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ND strengthens sexual discrimination policy

Title IX Grievance Procedure, harassment case timeline added to 2006 duLac

By EILEEN DUFFY Associate News Editor

Addressing weaknesses in its sexual discrimination policies, the University drew up a Title IX Grievance Procedure and a 30day timeline for sexual harassment cases, both now included in the 2006 duLac: A Guide to Student Life and the Faculty Handbook.

The Grievance Procedure is a three-step process for a victim of sexual discrimination to voice a complaint: an informal discussion with the accused individual, a formal complaint sent to the Office of Institutional Equity (OIE) and, finally, the opportunity for the victim to appeal the OIE's

"Previously, students may have thought, 'Well, I don't know if this is harassment, so where do I go with it?" said Jill Bodensteiner, associate vice president and counsel for the Office of General Counsel. "We wanted to give them a clear point of contact and a clear indication of how it will be handled by the University."

Probably best known for its application to athletics, Title IX (part of the 1972 Higher Education Act) prohibits all discrimination based on sex — like

sponsoring more men's than women's athletic teams. Under its fairly loose guidelines, Notre Dame had established an Equity in Athletics committee and a sexual harassment policy, Bodensteiner said. But before the new Grievance Procedure was put in place, no University guidelines existed for registering other cases of sexual discrimina-

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thwarts burglary

Property owners up security over fall break

By KELLY MEEHAN and KAITLYNN RIELY News Writers

A potential burglary attempt in a student house at 113 North Saint Peter's St. was thwarted on the first day of this year's fall break when a neighbor spotted a man entering the house through an unlocked window and called the police.

Saint Mary's senior Rose Zeidler was talking to a friend on the phone in her kitchen Oct. 13 around 10 p.m. when she saw a man attempting to enter her neighbor's house. She said she quickly hung up the phone and called the

police. 'While I was on the phone with the police he managed to shimmy open the window and find a bucket to get into the house," Zeidler said.
. She didn't get good look at

his face, but said he about a 5-foot-8 black man, with close cut hair, jeans and a leather jacket. The police sirens must have scared off the intruder, Zeidler said, because she said she heard the man leave the house and run away.

One of the house residents, Notre Dame senior Ryan Keckley said another neighbor called him to tell him police were surrounding his house. He said it appeared the intruder tried to take a stereo

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Burish prioritizes research growth

Provost outlines plan, says University must tackle challenge now to match peers



Provost Thomas Burish speaks to faculty members Tuesday about the University's drive to become a top research institution.

By MADDIE HANNA News Writer

Notre Dame faces significant work in its quest to develop as a research university, Provost Thomas Burish told faculty members Tuesday, but it can - and must — act now if it wants to catch up to peer institutions with

stronger programs.

In his second annual address to the faculty, Burish laid out his vision for how Notre Dame could tackle the "momentum challenge" of developing its research identity, a concrete plan that builds on University President Father John Jenkins' frequently stated, more conceptual goal of promoting both academic excellence and Notre Dame's "distinct Catholic mission."

"That's our challenge," Burish told the about 150 faculty members in DeBartolo 101. "It is to be and to be recognized as a preeminent Catholic research university."

He walked faculty members through the "cold hard facts" of Notre Dame's strengths and weaknesses, flipping through PowerPoint slides with data-loaded

graphs, charts and tables that showed both external rankings of University departments and internal benchmarks with peer institutions — specifically, members of the Association of American

The AAU includes "60-some" research-intensive universities among its ranks, Burish said, with 26 of those private. Membership is by invitation only, and while Burish said the organization has "no specific formula" for admission, Notre Dame has never been invited.

"I would suggest we aspire initially to look like AAU institutions performing at the third quartile level," Burish said.

Conversations with AAU leaders, he said, have implied that matching the AAU's weaker members is not enough — the association looks to admit universities that have surpassed the minimums.

While Notre Dame excels in most external undergraduate rankings (No. 20 overall in US News and World Report's 2007 America's Best Colleges) and places relatively high in ratings of post-baccalaure-

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Professor examines Middle East conflict

By BECKY HOGAN News Writer

The only way to achieve harmony in the world is to first secure peace in the Middle East, according to Father David Burrell, professor of philosophy and theology, who advocated this stance in a lecture Tuesday entitled "Peacemaking in the Holy Land: Political Islam."

Burrell insisted that the conflicts that afflict the Holy Land must be understood in terms of the relationships among Christianity, Judaism and

"Any bipolar relationship gets stuck," Burrell said when referring to the conflicts Judaism between Christianity. Burrell explained that Islam is the third member of this seemingly bipolar relationship that has caused religious and political strife in the Middle East throughout the last century.

Throughout the lecture, Burrell referred to key historical events that have escalated this conflict. He also explained that, although the conflict in the Holy Land today is partially a religious conflict, it did

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Jenkins joins ROTC for early run

By RYAN SYDLIK News Writer

In Tuesday's morning's chilly air, University President Father John Jenkins and Executive Vice President John Affleck-Graves ran with the Notre Dame ROTC students from all military branches in the second annual United States Notre Dame Tri-Military Command

The run began and ended near Pasquerilla Center and lasted a little under a half hour. Its purpose was to emphasize the common bonds that students in the Army, Navy and Air Force programs share.

"It's a wonderful morning for

see ROTC/page 9



University President Father John Jenkins addresses members of Notre Dame's ROTC program after joining them on the annual Tri-Military Command Run early Tuesday morning.

INSIDE COLUMN

Holidays, here I come

You know those sometimes annoying, over-the-top people who decorate for every season, bake festive desserts and finish Christmas shopping before Thanksgiving?

Kelly Higgins

I'm one of them. I realized my obsession with the holidays when I began humming "Let It Snow" instead of

Associate Photo Editor

cursing weather of South Bend as it started snowing in mid-October. The snow has made me excited because not only is Christmas well on its way, but Halloween and Thanksgiving are right around the corner.

I like to call these holidays "the big three." They truly encompass, to me, what holidays are all about: celebration, food and giving.

Halloween is a great start to the season. Not only does Halloween allow you to dress up as something you're not and spend the night in care-free celebration, but it also begins the spirit of giving. There is something magical about the smiles on the young trick-ortreaters' faces as they receive their treats or compliments on the costumes they'd worked on for so long.

Once all of the fake tombstones, spider webs and jack-o-lanterns have been put away and all the candy eaten, I start gearing up for Thanksgiving.

There is no better way for a student to prepare for finals than to eat a good Thanksgiving meal. Turkey, stuffing, cranberries, mashed potatoes, Grandma's homemade noodles, apple pie, pumpkin pie ... need I say more?

Although I thoroughly enjoy Halloween and Thanksgiving, Christmas is by far my favorite holiday. I even love the smell - to me it's a mix of pine, gingerbread, and cinnamon. As soon as Thanksgiving is over, carols are on my radio, cards are being sent out, decorations put up and presents wrapped.

I give special consideration to the wrapping of presents, which includes coordinating ribbons and matching multiple gifts. I spend all year making mental notes about what people like, what they need and what they might want.

There is no greater satisfaction than giving someone a gift that they love. No matter its cost, or how long it took to find that perpresent, the smile on a friend's face really makes me feel the warmth of the Christmas spirit.

Now that the snow is here, I can begin looking for festive recipes, the perfect Christmas cards, wrapping paper and, of course, the perfect gifts.

Until I find them though, I'll be sure to give out plenty Happy Halloweens, Happy Thanksgivings and Merry Christmases.

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please contact us at 631-4541 so we can correct our error.

QUESTION OF THE DAY: WHAT IS THE ULTIMATE PARTY SONG?



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junior Keough

"'Loveshack.' If "'Piano Man,' because it's the perfect why, you've conclusion to never done the the perfect bunny hop." party.



John Mulvahill

junior Carroll

Andrea McGinley

junior

Walsh

"Boot Scootin' you have to ask Boogie,' because Pokey,' because I'm from Texas and 90s country rocks."



Kaitlin Shideler

junior

"The Hokey it comes with instructions. And that's what birthday party." it's all about.'



Dan Zaetz

junior Stanford

"Нарру Birthday, because it's sung at every



Michael Wakim

sophomore Dillon

"Escape,' by **Enrique** Iglesias, because you can't escape no pants."



CHRISTIAN SAGARDIA/The Obse

Lisa Floran, left, Meghan Harmann, center, and Mary E. Levy rehearse for the Not-So-Royal Shakespeare Company's production of "The Tempest." Directed by Krista Dennis, the show will be held at 7:30 p.m. Thursday through Sunday at Washington

OFFBEAT

Alabama gov. candidate campaigns on cleavage

MONTGOMERY, Ala. Loretta Nall, the Libertarian Party's write-in candidate for governor of Alabama, is campaigning on her cleavage and hoping that voters will eventually focus on her platform.

"It started out as a joke, but it blew up into something huge," said Nall, a 32-yearold with dyed blond hair.

Her campaign is offering Tshirts and marijuana stash boxes adorned with a photo of her with a plunging neckline and the words: "More of these boobs." Below that are pictures of other candidates for governor — including Republican incumbent Bob Riley and Democratic Lt. Gov. Lucy Baxley - and the words: "And less of these boobs."

Toddler gets stuck in stuffed animal machine

ANTIGO, Wis. -- Threeyear-old Robert Moore went fishing for a stuffed replica of Sponge Bob and ended up trapped in a vending machine. The toddler's adventure began with a Saturday evening shopping trip with his grandmother, Fredricka Bierdemann, and three siblings.

Bierdemann ended the trip by giving each child a dollar and telling them to have fun in a retailer's game room.

A stuffed Sponge Bob in a vending machine's bin caught Robert's eye. He tried without success to fish it out with a plastic crane.

"I told him I could get it for him," his grandmother said. "He's a character. He said, 'Oh no, I can get it."

When she turned her back to get another dollar for a second try, Robert took off his coat and squeezed through an opening in the machine. He landed in the stuffed animal cube.

Information compiled from the Associated Press.

FRIDAY

IN BRIEF

The Department of Classics will present "Classics Live!" today from 4-6 p.m. at the Fieldhouse Mall. The event will showcase the talents of Classics department students, who will perform sketches from ancient comedy, sing Latin hymns and recite poems in Latin, Greek and English.

Amy McInerny, attorney and founder of the Women's Injury Network, will speak on "Abortion and Women: Rhetoric vs. Reality" today at 7 p.m. in 102 DeBartolo Hall. The event is free and co-sponsored by the South Bend Diocese and the Center for Ethics and Culture.

The Notre Dame chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People will hold their annual AIDS Research Dinner from 6-8 p.m. today in the LaFortune Ballroom. Tickets are \$5 and can be purchased at the LaFortune box office.

The film "Good Morning, Night" will be shown in the Browning Cinema in the **DeBartolo Performing Arts** Center at 7 p.m. and 10 p.m. today. Tickets are \$3 for students and \$5 for faculty and staff.

Poet John Wilkinson will be reading from his latest work, "Lake Shore Drive," in the Hospitality Room of Reckers today at 7:30 p.m. This event is sponsored by Writing Creative Program.

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

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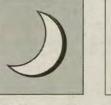
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Conference considers happiness

By EMMA DRISCOLL News Writer

Academics from across a wide range of fields gathered at Notre Dame last weekend to get serious about happiness. Notre Dame's department of economics and policy studies and the program in American democracy sponsored the conference "New Directions in the Study of Happiness: United States and International Perspectives," which sought to find the root of happiness, and how happiness can be increased and used.

The conference drew thinkers from universities throughout the United States and abroad. Professors traveled from the Netherlands, Switzerland and the United Kingdom, according to Benjamin Radcliff, professor of political science at Notre Dame. The 23 speakers from various schools included Harvard University, Dartmouth College, University of Southern California, University of Zurich, University of Basel, Florida State University and Notre Dame.

The whole Notre Dame community was invited to attend the event and, according to Radcliff, both undergraduate and graduate students were there throughout the conference.

From Sunday evening until Tuesday afternoon, presenters addressed different aspects of happiness, divided into a variety of subtopics. Two to four speakers discussed each topic.

The subtopics included "What is Happiness?," "Theories and Empirics of Happiness,"

"Happiness and Economy,"
"Happiness and Justice,"

"Happiness and Politics,"
"Happiness and Society" and
ended with "What is to be done?"
Alasdair MacIntyre of Notre
Dame's department of philosophy
was the final speaker, connecting
all the previous pieces together.

Speakers typically presented one of their research papers and then answered questions and discussed their paper with the group of about 20 other profes-

The "Happiness and Society" portion of the conference, held Tuesday, featured Wendy Rahn, professor of political science at the University of Minnesota and Eric Oliver, professor of political science at the University of Chicago

Rahn presented her research paper entitled "Matters of Life and Death," in which she studied suicide trends in the United States to see if there was a correlation between the amount of people who commit suicide and presidential election years.

"Fewer people commit suicide during presidential elections years," said Rahn. "On balance, it's a good thing."

Oliver's paper, entitled "Mental Life and the Metropolis in Suburban America: The Psychological Correlates of Metropolitan Place Characteristics," was a study of whether or not suburbs are the cause of unhappiness. He concluded that there is no evidence that the suburbs themselves make people unhappy, but that the process of suburbanization itself can have this effect.

Radcliff noted that the opportunity to share and interact over research was part of what made the conference so valuable. It brought together those studying happiness from a variety of different viewpoints, he said. Researchers were able to talk with one another about their findings, not just read each other's studies in journals, according to Radcliff.

Radcliff said the field of happiness has become "one of the big research programs of social science," and it is being examined from the perspectives of political science, economics, sociology, psychology and history.

Often, academics in these diverse fields do not have the opportunity to work together, even when they are studying the same issue. The conference remedied this situation.

"Here, you're getting questions [about your research] from a philosopher, sociologist and economist," Radcliff said.

Ruth Abbey, professor of political science and Acting Director of the Institute of Scholarship in the Liberal Arts (ISLA) also expressed an appreciation for the interdisciplinary nature of the conference.

"People from different disciplines can learn from one another when they are all working in the same field," said Abbey, who added that gathering such an interdisciplinary group is often "very hard to do."

The conference was funded primarily by a grant from the Annenberg Foundation.

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SMC squad cheers runners at Marathon

By MAGGIE DUNN News Writer

Sunday morning, seven members of the Saint Mary's cheerleading squad braved the cold to cheer for a much bigger team than they're used to — a team of 40,000, in fact.

The women attended the Chicago Marathon as members of the event's official cheerleading squad, which encouraged participants on their 26.2-mile run.

According to SMC cheer-leader junior Rocky Krivda, SMC was selected to participate along with 24 other schools and All-American/All-Star cheerleading squads by the LaSalle Bank Chicago Marathon board members. The application included an essay about why their particular team should be chosen and what spirit means to them.

Krivda said she applied on the LaSalle Bank Chicago Marathon Web site in June, and the SMC cheerleaders received confirmation in early August. They were the first of the 25 squads to be selected.

Fellow SMC cheerleader, junior Bridget Spore, said it is thanks to Krivda that they had the opportunity to step off campus and be involved in the community.

"The Saint Mary's cheerleading squad tries to cheer at least once for every Saint Mary's College sports team," Krivda said. "We decided we wanted to support the Saint Mary's students who ran in the Chicago Marathon, so I wrote the essays and applied for the team."

The 25 teams that made up the marathon's Spirit Squad placed themselves at different mile markers throughout the course to energize and motivate not only the runners, but the estimated 1.5 million spectators as well. Because SMC had been the first of the 25 selected, Krivda said they were allowed first pick of the cheering location.

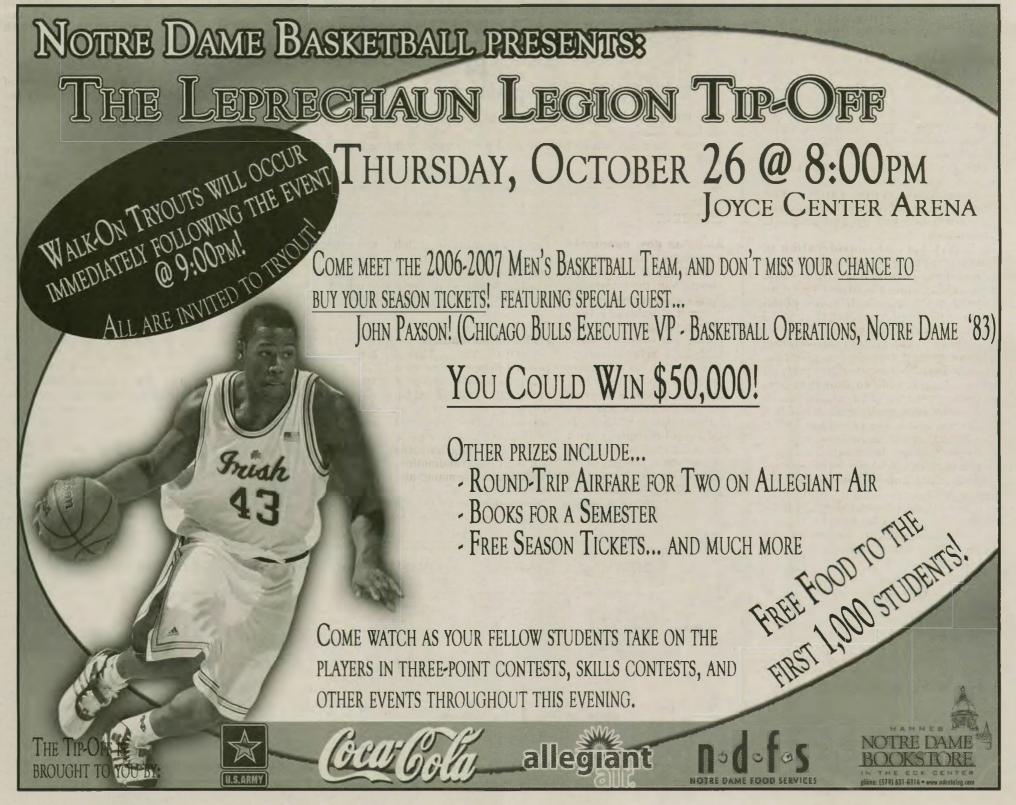
The Belles squad chose mile nine at the corner of Clark and Belden Ave., where there was music and entertainment for both runners and spectators.

"We passed out spirit beads and led crowds in running chants," she said.

Spore said when they could read the runners' names, they shouted them out with encouraging words like, "stay strong" and "you can do it."

"We got such a great response out of the girls that went, and everyone was really enthusiastic," Spore said. "I felt like the runners really appreciated it. It was rewarding enough to try to do it again."

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Burglary

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receiver from inside the house, since this was on the floor when he came home. Nothing appeared to be missing, he said.

This year's break as a whole had few reported robberies at popular student housing complexes like Clover Ridge, Turtle Creek and Lafayette

Apartments, perhaps due to local landlords' preventative actions.

Kramer Properties owner Mark Kramer said while none of his homes or apartment complexes (Lafayette Apartment and

Notre Dame Apartments) were broken into, it is crucial to take a "proactive approach" and realize "anything can happen anywhere at any

Kramer said it was "not unusual" that very few breakins occurred during break. To help deter potential crimes, Kramer Properties' mainte-nance team patrols its properties daily and has hired offduty Mishawaka police officers to serve as additional security at Lafayette Apartments, he

"The apartment complexes usually are the ones that get hit first," Kramer said. As an additional step to prevent potential criminal activity at apartment complexes, Clover Ridge Apartments installed new deadbolts on all apartment doors, Leasing Agent Lynn Buckley said. Although two vehicle breakins at Clover Ridge were reported earlier in the year, Buckley said students who left their vehicles in their parking lot during break had "no prob-

"We ask that residents don't leave anything on their seats and lock their doors," Buckley

Kramer said his tenants who left their vehicles behind did not experience any problems, and believes cars parked near homes or apartments help deter crime.

"[There are] not as many cars as there would be when school is in session," he said. "[Leaving a car] helps because nobody knows if [residents] are home or not." Kramer said he also asks South Bend Police to increase patrols in student residential areas during break and reminds students to secure their homes or apartments before they depart.

Keckley said he figured a break-in was inevitable. He and his roommates gave the thief an opportunity when they failed to lock all their doors and windows before they left, Keckley said.

"It was our fault," he said. "We should [have] know better than to leave a window unlocked, especially when we are gone for fall break.'

The unsuccessful burglary was a warning to secure the house before they leave,

Keckley said. Kramer said the key to crime prevention is the ability "to disguise the fact that they have a student house. ... [It] should look like a home their mother and father live in.'

Students need to make sure they do not have "kegs ... [and] couches on their porch or Notre Dame signs and banners hanging from their house," he said.

Kramer said he also stresses that his tenants lock their doors and windows, set their alarms and close their blinds.

Greg Anderson of Anderson ND Rentals was unaware a break-in had occurred at one of his houses on North St. Peter's Street. He said break-

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Ryan Keckley

off-campus senior

ins at his houses are very rare, since each one comes equipped with a security system. When he rents to students, he gives them an information packet

describing how the system works and listing the number to call to turn it on.

"All they have to do is get it hooked up and running," Anderson said. "But if they don't bother to call the company and get it set up, then it won't do anything."

Senior Will Jourdan, another resident of 113 St. Peter's St., said he thinks he and his roommates will now look into setting up their alarm system.

Kramer encouraged students to place all electronics into a locked bedroom before they leave their home for a long period of "In [an alarmed] house with six or seven bedrooms ... [thieves] don't have time to look for electronics, and by the time they get into the locked bedroom the police

Kramer said all of his homes come with ADT alarms and when they are set off "the South Bend Police Department is very responsive, and ... will arrive within minutes."

During future breaks, senior Brian Hedges, one of Keckley and Jourdan's roommates, said the roommates may take extra precautions and store their valuable electronics at Keckley's family's nearby house.

While fall breaks' duration is minimal compared to students' month long winter break, property managers like ables out of the way so you Turtle Creek Apartments community manager Francie window," she said.

Schmuhl said they are still "It is apparent that prepared ensure student "safety and watching our houses security. and they know when Like many student-populated complexes, Turtle Creek has two officers that live on site, and although apart-

ments do not have alarms, Schmuhl said. 'Students are encouraged to lock doors and windows before they leave," she said.

'For Christmas break we ask [that] students move all valucannot see [them] through the window," she said. "They

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Rose Zeidler

off-campus senior

should close blinds, lock up and move anything of great value out of plain sight."

The residents of 113 North St. Street have been careful to keep all their doors and windows locked

since the incident. But Hedges said the break-in still has him unnerved.

"I haven't really felt safe in here since it happened," he

After she witnessed a man break into her neighbors' house, Zeidler says she feels a lot less safe, even though she and her roommates have an alarm and keep the blinds down and doors and windows locked.

"It is apparent that there are people watching our houses and they know when our breaks are," Zeidler said.

But the nearby break-in hasn't changed her desire to live at her off-campus house.

"It worries me ... but it's not like I wouldn't live here because of it."

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

U.S. officials consider Iraq options

BAGHDAD, Iraq — Two weeks before U.S. midterm elections, American officials unveiled a timeline Tuesday for Iraq's Shiite-led government to take specific steps to calm the world's most dangerous capital and said more U.S. troops might be needed to quell the

U.S. officials previously said they were satisfied with troop levels and had expected to make significant reductions by year's end. But a surge in sectarian killings, which welled up this past summer, forced them to reconsider.

At a rare joint news conference with the American ambassador, the top U.S. commander in Iraq, Gen. George Casey, said additional U.S. troops could come from inside or outside Iraq to "improve basic services for the population of Baghdad.'

Paul downgraded to tropical storm

SAN JOSE DEL CABO, Mexico — Hurricane Paul weakened to a tropical storm Tuesday as it headed toward the southern tip of the Baja California peninsula, whipping up high surf that left one person dead and another missing in the resort region.

Paul had maximum sustained winds near 65 mph, but was expected to further weaken before making landfall south of Los Cabos early Wednesday, the U.S. National Hurricane Center in Miami said

Forecasters warned, however, that the storm could still dump up to 10 inches of rain in the mountains on Mexico's mainland, causing severe flooding.

Paul's maximum sustained winds had reached 110 mph on Monday, making it a Category 2 hurricane. It was the third hurricane to threaten the Pacific coast's resort areas this season.

NATIONAL NEWS

Ohio executes religious cult leader

LUCASVILLE, Ohio — A religious cult leader was executed Tuesday for murdering a family of five followers who were taken one at a time to a barn, bound and shot to death. The youngest was a girl just 7 years old.

Jeffrey Lundgren, 56, did not think the family was enthusiastic enough about his teachings and referred to the killings during his

trial as "pruning the vineyard."

"I profess my love for God, my family, for my children, for Kathy (his wife). I am because you are," Lundgren said in his final statement before he died by injection at the Southern Ohio Correctional Facility.

Lundgren was convicted in the slayings of the Avery family — Dennis, 49, Cheryl, 46, Trina, 15, Rebecca, 13, and 7-year-old Karen.

3 men dead in latest Toledo killings

TOLEDO, Ohio — Three men were found dead inside a boarded-up house Tuesday, the latest in a wave of killings that has plagued the city in recent weeks, police said.

vo victims had been shot and the other had been stabbed, Chief Mike Navarre said.

A neighbor reported hearing shots about 4:15 a.m., Capt. Diana Ruiz-Krause said. One witness saw two people leaving through the backyard, she added.

Tuesday's discovery brought the number of killings in the past five weeks to 12 in the city of about 300,000. Police have tied several to drug deals.

LOCAL NEWS

Deer hunting allowed at state parks

CHESTERTON, Ind. — Deer hunting to cull the herd will again be permitted at 18 Indiana state parks to keep the animals from eating too many plants.

"We're charged with protecting all of our resources, not just deer and other animals but all of the plants, too," said Jim Gerbracht, resource specialist for the Indiana Department of Natural Resources. "If one negatively impacts another, we have to try to balance that. A lot of people get concerned about an individual species, but we have to look at the whole picture.'

GAZA

AP photographer found alive

Morenatti released without injury; kidnappers disguised him in women's clothing

Associated Press

GAZA CITY, Gaza Strip -An Associated Press photographer was freed unharmed Tuesday after a harrowing day in the hands of Palestinians who abducted him at gunpoint and dressed him in women's clothes to spirit him from one secret location to another.

Emilio Morenatti was brought before midnight to the office of Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas by Fatah officials. It was not clear who kidnapped him, though officials said he was taken by criminals. The government and Palestinian groups denounced the abduction.

Morenatti, a 37-year-old Spaniard, looked fatigued after his daylong ordeal but said he was unharmed.

"I'm tired but happy to have come back because there were very anguished moments," said Morenatti.

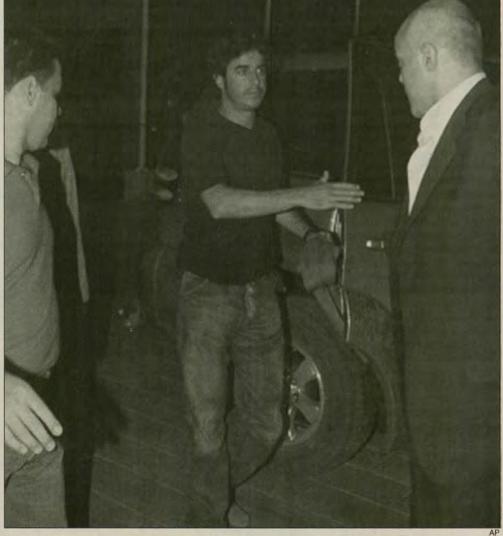
He said the kidnappers held him in a small room, where he was kept for about four hours during which he was visited by masked men. Later he was put in a car dressed as a woman and taken to another location.

"They put a bag on my head and they dressed me up as a woman, as a woman in a long veil," the photographer added.

Morenatti said he was blindfolded for much of the time, and that his captors spoke only Arabic, which he doesn't speak.

"I didn't know at any moment what they were doing," he said. "They moved me but nobody explained anything to me. It was very confusing."

The photographer said he was held in complete darkness for hours. In the second house where he was held, Morenatti said he heard the sounds of a family. He said he was given one meal of cheese and lunch meat early



Associated Press photographer Emilio Morenatti, middle, is seen after his release at the office of Palestinian Authority President Mahmoud Abbas in Gaza City late Tuesday.

fruit later.

Morenatti did not know his captors. Palestinian Prime Minister Ismail Haniyeh's office said in a statement that the identity of the kidnappers was known and they "would be pursued." Tom Curley, AP's president

and chief executive officer, said, "The Associated Press is relieved that Emilio has been released, apparently unharmed. The security of our journalists is always our top concern. We appreciate the assistance offered by so many people in obtaining his release, especially

'It is crucial, however, that journalists such as Emilio be able to freely report the news in areas of conflict. We will be investigating what happened to assure that he and others can continue their important work,"Curley

Morenatti's family in Spain rejoiced at news of his release.

"We were all sitting around together and when we heard the news we yelled with joy and then we opened a bottle of rioja (wine) to celebrate, in the day and a portion of Palestinian and Spanish offi- Morenatti, a brother of the moved.

photographer, told the AP.

'I managed to talk with Emilio for about 15 seconds and he told me that he was well both physically and mentally. The most important thing is that he is safe and free,

Morenatti was seized as he headed out of his Gaza City apartment for an AP car, where Majed Hamdan, an AP driver and translator, was waiting. Hamdan said four gunmen grabbed his keys and cell phone and told him to turn away, pressing a gun to his head and threat-Miguel Angel ening to harm him if he

Ethics panel questions Hastert

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — House Speaker Dennis Hastert urged ethics investigators to work quickly to unravel the congressional pages scandal Tuesday, testifying before them just after a GOP lawmaker whose recollections differ from his.

The investigation is focusing on which House leaders were told about sexually explicit messages sent by Rep. Mark Foley to former pages, when leaders were told and what was done in response. Hastert and some other Republicans have suggested revelations about the messages were timed to hurt the GOP in next month's elections.

Tuesday's appearances by Hastert, R-III., and House GOP campaign chair Tom Reynolds, R-N.Y., could signal that the four-member ethics committee is nearing the end of its testimony-taking phase. Both men testified behind closed doors as committee rules require

Hastert said afterward that he had told the committee "that they needed to move quickly to get to the bottom of this issue, including who knew about the sexually explicit messages and when they knew

Hastert has said he first learned of Foley's inappropriate e-mails to a former Louisiana page — and sexually explicit e-mails to another page

- just last month as the matter became public and the Florida Republican resigned.

But Hastert's appearance followed that of Reynolds, who has said he learned of Foley's inappropriate emails to the Louisiana teen last spring and discussed the matter with Hastert.

Hastert has said he didn't recall that conversation. He has also assured conservative activist Paul Weyrich that Majority Leader John Boehner was wrong when Boehner said he and Hastert discussed Foley's problems last spring.

Hastert said he answered investigators' questions "to the best of my

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ate professional programs, AAU leaders "don't look at those things," Burish said.

It's about PhD programs and research — especially sponsored research, Burish said. And in the struggle to prove itself to the AAU, Notre Dame has competition.

After listing "first benchmark" institutions that currently belong to the AAU — including Brown, Columbia, Duke and Northwestern — Burish displayed a slide with names of six "second benchmark" institutions that, like Notre Dame, are striving for AAU membership: Boston College, Boston University, Dartmouth, Georgetown, Tufts and Wake Forest.

In comparisons between those six and Notre Dame, the University isn't at the top. Burish displayed tables that showed how Notre Dame matched up in various categories, often ranking in the middle of the AAU hopefuls.

He was careful to acknowledge that "rankings have weaknesses."

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"The point is," he said, "the perception of Notre Dame is similar" — meaning low rankings of Notre Dame's research programs are not anomalies.

The University, however, has made progress. Burish cited Notre Dame's No. 9 ranking on the National Research Council's "Most Improved List."

"We're in the game — and this is important. We're in the game," he said. "These are the very best research universities in the country."

To work toward the goal of research "preeminence," Burish focused on building the University's PhD program up from its current "plateau" while protecting its "exceptional" undergraduate program and strengthening its post-baccalaureate professional programs.

"We need an elbow, we need a hockey stick, we need a rapidly accelerating curve," he said, referring to a line graph and indicating that Notre Dame would have to drastically step up its research growth in order to join its peers.

But while urgency is important, so is the long run.

"Excellence requires sustained effort," Burish said. "There are no quick fixes. ... This is a five, 10, 15, 20-year investment program where we've got to stay the course."

Additional strategies are needed to meet this challenge, he said, and those new strategies "must build upon our current strategic plan and campaign goal."

Burish was not specific about the funding needed to progress toward this plan — "I'm talking about extra funds that are not yet identified" — but later said the project would involve "certainly 30, 40, 50, 60 million or more now. And some of that continued over time."

To start, Burish said he hoped to appoint a steering committee — seeking nominations from faculty members by Nov. 10 — this fall and invite consultants to campus by next spring. Faculty members would also be encouraged to solicit advice during this process.

The next steps, he said, would be determining the best areas for additional investment, identifying and sequestering funds, developing markers of success and creating a communication plan.

Throughout this process, preeminent programs must remain preeminent, Burish stressed. His hope, he told faculty members, is that new investments will create additional preeminent programs — "not to take a C-plus program and make it a B-plus program," he said. "This extra layer [of investment] is really to achieve preeminence."

Burish also believes new programs must be in areas of visibility and national or international interest, suggesting global health and the environment as examples.

"We are not starting from scratch — a lot has already been done," Burish said, citing the use of last year's BCS winnings for academic priorities and the Board of Trustees Finance Committee's willingness to prioritize faculty salary increases.

And the work that's left, Burish said, is achievable.

"Harvard, Yale, Dartmouth, Princeton were at one point faith-based," he told faculty members at the end of his address, walking up the steps into the audience. Those schools, he explained, have since dropped their religious aspects as they've grown in academic stature.

But Notre Dame, Burish said, doesn't have to lose its identity to become elite.

"It's our time to join that group," he said.

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tion.

"Complaints by a man or a woman in admissions, for example, or maybe a program or activity — a student club open to just women or just men," Bodensteiner said. "We've had informal and formal policies, but this was a gap ... an area we needed to beef up."

Bodensteiner said Notre Dame has worked closely with the Office for Civil Rights, the branch of the U.S. Department of Education that enforces Title IX.

"We have consulted with them on our policies. They are very much in approval with the way we're handling things now," she said.

The new language added to the sexual harassment policy specifies that "[in] response to most reports of sexual harassment, the University will complete the disciplinary procedure in 30 business days." According to Bodensteiner, that plan should smooth some kinks for all involved parties.

"We didn't like the fact that the investigation was open-ended. Now, it gives the victim and the alleged harasser an indication of when they can expect a response," she said. "It's also a good means for us to hold ourselves to a timeline internally, when we're doing an investigation."

Reporting cases of sexual

"Previously, students

may have thought,

'Well, I don't know if

this is harassment, so

where do I go with it?"

Jill Bodensteiner

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Office of General Counsel

harassment, sexual assault and rape has been complicated by the Office of General Counsel, and duLac provides the best forum to convey the new information to students, said Lori Maurer, associate director of Office of Residence Life and Housing. She

hopes such additions will help students see duLac as a resource, and not just as a rule book.

"There's a lot of great information in [duLac]," Maurer said. "We're trying to change the negative connotation."

It's the negative, punitive connotations students associate with duLac and ORLH that can often plague victims of sexual harassment, sexual assault and rape, Maurer said — which is why

clarifying language was previously added to duLac.

"Several years ago, we were concerned because we'd heard students didn't want to report a case because they'd been drinking or they were breaking parietals," Maurer said.

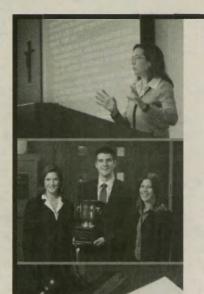
Now, duLac says "student victims will not be subject to disciplinary action in connection with their reporting of sexual assault or misconduct."

ORLH formally announced the most recent duLac amendments in an Oct. 13 e-mail to all

Notre Dame students. The e-mail was delayed to coincide with the Oct. 15 release of the Faculty Handbook, Bodensteiner said.

Maurer said ORLH follows a different, specific process to announce duLac changes that affect students' lives more significantly, such as the new alcohol policy in 2002.

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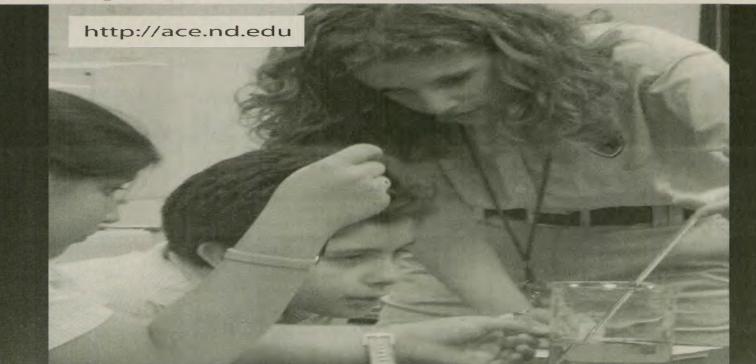


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Refco CFO accused of \$1 billion fraud

NEW YORK — The former chief financial officer of Refco Inc., one of the world's biggest commodities brokerages, was accused in an indictment Tuesday of defrauding investors in a scheme that resulted in losses of more than \$1

An indictment in U.S. District Court charged Robert C. Trosten with conspiracy, securities fraud, false filings and wire fraud. It also added new charges to the case against Refco's former chief executive officer, Phillip R. Bennett

Prosecutors said Trosten assisted Phillip R. Bennett, formerly Refco's chief executive officer, in hiding hundreds of millions of dollars of debt owed to Refco by a company controlled by

The superseding indictment also added new charges against Bennett concerning fraud against holders of Refco's bonds.

Trosten, 37, of Sarasota, Fla., was scheduled to make his initial court appearance Wednesday. Bennett, 57, of Gladstone, N.J., is currently free on \$50 million bail and subject to electronic monitoring.

Lawyers for both men did not immediately return telephone messages for comment.

Dana Corp. given time for bonus plan

NEW YORK — Dana Corp. on Tuesday won more time to develop a new legal strategy to obtain a package of bonuses for its chief executive and other top executives.

Judge Burton Lifland of the U.S. Bankruptcy Court in Manhattan, who previously rejected the proposed bonuses, approved the auto-parts suppliers request to further its legal work on a schedule that would permit a Nov. 8 final hearing on its request for a long-term incentive plan

Even so, Lifland continued to question whether the timeline was too "aggressive" and whether Dana's strategy made sense. "Frankly, I'm not fully comprehensive of the strategy of this motion," Lifland said.

The Toledo, Ohio, company has asked Lifland to reconsider his ruling striking down a program that would have paid Chief Executive Michael J. Burns \$9.1 million over the next few years — including a \$6 million bonus once Dana exits Chapter 11 protection.

Skilling sentenced to 24 years

Former CEO faces the harshest punishment of those involved in Enron's collapse

Associated Press

HOUSTON - Former Enron CEO Jeffrey Skilling was ordered Monday to serve 24 years and four months in prison, the harshest punishment by far in Enron's scandalous collapse and one that capped a string of tough sentences for top executives in corruption

U.S. District Judge Sim Lake denied Skilling's request for bond and ordered him to home confinement, wearing an ankle monitor. Lake, who told the U.S. Bureau of Prisons to recommend when Skilling should report to prison, suggested the 52-year-old be sent to the federal facility in Butner, N.C., for his role in a case that came to symbolize corporate fraud in America.

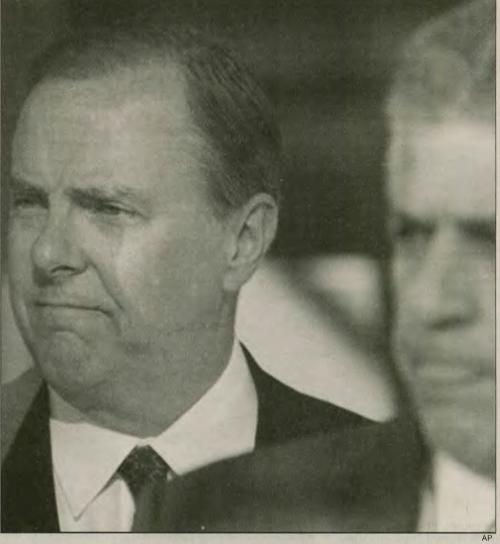
His crimes have imposed on hundreds if not thousands a life sentence of

poverty," Lake said.
The former chief executive officer will be eligible to shave up to 54 days a year off his sentence for good behavior in prison. Lake also ordered Skilling to undergo alcohol and mental-health counseling. A successful completion of that treatment would take a year off his sentence.

Skilling, insisting he was innocent yet remorseful in a two-hour hearing, was the last top former official to be punished for the accounting tricks and shady business deals that led to the loss of thousands of jobs, more than \$60 billion in Enron stock and more than \$2 billion in employee pension plans after the company imploded in 2001.

His remaining assets, about \$60 million, will be liquidated, according to an agreement among lawyers for Enron employees, the company's savings and stock ownership plans, prosecutors and Skilling's legal

About \$45 million will be put in a restitution fund for victims. The remaining \$15 million will go to Skilling's legal fees, said Lynn Sar



Former Enron CEO Jeff Skilling, left, and his attorney Daniel Petrocelli leave the federal courthouse in Houston after Skilling was sentenced to 292 months in prison Monday.

attorney for the Enron Corp. Savings Plan and Stock Ownership Plan. The Justice Department allowed Skilling to set aside \$23 million for his defense when he was indicted; he still owed his lawyers \$30 million as of

Outside the courthouse, Skilling vowed to appeal his sentence and also asked that his restitution money go straight to victims, instead of being seized first by the federal government. His attorney, Daniel Petrocelli, said the restitution will be held until all of Skilling's appeals are exhausted.

Skilling had stood with his hands clasped below his waist, with Petrocelli at his side while being sentenced. He gave no visible reaction

After court adjourned, Skilling hugged Petrocelli.

Skilling's term is the longest received by any Enron defendant; former Chief Financial Officer Andrew Fastow was given a six-year term after cooperating with prosecutors and helping them secure Skilling's conviction.

It falls just shy of the sentence imposed on WorldCom CEO Bernard Ebbers, who received 25 years for his role in the \$11 billion accounting fraud that toppled the company he built from a tiny telecommunications firm to an industry giant. Another CEO, Dennis Kozlowski of Tyco International Ltd., received a sentence of eight and oneanother fraud case.

Skilling's co-defendant, Enron founder Kenneth Lay, died from heart disease on July 5. Lay's convictions on 10 counts of fraud, conspiracy and lying to banks in two separate cases were wiped out with his death.

Skilling's arrogance, belligerence and lack of contriteness under questioning made him a lightning rod for the rage generated after Enron sought bankruptcy protection in 2001. Lay was once a leading city father whose charitable good works and affable nature endeared him locally. Skilling was little known outside Enron until his anger at being caught brought his personality into

Stocks mixed as investors wait

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Wall Street wobbled through a listless session and closed mixed Tuesday as investors awaited the results of this week's Federal Reserve meeting. Modest gains in the Dow Jones industrial average were enough for the index to set new trading and closing records.

Fed's Open Market Committee began a two-day meeting Tuesday, and while many investors expected the central bank's policymakers to leave interest rates unchanged for the third straight meeting, there was still concern on the Street about the

assessment of the economy to be trading high of 12,133.80, edging issued Wednesday afternoon.

Wall Street's performance was in contrast to a big rally Monday, when the Dow surged 114 points to a record high close and other indexes posted big gains.

Steve Sachs, director of trading at Rydex Investments, contends that the run-up this month in the Dow and blue chip stocks in general has occurred too quickly to avoid a pullback. "There's probably good reason for the rally to at least

The Dow rose 10.97, or 0.09 percent, to 12,127.88, eclipsing the record close of 12,116.91 set Monday. The Dow also set a new

past a day-old record of 12,125.16 before giving back some of its

Broader stock indicators ended the day mixed after spending much of the session lower. The Standard & Poor's 500 index was up 0.36, or 0.03 percent, at 1,377.38, and the Nasdaq composite index was down 10.72, or 0.45 percent, at 2,344.84.

Bonds rose slightly as investors awaited the Fed's decision. The yield on the benchmark 10-year Treasury note fell to 4.82 percent from 4.83 percent late Monday. The dollar was mixed against other major currencies, while gold prices

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ROTC

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a run, [with] a little snow on the ground [to] get your butt moving," Jenkins said. "We look forward to this run.'

As the tri-military commander, Captain Michael Neller was the official organizer of this year's run — though he said the credit should go to the ROTC student organization that put it together.

Lt. Col. Kelly Jordan, who is in charge of Army ROTC, said the run was created to increase inter-branch unity, and he hopes it becomes a tradition at Notre Dame.

"We started it last year as a way to develop camaraderie and to emphasize not the differences among the different ROTC programs but the similarities we all have," he said.
"The Navy does different things, the Army does different

things, the Air Force does different things, but when you look at us in terms of the entire University, we are far more similar than we are different."

Neller explained that the ROTC branches normally compete against each other, rather than holding a unifying event.

"[Jordan] was a big advocate last year of trying to do more group [unity] things [instead of] having a football game against each other," he said. "So we tried to create a balance of

Jordan said he was grateful for the special guests that ran alongside the ROTC students.

"The ROTC students really work hard so it's wonderful to have the administration come out and support us," he said.

After the run, Jenkins gave a short speech to the ROTC students, emphasizing Notre Dame's mission of service and

"At Notre Dame, the ROTC program has always been a

part of this University and has an important place to play at this University," he said. "I think the major reason is that Notre Dame's student body is about service, serving the community, serving the Church, serving the world in important ways. ... Your lives — as candidates for military service — are about service too.

Jenkins reminded the group of its continuing commitment to leadership, both at Notre Dame and after graduation.

"During your time here in ROTC, always remember that Notre Dame spirit of service and duty. Those are high ideals," he said. "We expect you when you go forth from Notre Dame, to be leaders in your various branches of service, to be leaders in your communities, and to be leaders who have a sense of service and duty."

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Peace

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not begin as such.

"The conflict began with two peoples occupying one small piece of land," he said. Describing both Palestinian

and Israeli society as "fractured," Burrell said the major distinction between these two societies is that the Israeli people believe the Holy Land belongs to them, while Palestinians believe that they "belong to the land." In order to overcome this disparity, Burrell said Palestinians must develop as "civil society."

Burrell also said it is essential for anyone who examines this conflict to be able to differentiate between "good religious groups" and "bad religious groups.'

"Good religious groups," Burrell said, "work for recon-ciliation between Jews, Christians and Muslims.'

Burrell also noted that secular groups could also be instrumental in bringing peace to the region.

Additionally, Burrell focused on the violence and unrest that occurred in the Gaza Strip this summer, which has escalated the already heated

'The Israeli response [to Palestinian attacks] was to destroy electrical generators and this was a totally disproportionate response," Burrell said. Also, in delaying the cease-fire agreements in this region and using untargeted weapons, Burrell said, the Israeli response to groups like Hamas and Hezbollah was disproportionate.

Burrell argued that the United States as well as Lebanon is at fault for creating a "major divide" between the western world and the Middle East due to their involvement in the recent conflicts. However, he said the American presence extremely important in bringing peace to the Middle East.

To move forward in this conflict, Burrell said he thinks nongovernmental organizations will be essential in bringing greater awareness to the situation. He also argued that peace requires Israeli cooperation and continued dialogue.

"If Israelis make it more possible for Palestinians to develop an infrastructure [...], more progress can be made towards a two-state solution," he said.

During his 25 years in Jerusalem, Burrell has worked with the Ecumenical Center for Theological Studies in Tantur to help build peace in this troubled region.

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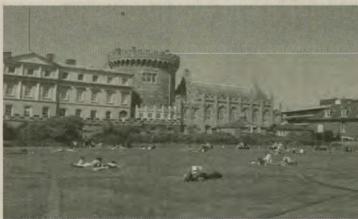
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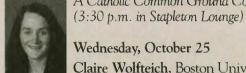
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SMC students discuss experiences in service

By LAURA BAUMGARTNER
News Writer

Stressing the value of helping people and building relationships, the second lecture of the three-part "What Difference Does it Make?" series featured Saint Mary's students sharing service experiences — an encouraging reality to campus minister Regina Wilson who said "all of our decisions and choices in life affect us in some way."

Seniors Rachel Stowe and Angeline Johnson presented two separate sides of service work by sharing their volunteer experiences and detailing how they became inspired to volunteer.

Stowe began serving through the Saint Mary's Office of Civic and Social Engagement's (OCSE) Summer Service Project at the South Bend Refugee and Immigration Services office.

At the office, Stowe said she has had "a lot of different experiences with a lot of different people."

"It's hard to think about how it has changed me at this point because [service work] has had so many different effects on my life," she said.

Johnson echoed Stowe's feelings about the worth of volunteer work.

"Before I got into service work, I was at least always conscious of issues that were going on with other people," Johnson said, "but I never really got directly involved, and I think that is the big difference for me, seeing from afar versus doing something."

Johnson said the most challenging part of her work — which includes civil rights protests against Taco Bell and McDonald's — is getting people to listen and change their attitudes

"On this campus particularly there hasn't been a lot of support of the causes I promote, but it makes me realize there a definitely people out there who need to be informed and have their attitudes changed," she said.

While the lecture featured the work of two students, director of OCSE Carrie Call said around 50 percent of students participate in volunteer activities while they are at Saint Mary's.

Call said the most important reason to become involved in service work is the opportunity available to help people.

"The things that I worry about are so small compared to the acres of need," she said. "I think one of the things we don't talk about enough is that service reminds us what life is really about and what's really important, that it's the relationships that it's really all about."

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Mayor: NYC hurried through 9/11 cleanup

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Mayor Michael Bloomberg acknowledged Tuesday that the city hurried through the World Trade Center cleanup five years ago but said the fast pace was an effort to return remains to victims' families as quickly as possible.

Meanwhile, more bones were found Tuesday in subterranean cavities along the edge of the site as workers continued burrowing into areas that were apparently missed during the initial cleanup.

Bloomberg spoke a day after The Associated Press reported that some officials handling the cleanup in 2002 had recommended a more thorough search for remains but felt rebuffed by a city agency that just wanted to finish the job.

The agency in charge of the excavation, the Department of Design and Construction, was applauded for its efficiency in 2002 after it whisked away the ten-story pile of trade center rubble in less than a year.

"Were we under time pressure? Absolutely," Bloomberg said Tuesday. "I don't know any family member that didn't want to find out whatever they could about the loved one that they lost. And we did it as fast as we could, consistent with safety and completeness."

Some victims' relatives dismissed the mayor's explanation for the quick cleanup.

"It had very little to do with the families," said Monica Gabrielle, who has no identified remains of her husband, Richard. "This is another spin — it's a diversion away from the issue, which is that management failed, not the workers. And management needs to be held accountable."

Among the officials who said they raised objections during the nine-month recovery effort was Lt. John McArdle, ground zero commander for the New York Police Department.

"There came a point in time when they said, 'We gotta try to wrap this up,' and they tried to expedite it as much as possible, and they jumped the gun, and now you have all of these families hurt, and they're finding all these body parts," he said.

Several large bones were accidentally discovered last week after a utility crew opened up a non-working manhole. Since then, the city has been tearing up the pavement and examining other underground pockets in the same vicinity, which is a service road along the western edge of the 16-acre site.

In the past few days, more than 100 bones and fragments have been recovered. The medical examiner's office is working to match them to victims.

Thousands of pieces recovered during the main excavation still have not yielded matches, leaving more than 40 percent of the attack's 2,749 victims without any trace of remains.

Firefighters charged with arson

Associated Press

TIPTONVILLE, Tenn. — The city's fire chief and three volunteer firefighters, including the chief's grandson, appeared in court Tuesday on arson charges stemming from a string of fires over the past two years.

The men, all members of Tiptonville Volunteer Fire Department, were arrested Monday. All four were in the Lake County jail Tuesday afternoon after a judge set bond at \$100,000 for Fire Chief James Blackburn and \$25,000 or more each for the others.

Police Chief Norman Rhodes said the investigation had been

going on for about two years.

"We've been pretty sure who it was for about the last year," Rhodes said. He didn't give a motive for the arsons beyond saying the suspects had formed a clique.

All the buildings were vacant when they were set on blaze and no one was hurt.

Blackburn, who is also superintendent of the city water plant, was charged with 10 counts of arson. His grandson, Brandon Blackburn, faces two counts of arson; firefighter Floyd Joe Kilburn was charged with four counts; and firefighter Chris Burrus was charged with two counts.

Rhodes said he called on the state for help with the arson

investigation, and James Blackburn, as fire chief, knew about the probe

about the probe.

"He was actually giving me static about calling in bomb and arson investigators — said

that was his job," Rhodes said.
Police said the men are suspected of setting several fires since 2004. Among the buildings burned was an abandoned Victorian-style house.

"There have been quite a few people who have been upset because this has been going on. They haven't been able to sleep at night," state bomb and arson investigator Ron Powers said.

Tiptonville, 90 miles northeast of Memphis, has about 2,400 residents.

Judge forbids boy's circumcision

Associated Press

CHICAGO — A judge in a case closely watched by those who oppose circumcision sided Tuesday with a divorced man who did not want his 9-year-old son to undergo the procedure.

Circuit Judge Jordan Kaplan said that circumcision is "an extraordinary medical procedure" for a 9-year-old and that the boy can decide for himself when he turns 18.

The boy's father sued to block the operation in a dispute with his ex-wife. The couple's 2003 divorce decree gave the father the right to be consulted before the boy underwent any "extraordinary" non-emergency procedure.

The father said he believed surgical removal of the boy's foreskin could cause long-term physical and psychological harm. The child's mother wanted the procedure to prevent recurring infections. She testified that the boy had suffered five bouts of painful inflammation and had begged her to help him.

Newborns in several mainstream religions are routinely circumcised as part of their faith, but religious beliefs did not figure in the ruling.

The Associated Press is not identifying the parents to protect the boy's privacy.

Alan Toback, the father's attorney, said the man is extremely happy with the judge's decision. A telephone call to the mother's attorney was not immediately returned.

Most U.S. newborn boys are circumcised. But a growing number of parents are opting against the surgery. The percentage of male babies circumcised has fallen from an estimated 90 percent in 1970 to about 60 percent today.



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Shedding some light on airline security

I admit it, I'm afraid of the dark. When I was younger there would be occasions when I needed to stay home alone or had to babysit my little brother and sister. In these situations, I would

turn on every light in the house. I truly believed that a robber or a "bad guy' would not go near my house if it were well lit. Yet I now know that turning on all the lights was not keeping me safe; my illuminating house was screaming that I was young, home alone and scared. U.S. Homeland



Palmitier

A Word to the Wise

Security is currently turning on all the lights in America. This false sense of security and display of fear needs to be turned off and light needs to be shed upon areas where our national security is truly at risk.

The public has always complained about airport security. Recently, security restrictions at the airport were updated after the discovery of explosives at Heathrow Airport. So now not only do we have to remove all shoes, belts, jewelry and wallets, we also must consolidate all carry-on liquids into a one-quart sized plastic bag. While these new regulations increase complaints and create hassles for vacationers and business men and women, they provide a sense of security for all fliers, as well as the rest of America: we find comfort in the fact that, because these irritating,

tedious restrictions are in place, there must be no way a terrorist could possibly board an aircraft. But our enemies do not even have to go on a plane to cause harm. In a recent CBS News special, a two-month investigation discovered that five out of six major airlines did not x-ray or open cargo, cargo that could possibly contain a bomb or other explosive device, and cargo that could possibly be flying beneath you as you ride in coach. So what is the point in making the middle-aged man sitting next to me on the plane check his deodorant? I think we would all be better off if he were allowed to bring it on

These restrictions are just a false sense of security. The government has encouraged the American public to believe that because strict TSA restrictions are in place, terrorism is being prevented. Yet the security line at O'Hare is not where the breeding of terrorism is taking place. Terrorism is being bred in Iraq, Iran, Afghanistan, and as Will Ferrell speaking as George Bush so eloquently said, in "one of them Koreas". Therefore, my Chanel lipgloss, even though it is French, should not be placed on the Axis of Evil. Making the American public consolidate or check all their liquids and remove their shoes is not making for a safer America, especially when cargo is being shipped unscreened and nuclear weapons are being tested abroad. The TSA restrictions are in place so America feels safe while our true safety and national security is still at great risk. Thankfully, Americans are now beginning to realize this false sense of security as well the deceptions of the Bush Administration.

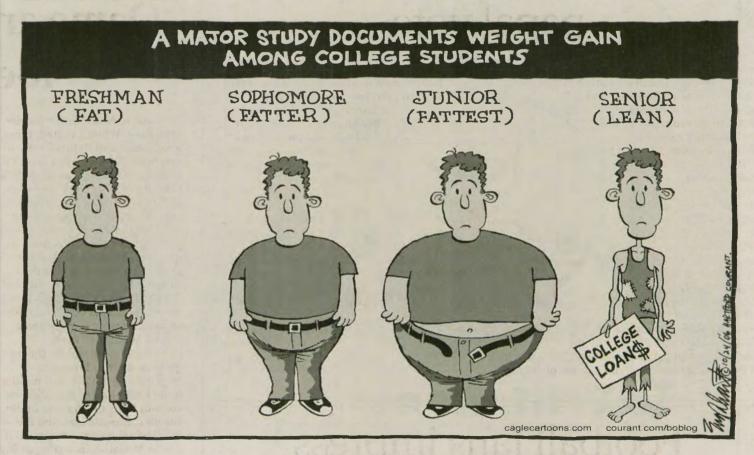
Instead of trying to find a terrorist among a random group of citizens tying to get to South Dakota, our anti-terrorism efforts should be in places where we know a threat to our national security exists. While this type of protective measure may not be the most comforting and personal to Americans, it would be more effective in protecting our national security. North Korea is currently testing nuclear weapons, which could be a severe threat to U.S. security. Our current efforts in the Middle East are not working and Osama bin Laden, the mastermind behind 9/11, is still hiding in a dark cave. We need to turn the lights on in Osama's cave and stop terrorism at its source. Only then will America be safer.

The lights are on in the White House, but no one is home. So for now, we will still have to submit to the TSA regulations and long security lines at the airport, but hopefully soon the government will come to grips with the current situation we are facing in the Middle East. When this happens, America will no longer have to turn on all the lights. Our national security will be restored, our soldiers will be home, and the American people will no longer be left in the dark.

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"It does not prove a thing to be right because the majority say it is so.'

> Friedrich von Schiller German dramatist & poet

VIEWPOINT

We are not doing enough

Editor's note: This is the second of three columns calling for greater attention to the global health crisis as discussed in the academic forum earlier this semester. The third will appear tomorrow. **Peter Levi**

In the past month, Notre Dame has brought the world a recent Notre Dame

Guest Columnist

little closer. The Forum on Global Health assembled a group of intellectuals from the medical and economic fields to discuss the global poverty crisis. University President Father John Jenkins responded in the following week with a campus-wide announcement that Notre Dame would become closely involved with the Millennium Development Initiative in Uganda. Also, the latest issue of Notre Dame Magazine is entirely devoted to bringing this global problem to a wider audience beyond campus. I am impressed that the University is actively confronting an issue most Americans tend to ignore, but there is much more to do. My own perspective on extreme poverty changed drastically from blissful ignorance to compassionate concern while working in southern Africa. I realized we in the United States have the resources to alleviate the most extreme poverty, but as a society lack an understanding of both the situation and solutions. We must change our collective perspective and become more involved in and committed to the crusade to end poverty.

Notre Dame can demonstrate that ending global poverty is possible by investing in development projects within impoverished nations. The Forum and subsequent events have started the discussion, but now we must have action. Dr. Jeffrey Sachs articulated that a 0.7 percent donation of developed world Gross Domestic Product would solve extreme poverty by 2015. While 189 nations agreed to support Sachs and the Millennium Development Initiative, very few nations have come close to the necessary level of financial aid. Notre Dame can be an influential leader by committing a 0.7 percent donation toward the Initiative.

Notre Dame is financially secure with a solid donor base and large endowment. According to the 2005 Annual Report, \$2.3 billion were available to the University as unrestricted net assets. These funds are available for Notre Dame to allocate as the University sees fit. A 0.7 percent donation, or \$16.1 million, could provide 1.6 million bed nets to people in sub-Saharan Africa, protecting 3.2 million people and saving an estimated 80,000 lives. Alternatively, a Millennium Village of 23,000 people would be supported for 10 years with the same donation. This support would allow the village to generate income and become self-sufficient.

A financial donation of 0.7 percent from the University's unrestricted net assets is a bold commitment; however, the benefits to Notre Dame are greater than the financial costs. Jenkins clearly stated the intellectual and societal benefits in his campus-wide e-mail, which include "assist[ing] villagers in implementing the interventions central to the Millennium Village Project and [providing] faculty and students, both graduate and undergraduate, with research opportunities that contribute to human development". While Notre Dame has the opportunity to work with the Millennium Village established by Board of Trustees member Ray Chambers in Uganda, there are many other people and villages suffering from extreme poverty. I recommend that we support a new Millennium Village as an exchange for the wealth of intellect our students and faculty will receive.

In addition, a 0.7 percent commitment from Notre Dame may result in more money coming into the University. Firstly, donors have strong loyalty to Notre Dame and, being a Catholic institution, know that the University chooses programs to support with moral and spiritual merit. Donors reading this month's Notre Dame Magazine will have many reasons to contribute, but none more wisely and simply stated than by Kerry Temple in the Editor's Note. His reason for action said that "we are all God's children" and "it is time to live as if we really believed it". A financial commitment by the University would show that we believed it and other donors would respond in turn

Secondly, with our own Millennium Village Project, faculty and students would be encouraged to write multi-

disciplinary grants for research in the village. Agencies and institutions awarding grants are seeking more projects that cross discipline boundaries and address issues of broad, global scope. Thus, while the \$16.1 million donation is large, it will be indirectly repaid monetarily through donations and grants, but also provide great intellectual wealth to our com-

Notre Dame is capable of being a powerful role model in ending global poverty, not only among those directly involved with the University, but at institutions throughout the country The benefits of intellectual knowledge, increased donor support and grant opportunities will prompt other institutions to follow the movement started by Notre Dame. We can continue to bring the world closer with students, faculty, alumni and others throughout the University broadening their perspectives and expertise while involved with the Millennium Village Project. The discussion initiated by the Forum opened a door for us to see the end of poverty through. Now we must follow the path articulated by Dr. Sachs and compliment our intellectual action with financial action.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Reconsidering the papal vote

My colleague and good friend, Charles Rice, wrote a column recently advising us to vote as Benedict XVI would ("Vote with Benedict," Oct. 10), presumably in the forthcoming congres-

But if you are an independent voter appalled by the nation's entry into an unjust war, horrified by the loss of life and limb in Iraq, ashamed of America's complicity in the bombing of Lebanon, shocked by the use of torture in Guantanamo Bay, scandalized by tax policies

sional elections

favoring the rich, alarmed by the backsliding on global warming, distressed by a deepening congressional culture of corrup-

tion, worried by an out-of-control national budget deficit, angered by the attempt to privatize social security,

embarrassed by a national health policy that has left 40 million people uninsured and discombobulated over the negligent response to Katrina, you really have to wonder how Benedict would in fact cast his ballot on

I'm inclined to think Benedict would vote much as this independent voter is likely to vote.

> Donald P. Kommers professor political science Oct. 24

Football fans impress

I am a 1978 graduate of UCLA and was privileged to come to the football game last Saturday. Words cannot describe how incredible your fans are. From the moment we got off of the bus, we were amazed by the reception we were given. I had heard about your hospitality, but never experienced anything quite like it.

Instead of snarls and veiled threats like at most stadiums, we were greeted with welcomes all around. A few tailgaters even thanked us for coming, thanked us for bringing the weather (when the sun appeared)

and opened up their tailgates for us. After the game, several Notre Dame fans almost were apologizing for the way the game

We left the game disappointed, yes, but richer for the experience. I cannot stop singing the praises of the class and dignity of the Notre Dame experience. Go Irish, my second favorite college football team!

> Tim O'Neill Torrance, Calif. Oct. 23

Regensburg, Notre **Dame and Catholic** identity

I came to Notre Dame for the crucifixes. When I visited, these ubiquitous wall fixtures said to me: here, the cross has something to do with the classroom. This is essentially what Pope Benedict XXVI's Regensburg address has to say about our current worries over Notre Dame's Catholic identity. Skim past the infelicitous paragraph about Islam to find the point: for Christianity, faith is rational because God is rational.

The Gospel of John says that in Jesus, the Logos was made flesh. In his address, the pope reminisced about the "lively exchange" between the theologians and other faculty at Regensburg. If faith had nothing to do with reason, it would rest content in its quarantine in the Basilica, happily ignoring the intellectual goings-on around it. Claire McGathey is wrong to suggest that religion outside the classroom is sufficient to sustain the Catholic identity of Notre Dame: if faith is reasonable, as the Catholic tradition insists, then it must have a place at the academic table. If it does not, something essential to Catholicism is lacking, no matter how many Masses are celebrated on campus. One way to keep Catholicism in the classroom is to hire Catholic professors. Someone who is personally committed to both their academic field and to their

Catholic faith will inevitably be concerned with the ways in which both their commitments make a claim to reason. Such a struggle must be present and public at a Catholic university. Of course, non-Catholic faculty are important, at the very least, for keeping the Catholics intellectually honest. More importantly, however, truth is truth wherever - and by whomever — it is found. But the mission of a Catholic university to see the fullness of truth within the context of the fullness of faith requires that we strive for a deeper engagement of faith with reason than mere hiring practices.

This does not mean that all other departments should take their orders from the theology faculty. It does, however, mean that these different departments should be in "lively exchange" with each other. What that means concretely for each area of study must be determined by its own practitioners, but one thing is sure. The incarnate Logos hangs crucified in our economics, business, biology, archaeology, and history classes. The possibility of a truly Catholic university hinges on the fact that this makes a difference.

> Spencer Daniel grad student Fischer Graduate Residences Oct. 23

SCENE SCENE

DVD REVIEWS

New DVD worth going 'Over the Hedge' for

By ERIN McGINN

Assistant Scene Editor

Aside from "Shrek," DreamWorks has struggled to keep up in the animated movie arms race behind major powerhouses Disney and Pixar. With mild audience enthusiasm for last year's "Madagascar," DreamWorks came back with another animated animal movie that outdoes its predecessor. "Over the Hedge" is a delightful and entertaining film that is hard not to love with its fun storyline, excellent acting and gorgeous animation.

The basic premise of the movie follows RJ the raccoon (Bruce Willis) as he tries to replace the large stash of food that he destroyed while trying to steal it from Vincent the bear (Nick Nolte). He only has one week to replenish the supply, or else he becomes food for the bear. He heads out to the suburb of El Rancho Camelot to get the job done.

On the way there he runs into a family of animals who have been hibernating all winter — Verne the turtle (Garry Shandling), Hammy the squirrel (Steve Carrell), Stella the skunk (Wanda Sykes), Ozzie the possum (William Shatner) and

his daughter, Heather (Avril Lavigne), Lou the porcupine (Eugene Levy), his wife Penny (Catherine O'Hara) and their three kids. They discover that the new suburb has been built where much of their forest used to be, with only a hedge separating the wildlife from the suburbanites. RJ cons the animals into believing that they should steal the human food products as their food sources, without telling them that he will secretly be taking it all from them to pay back the bear.

Based on the "Over the Hedge" comic strips created by Michael Fry and T. Lewis, the movie works well on just about every level. Directors Tim Johnson and Karey Kirkpatrick created a film that is pleasant for all ages. It contains everything from references to such classic films as "A Streetcar Named Desire" and "Silence of the Lambs" to the silly, semi-violent humor expected in cartoons.

And as the latest trend is to insert some type of moral into cartoon movies (films like "Ice Age 2: The Meltdown"), "Over the Hedge" follows suit with plenty of commentary on consumerism, the expansion of suburbs and the everyday habits of people which seem odd to out-

siders.

When RJ points out an SUV to the naïve animals he says, "Humans drive around in them because they are slowly losing their ability to walk." When one of the animals ask how many people ride in them, RJ replies, "Usually



"Over the Hedge" features a lot of laughs and gorgeous animation. The film has a superb cast, including Bruce Willis, William Shatner and Steve Carrell.

one."

The cast also performs in great fashion. Willis is well-suited as the fast-talking con man as he leads the animals into the comical world of humans. Shandling is excellent as the whining turtle who is ultimately ousted by RJ as the leader of the group.

Although they are the lead roles in the movie, the supporting cast often steals the show. Carrell is perfect as the hyperactive squirrel who brings many of the low-brow laughs to the screen. Shatner does what only Shatner is able to do as the possum who melodramatically "plays possum" throughout the film.

The animation by the DreamWorks team is the best animation that they have produced since "Shrek." A big part of why the film works so well is the character models they used to create the animal counterparts. They are fantastically well done, from their fur to the way they move. The character models have been deliberately tweaked to make them look a bit more cartoony, but there is so much realism in the animation of the film's creatures that it is a delight to simply sit and watch them hop around the screen.

While not quite reaching the status of animated classic, "Over the Hedge" is a cute and clever little movie that gets on the screen, entertains, and then gets off. With its incredible cast and adorable animals, it is hard to not have a good time watching this film.

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Over the Hedge

Widescreen Edition

Dreamworks Pictures





Streep, Keillor anchor fictional character study

By CASSIE BELEK Assistant Scene Editor

With a Midwestern comfort, a celebration of values and a salute to the nostalgia of radio variety shows, "A Prairie Home Companion" is one of those magical character-driven films blessed with a dream cast that makes viewers forget

there's not much of a plot.

The film centers around the final episode of radio show "A Prairie Home Companion" hosted by Garrison Keillor. In reality, the show continues to air live every Saturday, but in the film, it is being unplugged by a corporate big wig later that evening. The narrative is found within the relationships between the characters — individuals who have formed a family that is now being torn apart

It may be odd that Keiller, who wrote "Prairie Home," imagined the demise of his own show while continuing its weekly radio broadcasts, but the film reflects a very real fear — big business ultimately wins and the little guy must move on.

The cast itself speaks for the film -

Meryl Streep, Lily Tomlin, Woody Harrelson, Tommy Lee Jones, Garrison Keillor, Kevin Kline, Lindsay Lohan, Virginia Madsen, John C. Reilly and Maya Rudolph. The spectacular ensemble cast is directed by the award-winning hand of Robert Altman, who, using one of his signature techniques, allows the cast to improvise and breathlessly talk over each other.

The warmth and sweetness of "Prairie Home" comes alive during musical numbers. The camera gravitates toward the luminous Streep, who employs the same musical technique as Diane Keaton in "Annie Hall" — cover up a weak voice with pure emotion and dazzle them all.

All the actors do their own singing — good or bad. Lily Tomlin's deep and jarring singing voice may not be particularly pleasant to listen to, but the joy of watching her on-screen interaction with Streep is worth any auditory trauma received.

The film belongs to Streep and Keillor, but other cast members have their moments to shine as well. Harrelson and Reilly portray two country singing cowboys with a penchant to sing inappropri-

ate songs. Kline plays a quirky private eye turned security guard named Guy Noir who narrates his life as if he were in film noir. Madsen portrays a beautiful Angel of Death who offers comfort to the "Prairie Home" family, even though her presence fore-



hoto courtesy of movieweb.com

Meryl Streep, left, and Garrison Keillor star in "A Prairie Home Companion," a fictional story based around the real life radio show, which Keillor hosts.

shadows tragedy.

The weakest performance comes from Lohan, who demonstrates acting chops but is the only actor not to get lost in her character. Perhaps her tabloid exposure is to blame, but Lohan will have to work hard and keep a low profile if she wants to take more stabs at playing characters truly successfully — something that has already proved challenging after her embarrassing public scolding by "Georgia Rule" studio executive James G. Robinson.

However, the ability of the rest of the actors to completely immerse themselves into their characters makes us forget that they are acting at all. The ensemble's genuine performances are exposed

through Altman's genius.

The DVD lacks any extensive special features. Included on it is commentary by Altman and Kline, a featurette and extending musical scenes.

"A Prairie Home Companion" is able to stand on its own as a brilliant film without employing any extra gimmicks. It features one of the better ensemble casts of the year and it uncovers a little slice of American popular culture that is new to many. The film is enjoyable even if a person is not familiar with the weekly radio show. It radiates warmth and togetherness and leaves us with just a taste of the glory days of radio.

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A Prairie Home Companion

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SCENE SCENE



The problems with horror's new subgenre

By BRIAN DOXTADER Scene Editor

There's a disturbing new trend in horror films, punctuated by recent pictures like the "Saw" movies, "Hostel" and, most recently, "The Texas Chainsaw Massacre." These movies represent the torture film, a fledgling subgenre of horror that depends on watching men and women as they are brutally tortured by various assailants.

The original "Texas Chainsaw Massacre" was reactionary, but at least it had reason to be. Released in 1974, its horrific violence and inversion of American values was a grotesque response to the social upheaval of the previous decade; a response to Watergate, to Vietnam, to the Summer of Love. "The Beginning" pays lip service to those issues but the façade of its topical awareness quickly falls to the wayside once the bloodletting begins.

It's been argued to me that these films are, in a way, cathartic. That in the age of the encompassing media, of the internet, of 24/7 news coverage, of constant depiction of violence both fictional and real, of watching reporters being beheaded, that we've become numb; the only way that we as a society can react to such violence is to see it in gory detail, sympathize with the characters, then walk out of the theater in catharsis, having seen and survived the visual and auditory onslaught being pre-

I don't believe this argument; or perhaps more accurately, I don't want to believe it.

The torture subgenre is almost pornographic in its visceral intensity kind of pleasures are audiences expected to derive from watching realistic pain inflicted on other humans? Are audiences even supposed to derive pleasure from it? If not, then what's the point? These films aren't really any kind of effective commentary on anything and the plots are window dressings for the torture, which is the real draw.

Texas Chainsaw: The Beginning" tries to build on the foundation of its mythology, but no insight is given into anything. We don't learn more about Leatherface. We aren't given motivation for why these people kill. We just watch and wait for unsuspecting teens to stumble into their trap.

The violence in a film like "Jaws" is effective precisely because it is so unexpected and so brief, and the violence in a film like Luis Bunuel's 1928 surrealist masterpiece "Un Chien Andalou" is effectively because it is so imaginative. Seeing a woman's eye cut with a razor was shocking in 1928 precisely because it was irrational, it was indecipherable, it was repulsive. But those very qualities were somehow alluring in the artistic hands of Bunuel and Dali - the sequences have some kind of meaning. even if that meaning is obscure or incomprehensible. In short, Spielberg and Bunuel trust their audience. They trust them to understand the violence and the meaning of the violence without necessarily seeing it in gory detail. The greatest impact from these films comes not from what is seen, but from what is not seen — the imagination takes care of the rest.



"The Texas Chainsaw Massacre: The Beginning" is indicative of a horror movie trend toward the torture film, a characteristic shared by "Saw" and "Hostel."

The horror genre has endured because it appeals to our darkest nature, our most fearful beliefs; it cuts to the core of our deepest instincts, to the point that we are electrified, terrified and, most importantly, galvanized. The problem with the modern horror film, the modern torture film, is that our primary reaction is not fear or terror, but disgust. The torture subgenre leaves little to the audience's imagination, which actually makes them less scary and less effective. Nowhere is this more evident

than in "The Texas Chainsaw Massacre: The Beginning," which pales in comparison to the classic 1974 original. The feeling is different. Now we are too sick to look, whereas once we were too scared to look

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FILM REVIEW

'Infamous' a solid but unspectacular biopic

By CASSIE BELEK

Assistant Scene Editor

It is impossible not to compare "Infamous" to last year's Academy Award Best Picture nominee "Capote." The two films capture the life of notorious author Truman Capote as he investigates the horrific 1959 murders of the Clutters - a farming family from Holcomb, Kan. "Capote" ultimately portrays the "In Cold

Blood" author as a small and unlikable man who darkly struggles with his desire to have the perfect ending to his story, knowing that his friend Perry — a Clutter murderer will be put to death. "Infamous"

attempts to do the same, but the result is merely "Capote"-Lite.

"Infamous," directed by Douglas McGrath and starring Toby Jones as Capote, advertises a different view of the socialite author, a view that comes in the form of juicy gossip and glamorous gatherings among Capote's group of New York friends. Besides exploring Capote's more social side, the movie offers little variation from "Capote." Several scenes are even remarkably similar. In general, though, "Infamous" is glossier and glitzier — at least in its New York scenes.

It is no fault of the filmmakers that it bears resemblance to "Capote." Both films were shot at the same time, but "Infamous" was simply pushed back when "Capote" started to garner award season

Infamous

Starring: Toby Jones, Daniel Craig, Sandra

Bullock, Jeff Daniels and Gwyneth Paltrow

Director: Douglas McGrath

Writer: Douglas McGrath

When set apart from "Capote," "Infamous" is a solid biopic about the life of Truman Capote and the relationships he held with the people in his life. Each relationship offers insight into Capote's complete character. We see his complicated and sometimes distant relationship with his lover Jack Dunphy (John Benjamin Hickey) at odds with his ever growing closeness to sensitive murderer Perry Smith (Daniel Craig). His superficial friend-

ships with New York socialites played by Sigourney Weaver and Hope Davis demonstrate his conceited love for gossip and a glamorous lifestyle. In contrast, his relationship with childhood best friend Harper Lee (Sandra Bullock) is genuine.

We see the realness of their relationship when Capote has lunch with her in a frumpy diner and invites her rather than the others to go to Holcomb with him.

Jones convincingly portrays Capote with the nasal voice and flambovant dress and mannerisms. Bullock delivers a notable performance as the "To Kill a Mockingbird" author, but has little to draw from since Lee has lived a private life.

An out of place but exceptional performance comes from Gwyneth Paltrow as lounge singer Kitty Dean. She appears in the film's opening scene, singing a song that hits too close to home and bringing the room to a halt as she loses composure only to recover and gloriously finish her number. Paltrow's short presence can perhaps be explained by her starring role in



"Infamous," starring Toby Jones (left), is the second recent film about Truman Capote, the socialite and author of the controversial book "In Cold Blood."

McGrath's 1996 directorial debut "Emma." While insightful, "Infamous" tends to shy away from the darkness it could succumb to. We are given a more lighthearted vision of Capote's time spent in Kansas. More time is spent focusing on the lack of imported cheeses at the Holcomb grocery store and Christmas Day at the Dewey house than conversations with Holcomb residents about the Clutter murders and their feelings toward the murderers. For this information, audiences will need to read the novel "In Cold Blood" instead of relying on a motion picture to complete the entire story.

While "Infamous" offers a few variations from 2005's "Capote," it may not fill the need to view both films. "Infamous" dishes more gossip about Capote's personal life and slightly portrays the effect that writing "In Cold Blood" had on Truman Capote. We see a morose Capote drinking more, but still embellishing stories to feed to the gossip hounds. In the end, "Infamous" provides another piece of the Capote puzzle, but fails to solve it.

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SCENE SCENE

CD REVIEWS

Man in Black's 'Legend' resonates on new CD

By MARTY SCHROEDER

Assistant Scene Editor

With his middle finger in the air for the world to see, it's no surprise the late Johnny Cash is credited for transforming a genre; crossing over musically, lyrically and perceptually from traditional country to pop, rock and (expect-

edly or no) punk.

The Man in Black is posthumously remembered in a release of his singular style, "The Legend of Johnny Cash," the result of a collaborative effort from Island Records, Universal Music Enterprises, Columbia Records, American Records and Legacy Recordings. From the beginnings of his career with "Get Rhythm" to his final days with the Nine Inch Nails cover of "Hurt," this album careens through the career of the iconic and rebellious

Opening with "Cry! Cry!," "Legend" gives a prime example of the country roots of Cash. His southern drawl lopes through the lyrics concerned with a fickle love familiar to

country music. While the lyrics are somewhat cliché, they are presented creatively. The "boom-chicka" licks on the electric guitar are the fertile ground Cash would plant his signature sound

"Cry! Cry! Cry!" was recorded in 1955 and would go on to become one of his first singles along with the second track, "Hey Porter." Both of these tracks, while not as well known as "Get Rhythm," "Ring of Fire" or "Folsom Prison Blues" are the seminal moments for Cash, and one can hear the beginnings of these later hits in the rockinflected country of Cash's early musi-

The album's middle tracks are the zenith of Cash's career. As a type of greatest hits, "Legend" compiles the best of the best. While this is not the only Cash album one should own (the seminal "At San Quentin" is among the best of live albums in history), it does hit the high spots, which is to say in regard to Cash, zeniths of modern popular music.

The pain and torment of Cash's life (the death of his oldest brother early in

his life and a difficult divorce) are the backbone of his music. The cathartic experiwhile ence, maybe not as apparent as on his live albums, is readily apparent in the aural experience "Legend" pro-vides. "Folsom Prison Blues" "Man in



The Man in Black, Johnny Cash, poses in the 1960s. "The Legend of Johnny Cash," a new compilation, gathers classics from the course of his career.

Black" are two songs expressing the frenetic life Cash led. Drug addiction consumed the early part of his career until meeting the love of his life and musical partner, June Carter.

Even with the steadiness of his later life, the dirge "Hurt" (originally written by Nine Inch Nails' Trent Reznor) explores the pain and addiction that haunted Cash until the end of his life. Cash's deep baritone, aged perfectly, paints a ghastly portrait of a man who has been in the fires of a sometimes hellish world. The video, equally daunting, presents a haggard Johnny Cash celebrating and lamenting the life he's led. Some of the most inspiring and original music to be released post-World War II resulted from some of the worst pain on man can endure.

From "A Boy Named Sue," written by the children's poet Shel Silverstein, to the lyrics "I hurt myself today, to see if I still feel," Johnny Cash is the American icon who told old time Nashville country to shove it and gave the jailed, the beaten and the loser a voice. To listen to the Man in Black is to purge feelings of pain, misery while laughing at it all the way to grave.

Cash crossed the cultural divide supposedly separating respectable music from America's so-called untouchables and is proved to be one of the most enduring music icons from his humble beginnings in 1955 and is not soon to be forgotten.

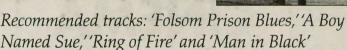
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Johnny Cash

The Legend of Johnny Cash

Hip-O Records





Don't start believin' in reissued Journey album

By SEAN SWEANY

Assistant Scene Editor

Some bands are one hit wonders. Others, especially many from the 1970s and '80s, can be termed "several hit won-ders." Journey is a band that falls into this category. While well-known and loved for such hits as "Don't Stop Believin'," "Any Way You Want It" and "Wheel in the Sky," ask most people to name several other Journey songs and they will be at a loss.

Most of the songs on Journey's 1983 album "Frontiers" are the obscure, unknown type that can cause fans to wonder just how Journey had any hits at all. "Frontiers" was Journey's eighth album release, no doubt intended to capitalize on the success of the "Escape" album, which debuted "Don't Stop Believin'.'

Much of this success was due to lead singer Steve Perry, famous for his wildly long black hair and the outrageous cos-

tumes he wore on stage. Perry's talent goes without question, as he is able to consistently hit impossibly high notes with an ease that defies most. The other musicians in the band at this time were also talented in their roles, as their previous albums had demonstrated.

Unfortunately, this album does not capture that same success but rather portrays Journey as a trippy 1980s band that uses too many synthesizers. The album begins on a good pace with "Separate Ways (Open Arms)," a second tier Journey song that is still likable and catchy. After this, however, the album falls into an abyss from which it can

Songs titles such as "Chain Reaction" and "Edge of the Blade" should give some indication as to the quality of the music in the middle of the disc. Journey will always be known as a band that liked to use synthesizers, but they are overused here. Other futuristic-sounding instruments make many of the songs seem more fitting as background music for a

bad sci-fi theme park than as songs on an album of a hit band.

The lyrics for these songs, which are times few and far between, are unimaginative and dull, which does not help the excessive use of instruments. The title song,



Journey's discography, which includes the 1983 album "Frontiers," has been recently remastered and reissued by Columbia/Legacy Records.

Journey

Frontiers

Columbia/Legacy



Recommended tracks: 'Separate Ways (Open Arms),' 'Chain Reaction' and 'Edge of the Blade'

"Frontiers," is one of the worst on the CD. Perry's vocals often get overlaid on top of each other and several sound effects help make this a truly awful song.

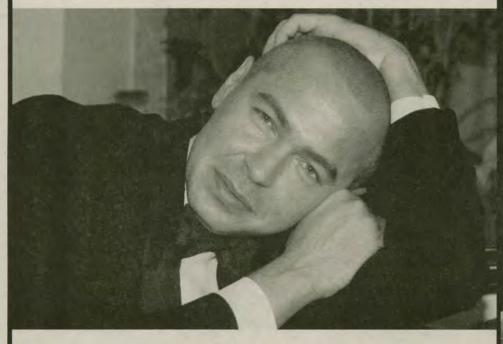
In spite of all this, there are several songs listed as "Bonus Tracks" at the end that are not as bad as the rest. "Only the Young" and "Ask the Lonely" are two songs that sound more like the Journey that gives us hits like "Wheel in the Sky." The only problem is that these songs are so far towards the end of the CD that many listeners might switch it off before even getting this far.

While the music is terrible, the album cover and insert can make for an interesting way to pass the time of the CD. From trippy artwork to photos of Journey on tour, one can tell that the band members they clearly enjoyed themselves while on tour for "Frontiers." One photo even shows the band freefall skydiving, perhaps symbolizing their careers.

When Journey reaches the end of "Frontiers," many listeners will wish they could have back the 45 or so minutes spent trying to appreciate Journey. The album is slightly entertaining as it hearkens back to the wild years of the late 1970s and early 1980s, but aside from "Separate Ways," better Journey can be found to suit this same purpose.

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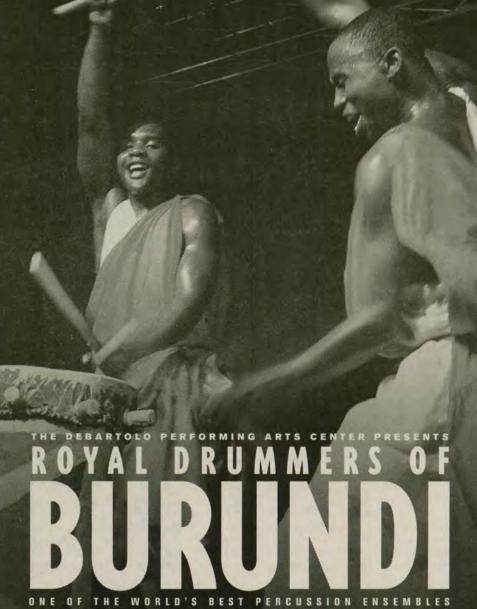
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	team	record	points	previous
1	Maine	5-9-0	788	4
2	Wisconsin	3-1-2	724	2
3	Minnesota	4-1-0	688	7
4	Boston University	2-0-1	641	6
5	Boston College	2-1-0	616	1
6	Michigan	3-1-0	579	5
7	Miami (Ohio)	4-2-0	525	9
8	New Hampshire	2-0-0	513	12
9	Michigan State	1-1-0	448	8
10	North Dakota	3-3-0	437	3
11	NOTRE DAME	3-1-0	311	NR
12	Harvard	0-0-0	310	13
13	Cornell	0-0-0	304	14
14	Denver	3-3-0	284	11
15	Clarkson	4-1-1	253	15
16	St. Cloud State	2-2-0	157	17
17	Darthmouth	0-0-0	144	18
18	Northern Michigan	3-2-1	136	NR
19	Vermont	2-2-1	122	10
20	Colorado College	3-2-1	78	16

NFL Standings

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New England	5-1	.833	136	80		
NY Jets	4-3	.571	147	173		
Buffalo	2-5	.286	100	153		
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Carolina	4-3	.571	123	128		
Tampa Bay	2-4	.333	85	125		
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Seattle	4-2	.667	121	142		
St. Louis	4-2	.667	139	128		
San Francisco	2-4	.333	124	194		
Arizona	1-6	.143	120	165		

around the dial

MLB

WORLD SERIES Detroit at St. Louis 8 p.m., FOX

NFL



Steelers quarterback Ben Roethlisberger is carted off the field in the third quarter of Pittsburgh's 41-38 overtime loss in Atlanta on Sunday. Roethlisberger passed for 238 yards and three touchdowns before leaving with a concussion.

Concussion may not sideline Big Ben

Associated Press

PITTSBURGH — Ben Roethlisberger's second concussion in slightly more than four months may not keep him out of the Pittsburgh Steelers' lineup Sunday or prevent him from practicing this week.

The Super Bowl-winning quarterback is questionable for Sunday's game in Oakland, but Bill Cowher sounded Tuesday very much like a coach who expects to have his starting quarterback ready to go this week.

"He had an MRI done on his brain and neck, and both of those came back normal," Cowher said. "We also did the concussion test, and we're very encouraged by the results. We'll monitor his progress as the week goes on, but again, I emphasize that we're very encouraged by where he is."

Asked if Roethlisberger would practice Wednesday, Cowher said, "We'll see how he feels."

Roethlisberger was briefly knocked unconscious during a helmet-tohelmet hit with the Falcons' Chauncey Davis midway through the third quarter of Pittsburgh's 41-38 overtime loss in Atlanta. The injury came in Roethlisberger's best game of the season — he was 16-of-22 for 238 yards and three touchdowns.

Cowher expects the NFL to review the hit for a possible fine or disciplinary action, as the league does with almost any play that involves a quarterback's head injury.

Roethlisberger was woozy and appeared dazed a few minutes later while being taken to the locker room on a motorized cart, but returned later to watch the rest of the game on the sideline.

His replacement, Charlie Batch, threw two touchdown passes during a day the Steelers passed for 413 yards in 60 minutes — the most they've had in a

game in which their quarterback never stepped on the field past the fourth quarter. Their only better passing day was Tommy Maddox's 473-yard effort in the Steelers' previous game against Atlanta, a 34-34 tie in 2002 that lasted 75 minutes.

Roethlisberger was deemed well enough to fly home on the team plane Sunday night, and he drove his car to a team meeting Monday. Later Monday, he met with a neurosurgeon and took the ImPACT concussion test that many NFL teams use to determine the severity of a concussion and when a player is fit to return.

IN BRIEF

Hurricanes WR Moore may return from suspension

CORAL GABLES, Fla. — Ryan Moore stood on the sideline on a breezy Tuesday, tossing a football around with Miami teammates before practice began. The practice only seemed insignificant.

Moore's return from an indefinite suspension may be looming. Hurricanes coach Larry Coker said the senior could see his first action of the season Saturday, when Miami visits No. 21 Georgia Tech.

"He's in good enough shape that he possibly could play against Georgia Tech," Coker said.

Coker stopped short of saying Moore has been fully reinstated, but said after Tuesday's workout that he has been cleared to resume practicing. Moore — who was suspended for his role in an Aug. 26 altercation with two women — has been with the team for at least two other practices in recent weeks.

IRL driver Allmendinger switches to NASCAR

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — A.J. Allmendinger became the latest open-wheel defector Tuesday when the Champ Car driver signed a deal to drive for Team Red Bull in NASCAR

Allmendinger, who turns 25 in December, signed a multiyear deal to drive the No. 84 Camry to complete TRB's two-car lineup. Brian Vickers announced in June he was joining the team.

Allmendinger will attempt to make his Nextel Cup debut on Sunday at Atlanta Motor Speedway. He received clearance from NASCAR to race on a superspeedway late Tuesday.

"A.J. has the talent, guts and ambition to be successful in any form of motorsports," TRB general manager Marty Gaunt said. "He has proven to be one of America's top young race car drivers."

Top two seeds fall in first round of Lyon Grand Prix

LYON, France — Top-seeded Marcos Baghdatis and second-seeded Gaston Gaudio lost in the first round of the Lyon Grand Prix on Tuesday, a defeat that could damage Baghdatis' bid to qualify for next month's Masters Cup.

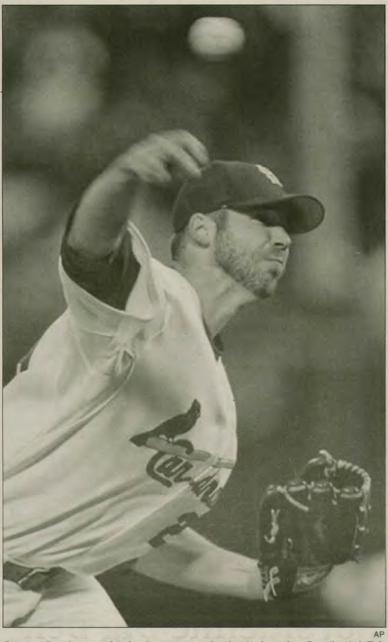
Arnaud Clement of France defeated Baghdatis 6-2, 5-7, 6-3, and Simon Greul of Germany routed Gaudio of Argentina 6-0, 6-2.

Baghdatis is ranked No. 10, and only the top eight ATP Tour players qualify for the Masters Cup in Shanghai, China. This was his third straight defeat in four matches since he won in Beijing last month. His last chance to qualify will be at the Paris Masters next week.

The losses by Baghdatis and No. 8 Tommy Robredo in St. Petersburg, Russia, allowed Ivan Ljubicic and Andy Roddick to make the Masters Cup. Four berths remain open.

MLB

Carpenter shows craft, Cards take 2-1 Series edge



St. Louis pitcher Chris Carpenter deals during the Cardinals' 5-0 victory over Detroit. Carpenter threw eight scoreless innings.

Ace throws eight shutout innings as St. Louis beats Detroit

Associated Press

ST. LOUIS — Chris Carpenter was well on his way to a World Series win when, all of a sudden, people swarmed the mound to examine his hand.

No smudge, no scuffs. Just a cramp, and it wasn't about to blemish his outing.

Carpenter looked every bit a Cards' ace as he threw the Detroit Tigers a curve, pitching St. Louis to a 5-0 victory Tuesday night for a 2-1 Series

"I came out tonight and had my good stuff," Carpenter said.

He used big breaking balls to spin three-hit ball for eight innings. And with Jim Edmonds hitting a key double and St. Louis taking advantage of a poor throw, the Cardinals returned their focus squarely to

Gone were any reminders of the squabbling Kenny Rogers caused with his smudged left hand in Game 2.

Oh, Rogers heard plenty from the sellout crowd at Busch Stadium during pregame introductions, as chants of "Cheater!" echoed throughout the ballpark. But that was about the only noise the Tigers caused in

Looking fierce with his threeday beard, Carpenter showed why he won the NL Cy Young Award last year and is a top contender this season. He struck out six, walked none and kept the Tigers' trio of Placido Polanco, Ivan Rodriguez and Curtis Granderson hitless in the

Carpenter's lone problem came in the seventh inning. As Polanco led off by lining out to good friend Albert Pujols, Carpenter hopped off the mound and looked at his hand.

Cardinals manager Tony La Russa, a trainer and the entire St. Louis infield converged on the mound, peering at Carpenter's bare right hand. Plate umpire Wally Bell also went out to check as reliever Josh Kinney began warming up

All in all, it certainly was a lot more attention than Rogers attracted on the field after a vellowish-brown mark was spotted on his hand — he said it was a mix of dirt, spit and resin, while others claimed it was illegal pine tar.

A moment later, Carpenter was deemed to be OK. He proved it, too, by continuing to set down the Tigers to constant

"He showed everything he could do," La Russa said. "He's got a lot of weapons.'

Carpenter drew his biggest roar when he got a standing ovation as he came to bat in the eighth. The bottom of the eighth took a while, though, and Braden Looper relieved in the ninth and finished the combined three-hitter.

We need to swing the bats better, obviously," Tigers manager Jim Leyland said.

Game 4 will be Wednesday night, provided a forecast of steady rain holds off. If it does, NL championship series MVP Jeff Suppan will start against Jeremy Bonderman.

The Tigers had homered in all 10 postseason games before Carpenter stopped them. And a Detroit team that averaged 5 1/2 runs per game throughout the AL playoffs has scored a total of five in the World Series.

It was somewhat of a surprise, too. Carpenter gave up a season-high seven runs at Detroit in June, and the Tigers' starting lineup was hitting .356 against him.

"No. 1, you have to credit Chris Carpenter," Leyland said. "No. 2, we have a few guys who aren't swinging the bat too

Carpenter had waited a long time for this opportunity. He was injured and missed the entire 2004 postseason, including the Cardinals' matchup with Boston in the World Series, a Red Sox sweep.

He allowed only one runner past first base. Brandon Inge singled and made it to third in the third on a two-out wild pitch, then catcher Yadier Molina blocked a curve that bounced to keep a run from

Granderson grounded out to end the inning.

Edmonds hit a two-run double in the fourth. A throwing error by Tigers reliever Joel Zumaya and a wild pitch by Zach Miner gave St. Louis its other runs.

Working on 13 days' rest, Tigers lefty Nate Robertson opened with three hitless innings.

Players, owners finalize 5-year bargaining agreement

New deal, completed Tuesday, will last through 2011 season

Associated Press

ST. LOUIS — Baseball players and owners proclaimed an unprecedented era of labor peace, finalizing a new fiveyear collective bargaining agreement Tuesday night before Game 3 of the World

Lawyers struck the deal last weekend during negotiations in New York, then worked on putting it in writing. The agreement, which runs through the 2011 season, is subject to ratification by both sides.

The deal makes relatively minor changes to the previous agreement, and doesn't alter baseball's drug rules.

This is the golden era in every way," said commissioner Bud Selig, sitting in the middle of a dais at Busch Stadium that included five officials from each

"The economics of our sport have improved dramatically, and that's good. That, after all, made for a more wholesome atmosphere. We didn't have to quarrel about a lot of things. So overall, it was a very, very important part of the environment that continues peace," he

The current contract, reached

in August 2002, was set to expire Dec. 19. After eight work stoppages between 1972 and 1995, baseball will be assured of 16 years of labor peace.

"I think you always have a better relationship when both sides are making money, Detroit manager Jim Leyland said before the Tigers played St. Louis, with the Series tied at one game each.

'That kind of always seems to work out in the end — doesn't it? - for whatever reason. when the owner's happy and putting a little in his pocket, and the player is happy and putting a little in his pocket. In our case, I guess in our game, a lot in both pockets."

Colorado Rockies pitcher Ray

King, a member of the union's negotiating team, thought back to the 2002 agreement, reached just hours before players were set to strike.

'Anytime you have peace, it's a good thing," he said. "I remember going back to when I was in Milwaukee, I was wondering if the bus was going to

The deal continues, with minor modifications, existing luxury tax and revenue-sharing rules, provisions that funneled money from large-market teams to their competitors. The payroll threshold for the luxury lion this year to \$148 million next year, then goes up each year until it reaches \$178 mil-

lion in 2011.

Under the current contract, the luxury tax has mainly affected the New York Yankees, who paid \$11.8 million in 2003, \$30 million in 2004 and \$34.1 million in 2005. Boston paid \$3.1 million in 2004 and \$4.2 million last year, and the Angels paid about \$900,000 in 2004.

The minimum salary increases, from \$327,000 this year to \$380,000 next season, and amateur draft pick compensation for some free agents who sign with new teams will be eliminated. Players selected in the June amateur draft who tax increases from \$136.5 mil- aren't college seniors must sign by Aug. 15, taking away the leverage of any threats to remain in school.

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NFL

QB questions painful hit

Hasselbeck out at least three weeks, angry with situation

Associated Press

KIRKLAND, Wash. — Seattle Seahawks quarterback Matt Hasselbeck will miss at least three weeks with a strained ligament in his right knee.

And he's not happy about how it happened.

Hasselbeck believes Minnesota's E.J. Henderson could have avoided rolling into his lower right leg Sunday early in the second half of Seattle's loss to the Vikings.

"I don't think it was unavoidable, but only he would know," Hasselbeck said of Henderson and his hit, which was not penalized.

The play occurred when the Vikings' linebacker came off a block by fullback Mack Strong and swung his torso into Hasselbeck's leg, which was planted after he had just thrown an incomplete page.

thrown an incomplete pass.
"I'm sure he didn't try to put

me out for a long period of time — but they didn't want me to finish the game, either," Hasselbeck said.

An MRI taken Monday showed the Pro Bowl quarter-back strained his right medial collateral ligament. Coach Mike Holmgren said Hasselbeck has a Grade 2 sprain on a three-grade scale and will miss "around" three games. He will return no sooner than the Nov. 19 game at San Francisco.

"I guess it's kind of good news for me," Holmgren said. "It could have been worse, cer-

Seneca Wallace, a fourthyear veteran, will make his first NFL start Sunday at Kansas City (3-3). The Seahawks (4-2) are already without league MVP Shaun Alexander, who is out with a broken foot. Holmgren said the 2005 league rushing leader is on track to return Nov. 6 against Oakland.

Hasselbeck said he is constantly aware of people at his feet to guard against injury, "within a certain amount of time after I throw."

He said he relaxed in this case, thinking the play was over.

"I guess I learned my lesson," he said.

After Sunday's game, Henderson was apologetic.

"I was falling to the ground and Mack Strong kind of pushed. I definitely didn't mean to do it," said Henderson, a fourth-year veteran from Maryland.

"It was definitely an accident. I hope he gets back soon."

SMC VOLLEYBALL

Belles down Tri-State in a tight road contest

Team defeats MIAA rival for seventh consecutive time

By MICHAEL BRYAN Sports Writer

The Belles history of success against MIAA rival Tri-State continued Tuesday as Saint Mary's pulled out a close 3-2 victory on the road against the Thunder. Saint Mary's has never lost in seven matches with Tri-State, including three this season.

The Belles looked strong in their 30-21 first-game victory. But Tri-State quickly rallied, tying the match with a 30-23 win in the second game. A 30-24 win in the third game gave the Thunder a chance to clinch the upset.

Saint Mary's showed its resilience with a 30-25 win that forced a deciding fifth game. A 15-9 win sealed the Belles comeback and victory.

Belles coach Julie Schroeder-Biek had mixed feelings about the team's performance.

"I was very proud of the way we never let up, but I didn't like the way we fell behind and lost the lead," she said.

Saint Mary's improved to 16-8 on the season (9-6 in the MIAA) with the victory. The loss dropped Tri-State to 5-10 in the MIAA and 8-19 overall. The Belles remained in fifth place in the MIAA while the Thunder dropped to eighth.

The Belles effort was led

defensively by senior libero Anne Cusack, who tallied a match-high 30 digs. Offensively the team was led by outside hitter Kristen Playko, who had 18 kills.

Playko was recently named MIAA player of the week for her efforts in Saint Mary's win over Kalamazoo. In the match the senior recorded 10 kills and 25 digs. She leads the team with 302 kills on the year and is second on the team with 4.33 digs per game.

Leading the losing cause for Tri-State was Sallie Richardson, who had a team-high 11 kills. Senior Rainbow Bednarski, recently named MIAA specialty player of the week, posted a strong effort with 37 assists and

Schroeder-Biek was very impressed by Tri-States performance.

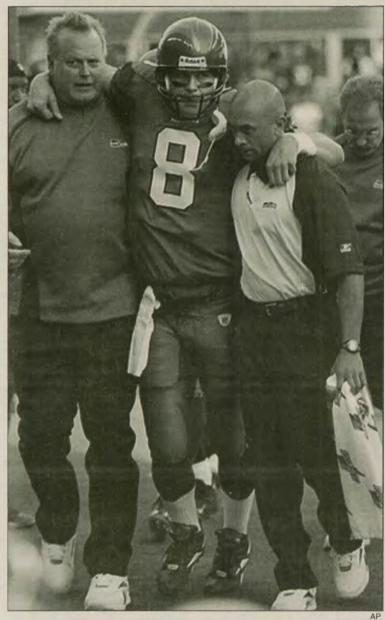
"They've improved every time we've played them, and it took everything we had to pull out the victory," she said. "They're a very good team, and this win was huge for us."

The Belles will play one final regular season match Saturday against third-place Adrian before the MIAA Tournament.

Schroeder-Biek, however, is confident her team will not look past their final opponent.

"We always play one match at a time, and we place more importance on that now than ever," Schroeder-Biek said. "We will do what we can to tighten up our game and be ready for

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Seattle quarterback Matt Hasselbeck, center, is helped off the field after injuring his knee in a 31-13 loss to Minnesota.

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Merriman appeals 4-game suspension

"He did not go into the

back alley somewhere

and put a needle in his

butt for steroids."

David Cornwell

Shawne Merriman's attorney

"As of right now,

I'm not missing

any time."

Shawne Merriman

San Diego linebacker

Pro-Bowl linebacker tested positive for a banned substance

Associated Press

SAN DIEGO — Shawne Merriman's attorney said the Chargers' outside linebacker failed a drug test because of a tainted supplement and will continue to play while appealing his four-game suspension.

Attorney David Cornwell said he believed Merriman tested

positive for the steroid nandrolone, which is prohibited under the NFL's substance abuse policy. Cornwell said the substance was in a supplement of the substance was a substance was a supplement of the substance was in a substance

been taking.

"He did not go into the back alley somewhere and put a needle in his butt for steroids," Cornwell said at a news conference Monday, about two hours after Merriman practiced with the Chargers a day after their 30-27 loss at Kansas City.

Merriman said he spoke with teammates and coaches earlier in the day, and "apologized to them for this being a distraction, especially the critical time

we're going through as a team."

"Hopefully, nobody makes any kind of judgment or anything that basically makes me guilty for anything, because nothing has been done wrong on my

part," Merriman said. "And I will try to get it straightened out as soon as possible. As of right now, I'm not missing any time."

The 22-year-old Merriman was the 2005 NFL Defensive Rookie of the Year and started in the Pro Bowl after leading the Chargers with 10 sacks. Nicknamed "Lights Out" because of his punishing hits, Merriman has 5 1/2 sacks this season for the Chargers (4-2), who host St. Louis on Sunday.

"I have no reason to do anything wrong, especially when I'm already in the spotlight and doing things and trying to present to people the right and wrong way to go about things,"

Merriman said.
"This is obviously
a mistake that
has to be dealt
with correctly."

If Merriman loses his appeal, it would be another blow to a defense that has been losing players since

outside linebacker Steve Foley was shot by an off-duty Coronado police officer eight days before the season started. Shaun Phillips, who replaced Foley and has a team-high six sacks, injured his calf Sunday and could be out for up to four weeks.

End Igor Olshansky has been out with a knee injury.

Cornwell said the appeal could take anywhere from one week to months.

Nandrolone "is the primary culprit in tainted supplements," the lawyer said.

"I know that people get tired of hearing it, but it is a fact and it is not going to go away until the Congress of the United States deals with it," Cornwell said. "Supplements are not regulated and it is a dirty fact of this industry that many of them are tainted with prohibited sub-

stances and men like Shawne get hooked up and get penalized for taking something that they didn't know was present in the supplement.

"That's why this is such an evil process,"

the attorney said.

"He has been playing, unwittingly, Russian roulette with his career because he's been taking the same supplements, and it has been subjected to testing, and hasn't yielded a positive test."

"So he thought the supplements that he was taking were safe."

Late in the 2004 season, Chargers fullback Andrew

Pinnock was suspended for four games for violating the league's policy on anabolic steroids and related substances.

His agent said at the time that Pinnock accidentally took a sup-

plement that contained a banned substance.

Coach Marty Schottenheimer and players said Monday they were barred from commenting by the league's Collective Bargaining Agreement.

But defensive end Luis Castillo said he understands what Merriman is facing.

Castillo tested positive for androstenedione at the scouting combine in February 2005. He later said it was "a huge mistake" in taking the steroid to help his performance at the combine after he was slow to heal from an elbow injury sustained his senior year at Northwestern.

Castillo had a clause inserted

"We love the guy and

him."

Luis Castillo

San Diego defensive end

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test.
"It's tough to
deal with,"
Castillo said.

"It tests your mental strength

in his contract

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forfeit his bonus

money if he

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er positive drug

and it tests your support network with your family."

"We love the guy and we're sticking with him, and we told him that."

"Shawne's a mentally strong guy and he's going to come back from this and do great things for us." **CLUB SPORTS**

Ultimate, rowing teams continue fall season

Special to The Observer

Last weekend Notre Dame organized a 24-hour game of Ultimate to raise money for the Robinson Community Learning Center. Play began Saturday Oct. 21 at 8:00 p.m. and continued until Sunday night at 8:00 p.m. More than 50 players participated in the event. The game itself was an epic battle between the dark and light teams, which came to be referred to as Hunting and Fishing, respectively. At 7:58 p.m. Sunday, the score was tied 319-319 and freshman Katie Morin caught the game winning score to bring victory to team Fishing.

Close to \$1,000 was raised to help the Robinson Center through the donations and hard work of Notre Dame students.

The Ultimate team would like to thank everyone involved in organizing, playing and donating to this event, especially sophomore Danny Collom, the event organizer.

During the first weekend of fall break, the Notre Dame's men's squad traveled to Columbus to participate in Ohio State's Fall Brawl Tournament. while the women's squad competed in the Best of the Midwest in Ann Arbor, Mich. The men's squad started the day strong with a 13-11 victory over section rival Indiana. The Irish and the Hoosiers traded points all game long with Notre Dame capitalizing on hard defense by freshman Bill Carson. Notre Dame capitalized by being able to locate Collom and sophomore Daniel Reimer deep.

Notre Dame had only three upperclassmen traveling this weekend and the experienced squads of Ohio and Michigan State proved to be too much. The Irish played good games against both, and focused on resolving issues on the handle. Notre Dame hung with James Madison but lost 13-11. The Irish finished to 1-3 in pool play, which pitted them them against Miami of Ohio in the knockout round Sunday.

On Sunday, captain Steve Kurtz led the Irish to a first round victory. Once again, the game was close, and hard defense from Ryan Gorman and others proved to be the difference. In the win, the Irish advanced to the top 16 in a field of 35. They lost another close game to Chicago, effectively ending their weekend. The Irish played one last game against Penn State, and they focused on gaining experience for the freshman-laden squad.

In the women's season opener, the Irish dropped a close 9-7 match to Michigan State. The Irish fell behind early, 3-0, as the offense struggled to find its rhythm. Morin stood out in her debut performance as a consistent receiver in the field, while classmate Jenna Adsit's intensity on defense slowed down the Spartan attack. Although the Irish were able to tie the game at seven, the Spartans closed out the match, and now lead the all-time series 4-3.

Notre Dame learned its lesson well in its opener and proceeded to win its final three games, 13-3 over Michigan B, 11-9 over Michigan A, and 11-7 over Northwestern. Captains Rachel Meeks and Shannon Morrison

ran the offense, mixing short, swift passes with long downfield hucks. Sophomores Elizabeth Crosby and Jean Whitney, both in their first year as handlers, contributed to the growing confidence of the offense against Michigan B. In the final two games against Michigan and Northwestern, defensive layouts by Meeks and freshman Erin Maxwell highlighted the action, assisted by Kathryn Florack, another freshman.

The Irish women will return to action this weekend in the Illinois Invitational.

Men's Rowing

At the end of fall break, twelve Irish rowers along with coxswain Gigi Gutierrez raced in the most prestigious regatta in North America, Boston's Head of the Charles. The experience was a first for all twelve Notre Dame rowers, although Gutierrez had previously raced in the event.

Notre Dame entered three

boats in two events. The two Irish sculling boats of Nick Kluesner and Michael Giordano along with Steve Maher and Michael Lucci raced in the 23 and under men's sculling double event. Gigi Gutierrez's crew of Scotty Campbell, P.J. McAward, Tedd Hawks, Karol Grzesiak, Matt Degnan, Andrew Baker, Kane Pithey and Ray Schleck raced in the Men's Collegiate eight-plus event.

After having their bids accepted in early September, the Irish crews concentrated their training on the Head of the Charles. Their preparation was completed with two-a-day training over fall break. The training paid off as all three of the crews turned in their best races of the season. Kluesner and Giordano finished 11th in the sculling event after navigating their way down the winding course. Maher and Lucci were the 10th place finishers, but were pushed back to 16th as a the result of receiving time penalties for one instance

of aggressively passing another crew and two instances of dangerous steering and racing.

Maher and Lucci raced closely with three other boats the entire race, and were involved in minor crashes going both under a bridge that was a part of a turn, and during a 180 degree hairpin turn. Kluesner and Giordano raced a cleaner course in turning in their performance.

Gutierrez' eight man crew was also involved in dramatic racing. The Irish eight raced incredibly well for the first two and a half miles of the three mile course. After the 180 degree hairpin turn, Gutierrez's crew was preparing to go under the last of six bridge archways at the infamous "dead man's curve." Unfortunately for the Irish crew, a Chinese junior national crew from Peking University had been involved in a two boat collision approximately one kilometer before the final bridge. By the time the

Peking boat reached the final bridge they sank due to a hole from the crash, leaving a sinking boat, eight Chinese rowers and a coxswain swimming under the only bridge archway that Notre Dame could pass under. The Notre Dame eightplus stopped until the Chinese could get out of the way, and then Notre Dame performed a sprint to catch the boat they had been chasing before they were forced to stop. The unofficial results placed Notre Dame at 32nd in the race. Factoring in the estimated 25-30 second stoppage time, the Irish crew would have finished approximately 16th place and within five percent of the winner's

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is optimistic about her chances to get a shutout this time around

"Our defense has been outstanding this season so I am confident that we will be able to keep them out of the back of the net," she said.

On the offensive side of the ball, the Belles will look to break a three-game scoreless streak of their own. The last time Saint Mary's scored was in a 3-2 win over Olivet on Oct. 7. Since then the team has been shut out by Hope, Adrian and Calvin in the past week.

"For Wednesday's game we are looking to get our offense going ... against Tri-State we have a good opportunity to score goals," Heline said. The Belles will look to sisters

Ashley and Lauren Hinton to fight down low in order to create opportunities for themselves as well as their team-

'We must capitalize more on our opportunities in front of the net ... punish our opponents for their mistakes,'

Ashley Hinton said

The physical duo has combined for 12 goals in 13 games and should have no problem getting things rolling against an overmatched Tri-State

"We need to find our confi-

dence individually, and as a team," Ashley Hinton said. "Despite our record we are a great team that can compete with anyone."

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Belles forward Samantha Goudreau, center, goes for a header over Albion's Allison Lynch (20) and Brittany Cortese in a Sept. 9 2-1 loss.

MEN'S TENNIS

Parbhu, Keckley win ITA doubles crown

"[Parbhu and

Keckley] did an

unbelievable job of

staying focused and

concentrated

throughout the

match."

Ryan Sachire

Irish assistant coach

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Irish assitant coach

Notre Dame junior advances to finals of ITA singles bracket

By DEIRDRE KRASULA Sports Writer

Tuesday may have been a busy day for Irish junior Sheeva Parbhu, even painful at times after losing in the singles championship, but it proved to be rewarding when he and senior Ryan Keckley defeated Louisville's Damar Johnson and Slavko Radman in

Midwest Regional Doubles championship.

Both couples fought hard to the end, forcing match the into tiebreaker. The Irish duo outlasted their opponents able to

come up with a 9-8(5) victo-

Parbhu struggled in the beginning to return the strong serves of both Johnson and Radman, but

Keckley was never behind help his teammate out. Keckley played the entire match consistently returning almost everything Louisville duo served him.

"[Keckley's] return was

a m a z i n g ,"
Parbhu said. "He kept me in

Parbhu was able to turn it up later on in the match and got off needed shots and serves. Keckley continued to strike well, and the two were able to finish off Johnson and Radman.

They did an unbelievable job of staying focused and concentrated throughout the match," Sachire said. "They did a good job of executing their shots on their serves."

Singles was a different

Parbhu advanced to the finals of the ITA Midwest Regional Championship with a 7-6(2), 6-4 win over Ohio State's Devin Mullings - a win that placed him in the finals against Mullings teammate, Steven Moneke.

En route to the finals, Moneke defeated Irish senior Stephen Bass 7-6, 3-6, 6-4.

Parbhu put up a strong fight in the first set of the match forcing Moneke into a 7-6(2) tiebreaker. Assistant coach Ryan Sachire praised Parbhu's efforts in the first set, but felt he had the

potential to win

"Sheeva had opportunities to win that match and let them slip

away," he said. Both Parbhu and Moneke battled with fatigue throughout the match, the third for each. Parbhu, however, did not feel that the long day was a factor in the match since both players had

endured similar trials. Parbhu even felt Moneke was more fatigued after playing longer previous matches.

After winning the first set

tiebreaker, Moneke followed up with a second win, taking match 7-6(2), 6-2. Sachire felt Moneke's high level of play was a good challenge for Parbhu.

"He's unbelievable competitor and

amazing athlete," Sachire said of Moneke. "He doesn't make stupid mistakes.

Sachire also noted Moneke's ability to strike from the baseline. He felt Moneke was a strong consistent player that challenged everyone he dueled.

"If you lose your concentration for a second, he's going to take advantage of that," Sachire said. "He makes you earn every point."

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last four, including 1-0 losses to Syracuse and Cincinnati to end the regular season. Their last win came Oct. 14, when they topped St. John's — the No. 3 team in the Big East red division. With 11 total defeats, DePaul is tied with Georgetown for the second-highest tally of losses this season behind Marquette (15), and it has the worst record of any of the 12 Big East teams advancing to the conference's postseason tourna-

Irish coach Bobby Clark feels that the Blue Demon squad coming to South Bend tonight will be stronger than the one Notre Dame faced earlier in the season.

"They were a young team then," Clark said. "They've had a few interesting results [in the last few weeks, and] they're a team that has improved."

When DePaul last visited Notre Dame Sept. 10, the Irish dominated the game from whistle to whistle, outshooting the Blue Demons 26-4 on their way to a 3-0 victory.

Clark anticipates Notre Dame will still come out sharp against DePaul.

"If they [overlook their opponent], on their heads be it," he said. "I hope this team has enough respect for every opponent on our schedule to know that each team can beat us if we're not properly focused.'

DePaul is spearheaded by freshman forward Mangan. Mangan leads the Blue Demons with five goals and 10

Notre Dame is led by senior midfielder Greg Dalby and junior striker Joseph Lapira. Dalby, a preseason All-American, was named a player to watch for the Missouri Athletic Club Hermann Trophy, which is given annually to the best college soccer player. Lapira leads the nation with 19 goals this season, half of Notre Dame's conference-best 38

Senior goalkeeper Chris Cahill will anchor the Irish defense. Cahill has nine of Notre Dame's Big East-leading 10 shutouts this season and is second in the conference with a 0.71 goals against average.

Freshman striker Michael Thomas, who has been named Big East rookie of the week for the past two weeks, should also contribute to the Irish effort. Thomas is currently third on the team with three goals.

"Michael needs to keep going the way he's been going since the start of the season," Clark said. "Suddenly someone scores a few goals and people notice them, but that doesn't mean he's playing any different than he was earlier."

Clark reiterated that the team's primary objective would be to keep improving.
"If we are focused, we needn't

fear any team in the league, or in the country," he said. "f we're not [focused], we can suddenly slip to being a very ordinary

With the way the Irish have played for most of the season, Clark expects them to continue their winning ways.

"You [have to] take it one game at a time and work on it and make that game a masterpiece," he said. "We want to make [each game] as good as it possibly can be."

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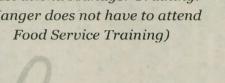
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Irish goalkeeper Chris Cahill, center, makes a catch Oct. 11 against Michigan State as defenders Ryan Miller (2) and Jack Traynor watch.

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Brook Buck

Irish player

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Jay Louderbeck

Irish coach

matches in straight sets until faltering to Rielley in the finals.

"Cosmina has a great all-around game, Louderback "They said. both can come in and volley. That will help them both in matches down the road.'

Junior Brook Buck and sophomore Kelcy Tefft claimed the doubles title

Northwestern's Georgia Rose and Alexis Prousis 8-4. The performance qualified the pair for the ITA National

Indoor Championships

"We played really aggressive. We won the first five games and then let them get the four,' next Buck said. "But on the change over we said, OK, let's get back to how

aggressive we were in the first five.

Notre Dame's top doubles team of seniors Christian and Catrina Thompson did not participate in the doubles portion of the tournament because they have already

qualified for the Indoor Championships.

Catrina Thompson entered the singles event as the No. 1 but fell Northwestern's Lauren Liu 6-2, 6-3 in the round of 32. Christian Thompson advanced to the round of 16

> before losing to lowa's Veselinovic 6-3, 6-2. Buck competed in singles play as well after winning doubles the tournament, entering as the No. 4 seed, but Northwestern's S u z i e Matzenauer in the first round

> 6-4, 6-2. Catrina relies a lot on her serve and she just didn't serve well. Louderback

for Notre Dame, defeating said. "She missed a lot of first serves. Christian played alright, she just lost a close one.

"They and Brook have been

playing a lot of doubles matches and haven't had many singles matches lately and that hurt them a little bit."

Rielley and sophomore Potts, Katie along with Ciobanu and freshman Kali

Krisik each advanced to the round of 16 in doubles play.

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Tops

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Bock returned to the Irish lineup Tuesday after missing Sunday's 1-0 win over Georgetown with a leg injury.

"Having her really makes our offense flow," Waldrum said. "She makes Hanks better, she makes Weissenhofer better, she makes [junior Amandal Cinalli and [junior Susan Pinnick and everyone else we play up front better."

Bock opened the scoring with a goal 34 minutes into the game off a pass from Hanks. Barely 10 minutes later, Hanks put the Irish up 2-0 with her team-leading 15th score of the year.

Weissenhofer added her 10th of the year in the second half to provide the final

The game was the third

contest in five days for Notre Dame and the team's fifth straight road game. Waldrum

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Randy Waldrum

Irish coach

said the Irish will not prac-

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the tail end of being on the road these past few weeks and with midterm exams, men-

"Being on

tally, I think they need a day or two away from [soccer] to catch up a little bit," he said.

Notre Dame will face the winner of St. John's and Seton Hall, who will play

Thursday in Queens, N.Y. On the other side of the bracket, Louisville and Pittsburgh will

play Thursday for the right to take on West Virginia.

Rutgers Connecticut, Villanova and Marquette also earned first round byes. The Huskies and Scarlet Knights will play Friday Piscataway, N.J., while the Wildcats and Golden Eagles will face Sunday Milwaukee.

The winners of this weekend's

game will travel to Storrs, Conn., Nov. 3-5 for the conference semifinals and finals.

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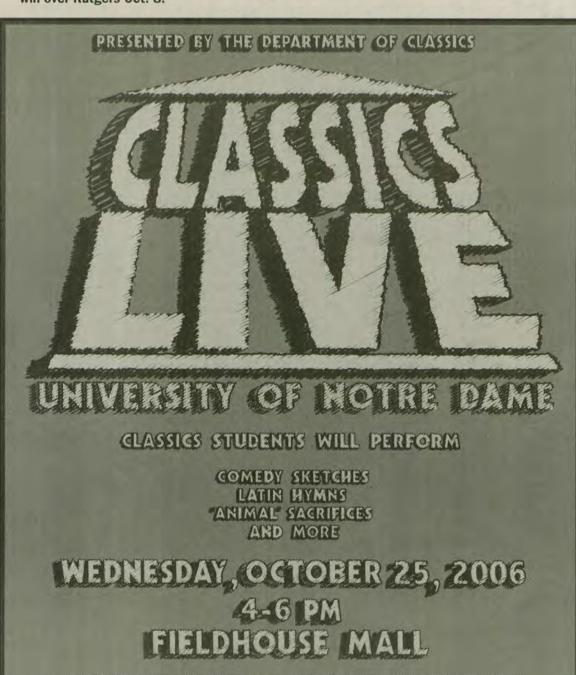
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JOCULAR

I was pissed. My thumb was sore Wow. You're really So, where are going to wine and dine y'all going? her, huh? I think I'm going Sorin Mass. I to ask Jane to 00 Yeah. She hope she likes a Notre Dame crackers dinner and show deservesi

CROISSANTWORLD

ADAM FAIRHOLM

DID YOU REMEMBER

ALEC WHITE

EXCUSE ME SIR, BUT I HAVE A COPY OF "THE PRINCESS BRIDE I'D LIKE TO WATCH IN YOUR JORDAN HALL OF SCIENCE DIGITAL VISUALIZATION THEATRE

VISUALIZATION THEATRE IS NOT A TOY - WE ONLY VISUALIZE VERY FANCY THINGS HERE

UH, EXCUSE ME,

BUT THIS



AHAHAHA TO BRING "FRAGGLE AHAHAHA!! ROCK" IN CASE WE WANT TO STAY UP ALL NIGHT?

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JUMBLE

one letter to each square.

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to form four ordinary words

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HENRI ARNOLD MIKE ARGIRION



Jumbles:

Answer:

(Answers tomorrow) SWOON SLANT BEYOND MAGNUM What Mom said when the puppy chewed on

the table leg - "GNAW" YOU DON'T

CROSSWORD

ACROSS

- 1 Related
- 5 Acted like
- -Detoo of "Star Wars"
- 14 Glass piece
- 15 Olympic rings, for one
- 16 Heinz canful
- 17 1981 Paul
- Newman/Sally Field film
- 20 Loving murmur
- 21 9-Across, e.g.,
- informally
- 22 Vain
- 23 Hidden asset
- 28 Part of E.M.T.:
- Abbr.
- complaint

- 29 Strident
- buzzer

26 Oppressor

- 31 Place for a
- 32 AOL, e.g.: Abbr.

- 35 Catch red-
- 38 Hose site 42 It can give you
- a sinking feeling 43 About
- 44 Where to find sweaters
- 45 Mayberry souse 47 Some basketball
- players: Abbr. 49 Diamond
- protector
- 53 Separate 55 Most-used key
- 58 Like a sunny
- room
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- 65 Four for four.
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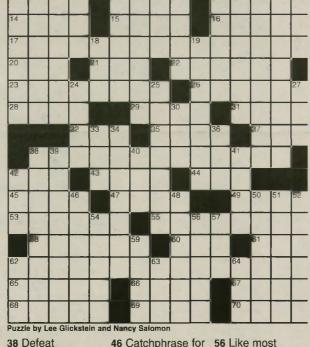


- 67 Touch handed
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 - some alumni directories
 - 5 Maker of Reynolds Wrap
 - 6 Bookstore
 - section 7 Conceit
 - 8 Tip politely
 - 9 Taper off
- 10 Find yummy
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 - 11 Meineke stock item
 - 12 Quick look
 - 13 Sugar suffix 18 Original
 - "Bonanza" airer
 - 19 Chocolaty desserts
 - 24 Rock's Clapton 25 "American Bandstand'
 - 27 Jack's inferior
 - opening?
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 - workday, maybe 36 Big lead in a

WILL SHORTZ



- 38 Defeat democratically
- 40 "The A-Team"
- 41 "Big" kid in the
- extras
- 30 Retail store
- 34 Start the

- 39 Worked up
- - 42 Physique, informally
- 51 Tell on
- - 52 Immediately
- 50 Causes of Bikini blasts

Willie Mays

48 Actor Brent of

"Star Trek:

T.N.G."

- 54 Film teasers
- 57 Corp. V.I.P. 59 End-of-theweek cheer

football passes

- 62 Secret org. 63 Union agreement?
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want to excel. 3 stars

Yesterday's

EUGENIA LAST

CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY: Monica Arnold, 26; Ben Gillies, 27; Kevin Kline, 59; F. Murray Abraham, 67

Happy Birthday: It has been feast or famine the past couple of years -- so much to balance. Soon, you will start to see the fruits of your labor leading you down new pathways. Your numbers are 11, 17, 23, 25, 32, 39

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Mix travel with business. Check out a piece of property or look for an investment that will keep your money safe and growing. An older colleague will be surprised by your competitive position. 5 stars

to get to the bottom of personal or emotional issues. Someone will give you something to think about that could alter your next move. 3 stars GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Your emotions may take you in the wrong direction.

Lies will not pay off, especially when it could affect your career. 3 stars

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): You'll have lots to contend with today if you decide

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Do something engaging or creative. Take a trip to unfamiliar places or get involved in something out of the ordinary that will bring you in contact with people who live differently than you. Love is in the stars. 3 stars

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Someone will broadside an idea you have. You will have to go it alone or keep business matters quiet to avoid complications. A problem in your personal life or with a child will keep you occupied. 2 stars

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Position yourself so you can take full advantage of an opportunity heading your way. You will be able to convince others to help you get where you are trying to go. 4 stars LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): You have everything in place whether you feel you are

prepared or not. A chance to realign with a group that is doing well should be in the works. 3 stars SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Intensity will be raised a notch and your need to secure your position must be realized. Now is the time to put up your best fight. Emotional

matters must not be swept under the carpet. 3 stars SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): The very people you are relying on today are the ones who will let you down. Take the position of the do-all and be-all person if you

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): You have all the answers, so take a strong position and get what you want. Job interviews, advancement and making changes that will up your income can all be put into play. You have the Midas touch today. 4 stars

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Watch your cash flow and refuse to let anyone talk you out of money or anything else. You will be in a precarious position. The repercussions you will face if you don't think about what to do beforehand will be massive. 2 stars PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): A change will be better than a rest. You will be able

looking very good. If you have a pending settlement, finish it off today. 5 stars **Birthday Baby:** You are strong, determined and willing to go the extra mile. You have magnetism and intensity. You are focused, gifted and competitive.

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Men's Basketball — Recruiting

ND grabs two verbals for 2007 class

By BOB GRIFFIN Sports Writer

Notre Dame secured two high school verbal commitments for the class of 2007 early this week — New York forward Tyrone Nash on Monday and Kentucky guard Ty Proffitt Tuesday — according to recruiting Web sites Scout.com and Rivals.com as well as an article in The (Louisville) Courier-Journal.

Nash — who is listed between 6foot-6, 210 pounds and 6-foot-7,

215 pounds - is a senior at Northfield Mount Hermon School



Nash

Northfield, Mass., but is originally from Woodmere, N.Y. Nash narrowed his choices Notre to Dame, St. John's and

Kentucky

before making his decision.

Nash received a late summer offer from Kentucky, but chose to reclassify himself to the class of 2007, opting for a final year of high school eligibility. As a senior in 2005-06, Nash averaged 17.0 points and 15.0 rebounds per game before transferring from Lawrence Woodmere Academy in Long Island to his current prep

Proffitt — a senior at South Laurel High School in London, Ky. - is listed between 6-foot-3 and 6foot-4, and weighs 195 pounds. He averaged 12.9 points per game on 44.3 percent shooting as a junior (28.4 percent from three-point range), while totaling 68 assists and 54 blocks.

The guard also had interest in Kentucky, Eastern Kentucky and Western Kentucky, according to information from Scout.com.

Brey cannot comment on high school recruits until the first day of the national signing period Nov. 8, due to NCAA recruiting regulations. The players could not be reached for comment Tuesday.

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ND Women's Soccer

Cincinnati kidding

By CHRIS KHOREY Associate Sports Editor

Cincinnati's season was on the line, and Notre Dame had little to play for.

It didn't matter.

Sophomores Kerri Hanks and Brittany Bock and freshman Michele Weissenhofer each scored goals as the Irish (17-0-1, 10-0-1 Big East) ended the Bearcats' season with a 3-0 win on the road

They never were much of a threat to us at all," Notre Dame coach Randy Waldrum said. "We created a ton of good chances.'

Cincinnati (7-9-2, 3-7-1 Big

East) came into the game trailing Seton Hall by one point in the National Division and needed a win to pass the Pirates for fourth place to qualify for the conference tournament. No. 1 Notre Dame, which had already clinched a first round bye, was playing for seeding in the Tournament next NCAA

"I would rate our effort tonight very high, especially with nothing left in the conference for us to play for," Waldrum said. "Of course, we do want that top NCAA seed and our kids are hungry for

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Irish midfielder Jill Krivacek fights for the ball against Rutgers midfielder Jennifer Anzivino Oct. 8.

SMC SOCCER

Belles end year with MIAA foe

By DAN MURPHY Sports Writer

Saint Mary's finishes the regular season today with a 4 p.m. home game against Tri-State. The Belles (4-8-1, 3-3-1 MIAA) hope to gain some momentum heading into the postseason with a win over the winless Thunder.

"We are very confident in a win." senior goalkeeper Laura Heline said. "It's important for us to continue playing at the level we have been and not to drop to the level of a struggling team such as Tri-State.

The small, 13-player Tri-State team has been dominated all year, scoring only six goals to their opponents 62. Senior Jenny Sharkely and freshman Jackie Havenaar are tied for the team lead with two goals apiece.

Sharkey is responsible for the team's lone goal in MIAA play this year. The unassisted strike came with 10 minutes remaining in a 7-1 loss to Hope on Oct. 11.

The Belles have won the past four meetings between the two teams by a combined score of 26-4. The streak dates back to an 8-1 victory on Oct. 5, 2004.

Heline has given up one goal in each of the contests, but she

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MEN'S SOCCER

Irish begin Big East tournament

By ERIC RETTER

Associate Sports Editor

No. 6 Notre Dame will see a repeat opponent for the first time this year today.

But the stakes are a bit higher this time around as the Irish (12-4-2, 8-3-0 Big East) will take on DePaul at 7 p.m. at Alumni Field in the first round of the Big East conference tournament. Notre Dame finished the season in third place in the Big East Blue division after finishing its season with a 2-1 loss at No. 4 West Virginia and a 1-0 win over No. 14 Connecticut.

The Blue Demons (5-11-2, 4-7-0 Big East) limped into the playoffs, losing three out their

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Irish forward Justin McGeeney pushes his way past Marquette defenders Nathan Sabich and Mehdi Eslami Sept. 27.

ND WOMEN'S TENNIS

Rielley defeats teammate in win

By CHRIS HINE Sports Writer

It must be a special moment for a coach when one of his players wins a tournament. It is even more special when two of his players fight through a field of 64 to face each other in the finals.

That's what happened this week in the ITA Midwest Regionals at Michigan State when freshman Colleen Rielley defeated fellow Notre Dame freshman Cosmina Ciobanu 7-5, 6-4 to grab the singles championship Tuesday.

"I don't think we have ever had something like this happen before," Irish coach Jay Louderback said. "It's tough for freshmen to get to the finals in this."

Rielley became the fourth player to grab the title at the event, the first since Michelle Dasso in 2000. She won all of her matches in straight sets except for the semifinals, when she beat Illinois' Megan Fudge in a tight match 4-6, 6-1, 7-5.

Colleen really competes

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MEN'S TENNIS

Sheeva Parbhu and Ryan Keckley win ITA Midwest Regional Doubles Championship.

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Ultimate and men's rowing teams continue their fall seasons.

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San Diego linebacker Merriman Shawne appeals four-game suspension after violating the NFL's substance abuse policy.

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Saint Mary's 3, Tri-State 2

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Seahawks quarterback Hasslebeck complains about E.J. Henderson's tackle.

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St. Louis 5, **Detroit 0**

Cardinals pitcher Chris Carpenter pitches eight shutout innings to lead Cardinals to Game 3 win.

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