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Woo leads business school for final semester

Dean reflects on contribution to Mendoza College of Business, looks to future with national non-profit

By EMILY SCHRANK News Writer

This semester marks the end of Carolyn Woo's 14-year tenure as dean of the Mendoza College of Business. In June, Woo was named president and CEO of Catholic Relief Services (CRS), the official international humanitarian agency of the Catholic Church in the United States.

"I felt like I needed a semester to tie up the loose ends," Woo said. "In particular, to make sure the various foundations of the College are in a good place."

Woo, who begins her new position Jan. 1, served as a board member for CRS from 2004-2009

"I really came to know the organization from those five years and also traveled on behalf of CRS," she said. "I had the chance to see firsthand the incredible impact and contribution of that work."

Woo said she thinks of her new position as "an extraordinary privilege."

"One of my greatest fears is that we learn not to see the people who suffer," she said. "I consider myself blessed to have the chance that I see."

After seeing how CRS transformed people's lives, Woo decided it was time to go serve that family and said she is looking forward to doing God's work.

"I get intimidated when I think of taking this job on all by myself," she said. "But it is really His work and His Spirit that moves us along."

Even though Mendoza reached the top of Business-Week's undergraduate rankings during her time as dean, Woo said she is most proud of keeping strong moral and ethical standards at the center of the College's mission.

"We never compromised our Catholic identity," she said. "We advanced our academic reputation and Catholic mission at the same time."

Woo attributes her success as dean to the efforts of the College's staff.

"I think that the success that the Mendoza College of Busi-

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Carolyn Woo, dean of the Mendoza College of Business, will leave Notre Dame in December to work at Catholic Relief Services.

St. Michael's offers campus laundering

By MEL FLANAGAN
News Writer

While the majority of students set aside a few hours each week to wash and dry their laundry, others opt to send their clothes to St. Michael's Laundry Service to have it done for a fee.

St. Michael's, located behind the Main Building, offers a "Student Bundle" plan for \$225 a semester. Once a week on an assigned day, St. Michael's visits each dorm to pick up a bundle of laundry from each student, and then returns the clean clothes a few days later.

"We pick it up, we bring it back and your laundry is getting done for you," St. Michael's Counter Service Lead Representative Jean Rinehart said. "It gives you more free time to study and do other things."

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Students leave halls for houses

By VICKY MORENO News Writer

While the University highlights dorm life as one of the greatest parts of the Notre Dame experience, many students head off campus for their senior year, choosing

to live at a "home just beyond the Dome."

Eighty percent of Notre Dame students live on campus, the Office of Residence Life and Housing (ORLH) reported. Of the 20 percent that live off campus, how-

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Students Louise Fauth, Vishnu Thaver, Jack Heuer and their dog Petey relax on the porch of their off-campus home.

New professors join teaching faculty, pursue research

Professor Ashley Thrall

Academics:

Physics B.A. from Vassar
Ph. D in Civil and
Environmental
Engineering from
Princeton
Interests:
Bridge design
Advanced steel design

Professor Matthew Wilkens

Academics:

Ph. D in Literature from

Work:

Rice University Washington University in St. Louis

LAUREN KALINOSKI | Observer Graphic

By ANNA BOARINI News Writer

Frosh-O and Transfer-O activities may have wound down last week, but the University welcomed one last group to campus as new professors began their tenure at the University.

The new professors come from a variety of different backgrounds and experiences.

For engineering professor Ashley Thrall, Notre Dame will be her first teaching job after earning a doctorate in civil and environmental engineering from Princeton University last May.

"I was drawn to academia because it offers the opportunity to educate and mentor the next generation of scholars while also enabling professors complete freedom to pursue their research interests," she said. This year, Thrall will teach

This year, Thrall will teach a course on structural steel design, a core requirement for all civil engineering and geological science students. In the future, Thrall said she hopes to develop and teach courses in advanced steel design and bridge design, the topic of her dissertation.

Thrall was drawn to Notre Dame partially because of its Catholic tradition.

"Notre Dame's rich and unique tradition of viewing research as service is deeply intertwined with its Catholic

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QUESTION OF THE DAY: WHO WOULD YOU WANT TO PLAY AT THE B1 BLOCK PARTY?



Emma Anderson freshman McC and less

"Wiz Khalifa."



Julia Brehl freshman McC and less

"Mac Miller."



Mimi Huang junior McGlinn

"Maroon 5."



Sarah Kennedy senior

Lyons

"Spice Girls."



Tom Roman sophomore

St. Edward's

"Paul McCartney.'



Yiting Zheng

junior McGlinn

"John Mayer."

Have an idea for Question of the Day? Email obsphoto@gmail.com



Junior Nick Ochoa, a member of Diversity Council of Notre Dame, leads a meeting during the first week of classes. Diversity Council of Notre Dame is run through Multicultural Student Programs and Services as a group that advocates for underrepresented clubs on campus.

OFFBEAT

Terrorist T-shirt raises scholarship money

HOQUIAM, Wash. community festival near the Washington state coast is attracting attention with a T-shirt mocking Osama bin Laden.

The Loggers Playday festival shirts — featuring a cartoon of the terror mastermind tied to a log with the caption "Osama Bin Loggin'" — are being sold for \$15 to raise money for a

Organizers say they got the idea because their Sept. 10 event is so close to the 10th anniversary of 9/11 and because bin Laden was killed by U.S. military forces in May.

The T-shirt maker, Christian Burgess of Jacknut Apparel, told The Daily World critics have called the Tshirt tacky and in very poor

Drunk clown charged with DWI in golf cart incident

TOWNSHIP, VIENNA Mich. — A Maltese dog that disappeared more than a vear ago after a fatal car crash in New Mexico has been returned to surviving family members in Michigan.

The crash in June last year killed Gary Benson and his daughter, Emily. Afterward, his wife and four surviving children searched unsuccessfully for the family pet named Caesar.

Monica Benson told New Mexico's Quay County Sun she posted pictures of Caesar and her son, Benjamin, in Benjamin's hospital room while then-18-month-old recovered and he kept asking where the dog was.

A volunteer at a shelter in Tucumcari, N.M., contacted Benson after scanning a microchip in Caesar earlier this month.

He was returned to his family Saturday, Benson told The Detroit News the dog remembered her family and "it was an amazing evening."

Information compiled from the Associated Press.

In Brief

Today is the last day for all class changes. Contact the registrar to make changes in your schedule.

Professor Jeffrey Berg-strand will give a lecture titled "Governance and Globalization" today at 12:30 p.m. The lecture is free and will take place in room C103 in the Hesburgh Center.

Professor Martin Ostoja-Starzewski will host a seminar today titled "Randomness and Fractals in Mechanics of Materials" from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. The seminar will take place in 138 DeBartolo Hall.

The Student Activities Office will hold Activities Night from 7 to 9 p.m. tonight in the Joyce Center. Students are invited to learn about the more than 250 undergraduate clubs and organizations. Student Government will distribute free planners at their table. Enter the Joyce Center through Gate 3.

A Catholic Charismatic prayer meeting will be held tonight from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. in Alumni Hall. Meetings will be held every Tuesday night in the Alumni Hall chapel.

The Community Relations Office, Student Government and NDSP will host a Student Safety Summit tomorrow from 6 to 7 p.m. The Summit will take place on the Irish Green

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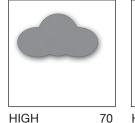
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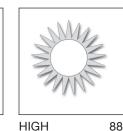
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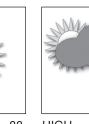
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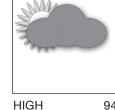
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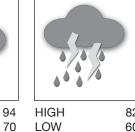
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SMC student interns for Disney

By BRIDGET FEENEY
News Writer

While many students spend their internships toiling away at investment banks or accounting firms, Saint Mary's junior Tori Spencer spent hers working at the "Happiest Place on Earth." Last spring, Spencer took a semester off and headed down to Orlando to participate in the Disney College Program at the Walt Disney World Resort.

Taking a semester off for an internship is unconventional, but Spencer said she did not regret her decision.

"It was definitely worth leaving school for a semester. My family has gone to Disney for years, and I have always wanted to work for the company. It is a lifelong dream finally come true," Spencer said. "And I will still get to graduate on time, despite the semester off."

While in Orlando, Spencer worked at the Hollywood Studios, one of Disney's four theme parks, in the Quick Service department handling food and beverage sales. She was responsible for manning the cash registers and cooking and serving food to customers.

"It wasn't what I expected,"

Spencer said. "Basically, I was working in fast food. You think 'Disney,' and you think 'glamorous.' But while it was very different than what I was used to, it was a really great experience. I loved the people I worked with and I always looked forward going into work every day."

Spencer kept busy, working 40 to 60 hours each week while also taking a marketing course offered through the internship program.

"Disney offers different college courses to the program participants so we have the opportunity to gain credit for our schools back home," Spencer said.

Spencer, however, will not receive credit for her internship because she changed majors right before taking her leave of absence.

Despite not having academic credit to show for her time spent at Disney, she said she does not feel like she came back to campus empty-handed.

"I made lifelong friends down there," Spencer said. "I am still really close with all of my roommates. I met so many people from all over the country and the world — that was the best part of my experiThough working for Disney was a dream come true for Spencer, participating in the program did not come without challenges.

"The hardest part of the program was being so far away from home for so long. I was also working crazy hours," Spencer said.

Homesickness and long workdays were not enough to discourage Spencer from pursuing a future career with Disney, though.

"I really want to go back this summer or after I graduate and work as a marketing or wedding planner intern," Spencer said. "Hopefully I will move up in the company to jobs more closely related to what I want to do. My goal is to become a seasonal employee, which would make me eligible for all of the benefits.

Benefits include free park admission and discounted prices at all of the souvenir shops, which Spencer got to enjoy during her internship.

"The Disney College Program was a great work experience. It definitely prepares you for the real world and you meet so many fun people," she said

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Saint Mary's offers Zumba instruction

By JILL BARWICK News Writer

When Jennifer Roberts began working at Saint Mary's, she wanted to take Zumba classes at the College, but none were available. Now, Roberts, assistant director for external events in the Office of Special Events, will offer Zumba classes to the Saint Mary's community to fill the gap.

"Zumba is a Latin-inspired fitness program that uses four basic Latin rhythms mixed with fun, high-energy music," Roberts said. "Dancing for an hour, rather than running for an hour, makes you feel like you are having fun rather than actually working out."

After being certified in Zumba instruction, Roberts will teach the class in hopes of providing a different form of exercise compared to the conventional fitness classes held at Saint Mary's.

She invited students, faculty and community members to "ditch the workout and join the party" in her class.

Roberts said those unfamiliar with Zumba should not be hesitant to try it.

"I want people to know that Zumba really is for anyone, even those intimidated by having minimal dance skills," Roberts said. "Zumba is easy enough for everyone to follow."

While Roberts hopes to offer her students an entertaining

exercise option, she said she is equally excited to be instructing the class.

"I just wanted to offer other opportunities for Saint Mary's as far as working out goes," she said. "I am excited to see how the classes work out."

The classes are informal and do not require registration. Roberts said she hopes participation will be high enough to warrant Zumba's addition to the regular schedule of athletic classes.

Until then, Roberts is renting the space herself, which is why there is a small fee for participation. The class will cost \$5 for students, \$6 for faculty and \$7 for the general public.

Some students have already expressed interest in joining the class. Junior Cailin Crowe said she is eager to integrate Zumba into her workout routine.

"I am excited to see what these classes have to offer," she said. "I enjoy working out on a regular basis and it will be nice to shake my routine up a bit by adding Zumba classes to my schedule.

"I'm looking forward to getting my groove on," Crowe

Classes will take place Mondays from 6 to 7 p.m. in the Angela Athletic facility.

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Although St. Michael's main service is the "Student Bundle," Rinehart said they also offer tailoring, dry cleaning and individual wet cleaning. For students who use the bundle plan, these extra services are simply deducted from their original allotment of \$225

However, Rinehart said all these services are also available to students who did not sign up for the bundle plan.

"Any student can get an item of clothing tailored or wet cleaned," Rinehart said. "And if a student wants to just send in one bundle for the whole year, they can do that

Although many students will send in a bundle or two near finals, students save money by signing up for the entire semester, Rinehart said. If a student uses the bundle plan service, each bundle costs \$13.75. If a student only does one or two bundles a year, each costs \$19.36.

Although paying for St. Mi-

chael's to do his laundry is more expensive than it would be to do it on his own, sophomore Pat O'Brien said the service is worth it.

"It really saves me a lot of time, and then I can do homework and other things," he

O'Brien used the bundle service last year and will continue to do so this year.

However, not all students who sign up for the service freshman year continue using it the following years. Junior Lauren Antonelle enjoyed the extra free time St. Michael's gave her as a freshman, but she opted

not to continue the service. "My parents paid for it for me for

a graduation present," Antonelle said. "They figured I'd like the time it would save me. But I didn't sign up for it last year because I felt the dropoff and pick-up days were inconvenient for me."

O'Brien agreed that the scheduled days provided by St. Michael's sometimes posed

a problem.

"It really saves me a lot

of time, and

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Pat O'Brien

sophomore

"If you forget to drop stuff off it's really awkward and you have to do it yourself anyway," O'Brien said. "And then you put all your clothes in that bundle and don't get them back for two days. That can be kind of awkward too."

Junior Christian Demere signed up for the service his freshman and sophomore years, but only had minor is-

sues with the service.

"Out of all the times I used it there would be a few times when you'd lose a sock or two," he said. "That's kind of an inconvenience, but it really wasn't that

often at all."

Lost socks
were not enough to make Demere regret using the service.

"It's definitely a good tradeoff. It's well worth the money, since you'll have to pay for the washing machine in your dorm anyway," Demere said.

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St. Michael's Laundry Service offers cleaning and tailoring services to students year-round. Students leave their clothes for pick-up one day a week and receive them back a few days later.

Students take jobs on campus, use JOBboard

By CHRISTIAN MYERS News Writer

Attending Notre Dame is far from a cheap venture for students and their families, but the University has resources available for students who need help covering costs. Campus employment is one way students can take the edge off tuition payments or make a little extra

The Office of Student Employment reported over 40 percent of students take advantage of campus employment. Students work across campus in areas such as restaurants, academic buildings and residence halls.

Senior Justin Pham worked for the Center for Social Concerns (CSC) during his junior year. Pham, who was involved with the CSC in other capacities, said the job was in line with his academic interests.

"A job is a major commitment and once you have a job on campus you can appreciate that, but it can also be an opportunity to pursue your extra-curricular interests," Pham said. Junior Eric Hinterman has

Junior Eric Hinterman has worked in the Huddle since the beginning of his sophomore year and is now a manager. Hinterman, a chemical engineering major and member of the marching band, said despite having to balance his job with other commitments, he enjoys the routine of regular work.

"Having a job keeps me busy," Hinterman said. "I encourage freshmen to get a job because it allows you to learn time management skills."

The JOBboard program, an online resource available to students through InsideND, is one way the Office of Student Employment seeks to simplify the process of obtaining campus iobs.

The program serves as a hub for job offerings on campus and also provides limited off-campus opportunities. Listings are divided into categories, such as athletics, clerical and food service.

Sophomore Leah Corachea, who began working at Legends last year after finding the job listing on the program, said the categorization in the program allowed her to easily target the types of jobs she preferred.

"It is user-friendly and I still use it now," she said. "The format is helpful because it divides up the types of jobs."

Despite some students' successes finding employment through the program, student body president Patrick McCormick said student government is looking to increase the usability of the JOBboard.

"The JOBboard is an important program and we are currently looking into ways to improve it," he said. "We are in the review stage right now; so we would welcome any comments or suggestions from students."

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ever, the majority are seniors.
Some seniors said residence
halls monitor the rules and
regulations so closely that the
proper transition to adulthood
and independence is only possible if they live off campus.

Former Knott resident Daniel McHugh said the best part of living off campus is the independence.

"You have to cook for yourself, clean for yourself, and find a way to get on campus," McHugh, a senior, said. "Living off campus really facilitates the transition from student to employee. It's a step towards being a grown up without throwing you into the real world immediately after graduation."

Students who choose to leave their residence halls may experience more freedom, but they sacrifice certain conveniences as well.

Senior Erin Scott, formerly of Welsh Family Hall, said waking up for early classes reminded her of the benefits of living on the University's grounds.

"I can't wake up at 8:15 a.m. for an 8:30 a.m. class and I have to shower in the Rock when I work out between classes," Scott said. "But luckily, four out of the six girls in our house have cars so we figure it out."

However brief the commute from off-campus residences to class is, the inconvenience is enough to encourage students to spend their time on campus more efficiently.

Senior Chris Payne said he now gets work done earlier in

the day, thanks to the distance he has to travel to get home.

"Without a home base as close by as before, I've ended up doing more work in between classes, even if there's only an awkward hour," the former Stanford resident said. "Before, I typically waited until my classes had all ended and I had eaten dinner before I really tackled assignments."

Despite the drawbacks, Irish Row resident Danielle Duva said the benefits of offcampus living outweigh the cons.

"I miss the six-and-a-half minute walk to DeBartolo in the morning," Duva, a senior, said. "But my own bathroom, own bedroom and the freedom is well worth the loss of a few minutes of sleep."

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identity", she said. "I found this tradition to be very inspiring and believe that my research interests — the design of deployable structures for disaster relief — will fit in well with the character of the University."

Professor Matthew Wilkens is also a new face on campus. However, unlike Thralls, this is not his first job in academia.

After earning a doctorate in literature from Duke University, he worked at Rice University and Washington University in St. Louis.

Wilkens said he enjoys his work because it provides him the opportunity to discuss literature with gifted students and academics.

"I'm paid to read books and talk about them with smart students and colleagues," Wilkens said. "It's pretty great."

Like Thrall, Wilkens sought out a university that placed importance on both research and educating students.

"Notre Dame has exactly the combination of first-rate research and serious teaching that I was looking for," he said. "A lot of schools claim to value both those things, but it's rare to find them done so well together."

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Obama names economic adviser

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Facing a public deeply dissatisfied with his handling of the economy, President Barack Obama on Monday tapped a prominent labor economist to join his cadre of advisers and help steer a fall jobs agenda that will be critical to the president's re-election bid.

In nominating Alan Krueger as chair of the White House Council of Economic Advisers, Obama gains an economist with expertise in the labor market and unemployment, a key drag on the U.S. economy and Obama's presidency. Krueger, a former Treasury Department official and Princeton University economist, has advocated for hiring tax credits for businesses and increased government spending on infrastructure, two programs Obama aides are considering proposing this fall.

His appointment also caps a wholesale makeover of Obama's economic leadership team during the past year. Several high-ranking advisers, including Lawrence Summers, Christina Romer and Austan Goolsbee, have all left the administration, leaving Treasury Secretary Timothy Geithner as the only top official remaining from the president's original economic team.

Obama has often reached within his administration's ranks to fill vacant posts on the economic team, and Krueger is no exception. Though he spent last year at Princeton, he served as assistant secretary for economic policy at the Treasury Department during the first two years of Obama's administration.

Gregory Mankiw, a former CEA chairman under Presi-



President Obama shakes Alan Krueger's hand Monday after naming him chairman of the Council of Economic Advisers.

dent George W. Bush and long-time acquaintance of Krueger, said Obama's new nominee has a reputation as an analytic, data-driven economist, not as a champion for many specific policy initiatives. While Mankiw said he believes Krueger is highly-qualified for the post, he doesn't expect him to push the administration in any new directions when it comes to tackling the nation's economic and unemployment woes.

"This is more of a continuity appointment rather than a move-in-a-new-direction appointment," said Mankiw, now an economics professor at Harvard University. "I don't think the president wanted a change. He's keeping the basic structure of the team in place."

White House spokesman Jay Carney brushed off questions Monday about whether Krueger would bring any fresh job creation ideas to the White House, saying only that the president's nominee was the best person for the job.

"He's an excellent economist whose particular skills are more relevant than ever in the economic environment we find ourselves in," Carney said. "His expertise in the labor market is particularly relevant as we focus on the need to grow the economy and increase job creation."

Obama announced Krueger's nomination at a Rose Garden ceremony Monday morning and said he would rely on the economist for unvarnished guidance, not partisan political advice.

"That's more important than ever right now," Obama said. "We need folks in Washington to make decisions based on what's best for the country, not what's best for any political party or special interest."

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ness has achieved is because of an incredibly dedicated and talented team of staff," she said.

Woo said the search for her replacement will begin this semester. Roger Huang, associate dean of Mendoza, will serve as interim dean after Woo's departure.

"If it wasn't for my time at Notre Dame, I don't think I could have been ready for my time at CRS," she said. "Sometimes in your life, you just have to leave home for the next phase."

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Hurricane Irene's death toll reaches 40

Associated Press

MONTPELIER, Vt. — The full measure of Hurricane Irene's fury came into focus Monday as the death toll jumped to 40, New England towns battled epic floods and millions faced the dispiriting prospect of several days without electricity.

From North Carolina to Maine, communities cleaned up and took stock of the uneven and hard-to-predict costs of a storm that spared the nation's biggest city a nightmare scenario, only to deliver a historic wallop to towns well inland.

In New York City, where people had braced for a disaster-movie scene of water swirling around skyscrapers, the subways and buses were up and running again in time for the Monday morning commute. And to the surprise of many New Yorkers, things went pretty smoothly.

But in New England, landlocked Vermont contended with what its governor called the worst flooding in a century. Streams also raged out of control in upstate New York.

In many cases, the moment of maximum danger arrived well after the storm had passed, as rainwater made its way into rivers and streams and turned them into torrents. Irene dumped up to 11 inches of rain on Vermont and more than 13 in parts of New York.

"We were expecting heavy rains," said Bobbi-Jean Jeun of Clarksville, a hamlet near Albany, N.Y. "We were expecting flooding. We weren't expecting devastation. It looks like somebody set a bomb off."

Meanwhile, the 11-state death toll, which had stood at 21 as of Sunday night, rose sharply as bodies were pulled from floodwaters and people were electrocuted by downed power lines.

The tally of Irene's destruction mounted, too. An apparently vacant home exploded in an evacuated, flooded area in Pompton Lakes, N.J., early Monday, and firefighters had to battle the flames from a boat. In the Albany, N.Y., suburb of Guilderland, police rescued two people Monday after their car was swept away. Rescuers found them three hours later, clinging to trees along the swollen creek. "It's going to take time to

recover from a storm of this magnitude," President Barack Obama warned as he promised the government would do everything in its power to help people get back on their feet.

For many people, the aftermath could prove more painful than the storm itself.

In North Carolina, where Irene blew ashore along the Outer Banks on Saturday before heading for New York and New England, 1,000 people were still in emergency shelters, awaiting word on their homes.

At the same time, nearly 5 million homes and businesses in a dozen states were still without electricity, and utilities warned it might be a week or more before some people got their power back.

"Once the refrigerator gets warm, my insulin goes bad. I could go into diabetic shock. It's kind of scary because we don't know how long it's going to be out for," said Patricia Dillon, a partially paralyzed resident of a home for the disabled in Milford, Conn., where the electricity was out and a generator failed. Her voice cracking, she added: "I'm very tired, stressed out, aggravated, scared."

Russ Furlong of Barrington, R.I., ruefully remembered the two weeks he went without power after Hurricane Bob 20 years ago.

"Hopefully, we won't have to wait that long this time," he said. "Last night we had candles. It was romantic. It was fun. But that feeling doesn't last too long."

Up and down the Eastern Seaboard, commuters and vacationers found their travel plans scrambled. Airlines warned it would be days before the thousands of passengers stranded by Irene find their way home. Some Amtrak service in the Northeast was suspended. Commuter trains between New Jersey and New York City were not running. Trains between the city and its northern suburbs were also disrupted.

Kris and Jennifer Sylvester of Brooklyn sat on a bench in the town center in Woodstock, N.Y., with luggage at their feet and their daughters, aged 4 and 9, holding signs reading, "Need a Ride 2 NYC" and "Help Us, No Bus, No Train." They rode Amtrak out for a long weekend in the country, but were unable to get home.

"We're hoping for anything," Jennifer Sylvester said.

In Vermont, the state's emergency management headquarters stood empty, evacuated because of river flooding from Irene's heavy rains. Rescuers used a boat and bucket loaders to pluck seven people from a swamped mobile home park in Lyndonville.

In upstate New York, authorities were closely watching major dams holding back drinking water reservoirs.

Throughout the region, hundreds of roads were impassable because of flooding or fallen trees, and some bridges had simply given way, including a 156-year-old hand-hewn, wooden, covered bridge across Schoharie Creek in Blenheim, N.Y. In all, more than a dozen towns in Vermont and at least three in New York remained cut off by flooded roads and bridges.

INSIDE COLUMN

Pineapples

Everyone experiences life-changing moments. For some, it was ripping open that Notre Dame acceptance letter. For others, it was picking a major or locking eyes with that special some-

one in class. For me, it was discovering "Psych," a TV show on USA Network.

"Psych" follows
the life of Shawn
Spencer (James
Roday) and his best
friend, Burton "Gus"
Guster (Dulé Hill).
Shawn refuses to
grow up and become
his father, a former
police detective who
also trained him to
be one. In a pinch,



Mary Claire O'Donnell

Scene Writer

to avoid jail time, he tells the Santa Barbara Police Department he is psychic. In reality, he is highly observant with an eidetic memory.

He continues to pretend to have these powers and becomes a consultant with the SBPD. Although Head Detective Carlton Lassiter (Timothy Osmund) does not fully believe in Shawn and his professed powers, he proves to be an excellent addition to the force, helping to solve many cases.

Basically, "Psych" is a crime comedy. Shawn and Gus solve murders just like Detectives Ed Greene (James L. Martin) and Lenny Briscoe (Jerry Orbach) on "Law and Order." They just do it in a less conventional — and questionably legal — manner. But that adds to the hilarity and general awesomeness of the show.

The show began in 2006, although I did not discover it until about a year later when I watched it with one of my brothers. Instantly, I was hooked. At the time mostly unknown, "Psych" unfortunately aired Fridays at 10 p.m. Hulu and Netflix, however, helped solve this problem until this past year, when the show was bumped up to Wednesday night.

That fateful day I watched "Psych" for the first time, my life changed for the better. If you know me well, you are aware that half of what comes out of my mouth is from a movie or TV show. Well, half of that probably comes from "Psych." We'll really be better friends if you can get on my "Psych" level. Shawn helps me express myself in ways I never could've imagined.

Shawn, with his hijinx and tomfoolery, has also opened whole new worlds to me. After watching an entire episode centered on Alfred Hitchcock movies, my family and I watched most of the classics. I am now a huge fan of delicious flavor and pineapples have become an important part of my diet.

The show has even given me new opportunities to bond — and spar — with my family. My brothers and I share a unique and unparalleled love for this special USA show, and we're not afraid to show it. We've always gotten along extremely well, but "Psych" helps bring our relationships even closer.

"Psych" may not change your life like it did mine. But if you want to give it a shot, Season Six begins in October with an impressive list of guest stars. Shawn and his polished blades of snarky eloquence promise to bring just as many laughs this year, so I would recommend not missing them.

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Trade idea: Buy Quarter Dog futures

A futures desk at a Wall Street bank sounds like some sort of covert fortunetelling operation. It sounds like the desk where traders can swing by in the morning to read the tea leaves and see what

stocks are going to be hot that day. It almost doesn't seem like it should be legal. Is divi-

Options and

Options and Futures

Grace Concelman

nation how all of these Wall Street banks keep making money?

Actually, a future in the finance world is very different than Professor Trelawney's class. It's a standardized contract traded on an exchange in which two parties agree to trade something later for a price agreed upon today. The something can be pretty much anything — a currency, an interest rate or a commodity like gold or pork bellies (yes, people do still trade pork bellies in Chicago). The buyer of the future hopes the price will increase so that when the contract expires, he can buy at the agreed-upon price, go sell in the market for the higher price and pocket the difference. After all, the rule of finance is to "buy low, sell high."

Legend has it that the first person to profit from futures was actually a philosopher named Thales. One year around 500 B.C., Thales predicted that the olive harvest would be particularly fruitful, and so he bought contracts from all of the olive press owners that gave him exclusive rights to the presses at harvest. The owners of the presses were happy to receive guaranteed income even if the harvest

turned out poorly. Thales did some analysis based on weather patterns, and speculated that the harvest would be good, and so the future demand for use of the presses would be high. According to the legend, Thales was right and ended up making a lot of money. That, of course, was the last time a philosopher was in the news for making money.

I had a chance to rotate on a futures desk during my internship this summer and got a chance to see how these contracts are actually traded. Most of what I got to observe was interest rate futures, which are fundamental to the financial system, but way less exciting than futures for olive oil.

While I was on the desk one day, day-dreaming in the mid-morning time when it's too early to go get lunch but all you can think about is food so until noon you're pretty much worthless, I started thinking a little more creatively about futures.

If there can be futures on pork bellies and the weather, what if there could be futures on other things?

I'd buy a future on the price of quarter dogs. As great as the tradition is, the price simply hasn't kept pace with inflation. According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, since 1993, when the Huddle started selling the hot dogs to hordes of hungry students needing midnight sustenance, inflation has risen by fifty-four percent. So, under the assumption that prices move with inflation, quarter dogs should actually cost \$0.39. Despite strong student opposition, quarter dog prices will eventually have to rise, and I'd like to lock in the lower price now.

I'd sell a future on the continued exis-

tence of Stepan Center. Newer, less leaky buildings on campus have been steadily stealing away market share year by year until all that Stepan is really used for now is Domerfest and freshmen chemistry exams. It's old, outdated and taking up space that could probably be put to more productive use. Plus, it really doesn't fit in with the design philosophy of the rest of campus (although, by that argument, I'd also have to be a seller of futures on all of Mod Quad).

Finally, I'd buy a future on our football team. This is Notre Dame, after all—blind faith in our football team is something of an institution. So I'd buy a future on us going 12-0 this season and hedge it by also buying a future on my GPA this semester.

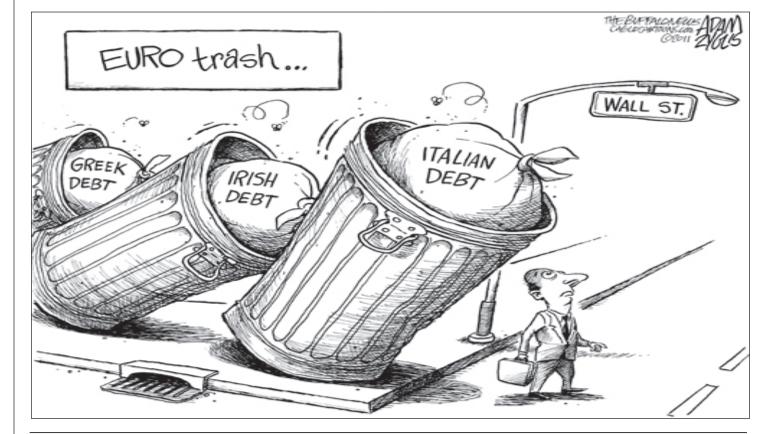
The rationale is that the success of the football team is inversely related to my grades — time spent on football is time not spent studying.

So, if the football team does really well, I make money on the football contract and lose money on the GPA one. If the football team disappoints, I lose money on the football contract, but make money on my GPA. Since it's a perfectly hedged position I would theoretically come out even in the end, having made as much money on one contract as I lost on the other one. As a senior though, I'm thinking I'd prefer the first scenario.

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Examine what is said, not him who speaks."

Arab proverb

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WEEKLY POLL

What are you doing before the game on Saturday?

- a) Eating free food at tailgates b) Playing cornhole
 - c) Painting my body green d) All of the above

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Finding the truth through numbers

Dear Mr. Pilger,

I have a wee little quibble with your argument from Monday ("Perry's 'injustice,' Aug. 29). It's not that I believe Americans don't pay enough in income taxes, or that the tax code is fine as it is (it most certainly could use some changes), but rather, your statistics on Texas jobs and education don't tell the whole story. You wrote that Texas "leads the nation in minimum wage jobs and adults without high school education." I have no objection to the statement, but there were a few facts missing.

It is true that Texas has many people working in minimum wage jobs and many people who don't have high school education, but it also has a very large immigrant population. What the statistics fail in mentioning is that many of the immigrants (especially undocumented immigrants) come into this nation with little or no high school education. Many of them work in whatever job they can find, often in jobs with smaller paychecks. Also quoted: "Statistics show that 26 percent of Texans lack health insurance." If this statistic is "adjusted" for the number of immigrants who may not be able to purchase health insurance because of citizenship status, then the percentage is much smaller.

Perhaps I see things a little differently because I see through the eyes of a Western Texan. Perhaps I'm just a fan of precise, truth-telling numbers. I see no problem in the statistics themselves; in fact, I applaud you for using them. I just want everyone to see some of the other details in the numbers and to learn to take all statistics with a grain of salt.

Marie Moya junior Cavanaugh Hall Aug. 29

Regret lives forever

Maggy Garcia was one of the most beautiful people you could ever meet, inside and out. She had an absolutely radiant smile, oozed an infectiously positive personality and you'd never know anyone who could light up a room until you met her. Maggy Garcia, I am lucky to say, was a dear friend of mine. I have an innumerable amount of fond memories of growing up with her that I will cherish forever.

Maggy Garcia died last weekend very suddenly and unexpectedly. I imagine that many of you have experienced the pain and suffering that I am going through right now. Losing someone you love is never easy, but it seems that much more difficult to deal with when it is someone your own age, like Maggy.

Being young, we tend to approach life with a sort of wild, joyous confidence and sense of invincibility. We rarely stop to truly appreciate that every day, every moment, is a gift. Here at Notre Dame, however, we are perhaps more acutely aware than most of our generation of how suddenly fate can change. Within our Domer family alone, we have had too many tragic incidents, from Marcus Garcia's accident last week that still has us holding our breaths, to the tragic losses that overshadowed our campus just last year.

My message to you today, however, goes beyond a simple call for appreciating

life and never taking our blessings for granted.

While already suffering from the loss of my friend this weekend, I came across something that shattered what was left of my heart. While perusing the various farewell messages on Maggy's Facebook wall this weekend, I was struck by one in particular. A college friend of Maggy's was expressing her regret for the way they had last parted, just a few days before Maggy's death. Though she did not give details of the disagreement, she wrote, "I know you know I didn't mean the horrible words I said to you, but I hate knowing that I will now never be able to take them back. Please, please forgive me."

If I have one goal in life, it is to die with no regrets. All in all, I'd have to say that I've lived up to that goal relatively well thus far. However, I'd never before this weekend really considered what it would be like to have regrets about my relationship with someone if they were to pass away.

relationship with someone if they were to pass away.

Just like we all have good friends, there's no denying that we all probably have a few not-so-good friends. I'll be the first to admit that there are several people in my life and on this campus alone with whom I have had a rough past and harbor strong resentment toward.

However, after this weekend, I have been inspired to challenge myself, and all of you who read this, to let it go. Let go of your anger. Let go of your old grudges. It's a thousand times easier to smile at someone than it is to scowl. Think twice before shooting someone a dirty look or a cruel remark. What if that was the last thing you said to them? Whatever your harsh feelings are in the moment, it's not worth a lifetime of regret.

To all who may read this with whom I have a negative past (you know who you are): I hereby absolve you of all the faults that I have ever held against you. From this point forward, I consider our relationship a clean slate and hope that you may find it within yourself to extend me the same courtesy, in hopes that we may move forward as at least gentle, amicable acquaintances.

To Maggy: Rest in peace, you beautiful girl. Thank you, through life and now even through death, for teaching me the virtues and wisdom that made you such a wonderful person.

wonderful person.
It's not goodbye. It's, "I'll see you later."

Sarah Gatens senior off campus Aug. 29

A response from Athletics

Dear Observer Editor:

Some important items were raised in the Viewpoint letter dated Aug. 24 ("Athletic Department needs to use honest marketing") regarding the marketing of Athletics at Notre Dame. The Athletic Department would like to make readers of The Observer aware of the information below.

In reference to football tickets, the University has a very long-standing tradition of offering tickets to the student body at a minimum 50 percent discount. The affordability and tradition of football tickets for our student body is critical to the Athletic Department and University as a whole. Student tickets for the 2011 season for the junior class, were \$210, plus a discounted \$5 service charge, not \$250 as stated in the letter. This represents a 52.22 percent discount, including the service charge.

The concerns regarding the Mike Lee boxing tickets are important. Tickets for the event are discounted to \$15 for students. Additional fees are assessed for Internet and phone ticket orders. Based on the information provided it does not appear as though the service charge details were adequately communicated in our marketing materials to the student body. Mike Lee boxing tickets purchased in person are \$15 for students. Service charges for tickets purchased by students to the fight over the Internet will be refunded. Ticket purchasers should be aware that service charges are assessed for Internet and phone transactions in order to cover the costs of making tickets available through those mediums. Future communications will reflect service charge information more clearly.

The Athletic Department sincerely appreciates the support of our students, alumni, faculty, staff, season ticket holders and fans

> Josh Berlo Senior Assistant Athletic Director Department of Athletics Aug. 28

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JOURNEYS TO ND IN

"MEEK'S CUTOFF"

By ALEXANDRA KILPATRICK

Scene Writer

Seldom does a period drama speak to a contemporary audience in a relatable way, but Meek's Cutoff does just that.

Kelly Reichardt's drama is brilliantly cast and directed, with cinematography that enables the audience to feel in the moment of the actual historical event. "Meek's Cutoff" gained much critical acclaim and competed for the Golden Lion at the 67th Venice International Film Festival.

Reichardt is an acclaimed screenwriter and director within the American indie film industry, often creating dramas that fall in the minimalist movement. Her 1994 debut "River of Grass" was nominated for three Independent Spirit Awards and the Grand Jury Prize at the Sundance Film Festival.

Since then, she released 1999's "Ode," based on Herman Raucher's novel "Ode to Billie Joe," and two short films, 2001's "Then a Year" and 2004's "Travis" about the Iraq War.

Her 2006 film "Old Joy" features actor Daniel London and singer-song-writer Will Oldham as two friends who journey to the Cascades and Bagby Hot Springs near Portland for a camping trip. The drama, based on a short story by Jon Raymond, won awards from the Los Angeles Film Critics Association, Rotterdam International Film Festival, Sarasota Film Festival and Independent Spirit Awards.

Reichardt's 2008 film "Wendy and Lucy," also based on a Jon Raymond story, earned Oscar buzz for lead actress Michelle Williams and was nominated for two Independent Spirit Awards including Best Film.

Reichardt's newest drama, the 2010 western film "Meek's Cutoff," follows a

group of pioneers on the Oregon Trail in 1845. Frontiersman Stephen Meek (Bruce Greenwood) leads a wagon train on an ill-fated journey through the desert to find a route called the Meek Cutoff. The film also stars Michelle Williams as Emily Tetherow and Paul Dano as Thomas Gately.

Tensions rise throughout the course of the Oregon High Desert journey as the settlers realize that their guide is unintentionally leading them astray. Water and food supplies quickly become scarce as what was meant to be only a two-week trip stretches to five.

Gender relations are also addressed as the wives allow their husbands to make all significant decisions. Nonetheless, a question of power becomes a matter of survival as the pioneers come to terms with their lack of essential resources.

Rotten Tomatoes describes the film as "moving at a contemplative speed unseen in most Westerns ... 'Meek's Cutoff' is an effective, intense journey of terror and survival in the untamed frontier."

The DeBartolo Performing Arts Center will show "Meek's Cutoff" this weekend.

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On campus

What: "Meek's Cutoff"
Where: DeBartolo Performing
Arts Center
When: Sept. 1 and 2
How Much: \$3 for students
Learn More: www.

performingarts.nd.edu



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NEW TO Your Queue

The Best of Watch Instantly

Wading through the excessive amount of horrible films on Instant Netflix can be daunting for any subscriber. To ease the process Scene has graciously provided a list of the best Netflix has to offer.

1. "Stripes"

"Stripes," just added to Netflix Instant, is the 80's Bill Murray classic. Following a ragtag group of new army recruits, including the great John Candy and writer Harold Ramis, this film is one of the all-time best comedies and features Bill Murray at his comedic peak.

2. "Mystery Team"

Go ahead and check any theories about "highbrow" comedy at the door. There isn't much of it here. What there is, however, is an extremely cleverly written feature-length answer to the question, "What happened when Encyclopedia Brown grew up?" Starring and co-written by Donald Glover, an actor on NBC's sitcom "Community" who also doubles as the acclaimed artist Childish Gambino, this independent comedy features several familiar faces and many unfor-

3. "Mad Men"

The newest season of this popular AMC show set in the world of '60s advertising won't be back until next year, so what better way is there to prepare for its return than by catching up on Netflix? Whether you're a new viewer or an old fan, don't miss a chance to reconnect with Don Draper and his classy cohort in one of TV's most lauded dramas. Instant Netflix currently has all four seasons available for your viewing pleasure, so cozy up on the couch for a blast back to the past.

4. "Winter's Bone"

After the premiere of the first "Hunger Games" trailer at Sunday's MTV Video Music Awards, the blogosphere is abuzz with Mockingjay-fever. Head to Watch Instantly to see the actress who plays Katniss Everdeen, Jennifer Lawrence, in her Oscar-nominated role as Ree in "Winter's Bone." This indie film follows Ree as she searches for her missing father in order to save her family and home in the Ozarks. Lawrence gives a stunning performance that punches home the gritty power of this film.

5. "Best in Show"

"Best in Show" is one among many witty mockumentaries written by comedy genius Christopher Guest ("Waiting for Guffman," "For Your Consideration," "This is Spinal Tap"). The film follows five dogs and their owners as they journey on the quest to win the coveted Best in Show title. Characters range from awkward (Eugene Levy as Gerry Fleck) to neurotic (Parker Posey as Meg Swan), but all mesh perfectly into a humorous bunch of weirdoes. It's also worth watching simply to see Jane Lynch in her pre-Sue Sylvester days.



This Week's Mix – Homework House Music



by Katherine Greenspon

- 1 "Save the World" Swedish House Mafia
- 2 Where Them Girls At" David Guetta
- 3 "Love Is Gonna Save Us" Benny Benassi
- 4 Around the World" Daft Punk
- 5 Managio For Strings" Tiesto
- 6 Sandstorm" Darude
- 7 Walk on Water" Basshunter
- 8 For an Angel" Paul Van Dyk
- 9 Café Del Mar" Energy 52
- 10 The Boys of Summer" DJ Sammy
- 11 Better Off Alone" Alice Deejay
- 12 Ready To Flow" Nikolai

Back to school and back to the books. Here is a playlist with constant up-tempo beats that will keep you reading and writing late into the night. If you are already weighed down with a heavy workload, these house music classics and new comers will keep you wide awake and ready to go.

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Selects

T Foster the People

You may have had "Pumped Up Kicks" on repeat this summer, but standout tracks "Helena Beat" and "I Would Do Anything For You" are equally worth your ears. This indie-pop band specializes in infectious, dance-ready songs that will put even the biggest Debbie Downer in a good mood.

2 Living Social

Living Social is a college student's dream come true. Every day, students can check the South Bend daily deal featured on the website to find a good bargain. Living Social South Bend features everything from \$20 romantic dinner dates to half-price spa days guaranteed to relieve midweek stress. We all know being in college also means living on a budget, so check out Living Social for some of South Bend's best deals.

3 Super Hero Movies

Although the release of DC's "Green Lantern" had Ryan Reynolds fans squealing all summer long, Marvel will steal the show this year. "The Avengers," a crossover film featuring the Marvel heroes together as one team, will be released in 2012. The action-packed movie will include favorites like Iron Man, Thor, Captain America and the Hulk. With both that release and the new 2012 Spiderman series starring Andrew Garfield and Emma Stone, superhero fanatics are about to experience their nerd glory days. Don't forget to check out SUB's first \$3 movie "Thor" this weekend.

4 "House Hunters International"

This HGTV mainstay whisks viewers across the world as camera crews follow Americans and foreigners in their search for new properties. Satisfy your wanderlust and your desire for home-ownership with this perfect 30-minute TV gem.

5 Etsy

Etsy, a website featuring unique goods, is our generation's equivalent to a craft fair or antique store. It's also a great source for original items Domers can use to spruce up dorm rooms. A quick search for 'Notre Dame' brings up cool paintings, prints, hair bows, shirts, picture frames and, for some reason, a kaleidoscope on top of the Eiffel Tower. If you're craft-minded yourself, it is also the perfect place to sell your wares.

NCAA FOOTBALL

New York Times reports Texas A&M will leave Big 12

Associated Press

COLLEGE STATION, Texas

— The New York Times is reporting Texas A&M has notified the Big 12 it will withdraw from the conference.

Big 12 Commissioner Dan Beebe sent Texas A&M a letter on Monday outlining the withdrawal procedure should the Aggies decide to leave the conference.

The newspaper reported on its website Monday night that Texas A&M President R. Bowen Loftin sent a letter to Missouri Chancellor and Big 12 board chairman Brady Deaton to inform the league it was leaving. The New York Times story

The New York Times story cited two unidentified college officials with direct knowledge of the decision.

Texas A&M's departure would cast doubt on the future of the Big 12 and could lead to more major changes to college athletics.

Earlier in the day, Texas A&M

received a letter from Big 12 Commissioner Dan Beebe outlining the withdrawal procedure should the Aggies decide to leave the league.

University spokesman Jason Cook said the letter "outlines the withdrawal procedures according to the financial provisions of the Big 12 bylaws and mutual waivers of legal claims."

Cook wouldn't provide any other details of the letter or comment on what A&M's next step might be.

The Aggies are interested in joining the Southeastern Conference and the letter comes less than a week after they formally told Beebe they are exploring their options and asked for the conference to outline the process if they decide to leave. The league's board of directors addressed the possible departure of the Aggies this weekend.

"I certainly appreciate the discussion among the Big 12 presidents/chancellors and the expression of their desire for Texas A&M to remain in the conference," Loftin said in a statement. "We all agree that Texas A&M is an extremely valuable institution; thus, it is incumbent upon me, as the president of the university, to ensure that we are in a position to enhance our national visibility and future financial opportunity."

Loftin added this is a "complex and long-term decision," but "it is not our intent to prolong our conference exploration for an extended period of time."

The SEC said earlier this month it was happy with its current 12-school membership but left the door open to expansion. Loftin then received authority from the board of regents to take any action he deems necessary in terms of realignment.

There is concern that a departure by the Aggies could jeopardize the future of the Big 12, which is down to 10 teams after Nebraska (Big Ten) and Colorado (Pac-12) left the

league last July. Loftin has said the Aggies would consider how their departure would impact

the future of Big 12 before any decision is made.

The Big 12 would to find a team to replace the Aggies if they exit the conference and there has been a lot of speculation about possible schools. So far, the only school to publicly express interest in moving to the Big 12 is SMU. Athletics

director Steve Orsini said he's had informal talks with Big 12 officials for some time to inform them of the school's improvements and In the letter Loftin sent to the Big 12 last week, he said if the Aggies leave, they would

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Texas A&M

want to do it in a manner that complies with league by-laws. He also has said financial concerns will factor into any decision to leave; the school likely would face an exit fee.

The Big 12, including Texas A&M, agreed to a 13-year television deal with Fox Sports in April worth more than \$1 billion. There

is a chance the contract could be voided if the Aggies leave the conference, which could lead to legal issues for Texas A&M and its new league.

TENNIS

Sharapova advances to second round at U.S. Open

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Maria Sharapova came back from a set and a break down against 19-year-old Heather Watson of Britain to win 3-6, 7-5, 6-3 in the opening round of the U.S. Open on Monday

"It's just a matter of belief within myself, that no matter how well or bad or good I'm playing, or my opponent is playing, I know I can tough it out," the No. 3-seeded Sharapova said after her 2 1/2-hour victory. "No matter what the situation is, I have the belief."

That self-confidence comes not merely from her success in three-setters this season, but also from three Grand Slam titles, including the 2006 U.S. Open. It's the sort of track record the 102nd-ranked Watson hopes to have one day; Monday's match was only her fifth at a major tournament.

Sharapova won six Grand Slam matches at Wimbledon alone this summer, reaching the final there before losing to Petra Kvitova. Fresh off that triumph, Kvitova — a 21-year-old from the Czech Republic seeded No. 5 in Flushing Meadows — failed to follow it up, flopping at the U.S. Open with a 7-6 (3), 6-3 loss to 48th-ranked Alexandra Dulgh-

eru of Romania.

Kvitova is the first reigning Wimbledon women's champion to lose her first match at the U.S. Open in the same season. Only three times had the Wimbledon winner bowed out as early as the third round in New York: Sharapova in 2004, Conchita Martinez in 1994, and Billie Jean King in 1973.

"This is something new for me," Kvitova said about her new status as Grand Slam champion. "I've felt a little pressure."

She was the only seeded woman to exit on Day 1 of the year's last major tournament, joined on the way out by No. 15 Viktor Troicki of Serbia, a 3-6, 6-3, 4-6, 7-5, 7-5 loser against Alejandro Falla of Colombia.

At night, 2000 and 2001 U.S. Open champion Venus Williams played her first match in two months and beat 91st-ranked Vesna Dolonts of Russia 6-4, 6-3. Williams hit six aces and 28 total winners against the weary Dolonts, who spent 12 hours traveling from Moscow on Monday after having flights canceled Saturday and Sunday because of Tropical Storm Irene.

"My game is built on my serve, and of course, I like to follow it up with a lot of aggressive play," said Williams, who pulled out of recent tuneup tournaments because of a virus. "And it's great to see a lot of those balls land in"

In the day's last match in Arthur Ashe Stadium, 16-time major winner Roger Federer was to face 54th-ranked Santiago Giraldo of Colombia.

Early winners included No. 8 Mardy Fish of the United States, who beat Tobias Kamke of Germany 6-2, 6-2, 6-1; No. 9 Tomas Berdych of Germany, the 2010 Wimbledon runner-up; No. 13 Richard Gasquet of France; No. 22 Alexandr Dolgopolov of Ukraine; and No. 27 Marin Cilic of Croatia.

Advancing along with Sharapova to the second round were No. 2 Vera Zvonareva of Russia, a finalist last year at Wimbledon and the U.S. Open; 16-year-old Madison Keys — the youngest and, at 455th, lowest-ranked woman in the draw — who beat 37-year-old fellow American Jill Craybas 6-2, 6-4; and No. 12 Agnieszka Radwanska of Polan d, who beat her younger sister Urszula Radwanska 6-2, 6-3.

But surprise 2009 U.S. Open quarterfinalist Melanie Oudin of the United States lost 6-0, 7-6 (7) to Romina Oprandi of Italy.

Sharapova was one of the seeded players Oudin stunned during her run two years ago,



AP

Maria Sharapova and Heather Watson meet at the net after their first-round match of the US Open on Monday in New York.

and for a little more than a set Monday, Watson seemed quite capable of registering another significant surprise.

Scrambling along the baseline to get to nearly every ball, Watson forced Sharapova to hit extra shots in order to win a point. And Sharapova, who said she wasn't able to practice enough over the weekend because of Tropical Storm Irene, kept missing

"There's no doubt that I wasn't playing my best tennis," said Sharapova, who finished with a whopping 58 unforced errors, nearly twice as many as Watson. "She was smart in making me hit another ball. I was making so many errors out there. She stuck to her game plan; she kept grinding."

Novak Djokovic was the only player to win a set from Rafael Nadal in the tournament, but eventually Nadal wore him down.

After taking the first set, Watson broke for a 1-0 lead in the second. That's when Sharapova began to turn things around, taking four games in a row. Watson didn't go away, though, getting within 4-3 when Sharapova double-faulted, then holding for 4-all with the Arthur Ashe Stadium crowd supporting the underdog.

But a double-fault by Watson, and two huge return winners by Sharapova, helped the Russian break to end the second set. That sent the match to a third set, and Sharapova's as good as it gets there.

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Colts' Manning practices, activated from PUP list

Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — Peyton Manning is back. Whether he is ready to play is an open ques-

The Colts activated Manning from the physically unable to perform list Monday. A few hours later, the four-time MVP pulled on his white No. 18 jersey and a helmet, and jogged onto the practice field, renewing hopes that he might actually play in the season-opener at Houston on Sept. 11 four months after neck surgery.

"That's kind of been my goal all along, trying to get better and I know everybody's into predictions and everybody wants to have the breaking news," an upbeat Manning said. "But I just can't give you any more than what I'm giving you."

What everyone wants to know, of course, is whether Manning will be ready. Nobody, including

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Manning, will say that yet and he said again that he won't play in Thursday night's preseason finale at Cincinnati.

Clearly, though, Manning is getting closer. He acknowledged that he is healthy enough right now to take a snap or play a series to keep his consecutivegames streak intact but insists he won't.

"Like I said the other night, I have to be able to competitively play," he said. "I have too much respect for football. I've got to be able to compete and to help my team win, and that's what's fair to the team, fair to myself."

Manning has started 227 consecutive games, including the playoffs, the second-longest streak in NFL history for quarterbacks behind Brett Favre. Of all the numbers Manning has put up over the years, the streak is the one he has usually said means the most.

Manning had been on the PUP

since the team's first training camp practice on Aug. 1 following the May procedure to repair a nerve in his neck. The Colts were facing a Saturday deadline to make the move or Manning would have missed Indy's first six games.

Team officials issued a statement that said Manning would practice on a "scripted" and controlled basis. Coach Jim Caldwell did not elaborate on the plan.

"Obviously, he's been throwing, but nevertheless it's just going to be in a limited amount," Caldwell said. "I don't think it needs a whole lot of explanation, I don't believe. Scripted means that we kind of know exactly what he's going to do, prescribed by his rehab specialist and our medical team.

Manning hadn't been seen much at team headquarters, perhaps working out in private. He was at his playful best on Monday, teasing reporters about their memories, poking fun at the circus-like environment surrounding his neck injury and suggesting that his close friend and center, Jeff Saturday, was tired of answering questions about him.

Team officials have said all along that Manning would practice only when doctors cleared him and when Manning felt comfortable, and he again declined to say specifically what was holding him back.

"I don't know what HIPAA stands for, but I believe in it and I practice it," Manning joked, referring to the federal law protecting medical privacy. uh, I'll leave it at that."

The fact he has been activated is not only good news for Manning, his teammates and Colts' fans, but it also eased some concerns expressed by Jim Irsay. Indy's team owner recently wrote on Twitter that the Colts should be prepared to start the season without Manning and later posted comments that prompted speculation he was trying to convince Favre to come out of retirement.

Instead, the Colts signed another retired quarterback in



Colts' quarterback Peyton Manning talks with backup quarterback Curtis Painter during a preseason game Aug. 13 in St. Louis.

16-year veteran Kerry Collins, who stood alongside Manning in a nationally televised loss to Super Bowl champion Green Bay last week.

"(hash)18 to the practice field! Soon the leaves will fall/I looked at sideline sat.night n saw \$30,000,000.00 standing there,my checkbook hurts!, Irsay wrote Monday. Manning signed a five-year, \$90 million contract deal in the offseason to

The next big question is how the Colts will divvy up the

Manning insists he'll spend the next two weeks continuing the rehab and trying to get in sync with his teammates.

But the Colts need Collins to work with the starters and still want Curtis Painter, who remains No. 2 on the depth chart, to play, too, in case Manning misses the Houston game.

"Starting today, I guess I'd be getting quite a few reps," Collins said. "What the breakdown will be, I don't know, because I'm sure they're going to try and get Peyton back into the swing of things.

The surgery was expected to keep Manning off the field for six to eight weeks.

Instead, the recovery has gone slower than expected, something Manning has blamed, in part, on the 4 1/2-month lockout that kept him away from team trainers.

With Manning ailing, the Colts have been refining backup plans. Two days after signing Collins, Painter delivered his best preseason performance by going 11 of 21 for 171 yards with two TD passes and nearly led the Colts to their first preseason win in more than two

But Manning has been the backbone of this team since he was taken No. 1 overall in 1998.

He's thrown for 54,828 yards, third all-time behind Favre and Dan Marino, and needs one more TD pass to join Favre (508) and Marino (420) as the only members of the NFL's 400-club. He's led the Colts to a record-tying nine consecutive playoff appearances, including last season when most of his top weapons went down with



Forlan transfers to Inter Milan

Associated Press

MADRID — Diego Forlan is joining Inter Milan after Atletico Madrid agreed to sell the Uruguay striker to the Serie A

Forlan, who will fill the vacant striker spot left after Samuel Eto'o's departure for Russian club Anzhi Makhachkala, announced his departure from Atletico at a news conference Monday at the club's Vicente Calderon stadium.

"It's not everyday you get the chance to play for Inter Milan at 32. Let's hope I can meet expectations," Forlan said. "It's a great club with great players fighting for major trophies. I hope to adapt quickly.

Financial terms of the deal were not announced. Forlan will not be allowed to take part in Champions League play for Inter unless it reaches the

knockout stages since he al- pleasure to win the titles we did ready featured for Atletico in Europa League qualifying this

Forlan, who was named best player at last year's World Cup in South Africa after Uruguay reached the semifinals, spent four seasons at Atletico and helped it to the 2010 European Supercup and scored both goals in the 2-1 Europa League final victory.

moments "Some great but the majority of years here have been spectacular," said Forlan, who spent the latter half of his last season out of the starting lineup due to problems with then-coach Quique Sanchez Flores. "But I'm happy with the decision I've taken because life goes on, players come and go and you have to accept

"I achieved the objectives we had set out. It was an enormous

The former Manchester United and Villarreal striker had two years remaining on his Atletico deal with reports suggesting he has agreed to a two-year deal with the Italian club.

"I go to another great club where I like the project and the expectations they have," Forlan said. "But these past four years remain a good memory.

Forlan scored 96 goals in 198 appearances for Atletico, which he also guided to the Copa del Rev final in 2010. Forlan won the Golden Boot award as Europe's top goalscorer twice.

Atletico paid FC Porto 58 million for Colombia striker Radamel Falcao, who arrives with high expectations following the departures of the club's fearsome strike partnership of Forlan and Sergio Aguero, who joined Manchester City.



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Messi leads Barcelona in 5-0 thrashing of Villareal

BARCELONA, Spain — Lionel Messi and Thiago Alcantara led Barcelona to a dominating 5-0 win over Villarreal on Monday to open the defending champion's campaign for a fourth straight Spanish league title.

Despite a makeshift defense and coming off a European Super Cup victory just three days before, Barcelona responded to Real Madrid's 6-0 rout of Zaragoza over the weekend with another display of its own beautiful

Thiago and Cesc Fabregas struck before halftime, Alexis Sanchez extended the lead and Messi capped the victory at Camp Nou stadium with a pair of late goals.

Barcelona has now gone undefeated in all competitions at home since last season's home opener.

"We are very happy considering where we came from," said coach Pep Guardiola, who has already added two pieces of silverware to Barcelona's trophy case this summer. "This team has demonstrated that it always wants more. The win of the Spanish Supercup gave us an extra push to win more."

With starters Carles Puyol,

Gerard Pique, Adriano and Maxwell all out with injury, and Dani Alves serving a suspension from last season, Guardiola experimented with a three-man defensive line with Eric Abidal alongside reconverted midfielders Javier Mascherano and Sergio Busquets.

Even with the new system and Spanish internationals Xavi Hernandez and David Villa on the bench, Guardiola's team continued to mesmerize with its possession-based attack.

We are Barcelona and we try to win everything," said Thiago. "I am having a good run of luck with goals and I have to take full advantage of it."

Thiago broke through in the 25th when the 20-year-old Spain midfielder received the ball outside the area and coolly slid forward before picking his spot and slotting the ball through a pack of defenders into the right side of

Reminiscent of Barcelona's second goal in the European Super Cup on Friday, Messi and Fabregas continued to show the connection they developed as teenage teammates as the Argentine star left Fabregas with only goalkeeper Diego Lopez to

round and tap home on the halftime whistle.

"It's easy to play with these guys because it is not my first time with them and my football memory is lasting," Fabregas

While Barcelona was content to strangle Villarreal's passing game with its control of the ball in the first half, it quickly put the game out of question right out of the break.

Sanchez netted his first goal in an official game for his new team in the 47th when he latched on to a lobbed pass from Thiago and fired past Lopez into the far side of net.

Four minutes later Andres Iniesta played Messi through the center of the defense for him to beat Lopez one-on-one.

The demoralized Villarreal defense collapsed completely in the 74th when another onetouch combination left Thiago alone on the flank to cross for Messi to deflect in his sixth goal in four games.

For Guardiola, his team's success goes through its midfield.

"It is true that Messi and Cesc look for one another, but Iniesta did so as well. Thiago participated, and Seydou (Keita)," he said.



Barcelona forward Lionel Messi, right, glides past Villareal goalkeeper Diego Lopez to score one of his two goals Monday.

"On this team it is inconceivable that if one player makes a run, his teammate doesn't pass him

Over the weekend, Cristiano Ronaldo scored a hat trick to lead Real Madrid to its thrashing of Zaragoza.

MLB

Dickey disposes of Marlins in 2-1 win

Associated Press

NEW YORK — R.A. Dickey hasn't been getting many runs lately. This time, two turned out

to be enough.

Dickey pitched seven spotless innings and the New York Mets, back on the field following a two-day break because of Hurricane Irene, beat the Florida Marlins 2-1 in the opener of a doubleheader Monday.

It was Dickey's seventh con-secutive quality start, the best such streak of his career. Hampered by a lack of offensive support, however, he was 0-3 in his previous five outings.

"R.A. Dickey is one of the most popular guys in the clubhouse, without a question," Mets manager Terry Collins said. "He's been pitching great. But for him to get a win, there's a lot of guvs

happy for him right now." Justin Turner had a runscoring single and Josh Thole hustled his way to an RBI for the Mets, who have won three straight following a 2-11 skid. Jason Isringhausen struck out all three batters in the eighth and Bobby Parnell gave up a homer to New York nemesis Gaby Sanchez in the ninth before earning his second save.

A boy in the stands got hurt in the ninth inning when Florida's Greg Dobbs hit a line drive into the right-field seats, just beyond the New York dugout. Stadium medical workers immediately tended to the boy, who appeared to be hit in the face and was bleeding heavily. Accompanied by his mother, he was carted away in a wheelchair after the game and taken under the stands to an ambulance.

Following the final out, Turner went over from his second base position to wait for the boy by the railing. Turner took off his jersey and handed it over as a souvenir. Dobbs gave the boy a bat, and Collins also came over.

Ricky Nolasco started the nightcap against New York rookie Dillon Gee. Batting leadoff for the Mets was All-Star shortstop Jose Reyes, activated from the disabled list between

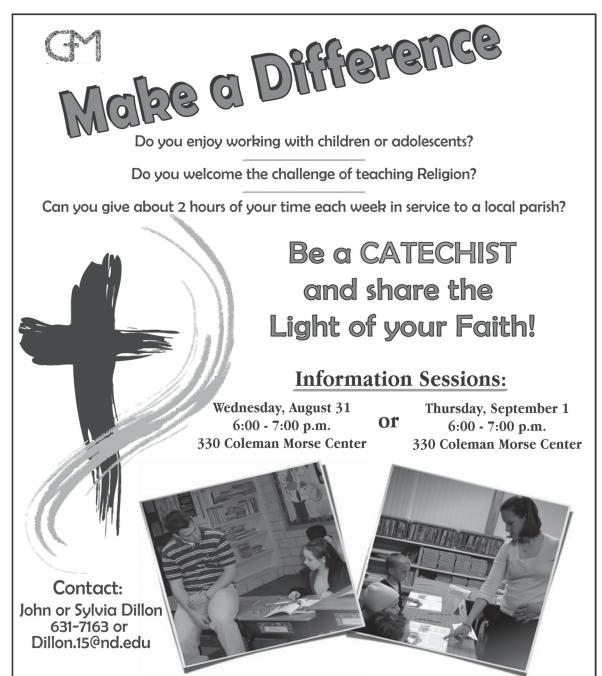
Both teams were playing for the first time since Friday because of Hurricane Irene, which battered the East Coast over the weekend. The Marlins rode out the storm in Philadelphia, then bused up to New York on Sunday night.

Dickey (6-11) lost power at his Long Island home during the storm, but was steady on the mound all afternoon. Floating a few 60 mph knuckleballs at the Marlins, he scattered seven hits and walked one while striking out six in his first win since July

"It's not the metrics that's the measurement. If there's a win or a loss by my name, it has to do with the team who gets the win. That's what I try to focus on more than anything," Dickey said. "It felt like a long time, but I didn't know the exact date."

Dickey finally got some good fortune in the sixth when Dobbs lined out to third with runners at the corners and one out. Sanchez flied out to end the inning.

Florida opened the seventh with consecutive singles, but Dickey picked off Mike Cameron at second with an unorthodox move and then worked his way out of the inning.





MLB

Carp and Ackley lead Seattle to win over Angels

Lee's home run, Rodriguez's 13 strikeouts lift Astros over Pirates; Wells pitches shut-out against the Giants

Associated Press

SEATTLE — Mike Carp hit a two-run homer in the eighth inning, lifting the Seattle Mariners to a 5-3 victory over the Los Angeles Angels on Monday

Dustin Ackley, who had three hits and a pair of RBIs, opened the eighth with a double. Carp then hit the first pitch from Hisanori Takahashi (3-3) 432 feet into a fan's lap in the seconddeck restaurant in left field.

The drive gave Carp 22 RBIs in August. Danny Tartabull holds the club record with 25 RBIs in a month, in July 1986.

The loss dropped the Angels 3½ games behind idle Texas in the AL West.

Tom Wilhelmsen (2-0) earned the victory with one inning of relief. Brandon League finished the ninth for his 32nd save in 37 opportunities.

Angels first baseman Mark Trumbo hit his team-leading 24th home run, a two-run shot in the fourth.

Ichiro Suzuki had two doubles and extended his hitting streak to a season-high 12 games.

Suzuki has had 40 career double-digit hitting streaks, tied with Pete Rose for the fifth most since 1918. The others in front of him are Ty Cobb (65), Hank Aaron (44), Al Simmons (42) and Stan Musial (41).
Suzuki hit Joel Pineiro's sec-

ond pitch of the game for a double that bounced over the rightcenter wall. Franklin Gutierrez singled to left, moving Suzuki to third. Gutierrez later was caught in rundown.

Ackley, a home run shy of the cycle, sent Suzuki home with a sacrifice fly to left.

In the second, Miguel Olivo opened with a double down the left-field line and eventually would score, also on a sacrifice fly to left by Kyle Seager for a 2-0 lead.

Trumbo tied it with two outs in the fourth. Torii Hunter singled just before Trumbo launched his ball off the leftfield upper-deck facade, on a 1-0 pitch from Blake Beavan. The Angels have had at least one home run in 19 of their last 20 games.

The Angels added another in the inning. Vernon Wells singled to center followed by Erick Aybar's RBI double into deep right-center.

The Mariners tied it in the fifth, also with two outs. Suzuki doubled into the gap in left. Ackley drove a run-scoring triple into the gap in right for a 3-3 score.

Ackley, who made his bigleague debut June 16, has at least one hit in 46 of his 62 games. He's now hitting .291.

The Angels had something going in the seventh with speedy Aybar on first and one out. With Aybar breaking for second, Peter Bourjos hit a line shot to left. Casper Wells raced in, caught on the run and quickly fired to first to double

Trumbo doubled with two outs in the ninth but League induced Wells to ground out to

Astros 7 Pirates 4

HOUSTON — Pittsburgh reliever Jason Grilli felt he wasn't at his best Monday night, and it showed.

Carlos Lee hit a tiebreaking three-run homer of in the seventh inning, Wandy Rodriguez struck out a career-high 13 and the Houston Astros rallied past the Pirates 7-4.

Grilli (1-1) allowed two runs and walked one in 1 1-3 innings in a situation he normally thrives in. He had made seven straight scoreless outings covering nine innings entering the

Grilli, who was signed as free agent on July 21, said he wants the ball even though he has worked a lot — 16 appearances in the last month, and he threw 2 2-3 scoreless innings Wednesday.

"I'm going out there and grinding," Grilli said. "I didn't have it tonight. I didn't have my breaking ball. My velocity was a little down. I was a little tired the second inning. That's on me. I'll take credit for not getting out the situation I've been getting out of."

Trailing 3-2 in the seventh, a fielder's choice grounder by J.D.



Angels infielder Erick Aybar attempts to lay down a bunt in a 5-3 loss to the Mariners Monday. Aybar grounded out on the play as the Angels fell 3 1/2 games behind the Rangers in the division.

Martinez tied the score and Lee extended his hitting streak to 10 games with his 14th homer off Jose Veras, putting the Astros ahead for the first time.

Veras has pitched well as of late, too, allowing just three earned runs in his last 13 1-3 innings.

Pirates manager Clint Hur-dle said the big at-bat of that inning was when Grilli hit Jordan Schafer with a pitch with

Rodriguez (10-9) struck out six of the first nine batters he faced and didn't allow a hit until Josh Harrison led off the fourth with a double and Andrew McCutchen followed with

his 19th homer.

Neil Walker doubled and
Ryan Doumit drove in the third run with a double. Rodriguez then walked Matt Diaz before finding his control again and striking out the next three.

The game plan is that he's going to pitch away his fastball and try to spin his breaking ball, and you have to find a way to take some of his breaking balls," Hurdle said. "We swung at a lot of breaking balls out of the zone.

Rodriguez (10-9) struck out the side twice, including the fourth. He went seven innings, walked four and allowed four hits. It was the 10th doubledigit strikeout game of Rodriguez's career.

Rodriguez had fanned 11 batters previously on three occasions.

Cubs 7 Giants 0

SAN FRANCISCO — Randy Wells pitched a two-hitter for his first career complete game, and Chicago hit four home runs - three off San Francisco ace Tim Lincecum — as the Cubs beat the Giants 7-0 on Monday

Alfonso Soriano, Geovany Soto, Blake DeWitt and Carlos Pena all went deep for the Cubs, who snapped a four-game losing streak and won for only the second time in their last nine games.

It was the third time this season Chicago has had four or more home runs in one game. The Cubs have 38 home runs in August, most in the National League.

Lincecum (12-11) lasted six innings and took the loss, giving him a career-high 11 on the season. The loss dropped the defending World Series champions five games behind first-place Arizona in the NL West. The way Wells has been pitching it didn't matter what

Lincecum did.

Wells (6-4) faced only four batters over the minimum and only allowed two runners to reach second base. He matched his season-high of seven strikeouts and walked one while winning his third consecutive start on the road. The right-hander, who hasn't lost since July 28, improved to 2-1 in four career starts against the Giants.

San Francisco managed only a two-out double by Andres Torres in the third and Mike Fontenot's pinch-hit single with one out in the eighth.

That continues to be a big problem for the Giants, who went into August with a twogame lead in the division. Now San Francisco needs a strong finish to avoid missing out on the postseason altogether.

The Giants are five games back of the Diamondbacks with 27 games to play. At the same point a year ago, they were lead before going 18-8 in Sep-

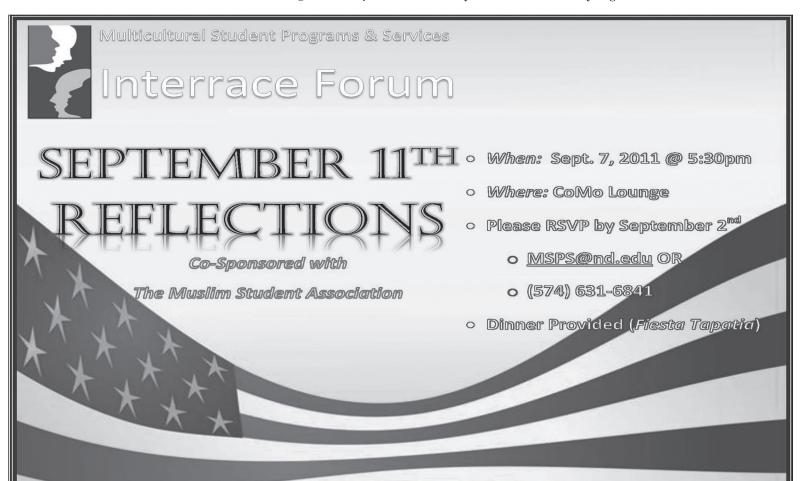
Lincecum, a two-time NL Cy Young Award winner, had allowed only five runs over his previous five starts. He pitched out of jams in the first and sixth but gave up solo home runs to Soriano and Soto be-fore DeWitt's three-run blast in the seventh.

Soriano's home run was his 23rd of the season, one shy of tying Pena and Aramis Ramirez for the team lead.

Soto's homer, leading off the seventh, snapped an 0-for-25 streak by the Cubs' catcher.

Lincecum finished with four walks and four strikeouts. He needs seven more to reach 200 for the fourth consecutive sea-

Pena hit his 24th homer off reliever Steve Edlefsen in the seventh.



Senior

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achievements to a new level in their final campaign.

Velarde, Hirt and Sullivan made key contributions for the Irish last year, each placing in several of the team's meets, including the Pre-NCAA Meet, the Big East Meet and the NCAA Great Lakes Regional Meet. The six seniors also enjoyed victory at the regional meet as sophomores, when the team came from behind and placed first.

It has not always been an easy road for the class of 2012, as they have faced injuries and lost teammates that have quit the team along the way.

"When my class came in as freshmen, there were 12 of us. Through the years we've unfortunately lost some really great girls," Velarde said. "I think what makes our class unique and what sets us apart is that we've had a lot of injuries and setbacks, but we've just worked harder and harder and been able to help the team. I think it's made us better people in general."

This class has transformed from timid freshmen to bona fide leaders over the last three years.

"Coming in as freshman, it's a very different experience than high school or any previous experience, and all of us wanted to contribute to the team to make it the best it could be," Velarde said. "As the years progressed and we got older, we had to try to take on leadership roles, not just by example, but by being vocal leaders.

"We couldn't be following anymore," she said. "We had to try to help the younger kids succeed."

Velarde said their camaraderie has also aided their success.

"Being with these girls, we're friends on and off the course," she said. "To be in the sport that we're in, you have to have so much love for your teammates, and [ours] can be seen both on and off the course."

Under the leadership of the senior class, Velarde has set high standards for the Irish.

"Our goals for this season are to finish top-4 in the Big East, win [the Great Lakes Region], and finish top-15 in Nationals," she said.

The first meet of the year for the men and women is Friday at Valparaiso's Crusader Invitational in Valparaiso, Ind.

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"Part of the reason that I played [tennis] was because I lived all over," Andrews said. "I lived in Mexico and I actu-

"I think there's absolutely

no reason we can't

win the Big East

championship this year."

Greg Andrews

sophomore singles player

playing in Mexico. Then I moved to Texas and then England. And tennis is really one of the only sports they have in all those places."

ally started

Andrews began playing tennis at five-years-old for fun. By age 11, he was playing

competitively. Eventually, Andrews made his name known as one of the top players in the country on the high school junior circuit. His strong play led to interest from Notre Dame early in the recruiting process.

"[Associate head coach] Ryan Sachire contacted me really early," Andrews said. "I started my junior year

and they were already talk-

ing to me and expressing interest, which I thought was really cool. One of the main reasons I came here was the academics mixed with great coaches. [Head coach Bob Bayliss and Sachire are] great coaches [and] they know their tennis, but they're

just great guys, too." Despite

Despite a strong junior career, Andrew still had to make quite an adjustment to college life.

"You're really just kind of out there on your own before college and when you get to college it's just such a different atmosphere," he said. "Where we play at is

a lot louder and you're not just playing for yourself anymore."

Despite the challenges, Andrews successfully made the transition. He played well enough for the Irish in his rookie campaign to earn the Big East Freshman of the Year award. Even with this accomplishment, however, the accounting major is still looking to make improvements to his game heading into his sophomore season.

"The thing I've struggled with the most is I didn't come in very well-rounded and we've been working on that since I got here, particularly on the backhand and serve," he said. "I've been working on those [two shots] and want to continue working on those moving forward."

Andrews is hoping those improvements will result in an increased performance, enough to move him into the individual national rankings.

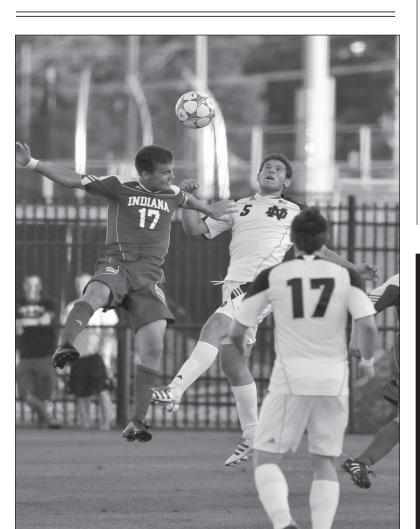
"For myself, I didn't get a ranking last year," Andrews said. "I didn't crack the top-125 and I'd really like to change that this year and at the very least get ranked. And hopefully, get a pretty good ranking, maybe in the top-60."

But beyond that, he's also looking for another grand accomplishment: a team Big East championship.

"I think there's absolutely no reason we can't win the Big East championship this year," he said. "We definitely have the talent and it's been awhile since we've won one, so we're definitely pretty hungry."

Andrews and the Irish open their season Sept. 16 at the Olympia Fields Invitational in Olympia Fields, Ill.

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SUZANNA PRATT/The Observer

Irish junior midfielder Dillon Powers, center, challenges for a header with an Indiana defender in a 0-0 tie Saturday.

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get us to the next level."

Clark, whom Powers calls not only his coach but also a mentor, said the captains have done a tremendous job since taking over the team's leadership positions.

"Dillon is a very positive and influential player on this team," Clark said. "He came in as just a good player and is growing in authority. He is learning to grab the game by the scruff of the neck and really influence games."

A year ago, Powers, who models his game after Barcelona

midfielder Xavi, tallied four goals and 12 points while starting in each game. In his career, he has played in 38 games and compiled 17 points as the central midfielder.

"It's something I've always liked to do to set the pace of the game," Powers said. "When I dictate the pace, it's fun."

Despite everything Powers has achieved to date, he said there is still a box left to check-off on the to-do list.

"A national championship is

"A national championship is always the goal and I believe we can do it this year," he said. "I'm still waiting for my greatest moment."

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already championship-winning foundation.

But she said the biggest fac-

tors in recruiting may have nothing to do with the coach.

"Over the past five years here we've brought in some of the best golfers in the country, and that makes other top golfers want to come here, too," Holt said. "When you add in

our great academic reputation and our great facilities, I think that makes us one of the best package deals in the country."

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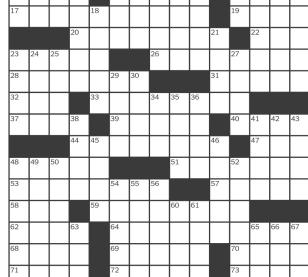
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Happy Birthday: Opportunity knocks. Move forward with your eyes wide open. You won't want to miss a beat. Focus on bettering yourself and what you have to offer. This is a perfect year to promote and position yourself for advancement. Force may be required, and coupled with common sense and practical applications, you will rise above any obstacles. Your numbers are 5, 9, 14, 20, 29, 38, 41.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): TDon't take a back seat when you should be engaging in worthwhile conversations that allow you to promote one of your ideas. Reworking an old goal to better suit the economic climate will draw attention that you couldn't drum up in the past. Professional gains are apparent. **

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Say little; do a lot. The busier you are with work and accomplishing your goals, the better. Not everyone will agree with you, but if you focus on what's important, you will make substantial gains. Love is in the stars. ★★★★

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): You may be in the mood to explore new avenues, but before you travel down a path that may also lead to unforeseen trouble, do your research. A problem with children or your lover is likely to distract you. ★★

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Say what is on your mind and clear the air before someone gets the wrong impression. Romance is highlighted, and the opportunity to meet new people is present if you participate in an event you believe in. $\star\star\star\star$

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Look to expand a business prospect or to apply for a new position. Opportunities are available, but if you are looking to start at the top, you may end up disappointed. You can get ahead, but you have to prove your potential. $\star\star\star$

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): You can learn a lot if you observe what others do and say. There is room for change, and with the right combination of hard work and detail, you will make a good impression on someone who can influence your future. **

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Do what you can to stabilize your financial position. A third party may put a damper on your plans by referring to the price or authenticity of something you are considering buying or selling. Leave enough room to make last-minute changes to a deal. **

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): The way you treat others will be directly linked to what you receive in return. An honest assessment of who you are and what you are contributing to the relationships you are in will be necessary if you plan to move forward. ****

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): It will be difficult to get away with anything. A problem while traveling will be due to confusion, delays or detours. An emotional matter cannot be resolved unless you are willing to compromise. **

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Don't leave anything to chance or to someone else to finish. You have to take a hands-on approach, especially where money and your possessions are concerned. Love is prominent and will enhance your life. ***

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Arguing will not pay off, but discussing the way you feel will lead to a solution you can live with. Favors will be granted if you ask, but before you do, make sure you understand what's expected in return. $\star\star\star$

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Partnerships are highlighted. Talk business, get answers and sign deals. Your aggressive behavior will be seen as an asset, and you will be admired for your candor. Put time aside to enjoy the company of people who enjoy the same pastimes

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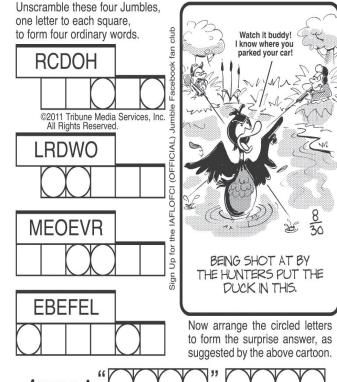
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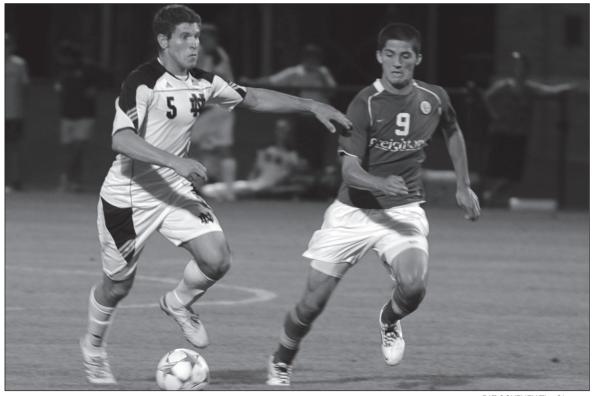
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Men's Soccer

Super Powers

Junior midfielder, captain Dillon Powers takes skills to national soccer team, rap game



Irish junior midfielder Dillon Powers dribbles past a defender in a 2-2 exhibition tie Aug. 22 against Creighton at Alumni Stadium. The Irish went 1-0-2 in the preseason.

By MATTHEW DeFRANKS Sports Writer

Not many people can claim hip-hop mogul Kanye West, musical legend Stevie Wonder and Irish coach Bobby Clark as inspiration in their lives. For Irish junior midfielder Dillon Powers, all three have influenced his life on and off the

Powers, who returns for his third season with the Irish this year, is not only a soccer player, but also a music producer.

defender Senior Aaron Maund and midfielder Michael Rose, along with Powers, form most of the Dallas-based hiphop group Luck or Skill. In high school, Powers formed the group with Michigan State student Chris Burgess and has since added his teammates to the band.

Though they're close off the field, Powers and Maund are even closer on. Both play in the center and both earned preseason All-Big East and All-American honors.

Powers also played with the U-20 United States National Team in both 2009 and 2011.

"Playing for your country is always a great honor," Powers said. "To represent your country on any stage is an indescribable feeling. It was a great experience.'

Mike Powers coached his son and junior Irish defender Grant Van De Casteele on club team Andromeda F.

Clark said Powers' national team experience helped prepare both Powers and Van De Casteele for college play.

"I give the credit to Mike Powers for Dillon and Grant," Clark

The junior political science major is one of the three elected Irish captains this season. Powers shares the captaincy with fifth-year defender Greg Klazura and Maund.

"It's a huge honor to be voted by teammates," Powers said. "It's an exciting opportunity to lead this team and, hopefully,

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ND Women's Golf

Irish coach Holt puts emphasis on recruiting future

By JACK HEFFERON

Sports Writer

When taking over a new program, Division I coaches are usually not assessed — positively or negatively — on the talent of players they inherited from a previous staff. They often bring in "their players" before being judged.

But Irish coach Susan Holt has reeled in top prospects from the recruiting trail to build success with both the old and the new during her five years at the

"We have a great package to

offer here at Notre Dame," Holt said. "It allows us to recruit anybody and bring in the best golfers in the country."

That success in recruiting was key for the Irish last season, as they claimed the Big East championship behind the strength of four former top-25 recruits. Senior captain Becca Huffer is the top returner from that team, and senior Katie Allare and sophomore Kristina Nhim are back as well. With only five golfers on the roster though, the team will have to rely heavily on their newest recruits, freshmen Ashley Armstrong and Kelli Oride.

"[Armstrong and Oride] have done a good job with the transition so far, but it's been kind of hectic for them," Holt said. "They haven't even been here a week, and they're still adjusting to the way we do things here. But we still expect them make the immediate impact we hoped they would."

That learning process will have to be a speedy one, as Notre Dame's fall schedule begins in less than three weeks at the Golfweek Conference Challenge. While the team gears up for play though, Holt will still

be juggling between coaching her current players and recruiting her future ones. Right now, the emphasis in recruiting is on preparing to communicate with high school juniors.

'Sept. 1 is the big date right now, that's when we can reach out to the class of 2013," Holt said. "We've heard from a lot of them, but we haven't been able to talk to them yet. We've been working hard on getting all the information that we'll need then put it together.'

More immediate in the program's future are this year's high school seniors, who Holt

still continues to recruit actively. While particular details on next year's freshmen won't be available for a few months, Holt and her staff have already gotten soft commitments from a couple of athletes.

"We've gotten two verbal commitments already, but we can't talk about them or their impact until they sign in November," Holt said.

With the success she has had in bringing athletes to Notre Dame, Holt appears to be building for the future on top of an

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Men's Tennis

Traveling inspires singles player

By SAM GANS Sports Writer

For many kids, moving to multiple countries at a young age would stunt the pursuit of their goals and dreams, but for Irish sophomore Greg Andrews, it helped pave the road to his future.

Andrews, who enters the season as the likely incumbent to the No. 2 singles slot on Notre Dame's roster, graduated from Gull Lake High School near Kalamazoo, Mich. But before that, living in diverse places helped facilitate a love for the game of tennis.



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Notre Dame sophomore Greg Andrews waits for a return from his Northwestern opponent Mar. 6.

ND Cross Country

Seniors lead team to top-10 rankings

By LAURA COLETTI Sports Writer

When preseason rankings were released, the Irish once again found themselves among the region's elite teams.

The United States Track and Field and Cross Country Coaches Association released preseason poll results Monday, and both the men's and women's teams have spots in the top-10 of the Great Lakes Region. The men are ranked fourth, behind Wisconsin, Indiana and Ohio State, respectively. The women come in at sixth, behind Michigan, Toledo, Michigan State, Indiana and Ohio State.

The expected success of the women's squad, which finished last season ranked sixth, is due to its senior class.

Senior captain Rachel Velarde, and seniors Gena Bleyer, Molly Hirt, Kari Johnson, Allison Schroeder and Susanna Sullivan have enjoyed success during the course of their first three seasons at Notre Dame and intend to take their

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