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Students prepare for 2011 Fall Career Expo

Career Center optimistic despite economic climate

By VICTORIA MORENO
News Writer

Students will trade their jeans and flip-flops for suits and Notre Dame-engraved resume folders as they head to the Career Center's Fall Career Expo today.

Notre Dame's annual Expo shows that the University refuses to be a passive participant in the current economic climate, said Lee Svete, director of the Career Center.

"In the midst of a stagnating economy and poor jobs report released last week, Notre Dame welcomes 149 employers and more than 300 recruiters to this career fair," he said.

Approximately 2,000 students are expected to attend the fair, held from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. in the Joyce Center Field House, Svete said.

Junior Jenna Richman, a management and consulting major, is among the attendees. "Of course I'm worried

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At last year's Career Expo, students mingled and networked with future employers. Current juniors and seniors are preparing for this year's Expo in the hope of securing an internship this summer or a job after graduation. This year's Career Center Fall Career Expo will be held Thursday, September 8, from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. in the Joyce Athletic Center.

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Career Center helps Arts & Letters majors find jobs

By NICOLE TOCZAUER
News Writer

As summer ends and the semester sets in, students will enter the race for next year's internships and jobs.

With business students prepping their suits and science majors compiling research experience, how do students in the College of Arts & Letters fair in the competition?

Lee Svete, director of the Notre Dame Career Center, said while statistics do ebb and flow with the economy, they remain mostly constant for Arts & Letters majors.

"I think what gives me hope is when you come to a great school like this, you can take advantage of the resources," Svete said. "You realize it's hard work, but it's not impossible."

For Arts & Letters seniors who graduated last May, 38 percent accepted job offers, 35 percent entered graduate school and 21 percent, the highest of any college, entered non-profit ser

Survey researches social networks

By SARA FELSENSTEIN
News Writer

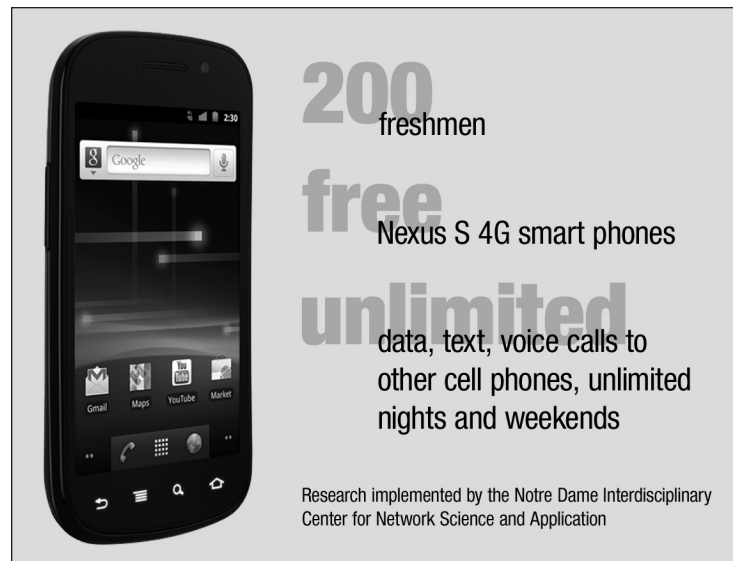
Two hundred freshmen, new to campus and college life, received a special gift when they came to college in August: a free smart phone.

Researches from Notre Dame's Interdisciplinary Center for Network Science and Applications (iCeNSA) and the Wireless Institute gave the incoming students cell phones to monitor how social networks change and form over time.

Called the "NetSense Project," the study will examine how social networks help spread ideas and information from one person to another, according to the NetSense website.

Selected students were loaned the Nexus S 4G smart phone, along with a plan from Sprint that includes unlimited texting, unlimited data, unlimited voice calls to and from other cellular telephones and unlimited night and weekend calls.

David Hachen, associate professor of sociology, Co-Di-



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rector of iCeNSA and a senior investigator for the project, said the study, which is funded by a grant through the National Science Foundation, has been in the works for a while.

"This is a really big study and we've been thinking about trying to do this for a number of years," he said.

Hachen said Notre Dame is

a great location for social networking research because of its diverse student population — most students don't arrive knowing more than a few people from high school.

"Most people, when they come to Notre Dame, don't really know each other. It's

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Glynn Family Honors Lounge benefits students

By EMMA RUSS
News Writer

On the third floor of O'Shaughnessy Hall there lies a little-known oasis of plush, comfortable furniture, free snacks and honors students galore — the Glynn Family Honors Lounge.

"The idea behind the Honors Lounge is to provide a forum for us to get together with other honors students and discuss intellectual topics," sophomore honors student Sarah Cahalan said. "It's community-based. We're all buddies."

Callie Merriam, another sophomore in the Glynn Family Honors Program, studies there about three times a week and enjoys the social aspect of the lounge.

"You start to see people from your classes that you don't know very well, and you start talking to them," she said. "It's a great way for honors students to connect. I met

a lot of people here my freshman year because freshmen in the Honors Program take most of their core classes together."

The Honors Lounge is an especially convenient study space for honors students living off-campus, senior Elissa Cmunst said.

"As an off-campus honors student, the lounge is my base for when I'm on campus, a place I can sit down and do work or relax between classes," she said. "It's a quiet, comfortable place to study or meet with friends."

One of the most coveted perks of the Honors Lounge is the free food.

"There is Panera Bread on Mondays and Wednesdays, and cookies on Tuesdays and Thursdays every week," Merriam said, as she munched on a fresh-baked cookie, courtesy of the lounge. "A lot of students take advantage of the space, if not for the social

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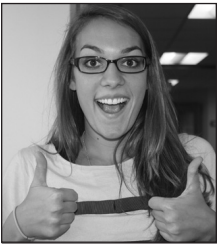
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QUESTION OF THE DAY: WHAT DO YOU THINK BEYONCE AND JAY-Z WILL NAME THEIR BABY?



Eva Cavadini

senior
off campus

"BeJay-Z
Awesomeness."



Tara Doyle

junior
Holy Cross

"Baby Z."



Malea Schulte

sophomore
LeMans

"Fantasia."



Elliot Miller

sophomore
LeMans

"Katie or
Megan."



Allegra Sonza

senior
Holy Cross

"I think they're
going to have
twins, so it's
only appropriate
that their names
be Bonnie and
Clyde."



Sloan Thacker

senior
Pangborn

"If Beyonce gets
to name it, it will
be Single Baby. If
Jay-Z does, I've
Got 99 Problems
but this Baby
Ain't One."

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



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Senior Nim Nannan holds up a sign supporting friend and Saint Mary's soccer player Michelle Marshall at the team's home opener against Manchester on Tuesday. The undefeated Belles won 3-1.

OFFBEAT

San Fransisco may pass public nudity

SAN FRANCISCO — Something could soon be coming between San Francisco's proud nudists and their unusual freedom to bare it all.

Walking around naked is legal in the city under most circumstances, but a city supervisor concerned about public health introduced legislation Tuesday that would require the clothing averse to put a cloth or other barrier under their bottoms if they take a seat in public.

Supervisor Scott Wiener's proposal would also require nudists to cover up in restaurants.

"What this does do," Wiener told the San Francisco Chronicle, "is require

that people show some basic courtesy and decency toward their fellow citizens when they are naked."

Wiener represents the city's Castro District, where a group of men locals refer to as "the naked guys" is known to strut its stuff, and some residents have grown weary of uncensored views.

One of the guys, Eric Anderson, said people offended by public displays of nudity need to examine why they have issues with the human body.

"To force their conservative views on me isn't fair," he told the Chronicle while sitting on a metal chair in a Castro plaza with a book, a sandwich and a sarong separating his backside from the seat.

Shopper arrested with live lobsters in shorts

D'IBERVILLE, Miss. — A man in southern Mississippi is accused of trying to walk out of a D'Iberville grocery store without paying for food items he'd stuffed into his cargo shorts including live lobsters.

Police Chief Wayne Payne says 35-year-old Nathan Mark Hardy was arrested Saturday after allegedly being caught stuffing food into his cargo shorts - two bags of jumbo shrimp, a pork loin and two live lobsters.

Payne says Hardy, of Biloxi, tried to escape by throwing the pork loin at employees at the local Winn Dixie but fell while running away.

Information compiled from the Associated Press.

IN BRIEF

The Red Cross and Notre Dame ROTC is sponsoring a blood drive from noon to 6 p.m. today in LaFortune Student Center. Please go to redcrossblood.org and type in sponsor code "irish" to schedule your blood donation appointment. Come donate and be entered into a drawing to win free gas for a year (\$3000 gift card).

Portuguese writer Isabela Figueiredo will give a lecture titled "Fat Women: Exclusion and Desire" today at 4 p.m. in the Hesburgh Center room C103. The talk is co-sponsored by the Luso-American Development Foundation (FLAD), the Kellogg Institute for International Studies and the Department of Romance Languages and Literatures.

The Federalist Society is sponsoring a lecture by Robert George, McCormick Chair of Jurisprudence at Princeton University, today at 4:30 p.m. at Eck Hall of Law room 1130.

Beginning Sunday, Cinema Play House Photographs by Nandita Raman will be on view at the Snite Museum of Art. This suite of 14 images features interiors of aging cinema houses built in the Indian cities of Varanasi, Delhi and Kolkata between 1930 and 1960 and is on display at the Snite Museum from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Tuesdays and Wednesdays, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday thru Saturdays and 1 to 5 p.m. on Sundays. Admission is free.

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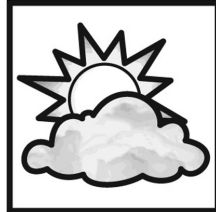
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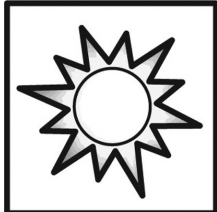
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SMC president speaks to first-year students

By: COLLEEN QUIGLEY
News Writer

As a 1972 Saint Mary's College alumna, Saint Mary's President Carol Ann Mooney has "distinct memories" of her time as a first-year student.

She gave advice to this year's first-year students in the O'Laughlin Auditorium Wednesday.

"[Going to college] is a changing point in one's life," she said to the crowd.

The experience of Saint Mary's was life changing, she said. She may have come into college feeling like she didn't belong and didn't know anyone, but her time at SMC changed her opinions.

"I hope all of you will leave [Saint Mary's] with a sense of awe and wonder at the beauty and complexity of the created world," she said.

Mooney's words were comforting, first year student Ally Darragh said.

"I will get a special education here because at other schools, we would just be numbers," Darragh said. "We would learn only the facts of a given subject instead of gaining different perspectives and becoming well rounded."

Mooney told the students she wanted them to go beyond awe

and wonder with their time at Saint Mary's.

"I hope you will gain a deeper understanding of what it is to be human and [gain a] capacity to put yourselves in the shoes of another and have empathy for her situation," she said. "Learning to be competent is the easiest part of the job."

Aneth Batamuliza, a first year, said she believes the speech reaffirmed her decision to come to Saint Mary's.

"After leaving Saint Mary's in four years, I will have discovered my potential and gained

what I couldn't have gotten at any other college," Batamuliza said. "It is such a blessing that I am here."

Mooney told students she also wants them to develop a spiritual life at college.

"[It is not alright to be] content with the answers that sufficed in childhood," she said.

All of these factors combined are why Mooney chose a liberal arts education, she said.

"You are here to learn not just a collection of facts ... but also here to learn important things," she said.

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ND honored for sustainability

By ABI HOVERMAN
News Writer

Notre Dame's sustainability practices rank among the top 91 higher education institutions in the US and Canada, according to a recent Silver rating from the Sustainability Tracking, Assessment and Rating System (STARS).

Notre Dame voluntarily participated in the evaluation as a charter member after the program's founders, the Advancement for Sustainability in Higher Education (AASHE), approached them last summer, said Erin Hafner, programs manager for the Office of Sustainability.

"We saw STARS as a tool to evaluate where we are as far as sustainability goes, and to push us to continue to improve, because it helps us to see some of the areas where we're lacking," she said.

According to AASHE, the comparable nature of STARS encourages cooperation between universities in developing sustainability programs across the country. Notre Dame's Office of Sustainability was created in 2008.

"[Sustainability coordinators] hold conferences annually, call each other and ask how their programs work on their campuses," Hafner said. "It's a collaborative atmosphere in sustainability. There are many universities that still don't have sustainability efforts."

The University failed to receive STARS top Gold rating for

a variety of specific shortcomings on the survey, which Hafner said are being addressed before STARS reevaluates in three years.

"We have a fairly new sustainability program," Hafner said. "Some of the areas they look at we don't have robust programs in yet."

In the education category, Notre Dame received only 3.13 out of 20 points for Sustainability Focused and Related Courses. Hafner said that because the survey was completed in August before the fall semester began, the new Sustainability Minor was not considered.

"Any majors or minors will help us. I only foresee this area growing in the next few years," she said. "There are lots of professors interested in research and teaching in this area so these programs will only continue to grow."

Notre Dame also scored poorly in Building Energy Consumption, which Hafner said would be improved with upcoming renovations, such as retrofitting heating, ventilation, cooling and lighting systems, paid for with a conservation investment.

"We are in the middle of a \$10 million investment in energy conservation measures," she

said. "By the time the survey comes around again we will be able to see an improvement [in building efficiency]."

Points were also missed in the Clean and Renewable Energy category.

"We're still trying to find how renewable energy fits Notre Dame," she said.

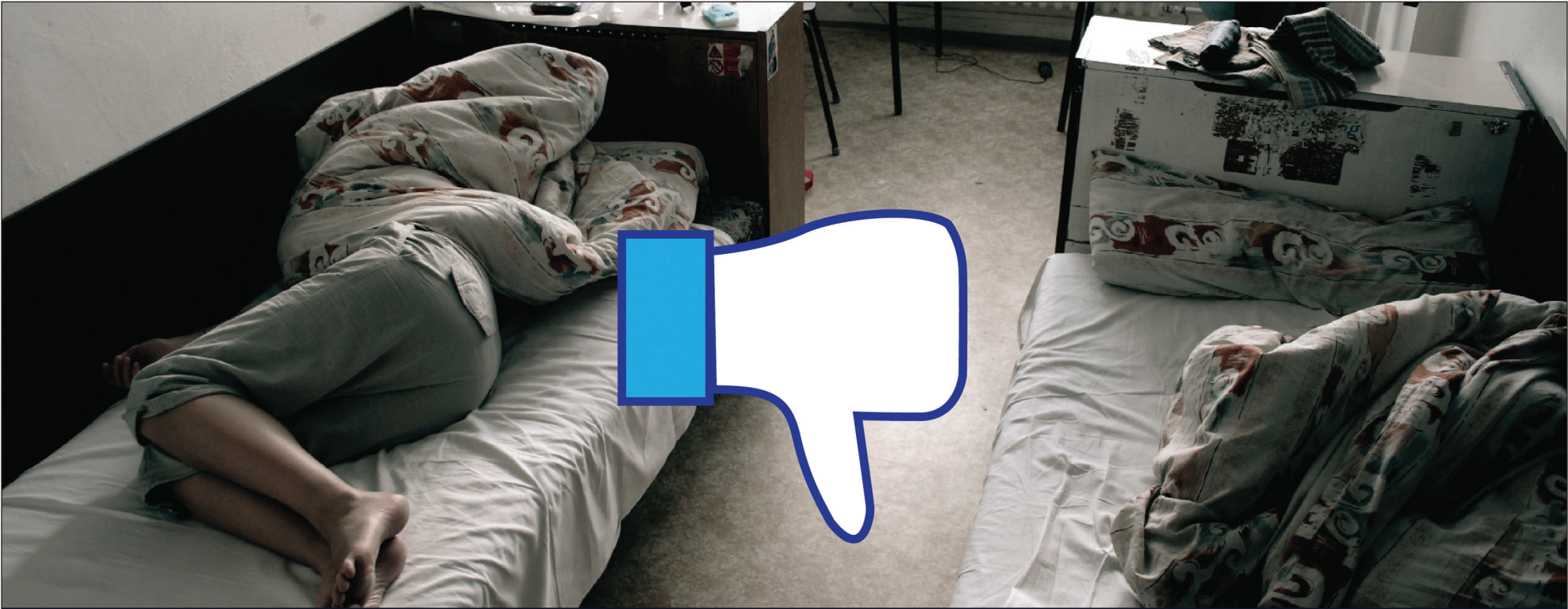
Hafner said the University currently has thin-film and traditional solar panels on the roofs of Fitzpatrick and Stinson-Remick Halls, in addition to the new wind turbine on top of the power plant. The projects will be evaluated to see which energy sources work best in this region.

Looking forward, Hafner said she is hopeful Notre Dame will continue to improve in sustainability to join institutions

like Duke, Emory and New York Universities in a STARS Gold rating after the next evaluation.

"We will be able to develop these programs so in three years we will be able to check the 'yes' boxes on the survey," Hafner said. "We're going to still work towards our main goals of reducing our carbon footprint, reducing the amount of waste we use, and educating about sustainability."

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STUDENT SENATE

Senators focus on improvements to campus life

By MEL FLANAGAN
News Writer

Each senator voiced his or her idea to improve Notre Dame's campus at Student Senate's meeting Wednesday night.

Some issues, such as study space, were brought up multiple times.

St. Edward's senator Kyle Ripp said the study spaces in his dorm are disappearing, and there aren't many other places to go.

"Our only study space was some rooms on the second floor with about 20 desks," Ripp said. "And this year, one of them was changed into a pretty small triple. That leaves us with one room and a lounge with couches where it's pretty hard to get your work done."

Keough senator Andrew Anderson agreed that with the rising number of freshmen, dorm study rooms are disappearing.

"We don't have a place to study late at night when the library closes," Anderson said. "I want 24-hour spaces outside of the dorm that aren't Reckers or the LaFortune basement."

Anderson also said it would

be nice to have separate study areas for students in different colleges, for example a science study space or a business study space.

Many senators said they wish to see an increase in recycling on campus.

Grace Deardurff, McGlinn senator, pointed out that even though the University has garbage cans with separate bins for recycling, there are not many of them around campus.

"Even with those newer garbage cans, the recycling part is really little," Pasquerilla West senator Maureen Riegert said.

Reigert suggested holding a campaign to decrease the number of plastic water bottles students use and instead promote reusable bottles.

Helen Costa, off-campus senator, said Senate should try to extend the recycling movement off campus as well.

"They don't have recycling at all in my complex," she said. "It would be great if there was a place where we could set recyclable stuff aside in each complex and someone from campus could come pick it up."

Stanford senator Ross McCauley said he would like to see online webcams where



- ♦ more study areas in dorms
- ♦ study space for specific colleges
- ♦ more recycling containers
- ♦ campaign to decrease plastic water bottles
- ♦ provide more information to freshman about student government and campus transportation

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students could view the basketball courts at Rolfs and see if any were open.

"It's the worst thing if you get five or 10 guys and go down to Rolfs and you can't get a court and have to wait half an hour," McCauley said.

Calvin Belden, Morrissey senator, said an alternative to webcams could be an online count of the number of people who have swiped into Rolfs.

"We have to swipe in anyway — what if you could just see the current population there?" Belden said. "Or what if you scan in and then you can click 'I'm going to go play

basketball' or 'I'm going to go squat?'"

A few senators drew on their experiences as freshmen for improvement ideas.

Farley senator Ciara Dineen said she wished she knew the simplicity of different modes of transportation when she was a freshman.

"I heard Notre Dame was really scary and hard to get around, but now I know it's really not," she said. "I think there should be one source where freshmen could go and get taxi numbers and bus schedules, and then I think it would be a lot simpler for them to get around."

Duncan senator John O'Brien said student government should provide freshmen with more information about the different branches of government that students are able to get involved in.

"I know they have Student Government 101, but I was busy freshman year and didn't go to any of that," O'Brien said. "It should be a really easy and simple meeting like all the ones that are mandatory for freshman."

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College student governement helps with Hurricane Irene

By JILLIAN BARWICK
News Writer

Saint Mary's Student Government Association (SGA) is taking donations this week for

all the victims of Hurricane Irene.

Seniors Liz Leeuw, community commissioner, and Anabel Castañeda, international commissioner, set up a col-

lection post inside the Noble Family Dining Hall.

"We seem to be receiving a good amount of donations so far," Castañeda said. "By the end of the week we hope that

everyone who passes through the dining hall will be donating."

Once these donations have been collected, Leeuw and Castañeda will send them to the American Red Cross. The Red Cross will take the donations and give them to the areas hit the hardest by Irene.

"Most of the girls at Saint Mary's that see our efforts are very appreciative of what we are doing because it hits home for many of them," Leeuw said. "We have many students here who are from the East Coast, and many were affected by the storm."

Leeuw and Castañeda organized this event together after the vice president of the SGA showed them an email on Hurricane Irene relief efforts from the American Red Cross. Castañeda mentioned to Leeuw that they should do something about it at Saint Mary's.

"We were not personally affected by Irene, but many of our friends were," Leeuw said. "The American Red Cross is a great organization to send donations to and we knew that collecting donations from the

students at Saint Mary's was the right thing to do for the victims."

The storm hit a large portion of the country, Castañeda said. Watching the storm coverage on the news compelled her to help those in need.

"Something that really struck me was when one of our students from China approached me at the donations table and asked to take a picture with me to send back home," Castañeda said. "She explained that the Red Cross in China does not organize donations the way the American Red Cross does and she was very appreciative of what we were doing for victims of natural disasters in America. It made me realize how the American Red Cross is doing a great job at helping people across the country and how fortunate we are to have them help us."

Leeuw and Castañeda will be in the Noble Family Dining Hall through this week from 4:30 to 6 p.m. during dinner hours.

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John Blacklow piano recital



Thursday, September 8, 2011
7 PM Leighton Concert Hall
DeBartolo Performing Arts Center
574-631-2800 or performingarts.nd.edu
A program of solo piano music, performed by Notre Dame faculty pianist John Blacklow, celebrates the bicentennial of Franz Liszt (1811-1886).



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Students in the Glynn Family Honors Program study and socialize in the lounge on the third floor of O'Shaughnessy Hall.

Honors

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and academic aspects, at least for the freefood."While some people enjoy the perks of being an honors student, others who are not members of the Honors Program have slightly different reactions to the lounge.

"It's kind of weird that they have their own lounge," junior Kelly Deweese said. "It seems a little unfair to treat the honors kids differently than the rest of the students. Everyone here is smart and works hard, so why treat the honors kids like an elite class?"

Cmunt said she agrees that generally all Notre Dame students are bright, hard-working

people.

"The spiel the Honors Program gives about being a part of it is 'working with the best and brightest of Notre Dame students,'" she said. "But I've met so many incredibly intelligent students outside of the program that it's clear that's not the whole truth."

Cmunt did, however, say her honors classes were quite challenging.

"What is true is that the honors classes have, by far, been some of the most challenging I've taken in my college career," she said. "The lounge simply gives us a place to meet up and study for those classes."

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Career

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[about getting a job after graduation]," Richman said. "I know networking is a big part of the job process, so the Career Fair seems like a good idea."

Some students said they would attend the Expo more for the experience, than with any particular networking agenda in mind.

"It's a good opportunity to meet people in the field and get a feel for what to expect in the real world," said junior Andy Boes, a political science major in the College of Arts & Letters.

The Career Expo is open to all college majors and all undergraduate or graduate students at Notre Dame, Svete said. The participating industries range from banking to education and recruit at a variety of degree levels, from bachelor's to master's.

The types of job commitments available include internships, full-time employment, part-time employment and externships.

Despite the fact that many participants are looking for students with a variety of backgrounds and majors, many Notre Dame students feel as if the Career Expo only targets students in the Mendoza School of Business, said junior Catie Hrabrick, a psychology major in the College

of Arts & Letters.

"I am a liberal arts major and I feel like the Career Fair is more for students with business majors," Hrabrick said.

Senior Jill Kapturowski also felt that the Career Fair appeals to business-oriented students.

"I am planning on getting my master's in nursing, so I don't see the point in going to the Career Fair," she said. "If graduate school doesn't work out, then I will worry about getting a job."

Still, many students view the Fall Career Expo as a step toward their future and hope to make a connection with an employer or secure a job opportunity, senior Anne Kaifes, a marketing major, said.

"I went to the Career Center and met with my advisor to work on my resume and interviewing skills," Kaifes said. "I am also attending the marketing networking event the day before the Career Fair to get some extra practice in a professional environment."

Senior Andrew Dupont, a management entrepreneurship major, said he prepared for the Expo with the help of more than just his advisor and the Career Center.

"It took a lot of prayer and discernment, some talk with my friend Sydney and a quick check of my horoscope for me to feel ready," Dupont said. "Oh — I also updated my resume."

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vice positions. Three percent joined the military, two percent pursued other plans and three percent continued to seek employment. Last summer, 508 Arts & Letters undergraduates of approximately 3,500 had an internship.

Svete said Arts & Letters students must take extra steps before embarking on job-hunts.

"Arts & Letters students need to research employers to an even greater extent to see what opportunities are available," he said. "Because they haven't taken business classes, they need to learn that on their own."

Students applying for internships and job positions should understand the organization's products and services, he said. With this insight they can tailor their resume to reflect skills related to the company.

Conducting extra research on companies is especially important for Arts & Letters students, he said.

"If you don't dig into it, you won't know they want majors of all kinds. For example, students often think Heron Consulting is just financial services," Svete said. "If you look at their website, you see they do healthcare consulting, education consulting and legal consulting."

Depending on what services interest a student, he or she might even create different resumes, Svete said. If one company is a consulting firm and another emphasizes advertising, students might have two resumes with different career objectives in each. This approach is useful to Arts & Letters students who have a variety of skills, he said.



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Students can even apply their skills to jobs outside of their major, Svete said. However, students interested in doing so must learn more about the subject on their own.

"If you want to do banking but you're not in accounting, you have to know the markets. You won't get investment theory as an anthropology major," he said. "You have to have an opinion and know what the market is."

Svete said students who succeeded in this endeavor in the past have read about companies and the market, attended workshops and prepared at the Career Center.

Joy Feeney, class of 2010, was one student who successfully prepared for her career in banking as a liberal arts major. Feeney, who now works for Goldman Sachs, was an economics major without finance studies.

"She's a great example of what liberal arts students have to do differently," Svete said. "So don't get discouraged when companies say they're looking for business majors. There are many opportunities."

The opening of a seemingly business-oriented job market to Arts & Letters students impacted Notre Dame as well, he said. Initiative on the part of students, paired with demand from companies, transformed the Career Expo five years ago.

"The Fall Expo used to be just

a business fair, but by popular demand of companies and students it opened up to all majors," he said. "After this, it increased from about 70 companies to 150 and added non-profits like the Peace Corps."

Of the 1800 to 2000 undergraduates who attend the Fall Career Expo, approximately 500 represent the College of Arts & Letters.

The Career Center also supports Arts and Letters students through a special "What's Next?" Week, held September 26-29. The week will highlight undergraduate, graduate and post-graduate funding, as well as networking opportunities, Svete said.

The most important thing for students searching for internships or jobs is to start early, he said. After beginning, they can network through LinkedIn, find alumni with myNotreDame and apply for funding.

"We gave away \$120,000 last year for 53 liberal arts majors, though we should get more applicants for the fellowships — the Fulbright program and the Rhodes Scholars," Svete said. "You want to start early for those."

Svete said that while the market is still difficult to enter, Notre Dame gives students the tools to gain internships and jobs after graduation.

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U.S. troop withdrawal continues as planned



U.S Army Soldiers are seen during the hand-over ceremony of a military base in Basra, 340 miles southeast of Baghdad, Iraq.

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The scheduled withdrawal of U.S. troops from Iraq is on track, a Pentagon official said Wednesday, but the Obama administration has yet to decide how many troops might stay there on a revised mission to help train Iraqi forces.

“The drawdown has begun,” Navy Capt. John Kirby, a Pentagon spokesman, told reporters. He referred to the departure from Iraq this week of about 700 members of a headquarters unit. Their departure marks the start of the withdrawal of the final 46,000 U.S. troops there.

Yet to be decided is the size and mission of any stay-behind contingent. The Iraqi government said last month that it is interested in negotiating the terms for a U.S. military group to continue training Iraqi forces beyond Dec. 31, when the last U.S. forces are to have departed under a 2008 agreement.

The administration is considering a number of options that could leave several thousand troops in Iraq to do training and possibly other missions.

If the Iraqis decide they don’t need a reinforced U.S. training contingent, then only about 150 U.S. military members would remain in Iraq next year as part of the U.S. Embassy’s Office of Security Cooperation. They would help train Iraqis on new military equipment like battle tanks.

James F. Jeffrey, the U.S. ambassador in Iraq, said Wednesday that a proposal to keep 3,000 troops in Iraq next year, as reported by some news organizations, has “no official status or credibility.” Jeffrey said that proposal has not been a part of ongoing discussions in Baghdad where both governments have been weighing whether up to 10,000 US forces should stay beyond Dec. 31.

Army Gen. Martin Dempsey, who will take over as chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff at the end of the month, said Wednesday

day that he hasn’t been part of the internal deliberations on the drawdown. At a ceremony, Dempsey was asked about reports that the U.S. might leave as few as 3,000 troops in Iraq.

“I haven’t been exposed to the number,” he said, adding that “we should all realize that the Iraqi government will also have a say in what size structure and what size force should remain and for what purposes.”

On Capitol Hill, a senior State Department nominee said the administration has made no final decision on how many troops it may keep in Iraq. Wendy Sherman told her Senate confirmation hearing that the issue centers on Iraqi government interest in U.S. military trainers. Sherman is the nominee to become the undersecretary of state for policy.

Some Republicans in Congress are advocating a much larger U.S. military presence in Iraq beyond 2011. They argue that a smaller presence would unnecessarily risk an unraveling of the security gains that have been accomplished at the cost of thousands of American lives.

Sen. John McCain, the top Republican on the Armed Services Committee, said keeping as few as 3,000 troops in Iraq falls far short of what U.S. military commanders have told him is needed. McCain cited conversations he has had during numerous visits to Iraq over the years.

Among the concerns cited by U.S. commanders are Iraq’s underdeveloped air defenses and its gaps in intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance.

“It’s in America’s national security interest not to lose Iraq after the sacrifice of some 4,500 brave young Americans,” McCain said on the Senate floor. “And the consequences of failure are obvious.”

Pentagon press secretary George Little said the State Department is leading the troop discussions with Iraq. He declined to discuss the internal deliberations.

Divided Congress reconvenes

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Fights large and small await Congress as it gets back to business, with jobs and budget cuts topping a contentious agenda that also includes a lengthy roster of lower-profile but must-do items that also are potential victims of partisan gridlock.

President Barack Obama is to unveil his jobs agenda in a nationally televised address Thursday night, but early glimpses of the package show it relies heavily on extending expiring programs.

Obama is expected to propose \$300 billion in tax cuts and federal spending to get Americans working again. Republicans on Tuesday offered to compromise with him on jobs — but also assailed his plans in advance of his prime-time speech.

According to people familiar with the White House deliberations, two of the biggest measures in the president’s proposals for 2012 are expected to be a one-year extension of a payroll tax cut for workers and an extension of expiring jobless benefits. Together those two would total about \$170 billion.

The people spoke on the condition of anonymity because the plan was still being finalized and some proposals could still be subject to change.

The White House is also considering a tax credit for businesses that hire the unemployed and spending on public works projects such as school construction.

Obama’s speech dovetails with the launch of a bipartisan

deficit-reduction panel that will hold its first meeting Thursday amid mixed expectations that it can be successful in a highly partisan climate infused with heavy doses of presidential politics.

In the Senate, the political tit-for-tat started immediately after the opening prayer Tuesday.

Senate Republican leader Mitch McConnell predicted Obama’s speech on jobs legislation to a joint session of Congress would include “more of the same failed approach that’s only made things worse over the past few years.”

He spoke a few moments after the Senate’s top Democrat, Harry Reid of Nevada, had said that Republicans, rather than working with Democrats to produce job-creating legislation, insist on “reckless cuts to hurt our economic recovery.”

The deficit panel’s deadline isn’t until late November. But in the short term, there’s a need for legislation required to simply keep the government running past Sept. 30.

That includes a stopgap bill to avoid a government shutdown and short-term extensions of highway and aviation programs needed to head off widespread layoffs of construction workers whose livelihoods are financed by ticket and gasoline taxes set to expire soon.

A full roster of appropriations bills also looms. The Senate Appropriations Committee is getting to work in earnest Wednesday on three spending bills, including a measure providing \$6 billion in much-needed disaster aid — most of which comes on top of tight

budget caps imposed just last month.

But time for floor debate could prove to be scarce and all sides already were bracing for the possibility of unpopular “omnibus” legislation wrapping together all the appropriations bills instead of the 12 individual spending bills a more functional Congress might produce.

A shortfall in the Federal Emergency Management Agency’s disaster account already has forced a freeze in longer-term rebuilding projects so that remaining money can help victims of recent tragedies such as Hurricane Irene. But the legislation to fund FEMA’s budget won’t be ready for weeks, which may require a stopgap measure to avoid a cutoff of disaster relief like temporary food and shelter.

The Senate’s moves on disaster aid could spark a battle with tea party-backed House Republicans, who say Congress should cut federal spending elsewhere to pay for disaster aid.

None of the handful of Republicans present at a Senate Appropriations subcommittee vote Tuesday complained about the move, however.

The House returns Wednesday. On Tuesday, House Speaker John Boehner, R-Ohio, and Majority Leader Eric Cantor, R-Va., offered an olive branch of sorts in a letter to Obama in which they wrote that neither party would win all it wants from the coming debate over jobs legislation.

“We should not approach this as an all-or-nothing situation,” they said, striking a conciliatory tone.

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Economists weigh in on plan

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — First, do no harm. Economists say the most important part of the jobs plan President Barack Obama will unveil Thursday night is the renewal of two measures already in place — a cut in Social Security taxes and emergency aid for the unemployed.

His new proposals, like spending more for transportation projects and cutting taxes for companies that hire the unemployed, probably wouldn't add many jobs, they say. Not soon, anyway.

"These are not bold, new, big programs," says Nariman Behravesh, chief economist with IHS Global Insight. "You put everything together, it's going to be pretty small."

The job market needs big help. In August, the economy generated zero job growth. And the unemployment rate is 9.1 percent, a level more typical for a recession than for a recovery in its third year.

For Obama, who also faces sinking approval ratings as he goes before a joint session of Congress and on national TV, the options are limited. Congress must approve any new measures, and congressional Republicans oppose new spending.

"Anything that would be of a big enough size to really help the labor market is going to have trouble getting through Congress," says Michael Hanson, senior economist at Bank of America Merrill Lynch. "And anything that can get through Congress will be too small to be much help."

Federal Reserve Chairman Ben Bernanke, International Monetary Fund chief Christine

Lagarde and other economists have urged Congress to do more to help job growth and the economy over the next year or two — and worry about cutting spending later.

Economist Barry Bosworth of the Brookings Institution, for example, says the government needs to spend \$700 billion to \$800 billion a year to generate healthy job growth.

Obama's plan was still being shaped Wednesday. Here are the ideas the White House is considering:

- ◆ Extending, for one year, a cut in the payroll tax that supports Social Security. The cut, part of a deal struck last December by Obama and Republicans, reduces the tax to 4.2 percent from 6.2 percent on the first \$106,800 a person makes. That amounts to \$1,000 a year for someone earning \$50,000.
- Keeping the tax cut would cost the government \$110 billion to \$115 billion. The research firm Macroeconomic Advisers estimates it would support 400,000 jobs in 2012.
- The theory: More money in people's pockets increases demand for goods and services across the economy, and businesses have to have enough workers to keep up.
- The problem is that keeping the tax cut doesn't create jobs where they didn't exist before.
- "It's in the 'Do no harm' camp," says economist Heidi Shierholz of the Economic Policy Institute. "We have that support now, so it's not going to gain us anything. It's just a matter of: If we let it go, we lose."
- Critics of this approach also point out that the extra money in people's paychecks this year has mostly been eaten up by

higher gasoline prices.

"Continuing the payroll tax cut is tempting," says John Makin, economist at the American Enterprise Institute. "But I have to ask, if I look at the results, is it worth an increase in the deficit and debt?"

- ◆ Keeping emergency unemployment benefits for another year. Unemployment checks put money in the hands of people who are likely to spend it immediately, helping businesses and making them more likely to hire.
- Macroeconomic Advisers estimates that another year of emergency unemployment benefits would support 200,000 jobs in 2012.
- Critics say unemployment benefits discourage some people from aggressively seeking work. Researchers at the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco have concluded that unemployment benefits keep the unemployment rate about 0.4 percentage point higher than it would be otherwise.
- The unemployed used to get 26 weeks of benefits. During the recession, Congress extended it to as much as 99 weeks — almost two years — in states with high unemployment.
- ◆ Obama may back a national version of a Georgia program that encourages businesses to provide on-the-job training for people receiving unemployment benefits. About a third of the time, the workers wind up getting hired full-time.
- Offering tax incentives to businesses to hire the unemployed. Under consideration is an expanded version of a law passed last year that encouraged companies to hire the unemployed.

Texas wildfires burn; Gov. Perry back on trail



Texas wildfires have destroyed more than 600 homes and blackened about 45 square miles in and around Bastrop, Texas.

Associated Press

BASTROP, Texas — Firefighters gained ground Wednesday against one of the most destructive wildfires in Texas history even as the number of homes lost reached almost 800, and an elite search team set out to find any victims in the smoking ruins.

Gov. Rick Perry, meanwhile, resumed his presidential campaign after rushing home over the weekend to deal with the crisis, traveling to California to meet his Republican rivals Wednesday night in his first nationally televised debate.

The blaze has left at least two people dead — their bodies were found on Tuesday — blackened about 45 square miles around Bastrop and cast a haze over Austin, 25 miles to the east, where the air smelled strongly of pine and cedar.

Firefighters reported that the flames were at least 30 percent contained after burning uncontrolled for three days. They credited an easing of the winds from Tropical Storm Lee that had caused the fire to explode over the weekend. Nevertheless, the number of homes reported destroyed rose from around 600 the day before.

The wildfire is the most catastrophic of more than 170 blazes that have erupted in the past week across the Lone Star State, where the countryside is perilously dry because of one of the most severe droughts on record in Texas. In addition to the two victims in the Bastrop fire, the outbreak is blamed for two deaths elsewhere.

Texas Task Force 1, a search team that was sent to New York following the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks and to New Orleans in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina, set out in the Bastrop area, using dogs trained to sniff out bodies.

Mike Fisher, the Bastrop County Emergency Operations Agency's incident commander, said he didn't know if there were any more dead, but "if there are bodies out there, that team is going to find them."

Several thousand people evacuated ahead of the fire, but only around 2,500 registered with the county.

Across the state, about 1,200 firefighters battled the blazes, including crews from as far away as California and Oregon.

The outbreak has made this the state's costliest wildfire season on record, with \$216 million in firefighting expenses since late 2010.

The crisis is unfolding months after Perry signed a budget that cut funding to the Texas Forest Service by one-third. Yet the agency insisted that being \$35 million lighter hasn't left Texas less equipped to fight the latest fires.

Under the new budget, which went into effect last week, no firefighters in the Forest Service were laid off, and the bulk of cutbacks will be felt by volunteer fire departments that were denied money for new trucks, said Robbie Dewitt, the agency's finance officer.

Moreover, fire officials said they will spend whatever is necessary to deal with the disaster and worry about how to pay for it later.

At the Bastrop convention center, residents streamed in to check maps taped to the pillars that showed the destruction.

Faye Tucker said she could tell just by looking at the map that her home of 20 years was gone, even though it wasn't among the addresses listed as destroyed. She and her husband had recently spent \$20,000 to renovate the place.

"It's just stuff. I think that the thing to keep in mind here is so far we only have two confirmed deaths. ... So I'll take that," she said.

Perry returned to the campaign trail after cutting short a visit to South Carolina on Sunday.

"I'm a little disappointed after what he said the other day about pushing politics aside because Texans are his first priority," said Guylaine Williett, who lives near an area that was severely burned.

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INSIDE COLUMN

U Miami's football scandal

Corruption has been a fact of life for major collegiate athletics for most of the past 30 years. Nothing has illustrated this problem more than this past offseason. There have been players receiving illegal benefits and boosters overstepping boundaries all over the country. Even everyone's Cinderella, Boise State, had rule violations.

Joe Wirth

Sports Writer

The recent University of Miami scandal, however, pushes the issue to another level. Under the Larry Coker and Randy Shannon coaching regimes, players were reportedly given yachts, women and free abortions by Nevin Shapiro, an overzealous booster who reportedly was willing to pay \$1 million to the athletic director if he was allowed to become the coach of the football team.

That request alone should have raised some red flags. How this fanatic was able to get such access to college-aged players without administrative regulation is baffling. It is naïve to think this went unnoticed by school officials.

Miami football is no stranger to NCAA trouble. Known as the bad boys of college football in the 1980s, their cockiness and bravado defeated their opponents before kickoff. In 1995, the school was cited for numerous violations, most of which occurred in the glory years of the 1980s. This prompted Sports Illustrated to raise the question of whether or not Miami should drop the football program — a question that may be raised again as more details emerge from the NCAA's investigation.

Seemingly not since the Southern Methodist University (SMU) football scandal of the late 1980s has there been such an obscene violation of NCAA rules. Highlighted by the "Pony Express" of Eric Dickerson and Craig James, the Mustangs were a perennial national championship contender in the 1980s. That all changed when SMU was given the death penalty for numerous violations, most notably paying recruits to come. The culture around the program was so bad that when Dickerson was entering the NFL, the joke was that he would be taking a pay cut by going pro.

The sanctions resulted in SMU giving up nearly all football scholarships and the NCAA cancelling their 1987 season. It may be time for Miami to receive the same verdict. These sanctions crippled the once proud program (SMU did not go to a bowl from 1984-2009) and served as an example for other programs to stay in line.

Miami is flirting with an equally devastating decision if these reports prove to be accurate. Some argue that the college football landscape has changed so much since the 1980s that the death penalty is simply impractical. Yes, there is a lot of money at stake and Miami is one of the marquee programs in college football, but if the NCAA wants to get serious on cracking down on rogue programs, they will finally give "The U" what it deserves — a death sentence.

The views expressed in the Inside Column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.

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Our Lady of Sorrows

"Standing by the cross of Jesus were his mother and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary of Magdala. When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple there whom he loved, he said to his mother, "Woman, behold your son." Then he said to the disciple, "Behold, your mother." (John 19: 25-27)

Fr. Lou DelFra

Faithpoint

This passage from Jesus' Crucifixion — an icon of Our Lady of Sorrows, patroness of Holy Cross, whose Feast Day we celebrate next week — never fails to elicit from me strong and contending emotions. I feel, of course, awe at Mary's strength, at her ability to stand by her son's mutilated and dying body, hanging in disgrace.

But mostly, whenever I allow the full weight of the scene to penetrate my heart, I feel dread, even a touch of nausea, as I imagine the helpless terror of this interaction between mother and dying son. There was nothing for her to do. Didn't that reality, combined with the suffering of her son, drive her to the point of utter despair?

One always hears the explanation that everyone else had fled in fear of being associated with the state's hanging criminal, the Jewish rebel. Or that they trudged away in despondence, their hopes that Jesus was the Messiah finally and completely dashed. Surely, these explanations are true.

Yet, I wonder too if many fled — as I would have — simply because they couldn't bear the pain. It is extremely difficult to watch another person suffer, especially a person we love. Even this morning, I read through the news articles of the drought and starvation deaths in Somalia with a furtive rapidity, as if to catch the utterly senseless suffering and my relative helplessness before they sink in. It is so much easier to turn away.

Last week, I stood behind the altar during the funeral mass of a student's father. His death was unexpected and the grief and emotion of the funeral was heavier and more palpable than most. In the front pew the mom and her three children were seated. The youngest of the siblings, who caught my eye immediately, was a teenager with Down syndrome. At times throughout the funeral Mass, as was true for every person in the church, the emotions seemed to overwhelm him and he needed some outlet.

At these times, he would invariably exhibit the same, unusual behavior — he would crane his neck around his siblings and stare from an awkward angle into his mother's face. And whenever a tear would drop from one of her eyes, he would conspicuously reach out and rub it away. Then he would draw back his hand, but not his face, and stare again, waiting for another tear. He seemed not to blink; he barely moved, staring at her. Minutes would pass and he remained locked in this position, until another tear would arrive and he would reach out for her face again.

At first, I was distracted by this unusual behavior. In fact, at moments, I felt troubled by ... what? What others in the church were thinking — that they, or I, were embarrassed by a person who did not know the "proper" ways to express grief? That he was distracting his mom and siblings from their grieving? That this was not "normal" behavior?

But, if not normal, then what precisely was abnormal about it? Is it "abnormal" to be so attuned to another's suffering that you can bring yourself to do nothing but faithfully, indeed, adamantly, be with that person? Yes, perhaps in our culture such willingness has increasingly become abnormal....

Since the funeral, as I reflect on this son and my own reactions to his responses, I realize that I was troubled, at least in part, by the appearance of his "invasion" into his mother's pain, in

such a public setting no less. Somewhere along the line, I have apparently learned that suffering and pain are strictly private matters. Each person should have the space to deal with suffering on their own — in their own way, on their own terms.

Yet I wonder if everyone in the church that day also realized how abnormally far we have gone in "giving others their space." And furthermore, whether some of our "giving others their space" is actually a convenient excuse for us not to have to deal with their suffering. For as I reflect on the funeral that morning, I no longer interpret this son's actions as abnormal behavior but as extraordinary love — the most free and human response I witnessed that day.

As I recall the scene from that morning, I find myself learning from the son — he has been preaching a homily to me over these last several days. I have grown not only more comfortable with his actions but also more uncomfortable with mine. How ready am I to stand by, to be with, one who is suffering? Especially if there is not much I can do to "fix" it?

It is one thing, and not an easy one, to relieve someone of their suffering. We can feel the accomplishment of "doing something good," or "succeeding." We can feel the reward for our compassion. But perhaps at the foot of the cross, or in this son's unexpected attentiveness to his mom's grief, we gain an insight into the heroic courage and love of Mary, Our Lady of Sorrows, a title our culture seems to find increasingly difficult to understand. It is a person of singular grace and the deepest humanity who can stand with one who suffers.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

We are still ND

As a Notre Dame student, I cannot help but respond to the letter from Mr. Lushis printed in the Viewpoint on Wednesday. In "Where's the Spirit?", the Notre Dame student body was deemed insulting, disrespectful and sad for not returning to the USF game after the rain delays.

I would first like to point out that while the play of the game undoubtedly influenced the students in their decision not to stay for the full game, the weather was the biggest factor.

With temperatures lingering in the 90s all afternoon and the onset of storms that had no foreseeable end, students decided to eat for the first time in several hours or perhaps simply rest their feet. This was not done

to spite the team, band or remainder of the Notre Dame family but instead to remedy our exhaustion.

I cannot deny that the student body is dissatisfied with the football team. The class of 1977 saw a national championship season and a record of 38-8, if my calculations are correct. The class of 2012 is sitting at 21-18.

My experience of Notre Dame football is marked not by national championships but by frequent coaching changes. How can you scold students for being dissatisfied when our athletic program is the paradigm of dissatisfaction? How can you expect students to respond when coaches have a five-year shelf life?

Finally, for Mr. Lushis to say we

no longer have the greatest student body in the world because of this one game is insulting to me. We have been through many tragedies in recent years and even weeks, and we come together in a way only Notre Dame students can. Yet, because some of us decided not to return to the game after two rain delays, our spirit isn't good enough? Our spirit also shows outside of the football stands.

We are more than football, Mr. Lushis, and we deserve better.

Erin Scott

senior

Off campus

Sept. 7

QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Maturity is a bitter disappointment for which no remedy exists, unless laughter can be said to remedy anything."

Kurt Vonnegut
U.S. novelist

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Where is human nature so weak as in the bookstore?"

Henry Ward Beecher
U.S. abolitionist & clergyman

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Go Irish!

Dear Mr. Lushis,

After reading your letter to the editor dated Sept. 5 and printed in the Sept. 7 newspaper, I felt I should reply with my opinion.

First of all, I am glad to hear that an alumnus and member of the Notre Dame family is still voicing his opinion. I hope that my passion will be as strong years after I graduate. With that being said, I completely disagree with your argument.

I'll first challenge the fact by pointing out this Saturday was the first weather delay we have ever had in Notre Dame Stadium. While you claim that your section may have been loud and passionate and all that jazz, you can't conclude that more people in your student section would have showed up after the first rain delay than ours did.

Secondly, you graduated in 1977, the year after Rudy graduated, and a few months before Dan Devine won the national championship. Everybody and their family, literally, wanted to go and see the best team in the nation play. We haven't had that kind of experience in our student section (yet!), but we still show up and cheer our hearts out for the team we love.

I should also add that after the first game delay, the student body that returned was incredibly loud and excited about the continuation of the game despite the disappointing first half. I don't know numbers, of course, but I can tell you that being in the student section for the first drive of the second half was louder and more passionate than the first half. We were rallying around Tommy boy and the well-improved defense! Not only did we do that the first time, but the second rain delay return was just as loud, especially after Michael Floyd snagged a touchdown pass right in front of us. We may not compete with a giant, 40,000, SEC- style student section in volume, but the thousands of Notre Dame students left were cheering until the end.

And for my last point, I'd like to give a shout out to the band. First off, you guys rock! It didn't quite feel like football Saturday without a sensational halftime show. That's exactly why the entire student section started chanting "halftime show" after it was announced that there would not be one following the conclusion of the game.

Conclusively, I believe that we do have the pride and spirit you seem to think we lack. If you still doubt it, look at the volume of students going to Michigan this weekend. Awesome. If we want our stadium to be as loud as the Big House, we need everyone in the stadium, not just the student section, to stand and cheer from beginning to end. I challenge any and all willing and capable alumni to follow our lead and cheer as loud as you can for our boys in blue. And student section, let's give 'em all we've got against Michigan State!

Go Kelly. Go get it Tommy Rees! And as always, GO IRISH!!!!

Tom Spoonmore
sophomore
Carroll Hall
Sept. 7

Loyal sons and daughters

Mr. Lushis,

I value and respect your opinion as an alumnus of Notre Dame. However, I must respectfully disagree with your analysis of the student section this past Saturday.

You allege that "a very substantial number of students did not return" after the delay at halftime. There are no official statistics, but just from looking around the stadium it was clear that a vast majority of the student body returned for the second half, despite our team being down 16-0. Even after the second rain delay, when much of the stadium cleared out, the student section was still quite full. At the end of the game, our players were far from alone in singing the alma mater.

During the first half of the game, the students may not have been as spirited as usual, largely because of the heat. After the break, though, we came back reenergized and excited to cheer our team on to victory. We outscored South Florida 20-7 in the second half, and it felt like a completely different football game — both on the field and in the stands.

Among other reasons, Notre Dame appealed to me because of the school spirit and community, which I believe are best displayed at football games. Saturday's game didn't change this perception; rather, it reinforced it. The football team will turn the season around, and Notre Dame's loyal sons — and daughters — will be there to cheer them on.

Elizabeth Owers
sophomore
Walsh Hall
Sept. 7

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In Notre Dame

Dear Mr. Lushis,

I am writing to you, as well as to the student body of Notre Dame, in response your letter titled "Where's the Spirit?" that appeared in The Observer on Sept. 7. In that letter, you expressed your disappointment in the Notre Dame student body for the "lack of spirit" we demonstrated during Saturday's six-hour game versus USF. When I read your letter, I actually became angry.

In the past year, I have found myself agreeing with many Letters to the Editor about how Notre Dame students should show more spirit, but this time was different. First of all, with all due respect, Mr. Lushis, Notre Dame football is just not the same as it was when you were a student here. Unlike you, the current students of Notre Dame have not had the pleasure of constantly having one of the best teams in college football to cheer for year after year. Instead, we watch our beloved Fighting Irish endure heart-wrenching losses and constantly be dismissed by college football analysts as "overrated" and "irrelevant."

That is why on Saturday, when I came back to cheer on the Irish after both rain delays, my reaction upon seeing the student section was very different. Instead of noticing the few empty spaces, I was filled with pride upon seeing that the vast majority of the student body had returned again and again to stand in the rain and watch a game that we clearly were not going to win. Not only that, but in the midst of defeat, students were cheering even louder than before, swelling with pride as chants of "We are ND" reverberated through the stadium. While many (maybe even most) of the fans decided to leave the game, it seemed to me that, we, the students, were the ones who stuck around to support our team.

So Mr. Lushis, let me say that as a third-generation Domer: I know what Notre Dame spirit is all about. While my mother, aunts, uncles and grandfather have celebrated Notre Dame national championships several times, I have accepted the unfortunate reality that the Irish will probably never win a national championship during my time here.

The next time you watch a football game at Notre Dame, I would hope that you are able to look at the student section and see that the precious time and money that you and fellow alums have so generously donated has not gone to waste. Notre Dame football may not be as dominant as it used to be, but one thing will never change: the student body's unwavering dedication to our team and to our school.

Go Irish, beat Wolverines!

Mara Walsh
sophomore
Howard Hall
Sept. 7

UWIRE

All majors are created equal

You know that uncomfortable moment when you first meet someone, and in an attempt to sound interesting all you can think to ask is "So, what's your major?" I hate that question. Mostly I hate it because of the reaction I get.

As soon as the word "English" leaves my mouth, it brings about a repulsive reaction. It can only be described as the noise a child makes when vegetables are placed in front of him. The second word — "Education" — brings an even worse noise that sounds something like a garbage disposal and pterodactyl making love.

We all know the stereotypes surrounding every major but, if you look at them honestly, you'll find that all of them has value in our society. Each major is difficult in its own way. If they weren't, it wouldn't be necessary to have a college degree to have a job in that field.

Certain majors are not any less important because their books cost less, their jobs pay less or because they don't have to write 20 page lab reports. English majors may not spend hours in a lab, but we can read a 200 page book in 3 hours max.

A lot of science and math students undervalue the influence of a piece of literature. The Bible has created more change in the world than any other book to date. Martin Luther King's "I Have a Dream" speech, "The Communist Manifesto," Betty Friedan's "The Feminine Mystique," Edward Gibbon's "The History of the Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire" and Isaac Newton's "Mathematical Principles of Natural Philosophy" all had a large influence on cultural development as well.

Equality of all majors is based on the fact that the world cannot function without each one. Our engineers cannot be educated without teachers. Our country cannot run without political scientists or economists, and without meteorologists, we wouldn't know that Hurricane Irene was heading our way.

A narrower focus reveals that each field of study is dependent on other disciplines. Take, for example, my major. An English major cannot fully understand a reading if he or she does not understand the historical context. Sure, one can read and comprehend "A Raisin in the Sun," but the cultural influence far outweighs the meaning of the text itself.

The cultural influence of a work is something that could only be understood if researched by the reader. This type of research crosses into the realm of a history major. This same merge of majors happens when chemistry and math mix to understand the periodic table of elements. Even English and engineering can mesh in the form of technical writing. Students would not be complete in their knowledge without their major being influenced by another area of study. This is exactly why each major is required to take general education classes.

The thing I'm asking you to remember, fellow students, is the next time someone tells you about what you deem to be a "worthless" major, remember this article. Remember that all majors are created equal.

This article originally ran in the Sept. 7 version of the Technician, the newspaper serving North Carolina State University.

SCENE

Selects

1 Pretty Little Liars

The summer finale of the addictive ABC Family hit just aired, giving newcomers the perfect chance to catch up on the first season-and-a-half of this juicy teen mystery before it returns in January. Despite somewhat cheesy dialogue and obvious red herrings, viewers will keep coming back for more thanks to the suspenseful cliffhangers, scandalous romances and, maybe most importantly, the pretty hairstyles.

2 Spotify

Spotify is a service that lets you stream millions of songs instantly and on-demand. Based in Sweden, Spotify made its long-awaited debut in the States this summer. The free account allows you to listen to 10 hours of music, with occasional ads. For \$4.99 a month you get unlimited music and no ads, and for \$9.99 you also get offline access to songs, along with access on mobile devices. To get the most out of it, make a few cool playlists and share your music with friends via Facebook.

3 Cupcake Wars

Cupcake Wars combines all of the greatest attributes of quality television: high stakes competition, harsh judges with cool accents, a host that makes truly terrible puns and (of course) cupcakes. Honestly, is anything more appealing than watching professional cupcake bakers bake a thousand cupcakes? Everything from a classic southern red velvet cupcake with a decadent almond cream cheese frosting to a strawberry kiwi daiquiri cupcake with kiwi curd, strawberry rum frosting and a strawberry rum shooter garnish are featured.

4 True Blood

“True Blood” imagines a world in which vampires have come out of the coffin. Vampires — and a host of other supernatural creatures — live amongst humans and exist in disproportionate numbers in fictional Bon Temps, La. While the premise may scream “tween,” the action is anything but. This campy thriller gets racy and violent, and is burning through more plot twists than ever. Currently in its fourth season, “True Blood” is a must-see.

5 Let's Spoon

Let's Spoon opened its doors this summer near Domino's and Mulligan's, much to the delight of students who have discovered its delicious flavors and delightful toppings. The frozen yogurt eatery is similar to the Pinkberry chains that have sprung up in major cities. At Let's Spoon, however, you choose from more flavors, have more control over the amount of toppings you can place on your frozen treat and pay less for the creamy dessert — or dinner, no one's judging. Sure, it's not dining hall froyo, but it's so much better. So the next time you and your friends need to escape the heat, head to Let's Spoon and design a frozen masterpiece to enjoy.

Red Hot Chili

PEPPERS



Gone Mild

By Ross Finney
Scene Writer

The Red Hot Chili Peppers are back in business with “I’m With You,” their first new album since 2006’s “Stadium Arcadium” and while they still bring the kick, something’s missing.

In 2009, the Peppers lost guitarist John Frusciante, and his absence leaves otherwise solid tracks with a little more to be desired. His chops, owing as much to D. Boon as to Hendrix, consistently anchored the wild group known for bass-player Flea’s off the wall funk and singer Anthony Kiedis’s tendency to fall into non-sensical pseudo-rap. His licks were creative and catchy enough to make something special out of even the most down-beat ballads, and his presence is missed.

Replacement guitarist Josh Klinghoffer does an admirable job trying to fill such big shoes, but his playing is a bit more subdued. Klinghoffer doesn’t bring the memorable riffs that make older songs like “Under the Bridge” or “Scar Tissue” instantly recognizable. However, on the album’s funkier tracks, like “Goodbye Hooray,” he keeps up well and keeps it tight, which is impressive given the other Peppers’ twenty plus years of practice with each other.

The album’s lead single “The Adventures of Rain Dance Maggie” is one of the songs that could benefit from a Frusciante lick but is a prime example of the Chili Peppers doing what they do best. With funky sing speak verses and the kind of sing along chorus the group is known for, the track is sure to become a favorite among the group’s repertoire.

Thematically the song is the spiritual successor to “Dani California,” the title character Maggie being another of Kiedis’s ethereal women whose stories become displays of his lyrical prowess. In this same way much of the album is a continuation of themes and ideas, both lyrical

and musical, explored on other RHCP albums, but it is generally more mature in outlook. Whether that’s a good thing is up for debate.

One striking example of the group’s maturity comes from the standout track “Brendan’s Death Song.” Written about the recently deceased Brendan Mullen, one of the key players in the LA punk scene who gave the Peppers their first big break, the track builds from a somber funeral march to all-out jam.

Lyrical, the song is one of the group’s best, and it benefits from Klinghoffer’s driving guitar, cleverly kept in the back of the mix by Rick Rubin, who keeps up his collaboration with the group going back to “Blood Sugar Sex Magik.”

Other notable tracks include “Police Station” and “Happiness Loves Company,” the former of which is another great example of the group’s lyrical maturity while the latter probably has a better hook for the chorus than the lead single, and perhaps the strongest hook on the album.

The Red Hot Chili Peppers take the departure of a crucial member in stride and have managed to put out a very solid if not exactly flashy album that is concise and consistent especially compared to the sprawling “Stadium Arcadium.” While fans of the group’s older wilder punk-funk might see this as yet another disappointment, rock ‘n’ roll fans who have kept up with group’s evolution over the years will be more than satisfied.

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Red Hot Chili Peppers
‘I’m With You’

Label: Warner Bros
Release Date: Aug. 26



WEEKEND EVENTS CALENDAR

thursday 08



Maps & Atlases
Subkirke
8:30 p.m.
\$10 advance, \$12 at door

As part of their U.S. tour, the Chicago indie darlings are known for mixing its folk roots with more cutting-edge, experimental music and has been dubbed “math rock.” Check out the performance for a taste of the new album, “Perch Patchwork.”

friday 09



Chicanitas: Small Paintings
from the Cheech Marin
Collection
The Snite Museum of Art
10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Free

On display through Nov. 13, these paintings, which celebrate the Mexican-American culture and heritage, focus less on politics and social issues and more on emotions and internal expression.

saturday 10



Wet Hot American Summer
The Browning Cinema at
DPAC
11:59 p.m.
\$3 for students

The comedic cult classic about a summer camp in 1981 features some famous faces (before they became famous) as the staff, including Amy Poehler, Paul Rudd, Bradley Cooper, David Hyde Pierce and Elizabeth Banks.

sunday 11



Men's Soccer
Alumni Fields
2 p.m.
Free

With a win over Dayton and a loss to St. Louis last weekend, the No. 17 Irish men will host the Bucknell Bison at Alumni Fields, fresh off a game against Denver. Lend your support and cheer the Irish on to victory!

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Abound in*

“TREE OF LIFE”

By Neil Mathieson
Scene Writer

One of the most intensely debated films of the summer, “The Tree of Life,” has finally arrived at Notre Dame. It will play at the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center (DPAC) this weekend as part of Nanovic Institute Film Series. The film has gained both lofty praise and harsh scrutiny from critics and audiences alike. But after winning the Palme d’Or, the highest award of The Cannes Film Festival, “Tree of Life” has certified itself as an artistic achievement.

While this sort of success is usually welcomed, director Terence Malick (“The New World”) is not one for the limelight. He detests being interviewed and is very private about his work. Even though he has only made five films in the last 38 years, he is recognized as one of the most influential directors. However, one needs only to look at his pedigree with films such as “Days of Heaven” and “The Thin Red Line” to identify a master at work.

The film community has long awaited

“The Tree of Life,” which took a decade for Malick to produce, partly because the film’s complex non-linear narrative took so much time to compose. The first half of the story focuses on the formation of the universe. The audience witnesses the dazzling formation of the solar system and the development of earth from microorganisms to dinosaurs. In order to get the required shots, Malick painstakingly sent his crew around the globe to capture mesmerizing footage of earth’s natural wonders. The results are breathtaking and even critics who disliked the film recognized the cinematography’s brilliance.

In the second half we are transported to a small town in Texas in the 1950s. Here, a young boy named Jack comes of age in a household controlled by a domineering father, played with understated brilliance by Brad Pitt, and a loving mother portrayed by Jessica Chastain. Jack struggles to balance his parents’ conflicting spirits within himself. This internal confusion leaves Jack with contempt for the external world around him. He questions God’s benevolence

and existence, which subsequently calls his faith in humanity into question.

Sean Penn plays a grown up Jack. No longer living in Texas, he is now in an urban metropolis littered with skyscrapers, steel and reflective glass. The scenes with Sean Penn begin and end the film. In this future we learn that something one of Jack’s younger brothers did leaves even more philosophical questions unanswered for a tortured older Jack.

“The Tree of Life” is an unorthodox and complex visual feast. Most of this is achieved by Malick’s intricate editing, which constantly whirled us around his cinematic Eden. In fact, one theatre in Italy played the reels in reverse, showing the second half of the movie before the first, for a week. However, not a single audience member mentioned the error due to the film’s abstract style.

Certain theatres even had signs telling customers that this was not a regular Brad Pitt film and all sales were final. Some viewers expected “Mr. and Mrs. Smith” and instead got subject matter usually found in the writings of Nietzsche and Aquinas. As Roger Ebert

On campus

What: “Tree of Life”

Where: Browning Cinema

When: Friday, Sept. 9, 6:30
and 9:30 p.m., Saturday,
Sept. 10, 3, 6 and 9 p.m.

stated, “The only other film I’ve ever seen with this boldness of vision was Kubrick’s 2001: A Space Odyssey and it lacked Malick’s fierce evocation of human feeling.

“The Tree of Life” is without question one of the most stunning, cryptic and profound works in years.

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SPORTS AUTHORITY

Open road ahead

This is the fourth of a new Observer feature. A series of 10 Observer sportswriters will have columns appear in this space on a bi-weekly rotation. Hopefully some of these writers will grab your attention, and you'll know when and where to find more of their thoughts.

Despite lockouts, substance-abuse scandals and the occasional players' strike (sorry 1994 Montreal Expos), the U.S. professional sports pecking order has remained relatively constant over the last two decades.

ESPN and the NFL have enjoyed football's dominance as the most watched and most-attended sports league in the world, as the league averages over 68,000 fans in attendance each game (almost double the attendance for an average English Premier League contest).

Baseball reigns supreme in the summer, although the loss of Jon Miller and Joe Morgan from Sunday Night Baseball has certainly taken away some of its magic (c'mon, you know you miss hearing about Morgan's career batting average against the Cubs coming from the man himself).

The next two are a bit more difficult. The NBA and the NHL target audiences on different ends of the demographic spectrum, but the average attendance rates are basically the same (17,520 and 17,265, respectively). The two sports have basically the same stadium capacities and playoff structures, which often make the sports connoisseur's life quite difficult in May.

I give the NHL the edge simply because, in my experience, no sport has even come close to the excitement of watching a hockey game live. That, and hockey fans are generally the most knowledgeable, territorial fans I have encountered.

Draped in my black and teal, I feared for my life in Detroit for Game 4 of the Western Conference Semifinals and loved every minute of it. Before that, I wore my Michael Jordan old-school 23 to a Blackhawks-Canucks

game in the United Center and received more than a few dirty looks (go figure).

Rounding out the list are the MLS, professional tennis, and the occasional golf major, in no particular order.

But where's NASCAR? The National Association of Stock Car Auto Racing is the second-most watched sport by television viewers, only behind football, yet I've never actually watched a full race. I'm almost ashamed to call myself a cultured sports fan.

Until this week, I was generally in the "don't want to see company-branded cars go around in a circle" camp. But after watching the finish to the Atlanta Motor Speedway on Tuesday, I've reconsidered.

With only four laps to go, veteran Jeff Gordon battled standings leader Jimmy Johnson to earn his third win of the season by 0.598 seconds. It was a dogfight till the end, with both cars side-by-side to the finish, à la Talladega Nights.

Consider the following 10-second excerpt from the telecast, minus the Southern drawl:

"Oh, Gordon really sideways right there."

"Ah Jimmy fighting right up to his back bumper."

"You can see Jimmy just walk the car up the track."

"Now did we talk earlier about another fantastic finish here in Atlanta?"

"Yessir."

So if you're looking for someone to replace Tiger Woods or Roger Federer, what other sport

has a dominant figure like five-time Sprint Cup Series champion Jimmy Johnson? The debut of Danica Patrick in

2012 only makes NASCAR that much more compelling to watch.

The next Sprint Cup Series event is the Richmond International Raceway Saturday at 7:30 p.m. on ABC, which gives you a full 30 minutes to give NASCAR a chance before you flip to ESPN. If you're sold, the series comes to Chicago on Sunday, Sept. 18 for the Chicagoland Speedway at 2 p.m.

I have a cooler, two George Foremans, lawn chairs and a license to tailgate. Who's driving?

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Chris Masoud
Assistant Managing Editor

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NFL

Rookie LB to start for Giants

Associated Press

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — Rookie middle linebacker Greg Jones has come a long way in a short time with the New York Giants.

The sixth-round draft pick from Michigan State spent most of training camp working with the third-team defense.

Following the final cuts over the weekend and a major knee injury to Jonathan Goff on Monday, Jones seemingly is now the starting middle linebacker for the season opener against the Washington Redskins Sunday.

Jones had a chance to work with the first team for the first time on Wednesday and enjoyed himself.

"It was cool just being out there," Jones said. "It is a different type of motivation. Everybody is so positive and nobody is saying: 'You're only a rookie.' Everybody is just saying you can do this, just believe in yourself."

Jones has no doubts that he can play the MIKE position. He left college as the Spartans' all-time leader in tackles for loss with 46 1/2, and was third all time in tackles with 465. He led the team or tied for team lead in tackles in 31 of his last 39 games.

However, he is taking over for Goff on short notice. Goff injured his right knee running into an offensive lineman in practice on Monday and the team didn't learn he had torn his ACL until Tuesday afternoon.

Jones didn't know about it until linebacker coach Jim Herrmann gave him a call and told him it was time to step up.

"Jon (Goff) always said just be ready," Jones said. "All of a sudden, wow! I didn't see that coming, I feel ready for it."

So do his teammates who put on a brave face with this latest injury. Since training camp opened, the Giants have lost cornerbacks Bruce Johnson and Terrell Thomas with Achilles' tendon injuries, backup linebacker Clint Sintim with a knee injury, second-round draft pick Marvin Aus-



AP

Giants' defensive end Osi Umenyiora runs through drills in camp. Umenyiora will be joined by rookie LB Jones on defense.

tin, a defensive tackle, with a torn pectoral muscle and now Goff, who started all 16 games in the middle last season.

First-round draft pick Prince Amukamara, a cornerback, broke his foot early in camp, and two-time Pro Bowl defensive end Osi Umenyiora is still

rehabilitating his knee after arthroscopic surgery.

"This is adversity," veteran safety Deon Grant said. "This is the NFL. Dealing with what we're dealing with, I don't think it's happened like that in a long time. I know I can't remember my whole career, but that's ad-

versity. You see what Green Bay went through last year. The next guy has to make sure he picks it up."

Jones is next up at middle linebacker and Grant has been impressed with him.

"Football is his No. 1 priority and he can play," Grant said. "When you got that, that's phenomenal, but he's a (mean) dog at heart, and that's what you need for any kind of player, but especially at that MIKE linebacker."

Linebacker Michael Boley said it felt a little different looking toward the middle and

seeing Jones. The only other time he has lined up next to Jones was in walkthroughs.

"I don't think we need to change much with Greg stepping in," Boley said. "He has been pretty steady at that spot in the preseason and made a lot of plays."

It is conceivable that the Giants can come up with a gimmick defense that will allow the team to limit Jones' exposure against the Redskins, much like last season when they used Grant in three safety alignments. If not, safety Antrel Rolle said the defense will have Jones' back.

"Jon Goff was definitely coming into his own. He was controlling the defense," Rolle said. "It's unfortunate we have to move on without him. Greg is going to have to do the job. He is a young guy and now he has to put on his big boy pads."

The Giants had about 10 free agent linebackers in for tryouts, including former Giants Chase Blackburn and Kawika Mitchell. Blackburn, who visited teammates in the locker room on Wednesday, was the backup middle linebacker last season, and their special teams captain.

If Jones starts Sunday, he would be the first Giants rookie defensive player to start on opening day since Barry Co-field in 2006.

The injury also is giving free agent Mark Herzlich some time at middle linebacker. He last played that position as a freshman at Boston College.

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Greg Jones
Giants' linebacker

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True, we love life, not because we are used to living, but because we are used to loving. There is always some madness in love, but there is also always some reason in madness.

There is no lighter burden, nor more agreeable, than a pen.

It is more honorable to be raised to a throne than to be born to one. Fortune bestows the one, merit obtains the other. -Petrarch

I never blame myself when I'm not hitting. I just blame the bat and if it keeps up, I change bats. After all, if I know it isn't my fault that I'm not hitting, how can I get mad at myself? -Yogi Berra
Art, as far as it is able, follows nature, as a pupil imitates his master; thus your art must be, as it were, God's grandchild.

O conscience, upright and stainless, how bitter a sting to thee is a little fault! -Dante

It would be nice to think that since I was 14 times have changed. Relationships have become more sophisticated. Females less cruel. Skins thicker. Instincts more developed. But there seems to be an element of that afternoon in everything that's happened to me since. All my romantic stories are a scrambled verion of that first one.

-- Rob Gordon

Happy birthday Miller!

The Observer accepts classifieds every business day from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Notre Dame office, 024 South Dining Hall. Deadline for next-day classifieds is 3 p.m. All classifieds must be prepaid. The charge is 5 cents per character per day, including all spaces. The Observer reserves the right to edit all classifieds for content without issuing refunds.

NFL

Collins takes Manning's place, streak ends

Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — The numbers tell it all. Exactly 227 consecutive starts. Eleven playoff appearances. Eleven double-digit winning seasons. Eight division crowns. Two AFC titles. One Super Bowl championship.

Peyton Manning has quarterbacked the Indianapolis Colts every Sunday since Sept. 6, 1998. He won't this weekend.

Manning will be in street clothes when the team opens the season at Houston, still recovering from neck surgery while Kerry Collins starts in his place.

"It's going to be a little different without Peyton," coach Jim Caldwell said. "He's one of a kind. When you look across our league, most teams have had quarterbacks that have missed time. Ours has just been highly unusual."

The streak is the second longest in history among NFL quarterbacks behind only Brett Favre, whose 297-game run -- 321 including the postseason -- ended last season just before he called it a career.

Colts left tackle Anthony Castonzo was 10 years old when Manning's streak began. Veteran center Jeff Saturday has never snapped the ball to another quarterback to start a game during his pro career. In fact, no player on Indy's roster has participated in a regular-season or playoff game

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Jim Caldwell
Colts coach

for the Colts without No. 18 at the controls.

Giants quarterback Eli Manning, Peyton's younger brother, now holds the longest active streak for a quarterback with 110 starts, including postseason play. He said he had not talked to his brother for a few weeks.

"I know he was dealing with a lot," the younger Manning said. "I don't know how he is feeling and what's going on. I know he wants to be out there. He gave his all and he will give his all to be back out there."

The Colts had hoped the 35-year-old Manning would recover while developing a backup plan. Collins, who was brought out of retirement just two weeks ago to run the Colts' pass-heavy offense, has been preparing as though he would start.

"I expect to run the offense, bottom line," he said. "Make plays when they're there, be smart with the ball, make good reads, good decisions, get us into the right plays when the situation calls for it. I'm going into this week thinking I'm going to run the offense as best I can."

Defensive end Dwight Freeney said the Colts still expect to play at a championship level.

"Obviously, we're not used to not having him (Manning) out there," Freeney said. "He's a great player. There are 52 other guys on the team, and one guy does not

win the game."

The Texans don't expect an easy game because Manning won't play. They are familiar with Collins, who played for rival Tennessee last year.

"I think he's a hell of a player," Texans coach Gary Kubiak said of Collins. "He's been successful against us. My focus right now is on our team. We've got to get ourselves ready to play. It doesn't matter who you play, or whatever, it matters how you play in this business. We've got to prepare to get ready to win a game."

Manning had been listed as doubtful for the game, but losing him for any time is a shock to Indy fans, not to mention his teammates. Not only has the four-time NFL MVP never missed a start, he's rarely missed practice.

"To say I am disappointed in not being able to play is an understatement," Manning said in a release from the team. "The best part about football is being out there on the field playing with my teammates. It will be tough not to be out there playing for the organization and our fans. I simply am not healthy enough to play, and I am doing everything I can to get my health back. The team will do fine without me, and I know for sure that I will miss them much more than they miss me."

Manning had neck surgery to repair a nerve May 23, but the recovery has taken much longer than the expected 6-8 weeks that would have put him back on the field for the start of training camp. Instead, he started camp on the physically unable to perform list and wasn't activated until last Monday.

He did limited work at practice last week, which led to complaints about back pain. The team issued



AP

Indianapolis Colts quarterback Kerry Collins throws a pass against the Cincinnati Bengals on Sept. 1 in Cincinnati.

a statement saying that team doctors had re-evaluated Manning and instructed him to stop practicing while he undergoes more tests. No additional surgery has been scheduled.

Caldwell said the bad news only became clear Wednesday.

"We always knew it was a chance," he said. "That's what doubtful means. You always have to prepare for the worst and hope for the best."

Caldwell said he had confidence in Collins, who was lured out of retirement by the Colts as Manning's recovery dragged on.

"The guy's thrown for 40,000 yards. He can throw the ball," Caldwell said.

Collins has made 177 career starts and been to two Pro Bowls. He took the Carolina Panthers to the 1996 NFC Championship game and the New York Giants to the Super Bowl after the 2000 season. He helped Tennessee post

the AFC's best record (13-3) in 2008.

Still, he has had less than two weeks to learn Indy's offense, which has traditionally called plays at the line of scrimmage. He didn't even play with Pro Bowlers Reggie Wayne or Dallas Clark in a preseason game, and the Colts will open the season with three new starters on the offensive line and a fourth, former right tackle Ryan Diem, moving inside to guard.

He also now carries the expectations of fans hoping Indy can become the first host team to play in the Super Bowl in February. Collins says he's ready to step in.

"I really do feel like I've come a long way in a short period of time," he said. "Now that we're into game planning, things are a little more focused and a little more centralized on what we're trying to accomplish. My comfort level is still pretty high."



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It's Summer 1981 at Camp Firewood: Beth, the camp director (Janeane Garofalo) has feelings for an astrophysicist (David Hyde Pierce) who's trying to saving the campers from perishing under falling pieces of Skylab. Gene, the Vietnam Vet cook (Christopher Meloni) hears voices in a can of vegetables. Susie and Ben (Amy Poehler, Bradely Cooper) plan the best talent show the camp has ever seen.



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MLB

Yankees game to have 9/11 tribute

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Mariano Rivera remembers being home that day on what started out as a beautiful morning. His mother-in-law was watching the news and he heard her screaming: The first plane had hit the World Trade Center. Then he saw the second one do the same.

Jorge Posada was at the hospital with his ailing son when he heard the commotion in the hallway and thought “the worst was coming.”

Derek Jeter recalled meeting all those families and firefighters who lost loved ones.

“It was hard,” Rivera said, “for everybody.”

Three longtime stars with the New York Yankees reflected on 9/11 as the team marked the 10-year anniversary with a ceremony Wednesday before a game against the Baltimore Orioles.

Former Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld took part in the on-field tribute to soldiers, rescue workers and victims of the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks. The salute was held four days early at Yankee Stadium because the team will be in the middle of a long road trip Sunday.

“What I remember of those days is that the whole country got together. That’s a beautiful thing,” Rivera said at a pre-game news conference. “I wish it was still like that, but it’s not. The whole country, the whole U.S. got together and it was amazing. Everybody helping everyone, it didn’t matter what race or color you were. We were here for one nation and fighting and trying to move forward and that’s exactly what we did.”

The ceremony began with a message from first lady Michelle Obama on the big video board in center field and lasted about 15 minutes. The team asked fans to be in their seats 35 minutes before the first pitch, but only a few thousand made it in time on a rainy weekday afternoon.

The previous night, the teams waited out a rain delay that lasted more than 4 hours to play a game that ended at 2:15 a.m.

The Yankees recognized several wounded soldiers Wednesday, including Sgt. 1st Class Leroy Petry, who was awarded a Medal of Honor by President Barack Obama on July 12 for his brave actions in Afghanistan to protect comrades in the 2008 firefight that cost him his right hand.

As other players limbered up in the outfield, New York right fielder Nick Swisher greeted all the soldiers with handshakes and gave a big hug to Petry before jumping in for a photo with the group behind home plate.

New York City firefighter Regina Wilson sang the national anthem and there was a moment of silence to honor all the

victims of Sept. 11. Another FDNY vocalist, Frank Pizarro, sang “God Bless America” during the seventh-inning stretch, a ritual the Yankees have continued at every home game since baseball resumed in the wake of the attacks.

On the mound with Petry to throw out the ceremonial first pitch was longtime Yankees ticket operations representative Hank Grazioso, who lost both his sons at the World Trade Center on 9/11.

Thinking back 10 years, Jeter and Rivera recalled all the suffering families and rescue workers they met in the days after the attacks. Posada recalled that he was initially unable to visit firehouses or ground zero with his teammates because he was still tending to his son, Jorge Jr., who had an infection following an operation on his skull.

“It was uncomfortable,” Jeter said. “We’re baseball players. People look at us as heroes, but we got to meet these families and firefighters and EMS workers. Those were the true heroes at the time. We met the families, and what do you say to them?”

“It probably benefited us just as much — maybe even more so — than the families. We got an opportunity to hear how much we meant to these families, how we had given them something to cheer for for at least three hours a day. It was an experience I’ll always remember, but it was uncomfortable at the beginning,” he said.

On the field, Jeter, Rivera and Posada were all key members of the 2001 Yankees team that lost to the Arizona Diamondbacks in a thrilling World Series.

“We did something pretty special,” Posada said. “We healed a little bit and I think that’s what we remember about the time. It was a tough time — still is. People came to the stadium to have a little bit of joy. They helped us, too, because they were loud. We wanted to go to the World Series and we kept going because of the people of New York.”

Rivera had another way to describe that postseason run, when the Yankees fell just shy of a fourth straight championship with a 3-2 loss in Game 7 of the World Series.

“I don’t call it magical, I call it a blessing,” he said. “To me, that’s the best World Series we played. We fell short, but we did everything in our power to win the World Series and give New York what they deserved. To me, that’s the satisfaction. There was satisfaction even though we lost, because we fought.”

Rivera recalled giving his Rolands Relief Man Award that season to the New York City fire department.

“I save games, they save lives,” he said. “That’s what real heroes are all about.”

MLB

Moscoso takes no-hit bid to 8th

Associated Press

OAKLAND, Calif. — Guillermo Moscoso held Kansas City hitless until rookie Salvador Perez singled with two outs in the eighth inning, and the Oakland Athletics beat the Royals 7-0 Wednesday.

Moscoso (8-8) wound up allowing two hits in 8 2-3 innings. The right-hander walked one and struck out four in his 18th major league start.

Moscoso set an Oakland record by retiring 30 consecutive hitters — the final 13 against Seattle last Friday and the first 17 against the Royals. He walked Kansas City’s Alcides Escobar with two outs in the sixth.

Perez broke up the no-hit bid by lining a clean, opposite-field field single to right.

Moscoso recorded 16 of his outs on fly balls to the outfield, 10 to center fielder Coco Crisp. Crisp’s diving catch on Billy Butler’s sinking liner ended the first inning.

Butler’s eight-pitch at-bat in the ninth ended with A’s third baseman Scott Sizemore making two errors on the play. That prompted Oakland manager Bob Melvin to bring in Fautino De Los Santos, who got the final out on one pitch.

Jemile Weeks had four hits and drove in a run for the A’s, who won for the fifth time in seven games. Sizemore doubled home two runs and Hideki Matsui, Josh Willingham and Adam Rosales also drove in runs.

Bruce Chen (10-7) allowed six runs on eight hits in his 6 1-3 innings.

Crisp, after missing four games with a sore right foot, doubled in the first inning, stole his 40th base and scored on Will-



AP

Athletics pitcher Guillermo Moscoso works against the Royals during the third inning of a baseball game Tuesday in Oakland.

ingham’s sacrifice fly.

The A’s added another run in the fourth when left fielder Alex Gordon misplayed Michael Taylor’s fly ball into a two-base error, allowing Kurt Suzuki to score.

Earlier, Taylor lost a hit when he was thrown at first base by strong-armed right fielder Jeff Francoeur. The 9-3 putout was just the fifth in the AL since 1974.

The Royals have a major league-best 48 outfield assists, 25 of them at home plate. Francoeur has 95 career outfield assists, most in the majors since he made his debut in 1995. A’s infielder Brandon Allen was given the day off. Melvin said he’ll wait until after Thursday’s off-

day to decide if he wants to use an extra pitcher into the rotation, with pitcher Josh Outman the leading candidate. Pitcher Brandon McCarthy (8-7, 3.41) will start for the A’s at the Texas Rangers on Friday. McCarthy has thrown back-to-back complete games, including a three-hit shutout in his last start. Pitcher Luke Hochevar (10-10, 4.76) starts Thursday’s game in Seattle for the Royals. Hochevar will pitch at Safeco Field for the first time. He’s coming off an impressive victory in which he did not allow an earned run in eight innings. He’s 5-2 with a 3.51 ERA since the All-Star break. Crisp became the 10th A’s player to record 40 stolen bases in a season.

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NFL

Browns counting on McCoy in season opener

Associated Press

BEREA, Ohio — Colt McCoy wears No. 12. For the Cleveland Browns, he's also No. 10.

It's a number they'd like to stay stuck on.

On Sunday against Cincinnati, McCoy will become the 10th different quarterback to start a season opener for the Browns since 1999, an astonishing statistic and perhaps the single biggest reason the franchise has failed miserably during an expansion era of losses. McCoy follows Ty Detmer, Tim Couch, Kelly Holcomb, Jeff Garcia, Trent Dilfer, Charlie Frye, Derek Anderson, Brady Quinn and Jake Delhomme as quarterbacks to begin the year as Cleveland's starter.

"I hope it stays like this for a while," McCoy said Wednesday.

In the NFL, quarterback consistency is vital to success. With a revolving door at the game's most important position, it's no wonder the Browns have only made the play-offs once and lost at least 10 games nine times in 12 years. Cleveland has been searching for a leader to guide them from the dismal darkness and back to respectability.

McCoy, who showed grit and toughness in eight starts in 2010, just might be the one.

And this season, anyway, he'll get the chance to succeed or fail.

McCoy's rise from third-round draft pick to starter happened

quickly.

Rewind to last season's opener. The former Texas star was a raw, out-of-sight, out-of-mind rookie running Cleveland's scout team in practice. While Delhomme and backup Seneca Wallace took all the snaps, McCoy stood to the side waiting and wondering if his time would ever come.

Buried on the depth chart, McCoy was inactive when the Browns traveled to Tampa Bay in Week 1. But things changed in a hurry. Delhomme severely sprained his ankle against the Buccaneers, Wallace went down with same injury in Week 5, and suddenly McCoy was thrust into a starting role few believed he was ready to handle.

"He was kind of thrown into the fire," Browns first-year coach Pat Shurmur said.

His personal inferno began in Pittsburgh, where McCoy made his first career start against

the Steelers and in front of their Terrible Towel-waving fans. The night before the game, McCoy stood up at a meeting and told his teammates not to worry, he was ready to handle the job.

Browns cornerback Sheldon Brown feared for McCoy.

"I thought, this poor kid," Brown said. "I hope he's praying."

But McCoy proved he belonged, completing 23 of 33 passes for 281 yards despite being sacked five times and pressured numer-



Browns coach Pat Shurmur talks with quarterback Colt McCoy at the teams' NFL football training camp in Berea, Ohio on Aug. 15. McCoy started eight games in the 2010 season.

ous others. It was there, at the confluence of Pittsburgh's three rivers that many of Cleveland's players became convinced they had found their leader — at last.

"He wasn't scared," Brown said. "That's one of the toughest defenses in the National Football League and he went in there and he held his own. Then

we put him in there against New Orleans, New England. Go back to some of the games he played and you look at his aura on the field and his demeanor, you just know that if you surround him with the players that can make plays for him — he's not going to turn the ball over, he's going to make the correct reads and the better part is, if he makes those mistakes, he'll work his tail off to fix it.

"That's when you know you have a guy."

Shurmur thinks so, too.

Cleveland's fifth coach since '99, Shurmur has been impressed with everything about McCoy. During the labor lock-out, it was McCoy who organized practices in Austin, Texas. At those workouts, dubbed "Camp Colts" by his teammates, McCoy and the Browns took their first initial steps in learning Shurmur's West Coast offense, a passer friendly system the team feels perfectly suits McCoy's accurate — if not strong — right arm.

McCoy also took it upon himself to visit Brett Favre, hoping a few days in Mississippi picking the brain of the former league MVP would help him better understand the new offense. McCoy came to camp prepared and then

played extremely well in Cleveland's three exhibition games.

"He basically did what we wanted and now the next step is to do it for 60 minutes in a regular-season game," Shurmur said. "He has been passing the tests as we've gone along, and Sunday will be the next test."

McCoy has done his homework.

"Now is where it counts," he said.

Composed whether he's calling a play in the huddle, facing a blitz or surrounded by cameras at his locker, McCoy insists he's not feeling any added pressure as he embarks on his second season as a pro. A coach's son, this is what he's been groomed to do since he was a kid.

Now is when the fun starts.

"I've come a long ways," McCoy said. "But I've still got plenty of work to do, no question. This team is ready to start, ready for the regular season. This is where it starts counting. For us, we've put in a lot of hours, a lot of time. We've worked hard together, now I think we kind of know some of the things we're good at, some of the things we're not as good at. Those things we'll keep working on. But I think we're ready to put a plan together and go see what happens."

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shots on goal. The Irish were able to compensate for those numbers Friday, crushing Tulsa in both categories, 39-4 and 16-2, respectively.

However, with upcoming games against powerhouses Santa Clara and Stanford, all the pieces will need to be in place to maintain those kinds of numbers.

Waldrum said that although he was pleased overall with the play of his individual defenders, the defense as a unit still lacked cohesion, possibly because of an inconsistent lineup.

“[Sophomore] Kecia [Morway] couldn’t play because she had a concussion on Friday so [freshman] Taylor [Schneider] had to step in,” Waldrum said. “She stepped in and played great, but the fact that we haven’t had the

same three players in the same spots for three out of our five games so far might be having an effect on the defense playing together and being in sync.”

In addition to Schneider, Waldrum said freshman Sammy Scofield has had a definite impact on Notre Dame’s defense this year. Adding to a defensive staff that includes seniors Schuveiller and Molly Campbell, junior Jazmin Hall and Morway, Waldrum said he has no doubts about the talent of his backfield. His concern remains taking that individual talent and building a unified defense.

“As far as individual players, they’re doing great, but I’m not sure we’ve come together cohesively yet,” he said.

Waldrum said he has full confidence in the ability and potential of his defensive squad and expects them to build the type of cohesion that past Irish defenses have experienced. The first step

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Randy Waldrum
Irish coach



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Melissa Henderson battles for the ball against Tulsa on Sept. 2 in the Notre Dame adidas Invitational. Henderson was named Big East Player of the Week following the tournament.

will be the two tests that lie ahead this weekend in California. Waldrum believes his defense is well on its way.

“We’re usually farther along by now,” he said. “But I believe that this defensive squad will be fantastic by the

end of the season.”

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Rae

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Rae, in his first year running cross country at Notre Dame, finished 78th in the NCAA’s last year while helping the Irish to a 25th place finish.

“I like running because it’s very simple and very competitive,” Rae said. “It’s one person versus another person, and the only person to blame is you.”

Rae was even more successful during the track seasons, both indoor and outdoor. During indoor season, Rae fin-

ished first in the Big East mile race, while also helping the distance medley relay team to a Big East title. Rae ran a 4:08.01 mile.

During outdoor track season, Rae won the 1,500-meter run in the Big East championship, clocking in at 3:46.38.

“I want to keep winning that title,” Rae said. “The coaches have been stressing a team title a lot. This year, the goal going forward is to get those ten points for the team total.”

Using his Big East championship as a springboard, Rae then competed in nationals, finishing ninth overall in the 1,500 and earning second team All-Amer-

ican honors. The All-American tag marked the 21st consecutive year that the Irish have had a member with that distinction.

He was not, however, at full strength due to a lingering Achilles tendon injury.

“It was a bothersome injury throughout outdoor season and frustrating at nationals knowing it wasn’t my best,” Rae said. “When I’m healthy, it’s completely different. I expect to be in the top-five this year.”

The injury has also put much of Rae’s cross country season in jeopardy. While he may be able to race at the Notre Dame Invitational on Sept. 30, Rae said he will probably start racing at the conference championships. Despite his absence, Rae still believes his team is a strong one.

“The guys look really good,” Rae said. “We have a solid five guys that will be good for us. There is no reason we cannot be in the top 10 in the NCAA. Since our first team meeting, that has



TOM YOUNG/The Observer

Junior Jeremy Rae keeps his focus during the ND Invitational, Oct. 10, 2010. He finished second.

been the goal for us and we’re building towards that.”

The Irish are ranked 23rd in the nation and 4th in the Great Lakes region. Notre Dame

will host the National Catholic Championships on Sept. 16.

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Silva

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likely finish much higher. Silva said she didn’t realize her place in the record books.

“I was actually surprised to find out,” she said. “I don’t follow personal statistics too closely. Obviously I want to do the best I can, but I never look that closely at stats.”

Silva said that while her dedication over the years has paid off in the form of some impressive career results, she gains more satisfaction from wins on the court.

“It’s nice to know that [the career statistics] are an affirmation of hard work counting for something, because we all put in a lot of work,” Silva said. “Volleyball is such a team sport, though. It always means more to me to be an important part of the team success. That’s what I look at.”

Because of her unselfish dedication to success, Silva has enjoyed an increase in output

each of her three full seasons. She began this season in the same fashion and credited her improvement to the leaders in the program.

“I definitely think I see personal improvement,” Silva said. “I can see myself freshman year — and I can see the freshmen now — and see how much I’ve grown. Being in the program, we become students of the game, especially playing at this high level. Having all the training really pays off.”

Silva said she has also seen personal growth in another challenging aspect of collegiate sports — juggling academic responsibilities.

“You learn how to manage your time really well, especially being in a fall sport because you jump right in,” she said. “You have to know how to work on

buses, work on planes and just be able to get stuff done.”

Now with over three full years of college under her belt, Silva said it is different to think of herself as a senior, but she enjoys sharing her wealth of knowledge with younger teammates.

“When I really think about it, it’s a little weird,” Silva said of being one of the veterans. “You have a perspective on what the older seniors were doing when you were a freshman, all the things that go on behind the scenes. I enjoy having all the experience that I do so I can help them with things that are second nature to me now — what classes to take, where to go, things like that.”

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Frenchy Silva
senior

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MLB

Verlander wins 22nd game as Tigers sweep Tribe

Associated Press

CLEVELAND — Another game slipped away from the Cleveland Indians. The whole series did, in fact.

Rather than move closer to Detroit, the Indians were swept by the AL Central leaders this week.

Justin Verlander won his 10th straight start and earned his 22nd victory overall, helped when Victor Martinez hit a late grand slam that sent the Tigers over Cleveland 8-6 Wednesday.

Three straight losses left the Indians 9½ games behind Detroit.

“We just got swept,” said first baseman Shelley Duncan, who hit a pair of two-run homers off Verlander. “We’re a little down right now.”

It’s easy to see why.

In less than three weeks, Cleveland has lost eight games in the standings to Detroit, taking the Indians from legitimate contenders to playing for pride in the season’s final 22 games.

“So far, we’ve met a head-on challenge pretty good. I’m still not going to say anything other than we have put ourselves in a good position. Have we accomplished something? Absolutely.”

Jim Leyland
Tigers manager

“They took care of business and, obviously, we didn’t,” Indians manager Manny Acta said. “They’re doing a great job running away from us and beating us head to head.”

Verlander (22-5) survived Duncan’s homers, which each gave the Indians a two-run leads. Martinez, who haunted his team the entire series, hit a seventh-inning slam off Tony Sipp that erased Cleveland’s 4-3 lead and capped Detroit’s five-run rally.

The loss dropped the Indians back to .500 (70-70) as they begin a 10-game road trip Thursday night in Chicago.

“We lost all three games, that’s never fun no matter who you’re playing,” Indians starter Justin Masterson said. “We’re going to have to win a lot of ball-games.”

Said Acta: “We can’t give up. Things can change in a week, but you have to start with Day One.”

The Indians managed to stay in contention despite going extended periods without several key players, including regu-



AP

Tigers designated hitter Victor Martinez runs the bases after hitting a go-ahead grand slam in the seventh inning. Detroit won the game 8-6 and now leads Cleveland by 9.5 games in the division.

lars Grady Sizemore, Shin-Soo Choo, Michael Brantley, Travis Hafner and Jason Kipnis, as well as starting pitchers Josh Tomlin and Carlos Carrasco.

“These guys have come back from everything,” Acta said. “If we don’t win (Thursday), it’s not because this series is lingering. They’ve gone through worse and they have bounced back.”

The Tigers are 16-4 since Aug. 19 and have beaten the

Indians seven straight times. Detroit swept three games from the Chicago White Sox prior to this series to take command of the division, but Detroit manager Jim Leyland isn’t ready to declare his team champions.

“So far, we’ve met a head-on challenge pretty good,” he said. “I’m still not going to say anything other than we have put ourselves in good position. Have we accomplished something? Absolutely.”

Masterson (11-9) left after Detroit loaded the bases on two singles around an error in the seventh.

Joe Smith came on and gave up an RBI single to Miguel Cabrera that got the Tigers within 4-3.

Sipp replaced Smith and the switch-hitting Martinez turned around to the right side and hit the first pitch into the left-field seats for his second career slam, both against the Indians.

University of Notre Dame

Annual Drinking Water Quality Report
2010 Consumer Confidence Report

The amendments to the 1996 Safe Drinking Water Act require each public water supply to produce a water quality report titled the Consumer Confidence Report (CCR). Following is the University’s annual report for the 2010 calendar year.

The University’s water system is a privately owned public water supply operated by the Utilities Department. The University’s system provides water to the University community and the nearby C.S.C. properties. Questions regarding the system or sampling results can be directed to Paul Kempf, Director of Utilities, 102 Facilities Building, Notre Dame, IN 46556, phone 574.631.6594 or Michael McCauslin, Assistant Director, Risk Management and Safety, 636 Grace Hall, Notre Dame, IN 46556, phone 574.631.5037.

There are currently six wells serving the water system, all located on the campus proper. The water is drawn from deep aquifers surrounded by substantial clay barriers that serve to protect the groundwater supply. We do not believe that our source is vulnerable to contamination. We are also taking steps to ensure that our water source does not become contaminated through our Wellhead Protection Program. This program assists in defining where the water supply comes from and methods to protect the aquifers from potential contamination.

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally-occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from animal and human activity.

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate the water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health affects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency’s (EPA) Safe Drinking Water Hotline (1.800.426.4791) or at the EPA’s website at www.epa.gov/safewater.

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- Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production or can come from gas stations, urban stormwater runoff, and septic systems.
- Radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally-occurring or are the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, persons with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly and infants can be particularly susceptible. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection from Cryptosporidium and microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (1.800.426.4791) or at the EPA’s website at www.epa.gov/safewater.

Infants and young children are typically more vulnerable to lead in drinking water than the general population. In general, if you flush your cold tap until the water gets as cold as it is going to get, you will have eliminated the potential metal contamination. Additional information is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (1.800.426.4791) or at the EPA’s website at www.epa.gov/safewater.

We have tested for over 150 parameters regulated by the EPA and the State of Indiana. Included in these tests were metals, volatile organics, pesticides, herbicides, synthetic organic chemicals and cyanide.

Water Quality Data

The table below lists the EPA’s regulated and unregulated contaminants detected in the University’s drinking water. All of the contaminants are below allowable levels.

Not included in the table are the more than 150 other contaminants including pesticides, herbicides, metals, synthetic organic chemicals, volatile organic chemicals and others which were tested and not detected.

Regulated at Point of Entry (Well)

Substance	Highest Level Detected	EPA’s MCL	EPA’s MCLG	Range	Source of Contamination
Barium (ppm)	0.14	2.0	2.0	0.061 - 0.14	Erosion of natural deposits
Nitrate (mg/L)	0.6	10	10	<0.1 – 0.6	Runoff from fertilizer, septic tanks, natural deposits
Nickel (ppm)	0.010	0.1	0	0.0036 - 0.010	Pipe material, natural deposits
Chromium (ppm)	0.0072	0.1	0.1	0.0040 - 0.0072	Erosion of natural deposits
Fluoride (ppm)	<0.5	4.0	4.0	<0.5 - <0.5	Runoff from fertilizer, erosion of natural deposits
Arsenic (ppm)	0.0041	0.01	0.0	<0.0020 - 0.0041	Erosion of natural deposits
Gross alpha (pCi/L)	4.2	15	0	2.1 – 6.3	Naturally occurring
Gross beta (pCi/L)	25.4	50	0	1.3 – 25.4	Decay of natural and manmade deposits

Unregulated Substances

Substance	Highest Level Detected	EPA’s MCL	EPA’s MCLG	Range	Source of Contamination
Sodium (ppm)	75	100	-	42 - 75	Erosion of natural deposits

Regulated at User Tap

Substance	Highest Level Detected	EPA’s MCL	EPA’s MCLG	Range	Source of Contamination
Copper (ppb) 90 th percentile	550	1300	1300	2.7 - 550	Corrosion of plumbing systems
Lead (ppb) 90 th percentile	5.9	15	0	<1.0 – 5.9	Corrosion of plumbing systems

Definitions

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MLB

Orioles defeat Yankees with Reynolds’ RBI single

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Eduardo Nunez and the Yankees were as sloppy as the weather.

Mark Reynolds hit a tiebreaking single in the 11th inning after striking out four times and the Baltimore Orioles outlasted New York 5-4 on Wednesday in another soggy game between two sleep-deprived teams.

“We gave them a lot of their runs today. That’s the bottom line, and that’s why we lost this game,” Yankees manager Joe Girardi said. “Even when our regulars aren’t in there, our defense has been pretty good. Today it wasn’t. I don’t know if it was the conditions. I don’t know if it was fatigue. I don’t know what it was, but it really cost us the game.”

Less than 11 hours after New York completed a rain-delayed victory, both squads were back at it.

The showers returned, too, though the game started on time and was never interrupted other than when the grounds crew needed to apply diamond dust to dry a soaked infield. The stadium lights came on with rain falling again in the sixth.

“We don’t have to worry about making up this game, and that’s a good thing,” Girardi said. “But physically, it’s been a grind. There’s no doubt about it.”

Nolan Reimold hit a two-run homer off A.J. Burnett and the last-place Orioles took advantage of four Yankees errors, two by Nunez as he filled in for Derek Jeter at shortstop. Both teams looked sleepy and sluggish out there — with good reason, too.

With few options for a make-up date, they waited out a rain delay of 4 hours, 3 minutes on Tuesday night to play a game that ended at 2:15 a.m. Yankees players rushed home while the Orioles zipped back to their hotel to get a few precious hours of shuteye before heading back to the ballpark Wednesday morning for the 1:05 p.m. start.

New York tried to extend this one even longer, putting runners at the corners with two outs in the bottom of the 11th.

Pinch-hitter Eric Chavez, batting for Nunez, hit a low, sharp liner toward the middle and shortstop Robert Andino went to the ground to knock it down. He shoveled to second to nip Curtis Granderson for the final out, ending the game after 4 hours, 23 minutes.

“So many good things today,” Baltimore manager Buck Showalter said. “Robby came out there and played as good a game at shortstop as you’ll ever see played in these conditions, too. I can’t tell you how tough that is out there.”

Pedro Strop (1-1) worked 1



After striking out four times on the day, Baltimore third baseman Mark Reynolds drove in the game winning running with his 11th-inning single to lift the Orioles over the Yankees Wednesday.

1-3 scoreless innings and Jim Johnson got three outs for his third save.

The Orioles used eight pitchers, the Yankees six. The teams meet again in Baltimore on Thursday at 1:05 p.m. — weather permitting — for the makeup of an Aug. 27 rainout caused by Hurricane Irene.

“I think everybody’s going to sleep well on the train,” Showalter said.

Burnett, given a reprieve in New York’s six-man rotation after an effective start at Boston last week, allowed four runs in six-plus innings. Alex Rodriguez hit a two-run double and

prized prospect Jesus Montero a two-run single off the fence in right.

The AL East leaders, however, had their six-game winning streak snapped. Burnett threw three wild pitches to raise his season total to 23, by far the most in the majors.

“Every game it seems to be one pitch, and you get somebody going yard,” he lamented. “But I kept them in it the best I could. I felt strong, but the 3-1 pitch — I can’t give in right there.”

New York matched a season high for errors, and the last one was especially costly.

Nunez couldn’t handle a hot

shot with one out in the 11th, allowing Matt Angle to reach safely. Angle stole second with two outs and Nick Markakis was intentionally walked before Reynolds delivered an RBI single off Hector Noesi (2-1).

Coming off the late night, both managers rested several regulars, and the makeshift lineups resembled a spring training game or Triple-A matchup. Three Yankees hitters wore numbers in the 60s, and neither team looked like a big league bunch as players battled wet, windy weather in front of a sparse crowd for the second straight day.

NHL

Plane crash kills 43, adds to hockey’s disastrous off-season

Associated Press

TUNOSHNA, Russia — A private jet carrying a Russian professional hockey team to its first game of the season crashed shortly after takeoff Wednesday, killing 43 people — including European and former NHL players — in one of the worst aviation disasters in sports history. Two people survived the accident.

The crash also was the latest tragedy to befall the sport of hockey — following the sudden, offseason deaths of three of the NHL’s tough-guy enforcers that has shocked fans.

The chartered Yak-42 jet was carrying the team — Lokomotiv Yaroslavl — to Minsk, the capital of Belarus, where it was to play Thursday in its opening game of the Kontinental Hockey League season. Of the 45 people on board, 36 were players, coaches and team officials; eight were crew.

The plane apparently struggled to gain altitude and then hit a signal tower before breaking apart along the Volga River near Yaroslavl, 150 miles (240 kilometers) northeast of Moscow. One of the blue-and-white plane’s charred engines poked through the surface of the shallow water.

“This is the darkest day in the history of our sport,” said Rene Fasel, president of the International Ice Hockey Federation. “This is not only a Russian tragedy — the Lokomotiv roster included players and coaches from 10 nations.”

One player — identified as Russian Alexander Galimov

— and one unidentified crew member were hospitalized in “very grave” condition, said Alexander Degyatyrov, chief doctor at Yaroslavl’s Solovyov Hospital.

Among the dead were Lokomotiv coach and NHL veteran Brad McCrimmon, a Canadian; assistant coach Alexander Karpovtsev, one of the first Russians to have his name etched on the Stanley Cup as a member of the New York Rangers; and Pavol Demitra, who played for the St. Louis Blues and the Vancouver Canucks and was the Slovakian national team captain.

Other standouts killed were Czech players Josef Vasicek, Karel Rachunek and Jan Marek, Swedish goalie Stefan Liv, Latvian defenseman Karlis Skrastins and defenseman Ruslan Salei of Belarus.

Russian NHL star Alex Ovechkin reflected the anguish that resonated through the sport of hockey when he tweeted: “I’m in shock!!!!R.I.P.”

“Though it occurred thousands of miles away from our home arenas, this tragedy represents a catastrophic loss to the hockey world — including the NHL family, which lost so many fathers, sons, teammates and friends,” NHL Commissioner Gary Bettman said in a statement.

The NHL already has been mourning three unexpected deaths of players in recent months, including a suicide and an accidental drug overdose.

The cause of the crash was not immediately apparent, but Russian news agencies cited local officials as saying it may

have been due to technical problems. The plane was built in 1993 and belonged to a small Moscow-based company, Yak Service.

In recent years, Russia and the other former Soviet republics have had some of the world’s worst air traffic safety records. Experts blame the age of the aircraft, weak government controls, poor pilot training and a cost-cutting mentality.

Divers worked feverishly to recover bodies in a search operation that lasted well into the night. They struggled to heft the bodies of large, strong athletes in stretchers up the muddy, steep riverbank.

Swarms of police and rescue crews rushed to Tunoshna, a ramshackle village with small wooden houses and a blue-domed church on the banks of the Volga 10 miles (16 kilometers) east of Yaroslavl.

Resident Irina Prakhova was walking to the village pump for a bucket of water when she saw the plane going down and then heard a loud bang.

“It was wobbling in flight, it was clear that something was wrong,” said Prakhova. “I saw them pulling bodies to the shore, some still in their seats with seatbelts on.”

More than 2,000 mourning fans wearing jerseys and scarves and waving team flags gathered in the evening outside Lokomotiv’s arena in Yaroslavl to mourn. Most carried flowers. Riot police stood guard as fans sang to honor the dead athletes.

Yaroslavl Gov. Sergei Vakhrukov promised the crowd that the Lokomotiv team would be

rebuilt, prompting anger from some fans at a perceived lack of respect for the dead.

The Kontinental Hockey League has 24 professional teams across Russia, Belarus, Latvia, Kazakhstan and Slovakia that draws players from the NHL and European leagues. Lokomotiv is a leading force in Russian hockey and came third in the KHL last year. It was also a three-time Russian League champion in 1997, 2002 and 2003.

“We will do our best to ensure that hockey in Yaroslavl does not die, and that it continues to live for the people that were on that plane,” said Russian Ice Hockey Federation President Vladislav Tretiak.

McCrimmon, who took over as coach in May, was most recently an assistant coach with the Detroit Red Wings, and played for years in the NHL for Boston, Philadelphia, Detroit, Calgary, Hartford and Phoenix.

Detroit coach Mike Babcock said McCrimmon “wanted to be a head coach, so he went to Russia to do it.”

A game Wednesday between Salavat Yulaev and Atlant in the central Russian city of Ufa was called off in mid-match after news of the crash was announced. Russian TV showed an empty arena in Ufa as grief-stricken fans abandoned the stadium.

Russia was hoping to showcase Yaroslavl as a modern and vibrant city this week at an international forum attended by heads of state, including Russian President Dmitry Medvedev, so the crash came as a par-

ticularly bitter blow. The forum is being held in the hockey stadium.

Many in the Czech Republic also took the news hard.

“Jan Marek, Karel Rachunek, and Josef Vasicek contributed greatly to the best successes of our ice hockey in the recent years, first of all to the golden medals at the world championships in 2005 and 2010,” said Tomas Kral, the president of the Czech ice hockey association. “The were excellent players, but also great friends and personalities. That’s how we will remember them.”

Medvedev has announced plans to take aging Soviet-built planes out of service starting next year. The short- and medium-range Yak-42 has been in service since 1980 and about 100 are still being used by Russian carriers.

In past plane crashes involving sports teams, 75 Marshall University football players, coaches, fans and airplane crew died in West Virginia on Nov. 14, 1970, while returning from a game. Thirty-six of the dead were players.

The entire 18-member U.S. figure skating team died in a crash on their way to the 1961 world championships in Brussels, and 18 members of the Torino soccer team died near Turin, Italy, in a 1949 crash.

A plane crash in 1950 near the Russian city of Sverdlovsk, now called Yekaterinburg, killed 13 players and officials in the Soviet air force’s ice hockey squad. A Munich air crash in 1958 cost eight Manchester United players their lives.

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14 Philadelphia had the first one in the U.S. (1874)

15 One hanging around a party?

16 "Do I ____?"

17 Some ballpark hits

19 One who might wear slippers

20 Prosaic

22 Provider of some outdoor entertainment

27 Broadcasters

30 John Wayne had a distinctive one

31 Palme ____ (film award)
- 32 Go home, maybe

33 Nick name?

34 Traffic cop's org.?

35 Group out of the mainstream

36 Allocates, with "out"

37 "Hair" composer MacDermot

38 Theologian Johann

39 Tusked animals

40 "Kitty ____" (1940 movie romance)

41 Kind of fly, briefly

42 Beginning to knock?

43 Chucked

44 "Star Wars" and "Battlestar Galactica"

46 Blue hue

47 Comic's forte
- 50 Painted the town red, in a way ... or successfully completed this puzzle?

55 It might come out of a small speaker

56 Naval group

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58 Boundary of myth

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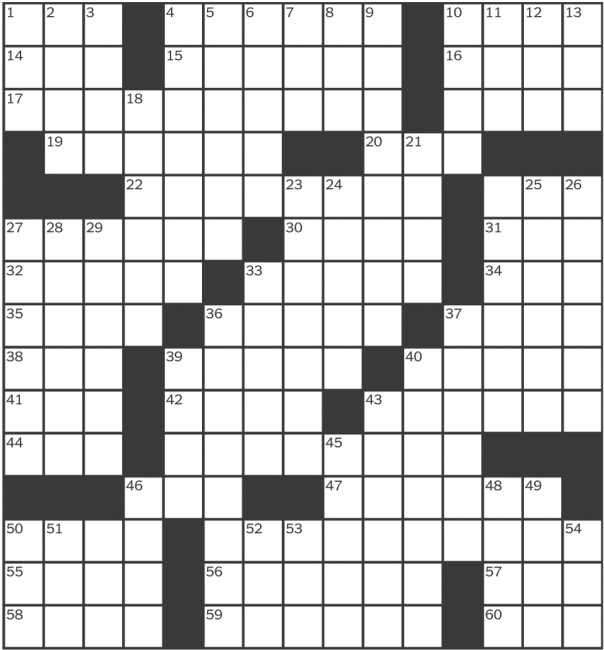
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- 2 Skating venue
- 3 ____ bed
- 4 Ghost of Jacob Marley?
- 5 Floor specialists
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- 8 "Lord, is ____?"
- 9 Grainy places to dig
- 10 Apprehensive
- 11 Youthful time
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- 13 "You wanted to see me?"
- 18 Use a "caret and stick" approach on?
- 21 It's a tradition
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- 24 Spun things
- 25 Girl with a festive-sounding name
- 26 Gave a keynote, say

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Puzzle by David J. Kahn

- 27 Eyeball

28 Cold cover?

29 Sugar in large crystals

33 "So cool!"

36 Quarters for quarters?

37 TMZ fodder

39 Support
- 40 Mattress covering

43 Old vacuum tube

45 Allen in history

46 Record label for Otis Redding

48 Musical with the song "Be Italian"

49 Really bother, with "at"
- 50 Dict. fill

51 Have a beef?

52 2001 World Series winner, on scoreboards

53 "Beyond Peace" author's monogram

54 "Well, I'll be!"

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CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY: Evan Rachel Wood, 24; Devon Sawa, 33; Oliver Hudson, 35; Michael Emerson, 57.

Happy Birthday: Your emphasis should be on doing the things you enjoy most. Pick up information or sign up for a course that will enable you to follow a path that interests you. You should strive to learn, whether you develop a skill, take up a hobby or further your education to get ahead professionally. Visiting friends or relatives will help bring about change. Your numbers are 6, 14, 19, 22, 27, 39, 41.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Too much on your plate or dealing with too many people at home or at work will lead to confusion, limitations and emotional upset. Take a moment to work on creative endeavors that ease your stress and lend perspective. ★★

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Don't stop short of your goals. Put pressure on anyone who slows you down. You can make gains if you are precise and detailed and if you finish what you start. Help will be offered if needed. ★★★★★

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): You need time to think before making a decision. Conflicting information will confuse you. Do your homework to discover what route to take. Inflict more discipline on the people for whom you are responsible. It's important to get what you want. ★★

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Do what you can to make your home inviting. Collaborating with people who are working toward the same goal will help you cut corners. An interesting change will enhance your lifestyle and the way you approach alternatives. ★★

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Strive for greater stability, and you will avoid big thinkers who will cost you big bucks. Set your own criteria and stick to a budget you can afford. Don't be afraid to offer less and wait and see what you get in return. ★★

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): You cannot allow someone to take advantage of you when the stakes are so high. You stand to get ahead if you network on your own behalf instead of for someone else. Traveling, attending an industry event or signing up for a course will all lead to personal and professional benefits. ★★★★★

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Keep a low profile and work diligently toward a goal. Letting others interfere will lead to setbacks and trouble. Someone who feels threatened or is jealous will criticize you in hopes of derailing your plans. Stand behind your ideas. ★

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You are on the right track. You can cut a deal with someone who sees the value in partnering with you. Travel will lead to talks and the possibility to expand a project you are promoting. ★★★★★

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You may try to dodge an incriminating question regarding your personal life. In the end, it is best to offer the truth. Put whatever isn't working behind you so you can move on with your plans without feeling guilty. ★★

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): You stand to make gains through personal or professional investments. Real estate deals, settlements, contracts or even cash from an unusual source are possible. Doing something special to your home for your family or a lover will be beneficial. ★★

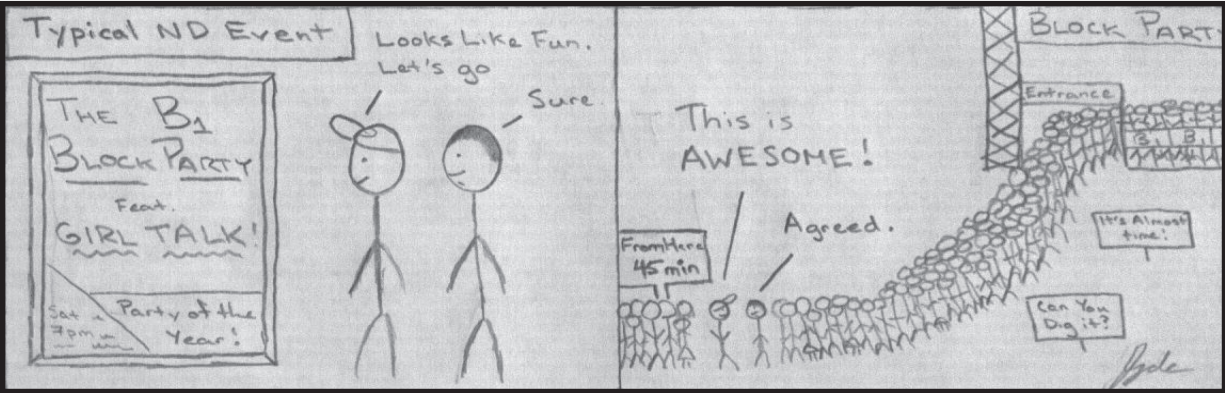
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PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): It's time to bring your old ideas and partners together to turn your plans into a reality. Love is in sight, and whether it's with someone new or old, you must put time aside to make personal promises. ★★★★★

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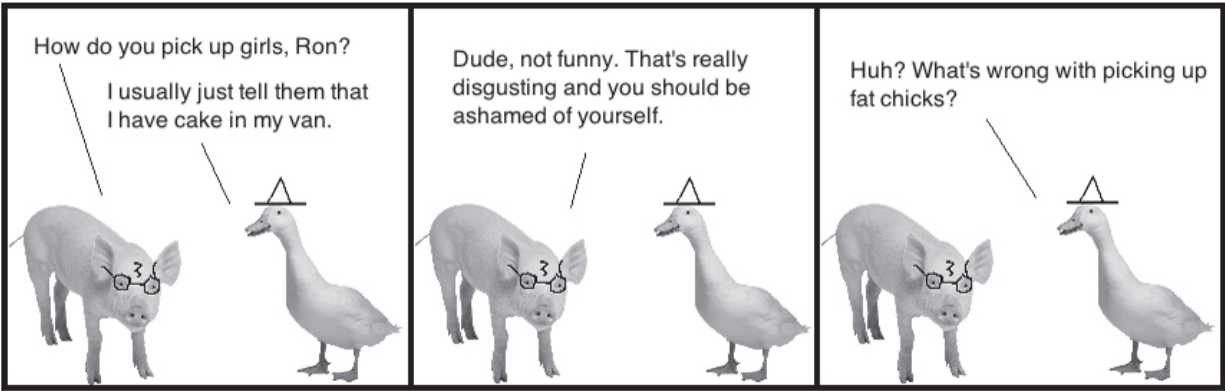
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ND WOMEN'S SOCCER

Honorable mention

Henderson claims Big East Player of the Week after big wins against Tulsa, Indiana

By KELSEY MANNING
Sports Writer

In the midst of the Irish dismantling Tulsa and Indiana over the weekend and senior captain Melissa Henderson earning Big East Player of the Week honors, the Notre Dame defense was shielded from the limelight. But with a game-opening goal allowed in each matchup, a critical injury and continuing efforts to incorporate his younger players, Irish coach Randy Waldrum's focus on the unit has only intensified.

After sweeping the competition at the Notre Dame adidas Invitational, the Irish squad received both offensive and defensive Most Valuable Player awards, the latter going to senior captain Jess Schuveiller, a player Waldrum cites as his rock in the backfield.

"Jess has been essential and a great leader for the defense," he said. "But, I think we need to stop relying on her

so much, and the other two on the field need to step up as well."

Though the defense has been fairly successful so far, only allowing nine goals in five regular season games, Waldrum said there is room for improvement.

"This weekend we allowed two soft goals," Waldrum said. "On Friday against Tulsa, it was right from kickoff. Now obviously we were able to beat Tulsa handily, but we just can't make mistakes like that against tougher teams."

"When you're playing a non-conference schedule as tough as ours, with North Carolina, Duke, Stanford, Santa Clara, you're going to be exposed and you can't make those kind of mistakes."

Notre Dame's 3-1 loss against Duke highlighted the lacking areas of the Irish defense. The Blue Devils held a 15-11 edge in shots and a startling 9-2 advantage in

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Senior captain Jess Schuveiller rushes to catch the ball against Tulsa on Sept. 2 as part of the Notre Dame adidas Invitational. Schuveiller was named the tournament's defensive M.V.P.

MEN'S TENNIS

Bayliss applies lessons at Notre Dame from past experience

By WALKER CAREY
Sports Writer

Irish coach Bobby Bayliss is entering his 43rd year as a collegiate men's tennis coach. During that time, he has made stops at the Naval Academy, MIT and at Notre Dame, now entering his 25th season. Each coaching stint in Bayliss' career has had a significant influence on himself as a leader, as well as his style of coaching.

"At the Naval Academy, I could not help but be influenced by the

surroundings," Bayliss said. "The two major things I took away from there was the necessity for integrity and accountability. Integrity and accountability are two major things the Academy stands for."

Bayliss, who was also an English professor and squash coach at the Naval Academy, coached in Annapolis from 1970-1984. The highlight of his tenure as Midshipmen coach was in 1980 when he was named National Coach of the Year and Maryland Professional of the Year.

After his tenure in Annapolis, Bayliss took the head coaching reigns at MIT for three years, where he believed he gained perspective while bringing the program to new heights.

"MIT was a place where I gained some perspective," Bayliss said. "We were also able to win the school's first two New England Intercollegiate titles and finish in the top-20 in Division III."

After his time in Boston, Bayliss made the move to Notre Dame and has never looked back.

"The spirit of Notre Dame and

the pride among everyone is very important to me," Bayliss said. "I am extremely proud to be a member of the ND family and that membership gives me a great sense of responsibility to win. When we lose, I feel like we are letting the school down."

Considering his sense of responsibility to win, the veteran coach has been successful throughout his tenure with the Irish. In the last 21 seasons, his team has qualified for the NCAA championships 20 times. He has also led his team to 14 Big East

crowns since Notre Dame joined the conference in 1995.

While Bayliss believes his coaching style has not changed much recently, he does acknowledge that it is much different from when he began his career.

"I have drastically calmed down," Bayliss said. "When I began my career [at Navy], I was very hyper and always had to feel in control, but now I have learned to let things develop."

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ND VOLLEYBALL

Silva focuses on improvement

By CORY BERNARD
Sports Writer

Senior libero Frenchy Silva has already cracked one top-10 list and will soon join another. The senior, one of the program's best talents, however, remains focused on other accomplishments.

Silva averaged 3.25 digs-per-set during her first three years in an Irish uniform, good for fourth place on the school's all-time list. She has opened this season digging at a 4.26 clip. Additionally, her 1,041 career digs place her just two away from tying '97 graduate Angie Harris for 10th all-time, though by the season's end she will

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GRANT TOBIN/The Observer

Senior Frenchy Silva goes for the ball in a match against Butler on Aug. 28. Silva is well on her way to breaking many Irish records.

CROSS COUNTRY

Rae looks to perform at elite level for Irish

By MATTHEW DeFRANKS
Sports Writer

Must be something about the number three.

Irish junior runner Jeremy Rae speaks three different languages — English, French and Portuguese. He runs during three different seasons. His favorite movie series — Lord of the Rings — is even a trilogy.

The Lake Erie, Ontario native has particularly excelled in his running career at Notre Dame, qualifying for nationals not only in track, but also in cross country. "I was happy

to qualify for nationals last year," Rae said. "Getting there was our biggest goal. It was a great experience. It's the biggest race you compete in."

Big races are not unfamiliar to Rae, who has been running in them for years. In high school, Rae represented Canada at the Pan Am Junior Games in Trinidad while also setting multiple Canadian track records. Most impressive, however, may be his Penn Relays high school record of a 4:08 mile.

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