the story

Garnering rave reviews from critics, the film has earned more than three million dollars at the domestic box office, good enough to crack the list of the top-25 documentaries of all-time. But for Creadon, the success of "Wordplay" didn't come as a big surprise, despite its seemingly mundane subject matter. The trick, he said, was believing in it from the start.

"A lot of our friends and colleagues early on were like, 'Oh my God, crossword puzzles? That's the worst idea I've ever heard. What are you guys thinking? Get it together!'" Creadon said with a laugh. "But the minute we had the idea to find out about Will Shortz and the people who make the puzzle, I knew it was a good idea and I knew it would be a great movie."

"Wordplay" has certainly lived up to and surpassed Creadon's expectations, flexing its long legs at the box office. Entering its 14th week of theatrical release, "Wordplay" has played in more than 500 theaters

around the country and was a surprising smash hit at the prestigious Sundance Film Festival. But despite its acclaim, Creadon is quick to credit the spark for the documentary, which was a collaborative effort with his wife, Christine O'Malley.

"When we were making the movie, Will and Christine and I really wanted to shine the light on the people on who make these things, because they don't make a lot of money from it," Creadon said. "They just do it because they like it. We thought it would be fun to get to know who these people are, kind of the same way you'd get to know a novelist or a film director."

Here lies the heart of the film. While the glue holding it together is a charming leading man in Shortz, "Wordplay" is as much a meditation on fandom and a common passion as it is a film about the allure of enigmatic puzzles. Heck, given the right amount of charisma and painstaking effort, Creadon is confident the film could have succeeded with any topic — be it NASCAR, fly fishing or house painting.

"If the topic is about people who paint houses for a living, that'd literally be like watching paint dry for 90 minutes," Creadon joked. "But if you scratch beneath the surface of what that story is, maybe you find a father and son team who have been painting for 60 years, and you tell that story."

"I'm sure there are a million stories they have about jobs that they've done in the past. ... The real trick to making a really good movie or telling a really good story is getting to know a group of people and finding out what they're about and why they're motivated to be good at what they do."

Bringing the puzzle to life

With this recipe in mind, Creadon embraced the task ahead — creating a 90-minute documentary bent on unlocking the mind of Shortz and correcting the misconception that crossword puzzles should be saved for lazy, rainy-day distractions. Or that the average puzzler is a grandmother with knitting needle in one hand, pen and puzzle in the other.

"There are probably some incorrect assumptions that people who do crossword puzzles are kind of boring and nebbish and it appeals to only a much older audience," Creadon said. "None of those things are true, so we wanted to show that. ... That was a big reason why we tried to go out and get interesting people from different walks of life."

These interesting people turned out to be a former president, a senator, a comedian, two musicians, a filmmaker and an athlete — Clinton, Dole, Stewart, the Indigo Girls, Ken Burns and Mike Mussina, respectively — forming quite a collection of star power for a hobby supposedly reserved for stuffy bookworms. Besides sharing a common passion, these celebrities offered Creadon a

chance to connect the Average Joe Puzzler to, say, the 42nd President of the United States or the host of "The Daily Show."

"I also love the idea that every day when you're doing a crossword puzzle, you're not the only one looking at that puzzle," Creadon said. "There are millions of others looking at it. It's interesting to me that when I'm stuck on a puzzle, chances are Bill Clinton is doing that same puzzle the same day, or Jon Stewart or whoever."

A colorful cast of characters

While names like Clinton, Dole and Stewart provide the sprinkles on top of the cake, the spirit of Creadon's confection lies with the five contestants who vie for the crown of top puzzler at the 2005 American Crossword Puzzle Tournament in Stamford, Conn. With \$4,000 in prize loot and bragging rights hanging in the balance, tensions rise as these contestants reveal their true colors. Shortz may be the hook for "Wordplay," but these characters — whom the audience can't help but root for — provide the line and sinker.

"Patrick does wrap you into it," said Jon Vickers, Browning Cinema Manager and coordinator for the screenings. "Even if you're not a crossword puzzler, he manages to draw you in and make you want to know more about the characters, making you choose sides between certain characters. ... Believe it or not, even though it deals with a crossword puzzle tournament, it builds to a really exciting conclusion."

To achieve this effect, Creadon spent a lot of time with his subjects outside of the production schedule. Instead of locking them in a room and rolling film until he got the footage he needed, Creadon subscribed to a different, more personable approach. He took his subjects out to lunch, shared walks through Central Park and conversed with them. Instead of coaxing their stories out, Creadon took a step back and got to know his subjects as men and women — not pawns to be placed in front of a camera, microphone and lights.

"When people make documentaries or reality television, they don't make an effort to really get to know their subjects, and therefore their subjects don't really know them really well or trust them really well," Creadon said. "You're basically shooting objects. You're shooting people but you might as well be shooting a tree or a car."

Staying the course

For Creadon, it's been a long but fruitful road from South Bend to Chicago following graduation and then on to Los Angeles, where he and his wife run O'Malley Creadon Productions — a joint production company founded in 2000 that specializes in non-fiction storytelling. Along the way, he earned his Master in Cinematography at the American Film Institute, worked as a cam-

eraman for almost every major network — including NBC, CBS and ABC — and most of the major motion picture studios, among them Universal, Warner Bros. and Disney.

But despite his world-worn experience and expertise, Creadon remains the little kid fascinated by public television and documentaries, the one who idolized filmmakers like Christopher Guest, Woody Allen and Martin Scorsese.

"I was like the only seven-year-old on the block who liked to watch '60 Minutes' every week," Creadon said. "That was the first thing that inspired me. I was just old enough to realize that these stories that I was watching must have been made by somebody — somebody picked up a camera to shoot these things, cut them together."

He still hasn't lost that youthful enthusiasm, instead pouring it into "Wordplay," a film he likes to describe in any number of words except one: boring.

"A lot of people think that documentaries have to be serious or have to pick some political side," Creadon said. "And that's fine. There are a lot of good movies that fall into that category. The last thing we wanted to do with this topic was make it dry and sort of boring."

Back where he began

It's been 17 years since Creadon's days as an International Relations major living in Dillon Hall, puzzling over whether to pursue a stable career in law or take a leap of faith towards his passion — filmmaking. His return to Notre Dame this weekend will be anything but a dose of déjà vu.

He returns to present "Wordplay" at the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center, a venue he's never seen and a building that offers an ambiance quite unlike the O'Shaughnessy classrooms he used to haunt years ago. It will be a rare opportunity for students, faculty and the general public to watch each of the four scheduled screenings with its filmmaker present.

"I think it would be a crime to not take advantage of meeting the guy who's had the No. 2 highest-grossing documentary this year," Vickers said. "He's a person who's been in the media industry for quite a while and he's coming back to campus to share a project of his that he's proud of."

As for Creadon, he's relishing this all-too-rare chance to bring the film home to his alma mater and present it to an audience.

"What I love most about the film is that I can sit at the back of a theater with an audience, and I can watch it with them and know that the movie worked," Creadon said. "That's what I'm most proud of — the movie connects with people and ... it's exactly what we hoped it could be and a whole lot more."

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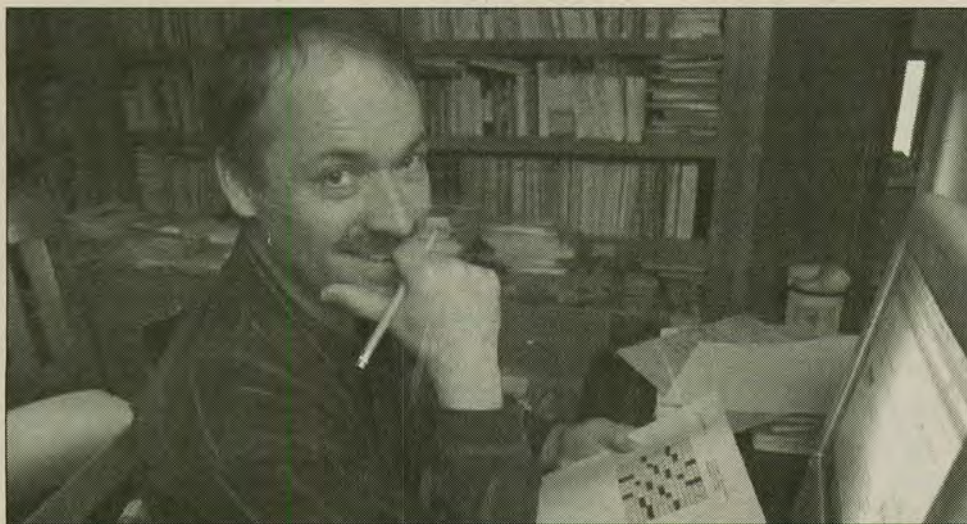


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"Wordplay" dives into the life and passion of New York Times Crossword editor Will Shortz, who stays up late constructing puzzles for the heralded newspaper.



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The core of the drama in "Wordplay" takes place at the American Crossword Puzzle Tournament, where the top solvers compete for a \$4,000 prize.

MLB — AL WRAPS

Liriano re-injures elbow in return from DL

Garcia throws complete game one-hitter, brings White Sox within 1 1-2 games of Twins in Wild Card standings

Associated Press

MINNEAPOLIS — Francisco Liriano has heard plenty about Cy Young during a spectacular rookie season.

Now that he is out for the rest of the season, another pitcher might be entering the conversation — Tommy John.

Liriano's highly anticipated return to the Minnesota rotation came to a sudden halt because of elbow problems Wednesday and Dan Haren pitched eight shutout innings, leading the Oakland Athletics over the Twins 1-0.

"Obviously he won't be pitching again," manager Ron Gardenhire said. "Something is in there bothering and continuing to stop him. ... Obviously when he gets in game and puts a little extra torque in there, something is not right. We have to make sure we stop it and do what we have to do."

The Twins' lead in the AL wild-card race was cut to 1 1/2 games by Chicago, which beat Los Angeles 9-0.

Pitching for the first time in more than a month, Liriano slumped off the mound in the third inning. Trainers and Gardenhire immediately rushed out to attend to the All-Star lefty and a hush fell over the crowd that had been so excited to see him back in action.

"The last two pitches I threw, I felt a pop and it really hurts," Liriano said.

Liriano walked slowly toward the dugout and fans gave him a standing ovation — clearly, they were wondering whether they had seen the last of him this year.

The Twins, leading the AL wild-card race, announced later that he had pain in his left elbow.

He had an MRI exam after the game, and thoughts immediately turned to Tommy John surgery, a ligament-replacement procedure that typically keeps pitchers out for more than a year.

Liriano said he has been waiting to hear from team doctors about the next move.

"I don't even want to think about that," Twins pitching coach Rick Anderson said when asked about Tommy John surgery.

White Sox 9, Angels 0

Given a big lead, Freddy Garcia could afford to simply throw strikes.

Unhittable strikes, mostly.

Garcia pitched perfect ball until Adam Kennedy singled with two outs in the eighth inning, and the Chicago White Sox beat the Los Angeles Angels Wednesday.

"I knew I had a no-hitter going, but I was trying not to think about it and keep making my pitches," Garcia said.

"I've been facing those guys for a long time, so I know they're aggressive and they like to swing the bat. Kennedy hit a good pitch, so there was nothing I could do about it. But who doesn't want to throw a no-hitter?"

Garcia (14-9) retired the first 23 batters before Kennedy cleanly lined the 100th pitch to center field on a 3-2 count. The only other time Garcia went to a three-ball count before that was in the seventh, when Vladimir Guerrero hit an inning-ending grounder on a 3-1 pitch.

"I was expecting anything at that point," Kennedy said. "I didn't think he would groove a fastball. He didn't this time, and I just tried not to do too much with it. Once the game got a little out of hand and they got a good grip on it, it wasn't that big of a deal. You just start to think about trying to get some momentum for tomorrow."

Garcia came close to the first perfect game in the majors since Randy Johnson did it for Arizona at Atlanta on May 18,



Minnesota lefty Francisco Liriano throws a pitch against Oakland Wednesday. Liriano would leave the game after aggravating an old elbow injury that put him on the DL earlier this season.

2004. There have been only 14 regular-season perfect games in the majors since 1900.

Blue Jays 10, Mariners 0

Gregg Zaun hit a grand slam during a nine-run fourth inning and also had a solo home run, leading A.J. Burnett and the Toronto Blue Jays over the Seattle Mariners Wednesday.

John Hattig, who last month became the first player from Guam in the major leagues, hit a three-run double for his first career RBI.

Toronto took two of three at Safeco Field and won a season series at Seattle for the first time since May 2001. The Mariners were shut out for the

15th time, most in the majors.

Zaun matched career highs with five RBI in a game and 11 home runs in a season. He drew a walk to start the big burst in the fourth and capped it with his third career slam.

Burnett (8-7) allowed six hits in eight innings. He struck out a season-high 11, walked two and hit a batter.

Burnett didn't allow a batter to reach third base until there were two outs in the seventh. Justin Speier finished the combined shutout.

Cha Seung Baek (3-1) allowed five runs on seven hits in 3 1/3 innings. This was the first time the Mariners lost in Baek's five starts.

Zaun's solo home run came in the second.

Hattig's line drive down the right-field line in the fourth slowed when it reached the corner underneath the foul pole and allowed Zaun, Adam Lind and Aaron Hill to score.

Johnson's bloop single chased Baek and scored Hattig to make it 5-0. Reliever Cesar Jimenez walked Frank Catalanotto and Vernon Wells to load the bases. On a 3-2 count, Jimenez walked Lyle Overbay to force home Johnson.

Two pitches later, Zaun, batting right-handed against the lefty Jimenez, made it 10-0 with a ball that just cleared the right-field wall.

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NCAA Women's Soccer

Adidas Top 25

	team	2006 record	previous
1	NOTRE DAME	6-0	1
2	Florida State	4-0	2
3	Santa Clara	5-1	4
4	UCLA	5-1	6
5	North Carolina	6-1	5
6	Texas A&M	3-2-1	3
7	West Virginia	6-0	17
8	Portland	3-2-1	9
9	Penn State	2-2-2	7
10	Tennessee	3-1-1	12
11	Wake Forest	5-1	20
12	Utah	4-2	14
13	Connecticut	2-3-1	11
14	Colorado	4-1-1	21
15	California	4-0-2	16
16	Missouri	6-0	18
17	Duke	4-2	15
18	Illinois	3-3	NR
19	William & Mary	5-1-1	25
20	Auburn	5-1	13
21	Virginia	4-2	10
22	San Diego	5-1	NR
23	Texas	3-2	8
24	Boston University	3-1-1	24
25	Fresno State	4-1-1	RV

NCAA Football AP Top 25

	team	record	points
1	Ohio State (50)	2-0	1614
2	NOTRE DAME (3)	2-0	1468
3	Auburn (2)	2-0	1447
4	Southern Cal (2)	1-0	1446
5	West Virginia (2)	2-0	1380
6	LSU	2-0	1287
7	Florida	2-0	1249
8	Texas	1-1	1150
9	Florida State	2-0	1029
10	Georgia	2-0	944
11	Michigan	2-0	942
12	Louisville	2-0	911
13	Tennessee	2-0	782
14	Virginia Tech	2-0	763
15	Oklahoma	2-0	755
16	Iowa	2-0	690
17	Miami (FL)	1-1	625
18	Oregon	2-0	547
19	Nebraska	2-0	455
20	TCU	2-0	285
21	California	1-1	284
22	Arizona State	2-0	206
23	Boston College	2-0	193
24	Texas Tech	2-0	186
25	Penn State	1-1	95

MIAA Soccer Standings

	Team	Overall Record
1	Calvin	4-0-0
2	Albion	4-1-0
3	Kalamazoo	2-2-0
4	Alma	2-3-0
5	Adrian	1-3-0
6	Olivet	1-3-0
7	Hope	0-2-1
8	Saint Mary's	0-1-0
9	Tri-State	0-4-0

NHL



Flyers center Keith Primeau, right, is knocked off the puck by Maple Leafs defenseman Wade Belak Oct. 22, 2005. Philadelphia won the game 5-2, but Primeau's season would end three days later. AP

Concussion forces Flyers' Primeau to retire

Associated Press

VOORHEES, N.J. — Philadelphia Flyers center Keith Primeau will be forced to retire after failing to receive clearance to play because of lingering effects of a concussion.

"Although he's been able to do more, he really hasn't been able to eliminate all of his symptoms," Flyers team physician Gary Dorshimer said Wednesday. "He still having these symptoms and I can't clear him to go back to full activity."

A person in the NHL with knowledge of Primeau's decision told The Associated Press that

Primeau will retire. The person spoke on the condition of anonymity because Primeau was prepared to make an official announcement at an 11 a.m. news conference on Thursday at the Flyers' practice facility.

"I think he's going to talk about (retirement) with his family and others tonight," said Dorshimer, who examined Primeau. "It's been a long road for him coming back from this."

The Flyers, who open training camp Friday, are ready to move on without their former captain.

"The last time I talked to Keith, I said, 'You don't

want to become a distraction. If you can't play, we have to go on without you,'" general manager Bob Clarke said.

Primeau seemed set to face the harsh reality that his career could be over on Tuesday night, saying, "you could read it on the wall."

Primeau had been trying to return from a concussion sustained on Oct. 25 after a hit from Montreal's Alexander Perezogin. It was the most severe in a series of head injuries Primeau endured during his 15-year NHL career.

"He never gave any indication to anybody that

he was going to come back," Clarke said. "We felt all along that he wasn't going to come back. We've got to start training camp with the players we're trying to make a team of."

Primeau, who has two years and \$6.84 million remaining on his contract, missed 21 games because of a concussion sustained against the Rangers in the 2003-04 season. He also had at least two head injuries during the 2004 playoffs, in the Eastern Conference semifinals against Toronto and in the conference finals against Tampa Bay.

IN BRIEF

Bengals defender's hit on Green deemed legal

CINCINNATI — Until this week, Robert Geathers' football distinction was his family history — his father and uncle also were NFL defensive linemen.

One hit on Kansas City quarterback Trent Green pushed him into the spotlight.

Since knocking Green unconscious in last Sunday's season opener, the Cincinnati Bengals lineman has been put in an uncomfortable position, watching all the replays and explaining why the play turned out that way.

Game officials saw nothing wrong with the play — no flag was thrown. On Wednesday, the league office agreed, absolving Geathers. "The injury ... was unfortunate and has drawn much commentary, but it is not a foul," Ray Anderson, the NFL's senior vice president, said in a statement.

Ivy League football programs face recruiting challenges

NEW HAVEN, Conn. — Whether it's California, Texas or New England, Harvard football coach Tim Murphy and Yale counterpart Jack Siedlecki often run into each other on the recruiting trail.

"It is the very tiny pool that we have to recruit from," Murphy said. "To find kids that are so strong athletically and academically and in terms of character, it becomes a very small pool that is spread far and wide."

The eight-member Ivy League, with different priorities and challenges than many football conferences, enters its 50th football season this weekend.

Although most Division I-AA teams dream of playing for a national title, Ivy League schools choose not to compete in the postseason tournament.

"I think we look first at who are the players," said Jeffrey Orleans.

Burton seeks redemption in Cup Chase

RICHMOND, Va. — Jeff Burton was once the most promising driver in NASCAR, a hot shot groomed by Jack Roush, mentored by Mark Martin and destined for stardom.

Then, after four dazzling seasons, it all went away.

First, he stopped winning races. Then he lost his sponsor and his feel-good feeling with his team, switching to Richard Childress Racing for the 2005 season.

But when the Nextel Cup series begins its Chase for the championship Sunday in New Hampshire, the South Boston native will be a part of it, his career resurrected by his move to a resurgent team, and his confidence rebounding with his performance.

It's been a road filled with doubt for Burton, who earned 15 of his 17 victories in a four-year span when he was a fixture in the top five of the driver standings.

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COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Nebraska hopes to make statement against USC

Cornhuskers view Saturday night's matchup with the Trojans as opportunity to return to national prominence

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — When he was a kid in Ohio, Fred Davis had a couple of teachers from Nebraska who just loved to talk about their beloved Cornhuskers.

All those stories made an impression on Southern Cal's tight end.

"I watched Nebraska in the mid-90s. I observed greatness," Davis said a few days before Nebraska visits No. 4 USC on Saturday night with a chance to return to prominence after several down years.

The Huskers of yesteryear were nothing short of great. The Big Red went 255-49-3 under Tom Osborne from 1973-97, winning three national titles and going 49-2 in his final four seasons.

"I've always known Nebraska to be a powerhouse football program," added USC center Ryan Kalil.

Not always. Things haven't been the same since Osborne retired, but the 19th-ranked Huskers believe they're on their way back. They have a huge opportunity to make a statement before about 90,000 fans in the Coliseum.

"This game will truly be a measuring stick for our program," third-year coach Bill Callahan said.

A little national title talk even entered the conversation.

"If you can beat a USC at their place, it shows you can definitely play," Nebraska wide receiver Nate Swift said. "It would bring more people look-

ing at us as a (national) contender."

Frank Solich succeeded Osborne. His teams went 58-19 from 1998-2003, but he was fired after a 10-3 season that included a 17-3 victory over Michigan in the Alamo Bowl.

Obviously, that wasn't good enough.

"Expectations are extraordinary," USC coach Pete Carroll said.

Carroll knows all about high expectations, and he's certainly met them with the Trojans, whose 49-4 record in the past four seasons is the best in Division I-A since Nebraska's run in Osborne's final four seasons.

Callahan replaced Solich, and the Huskers went 5-6 in his first season. It was the team's worst season since the 1961 squad went 3-6-1. Streaks of 42 straight winning regular seasons and 35 consecutive years in a bowl ended.

After his first season, Callahan reminded the Husker faithful: "We're building for a championship season. I don't want to get away from that. That's our goal, to win the national championship. It's going to take time. How much time? I don't know."

Now that the West Coast offense has replaced the famed Nebraska option, Callahan's players just might be coming around. Since that first season, Nebraska is 10-4, 2-0 this season.

"If they were to beat us, it would give them the fire to rise up and be the Huskers of old,"



Nebraska cornerback Cortney Grixby, left, engages Nicholls States Michael McLendon in the first half of their game Saturday in Lincoln, Neb. The Cornhuskers won the game 56-7.

USC linebacker Oscar Lua said. "USC rose to prominence. Nebraska is on its way there."

Maybe so, but if the Trojans roll to a one-sided victory, it would be a crushing blow, at least temporarily, for the Huskers, listed as 19-point underdogs.

"Whatever the outcome is, it's not going to define us one way or the other," Callahan said. "This game will help us get better."

A passing game at Nebraska didn't sit well with many fans at first, but that, too, is changing.

"Our fans have embraced the

change and the new culture of what we're getting accomplished," Callahan said. "They like to see the ball in the air, they like to see balance."

Nebraska rolled to easy wins against Louisiana Tech and Nicholls State leading up to the USC game. Some might think that's not the way to prepare for the powerful Trojans.

"I think there was a lot to be gained," Callahan said. "We have a lot of newcomers on our team, guys that don't have much experience. When you're progressing like we are and trying to get back on top, you real-

ly need to get as much experience as you can."

At least one Nebraska player has little doubt about the outcome.

"When we beat this team, we can show the world that we are a great team and we restored the order," Andre Jones said. "When we beat USC, it's going to slingshot our season."

Jones, a transfer from Fresno City College, said he turned down a scholarship offer from USC.

"When I went there, I just didn't sense that love that I felt when I came here," he said.

INTERNATIONAL SPORTS

UAE in legal trouble for child slave athletes

Children forced to work as jockeys, seek class action status

Associated Press

MIAMI — Rulers of the United Arab Emirates were accused in a lawsuit of enslaving tens of thousands of boys over three decades and forcing them to work as jockeys in the popular sport of camel racing.

The lawsuit was filed last week by unnamed parents of boys suspected of being abducted, sold and enslaved. They claim more than 30,000 boys could have been victimized and seek class-action status.

The lawsuit alleges Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid al Maktoum, the crown prince of Dubai, and Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid al Maktoum, the deputy ruler, were the most active perpetrators.

The lawsuit was filed in Miami because the members of the royal family maintain hundreds of horses at farms in Ocala. The suit seeks unspecified dam-

ages.

Calls to the United Arab Emirates embassy in Washington, D.C., were not answered and it was not possible to leave a telephone message after hours. A telephone message left at a Kentucky farm owned by the crown prince was not returned.

John Andres Thornton, co-counsel for the children, said the crown prince was served with the lawsuit Monday while buying horses in Kentucky.

The lawsuit claims the boys were taken largely from Bangladesh and Pakistan, were held at desert camps in the UAE and other Persian Gulf nations, and forced to work. It claims some boys were sexually abused, given limited food and sleep and injected with hormones to prevent their growth.

Camel races are immensely popular in the Persian Gulf. The UAE banned the use of children as jockeys — long favored because of their light weight — in 1993, but young boys could still be seen riding in televised races for years afterward.

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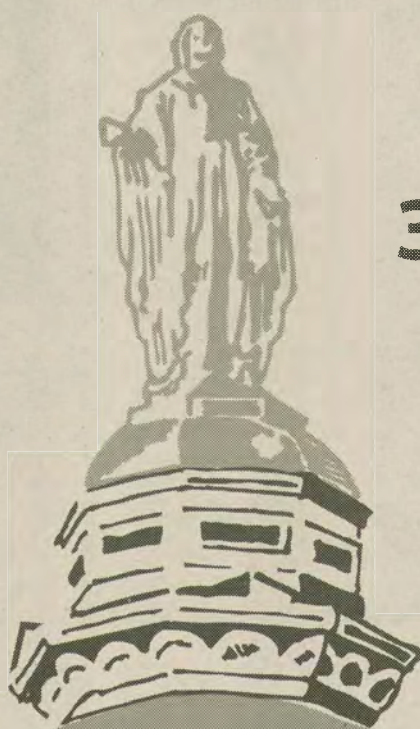
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NCAA FOOTBALL

Backup punter accused of stabbing starter

Northern Colorado player faces second-degree assault charge in event reminiscent of Harding-Kerrigan incident

Associated Press

GREELEY, Colo. — In a scenario reminiscent of Tonya Harding vs. Nancy Kerrigan, the backup punter at Northern Colorado has been accused of stabbing his rival in the leg, his kicking leg.

Mitch Cozad, a sophomore from Wheatland, Wyo., allegedly attacked Rafael Mendoza in a parking lot this week. Arrested on a charge of second-degree assault, Cozad was freed Wednesday on a \$30,000 bond.

Mendoza, who was treated and released at a Greeley hospital, will miss at least Saturday's game at Texas State.

"Rafael is a competitor and wants to get back as soon as he can," head coach Scott

Downing said. "When that occurs, I don't know."

The incident conjured up images of the rivalry between figure skaters Harding and Kerrigan. Harding was banned from the sport for life after her former husband hired a hit man to smack Kerrigan on the knee with a crowbar.

"I guess the only identified motive (in the attack on Mendoza) at this point in time is the competition for that position," Evans police Lt. Gary Kessler said.

But Downing wasn't so sure.

Cozad and Mendoza, a junior from the Denver suburb of Thornton, were competitive, he said, but no more than players at other positions.

"No different than starting quarterback or starting right tackle," he said. "Everyone was held accountable to the same level."

Asked if there was any jealousy between the two players, he said, "I have no idea. That would all be conjecture."

Cozad was suspended from the university and the team and was evicted from his dorm room, said director of

"Rafael is a competitor and wants to get back as soon as he can."

Scott Downing
Northern Colorado coach



Starting punter Rafael Mendoza, right, practices his technique on Aug. 7 in Greeley, Colo. — as backup punter Mitch Cozad watches.

athletics Jay Hinrichs. Cozad had no listed phone number in Greeley, and a phone message left at his Wyoming address was not immediately returned.

The stabbing took place Monday in Evans, a small town adjacent to Greeley and about 50 miles north of Denver. The Greeley Tribune first reported the story in Wednesday's editions.

Kessler said Mendoza, averaging 37.6 yards per punt on nine punts in the two games, was attacked from behind and stabbed in his right thigh after parking his car outside

his Evans apartment about 9:30 p.m.

The assailant fled in a black Dodge Charger, Kessler said. About 10 minutes after the

"Everyone was held accountable to the same level."

Scott Downing
Northern Colorado coach

attack, a liquor store clerk told police that two men in a car matching that description stopped outside the store, stripped tape off the license plate and

drove away.

The clerk gave police the license number, and the car was traced to Cozad, who was arrested Tuesday, Kessler said.

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MLB — NL WRAPS

Oswalt helps Astros avoid sweep in St. Louis

Hernandez retires 21-of-first-22 batters, pitches eight strong innings in his 12th win; defeats his ex-teammates

Associated Press

ST. LOUIS — The Houston Astros know they are a long shot to make the playoffs. At least, the defending NL champions enjoyed the end of their road trip.

Roy Oswalt pitched shutout ball into the ninth inning and Lance Berkman hit his 40th home run, helping the Astros bounce back from a dispiriting loss to beat the St. Louis Cardinals Wednesday in the finale of a nine-game swing.

"I hope it carries over and gives us a little momentum going back home," manager Phil Garner said after the Astros concluded the trip 4-5. "We need to re-establish ourselves."

The Astros ended a three-game losing streak and averted a three-game sweep against a team they're chasing in the NL Central. On Tuesday, Albert Pujols hit a two-run double with two outs in the ninth off Brad Lidge for a 6-5 victory.

Chris Burke, starting at second base for the second straight game in place of slumping Craig Biggio, had two hits and two RBI. Still, Houston was six games behind the Cardinals in the Central and four games back in the wild card standings with only 17 games left.

"We're so far behind that we have to win every series for sure," Oswalt said. "Then we'll just see what it ends up."

Garner said he hasn't attempted to calculate what it would take to extend what has been a frustrating season for the Astros (71-74).

"We're not even at .500," he said. "We can't even start to play those kind of games yet."

The Cardinals got only two runners into scoring position before the ninth against Oswalt (13-8), who gave up one run and seven hits in 8 1/3 innings. He struck out three and walked two.

With one out in the ninth, the Cardinals hit three consecutive singles off Oswalt for their lone run. Trevor Miller relieved and got one out. Dan Wheeler

earned his fifth save in seven chances by striking out pinch-hitter Preston Wilson.

Arizona 4, Washington 2

Livan Hernandez blanked his former Washington teammates for seven innings and four Arizona players hit solo home runs to help the Diamondbacks finally beat the Nationals on Wednesday.

Hernandez retired 21 of 22 batters from the first to the eighth before giving up a pair of runs on Robert Fick's pinch-hit double.

In the teams' final meeting, Arizona beat Washington for the only time this season. The Nationals came from behind to beat the Diamondbacks in the other five contests.

Alfonso Soriano was thrown out at third base for the second game in a row, leaving him still one stolen base shy of becoming the fourth 40-homer, 40-steal player in major league history.

Soriano and Felipe Lopez led off the game with singles. Hernandez threw a pickoff attempt to second as Soriano broke for third. Shortstop Stephen Drew threw to third baseman Chad Tracy, who made the tag. It was the only time Soriano reached base in the game.

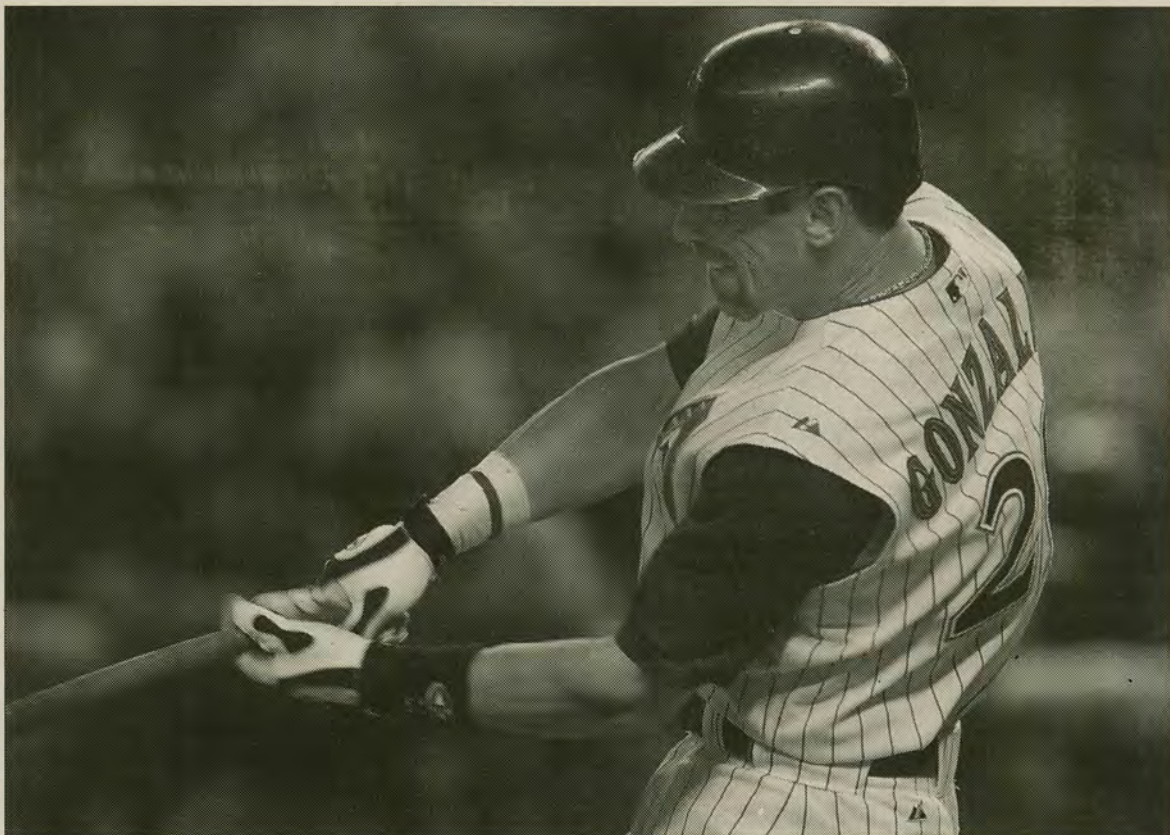
Conor Jackson, Orlando Hudson, Drew and Chris Snyder hit solo home runs off Tony Armas Jr. to put the Diamondbacks up 4-0 after four innings.

Hernandez (12-12), acquired from Washington for two minor league pitchers on Aug. 7, allowed two runs and six hits in eight innings. He struck out five and walked none.

Jose Valverde pitched the ninth for his 16th save in 19 opportunities.

Armas (8-11) failed to make it four innings for the seventh time in 14 starts. He allowed four runs and six hits in 3 1-3, striking out two and walking three.

After Jackson's one-out home run in the second put the Diamondbacks ahead 1-0, Arizona loaded the bases but



Diamondbacks outfielder Luis Gonzalez hits a third inning double against the Nationals Tuesday. Gonzalez became the oldest player in Major League history to hit 50 doubles in a season.

Hernandez couldn't get a bunt down, fouling off strike three, and Chris Young struck out swinging.

Phillies 6, Braves 5

The Phillies hope a comeback against Atlanta on Wednesday helps the team's comeback hopes in the NL wild-card race.

Atlanta left fielder Matt Diaz missed David Dellucci's line drive in the eighth inning, allowing two runs to score as the Phillies rallied from an early five-run deficit to beat Atlanta in the first game of a doubleheader.

The Phillies began the day two games behind San Diego in the NL wild-card race.

"We think we're in a very good position in the wild-card race," said Phillies reliever Eude Brito, who pitched four scoreless innings. "So far, so good."

The Braves led 5-0 after two innings. Despite Gold Glove center fielder Andruw Jones

robbing Ryan Howard of an early grand slam, the Phillies came back with three runs in the third and three in the eighth.

The Braves committed two errors in the eighth, allowing two unearned runs.

Jimmy Rollins had three hits, including a single to spark the three-run eighth inning. When Jeff Francoeur bobbled the ball in right field, Rollins advanced to second. Shane Victorino followed with a run-scoring single off Macay McBride to cut Atlanta's lead to 5-4.

McBride then struck out Chase Utley and Ryan Howard. Chad Paronto (2-3) gave up a single to Jeff Conine before Dellucci hit the liner to left. Diaz tried to catch the ball while backpedaling, but the ball skipped off his glove for his fourth error of the year as Victorino and Conine scored.

Rick White (4-1) struck out two in 1 2-3 perfect innings.

Tom Gordon pitched the ninth inning for his 29th save in 33 chances.

"It's tough when you give up five runs early," Wolf said. "Our bullpen did an incredible job."

Kyle Davies hit his first career homer but also had a short outing, giving up three hits and three runs in 2 2-3 innings.

Davies called the loss "real tough."

"We can't catch any breaks right now," Davies said. "Balls won't fall in. It's just one of those things."

Pirates 6, Brewers 3

Ian Snell is learning how to pitch inside to major league hitters and seeing the results.

Snell struck out 10 to tie his career high and Freddy Sanchez got three hits to raise his NL-leading batting average to .342, sending the Pittsburgh Pirates past the Milwaukee Brewers Wednesday in the first game of a doubleheader.

"A great performance by Ian Snell," Pittsburgh manager Jim Tracy said. "He did something today that was very impressive. His effectiveness of pitching inside helped him immensely

with his curveball and his slider down and away that he had very good command of, which was evidenced by the fact that he walked one and had 10 strikeouts."

Snell (13-10) became the first Pirates pitcher to win as many as 13 games in a season since 1999, when Todd Ritchie won 15.

"I was actually throwing inside and changing eye levels to all the hitters," Snell said. "I wasn't throwing a lot of the same pitches to the same hitters."

Snell said he has always had a fear of throwing inside since he hit and seriously injured a batter when he was young.

But Snell said pitching coach Jim Colborn has helped him get over that fear, and Snell rebounded Wednesday after two consecutive losses.

Salomon Torres worked the ninth for his seventh save — all coming in the Pirates' last seven victories.

Sanchez is now hitting .342. He hit his 47th double, tying the team record for right-handed batters set by Adam Comorosky in 1930.

Ronny Paulino drove in three runs, Jason Bay reached base four times and Chris Duffy scored twice for the Pirates.

Prince Fielder had three hits and drove in two runs for Milwaukee, which lost for the fifth time in six games.

After Fielder hit an RBI double in the first, the Pirates took the lead for good in third with three runs off Chris Capuano (11-11). Sanchez had a sacrifice fly, Paulino doubled home a run and Jose Castillo had a sacrifice fly.

"Paulino had three different opportunities in his first three at-bats," Tracy said. "Each time he came up, he had runners on first and second and cashed in on two of the three. You're not going to get it done every single time but when situations present themselves, if your percentage of efficiency is where it needs to be in order to help your ballclub be good, you're in business."



Houston first baseman Lance Berkman, right, celebrates with third base coach Doug Mansolino after hitting a solo home run in the sixth inning against St. Louis Wednesday.

NCAA FOOTBALL

Team's thoughts with 'Hep'

Indiana head coach underwent two-hour brain surgery Wednesday

Associated Press

BLOOMINGTON, Ind. — Interim coach Bill Lynch told his Indiana players Wednesday afternoon that Terry Hoeppner was resting after undergoing about a two-hour brain surgery.

Then, the Hoosiers honored Hoeppner with a practice they thought would make him proud. "We tried to focus on football, that's what coach Hep wanted us to do," quarterback Blake Powers said. "As a team we had to come together."

Hoeppner was expected to miss two to four weeks after having surgery to remove a possible tumor from the right side of his brain Wednesday morning.

It was the second time in less than nine months that Hoeppner had the procedure. Doctors were uncertain what caused the growth found during a routine MRI exam last Friday.

Hoeppner also had surgery in December to remove a tumor from his right temple and said Wednesday's procedure was both elective and outpatient. About 15 minutes before the team's meeting, Lynch got the news Indiana's coaches and players were waiting for.

"Coach Hoeppner came through this morning's surgery well and is resting comfortably

with his family at his side," IU athletic director Rick Greenspan said at the Hoosiers' practice Wednesday. "We are eager to assist the Hoeppners in any way we can and look forward to having Terry back on the Indiana sidelines."

The Hoosiers seem more likely to use Hoeppner's absence as motivation than as an excuse against Southern Illinois on Saturday.

Before and after Tuesday's practice, Hoeppner pleaded with players not to get distracted by his

health.

Some acknowledged that wouldn't be easy.

"I'm not going to put it in the back of my mind. I'm going to use it to get excited, to play for coach Hep," defensive end Kenny Kendal said. "We're going to keep it up and use it to get excited because he's going to be watching, he's going to want us to win."

On Wednesday they responded with what Lynch described as a spirited effort.

Those outside the program also kept Hoeppner in their thoughts.

Pittsburgh Steelers quarter-

back Ben Roethlisberger, who played for Hoeppner at Miami of Ohio and is a close friend, said the two had talked before Wednesday's surgery.

"He's like a father to me. I love him to death," Roethlisberger said. "I know he'll be OK because he's a fighter and a competitor. The way he made it out to me, it's not as serious as everyone's making it out to be. He'll be OK. He's a fighter."

If Hoeppner had his way, he might do more than watch.

When asked whether he would coach from his bed, Hoeppner smiled and responded, jokingly, that he would keep reporters apprised of the situation.

Lynch didn't brush it off so quickly.

"One of the things we talked about was there would be a guy watching tape Saturday or

Sunday, whenever he gets it, and he'll be grading them," Lynch said. "He might call during the game, too, I don't know."

Lynch has 14 years of head coaching experience, including eight at Ball State where he won the 1996 Mid-

American Conference title and the 2001 MAC West Division crown. He was fired after the 2002 season and was the head coach at DePauw in 2004 before joining Hoeppner's new staff at Indiana last year.

"He's like a father to me. I love him to death."

Ben Roethlisberger
Steelers quarterback

NFL

Saint Reginald a hit down in the Big Easy

Bush scampered for 61 yards and caught eight passes in debut

Associated Press

NEW ORLEANS — When members of the Archdiocese of New Orleans started referring to him as Saint Reginald, Reggie Bush suspected he was meant to play here — and play well.

So far, so good, and so much more to come, Bush says.

"I just felt I was close to breaking" a long run, Bush said Wednesday, recalling his workmanlike performance in the New Orleans Saints' season-opening victory at Cleveland. "I was only one step away."

In his NFL debut, last year's Heisman Trophy winner ran 14 times for 61 yards, caught eight passes for 58 yards, and returned three punts for 22 yards.

His longest run was 18 yards, yet his dependable, modest gains helped sustain enough scoring drives to help secure a road victory for a team that went 3-13 last season, hired a new coach and replaced more than half its roster by the time training camp ended.

"He played within himself. He didn't try to do anything crazy," quarterback Drew Brees said. "He played solid."

Not the spinning, zigzagging, jaw-dropping touchdown runs that became Bush's trademark in college, but there's plenty of time for that.

"I'm going to make plays regardless. They may not all be big plays, flashy plays, home runs, but I'm going to make plays," Bush promised. "When I touch the ball, I'm going to be exciting. That's just me. That's my personality. That's just the way I play."

Around here, fans expect nothing less.

The day he was drafted, some people who had lost everything during Hurricane Katrina attended the festivities at Saints headquarters and celebrated like they had hit the lottery. Ticket sales, already picking up steam with Brees' arrival, sailed into uncharted territory.

The Saints have broken season-ticket sales records and need to sell fewer than 2,000 more to sell out all 68,354 seats in the refurbished Louisiana Superdome for the entire season.

New Orleans' first home isn't until Sept. 25, a Monday night matchup with the Atlanta Falcons. Already, Saints jerseys or T-shirts with Bush's No. 25 are omnipresent in the metro area.

Yet what impresses Bush

most is the reception he has received from the locals.

A particularly poignant moment for him came when he donated \$50,000 to a Catholic school for special needs children. The Archdiocese presented him with a plaque depicting Saint Reginald of Orleans, who lived in France about eight centuries ago — prompting some to suggest he take the nickname Saint Reginald of New Orleans.

Meanwhile, schoolchildren went wild, as did administrators and parents, when Bush got up on stage.

The scene nearly moved Bush to tears.

"I wasn't expecting it to be that big, that magnitude," Bush recalled. "They had the whole school in there, parents were in there. It was really

touching."

Bush has since recalled how it became apparent when he toured some of the neighborhoods hardest hit by Katrina that his success on the field could lift the spirits of a recovering, football-mad region.

He organized the donation of several Hummers to a suburban police department, recently delivered several tons of food to needy families and

has put up \$86,000 to help fix storm damage at one of the main high school football stadiums in the city.

If his competitive side caused him any disappointment about being passed over as the No. 1 draft pick by

Houston last spring, his perspective has changed.

"I feel like God has a plan for everybody and it was in his plan to have me here," Bush said. "While I'm here I'm going to make the most of it."

That kind of attitude could bring a lot of joy to New Orleans — and headaches for opposing defenses, which are already spending much of their preparation time for the Saints on coming up with ways to contain the dynamic rookie.

Bush heard about that from several Browns defenders after his first game.

"They told me they were focusing on bracketing me and they said they were pretty sure it was going to be like that the rest of my life," Bush said.

Having shown a knack for being supremely confident without coming off as arrogant, Bush has little doubt he can handle it.

Neither do his teammates.

"Reggie's a guy who's very versatile. We can do a lot of things with him," Brees said. "He is a very confident guy. He feels like he can do everything. ... The guy's got all the talent in the world, and I know with his work ethic it's going to turn into a great achievement for him."

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Reggie Bush
Saints running back

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NFL

Colts refuse to give up on Rhodes, run game

Indianapolis running back averaged 1.8 yards per carry for 29 yards in 26-21 win over the Giants last weekend

Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — The Indianapolis Colts aren't ready to abandon the running game just yet.

Despite struggling to run the ball in their victory over the New York Giants, the Colts remain optimistic about improving their ground attack heading into Sunday's AFC South matchup against the Houston Texans at the RCA Dome.

Indianapolis, which was playing its first regular season game since losing running back Edgerrin James to Arizona during the offseason, managed only 55 yards rushing on 23 carries against the Giants.

"Whenever you have a significant change like we did, it's going to take some time to get used to," Colts center Jeff Saturday said about James' absence. "We have to get better and that's something we can improve on."

One player who expects to improve this Sunday is starting running back Dominic Rhodes, who averaged 1.8 yards per carry in the 26-21 win over New York. Rookie Joseph Addai, the 30th overall selection in April's NFL draft, rushed for 26 yards on seven attempts.

"The running will come,"

said Rhodes, who averaged 3.0 yards per carry last season. "Right now, it doesn't matter as long as we win."

With the running game struggling last weekend, the Colts were forced into more passing situations. Quarterback Peyton Manning completed 25-of-41 pass attempts for 276 yards and one touchdown.

"We have to show people we can run the football and that we're committed to running the football," Manning said. "All we want is to keep working on it and show it on the field."

Saturday said the Colts never gave up on their game plan to run the ball against New York, even though they had little success.

"I think Peyton did a great job ... he kept calling it up, making us get up in there," Saturday said. "Even if we're not getting the yards we want, at least they have to honor it. At least they know you're not going to quit on it."

Although Indianapolis held on to beat the Giants, Manning knows the Colts need to get the ground game working in order to keep teams honest.

"If teams are doubling Marvin (Harrison) and doubling Reggie (Wayne) on the outside and safeties are staying deep, there are a lot of defenders that aren't worried about the run," Manning said.

"If you can run it, you can have some huge plays. We need to be able to do that to be three-dimensional in our offense."

Colts coach Tony Dungy didn't want to read too much into the poor rushing effort by his team against New York.

"Everybody looks at the stats and they'll say that we can't run the ball, but we

went to a tough place to play, against a good defense," Dungy said. "There are going to be some weeks where we get a lot of good run looks and some weeks where we don't."

Saturday expects the Colts to display a more effective running game against Houston, which allowed 130 yards rushing during a 24-10 loss to Philadelphia in Week 1.

"They are one of those teams that doesn't want to give up big plays, so I think we'll have more run looks against those guys," he said.

"The running will come. Right now, it doesn't matter as long as we win."

**Dominic Rhodes
Colts running back**



Colts running back Dominic Rhodes jukes with the ball Oct. 17, 2005 in a game at the RCA Dome.

Dungy wouldn't elaborate about how much the Colts would try to run during Sunday's game.

"For us, it really depends on

how they play us," Dungy said. "We never go into the game saying we've got to run 'X' amount of times or we've got to do this."

RUNNING WILD



ALLISON AMBROSE/The Observer

Irish running back Darius Walker scans the defense before he turns upfield, left, in Saturday's 41-17 victory over Penn State. Walker jukes out Penn State sophomore cornerback Justin King. Walker has rushed for 155 yards in two games and is averaging 3.7 yards per carry.

Zibby

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Asaph Schwapp should be ready to play Saturday. The sophomore from Hartford, Conn. practiced Wednesday after Irish coach Charlie Weis limited him to running drills during Notre Dame's workout Tuesday.

"He's coming off some soreness," Weis said. "Yesterday he was a lot worse than he was today."

Weis also said injured running back James Aldridge should be "full go" by the Purdue game on Sept. 30. The freshman, who enrolled at Notre Dame last January, has been hampered by a knee injury all season.

"He's pretty close," Weis said Wednesday. "Right now I could get him part-time, the problem I have is I don't want to not be able to use him full-time."

With backup running back Travis Thomas starting at line-backer, Weis said he wants Aldridge and fellow freshman running back Munir Prince to be able to contribute if the Irish would lose starting running back Darius Walker to injury.

"If something happened to [Walker], I'd like to think that a combination of [Aldridge] and [Prince] could handle the position without having to flip [Thomas] over there full-time."

♦ Irish defensive end Ronald Talley entertained reporters after practice Wednesday with a few words about his voice, his career goals and his childhood in Detroit.

Among other things, Talley said his deep, bellowing voice has sounded the same since he was 12; he can do a decent impression of the rapper Nate Dog; and he wants to be a movie producer in the mold of Quentin Tarantino.

The voice — as well as Talley's hulking 6-foot-4, 262-pound frame — intimidate opponents today. But that tough look was honed as a kid playing football for the Eastside Cowboys of the Detroit Police Athletic League.

"Everybody that I played with then, all of us were mean ... we were real tough," he said. Asked if he was the meanest guy on his team today, he wasn't sure.

"I might be, I don't know," he said.

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Sophomore fullback Asaph Schwapp runs through drills in practice Sept. 16. Schwapp has four carries for 15 yards in two games, averaging 3.8 yards per carry.

Rainout

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never a factor in our quality of play. Rainouts can be disappointing, but I still feel that we could have easily won the tournament in this weather."

But while the rain may have ruined play, Sei didn't count the day as a loss.

"I think it gave the freshmen a chance to see our routine, even when the weather conditions aren't the greatest," she said.

Like Sei, junior co-captain Katie O'Brien saw a positive side to the situation.

"Our team has been hitting really well," she said. "This isn't a set back. It's more like

extra time to improve."

The Belles' lineup included O'Brien, sophomores Sei, McInerney, Meredith Fantom and Perri Hamma, and freshman Kate Doornbos.

That lineup, Sei said, is hard working and talented enough to raise the team to the top of its conference.

"We're really looking for the top of the lineup to set a winning standard for the rest of the team," she said. "We want to continue our level of play from last year."

With the cancellation, the team won a day of rest. Practice begins today for the Illinois Wesleyan Fall Classic in Normal, Ill. this weekend.

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Piane

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Piane was then offered a one-year assistant coach position at Notre Dame in 1975. He was named the head cross country coach the following year, beginning a 32-year tenure with the university.

And his reign with the Irish won't be ending anytime soon. Piane signed a multi-year contract extension this summer.

"They are trying to keep coaches and giving them long-term contracts," he said. "They want to create stability in the athletic department and in doing that they are giving out long-term contracts."

Piane has been the model of stability at Notre Dame, where his teams have always had consistent success — including 14 top-15 finishes in the NCAA Championships in the last 19 years.

It's clear Piane's runners have benefited immensely from his expertise. After all, 122 of his athletes — including 23 cross country runners — have won All-American citations.

Individually, Piane has been recognized many times, including two National Cross Country Coach of the Year awards and 23 league Coach of the Year awards for indoor track, outdoor track and cross country.

But in Piane eyes, those achievements testify to the quality of his athletes — not his abilities.

"I don't think it matters how good a coach you are — if you don't have good athletes, you're not going to get any kind of rewards," he said. "If you've got good athletes, if they are dedicated and try to work hard, if you've got good runners and sprinters and jumpers, then the awards are going to come."

"I've been fortunate that for years I've been blessed with real good athletes and good people."

"I've been fortunate that for years I've been blessed with real good athletes and good people."

Joe Piane
Irish coach



Observer file photo

Junior Sunni Olding leads the pack during the National Catholic Invitational Sept. 16, 2005 at Burke Golf Course.

One major result of this success is Piane's creation of the National Catholic Championship, a tournament that takes place at Notre Dame this weekend.

The tournament consists entirely of Catholic universities and colleges from every NCAA division and the NAIA, including Notre Dame, Saint Mary's and Holy Cross.

Piane's brainchild grew out of his desire to have a tournament with a different connection between teams — a religious one, not the usual league or geographical bonds that tie teams together.

Piane's successes have also allowed him to effectively build

up the Notre Dame cross country and track programs to the premier teams that they are today. The teams' accomplishments won him the ability to attract top recruits to Notre Dame.

"Kids are good consumers, and they're going to go for a product that they think is really solid," Piane said. "And they look at our academics and they look at our athletics and they look at how our facilities are improving and it makes our program a hard product to turn away from."

This season, Piane hopes to be able to use his talented freshmen to have another top finish in the NCAA tournament — adding more prestige to his already exceptional Irish coaching career.

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EASTER FRIDAY

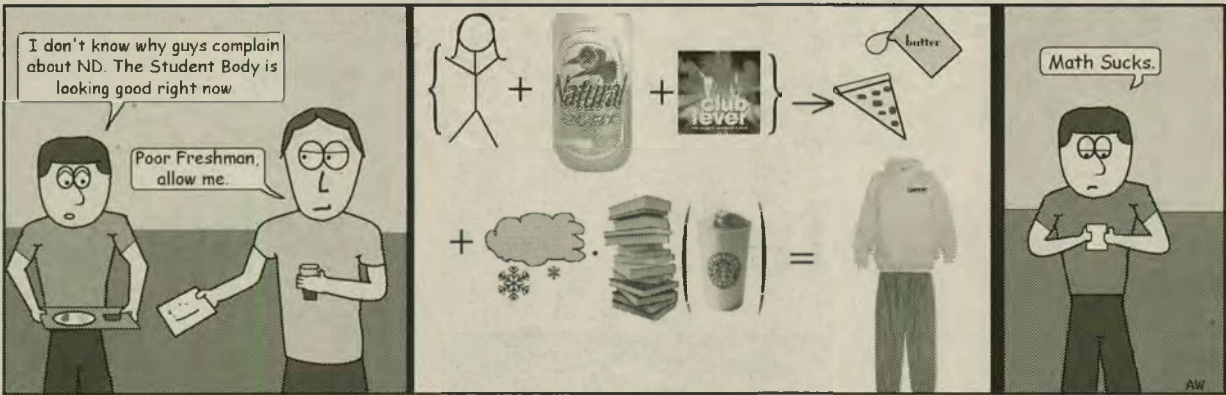


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Easter Heathman receives an honorary monogram at Friday's pep rally for his work maintaining the crash site of Knute Rockne's plane.

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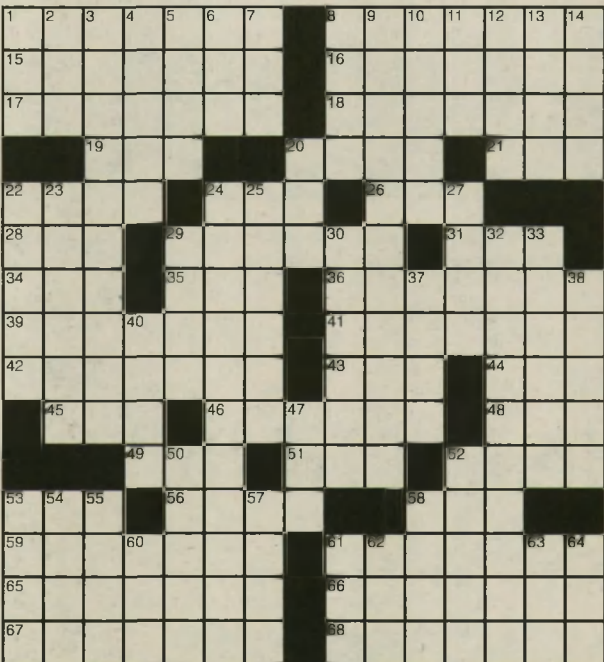
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- ACROSS**
- 1 Going off
 - 8 Hostess offerings
 - 15 Little extra action
 - 16 Was abased
 - 17 Scheme
 - 18 Beat
 - 19 Hee-hawer
 - 20 Arlene of "Here Come the Girls," 1953
 - 21 Attend to a tear
 - 22 Brownish-gray
 - 24 Cooler
 - 26 Marooned person's message
 - 28 Cooler
 - 29 Fete
 - 31 Butterfly, once
 - 34 Exclamation with an apostrophe
 - 35 Nut case
 - 36 Represented symbolically
 - 39 Rococo painter Watteau
 - 41 Conscience
 - 42 Pure
 - 43 All-purpose vehicle, briefly
 - 44 Get set?
 - 45 Lay a lawn on
 - 46 "Rats!"
 - 48 Mare's morsel
 - 49 Elbow-bender
 - 51 Sales staffer
 - 52 RR stops
 - 53 Giant successes, briefly
 - 56 Lab that's not very big, e.g.
 - 58 Sucker
 - 59 E-mailed, e.g.
 - 61 Take the place of
 - 65 Log holder
 - 66 Relatively small
 - 67 Warhol subjects
 - 68 Jake _____, De Niro's role in "Raging Bull"
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- 1 Key in a corner
 - 2 Popular cruise port
 - 3 Legit
 - 4 Wound up
 - 5 Big-billed bird
 - 6 Ariz. neighbor
 - 7 Co. in the merger that formed Verizon
 - 8 Bullfighter's red cloak
 - 9 "Action, not words!"
 - 10 Part of a chamber orchestra
 - 11 Zappers' targets
 - 12 Korean autos
 - 13 Art Deco designer
 - 14 Brood
 - 20 Some forensic evidence
 - 22 Shouts of triumph
 - 23 Dreamboat
 - 24 Inferior
 - 25 From square one
 - 27 Bandy words
 - 29 Rose's love, on Broadway



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Happy Birthday: Your emotions may be difficult to deal with this year. Expect other people to challenge you. Use your money wisely. It's time to look out for yourself and to let others pay for themselves. Your numbers are 3, 12, 20, 28, 35, 42

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Get out and enjoy your friends, family and new activities. Check out a new location to vacation this winter. You will probably meet someone who can offer you some very good advice about something you feel you would like to get into for a profit. 4 stars

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): There is plenty you can do to build support if you open up and explain what it is you want. You will have an opportunity to learn something new if you attend a serious group meeting or network event. 3 stars

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Consider your concepts to be masterful and ready to take to the next level. An older relative or friend will be able to offer you some fabulous ideas. A relationship may be intense but, if handled properly, can be passionate, as well. 3 stars

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Stay away from any troubles going on at home. Do things with people who tend to think the same way you do. 3 stars

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): You will gravitate to people who have the same passion you do today. Taking an unorthodox approach to what you do will draw attention and get others thinking. 4 stars

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Keep your feelings to yourself and your emotions under control. You may be forced to put up with someone you don't like. Should this be the case, take on an extra job that will keep you away from home. 2 stars

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): A lesson learned will enable you to get a handle on what you need to do next. Don't feel you have to share your ideas with everyone. The more reserved you are, the easier it will be to execute your plans. 5 stars

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Readdress whatever situation you are facing. A move will give you greater freedom in many aspects of your life. 3 stars

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Get down to business. Too much talking will only end up costing you valuable time. 3 stars

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Too much talk and not enough action will be what will get you into trouble today. Be proactive. A new spin on something old will give you added mileage. An investment that interests you will pay off. 3 stars

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Look beyond the setbacks, challenges and aggravations and consider all the possibilities that exist. Let the people you care about the most know how you feel about them. 5 stars

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): If you haven't been totally honest with yourself, you probably haven't been with others either. Circumstances will be a direct result of past actions. 2 stars

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FOOTBALL

Keeping it simple

By MIKE GILLOON
Sports Writer

Last Saturday, Notre Dame safety Tom Zbikowski muffed a punt against Penn State. This Tuesday, he stayed after to practice to ensure it doesn't happen again.

"I've just got to shake it out and get it out of my head and get back to fundamentals and basics," said the Irish strong safety and punt returner.

Zbikowski has returned two punts for touchdowns in his career and is the most experienced Irish returnman. Yet he's the only Irish player to fumble at all this season and is averaging just below six yards per return through two games, not up to par for a player listed as a preseason All-America punt returner by CBSSportsLine.com.

But right now, he's just worried about the simple stuff.

"I could care less about my [yards per return average] or whatever that is," he said. "You never hurt your team when you never put the ball on the ground."

Notes:

◆ After suffering a leg injury against Penn State, fullback

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The Irish are led by captains Brady Quinn, Travis Thomas and Tom Zbikowski from the tunnel into Notre Dame Stadium Saturday against Penn State.

CLEMENT SUHENDRA/The Observer

SMC GOLF

Belles get rained out of tourney

By BECKY SLINGER
Sports Writer

The Belles did not get their chance to hand Tri-State a loss Wednesday when the MIAA Jamboree hosted by Albion was rained out.

Rain left the fairways and greens soaked. Thirty minutes after the 1 p.m. scheduled tee-off, it was clear that the course was unplayable. The Jamboree was cancelled and rescheduled for Sept. 22-23 — a decision sophomore Katie McInerney found "frustrating."

"I was mentally set to play," McInerney said. "It was hard for the day to be interrupted because of the weather."

Sophomore co-captain Alex Sei was equally unsatisfied with the decision to abandon the tournament.

"We are a well-prepared team," Sei said. "Weather is

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ND CROSS COUNTRY

Legendary coach leads Irish

Piane has mentored 123 All-America runners in his 32-year tenure

By JAY FITZPATRICK
Sports Writer

As the longest-tenured coach currently at Notre Dame, Joe Piane has had a lot of experience leading Irish runners — and a lot of success.

Piane began his coaching career in Morocco while in the Peace Corps. He immediately succeeded with cross country, sending three runners to the 1972 World Championships in Cambridge, England.

After returning to the United States in 1972, Piane took his first collegiate position as the head coach at Western Illinois for two years, in which time he earned a master's degree in physical education.



Piane



Notre Dame runners surge ahead of the pack Sept. 16, 2005 at the National Catholic Invitational at Burke Golf Course.

Observer file photo

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SMC VOLLEYBALL

Saint Mary's knocks off struggling Albion

By GRANT SCHMIDT
Sports Writer

In a match that lasted a little over an hour, Saint Mary's swept struggling Albion 3-0 (30-14, 30-20, 30-14) — only two weeks after their last meeting, a 3-2 Belles victory.

Despite the greater margin of victory, Belles head coach Julie Schroeder-Biek felt that her team was a little more challenged this time around.

"Even though we beat them solid in the invitational, Albion took two games from us," she said. "I felt that they challenged us a little more there than they did tonight."

Schroeder-Biek said her team could have taken it up a notch as well.

"We were not as crisp as we normally are, but we handled them well," she said.

The Belles committed 13 service errors — a stat that did not leave the team

pleased. But there was a lot for the team to take out of the victory.

"We challenged ourselves by not lowering our style of play and never relaxed," she said.

Schroeder-Biek reminded her team throughout the match to respect Albion and not play down to its opponents level.

Kaela Hellmann contributed soundly with her superb blocking in the front row to add to her 40 blocks on the season. Libero Anne Cusack, tacked on a significant number of digs to add to her 195 season total.

Overall, Schroeder-Biek felt the Belles handled themselves well, and came at Albion with intensity.

The Belles will next take on Kalamazoo at home Sept. 20 and look for yet another MIAA victory.

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