**FIRST SNOWMAN OF THE YEAR**

**Law students protest decision**

**Libraries integrate online systems**

**Jaguar displayed at Notre Dame**

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I am my hometown's expert

I've successfully made it through the first three months of my college career. And at Thanksgiving it is a time when I reflect on this semester and the classes I've had, the things I've done and the people I've met. And one thing has really stood out to me, besides the fact that professors always seem to hand out the big papers and exams on the days that have already gone really badly. Everyone, no matter who they are or where they're from, becomes an expert on their hometown or state when they enter college.

Think about it. When you meet someone in a class and ask them where they're from, they will come up with some sort of trivia to qualify their hometown. For example: "Where are you from?" "Dayton, Ohio. You know, Martin Sheen is originally from Dayton."

My friends and I are no exception. Through various late-night conversations, I have discovered that Emily knows all about the Minnesota Twins, Sarah can tell me the places various Hollywood stars hang out in L.A. and Bridge has been the local expert on the Mafia in New Jersey and Nora has the consummate line to one-up everyone else's stories. Either to show that their hometown is just as interesting as everyone else's. Either to show that their hometown is just as interesting as everyone else's. Either to show that their hometown is just as interesting as everyone else's. Either to show that their hometown is just as interesting as everyone else's. Either to show that their hometown is just as interesting as everyone else's.

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While my friends from warmer climates huddle in their big winter coats, I am determined to boycott my own winter coat. Being from the area surrounding Lake Michigan, my forecast never changes: it will always get colder. No matter what the temperature is now, it will always get worse. Being from the area surrounding Lake Michigan, my forecast never changes: it always get colder. No matter what the temperature is now, it will always get worse.

I think that we do this because each person, when they enter college, wants to show that their hometown is just as interesting as everyone else's. Either that or we just enjoy one-upping everyone else's stories. North freshmen, I'm going to bet that the same thing is going to happen when we go home for Thanksgiving this week.

All those friends that we haven't seen since August are going to come home with all sorts of stories about their own hometowns. And we, in turn, will become experts once again, but this time on Notre Dame history, dorm life, of campus parties and everything else about life here. And it turns out that we are just trying to one-up each other, we have the consummate line to one-up everyone else from almost any other school. Just ask them what their football team's record is.

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College Bowl Semi-Finals 6 p.m. at Alumni Hall

Mass 12:15 p.m. at Sacred Heart Crypt

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Beaded Watches Workshop with Linda Topash Yazel 5:30-7:30 p.m. at Beighbna Lounge, LoMains Hall

Spring, Questions and Answers 12-1 p.m. at Walsh Parlor, Haggart College Center

Sophomore Board Meeting 8-9 p.m. at Room 304, Haggart College Center

WHAT'S COOKING

North Dining Hall
Today's Lunch: Cheese and mushroom spinach tortellini, Italian sausage marinara, Mexican beef pizza, pesto sticks, Polish sausage, sweet and sour cabbage, Polocki Khushi noodles, potato and cheese pierogi, green beans, apple crisp, grilled tuna with lemon, asparagus cuts, wild rice, cream of wheat, scrambled eggs.

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South Dining Hall
Today's Lunch: Beef ravioli, spinach fettuccine, pesto sauce, tomato pizza, apple turnovers, BBQ beef sandwiches, shrimp spaghetti, rotisserie chicken, oriental vegetables, roasted rosemary potatoes, red beans and rice, corn dogs, fishwhiches, crinkle fries, soft pretzels, stir-fry beef and peppers, chicken fajitas

Today's Dinner: Buffalo chicken lasagna, spinach fettuccine, pesto sauce, tomato pizza, apple turnovers, veal casserettes, marina, capri-blend vegetables, baked turkey jambalio, bean bourguignon, kusski nodules, Bourbon-baked ham, baked sweet potatoes

Saint Mary's Dining Hall
Today's Lunch: Orzo meatball soup, cream of tomato soup, sausage pizza, cheese pizza, turket tetrazzini caserettes, Californiaburgers, eggplant parmesan sandwiches, french fries, bean and cheese burritos, seasoned corn, vegetable kabobs, green beans.

Today's Dinner: tomato and pesto pizza, cheese pizza, fried pork fritters, french fries, vegetarian lasagna, garlic bread, beef siraganaoff, peppercorn muffins, stuffed zucchini, orzo meatball soup, cream of tomato soup

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WHAT'S GOING DOWN

Bike rider collides with golf cart
A student riding his bike near the north side of Notre Dame Stadium reported that he collided with a student driving a golf cart Friday afternoon.

Visitors stopped for soliciting
NDSP stopped two visitors selling holiday gifts in Grace Hall Friday afternoon. The visitors were identified, issued non-commercial interest forms and released.

University decal confiscated
NDPD confiscated a University parking decal from a University employee near lot A9 on Friday morning.
Gill discusses religious art

* Religious art aids in understanding the divine

**By MARIA SMITH**

November 19, 2002

In the last talk of the College of Arts and Letters Saturday Scholar Series, Meredith Gill, assistant professor of art at Notre Dame, discussed religious inspiration in various artworks in her talk entitled, "Art and the Religious Imagination."

Gill explored the methods used in religious art and what meaning lay behind the artists' endeavors.

"Thomas Merton once said that a saint is a sign from God. The saint is a sacrament, a sign of mediating grace," said Gill. "Can a work of art operate in the same way, as a sign of mediating grace?"

Gill emphasized the special role artists have in making religious experience more accessible to their audience. "Artists offer us a way to imagine the unimaginable," said Gill.

"Artists can then be like special witnesses to the faith and works of art can be special witnesses," Gill said.

Gill discussed two main methods of identification and vision — for creating art that connected viewers with a religious experience.

"Here the Roman martyr, Sebastian, is located in the Arno Valley of Florence, the artist's home town," said Gill, when describing Italian Antonio del Pollaiuolo's art work "St. Sebastian" which depicts the saint being pierced by arrows for the crime of being a Christian. "Seeing this evoked quite literally on one's own doorstep had to allow the viewer a way into this understanding this grueling death," she said.

Gill also discussed the painting "St. Augustine In His Study," a depiction by the Italian artist Vittore Carpaccio of the Catholic theologian and saint as a scholar.

"In this painting, he appears not as a theologian so much as a professor in his study," said Gill. "Here, I think that identification has to do with imagining an Augustine for the times."

Gill said insights such as these were a positive aspect of identification in religious art.

The departure from historical truth tells us about the realities of faith by giving us new stage sets and new heroes," said Gill.

"The work stands in a richly furnishing an Augustine for the times."

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South Korea

Firebombs hurled at U.S. military base

**By LAURA CORISTIN**

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Priest returns to his former parish

Associated Press

NEWTON, Mass. Monsignor Michael Foster spoke an emotional return to his former parish Sunday for the first time since he was cleared of child sexual abuse allegations.

"By your prayers you clothed my spirit. By your concern through letters and calls and action you welcomed me into your lives when I felt like I had been cast aside," he said.

Foster was one of the highest-ranking clergy members accused of abuse since the crisis erupted in January, when the archdiocese released a list of 80 priests accused of child sexual abuse.

The 60-year-old priest was found not guilty of sexual misconduct in a civil suit and was laicized in March.

"I am delighted to have Foster back in full ministry," said spokeswoman Donna Morrissey. "We're going to work together to make sure we maintain and respect his good name," she said.

Foster's case revealed deep wounds within the church, which has struggled to emerge from the scandal that has scarred the archdiocese and tarnished the public's confidence in its hierarchy.

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said.

The Library hopes that the system will work as well as cut back on their late fees.

Earlier in the semester, Saiinley began receiving phone calls to remind them to mail late notices as opposed to mailing them.

Now, with the renewal of the online system, patrons receive a late notice, they can go right to the Web site and renew the book or make an appointment to easy it easier to avoid late charges.

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Shuttle reaches space station

Associated Press

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. Space shuttle Endeavour chased after the international space station on Saturday, bringing a relief crew for its three longtime inhabitants.

The astronaut who will take over as the space station's next commander, Kenneth Bowersox, said it was hard to believe he was finally on his way after five years of training.

"I can't wait," he said in an interview with The Associated Press on Sunday morning. "I've seen two or three of the last couple days and I can't believe how many more I've got ahead of me. But I think every day is going to be precious up here."

Bowersox and the six others aboard Endeavour will arrive at the space station Monday afternoon.

American astronaut Peggy Whitson and Russian cosmonauts Valery Korzun and Sergei Treschev have been on the orbiting complex for almost six months. Their mission was supposed to last 4 1/2 months, but all of the space shuttles were grounded.

Bowersox was moved in because of cracked scaffolding.

"We were in orbit over the holidays and I'm pretty sure that workers inflicted that," Pettit said.

The job took on added significance because of the damage that workers inflicted during two weeks away during oxygen-leak repairs; they accidently hit the arm with scaffolding.

Despite the 2-inch bruise near the shoulder of the 50-foot crane, it operated fine in orbit, although a wrist joint was sluggish. Mission Control said recently applied lubricants may not have had a chance yet to work its way into that joint.

The arm will be used Tuesday to lift a giant girder from the shuttle payload bay for installation on the space station.

Endeavour will spend a full week at the space station and return to Earth, with Whitson and her two station crewmates, on Dec. 4.

Bowersox, Pettit and Russian cosmonaut Nikolai Tishchenko are the station's three longtime inhabitants.

For all Undergraduate Students who are either:

• First Generation College Students from low income families

OR

• African Americans, Hispanics, Native Americans

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Iraq claims U.N. resolution has unfair pretext for war

Associated Press

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Iraqi Prime Minister Naji Sabri said in a letter to U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan that there is premeditation to target Iraq, whatever the pretext.

His lengthy letter, a detailed commentary on the Security Council resolution, was not expected to affect the inspections, which resume Wednesday after a four-year suspension. Iraq had accepted the Nov. 13 letter from Sabri to Annan.

Preparations moved steadily ahead on Baghdad's outskirts Sunday, where technicians at a U.N.-inspected center worked to establish a "hot line" with liaison in the Iraqi government. The first working group of 18 inspectors arrives Monday on a flight from a U.N. base in Cyprus. Their numbers are expected to swell by year-end to between 80 and 100 at a time in Iraq.

In seven years' work after the Gulf War, U.N. weapons inspectors have destroyed large amounts of chemical and biological and longer-range missiles forbidden to Iraq by U.N. resolutions, and dismantled its nuclear weapons program before it could build a bomb. The inspections were suspended amid disputes over Iraqi access to sites and Iraqi complaints the United States inserted spies in the inspection teams.

A new focus on Iraq by the Bush administration led to adoption of Resolution 1441 and the dispatch of inspectors back to Iraq with greater powers of unrestricted access to suspected weapons sites.

A Washington alleges Iraq retains some prohibited weapons and may be producing others.

The resolution, adopted unanimously Nov. 7, demands the Iraqis give up any chemical, biological or nuclear weapons or face consequences.

It requires Iraq to submit an accounting by Dec. 8 of its chemical, biological or nuclear weapons programs, as well as of chemical, biological and nuclear center programs it claims are peaceful. Any "false statements or omissions" in that declaration could contribute to a finding it had committed a "materiel breach" of the resolution -- a finding that might lead to military action.

The Bush administration has threatened war to enforce Iraqi disarmament, with or without U.N. sanction. But other governments, including France, Russia and China, say that decision can be made only by the Security Council.

Kuwait

Latest attacks on U.S. citizens spark fear in Middle East

Associated Press

In Kuwait, two American soldiers are shot on a quiet stretch of desert highway near Jerusalem as a result of a fluke this week in American-allied Israel and the Palestinian territories, a series of attacks on Americans in the Middle East has sparked fears that even friendly nations like Kuwait are no longer a place of safety.

"The thing that is scary, that's different this time, is that it seems more organized," said Felix Reinberg, an American engineer who has spent 11 years working in Kuwait. He spoke days after the U.S. inspectors were killed in the high-stakes shooting Thursday. "They've never really targeted Americans or Westerners in Kuwait.

The Kuwaiti government, eager to keep good relations with Washington, has portrayed the shooting as the act of a single, mentally ill man, not a reflection of broad anti-American feelings. But local press reports say the suspect, Khaled al-Shimmi, told investigators he hated Americans and Jews.

Many here fear the attacks -- Kuwaiti's second in which American soldiers were shot -- will not be the last.

"It's obvious these incidents will happen, and will continue to happen," said Abdullah Sahlar, a political scientist at Kuwait University. "Kuwait is a small society, and this is a very small country, and the Americans are everywhere: You go to the markets and you see Americans, you go on the street and you see Americans, maybe your neighbors are Americans."

Kuwait is, in many ways, emblematic of how complicated America's image problems and security concerns can be in the Middle East.

The vast majority of this oil-rich nation is pro-American, grateful to the U.S.-led coalition that drove out Saddam Hussein's army in the 1991 Gulf War. Thousands of American soldiers have been welcomed.

Even America's harshest critics want those troops to remain -- though they insist a deep hatred lies beneath the surface.

Israeli troops occupy West Bank mosques

On the first Sunday since Israel reoccupied Bethlehem, troops barred Christians from worshiping at the Church of the Nativity, one of Christianity's most sacred shrines. Soldiers in another part of the West Bank searched four mosques for suspected militants.

There were no signs that the Israelis were near an end to the operation in the biblical town, despite a State Department call for troops to leave as soon as possible, with Christmas just a month away. Christian tradition holds that Jesus was born in a grotto under the Bethlehem church.

Israel's military spokesman in the West Bank said Thursday that the soldiers were searching mosques in south of Jerusalem, early Friday after a Palestinian suicide bomber from Bethlehem blew himself up on a Jerusalem bus a day before, killing 11 passengers and injuring more than 40 other people. The army has been conducting house-to-house searches for militants in the applied their local Islamic law before Sunday, the military said.

Senate urges probe on money trail: Lawmakers pressed for answers Sunday on a possible Saudi money trail in the Sept. 11 hijackings and said regardless of whether one exists, the kingdom must stop its "duplicious" coddling of terrorists. Saudi officials spent the weekend having bankers pore over the records of Princess Haifa al-Faisal, wife of their ambassador to the United States, to see how thousands of dollars from her account might have ended up in the wrong hands, said Saudi foreign policy adviser Adel al-Jubeir. But he said it was "crazy" to suggest she had done anything intentionally to support terrorism. Lawmakers said the FBI's investigation should pull no punches, and the Bush administration should be open about the findings, despite the risk of offending an important ally with whom relations already have been strained.

Shelby predicts al-Qaida attacks: Sen. Richard Shelby, an eight-year veteran of the Senate Intelligence Committee, warned Americans on Sunday to expect another major attack from al-Qaida terrorists. "Oh, absolutely. It's going to happen," Shelby said on NBC's "Meet the Press." He said he based his opinion partly on a warning of a spectacular attack contained in an audiotape, broadcast Nov. 12 on al-Jazeera television in the Persian Gulf emirate of Qatar. U.S. intelligence experts attributed the tape to Osama bin Laden, the Saudi-born fugitive who leads al-Qaida and the al-Qaeda network. "There were several messages there," said Shelby. "One, to all of his supporters, and to us, that he is alive, and he's kicking, and he's going to be around. And I think he also sent the message he's going to attack us and attack our allies."
Mold in schools drains budgeting

**NASHVILLE, Tenn.** To protest a menace in their school, nearly 1,000 students at East High School in this city skipped homeroom one day.

Across the state, another 1,000 students at Memphis' Booker T. Washington High School, the city's largest, did the same.

In both cases, the problem was mold.

Nationwide, school districts are finding allergy-inducing mold in school buildings and near ventilation systems. While one report blames aging buildings, another suggests some construction techniques, one expert says it's due to a lack of proper ventilation in newer schools.

"It's a growing problem, and it's going to be more high-profile issues that schools are dealing with," said Ericka Plater, indoor air quality manager for the American Association of School Administrators.

Mold has forced some administrators to shut down schools and some to seek millions of dollars in repairs. Others face lawsuits from parents and students who claim moldy buildings caused long-term health problems.

In Memphis, where voters approved a $49.3 million bond issue in February to pay for modernization and air maintenance in 91 schools, administrators found sulfuric acid in one school, cracked walls in another, and dark mold on the floors of yet another.

In Tennessee, just before the Bred-aid Inc. shut down their factory due to mold, students there were expelled. In New York, a nine-year-old girl died of mold.

About 600 students received medical screenings after Donald Knapp, a 14-year-old from Los Angeles, died of mold.

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Tennessee's education department sent e-mail to school officials statewide Friday and directed them to a Web site that offers guidance on air quality issues.

Plater said a federal report suggests old, dilapidated schools might be more susceptible to mold. Others say the Gypsum wallboard and carpeted floors that replaced plaster and wood make newer schools a greater target because they soak up more moisture.

David Weekley, president of Knoxville-based Environmental Consulting and Testing, said the 1970s energy crisis prompted construction of more tight schools. Less natural ventilation is part of the problem, he said.

Another factor is the tendency of cash-strapped districts to delay maintenance and paint leaks, he said.

Mold occurs naturally and can grow almost anywhere that's warm and damp. Experts have identified more than 100,000 species of mold, at least 1,000 are common in the United States.

While the most common molds generally aren't hazardous, some types are blamed for headaches, fatigue and respiratory problems.

Sullivan County Schools director John O'Dell said the Bristol high school was shut down for about six weeks and $600,000 spent on cleaning.

Mold problems at Heritage High School in El Dorado, Ark., became known after hundreds of students there refused to enter East High School, a changeovers from the original school, which many described as a "mold-infested hazard."

The school board hired an environmental consultant and federal inspectors with the Environmental Protection Agency to investigate.

Sonji Wright, the mother of a student, said Superintendent Johnny R. Watson that bringing in experts wasn't enough.

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**VIENNA, Austria** Chancellor Wolfgang Schüssel of Austria's conservative People's Party made large gains to dominate parliamentary elections Sunday, but their coalition partner Joerg Haider's anti-immigration party was pounded at the polls, according to initial results.

Preliminary results released by state television showed Schuessel's People's Party captured more than 42 percent, the Interior Ministry said. That is 16 percentage points better than its performance in 1999 elections.

Haider's Freedom Party stood at just over 10 percent and was the only party winning in two-thirds of the 27 districts it captured in the last elections.

The Social Democrats also gained but appeared to have been outpaced by the People's Party. They were listed at just over 37 percent, more than three percentage points more than in the last elections. The environmentalists Greens stood at around 9 percent, little changed from their results two years ago, the preliminary results showed.

Official results were expected in December after absentee ballots are counted.

If the figures remain unchanged the People's Party surge would reflect the strongest gains by any party since the end of World War II. Conversely, the Freedom Party losses, if confirmed by the final results, represent the largest drop in popularity of any party since the end of the war.

If the final results confirm the People's Party in first place, that would put them above the Socialists in terms of popular support for the first time since 1945.

Despite the results, the Freedom Party remained in position to extend its government role into the next legislative period.

Although the Social Democrats and the People's Party have bumbled differences in the past to form a "Grand Coalition," it was unclear whether the Social Democrats could opt to again cooperate with their traditional rivals.

Their leader, Alfred Gusenbauer, has expressed confidence that his party would win at the polls, and it was unlikely that he would allow the People's Party to dictate coalition terms from a much stronger position.

With political differences great and mutual suspicions strong between the Greens and the People's Party, that left a renewed coalition between the Schuessel's conservatives and Haider's rightist a likely option.

Haider, casting his vote in Klagenfurt, capital of the southern Carinthia province where he governs, had defied predictions his party was finished after months of infighting between rightist and moderates.

"There will be no [Freedom Party] crash," he said.

Alfred Gusenbauer leader of the Social Democrats

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**AUSTRIA** Conservatives make gains in parliamentary elections

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**Barbara Steiner** Austrian citizen

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The Morris Inn will be holding a lottery to reserve a spot for the weekend. Lottery numbers can be picked up at The Morris Inn front desk.
Tyson officials refuse fine

**Food company will not accept government deal**

Associated Press

CHATTANOOGA

Meat-processing giant Tyson Foods Inc. is not backing down.

The Arkansas-based company, which paid a price four years ago for getting too cozy with Clinton administration, is caught in a high-stakes, "politically charged" game of chicken with the Justice Department.

Eleven months ago, a federal grand jury indicted the company, two of its executives and four former managers on charges of conspiring to smuggle illegal immigrants from Mexico, Guatemala and Honduras to work in its poultry plants.

The government told Tyson it could avoid prosecution by paying a $272 million fine, company attorneys say. But Tyson calls the fine excessive and accuses the government of using undercover agents to entrap Tyson employees.

The deadline for plea agreements is Dec. 6, but attorneys on both sides don't expect any. Motions filed in Chattanooga earlier this month also indicate defense attorneys are prepared to go forward with a trial Feb. 4 rather than pay any fines. U.S. District Judge R. Allan Edgar expects the trial to last at least six weeks.

The stakes at trial could be high for the world's largest poultry, beef and pork processor. Tyson employs 120,000 workers and recorded sales of $25 billion last year.

Assistant U.S. Attorney John MacCoom said the government would have an "expert witness" assess the company's financial benefit from the alleged conspiracy, although he declined to provide an estimate.

Jay Barth, chairman of the Department of Politics at Hendrix College in Conway, Ark., said the government knows it has a case that will send the corporate world a message.

"If you go after the biggest fish then others will become aware of the risks of engaging in behaviors of this sort," he said.

The indictment implicates 15 Tyson plants in nine states — Tennessee, Alabama, Indiana, Kentucky, Mississippi, Missouri, North Carolina, Texas and Virginia — as part of a conspiracy to defraud the government.

Prosecutors contend immigrants worked for lower wages than legal workers at Tyson's plants, allowing the company to cut costs and boost production. The company paid smugglers to transport at least 140 immigrants to its plants and provide them with false documents so they could work, prosecutors say.

For example, prosecutors say, a Tyson manager once told an undercover agent that the company would pay $200 for each "illegal Mexican alien delivered."

Government evidence includes undercover audiotapes and videotapes and subpoenaed company documents.

Tyson contends "a few managers" acted outside company policy at five of its 57 poultry processing plants. Three of those managers worked at a plant in Shelbyville, a rural town northwest of Chattanooga that is home to Tennessee's highest concentration of Hispanics.

Manager Jimmy Rowland, 36, committed suicide after charges were made public. Former managers Spencer Mabe, 50, and Trudy Ponder, 59, were charged along with Gerald Lankford, 63, of North Wilkesboro, N.C., a former human resources manager in the retail fresh division.

Robert Hash, 49, of Greenwood, Ark., vice president of the retail fresh division and Keith Snyder, 42, of Bella Vista, Ark., who worked as a manager at Shelbyville and Noel, Mo., remain on administrative leave from Tyson.

Dockworkers reach agreement

Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO

West Coast dockworkers and shipping companies reached tentative agreement on a contract that could end the drawn-out labor dispute that shut down the coast's major ports for 10 days and prompted the president to intervene.

The six-year contract will provide wage and benefit improve­ments for union members, plus technology and dispute-resolution improvements that the companies needed, said Peter Hufingen, head of the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service.

He praised both sides, saying lead negotiators "demonstrated statesmenlike leadership, which made this agreement possible."

The agreement, reached late Saturday, still must be ratified by a majority of the 10,500 members of the International Longshore and Warehouse Union. A caucus of about 100 union members will meet Dec. 7 to vote on the contract, and the entire rank-and-file will probably vote on it in early January, according to union president Jim Spinosa.

The major sticking points in the negotiations had centered on the desire by the Pacific Maritime

A Tyson attorney leaves the federal courts building in Chattanooga, Tenn, in January. The meat-processing giant called the court's fine excessive and refused to pay.
Ramadan is in its second week as I write this. It is now the long middle of the month. During the first few days of Ramadan, everyone is excited because of the change, kind of like the start of the holiday season. People talk about who is fasting and who is not. The 14-, 15- and 16-year-olds who are fasting for the first time feel grown up. The little kids like it because after about two in the afternoon they can get away with anything because their parents and older siblings no longer have the energy to control them. The Koranic students who go from house to house begging for food get more food this month than during most others for the same reason soup kitchens have extra food around Thanksgiving.

And I like it because it is refreshing to see a culture and people devoted to something without taking into account the financial implications or lost work hours. Do not misunderstand me: Ramadan is hard. I fasted for three days last year and was content to never do it again for the rest of my life. The middle two weeks of the month are painful because the end seems so far off. Despite this, I see the benefits that Ramadan provides and think it would be amazing to see what would happen in the United States if Americans fasted for even a week.

Americans always complain about lack of time for themselves and their families. This fasting period would allow everyone to slow down dramatically. After-school soccer practice, happy hour, late afternoon classes and any other late afternoon or evening activities would be canceled for the duration of the fast. People would leave work or school around noon to go home. Because of low energy levels, no major activities could take place and families would sit around and talk to each other.

Malls, corporations, police services and grocery stores would cut their employees to the bare minimum. This would give more time for the effects of lost school hours. Families would get hours to themselves. People would have time to think. Life would slow down.

Realistically, of course, this would never happen. Long ago, most Christian religions abandoned the practice of fasting because it no longer fit within the Western cultural context. Simplified down from an extended fasting period, I think it would also be interesting to imagine if Americans adopted some form of the Muslim practice of praying five times a day. When I first arrived in Mauritania I found the five-times-a-day prayer excessive. Five times a day, the mosques scream out for their microphones to call out their prayers. I wonder what they are doing and pray. The entire act of praying takes anywhere from five to 20 minutes. It was not at this time that bothered me, it was the fact that meetings would stop at sundown for everyone to pray and then resume. I did not understand why they could not just wait five more minutes until the meeting was over to pray. As my life pace transitioned from American speed to Mauritian speed, I began to appreciate these daily interruptions in routine. The religious aspect is obviously very important. But because I am both an outsider to the religion and a former anthropologist major, I see the importance and benefits of the process.

Five times a day people stop whatever they are doing. They wash their face, hands and feet. The actual act of praying is similar to a stretching exercise. They start by standing up really straight, then bend at the waist for a few seconds, then go to a sitting position, bend at the waist again with their head to the ground and then stand up to repeat it between two and four times depending on which prayer it is. This is repeated 17 times throughout the day.

Yet again, this would give Americans the time that they so desperately want. They would stop everything they are doing, thereby realizing that what they are doing is not as vitally important as they think. Then they would refresh themselves by washing their faces and hands and finally doing some stretches. For a minimum of five minutes a day, five times a day, no one could interrupt them, they could not answer the phone or respond to e-mails. Most likely, I know, even this is too much for most Americans, including myself. Now I appreciate Ramadan afternoons and the call to prayer.

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**Imagining an American Ramadan**
LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Homosexuality presents problem to priesthood

I was disappointed, though not surprised, to read in Nov. 21 article attacking the Church for reiterating its teachings on the priesthood. Unfortunately, the voice of the Sacred Congregation for Religious pronouned in 1961 that homosexuals should not be ordained as priests. This is not a new policy, only the reiteration of one that has been mostly ignored for the last 40 years. I am sure that I will draw the ire of some in the Notre Dame community for this letter, but I think it important for some clarification.

Let's start by understanding that the very nature of the priesthood is sacrificial. Priests are not supposed to be glorified social workers. Their primary duty is to administer the sacraments. Their life is a sacrifice in service. Contrary to popular belief, no one has the right to be a priest, not even heterosexual men. The priesthood is a service you are called to, by Church and by Christ, to offer.

No one can be positive they have a natural instinct governed by that primitive limbic system that subconsciously makes us belch in an attempt to make a powerful male is often referred to having an masculinity. Experts argue that this emphasis on power and control is a biological link to the excessive displays of sexual immorality. However, it is not an easy way to live out your life chastely. It is not something you do because you can't do something else. The priesthood, by its nature, is not equipped to deal with a significant number of men who suffer from the same serious afflictions.

This is why alcoholism has been such a problem for the priesthood and often priests have spent many years away from their duties to learn how to live sober lives.

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GUEST COLUMN

Macho man attitude perpetuates stereotypes

He stands tall with his shoulders spread wide. He inhales deeply, filling his lungs. He's the macho man. In today's society, however, it is a tough gig. It requires constant supplies of alcohol and sports channels. All of these external influences give us pause to think how much of the male dominance is actually indoctrinated by our culture.

What happens when men don’t see the stereotype of the genial-adjusting dude in a tight white T-shirt? To put it bluntly, he is often walked all over. The individuals even find it hard to be socially accepted among other men and have a difficult time gaining their respect and attention. More sensitive men may be labeled shy, weak or gay. This is a complete fallacy. There are many men in America with positive personalities who just don’t think a good beer is their thing. If an individual doesn’t fit into the category of a typical male, it is absolutely no indication of his strength, goodness or sexuality.

There are also some men who take their testosterone well beyond the legal limit — and I mean that quite literally. The truth is that this excessive display only leads to problems. Men seek psychological highs when they attempt to control women or commit crimes. The Bellamy snipers are prime examples of two men who enjoyed controlling the police and unprotected people with criminal acts and intimidation. These men have been found with incriminating evidence and believe that they can find the answer by playing the role of a dominant male.

It’s also why former alcoholics, religious men who struggle with alcohol, are careful and sometimes painfully, scrutinized before they can become priests. And even then it is an exception, not the rule, to ordain such a person. Still, if an alcoholic were to succumb to the beast it is not the case that his Church would actually win in the scandal and pain of something as serious as what we have seen over the last year.

Unfortunately, I think I can say that we have seen over the last year the effects of a homosexual subculture in the priesthood that has destroyed the lives of many people. The problem, even then, is not persons with a homosexual orientation. It is the unfortunate culture of dissent that holds a strong sway in the Church. It has become commonplace for priests to disagree with that or another teaching of the Church. Not only have "little ones" been led astray by this, but some have also been terribly scarred. I don’t think it is hard to imagine that this problem of pederasty would have had such a serious effect if faithfulness to the teachings of the Church and fraternal accountability had been the norm rather than "hush-hush cromony" and dissent from teachings on sexuality.

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Daily Targum

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— Listening to people can often achieve just as much respect and admiration from others. Unless there is a burning uncontrollable urge within from within, try to keep the macho man to yourself.
Michael Flatley’s Irish dance success ‘Lord of the Dance’

By CLAIRE KELLEY
Scene Writer

Music blaring. Lights flashing. Hearts pounding. Twenty-four dancers are on stage, each tapping out quick complicated rhythms with their feet touching the floor at exactly the same time. This is Michael Flatley’s rock dance fusion “Lord of the Dance,” a spectacular experience of an accelerated version of traditional Irish Dancing that showed Friday and Saturday at the Morris Performing Arts Center. Although the show’s original creator no longer performs as the lead, the dance goes on.

The mystical performance begins with a troubled dream of the Spirit, a magical fairy, who senses an evil presence that has come to challenge the Lord of the Dance. In a vague good versus evil plot, the Spirit travels through time to help the Lord of the Dance protect his mythical people from the Dark Lord. A series of dance numbers introduce each main character and their dancing followers who represent each moral extreme and work their conflicts out through dance.

An evil temptress dances with a sexy suggestive flair, while the pure and fair heroine glides through the air with a delicate elegance. But the show is at its best when the entire company is out on stage dancing. The age-old elements of Irish celebration stimulate the audience with an adrenaline-pumping combination of infectious Irish music and energetic dancing.

“Lord of the Dance” combines traditional choreography to light jigs and beautiful patterns of customary group dances with glittering costumes, thunderous sound and fluorescent strobe lights to create a modern Irish spectacle that invades the senses. Sometimes the glitz is overwhelming and the hard shoe taps are so suspiciously over amplified that they sound pre-recorded.

The dancing numbers are broken up with Celtic songs performed by a woman who has a beautifully clear voice. But her songs take away from the momentum of the show and do not contribute to the plot at all. In fact, they seem completely random. Another musical break in dancing features a pair of violinists who play to taped supplemental music that distracts from their talented performance.

The story comes to a climax with a dance off between the Lord of the Dance and the Dark Lord. Of course, goodness prevails and the Lord of the Dance magically repairs the Spirit’s flute and banishes evil. The incredible “Planet Ireland,” a celebration of dance, caps off the show.

At one point during the show, the dancers tear off costumes that resemble traditional dresses to reveal skimpy black tops and spandex shorts. This dramatic gesture symbolizes the show’s departure from the rigid traditions of historical Irish dancing. Michael Flatley, the show’s creator believes that Lord of the Dance brings a new passion to Irish dance. A passion that he felt was missing in the contemporary Irish Dance scene. The immense public response proves that his vision is a magical triumph.

Today, Michael Flatley is a world superstar. But even before “Lord of the Dance” he had a history in the spotlight. A Chicago native, he became the World Champion Irish Dancer in 1975 at age 17 — the first non-European to win the title. He broke the world record for fastest tap dancer with 35 taps per second. A featured dancer and flutist, Flatley traveled with the famous Irish musical group The Chieftains in the early nineties. But Flatley was destined for massive mainstream success.

Many of Flatley’s achievements can be attributed to his competitive attitude and his
The offense's turn
Irish explode for 28 third-quarter points in rout of Rutgers

By JOE LINDSLEY
Sports Writer

The Irish offense finally had more fight than fright as No. 8 Notre Dame slammed 1-9 Rutgers 42-0 Saturday at Notre Dame Stadium.

Carlyle Holiday tied a Notre Dame school record with his four touchdown passes as the Irish notched their tenth win of the season, making head coach Tyrone Willingham the winningest first-year coach in Notre Dame history.

"You don't get many shutouts in your career," Willingham said. "So being able to start with a shutout and ending at home with a shutout its special when that comes and you sit down and reflect on it. Our team carries an understanding of what we can be and our team is excited about the brand of football we have been playing and that we are having fun.

With his team now 10-1, Willingham surpassed Terry Brennan's and Ara Parseghian's previous first-year records of nine wins in a season. However, the freshman Irish coach did not wish to discuss that.

"I can't talk about that," he said. "That is not anything about Tyrone Willingham, it is about our team — our assistant coaches and our players.

Under Willingham, this Irish squad made the biggest one-sea­son turnaround since 1964, when Parseghian transformed a previ­ously 4-6-1 team into a 9-1 power.

The offense took time to get started in the first quarter against a lowly Scarlet Knights squad that had entered Saturday's game allowing 198.1 rushing yards per game.

In the second quarter, though, Notre Dame put its first points on the board after Holiday's 38-yard touchdown pass to Arman Ball. Then Shane Walton gave the Irish their eighth non-offensive touchdown of the season as he followed a disputed interception of a Ryan Hart pass with a 45­ yard return to the end zone. It was Walton's seventh interception of the season.

Replay showed Walton trapped the ball on the ground, and Rutgers coach Greg Schiano vehemently protested the touch­down.

"It was huge for us," said linebacker Mike Goolsby, who made seven tackles for the Irish. "The defense and you sit down and pries itself on displays like that."

That's what we've been doing all year. It's good to finally get back to it."

The third quarter was when Notre Dame gave reason for its high-ranking. During the second play of the half, Battle scored his second touchdown of the season after catching a 63-yard pass from Holiday.

The Irish went on to score on their next three possessions, with Holiday throwing touchdown passes of 37 and 26 yards to Omar Jenkins and Maurice Stovall, respectively, and with Ryan Grant running 28 yards into the end zone.

It was Holiday's first career four-touchdown game.

"I said that I believe that at some point the offense would begin showing some of its potential," Willingham said. "Today it did that. The passing was excep­tionally bad in that stretch in the third quarter, really for the whole game to be quite honest about it. I thought that they did a great job in playing in a way that I think they can play."

While Willingham said he did not say much at halftime, the players said he challenged them to step up their efforts.

"We came out Coach Willingham presented a chal­lenge to us at halftime," Jenkins said. "We answered the chal­lenge, basically we saw what can happen when we execute fully, and that's what happened."

While Holiday said it was the offense's best performance of the season, he still acknowledges that there is work to be done before the Irish take on No. 6 USC next Saturday.

"I don't know if we've been back on track," Holiday said. "I know we came out second half how we wanted to play and how we thought we could play, but this should carry on for the rest of the season and until the bowl game, we just have to keep that there."

Saturday's domination of the Scarlet Knights still serves as a confidence boost for the Irish, especially after the near-loss to Navy and the upset by Boston College.

"It's a big momentum builder," Holiday said. "I shows we can put points on the board, put our game together, what we can do those kind of things for our team, it's a big confidence booster for us."

The Scarlet Knights' coach acknowledges the improvements the Irish offense has made.

Irish receiver Amaz Battle makes a catch and turns up field for more yardage against Rutgers. Battle grabbed two of Notre Dame quarterback Carlyle Holiday's four touchdowns passes. Omar Jenkins and Maurice Stovall caught the other two.

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player of the game

Carlyle Holiday
The Irish quarterback was 12-of-25 for 270 yards, no interceptions and four touchdowns, including a 63-yard bomb to Battle.

stat of the game

42 points Notre Dame scored Saturday — the most against an opponent since beating Rutgers 45-17 in 2000.

play of the game

Amaz Battle's 63-yard touchdown in the third quarter. The second Battle touchdown put Notre Dame up 21-0 in the Irish offense and was the first of four third-quarter scores for Notre Dame.

quote of the game

"We smell blood and just go and get it."

Courtney Watson
Notre Dame linebacker
Irish comeberback Shane Walton intercepts a pass against Rutgers Saturday. Walton returned the pick 45 yards for a touchdown. It was Walton's seventh interception of the season.

Seniors enjoy last game

They didn't want to leave.

Their teammates had filled out, the band started playing the alma mater and the fans were heading toward the exits.

But seniors Arnaz Battle and Shane Walton, roommates, best friends and teammates, passed to soak it all in one last time before they walked through the tunnel for the last time with their Notre Dame uniforms on.

They started by signing autographs for a few eager fans in the end zone. They ended it by tossing gloves into the stands. And in between, they humored a student leaning over the brick wall asking for a photograph and posed for a picture.

Battle and Walton better try to get a copy of that picture. A picture of the Irish Gaels dancing with 42-0 shining on the scoreboard. A picture of two grinning Irish seniors who helped a 5-6 team turn into a 10-1 squad.

A picture that captured their last moment on Notre Dame Stadium, with thousands of fans roaring their approval.

After the game, the pair said they weren't crying. But they might have been before, each added with a smile.

"Before the game, I felt a little teary-eyed," Walton said. "But now it's done and it's over."

It's over.

Most would give both arms and both legs to run out of the tunnel before every game. Most would cry tears of happiness if given the chance to play one year for Notre Dame.

What Battle and Walton experienced in college defies explanation. They couldn't have imagined what would happen when they first entered Notre Dame, Battle as a quarterback, Walton as a soccer player.

But five years, three coaches, two losing seasons and one return to glory later, neither could have imagined a better way to walk out of Notre Dame Stadium.

At one point in Saturday's 42-0 thrashing left the Knights scarlet with embarrassment, all of Notre Dame's points had come courtesy of the residents of the Battle-Walton house.

Battle got the Irish on the scoreboard first by catching a short screen from Carlyle Holiday and scampering 38 yards Michigan State-style through Rutgers' Swiss cheese of a defense.

Later in the second quarter, Walton prevented a deflected pass from hitting the ground twice by grabbing it and scampering 45 yards for an interception return.

Then, on the second play of the second half, Battle caught an underthrown pass, sprinting 63 yards and juking a safety to make the score Battle and Walton 21, Rutgers not a chance.

Offensive coordinator Bill Diedrick said the first 10 plays of the second half were scripted and he thought the Irish could get a score on play No. 2.

The script Diedrick wrote worked to perfection. But he, or anybody else for that matter, couldn't have scripted a better home finale for Notre Dame's seniors.

None of them wanted to start the game on the bench. Yet none of them seemed to mind that they finished the game on the bench, watching Tim O'Neill run rampant over Rutgers.

"That was definitely the way I wanted to go out," Battle grinned. "It was nice to see other guys get the ball."

The seniors aren't finished yet. Even as Tyrone Willingham praised them for the tremendous leadership they demonstrated this season, he reminded them they still have more work to do.

Looking ahead this week in a road trip to USC, where the Irish will face another ranked opponent this season, where the Irish will probably be underdogs once again, where the Irish will have their chance to lock up a BCS berth.

Then there's a bowl game against one of the top teams in the country, where the seniors will make sure to remind the rest of the team — as if it needs to be reminded — about the Fiesta Fizzle two years ago.

But for a moment on a sunny afternoon at Notre Dame Stadium, as Battle and Walton walked off the field, away from autograph seekers, away from camera toters, away from one of the most dominating victories of the season, away from thunderous roars, everything seemed perfect. Picture perfect.

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Holiday, offense exceptional in victory

By JOE HETTLER
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The coaches said it would take time. The players said it would take time. They all said the Irish offense would take time to coalesce with a new system.

The time finally came Saturday against Rutgers.

Carllye Holiday and the Notre Dame offense had their most impressive performance of the season, gaining 466 yards scoring 42 points in a shutout victory over the Scarlet Knights.

"We believed that at some point this season our offense would show its true potential," coach Tyree Willingham said.

"I think we did exactly that," Holiday said. Obviously, Carlyle Holidays performance passing was exceptional in the third quarter, and truly, throughout the game. Our offense did a great job of playing the way I think they can.

Holiday was 13-of-27 for 270 yards passing with four touchdown passes. He also led the Irish to four third quarter touchdowns in less than 10 minutes, with three of those drives taking a combined 100 seconds to finish.

Holiday credits his improvement to learning the new West Coast system each week.

"I'm at a stage right now where I know what I did wrong or I know what I was supposed to do and I think [offensive coordinator] Bill Diedrick saw that and he laughs about it sometimes," Holiday said. "It sees it as a good sign and I do it too. It's just more comfortable to know that when you had something there, you can just go back and know what you have the next time.

Holiday turned heads against Navy by throwing the deep ball effectively and racking up a career-high 272 yards passing. However, because the effort came against the 1-10 Midshipmen, Holiday wasn't given as much credit for his improvement.

But when he did it again this week, Holiday showed something he had been missing his entire career — consistency.

"I don't know if I erased [anybody's doubts], it's shown that I could throw the deep ball," Holiday said. "I feel a lot more comfortable. I know what I can do. I know, I'm more efficient. I feel a lot better."

The most surprising aspect of Notre Dame's offense Saturday was its ability to not only score, but score quickly. The four touchdowns in the third quarter were the most ever by an Irish team during that time period in Notre Dame history.

"Like coach said it felt like a knockout punch," Holiday said. "After that second touchdown, I think they quit a little bit because you look over at their sideline and some of them have their heads down.

They came over the next play and score a touchdown, I think that took all the energy out of them." Holiday throw touchdown passes of 38, 63, 37 and 26 yards — two went to Arnaz Battle and one each to Omar Jenkins and Maurice Skillor. Saturday, Holiday completed passes to seven different receivers. More importantly, he did not throw an interception for the fifth straight game. Holiday has only picked off two times this season, once again Michigan and Pittsburgh.

"I like no interceptions," Holiday said. "I have throwing interceptions. I have to run for them, so interceptions are a killer. Plus, I have to make the tackle which I'm not good at."

Willingham said that the entire offense has improved and learned the new system better and this has been one of the biggest keys.

"Each week, Carlyle has gotten better, and better, and better," Willingham said. However, it must be noted that it can't be just Carlyle. It has to be the offensive line, it has to be improvement, the running backs have to be improving, the receivers have to be improving, the overall underst­anding of our system has to be improving. If we are doing that then we have the chance to get better as a passing unit. And I think our guys have done that.

Irish quarterback Carlyle Holiday throws a pass against Rutgers Saturday. The Notre Dame signal-caller threw a record-tying four touchdown passes.

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Grant reaches 1,000-yard milestone

Observer Staff Report

No one said much about Ryan Grant breaking the 1,000-yard mark this season — and that's just fine with Grant.

The Irish running back gained 69 yards on 18 carries versus Rutgers Saturday, giving him 1,001 yards this season. Grant has been the seventh running back in Notre Dame history to reach such a feat and had Tyree Denson did it in 1996.

"It was one of my goals. It means a lot to me, but I understand the perspective that at this position, I kind of rely on other people," Grant said.

Grant had been criticized over the last few weeks for fumbling on too many occasions. He didn't fumble Saturday and feels his game is back on track.

"I don't take [not fumbling] as a relief," Grant said. "I did what I'm supposed to do. It's just my job to not fumble."

Offensive coordinator Bill Diedrick was also pleased with Grant's performance. He felt the back returned to his old style of running the football.

"I thought he was back to running a lot more aggressive," Diedrick said. "The best run that I was pleased with was when he made the one gap run, broke the tackle and got his TD and I think that, too, to me, was a little more of a sign of what he's doing."

Seniors' Day

With such a big load late in the game, many of the seniors got their chance to finally reach the field at Notre Dame stadium.

The highlights of the reserves play was when Tim O'Neill bunted a 42-yard run down the Irish sidelines late in the fourth quarter.

"I think you want to always think end zone when you're running with the ball," O'Neill said. "I'm quick but I'm not fast. I guess they caught me. I think end zone when you're there."

Willingham was actually worried when O'Neill had that long run.

"Obviously, when he got in, everyone on the team was excited about his being on the field, and since he does play so hard, we were fearful that he might score," Willingham said. Another highlight of the reserves' play was with Carlos Pierre-Antoine's sack in the fourth quarter.

Battle moves up on list

Arnaz Battle moved up to ninth place on Notre Dame's all-time receptions in a season list with 46 on the season after his three catches Saturday. Battle moved past Tim Brown and Bobby Brown on the list. Tom Gately, who had 77 in 1970, holds the record.

Battle became the first Irish player to have two touchdown receptions in a game since Joey Gethereal did it against Air Force in 2000.

Setta continues streak

Nicholas Setta made all six extra points against Rutgers, giving him 56 straight extra points made. That's good enough for second in all time for the Notre Dame program. Craig Hinrichs holds the record with 53 straight extra points converted.

Saturday's captains

Game day captains for the Irish were John Crowther, Jeff Faile, Courtney Watson and Ryan Roberts. All 31 seniors were on the field for the coin flip, with the other 27 standing a few yards on the field.

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Notre Dame 28, Rutgers 0

Second quarter

Notre Dame 7, Rutgers 0

Arnaz Battle 39-yard reception from Carlyle Holiday with 11:17 remaining (Setta kick) Drive: 1 play, 80 yards, 0:44 elapsed

Notre Dame 14, Rutgers 0

Wallace 45-yard interception return with 7:25 remaining (Setta kick) Drive: 2 plays, 60 yards, 0:33 elapsed

Third quarter

Notre Dame 21, Rutgers 0

Battle 63-yard reception from Holiday with 14:16 remaining (Setta kick) Drive: 2 plays, 80 yards, 0:44 elapsed

Notre Dame 28, Florida State 0

Omar Jenkins 27-yard reception from Holiday with 10:21 remaining (Setta kick) Drive: 5 plays, 46 yards, 0:47 elapsed

Notre Dame 35, Rutgers 0

Ryan Grant 20-yard run with 8:50 remaining (Setta kick) Drive: 6 plays, 69 yards, 2:14 elapsed

Fourth quarter

Notre Dame 42, Rutgers 0

Maurice Skillor 26-yard reception from Holiday with 5:24 remaining (Setta kick) Drive: 6 plays, 69 yards, 2:14 elapsed

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Notre Dame is led onto the field by many of its seniors Saturday against Rutgers. The game marked the last home contest for this year's senior class. Notre Dame won 42-0.

Notre Dame played its most complete game of the season en route to pounding Rutgers 42-0 in the seniors' final home game. Irish quarterback Carlyle Holiday threw a record four touchdown passes, and Arnaz Battle and Shane Walton each scored for Notre Dame. The Irish scored 28 points in the third quarter to break a school record.

Irish quarterback Carlyle Holiday drops back to throw a pass Saturday. Holiday led the Irish to 35 points on offense against Rutgers.

Mike Goolsby (41) and Ryan Roberts (95) sack Rutgers' quarterback Ryan Hart during the first half of Saturday's game. The defense recorded five sacks on the day.

Irish running back Tim O'Neill breaks off a 42-yard run against the Scarlet Knights Saturday. O'Neill had 52 yards rushing on six attempts.
without the Lord’s Dazzle and Disappoints Saturday

determination to achieve perfection.
But he has also been criticized for being a strict authoritarian and a power hungry egomaniac.

This reputation emerged when he left the Irish dance phenomena “Riverdance” in which he was a lead dancer and choreographer.

“Riverdance” exploded on the world scene as a seven-minute piece in the Eurovision Song Contest in 1994. But Flatley had to share the spotlight and after six months he left the show blaming issues of artistic control.

He claims the producers of “Riverdance” wanted to incorporate all different nations into the show, while Flatley believed that an all Irish show could stand on its own. Unable to agree on any settlements, Flatley sued the producers of “Riverdance” for a percentage of the revenues that he believed were rightfully his.

When Flatley began to envision his own project, he knew that he wanted the successor to “Riverdance” to be more of a rock concert than a theatrical performance. With an original score by Ronan Hardiman and talented Irish dance champions from all over the world, Flatley began to see his detailed vision come to life.

With his name above the title in “Lord of the Dance,” Flatley became the star of the show - oiled, bare-chested and performing as the hero and savior of Irish dance with two beautiful women competing for his attention in a flashy, male fantasy world.


As a result of the success of the show, Flatley can afford to get over any hard feelings he had for “Riverdance” since he has his own revenue sensation. In 2000, with an exhausting schedule and rumors of failing health, Flatley performed in a final show of his tour “Feet of Flames,” a magnified version of “Lord of the Dance” he created to draw attention to his final performance.

Today, Flatley serves as artistic director and continues to oversee all aspects of the show and the numerous “Lord of the Dance” troupes. There are two permanent dance troupes, one is currently touring Europe and the second is touring the United States. Flatley also recently signed a $250 million deal for the show to remain in The Venetian hotel and casino in Las Vegas. With an incredibly successful video and soundtrack CD, as well as overpriced merchandise - a dinky program costs $15 - total gross for Lord of the Dance is fast approaching $100 million.

While Flatley has lived his life with an attitude of extreme confidence, he has introduced the world to the power of Irish dancing. He is a hero for many Americans as a purveyor of Irish pride. Flatley awed the world and carried the show to its extraordinary success because of his incredible talent, but without his commanding stage presence as Lord the show seems to become nothing more than an extravagant money maker.

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Two traditional Irish violinists are included in “Lord of the Dance.” Unfortunately, taped supplement music distracts from their performance.

With two touring companies already, Flatley as signed a $250 million deal to bring “Lord of the Dance” to The Venetian hotel and casino in Las Vegas.
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Detroit wins toss and goes with wind; Bears get ball and Edinger kicks game-winning FG

Associated Press

CHAMPAIGN, Ill. — Detroit took the wind and Chicago got the win.

Sore-armed Jim Miller came off the bench to rescue the Bears, who benefitted from Detroit’s unconventional overtime strategy Sunday to beat the Lions 20-17 and end an eight-game losing streak.

Miller, playing with a sore right elbow, led the Bears to 10 points in the final 2:33 of regulation, featuring two great catches by Dez White, and Chicago (3-4) forced overtime on Paul Edinger’s 22-yard field goal on the final play.

After winning the coin toss to start overtime, the Lions (3-4) decided to play defense first with a strong 17 mph wind at their backs instead of taking the ball.

But given the ball first, Miller moved the Bears from their own 35 to the Detroit 22, hitting three down passes of 14 and 15 yards to Marty Booker and then connecting again with a 5-yarder to White on fourth-and-3 from the Detroit 30 to get Edinger in position for the game winner.

Patriots 24, Vikings 17

The New England Patriots outlasted a Minnesota team that can’t win on their turf.

Tom Brady threw three touchdown passes in the first half and then converted a fourth-down play for a 24-17 win Sunday over the Vikings.

Minnesota lost three fumbles and forced no turnovers, increasing its league-worst turnover differential to minus-19.

The Vikings have lost 16 straight on the road and have not won since Thanksgiving Day 2000 in Dallas.

The Patriots (6-5) led 21-0 and got the ball back at the Minnesota 31 when Richard Seymour recovered Randy Moss’s fumble with 2:14 left in the game.

But the drive ended at the 39 with an 8-yard sack on fourth down, and the Vikings got a 6-yard touchdown from Bates with 19 seconds left in the half.

They had no such problems a week earlier when they upset Green Bay 31-21.

That night, the Patriots failed to score an offensive touchdown in a 27-20 loss to Oakland.

The Vikings cut the lead to 21-17 early in the fourth quarter.

But the Patriots’ defense held, and Adam Vinatieri added a 34-yard field goal with 11:09 remaining.

Buccaneers 21, Packers 7

Brett Favre was no match for Tampa Bay’s top-ranked defense.

Tampa Bay intercepted Favre four times and Brad Johnson threw three second-half touchdown passes Sunday as the Buccaneers beat the Packers 21-7 in a meeting of the teams with the best record in the league.

Favre was sacked three times and had little success against the Buccaneers defense after taking advantage of Tampa Bay’s only turnover to give the Packers (8-3) a 7-0 lead in the first quarter.

The Bucks (9-2) are off to a half-game.

Members of the Chicago Bears carry kicker Paul Edinger off the field after he kicked the game-winning field goal in the Bears’ 20-17 victory over the Lions Sunday. The Bears were able to kick the field goal when the Lions refused the ball after winning the coin toss.

The Saints (7-4) have lost three of four to fall into third place in the NFC South.

McAllister’s leadership is a negative.

Detroit forced three red-zone turnovers — two interceptions and a fumble by Aaron Brooks — and held the Saints to field goals.

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**Buckeyes ready to ‘Fiesta’ after defeating Wolverines**

Associated Press

COLUMBUS, Ohio

Go ahead, Ohio State. It’s safe to exhale.

The Buckeyes escaped yet another tight jam Saturday with a 14-9 victory over rival Michigan.

A season of hope has turned perfectly magical for the second-ranked Buckeyes (11-0, 8-0 Big Ten), who are on their way to the Tostitos Fiesta Bowl to play for a national title on Jan. 3.

“We were able to make the catch, I just started crying,” said safety Michael Doss, who decided to put off an NFL career by staying in school. “We had faith we could win every game, that’s what makes this team so special.”

The Buckeyes earned a share of the Big Ten title with No. 5 Iowa (11-1) and can now sit back and wait to see who they’ll play in Tempe, Ariz. “It’s time to party,” said defensive end Kenny Peterson.

“Fiesta, Fiesta...” With Michigan controlling play and clinging to a 9-7 lead after three quarters, Ohio State seemed destined for more heartbreak against the Wolverines.

The Buckeyes had already lost two seasons and their national title hopes wiped out in 1995 and 1996 by Michigan.

But this team found a way to win — just as it did early this season at Cincinnati, in overtime at Illinois last week and with a fourth-quarter comeback at Purdue two weeks ago.

“This was a huge win,” said Tressel, who accepted a Fiesta Bowl invitation after the game.

Washington 29, Washington State 26

Washington’s John Anderson kicked five field goals, including the game-winner from 49 yards out in the third overtime, and Kai Ellin forced and recovered a disputed fumble to secure Washington 29-26 thrilling victory at San Diego’s No. 3 Washington State on Saturday night.

“When you get on a little bit of a roll, the goal posts got bigger,” Anderson said. “You want to be out there.”

The loss spoiled Washington State’s chance to secure a Rose Bowl berth. Now the Cougars (9-2, 6-2 Pac-10) must win at UCLA on Dec. 7 to capture the Pac-10 title and make the Rose Bowl.

“Fiesta, Fiesta...”

“We’ve got past the Wolverines and will play for a national championship they’ve been chasing since 1996. Maurice Hall scored on a 3-yard run with 4:55 left and the Buckeyes running back Maurice Hall scored on a 3-yard run with 4:55 left and the Wolverines (9-3, 6-2), this season at Cincinnati, in overtime with a 31-0 lead and the game is over,” Riese announced.

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Florida State quarterback Adrian McPherson is tackled by North Carolina State's Andre Maddox in the Wolfpack's 17-7 victory Saturday. McPherson was only 8-for-20 passing for 80 yards in the game.

Bowden rekindles quarterback controversy

Associated Press

Tallahassee, Fla. - Florida State coach Bobby Bowden has opened up the competition at quarterback again after watching Adrian McPherson struggle against North Carolina State.

Bowden said Sunday he will decide whether McPherson or Chris Rix will start the finale against No. 23 NC State when they practice.

The Seminoles lost 17-7 to the Wolfpack on Saturday. McPherson was 8-of-20 for 80 yards.

"I don't like doing it, but I think the situation, the play of our quarterbacks, requires me to take a strong look at both of them," Bowden said.

Rix came into the game with a little more than two minutes left and effectively moved the Seminoles down the field before throwing an interception in the end zone with 8 seconds remaining.

"The way he moved the football team in the brief time he was in there was enough make you think that we better let these kids fight this out another week and decide if we need to make a change," Bowden said.

McPherson was named interim GM for the Red Sox when they lost Epstein to the Cubs. Epstein was hired by the Chicago Cubs and fired Dan Duquette. Mike Port was interim GM for the Red Sox, and the team will decide on a permanent general manager since Epstein was 29 when he was hired by the San Diego Padres in 1993.

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In Brief

Phillies sign third baseman "Bell to 4-year deal"

The Philadelphia Phillies don't have to worry about their new third baseman's relationship with manager Larry Bowa.

David Bell, who helped the San Francisco Giants reach the World Series last month, agreed to a $17 million, four-year deal with the Phillies.

Bowa, a coach with Seattle when Bell was there, likes his approach and attitude.

"His work ethic is second to none," Bowa said. "He's always prepared, plays the game the way it's supposed to be played. He's very unselfish, knows how to play and has come from winning teams."

"If everything else fails, we would try anything, even that," Bowden said. "Steve Spurrier did that to us and beat us that way, but most of us don't know how to do it that way."

Epstein to become youngest GM with Red Sox

The Boston Red Sox will hire Theo Epstein as their general manager, a team source told The Associated Press on Sunday night.

Epstein, 28, will be the youngest GM in baseball history when the team makes the announcement, which is expected to come Monday.

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MENS BASKETBALL

Irish blowout Bucknell, 73-42

By ANDREW SOUKUP
Sports Writer

The way Torin Francis looked at his performance Saturday, the Irish freshman was just doing his job.

But if his job includes setting freshman records, the Irish won't mind making sure Francis gets more work.

Francis grabbed 20 rebounds against Bucknell, the most any Irish freshman recorded since LaPhonso Ellis grabbed 18 in 1989, as the Irish rolled to a 73-42 victory Friday night.

"That's just part of the game," said Francis, who finished with 11 points. "It's just something you have to do."

It was the third straight game the Irish played where they allowed just 135 points, the fewest they allowed in the first half before the Irish rolled off a 16-point run to pull comfortably ahead.

"We were patient, and it was a night where my drives were there," Jones said. "Guys were turning their backs on defense and I was picking my spots and finding them."

Matt Carroll added 13 points and Dan Miller chipped in 12.

Thomas scored a game-high 20 points, the most he's scored all season, to key the Irish offense.

Thomas was fearless coming out of the locker room at halftime, scoring eight of Notre Dame's first 10 points to stretch a 40-24 lead to 50-24 lead.

"I just felt like the last couple of games I've been passive," he said. "There's nothing wrong with that, but tonight as a team, we struggled offensively."

Torrian Jones also had his most prolific scoring performance of the season. The junior guard finished with 13 points in 21 minutes played, often scoring on penetrating drives or when his teammates found him flashing underneath the basket.

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The Irish have another quick turnaround, as they prepare to face Furman in the semifinals of the Guardians Classic tonight at 9:30 p.m. The Irish will then face either Creighton or IUPUI in the final or consolation round Tuesday night, depending on whether or not Notre Dame wins tonight.

By Tuesday, the Irish will have squeezed in five games in five days.

"Playing the games is great," Brey said. "But the slippage you get is you haven't practiced much in the last week."

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ND WOMENS CROSS COUNTRY

Irish expect strong finish at NCAAs

By JOE LINDSLEY
Sports Writer

For the first time in school history, the Notre Dame women's cross-country team has a chance to finish in the top 10 in the NCAA Championships.

Led by sophomore Lauren King and freshman Molly Huddle, the Irish have qualified for the national championships for the fourth time in the program's history, and their depth and performances this year have earned the team its place as the fifth ranked team in the nation.

On Monday, at Terre Haute, they will attempt to conclude the season in the same manner they have run each of their previous races.

"We're going in there on a pretty high note," Irish coach Tim Connelly said. "I thought our kids ran their best race of the season at [the regional] and the real competition really high."

Unlike past years, Notre Dame now expects success from the outset of this season.

"I might not appreciate it as much as some of the upperclassmen, who know what the team has done before and how it's such a big improvement compared to where we've been," Huddle said. "The freshman class, our first season all we know is the Notre Dame program's history, and their depth and performances this year have earned the team its place as the fifth ranked team in the nation.

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The team has seen steady improvement throughout the season, both in their races and workouts.

"We know that the team is working really well and has been really good," King said. "Everyone's fit. The workouts have been going great. We know we're ready for this level of competition."

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halftime, the rejuvenated Chace came out firing in the second half. When a Coons pass intended for Hollmer was picked off in the end zone, Cavanaugh gained the momentum and the window of opportunity had been waiting for. After a completion by Meg McNichols, Jenny Nokes and Melissa Marcotte, the Chace drove down the field. A 40-yard reverse by Lisa Ruffer set up and 11-yard touchdown pass by Meyers to Laurie Holiberger with 45 seconds remaining.

But the extra point pass was knocked down and PE ran out the clock to clinch the championship. Coons and the Pyros were joined in celebration by a sea of red that chanted "I love Abby" after the game.

"I couldn't ask for anything more as a senior. Our team probably had the most fun of every team," Abbey Coons, Pyros quarterback, said.

Coons said, "Our team probably had the most fun of every team, and we won. It was a great season, with great coaches." Coons wasn't the only senior quarterback that played exceptionally well. For Cavanaugh, Meyers was 10-of-18 for 132 yards with one touchdown.

For the Pyros, Kristin Marcucilli caught three passes for 26 yards, and center Alley Alexandra Ferber was on the receiving end of two passes as well. She, like Coons, played both ways as quarterback and defensive back. In a game where the stars players negated each other's performances, the story was of the role players who came up big in the end.

"We were probably the last team people would have thought would win, but we did it," Coons said, "We've just grown so much this year."

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The Pyros of Pasquerilla East hoist the Interhall Football Championship trophy into the air after their 7-6 defeat of Cavanaugh in the women's Interhall finals at Notre Dame Stadium Sunday.

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"Bill had some nice offensive play calls," said Siegfried coach John Torgenson. Bingle, Torgenson notes, has a keen knowledge of the game and calls all of the plays from the line of scrimmage.

Alumni scored first on its second drive of the game. Running back Alex Roodhouse broke a 50-yard run on first down from the Dawgs 9-yard line. Roodhouse, who had 86 yards rushing and 14 yards receiving on the day, ended the drive with a 2-yard touchdown run, putting Alumni up 7-0.

The Alumni defense that had hardly given opponents a whiff of the end zone all season stood strong in the first half, letting Bingle and the Ramblers drive down field, but stopping Siegfried short of the end zone twice on fourth down. The Dawgs had trouble in the second half when Siegfried elected to spread the field and throw.

"I was kind of surprised how easily we could pass," said Bingle. "They've been shutting everyone out, and we haven't been throwing quite so much the past couple games. Our Receivers made some real good plays back Kaup, Nate Ratchke, and Mike Wall, they all over the place.

Kap Arnold's go-for-two all season, caught a 17-yard strike from Bingle in the back of the end zone to tie the game at 7-7 in the third quarter. On the drive, Bingle completed five of five passes, including three in the red zone.

On the following touchdown drive, Bingle connected with Ratchke for 26 yards on a great diving catch to set up a 15-yard Tim Breitbach touchdowin run. "Bill makes us look good as receivers," said Ratchke.

"He's a great quarterback," Alumni coach Steve Keppell saw an opportunistic Siegfried team that would not quit.

"I think it was just them making big plays," Keppell said. "They were driving the ball on us [in the first half] but our defense was able to stop them. They just made some amazing tackles towards the end. And their defense stepped up in the second half."

Like its defense, the Alumni offense struggled as the game went on.

The Alumni offensive output of the day more or less ended with the first-half touchdown. Bingle and Siegfried's offensive took over and kept the Dawgs down. When Chris Guttingham and the Alumni offense returned to the field, the Ramblers defense entered the game well-rested and shut the Dawgs down.

A Pat Muzin sack on third down late in the fourth quarter all but ended the hopes of the Alumni faithful.

"This is a dream for everyone, to come out here and be victorious in Notre Dame Stadium. You get the shivers, you know?"

John Torgenson
Siegfried coach

"Our first drive, we were moving the ball pretty well," said Keppell. "There were penalties and some mental mistakes that kind of hurt us in the second half. But games like this go by pretty fast. You need to take advantage of your drives, and we really didn't do that in the second half."

A holding call on Alumni's first drive and a clipping penalty on the punt return to set up the Dawgs' final drive proved crucial to the game's outcome. The Siegfried defense buckled down after the first touchdown and did not let up. "We should have won by a lot more," said Bingle. "We pretty much dominated the game. We punch those first couple in and I don't think they'd have been around at all.

For now, the Siegfried
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"We absolutely wanted to play Miami in the title,“ outside hitter Emily Loomis said. “They really fired us up with their comments at the banquet."

Loomis capped off the conference season by winning the tournament's Most Outstanding Player award. Against the Hurricanes, the sophomore from Fort Wayne, Ind. recorded game-hits in kills with 21 and hitting percentage of .462.

The Irish (23-8) got off to a fast start, hitting an incredible .606 in game one and committing only one attack error. Loomis led the Irish with eight kills in the game.

After dropping the first game in Saturday's 3-1 semifinal win over Connecticut, Notre Dame coach Debbie Brown knew her team needed to start strong.

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"I am not 100 percent," Mobley said. "I am well enough that I think I can challenge for as well an upset as did last year."

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WOMENS SOCCER

Irish fall to top-ranked Cardinal in Sweet 16 on late goal

By ANDY TROEGER
Sports Writer

Stanford’s women’s soccer team has taken the Cardinal to the College Cup, their third straight trip, and they will try to knock off the Irish in the Sweet 16 showdown as the Irish and top-ranked Stanford tangle on Sunday in the second round of the NCAA Tournament.

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The underdogs played with Stanford for 80 minutes, thanks to brilliant play by goalkeeper Erika Bohn and gutsy play by a short-handed Irish squad. But Stanford’s Maria Wallis scored the game-winner for Stanford with nine minutes left in regulation.

Notre Dame just All-American candidate Candace Chapman from the defense early in the first half, while junior midfielder Randi Scheller was forced to serve on the defensive line as the Irish continued to suffer from the loss of Given. In the bag that has hurt the team all season.

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Manning entered in the midfield with sophomore Mary Boland moving back to the defense. The Irish came out in a different formation in the second half, dropping one of the forwards back into the midfield to make up for the loss of Chapman.

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Down by two and strong opponent, the Irish, who came out in green jerseys for the first time since the 1999 College Cup semisfinals, battled Stanford equally throughout. The Cardinal held only a 6-5 advantage in shots on goal, with a 7-4 advantage in corner kicks.

Stanford’s score came off an Irish goal kick. Midfielder Callie Withers pulled on the 16-yard mark.

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WOMENS SOCCER

Garcia scores 2 in 3-1 rematch victory over Akron

By BRYAN KRONK
Sports Writer

Fellow senior forward Erich Braun added to his own offensive success in Akron.

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"The Irish broke the stalemate. Chad Riley sent a pass from along the left side to a charging Justin Detter down the middle of the field. Detter passed to a streaking Garcia in the right corner of the field, who fired a low shot past a charging Pinho and into the net.

"It was amazing," Garcia said. "I just saw the goalie slip and fall as the ball went past the goalie and into the side netting."

The Irish added to that lead less than 12 minutes later. After an Akron turnover deep in the Irish defensive side of the field, the Irish mounted a breakaway. After bringing the ball to just past midfield, Detter booted a pass to Braun, who slipped past an Akron defender and headed the ball past Pinho — who was caught out of position and well away from the net. The ball eventually rolled into the net to give the Irish a 3-1 lead.

"(Braun) was very cool and calm in the penalty," Clark said. "I know it looked like an easy opportunity, but anyone who plays soccer knows that's not an easy score.

He did that well, and it took the pressure off coming down the line, because if it had stayed at a one-goal lead, that kind of took the wind out of their sails." Braun’s goal was his 11th of the season.

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HAPPY TOWN

JACK MONAHAN

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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

What scrambled word game by Henri Arnold and Mike Arigron

CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY

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Happy Birthday! Prepare to think fast and proceed forward with great
speed this year. Be shrewd and rid yourself of whatever is holding
you back. Your accuracy will be unanswerable and will win you the
support you need to advance. Implement your talents and your ideas
and watch them mushroom into something incredible. Your
numbers are 3, 6, 11, 16, 19, 24, 26, 31, 46.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): You will attract romantic partners
with your charismatic personality and your energetic approach to life.
Don't tell someone you love them if you aren't sure that you do.
Make sure of your feelings before you make any announcements.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Friends or relatives may interfere
with your personal objectives. If you need some advice, try to find
someone who is impartial and who is aware of your situation.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): This will not be the day to take
chances. Lock your money up where it's safe. Stay out of trouble
where you might be enticed to spend on household items. Make sure
that legal affairs are in order.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Your home environment appears to be
even more active. Plan your day carefully if you wish to dodge any
setbacks. Make a list of priorities.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Difficulties with authority figures will
surface. Be diplomatic so that you don't antagonize someone,
but don't allow yourself to curtail your freedom.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Problems with groups may be
upsetting. The only person you can really know and help is yourself.
Put as much effort into new improvement. You will be successful.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Put your efforts into getting your own
work done and refrain from interfering with peers who are just
deluding themselves. Stay focused and you will please everyone
around you.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You may find that your emotional
partner is feeling a little rejected. Unless the two of you start to
communicate, there could be problems. Secret affairs could develop
with someone at work. 

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Don't stagnate too much time or
search organizations. You may find that you are being taken
advantage of. Addicted consumers may demand must be invisible.
Make sure your priorities are straight.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Ask for favors but offer something
in return. You can get involved in your own business or a partnership
successfully. This is an opportune time to turn your dreams into
reality.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Secret communication may be
undermining your organization. Don't let your clients or partners
play you for a fool. Be on guard, or you won't be able
to detect any threats. Your time here, focusing on what
you are trying to accomplish.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Creative ideas may
surface. Your ideas may develop into
potential and lead to a successful enterprise.
Don't go halfway, follow your
talent through to completion.
Socialize with friends who can offer you
a reality.

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**INTERHALL FOOTBALL**

**Pyros, Ramblers bring home titles**

* Senior QB Coons leads PE to 7-6 victory over Cavanaugh

By HEATHER VAN HEGARDEN
Sports Writer

Senior quarterback Abbey Coons led Pasquerilla East out of the tunnel on Sunday and then led her team to victory on the field. Coons was 13-of-23 passing for 135 yards and a touchdown to lead the Pyros over the Chaos 7-6 in an exciting interhall finale Sunday that went down to the wire.

PE's only touchdown was scored by Kathryn Lent in the first half, who made an outstanding grab of a pass that was batted around in the end zone. Leslie Follmer caught the extra point.

"It was a play that was drawn out very well," Coons said. "I had great protection from our offensive line, and I was waiting for something to open up. Kathryn slipped behind the defense, and luckily she caught it."

It took more than luck to beat a Cavanaugh team that didn't give up after the first half touchdown. And after

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**VOLLEYBALL**

**Irish top Hurricanes, clinch 7th Big East crown**

* Irish tell cocky 'Canes who 'better team' is with win

By MATT LOZAR
Sports Writer

**PITTSBURGH**

At the Big East awards banquet Friday night, a Hurricane volleyball player told the crowd "the better team won" when her Miami team ended Notre Dame's 43-game Big East regular season winning streak last weekend.

In Sunday's Big East Tournament Championship, the seven-time Big East regular season champs taught the league's newcomer a little lesson about respect.

A determined and confident Notre Dame volleyball team

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**MENS SWIMMING**

Purdue 175
Notre Dame 123

The Irish hoped to use momentum from two road wins last week, but fell short against the Boilermakers Friday.

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**MENS SOCCER**

Notre Dame 3
Akron 1

Seniors Rafael Garcia and Eric Beaum scored all three goals to advance the Irish in the NCAA Tournament.

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**WOMENS SOCCER**

Stanford 1
Notre Dame 0

The Irish fought valiantly in the third round of the NCAA Tournament, but fell on a late Cardinal goal.

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**MENS BASKETBALL**

Notre Dame 73
Bucknell 42

Tori Francis set a freshman rebounding record with 20 boards against the Bison Friday.

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**CROSS COUNTRY**

Irish at NCAA Championships

Today

The Irish men and women compete for the national title.

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**FOOTBALL**

Notre Dame 42
Rutgers 0

The Irish broke open a 14-0 halftime lead to notch their second straight win over an Ohio state University program and improve to 10-1-

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