Accuser testifies in Dykes trial

The rape trial of former Notre Dame football player Donald Dykes began this week and his accuser, a former Notre Dame student, said she was too scared to commit rape and sexual battery.

Dykes is the second of the four former Notre Dame football players accused of sexually assaulting the woman to be tried. He is charged with rape, conspiracy to commit rape and sexual battery.

Dykes, along with Abram Elam, Lorenzo Crawford and Justin Smith, testified at Elam's trial earlier this month and maintained their innocence, claiming the acts were consensual.

Elam was acquitted on the charges of conspiracy, commit rape and criminal deviate conduct, but found guilty on the charge of sexual battery.

The woman claims the four football players sexually assaulted her multiple times in the morning of March 28, 2002 at Smith's off-campus home. She testified today that she was too scared and in too much pain to leave Smith's home after the alleged gang rape and waited to report it because she did not think accusing Notre Dame football players would win her much sympathy.

Jury selection for the trial started Monday and was a lengthy process as special prosecutor Maureen Devlin and defense attorney William Stanley and Michael Tuzynski questioned the approximately 90 potential jurors.

The juror pool was larger than usual for this case due to fears that the pool may be tainted by the extensive media coverage throughout Elam's trial.

The trials for Crawford and Smith begin later this year.

SMC vaccines against meningitis

Saint Mary's student looks away in fear as she receives a vaccination against bacterial meningitis. Saint Mary's has increased its efforts to educate students about the disease and the vaccination.

Two students to screen '9/11' film

By MATTHEW SMEDBERG

Ask Scott Schafer and Amanda Reddy what they did this summer, and they will not need to search their memory for something interesting.

That's because they participated in a fellowship with the Foundation for the Defense of Democracies that sent them to Israel for two weeks this August to learn about terrorism and its effects. While there, they underwent an intensive regimen of lectures and activities, including meeting an agent of the Israeli counterterrorism force and touring the naval base at Haifa.

Back on campus, Reddy and Schafer have decided to organize a screening of the documentary "9/11" today as a commemoration of the terrorist attacks and a chance to raise awareness of terrorism and its effects. The screening will begin at 7 p.m., in 102 DeBaradio Hall.

"9/11" is a film made by brothers Jules and Gideon Naudet, who were originally documenting the life of a trainee NYFD firefighter. However, their purpose changed dramatically as airplanes slammed into the World Trade Center towers barely blocks away. "9/11" has been hailed as an extraordinary tale of heroism and heroism in its own right, and was shown on CBS television last year.

Schafer and Reddy applied for the fellowship after taking political science with Keir Lieber, who is a fellow of the FDD as well as of the Notre Dame Institute for International Studies.

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County rezones parcel

By MEGHANNE DOWNES

The St. Joseph County Council unanimously approved the rezoning of a land parcel near Notre Dame which will become a new upscale residential development near Notre Dame.

Dan Foley and Nicholas Tyszka, who formed the development company DNPEG, decided to build "Irish Crossings" as a residential area for professionals and administrators that is close to Notre Dame, citing a need for an upscale community within walking distance of the campus and a need to diversify the area.

The site is located on 8.25 acres between Willits and Bardette Streets one block east of Notre Dame. Final plans for the development are awaiting approval and Foley expects the first villas to be completed in spring 2004.

"We knew people who wanted an upscale living area that was an alternative to Granger," Foley said. "Right now the area is a hodge-podge of different homes. Some are rented, some are owned and some are run-down. People are very hesitant to invest there, but by making this into a community, people can be assured they have made a sound investment."

The development, which will begin construction this fall, will have a maximum of 70 single-detached and duplex villas. The entry price for a 1,600 square-foot duplex villa with a basement and attached garage will be $189,000. Foley said in a press release.

Foley said Irish Crossings, which complements Notre Dame's master plan to rejuvenate the area adjacent to the University, could have a ripple effect on the area by improving the surrounding residential community and increasing the property values over the next five to 10 years.

Foley and Tyszka decided to develop this land in May after learning the county council, in a 8-1 decision, voted against the development of a tailgate park on the same site.
**INSIDE COLUMN**

**Complainers beware**

I always thought writing the Inside Column for The Observer would be a great gig. You've got four hundred words to complain about ... well, anything you want, really. But when I got the fateful call to actually write this column, I had to rack my brain to find a topic. For once, I had nothing to whine about. So I turned to my best resource — my roommates.

"What about the dining hall?" they said. True, the lack of a deli or section. The food) has been the major topic of conversation in our room since school resumed. But the fine quality of the SMC dining hall is a topic that has been beaten to death in the pages of this paper.

So the roommates left me back where I started. Other friends didn't leave me with too much either — book prices skyrocketing (no news there), no money to buy beer (I'm not 21, can't complain about that), and how hard it is to get football tickets if you're not a student (it's been done). I can't complain about the baseball season because this isn't the sports section. I can't complain about the people who write dumb crap on the sidewalks, because I would dread opening my e-mail for the next two weeks.

I can't complain about the masses of poison ivy down by the lakes, because I haven't rolled in it. I can't complain about the South Bend weather, because it's great so far this year. And as much as it irritates me, I can't even complain about the construction on campus, because my hall is so far away that I can sleep through all of it — and regularly do.

For the first time in my life I had an open forum to gripe to the masses, or some poor sap's argument. I just couldn't think of a single thing that bothered me enough to write about.

So I perused through some old issues of The Observer, looking for some ideas. I figured I could steal some poor sap's argument.

And while I was looking, I really did run across something to complain about.

I cannot stand the people who write to The Observer to complain about dumb stuff. Really — do we need to go over and over the same argument about whether or not Notre Dame should support homophobia? The same letter-to-the-editor rant between SMC and ND girls? The never-ending concern with the schools' policies on alcohol, tailgating and party buses?

Trust me. No moans to The Observer are going to change the way the University works, how people feel about war or even the Saint Mary's DH. So please — next time you feel a spiteful letter coming on, turn on some music, let in some fresh air and just be happy to be alive.

You have nothing to complain about.

Contact Nicole Zook at zook492@stmarys.edu.

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

**CORRECTIONS**

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**QUESTION OF THE DAY:** *Who do you think programs the sprinklers on campus?*

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  - McGlinn Hall

- **Robert Bauchman**
  - Senior
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- **Dan Maguire**
  - Senior
  - Off-campus

- **Jana Miller**
  - Freshman
  - McGlinn

- **Tai Baird**
  - Sophomore
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- **Jenny Peterson**
  - Junior
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**OFFBEAT**

FBI probes how man shipped self to Texas

DALLAS — A homesick shipping clerk had himself shipped from New York to Dallas in an airline cargo crate, startling his parents and a delivery man when he broke out of the box outside their home.

Charles McKinley, 25, was arrested and jailed on unrelated bad-check and traffic charges after his overnight odyssey. Federal officials are considering additional charges of stowing away on a plane. Federal officials want to know how the stowaway bypassed airport security.

Man falls into judges chamber

DECATUR, Ga. — An inmate found himself before a judge sooner than he expected when he fell through the courthouse ceiling into the judge's chambers while trying to escape, police said.

Ben Rogozensky, 31, was one of about a dozen inmates awaiting hearings Monday when he was taken to the empty jury room to speak with his attorney. The inmate asked to go into the adjacent restroom and from there climbed into the ceiling crawl space, Dekalb County sheriff's spokesman Mikki Jones said.

State Court Judge J. Antonio DelCampo was in the courtroom when the barefoot Rogozensky fell through the ceiling and landed near the judge's desk in his chambers.

Rogozensky was arrested Sept. 2 and charged with obstruction of officers and giving false information.

**In Brief**

The Student Union Board will show "The Italian Job" this Thursday, Friday and Saturday in the Hesburgh Hall. The movie will play at 10 p.m. on Thursday and 8:30 p.m. and 10 p.m. on Friday and Saturday. Admission is three dollars.

Mothers: Founders of the Environmental Justice Movement will sponsor a lecture featuring Hazel Johnson, a lifetime resident of Chicago Public Housing. The lecture takes place today at 4:30 p.m. in the Hesburgh Center Auditorium.

Anyone who is interested in pursuing a Latin American Studies minor is invited to a meeting today at the Hesburgh Center at 5:30 p.m.

View the SISTAR Grant Project by Sandi Ginter and Lisa Biter at the Moreau Gallery at Saint Mary's College.

Students for Environmental Action will host their first meeting of the year at the Center for Social Concerns classroom. The meeting begins at 6 p.m.

A Tri-Military Service will be held in honor of those who lost their lives in the attacks of Sept. 11, 2001. The service will take place at 7 a.m. Thursday at the Pasquerilla Center.

Enjoy campus musicians at the Student Union Board's Acoustic Cafe Thursday night at 9 p.m. in the LaFortune Student Center.

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

**Local Weather**

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SMC issues campus security warnings

By NICOLE ZOOK
News Writer

Two Saint Mary's students have reported to campus security that they were the victims of unwanted sexual advances during the weekend of Aug. 29. The advances occurred in a setting where alcohol was present, they said.

Saint Mary's security did not disclose the identity of the women.

"I wouldn't be able to comment at all," said Rosemarie Harris, Interim Director of Security.

Security, however, is taking steps to ensure that other Saint Mary's students feel safe. On Sept. 5, Security Program Coordinator Chris Pennino sent an e-mail to the entire student body.

It reminded students that in situations where alcohol is involved, the chance for an incident such as the one the women faced is much greater.

The message included several tips for students, including staying with friends, never leaving a drink unattended and keeping a cell phone on.

After the report, a posting was also hung in each residence hall in several conspicuous places.

Health and Wellness Services also issued a warning earlier this week. In it, tips for safe drinking were released.

In spite of the report by the two young women, most Saint Mary's students are not worried about being attacked.

"I've always felt safe on campus," sophomore Corrie Brison said. "It's such a small campus that you are never very isolated; there is usually a security car, building or other people around, even late at night. I personally have never felt like I wasn't safe."

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DEPARTMENT OF CLASSICS presents WOMEN AND MEDICINE IN THE GRAECO-ROMAN WORLD

The Henkels Lectures Conference

Friday and Saturday September 12 & 13, 2003

This conference will bring to Notre Dame a group of world-renowned authorities on Greek and Roman medicine to discuss and debate ancient medical attitudes to women and the place of women in ancient medical thought and practice.

Members of the university community and all those beyond with interests in Graeco-Roman constrictions of gender and in ancient social and cultural history will find this conference absorbing and enlightening.

Conference Schedule

Friday, September 12, 2003

1:30 p.m. David Ladouceur, University of Notre Dame
Modern Approaches to the History of Medicine

2:15 p.m. Helen King, University of Reading
Blood, Blood and Gender: Displaying Difference in the Ancient World

3:30 p.m. Lesley Dean-Jones, University of Texas at Austin

Pseudo-Aristotle on a Woman's Sexual Emissions

Saturday, September 13, 2003

9:30 a.m. Lawrence Bliquez, University of Washington
Gynecological Surgery from the Hippocrates to the Fall of the Roman Empire

10:45 a.m. Ann Ellis Hanson, Yale University
Alternative Medicine in Graeco-Roman Antiquity: The Role of Amulets

1:30 p.m. Keith Bradley, University of Notre Dame
Retrospect and Prospect

2:15 p.m. Open Discussion
Vaccine

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[meningitis] so frightening, even though it is considerably rare, is that it can be so severe and fatal," registered nurse Cynde Horton-Cavanaugh said. "A significant number of people who contract it die or have life long side effects. Understanding this is a major motivation for parents to encourage their students to get immunized."

Studies show that about 2,600 people get meningococcal disease each year in the United States and 10 to 15 per cent of these people die. Of these, approximately 100 to 125 cases are among college students and five to 15 result in death. Junior Cathy Tindall became aware of the disease just before her first year at Saint Mary's. She remembers being told about a student athlete who contracted the illness, showed the symptoms, and went untreated until it was almost too late. "The symptoms of meningitis seem so common," Tindall said. "The flu goes around so much that they can easily be ignored, so I think that it is better to be safe and get the vaccination, than be sorry."

Further research is being performed to determine who is at an increased risk for the disease and why.

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Law suits against piracy anger some

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — The recording industry has taken its piracy fight directly to music fans, suing more than 200 people this week alone. Now comes the hard part: Persuading the very people it has threatened with legal action to revisit music stores or stop using legal downloading services.

It might prove difficult to do so, some observers say, because the industry's lawsuit campaign could spark a consumer backlash spurred by the discontent many music fans already feel over soaring CD prices and the reduction of retailers offering varied music titles.

"The real hope here is that people will turn to the record store," said Eric Garland, CEO of BigCampaigntt LLC, which tracks peer-to-peer Internet trends. "The biggest question is whether singling out a handful of copyright infringers will invigorate business or drive file-sharing further underground, further out of reach."

Jason Rich, of Watervliet, N.Y., said the record companies' campaign prompted him to stop downloading music from file-sharing networks, but he called the issue "disconcerting."

"I think it's kind of silly to go after individuals," said Rich. "There are so many Web sites out there, people don't know necessarily they're doing anything wrong."

Some of the music fans caught in the piracy net cast by the recording industry took steps Tuesday toward settling the copyright infringement lawsuit levied against them for sharing song files over the Internet.

The industry sued 261 people Monday and has promised to sue hundreds more in coming weeks as it strives to stamp out music piracy it blames for a three-year slump in sales. The Recording Industry Association of America settled with the mother of a 12-year-old defendant, Brianna Lailara of New York. Brianna was accused of downloading more than 1,000 songs using Kazaa.

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ARGENTINA

Government defaults on IMF loan

Associated Press

BUENOS AIRES - Argentina defaulted on a $2.9 billion loan owed to the International Monetary Fund on Tuesday after months of efforts to restore its standing with the international financial community.

It was the second time this year the nation failed to make a payment to a multilateral lender. It also missed a deadline on a $681 million payment to the World Bank in January.

A government official, speaking on condition of anonymity, said the payment wasn't made by the close of business Tuesday but negotiations with the Bank were continuing.

The missed payment is not likely to immediately affect the economy, but could further damage investor confidence at a time when the country has shown signs of beginning to emerge from a financial crisis that began in 2001.

Argentine officials said they were not willing to tag the country's $13.5 billion debt resolution on the payment without assurances of a long-term deal. They aren't seeking any fresh loans, but are seeking a rollover of about $12.5 billion the country owes the IMF over the next three years - a step that would give the economy significant breathing room.

The latest default was a blow to Argentina's efforts to obtain new loans from the international community while it negotiates with the country's creditors.

The office had been negotiating with the IMF for months to secure the longer-term debt resolution. The talks appeared to stall last week after the IMF insisted the government implement deeper economic reforms.

The government has reached a new agreement to restructure the $103 billion in public debt it defaulted on in December 2001 at the height of its worst-ever economic crisis. That decision cut off badly needed external financing for both the government and local companies, leaving most businesses to rely heavily on cash instead of credit.

In recent months, the economy has stabilized after a turbulent period that forced a currency devaluation and a $143 billion debt default overall.

Earlier this year, the IMF's executive board approved a $320 million loan installment as part of an interim program. That approval came despite Argentina's failure to meet several economic benchmarks.

As part of a new accord, the IMF wants Argentina to overhaul the banking sector, compensate banks for losses and increase public utility rates that were frozen since last year's currency devaluation.

But President Nestor Kirchner has been outspoken about giving priority to Argentina's domestic needs, dismissing IMF demands that the country increase budget savings for those measures.

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Local News

Homless man to run for city council

PADESVILLE, Ohio — A self-employed homeless man will face an eight-year incumbent in the Nov. 4 election, despite his opponent's concern over residency requirements for the city council seat.

The Lake County elections board voted 4-0 Tuesday to allow Michael Lane to run in the primary to the ballot, rejecting City Councilman William Horvath's questions about Paduval's eligibility.

The man, who has lived at the University of Cincinnati, had to prove he's a resident of Paduva in the last year to have lived in the ward for one year. The board agreed that Paduval had established residency by living in a garage for 18 months. He now lives out of a 1985 Chevrolet van.

Paduval, a self-employed carpenter, said he earned the last year's income by building a home and cutting it into his home remodeling business. The part-time council position pays $6,000 a year.
Domus Properties educates students about safety issues

By KATE DOOLEY

Domus Properties sponsored a seminar Tuesday to educate its tenants about personal safety and hosting responsible parties.

The company rents over 38 houses to students and said they have a vested interest in educating their tenants about personal safety.

"We do this for the students because we are concerned about them and their safety," Mark Kramer, owner of Domus Properties, said.

Speakers at the annual BBQ and seminar included representatives of the South Bend Police Department, Notre Dame Security, and Residence Life.

The speakers focused on potential issues students may face and ways these issues can be addressed.

Patrick Hechlinski, a South Bend Police officer, said that the seminar is a good way to educate students who may be living off campus.

He said that criminals are looking for easy targets, so the best prevention is being aware of your surroundings.

Hechlinski added that the seminar is not specifically in response to crime or problems in the area, but instead organized for preventative reasons.

By hosting the seminar, we are taking pro-active steps to prevent problems," he said.

The police officers gave students phone numbers that they can call for help and informed them of programs the police department offers to assist students.

One program is a Homewatch service, where officers will monitor a house while its tenants are on break to help prevent break-ins.

Along with safety tips, Hechlinski also warned students of the ramifications of violating South Bend laws.

He wanted students to be aware of the fact that they could receive citations for serving underage drinkers or breaking noise ordinances.

Residence life and Notre Dame security also addressed the idea that actions by students off-campus have real consequences.

He said that the University expects students to respect due process rules even when they are living off-campus.

"Just because you are off-campus, certain types of behavior will still come to the attention of Resident Life," Rick Kazmierzak, a Notre Dame Security and Police officer, said.

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Boston Archdiocese settles for $85 million

Associated Press

BOSTON — The Boston Archdiocese agreed Tuesday to pay $85 million to 552 people who claim sexual abuse by Roman Catholic priests devoted their lives, giving victims long-awaited recognition of their pain and the U.S. church a chance to move forward from its worst scandal ever.

The deal is the largest publicly disclosed payout by a U.S. diocese to settle molestation claims.

Finalized after months of negotiations, the pact came with a new pledge from the church to prevent abuse in the future and a sense from victims that the burden of their anguish has been lightened.

"This piece of paper means one thing to me and many men I represent here today. From this day forward I am not an alcoholic, I am not a priest of the Church, I am recognized, I'm a survivor," said Gary Bergeron, who sued for molestation by the late Father Joseph Birmingham.

Under the agreement, victims will receive awards ranging from $80,000 to $300,000. Award amounts will be decided by a mediator, based on the type of molestation, the duration of the abuse, and the injury suffered.

Parents who filed lawsuits claiming their children were abused will receive $50,000.

The archdiocese also released a statement saying in part that it is "committed to doing everything humanly possible to make sure that this never occurs again. Our prayer is that this may, with the help of God, become a reality."

Coyne said the church is still looking for ways to finance the settlement. Possible revenue sources include selling off surplus property and using the archdiocese's insurance carrier.

# QUOTES & FACTS

"The cinema is not an art that films life: the cinema is something between art and life. Unlike painting and literature, the cinema does not exist as art from the very start; the cinema does not..." -Jean-Luc Godard (1956), French film director

Study in Notre Dame's International Study Programs in PUEBLA, MEXICO MONTERREY, MEXICO

INFORMATION SESSION 5:00 PM

Wednesday, Sept. 10, 2003

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Physics taught in Puebla in the fall semester for Pre-Professional Students

Huge variety of internships available in Puebla

Engineering courses offered in Monterrey

BA courses offered in both locations

ND Athletics Action Packed Weekend!

Men's Soccer Berticelli Tournament

Friday 9/12 • 7:30PM: ND vs. Fresno State

• FREE Famous Dave's pre-game party (while supplies last)
• Hand clappers will be given out to the first 250 fans

Saturday 9/13 • 1:30PM: ND vs. Akron

• See the world's largest soccer ball hot air balloon
• Hot Air Balloon ride will be given away to one lucky fan

#2 in the Nation Women's Soccer

Saturday 9/13 • 7:00PM

ND vs. Western Kentucky

**KID'S NIGHT**

• Get your picture taken with the Ragnuts

#21 Women's Volleyball Shamrock Invitational

Fri. 9/12 • 7:00PM: ND vs. Indiana

• First 350 people will receive a free t-shirt

Sat. 9/13 • 7:00PM: ND vs. Utah

• First 350 people will receive a free t-shirt

Sun. 9/14 • 1:30PM: ND vs. S. Carolina

• First 350 people will receive a free t-shirt

• Post game pizza party in Gym 1 & 2

• Visit game promotions link at und.com!
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**IN BRIEF**

Conseco recovery plan approved

**INDIANAPOLIS** — A judge on Tuesday approved Conseco Inc.'s bankruptcy reorganization plan, clearing the way for the company to pursue its goal of emerging as a new publicly owned entity nearly nine months under Chapter 11 protection.

The plan cuts Conseco's debt load to $1.4 billion from the $7 billion it owed Dec. 17, when it became the third-largest U.S. company to file for bankruptcy. Bondholders, who were owed $1.5 billion, will assume majority control as Conseco casts off unprofitable consumer finance operations. The reorganized Conseco will focus on restoring improved credit ratings to the traditional insurance business that made the First Chicago-Wall Street darling through most of the 1990s.

At a hearing in Chicago, U.S. Bankruptcy Judge Carol Doyle approved Conseco’s exit plan, as well as a separate plan for the consumer finance unit the parent company is selling.

**Dollar records heavy losses**

NEW YORK — Hurt by continued concern about the stubbornly weak U.S. labor market, the dollar slid sharply against its main rival this week, losing all the gains it made from the yen. Banks only to another round of apparent intervention by Japanese monetary authorities.

Notre Dame joins prepaid tuition program

**A student exits the Office of Financial Aid the Main Building. The Office of Student Financial Services is becoming a member of the “Independent 529 Plan.”**

Notre Dame has joined a popular prepaid tuition program which offers significant tax benefits to families, University officials announced.

Joseph Russo, director of the Office of Student Financial Services, praised what he called a "secure approach" to saving for college education.

The program, called the Independent 529 Plan, allows participants to deposit in the program the current level of tuition and fees — minus a small discount — by contributing to a specially managed investment account. Contributions of up to $101,000 are not subject to the federal gift tax, and the investment grows tax-free, as long as the funds are used for educational expenses.

The accounts are portable, meaning the money can be used by any of the 200 participating private colleges and universities. In the event of the beneficiary's death, the money can be rolled over to the next family member.

"We're taking a national leadership role, and we're very proud of it," Russo said.

The program is administered by TIAA-CREF, a New York-based firm that manages over $250 billion in assets. By investing in conservative but profitable securities, TIAA-CREF — the nation's largest pension fund manager — can minimize risk while ensuring that the money will grow steadily over time.

Russo praised the company as a leader in the college-savings business.

"TIAA-CREF manages a number of programs, so they've got a lot of experience," he said.

The plans have grown to be very popular among families who fear skyrocketing tuition bills in the future. "There's $25 billion out there in 529s," Russo said. "The money is certainly needed. According to a 2002 survey by investment bank Morgan Stanley, only 33 percent of U.S. families believe they are saving enough for college expenses, while 54 percent of families have not started saving at all.

At the current rate of hikes in tuition — about 5 percent — a Notre Dame education for a child born today will cost over $290,000, excluding room and board.

Russo acknowledged that marketing the program will be challenging, since many of the students it will help are still in grade school, or even younger. He said the Alumni Association is working to educate its members about the plan, since about 25 percent Notre Dame undergraduates are born to alumni.

Notre Dame financial aid officials will also work with TIAA-CREF to build awareness of the program.

Russo encouraged families to start saving early.

"With a little discipline early on in a young family’s life... paying for college can be a lot easier," he said. "The 529 plan is another product that can keep a Notre Dame education affordable."

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**Purdue gets $18M grant for germ research**

**Associated Press**

**WEST LAFAYETTE, Ind. — The federal government has awarded Purdue University nearly $18 million in grants to study viruses thought to have potential for biological weapons.**

The large grants awarded by the National Institutes of Health will allow Purdue biologists to study viruses and also study the development of antiviral agents that could result from the research.

"This grant is a significant achievement for both structural biology and Purdue as a whole," said Richard J. Kuhn, primary investigator for the projects, said in a news release Tuesday.

The grants will enable Purdue researchers to more efficiently analyze the protein building blocks of viruses, Kuhn said. The money also could allow researchers to make advances in viral research in a fraction of the time they now consider necessary, he said.

The larger award of $14.7 million will support basic research on the fundamental biology of viruses, including the myriad proteins that form various parts of viruses.

"Up to this point, we have only been able to focus on one protein at a time," Kuhn said. The money will allow Purdue to establish a new type of laboratory and "produce about 100 proteins simultaneously," he said.

The second grant, $3.2 million, will support development of new biological compounds that might emerge from the research.

"We have moved with unprecedented speed and determination to prepare for a bioterror attack or any other public health crisis since the terrorist attacks of 2002," said Tommy Thompson, secretary of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. "These new grants add to this effort."

Spending of the money from both grants is to be spread over 4 1/2 years.
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Barnes & Noble ends e-book sales

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Barnes & Noble.com, once an aggressive competitor in the electronic market, stopped selling e-books Tuesday, citing both limited sales and limited technology. "We did see sales take off as we and many others had anticipated," Daniel Blackman, vice president and general manager of Barnes & Noble.com, said Tuesday. "The other factor is that consumers haven't embraced the technology. There isn't a wide spread adoption of an affordable and an easy to use e-book device."

In an e-mail sent to customers, Barnes & Noble.com said that those who purchased an e-book in the Adobe format have 90 days from the date of purchase to complete their download. People using Microsoft have until Dec. 9 to access their e-books. "In the short term, it's disappointing," said Edward Kleinbunf, founder of RosettaBooks, which sells digital versions of works by Pat Conroy, William Styron and others. "But it's also true that if the market keeps growing, and I think it will, they'll be back in line with both feet." Demand for e-books has been growing quickly but remains relatively tiny. According to the Open EBook Project, a trade organization, e-book sales totaled about $5 million in the first half of 2003, compared to $3.8 million in the first half of 2002.

"One bookseller dropping out will have only a minor impact on House's commitment to e-books," said Random House spokesperson Stuart Applebaum. OpenEbook Forum executive director Nick Bogaty said he has no individual corporate statistics, but believes Barnes & Noble.com had just a small percentage of sales. Palm Digital Media, OverDrive, Inc., and Amazon.com are among the leaders in e-book competitors, Bogaty says.

Barnes & Noble.com had been quietly active in the market, even starting its own digital imprint in 2001 and the Open EBook Project, an original work by Dean Koontz. "We all believe there is a future for e-books," Blackman said. "It's just not here yet."
Let's have some decency

The Observer

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Let's have some decency

by Adam Cahill

A Donor's Outlook

I walk into a party on some familiar street near campus and I see a lot of familiar faces. Saying hello and making sure to be seen, I make my way through the crowd in search of something or someone I have yet to determine. I'm always in search of something that can hold my attention for awhile — if not the whole night. The music is loudly blaring some unknown rap artist that I have no intention of hearing again after tonight. Everyone seems to be moving in hyper drive, the frustrations of the week and a football game having finally subsided. Usually, I would head straight for the doorman who holds the rights to house cups but tonight I don't feel like drinking and I'm not sure why. Maybe the excitement found at the beginning of each school year is wearing off. Who knows?

I weave in and out through the spectators, two minute conversations with people I have never spoken to before having finished. Usually, I would speak to the doorman but tonight I pass through and lay my head on my left shoulder. Vertical streaks cover my face. Saying hello and waving to old friends, I start to think that I might be too tired to interact with each other peacefully.

I pass through the crowd, it isn't long before I pass through a party on some familiar street near campus. Meeting a couple of meaningless and testoster­one driven conversations that none of us would repeat to our friends. I'm not too long before I break free from them, citing the urge to pee as my excuse.

Two steps in the opposite direction and I see her. Vertical streaks cover both sides of her face and her eyes remain locked on the center of the floor, empty and distant. I ask a friend of mine how long she's been like this and he says about an hour. I sit down next to her and without a word she slides one shoulder down and lays her head on my left shoulder. Her body is trembling so I lift my arm over her head and pull her close with my left arm.

It will be okay, I tell her. Everything will work out. She tries to talk but nothing audible comes out. Don't talk I say. There will be time for that later.

Her boyfriend had heard of something that she had done and now he is talking to someone who had never talked to her or had any business talking about her. The rumor train had gotten the best of her and there was nothing she could do about it. Sitting there on the couch I could say nothing to comfort my friend. I mean, what is there to say? She had not done anything wrong but the damage had been done. No matter what kind of mending abilities she had. Her boyfriend would always have that shade of doubt when it came to trusting her.

Why do we, as human beings, do it? Is this the last time we've made a stranger feel good? Or better yet, is this the last time we've resisted the temptation to talk about someone we don't know? Now I'm not saying that everyone is guilty — it is not my intention to be so bold. But wouldn't it be wonderful if we couldn't do it? Wouldn't it be wonderful if we couldn't bring to the forefront that which we know nothing about? We have nothing to gain by spreading rumors and ruining the lives of others, but yet we still do. We have nothing to gain by talking ill about people that we don't know, but we do. Are we that desper­ate to find things to talk about?

In a world of reality television and Jerry Springer, we've lost the will to interact with others peacefully. Instead of learning about the person we are talking to, it seems more appropriate to talk about someone else. Do we find ourselves, as individ­uals, so dull and boring that we have to delve into the lives of others in order to keep a conversation going? Come on people, let's grow up. We spend our years of lifetimes trying to prove to our parents that we've grown up when all we've accom­plished is a lot of empty talk. I'm going to do this. I'm going to do that. But when it comes down to it, none of that matters because we haven't done anything for each other. When is the last time we've made a stranger feel good?

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Let's make an Honor Code deal

In the first part of this column, I argued that only a tiny fraction of honor code violations at Notre Dame are being referred to honesty committees. I also suggested that the fact should alarm all of us, faculty and students alike. In this concluding column, I wish to discuss how we might deal with the problem.

Mending our ways will not be easy. Still, some first steps are evident. Students might do some genuine soul-searching about their own dedication to academic integrity. Academic commissioners in the residence halls might ask themselves whether the maintenance of dorm files, containing exams, essays and the like, is anything more than a semi-clandestine means of encouraging successful cheating. Administrators could do a better job of educating new teachers about the honor code. Department chairs could discuss the code with their faculty and could appoint to honesty committees only those who will take their responsibility seriously. And instructors could be honest with themselves about why they might be inclined to ignore their obligations under the code and could think more carefully about the example they set when they do so.

These are all rather conservative remedies. Some might feel that other, more radical courses of action are called for, such as scrapping the code entirely, say, or strengthening it by mandating much harsher penalties. Since Penn State moved to this type of system recently, roughly 400 cases have been reported per year. Under their old, all-cases-go-to-hearings system, the yearly average was less than 6. Faculty might thus be saved from the dishonesty inherent in the under-the-table deals they now make with students. Honesty committees would probably need to meet even less often than they do now, thereby saving members a good deal of time and energy. Furthermore, since all records would eventually reach the associate provost’s office, repeat offenders would find it much harder to escape detection.

The likely advantages to a Let’s Make a Deal code are thus apparent and significant — but so are the probable disadvantages. Since experience suggests that most students will go to great lengths to avoid the embarrassment involved in a full hearing, teachers would clearly have the upper hand in negotiating agreements. Though I have no doubt that most instructors would try to fashion just agreements, they would often be doing so while dealing with strong feelings of personal affront, feelings which are not much reduced in honest receiving fair and consistent penalties. Furthermore, our current code, by insisting that all cases of apparent academic dishonesty be handled collectively via set procedures, makes a strong statement about how grave an offense cheating is, an offense against the whole academic community. No such statement is made when private deals are sanctioned.

On the contrary, some might argue that the offense of academic dishonesty is in any case a matter far more serious than anyone and one’s behavior.

There are undoubtedly many cases in the moral minuses connected to our moving toward such an alter- native. It is a change we should make, if at all, only after extended discussion. I believe, though, that it is a change worthy of such a discussion. Our honor code is far from a complete failure. But the code simply has not become the integral part of campus culture that its initiators hoped it would be. Whether this means that further changes to the code are in order, and if so whether mild or more radical amendments are called for, are matters eminently worthy of further thought and conversation.

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November is the second part of the series. 

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Observer should follow Church teachings

The inaugural issue of The Observer provided incoming freshman with the following information: “The University Health Center does not promote birth control, but prescriptions can be filled at Planned Parenthood on 1818 Miami St., another health resource.” We take issue with The Observer providing contraception and the world’s largest abortion provider in direct opposition to the teaching of the Catholic Church.

The Observer’s position is that the paper has a duty to provide objective information to the student body, regardless of religious belief. That stance is appropriate when it comes to reporting the news. It is a different matter when the paper attempts to subvert a principled decision of the University.

The Catholic Church has always embraced sexual intercourse as the uni­ tive and procreative act of a married couple. It is in opposition to contraception because it frustrates these innate aspects of the sexual union. Notre Dame, in accordance with its mission, has made a conscien­ tious decision not to offer contraception at the Health Center. In response, The Observer made an equally determined decision to provide students with information that will enable them to act in direct opposition to the Church’s teaching.

Furthmore, rather than reference the various medical facilities in South Bend, The Observer specifically provided Planned Parenthood with free pub­ licity. Far from a mere “health resource,” the organization has a very specific agenda. Statistics show that for every pregnant woman who visits Planned Parenthood and decides to keep her baby, 40 women are persuaded to abort.

Women deserve better than the thinly veiled agenda of The Observer in an institution that treats it as a matter for in­ class housekeeping. Many would no doubt discern an ele­ ment of lowering our stan­ dards to match our practice were we to make such a shift. And it’s not obvious that this is the best means of closing a gap between one’s ideals and one’s behavior.

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**John Mayer soars on new release**

**By EMILY TUMBRINK  Associate Scene Editor**

John Mayer's second studio release Heavier Things, one of the most anticipated albums of the year, has the ability to either make or break Mayer's staying power as a pop star. Listed as number one on Amazon.com's sales rank days before it was even released, the question of whether or not Heavier Things will live up to everyone's expectations has yet to be answered.

From the opening strains of "Clarity," the first track on Heavier Things, listeners can already tell they are in for something a little different. Abandoning the completely acoustic feel found on the majority of Inside Wants Out, Mayer explores a jazzier, more electric sound, complete with horns, with the end result sounding like a combination of Van Morrison and The Police. Though the comparisons to Dave Matthews have bombarded Mayer since he first entered the public eye, Heavier Things finds Mayer tackling new terrain and taking cues from the bands of his childhood. Mayer, always one to admit to being a bit of a "square," has repeatedly named Sting as one of his favorite artists and this influence becomes apparent on the song "Bigger Than My Body." With lyrics like "I am not a nomad / I am not a rocket man / I was born a housecat / by the sleight of my mother's hand," Mayer once again shows his poetic skills with a witiness that is unparalleled.

Mayer's first single "Bigger Than My Body," which was released in August, contains a catchy chorus and is more upbeat and rock-inspired than many songs on his previous releases. Familiar to many fans, the song "Something's Missing" has been played during Mayer's concerts for several years now, and the version found on Heavier Things remains relatively unchanged from the recognizable live version. Mayer's talent as a guitarist is in "Some Sandy Sand." With his electric stylings becoming the central focus of the track, "Split Screen" possesses mournful strings that Ay re a n d underneath carry a dreamy drum and guitar hooks, creating a true sense of sadness in this otherwise upbeat song. But perhaps the most stunning ballad on Heavier Things is the final track "Wheel." With beautifully sparse instrumentations, Mayer's voice takes center stage, and the soft guitar jam in the middle of the song is the closest thing to Mayer's live performances found on any album.

When asked how Heavier Things would be different than his previous releases, Mayer told Crazewire.com that "It's going to change a little bit. It's not going to be so crazy. It's going to become a little more electric, but not heavier, still smooth. The record is also going to be a little less sunny than "No Such Thing" (I remember somebody saying that it had a tropical light). It will be more complex, I like the idea of producing record after record, and them all being completely different. Hopefully, I won't lose too many fans in the process." Quickly growing in popularity since its major label debut Room for Squares, Mayer has rapidly become a household name. On Heavier Things, Mayer both explores new territory, and also reemulates the familiar sound found on both Inside Wants Out and Room for Squares. Though Mayer must be classified as a pop star due to the accessibility and popularity of his music, his obvious talent as a singer/songwriter shines through on Heavier Things, making him more comparable to the new brand of pop stars including Norah Jones, rather than the likes of Britney Spears. Heavier Things shows marked progress from the successful Room for Squares, and is sure to bring even more critical acclaim and success to this wunderkind.

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**Rooney impresses**

By REBECCA SAUNDERS  Scene Music Critic

Through the barrage of bands that are constantly releasing new albums everyday, it has become increasingly difficult to encounter a new band that embodies a fresh and different sound. The increasingly popular new band Rooney has accomplished just that. Rooney, a five-member band hailing from Los Angeles attains its unique and modern emo style of music, but even those clichés belong exclusively to the band. Expect accessibility and popularity of his music, his obvious talent as a singer/songwriter shines through on Heavier Things, making him more comparable to the new brand of pop stars including Norah Jones, rather than the likes of Britney Spears. Heavier Things shows marked progress from the successful Room for Squares, and is sure to bring even more critical acclaim and success to this wunderkind.

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"Sorry Sorry" where heavy repetition is used to describe an extremely unusual subject. Throughout the song, the guy approaches a girl and introduces himself saying, "Having seen the future ... I'm sorry sorry for making your life a living hell." Although all those elements seem almost comically ridiculous, they work together extraordinarily well. The album as a whole is spectacular. Rooney brings so many different elements together to create a unique sound, and that is just what they create, a sound that is exclusively Rooney. At times the lyrics can be a bit typical of the emo style of music, but even those clichés are rare throughout the album. Rooney is a group of artists, which becomes exceedingly apparent as the album progresses. It is an album that transcends typical music genres and begins to develop a category that belongs exclusively to the band. Expect to see much more of Rooney very soon.

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Irish singer Damien Rice creates worldy melodies that allow the listener to become completely absorbed in the music.

Damien Rice delivers powerful performance

By LIAM FARRELL
Scene Music Critic

Very few albums exist that can completely consume you when you listen to them. So many elements have to come together in the right formula to produce a memorable sound that makes you lose yourself in the music, lyrics and production of each successive song. What is even more remarkable than making such a record is having that success on a major label debut. Damien Rice, an Irish singer-songwriter who began to make critical waves this past year in Ireland, has made such a record in his album O, a deceptively simple and incredibly complex homemade masterpiece.

Rice possesses a voice that is entirely his own, one that whispers words of love and loss one moment and screams pain and anguish the next. His versatility as a vocalist makes what he says true. Like Chris Martin of Coldplay, or early David Gray recordings, every song seems to be written actually about someone or something rather than just an idea that came into his head one evening in a random session. The musical texture behind his delicate guitar work only makes the overall effect stronger: strings, cho- ruses and, on occasion, seemingly infinite layers of music seem to transcend the feeling between the musician and listener.

The songs on O reach into the deep and personal territory of love, friendship and desire, and Rice seems to come out of the experience with more questions than answers, more contradictions than certainty. On the tear inducing “CannonBall,” Rice sings “stones taught me to fly / love taught me to lie / life taught me to die / so its not hard to fall / when you float like a cannonball.” Luckily for the listener, Rice’s music floats for him.

One of the most intense elements of the album is its overall composition and production, with songs, melodies and lyrics weaving in and out of each other to the point where there are hardly any boundaries between songs. One gets the feeling that conceptually and more importantly musically, the album can barely be analyzed or dissected in separate pieces. To say the album is a musical opus or perhaps a concept album may be too presumptuous. However, there is a certain grace and harmony that bleeds through every part of this album, unlike in most disjointed pop albums. The strength of one song seems entirely dependent on the ability of the one that came before.

On an album mostly coping with self-reflection, it is somewhat ironic that outside musicians provide some of the album’s best moments. Vocalist Lisa Hannigan’s solos on “Older” and “I Remember” do for O what Natalie Merchant did for Billy Bragg and Wilco’s Mermaid Avenue, adding color and depth to an already exceptional album. The string and violin work also stands on its own, turning simple melodies into movie soundtracks.

Damien Rice’s O is an outstanding example of what an album should be. Its haunting melodies and unique production provide a worthy companion for late night drives, reflection and heartbreaks. When the album finishes playing, the listener will be left understanding Rice’s lyrics in the song “Amie.” “You know when you find it / there’s something I’ve learned / ‘cause you feel it when they take it away.”

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ALBUM REVIEW

Punks prove they are indestructible

By STEPHEN HOEPLINGER
Associate Scene Editor

A lot has happened to Rancid since its last album. They’ve endured major traumas and hospitalizations, the death of family members, close friends and a mentor and the breakup of marriages. The good news for them, and for punks all over the world, is that they have picked themselves up, dusted themselves off and come back with a personally touching, totally balls-out hardcore record that proves why they are Indestructible.

The album opens up with the title track, a rockin’ little song in which lead singer and guitarist Tim Armstrong blast consumerism and his ex-wife, gives a mini-lesson in Greek history and pays tribute to his late mentor Joe Strummer, all in under two minutes. The tone shifts radically with “Ghost Band” dedicated to the homeless of Los Angeles and “Arrested” featuring Armstrong singing from the point of view of a political prisoner in China.

Indestructible also shows Rancid’s political side. “Start Now” is a song about tak- ing your problems through instead of going to war. “Bird Frustrated” blasts dead-eyed mail junkies, “Stand By Your Ground” is dedicated to the homeless of Los Angeles and “Arrested” featuring Armstrong singing from the point of view of a political prisoner in China.

Punk purists would most likely scoff at this slow, ballad-esque poem, but the song is reminiscent of both Joe Strummer and Bob Dylan and exhibits the band’s more mature musical talent. Also, the album’s per- sonal songs do not disappoint. The first of these is “Fall Back Down.” The chorus is easy to identify with for anyone who has ever relied on their friends to help them through a bad time: “If I fall back down, You’re gonna help me back up again.” “Spirit of ’67” is about growing up in the punk community and how it saved them from being “either dead or in jail.”

The album also has a few breakup songs dedicated to Armstrong’s wife Brandy, who left him halfway through the recording process. “Tropical Melbourne” and “Ghost Band” leave the singer’s heart on his sleeve for all to hear. “Other Side” is dedi- cated to the memory of guitarist Lars Frederickson’s brother Robert, who died in 2001. As the album’s final track, it is a sendoff that manages to be mature and hard core at the same time.

With Indestructible a quality album, it is by no means the band’s best.

Veteran punk band Rancid overcomes various personal traumas and releases a new album that proves they are still the masters of the punk-ska genre.

Indestructible

Rancid

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 indemnible the best rock bass player alive today, but this album lacks the amazing bass lines and jaw- dropping solos that have become his trademark.

On the whole, this is a solid album. Fans of the band will like hearing the more heartfelt lyrics and punk rockers in general should get a kick out of the variety in the musical styles.

It’s just hooky enough that people who have never heard of the band before or who don’t like punk rock as a principle might find a few songs they enjoy.
**AMERICAN LEAGUE**

Derek Lowe had 4 RBIs to carry the Red Sox past the Orioles. The win was Boston’s sixth in their last eight games.

Gobble gave up four hits in six innings, striking out two and walking five. Aaron Guil had three hits and Mike Sweeney had two for the Royals, who stranded 10 runners four in scoring position.

**Boston 8, Baltimore 7**

Gobbles strong start.

Jorge Posada hit a two-run single and Hideki Matsui followed with a two-run shot that capped Cleveland’s five-run sixth, as the Indians handed Kansas City its 11th loss.

Ortiz (8-10) scattered five hits over five innings. He retired the last eight batters he faced after Jonathan Cedeno crested out to start the sixth.

Moss, obtained in the trade the second inning against his former team.

New York 4, Detroit 2

Waechter won his third straight game.

Newell hit a leadoff double for his first hit with the Yankees since being acquired from Cleveland on June 28. He hit .284 with 19 home runs and 56 runs batted in in 2003.

**Cleveland 7, Kansas City 1**

Jason Davis gave up the tying run on a two-out single by Orlando Cabrera.

Gary Gobble took over to start the sixth. He faced eight batters, allowing five hits and two runs for his first loss since May 2.

**Chicago 6, Minnesota 4**

Maggie Ordonez, Roberta Alomes and Carlos homered as Chicago won its fifth straight and also beat the Twins for the sixth consecutive time.

Bartolo Colon (3-4) gave up four runs and eight hits over six innings.

**Tampa Bay 11, Toronto 6**

Edgar Renteria hit a three-run triple and Robin Hood won his third straight game to help the Devil Rays beat the Blue Jays.

Crawford put the Devil Rays ahead 4-0 with his three-run walk-off shot in the fourth.

The Rays knocked off the 9-1 Twins again, this time with a 11-6 victory.

**Kansas City 7, Cleveland 1**

Ricky Romero hit a two-run single in the first to give the Royals a 2-0 lead.

Kansas City’s five runs broke a 1-1 tie in the sixth.

**Detroit 5, Chicago 1**

The Tigers won the third game of the four-game series.

Tomek signed another one-year deal.

**San Francisco 5, Arizona 1**

San Francisco pitcher Hal Wagenin gave up five hits in six innings.

**New York 3, Detroit 2**

The shot also gave Boston a 4-2 lead in the eighth.

**Boston 6, Baltimore 5**

The Orioles skid with a single off the glove of Paul Wilson.

The Orioles scored six runs in the first three innings.

**San Francisco 5, Phoenix 2**

San Francisco’s lone run came on a wild pitch in the first inning.

The Giants’ three-run rally in the first inning off the Diamondbacks’ Jonathan Papelbon.

**New York 5, Detroit 2**

The Tigers scored three runs in the fourth.

**New York 6, Detroit 2**

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**New York 8, Detroit 5**

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**Cleveland 7, Boston 1**

The Indians scored seven runs in the third inning.

**New York 11, Baltimore 8**

The Yankees scored eight runs in the first inning.

**New York 7, Detroit 4**

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**New York 5, Detroit 1**

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**New York 6, Detroit 4**

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**New York 4, Detroit 2**

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"We expect it will be the same type of Penn State team that we always see," Solich said. "I know coach Joe Paterno will have them ready to play in Lincoln."

The 18th-ranked Cornhuskers (2-0) look to avenge their worst loss of last season when they host the struggling Nittany Lions (1-1). Nebraska traveled to Penn State last year armed with a 30-0 record and a No. 8 national ranking. But the Lions used three interceptions to score 33 unanswered points en route to a 40-7 triumph.

The loss marked the beginning of Nebraska's tailspin as the Cornhuskers dropped seven of their final 11 games for their worst season since 1961. "It's on everybody's mind, definitely." Nebraska linebacker Barrett Ruud said. "It was a pretty embarrassing moment last year. I haven't brought it up a lot, but I think about it quite a bit."

This season, Nebraska's offense has been racking up the yardage but is having trouble getting in the end zone. After scoring just one offensive touchdown in a 17-7 win over Southern Illinois on Sept. 6, the Huskers scored three in last Saturday's 31-7 rout of Utah State despite generating 405 total yards.

Quarterback Jammal Lord ran for 72 yards and a touchdown for Nebraska, which settled for four David Dyches field goals. Lord completed 8 of 12 passes for 85 yards before giving way to Joe Dailey late in the third quarter. Dailey, a highly touted freshman, finished with 47 yards on nine carries, and completed 4-of-5 passes for 47 yards. However, he doesn't foresee a quarterback controversy brewing with Lord. "Jammal's the starter no matter what," Dailey said. "And people have to accept that. I'm still learning the game."

Despite Paterno's insistence to the contrary, a quarterback controversy may be brewing in State College, Pa. After a rough season opener against Temple, starter Zack Mills had his second poor outing of the season in Saturday's 27-14 home loss to Boston College. The junior passed for just 79 yards with one score and one interception against Temple on Aug. 30 and followed it up with Saturday's 15-of-28 performance for 143 yards and an interception.

Backup Michael Robinson, who's also been used as a running back and wide receiver, relieved Mills in the third quarter and seemed to provide a spark for the offense, directing the Lions to their lone second-half touchdown.

But Paterno doesn't see a change on the horizon. "Zach Mills is the quarterback," Paterno said, "and I think we can use Robinson effectively in a lot of different ways, particularly until we decide what the makeup of the team is going to be."

Paterno has also been questioned about his tailback-by-committee approach. With Heisman Trophy finalist Larry Johnson now in the NFL, Penn State is using a combination of three and even four running backs, including freshman Austin Scott, Tony Hunt and Donna Johnson.

Paterno hopes that as the season goes on, the youngsters' grasp of the offense will allow him to be more creative at the position.

"Obviously, you are hoping they are getting better each week," Paterno said. "I would hope that when the staff sits down to talk about what kind of substitutions we are going to make, and in what situations, that we will be more comfortable that we can do more things with those kids." Penn State holds a 7-5 edge in the all-time series.
Governing body wants White stripped of medals

Associated Press

LONDON — Track and field's governing body wants American sprinter Kelli White stripped of her two gold medals from the World Championships. Now it's up to U.S. ant-doping officials. The International Association of Athletics Federations ruled Tuesday that White committed a doping offense when she tested positive for modafinil after winning the 100 on Aug. 24. She passed a drug test after winning the 200 four days later.

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Steelers' Porter could play as early as Sunday

Associated Press

PITTSBURGH — Steelers linebacker Joey Porter, who was shot outside a Denver night club less than two weeks ago, could be on the field this Sunday in Kansas City.

Steelers' Coach Bill Cowher announced Tuesday that he has listed Porter as "doubtful to play in the game," which in the NFL means Porter has a 25 percent chance of playing.

Cowher initially said Porter would return within two to eight weeks, and his best estimates are coming true.

"I really just tried to get you guys to understand this was not as bad as some people were saying," Cowher said at a news conference. "As the information comes, it just keeps getting better and better and, knock on wood, hopefully it'll continue to be that way."

Cowher said the risk of infection was the biggest concern of doctors after they removed a bullet from Porter's upper right thigh on Labor Day. The risk has been minimized with the help of the Steelers' training staff who have been changing the dressing on the wound twice a day.

"That was the biggest concern and his doing better," Cowher said. "We just don't want to put him out there when he's not ready to play and be able to defend himself, but at the same time we're welcoming him back as soon as he can get back."

Porter's presence was felt by both teams during the Steelers' 34-14 season-opening victory against the Baltimore Ravens. Porter and Ravens linebacker Ray Lewis engaged in a pre-game argument, and then Porter was pointed out to the TV audience for running ahead of teammate Kendrick Bell along the Steelers' bench area during Bell's 42-yard interception return in the first quarter.

After the game, Porter took his pre-game problem with Lewis in the media and criticized Lewis' performance during the game.

"I had one tackle today, maybe two," Porter said, "and he was jumping around like he had 30."

Two Steelers, linemen Aaron Smith and cornerback Dewayne Smith, made gestures during the game indicating their sympathy for Porter. Wide receiver Plaxico Burress wore a sticker on his helmet bearing Porter's No. 55.

"Before the game, in the locker room, we got together as a team, getting ready to pray, and you could see a guy bending over on the counter with tears in his eyes because he couldn't be out there," Burress said. "It kind of sent a message to all of us to just go out there and play hard every down, because you never know what's going to happen."

College Football

Priest charged with manslaughter

Associated Press

PITTSBURGH — An involuntary manslaughter charge was filed Tuesday against the priest accused of providing alcohol to a drunken Pittsburgh football player who fell to his death through a church ceiling.

Father Henry Krawczyk was charged, one day after the Allegheny County coroner's office ruled Billy Gaines' death an accident and dismissed the charge.

Allegheny County District Attorney Stephen Zappala Jr. said the case was too important to be dismissed, and a jury should be allowed to decide whether Krawczyk is responsible for Gaines' death.

"Whether or not we get a conviction, the most important thing is whether or not a jury hears this matter because injuries determine guilt or innocence," Zappala said.

Krawczyk, who has resigned as pastor of St. Maximilian Kolbe parish in Homestead, was arraigned Tuesday afternoon and released on his own recognizance.

Gaines, a 19-year-old wide receiver and kick returner from Ijamsville, Md., died after he fell about 25 feet onto a church pew. He and a teammate, placekicker David Abdul, had been exploring a crawl space.

Abdul and two other men testified at a coroner's inquest Monday that Krawczyk furnished alcohol to six underage men at a cookout in the hours leading up to Gaines' fall around 2:30 a.m. Tests showed Gaines' blood-alcohol content was 0.16 percent when he was taken to the hospital, well above the state's legal intoxication limit of 0.1 percent.

David Cercone, Krawczyk's attorney, said he will handle the case the same way he did during the coroner's inquest.

"I don't think any of the facts have changed," he said.

Zappala said he would ask the Court of Common Pleas in Allegheny County to send the case directly to the administrative or motions judge in order to avoid another coroner's inquest.

"An attorney for Gaines' family welcomed the news that Krawczyk has been charged."

"The family of Billy Gaines is impressed and grateful for the decision and the district attorney's actions," Christopher Hellmich, spokesman for the family.

"We continue to monitor the civil and criminal aspects of this case very carefully," Father Ronald Longwin, a spokesman for the Roman Catholic Diocese of Pittsburgh, declined comment.

Krawczyk is already facing a single count of recklessness endangerment, a misdemeanor punishable by up to two years in prison, as well as six counts of furnishing alcohol to minors, all misdemeanors carrying up to one year in prison each.
The ball's impact was so severe met with a pitch in a 4-3 victory Stadium. The All-Star right Sammy fielder took a knee and was over the Montreal Expos on immediately approached by Tuesday.ing boos from the crowd of Aramis Ramirez. The team's third this season away team's trainer. After a few minutes, manager Dusty Baker and the Aram and Philadelphia reached a sea-

Colorado 8, St. Louis 1 Gregg Zaun homered and drove in four runs for the Colorado Rockies, who snapped an eight-game losing streak with an win over the St. Louis Cardinals.

The loss left the Cardinals 2 1/2 games behind Chicago and Houston in the NL Central with 17 to play.

The Rockies had lost 13 of their previous 14 games overall and 10 straight road games, tying a team record set 1997 and tied in 2000. Colorado is an NL record 21-52 on the road this season.

Colorado starter Jason Jennings (2-12) ended a personal road losing streak of six games, allowing one earned run on six hits in six innings. He struck out three and walked two.

Three Colorado relievers combined for three scoreless innings.

Philadelphia 18, Atlanta 5 Tomas Perez and Jason Michaels both hit grand slams and Philadelphia reached a season high in runs with a rout of the Atlanta Braves, keeping the Philadelphia Phillies, who won 18-5 at Atlanta.

"It's a lot of fun," said Derrek Lee, who scored the final Marlins run. "September is when you're making offseason plans already. But right now, we're in.

New York lost in its opponent's last at-bat for the fourth time in six games. "A lot of times this year, one pitch has beat us," losing pitcher David Weathers said. "The bullpens on the whole has not been real good at that."

Tempers flared in the ninth inning for the second straight night. Lee slammed his bat down after he was struck by a pitch after he was struck by a pitch after he was struck by a pitch after he was struck by a pitch.

The Braves gave up two grand slams in a game for only the second time in modern franchise history. Miller and Meadows hit their 1921 slams against Boston.

Houston 7, Milwaukee 6 Lance Berkman doubled home the go-ahead run with the ninth inning and the Houston Astros rallied past the Milwaukee Brewers.

The Astros tied it on pinch-hitter Jose Vizcaino's three-run homer in the eighth, then went on to their fifth win in six games.

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Florida 3, New York 1. Jack McKeon chumped on another victory cigar after his shot in the first inning for a three-run homer in the eighth, then went on to their fifth win in six games.

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Vanderbilt will extinguish athletic department

Athletics will be placed under central university control

Associated Press

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Vanderbilt will eliminate its athletic department in a major shakeup designed to curb the ill of big-time college athletics.

Vanderbilt will continue playing intercollegiate sports, but the reorganization merges the departments that control varsity and intramural athletics, putting sports under the central university administration, the school said Tuesday.

"There is a wrong culture in athletics, and I'm declaring war on it," Vanderbilt Chancellor Gordon Gee said at a news conference.

No NCAA sports programs or jobs will be eliminated, but just about everything else will change at a school that has run one of the country's cleanest programs in the last half-century. That includes the elimination of the athletic director position, which Todd Turner has held for seven years.

Turner has been offered a job as special assistant to the chancellor for athletic and academic reform, a position in which he would advance "a national agenda for the reform of intercollegiate athletics."

"Let there be no misunderstanding of our intention," Vanderbilt is committed to competing at the highest levels in the Southeastern Conference and the NCAA, but we intend on competing consistently with the values of a world-class university," Gee said.

Vanderbilt's sports programs have had mixed success in recent years.

The football program has lost 18 straight Southeastern Conference games and 27 of its last 28 SEC games. The women's basketball team finished 11-18. The men's tennis team was second in the nation.

Vanderbilt's move comes at a time of much debate in college sports about how schools run their programs, and follows numerous scandals across the country.

Gee said the traditional structure for collegiate athletics was "broken."

"At least (Vanderbilt) has a chance for success because it has athletics and academics in the same enterprise," he said.

Last season, Georgia and Fresno State withdrew their men's basketball teams from the NCAA tournament because of academic fraud, while St. Bonaventure forfeited two games when players boycotted after a player was declared ineligible.

At Missouri, school officials have appointed an engineering professor to oversee a probe into allegations a basketball player received improper academic and financial help. At Baylor, former coach Dave Bliss is accused of attempting to cover up the finances of a slain basketball player, Patrick Dennehy, by portraying him as a drug dealer.

Another high-profile basketball coach, Larry Eustachy, resigned from Iowa State earlier this year after a Des Moines Register published photos of him drinking and partying with students from another school.

At Ohio State, star running back Maurice Clarett was suspended indefinitely and charged with lying to police about items stolen from his car.

The National Association of Basketball Coaches has told all Division I basketball coaches to attend a summit next month in Chicago to discuss all the problems and ways to avoid them.

Vanderbilt's sports programs have been cited for just one major NCAA violation since 1953, an unethical conduct charge involving the women's basketball coach in 1991, and the school self-imposed penalties of fewer recruiting visits and the loss of one grant.

This month's NCAA report on college basketball rates the university leading the Southeastern Conference with 84 percent of its programs ranked "low," 75 percent for athletics and 91 percent for football.

Gee said he is "constantly crusading for higher academic standards." Since he came to Vanderbilt in 2000, said college athletics "is in a defining moment in its life. Either we get control of it through university presidents, or it becomes simply a segregation, embarrassing part of institutions, and we'll just have to close it down."

He said leaders from other SEC schools have told him, "Gordon, you go ahead and do it, and if you succeed we'll follow. There's not a great deal of courage out there."

But Gee, a former university president at football powerhouse Ohio State, acknowledges that he faces far less pressure than his peers at schools with high-profile football and basketball programs.

"If I did this at Ohio State I'd be pum­ ping gas," he said.

Charles Bloom, spokesman for the Southeastern Conference, based in Birmingham, Ala., said it's too early to tell whether the changes at Vanderbilt are a trend or an anomaly.

"There's been discussion on the national level about bringing athletics into the academic world, and the question is, is this a sign of things to come?" he said.

Baylor President gets no confidence vote

Associated Press

WACO, Texas — The Baylor faculty senate met for nearly two hours Monday night and "no confi­ dence" motion Tuesday for embattled President Robert Sloan.

A group billing itself as "Friends of Baylor" countered the senate's action — acade­ mics' severest form of criticism — by announcing it has raised $300,000 for a public relations campaign to defend Sloan and the scandal-ridden university.

The opposing messages came amid mounting pressure from some circles for Sloan, who has headed the world's largest Baptist university for eight years, to step down.

The 26-5 vote of no confi­ dence came after the faculty senate met for more than three hours.

Joe Cox, the faculty senate chair­man, said the motion cites the "deeply polarized and para­lyzed Baylor com­ munity" under Sloan's presiden­cy.

"The senate, which has no actual authority over Sloan's employment, will forward its recommendation for his ouster to by Sloan's 36-member board of regents, which opens a two-day meet­­ing Thursday.

In recent days, five of Baylor's 36 regents and three former regent chair­men have called for Sloan's resignation.

Sloan is reeling from the fatal shooting of basketball player Patrick Dennehy, the arrest of former player Carlton Dossen on a murder charge, and revelations of serious NCAA rules viola­­tions in the basketball pro­gram.

Last month, Sloan accepted the resignations of coach Dave Bliss and athletic director Tom Shaw and put the program on voluntary probation.

Friends of Baylor, founded less than two weeks ago, issued a statement saying it has "recruited a heavy hitting com­mittee of Baylor alumni and supporters from across Texas to assist in our campaign."

U.S. Rep. Max Sandlin, D-Texas, a Friends of Baylor steering committee member, said the group "is not just a pep squad who are out for fun. (Nigh­ly) active, highly motivated Baylor alumni and students who are committed to supporting Baylor and its current leadership."

A few hundred yards from the building where the faculty senate met, about 200 students gathered at a special prayer service, asking for peace of mind and strength for Sloan.
Clarett charged with misdemeanor

Associated Press

COLUMBUS, Ohio — Maurice Clarett was charged Tuesday with lying about items stolen from his car, and Ohio State coach Jim Tressel said the school is ready to cut ties with the star running back.

Clarett was charged with misdemeanor falsification, city attorney spokesman Stephen McIntosh said.

Asked if signing a major league contract is ready to cut ties with the star running back.

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"Clarett was asked if it was time for Clarett to move on.

"I think that he needs to make, along with his family, whatever decision he thinks is best for him," Tressel said. "If Clarett's career at Ohio State is over, the running back's last carry would rank among the most memorable in school history. He scored on a 5-yard run in the second overtime in a 31-24 victory over Miami in the Fiesta Bowl, giving the Buckeyes their first national championship in 14 years."

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In Brief

Devil Rays sign top pick

Young

The Tampa Bay Devil Rays signed No. 1 overall pick Delmon Young to a $5.8 million, five-year contract Tuesday.

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Loomis was joined by Big East Player of the Week Lauren Kelbley, who had 11 kills in the first two games. She did not play the third game.

"We had the opportunity to play everybody today," Brown said.

Senior Jessica Kinder set a school record with 28 digs on the match. She was joined by Meg Henican, who had 14 digs to go along with three kills.

Senior setter Kristen Kinder led the attack with 35 assists and only one ball handling error. She also had eight digs in the three games.

Sophomore middle blocker Lauren Brewster contributed eight kills as well.

The Irish had trouble finishing the match after dominating the first two games. Game one began with a 13-5 Irish lead. This was too much for the Crusaders to overcome, as Loomis had eight kills in the game.

Game two looked to be more of a challenge for the Irish, as Valparaiso was within one point at 11-10. However, Kelbley put together a string of serves, including two aces that put the Irish up 15-10. After that, the Irish never looked back.

In game three, Notre Dame got off to a slow start once again. However, unlike the previous game, the Irish couldn’t break it open, as the Crusaders were winning most of the way.

With the score 24-20 in favor of Valparaiso, Loomis put the ball away, and proceeded to serve three straight points to bring the Irish within one. She tied the game at 30 a few minutes later, and senior Kim Fletcher put the Irish ahead 31-30; Loomis then finished Valparaiso off.

"In game three, we made a lot of unforced errors," Brown said. "That was a little disappointing, but hopefully it’s a learning experience for us and we don’t repeat that."

The Irish will take the win, but they are not yet satisfied with their play.

"We can definitely play at a higher level," Brown said. "What we were looking for is really steady play from start to finish."

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at the JOYCE CENTER, Tuesday
NOTRE DAME 30 to 32 Valparaiso
NOTRE DAME — Kills 62 (Loomis 24), Assists 55 (Kinder 35), Digs 81 (J. Kinder 28). Blocks 7 (Urewster 3).

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the match, holding close to Calvin in a first game that was only decided by three points. After that, it seemed as though the team might have lost a bit of intensity, a fact reflected in the scores of the final two games.

"We’re the kind of team that needs to win that first game," Schroeder-Biek said. "When we started this match it was just like this weekend [at the Kilt Classic], where the Belles contributed nine digs and three service aces. Senior captain Alison Shevik led the team with 15 digs.

Setter Lauren Temple had 32 assists to lead the team, and middle hitter Elise Hupright pitched in with a solid performance — eight kills, seven digs, two solo blocks and three service aces.

The loss drops the Belles to 0-2 in conference play, but their coach maintains that this team has the ability to be something special.

"We have great potential this year," Schroeder-Biek said. "We cannot lower our expectations. We need to play at the level we know we can play at, for the entire game."

Saint Mary’s returns home to face non-conference opponent Rochester College Thursday.

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FOOTBALL

Watson focused and ready to play Saturday

By MATT LOZAR

Watson missed the beginning of the Notre Dame season. Watson missed the first two games in 2002 due to an illness. This season, Watson was forced to watch from the sidelines after a circumstance outside of his control resulted in a one-game suspension.

The mystery surrounding the cause of his suspension brings about a lot of attention—which Watson is trying to ignore.

"I'm trying to do the best I can to put it behind me. A lot of people want to ask questions about it and bring it up," Watson said. "I can't focus on it. I can't worry about that. I have a big enough task at hand Saturday to be worried about stuff like that."

The return of Watson for Saturday's game against Michigan is extremely important since his performance is key to stopping the running game. Michigan's team running attack leads Division I with 367.0 yards a game. Chris Perry is first in the country averaging 208.0 yards per game.

Renewing bitter ties

In case you didn't know, it's Notre Dame-Michigan week. Which means the players and coaches are attempting to not over hype this game.

"You still have 11 guys on offense. 11 guys on defense. You still have to line up and execute your technique and the play calls," corner back Vontez Duff said. "It's one of those games where there are more fans. We have to have the mindset and attitude to go in there and execute our technique and get things done."

Even Duff admits it's hard not to think about how big this game actually is.

"It's a battle man. It's going to be a way. It's going to be down to the last second on the clock just like last year," Duff said. "I feel as though if we go in and execute, it's going to be a great game."

The significance of this rivalry goes back to Nov. 23, 1887 when the Irish played their first game against the Wolverines. Michigan won 8-0.

Besides the length of this rivalry, the success of these programs adds that much more meaning to every game.

"From my perspective, I think you would say really one word probably captures it more than anything else — winning," Notre Dame coach Tyrone Willingham said. "By that I think you have the No. 1 program in the country in terms of winning percentage involved in this contest. On the other hand, I think you have the No. 1 program in terms of games won in this contest."

"It's a natural that this becomes a game that gathers the interest of a lot of people, not only in this region, but around the country."

Notre Dame has a winning percentage of .750 compared to Michigan's .746. The Irish have won 791 games in 114 years while the Wolverines have won 823 games in 123 years.

Telltale sign?

After surviving a major scare from Washington State Saturday, the Irish know this game will be very important when the media was allowed to watch practice. He was in full pads. Cornerback Dwight Ellick had his left leg in an immobilizer Tuesday and an interception on Michigan's final drive late in the game.

"I think this is a game, this year, that means a lot to us as a team," Watson said. "It's a pretty big game to show how we can play away, at Michigan. I think it's a real big deal for our team this year and how the season will play out."

Last year, the Irish were 2-0 going into the game with Michigan. In the season's third game, the offense finally found the end zone and former Irish corner back Shane Walton sealed the 25-23 victory by breaking up a fourth quarter two-point conversion and an interception on Michigan's final drive late in the game.

Injury update

Cornerback Jason Beckstrom participated in team drills in the beginning of camp when the media was allowed to watch practice. He was in full pads. Cornerback Dwight Ellick had his left leg in an immobilizer Tuesday and an interception on Michigan's final drive late in the game.

"I'm not too much of a hitter. I'm going to leave that to Earl. It's kind of weird making those big hits and Earl getting the fumble," Duff said. "Usually it's the other way around. It'll happen that way. It's great for our team. If it gives us that burst, then I'm glad to have that role."

The one disappointment for this secondary was its inability to directly contribute on the scoreboard.

"It's not just making those big plays and making those turnovers, but we need to score off those turnovers. That's what we really talk about as a defense," Duff said. "We help the offense a little bit more if we're scoring on defense. It helps the team out in the end. We always look forward to [not only] creating turnovers but also scoring off those turnovers."

Wednesday at Interfaith

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FOOTBALL

Passing the test
Irish defensive backs survive test against Washington State despite injuries

By MATT LOZAR
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The thinnest position on the Notre Dame defense was tested against Washington State, going past the traditional two-deep depth chart.

Starting right cornerback Jason Beckstrom, who missed 2002 with an arm injury, was hurt on the Cougars’ first quarter touchdown drive. Dwight Ellick, who was listed as a potential co-starter on the right side, replaced Beckstrom and later left with an injury in the first quarter. Preston Jackson, listed as the backup to Vontez Duff at left cornerback, shifted over to the right side.

Insert true freshman Freddie Parrish into the picture. Parrish moved into the nickel back role, vacated by Jackson, and saw significant playing time throughout the rest of the game.

"Coach Walters told me (Friday night) to be ready regardless. We went to our hotel, went through the notebook and he told me to be ready since you never know when your number is going to be called," Parrish said. "When the opportunity presented itself I just tried to do the best I could.

"I thought I might play a little bit, if we were blowing them out or something. I had no idea it was going to be in for crunch time."

Parrish only had the past summer to really learn the defensive schemes and adjust from the high school to the college game. Therefore, Parrish relied on the knowledge of his willing teammates to make sure he had the correct assignments.

"They were all willing to help me, whenever we went to the sideline, Preston was always going over this and that," Parrish said. "When we were on the field, Glenn (Earl) would talk to me and Garrett (Bibe). Same thing as Vontez (Duff) when I was on his side he let me know."

Parrish wasn’t the only unexpected player to get into the game. When Duff went to the sideline with an injury later in the game, Mike Richardson stepped onto the field for his first collegiate stint.

Being able to call on players like Parrish and Richardson in important situations says a lot about the Irish secondary.

"Our depth came in and played a great game," Duff said. "They came in and stepped up. Just coming in and getting that experience on defense really helps our defense in the long run of the season."

Besides the Irish having to go nine players deep into their secondary, some of the rules from 2002 were reversed against the Cougars.

Earl earned the reputation of always making the big hit. Duff picked up fumbles or made interceptions and used his play-making ability to make something happen. Saturday, Duff got the big hit that turned around the game in the fourth quarter and Earl was there to

ND VOLLEYBALL

Irish win big in home opener

By HEATHER VAN HOEGARDEN
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The Irish gave the home crowd something to cheer about Tuesday night, as they handed the Valparaiso Crusaders their first loss of the season.

No. 15 Notre Dame (5-1) swept Valparaiso (8-1) right out of the court, winning 30-21, 30-17 and 32-30.

"It is great to be home," coach Debbie Brown said after the game. "We were on the road for a very long time."

The Irish shined in the home opener, once again dominating at the nets. Notre Dame finished with 62 kills to Valparaiso’s 37. Emily Loomis led the way for the Irish with 24 kills on .574 hitting percentage.

Freshman libero Danielle Herndon passes the ball against Valparaiso Tuesday night.

SMC VOLLEYBALL

Belles play well, but fall just short

By JUSTIN SCHUVER
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Saint Mary’s came out of the Calvin game on the short end of the score, but that doesn’t mean there’s nothing the team can learn from its loss.

The Belles fell to the Knights by a score of 27-30, 21-30, 19-30 Tuesday night, but coach Julie Schroeder-Biek was proud of how her team performed its game plan.

"One of the reasons Calvin is 6-0 now is that they have a strong middle attack," she said. "I’m very happy with how we played up the middle."

Calvin’s leading player, middle hitter Kara Kuipers, came into the game hitting an average of .606, but the Belles were able to hold her to well below that average. It was not enough as Kuipers’ teammates were able to back up their star.

The Belles started strong in...