Nigerian president speaks on cooperation

Obasanjo discusses current political and economic conditions in Africa

By MEGHAN MARTIN
Associate News Editor

Two-part conference focuses on relationship between United States and Africa

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In November 2001, the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops approved at its general meeting a document entitled "A Call to Solidarity with Africa," which addressed the bishops' concerns over the appropriate relationship between Africa and the United States.

This week, the University's Institute for Church Life will sponsor the American leg of its two-part conference, the second of which will be held in Nigeria this January.

The conferences on both sides of the Atlantic will focus on the statement issued by the bishops, which called attention to the violence, medi­cal and political conditions in Africa.

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Students ejected for tradition

At least 10 students removed from game for having marshmallows

By SCOTT BRODFUEHRER
News Writer

When coordinator of stadium personnel Cappy Gagnon was a Notre Dame student in the early '80s, students streamed toilet paper from the stands following the first touchdown. But when students bring marshmallows into the stands now, they can expect to be ejected from the game, as between 12 and 15 students found out when they were forced to leave the Stadium Saturday.

Gagnon said that a crackdown on possession of bags of marsh­mallows was instituted last year because students are not just throwing marshmallows, they are throwing marshmallows with rocks and coins inside of them and throwing marshmallows cov­ered in ice during the winter months, in addition to throwing other objects.

"This has gone from a silly prank we winked at to a major problem," Gagnon said.

Gagnon said that one student was treated for a laceration Saturday after he was hit by a water bottle and that others have been treated for injuries in the past as a result of being hit by fly­ing objects.

Gagnon said that allowing stu­dents to bring marshmallows to the game is not fair to the other students in the stadium and is not conducive to the intended game atmosphere.

Fisher residents lead campus-wide fundraiser

Fisher Hall residents sat on the roof for the dorm's annual fundraiser, the Roof Sit, for 50 hours from Friday through Sunday.

By ANN LOUGHERY
News Writer

Remnants of James Ramos's hair still lingered on the steps of Fisher Hall Sunday morning. The freshman sacrificed his locks and pride to benefit the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, the focus of the 2nd Annual Fisher Hall Roof Sit. Ramos garnered $40 from crowds passing by Fisher Hall last night for receiving a mullet haircut.

"It was an easy way to raise money, and I needed a haircut," Ramos said. "I was at LaFortune Saturday night and everyone was staring at me disapproving­ly. One girl from another table stared at me for 10 hours.

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Only 9 Guardsmen march at Saturday's game

By BETH ERICKSON
News Writer

Some Guard members claim they were attacked last week

Some members of the Irish Guard late last week in front of University's Institute for Church Life's "A Call to Solidarity with Africa" conference. The president, who entered the Joyce Center on a red carpet fol­lowed by an entourage of body­guards and U. S. Secret Service agents, discussed current econom­ic and political conditions in Africa and called upon the United States and its western allies to keep the issues of his continent at the forefront of international conversa­tion.

The president of Nigeria, Olusegun Obasanjo, delivered the keynote address for the "A Call to Solidarity with Africa" conference. The conference, which began Sunday, will continue through Wednesday.

The Irish Guard marches at the Washington State game. Members of the Guard were attacked outside Vesuvio's Pizza late last week.

By BETH ERICKSON
News Writer

Some members of the Irish Guard late last week in front of Vesuvio's Pizza in downtown South Bend, said Guard captain Brian Chap, and one was injured so severely that he could not march with the band Saturday.

At least four guardsmen were involved in the incident, includ­ing John Raih and Drew DeWalt, and at least three were injured as a result of the con­frontation. The names of the other Irish Guard members were not known.

South Bend police could not be reached for comment. It was not immediately clear if a police report was filed.

Raih, an off-campus senior, did not participate as a member of the Guard during Saturday's football game against Michigan State, leading only nine guards­men. Friends of Raih said he sustained multiple bruises and injuries to his face and body.

Attempts to reach Raih and DeWalt were unsuccessful.

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INSIDE COLUMN

Going for a drive?

Ah senior, yes — it’s finally here. Bring on the raucous off-campus parties and celebratory outings to Heartland. Bring on the late nights living it up and the even later mornings that result from skipping class. I’m ready and waiting so bring it on. I’ll even drive. But wait ... maybe I should tell you that I’m not 21, or perhaps that I am an RA so I don’t have a fake. Maybe I should share with you the fact that I don’t even have a car on-campus. But that’s okay — I’ll just drive your car, if that’s all right with you. Don’t worry, I’ve had my driver’s license for a whole two months so you’re safe with me.

Before you avert your eyes from this little “Inside Column,” thinking you’re in for another rant about underage drinking or drunk driving, stop for a second. While the third-year RA, will not be turning 21 until the Friday of finals week and will have only ever been in possession of a driver’s license for four and a half months by that time. Laugh, my friends, but I speak the truth. Laugh even harder, if you must, after I tell you that both of my younger sisters were driving before they turned 16. Though I’ve had my driver’s license for seven years and driven for as many, I’ve only just begun to learn to drive like a civilized human being!

So bring it on. I’ll even drive.

FIVE "MARATHON MONK"s
Buddhist Monk Completes Seven-Year Run

TOKYO — A Buddhist priest who dubbed the “marathon monk” has completed an ancient running ritual in the remote Japanese mountains that took seven years and covered a distance equivalent to a trip round the globe, wearing only a flowing white robe and flimsy straw sandals.

The 44-year-old monk, Genshin Fujimori, returned Thursday from his 24,800-mile spiritual journey in the Hiei mountains, a range of five peaks that rise above the ancient capital of Kyoto. Dressed in his handmade sandals and robe, with a straw raincoat draped over his head, Fujimori was greeted at the end of his journey by a crowd of worshipers, who knelt to receive his blessings, said an official at Enryakuji Hoshuin, the temple that is guardian of the grueling tradition.

Since 1985, only 46 other so-called “marathon monks” of the Tendai sect have survived the ritual, which dates to the 8th century and is believed to be a path to enlightenment, according to temple officials. The last monk to complete it returned in 1994.

Students from Dillon Hall, dressed as English gentlemen, gather for a game of croquet in the afternoon sunshine on South Quad Sunday.

QUESTION OF THE DAY: WHAT DID YOU THINK OF THE GAME?

Pat Lindemeyer Holy Cross Junior Off-Campus

“A little disappointing but hopefully they’ll make some adjustments for Purdue.”

Alex Sayers Sophomore Fisher

“Fans should support the team no matter what.”

Caroline Meehan Junior Lewis

“It was disappointing.”

Chris Scarpetanida Sophomore Keough

“I wanted to cry.”

Rob Keller Senior Siegfried

“It was no good.”

Mike Dybicz Junior Carroll

“Go Brady”

In Brief

Head out to Legends tonight from 9 p.m. to 12 a.m. for food, drinks and the Monday Night Football Game Watch.

Grab some friends and play Foor Hockey tonight from 8:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. at Holf’s Recreation and Sports Center.

Attend the “A Call to Solidarity with Africa” Conference, taking place all day today in McKenna Hall.

View the British Drawings from the Collection of Mr. and Mrs. Allen Riley today at the Snite Museum.

Learn about opportunities for service at the Post-Graduate Service Fair, occurring Wednesday from 5 to 8 p.m. in the Stephon Center.

Cheer on the Irish Thursday at 7 p.m. when men’s soccer takes on Bradley University at Alumni Field.

Come party with the Sophomore Class for Late Night Grill on the Fieldhouse Mall Thursday from 10 to 11:30 p.m.

Hear Dr. Betty Balanoff speak about “Environmental Justice in Northwest Indiana” at 4:30 p.m. in the Hesburgh Center Auditorium Wednesday.

To submit information to be included in this section of The Observer, e-mail detailed information about an event to obsnews@nd.edu.
Trident Naval Society backs 24 hour fundraiser

By DUSTIN VON HAN DORF
News Writer

The recently completed 24-Hour Trident Naval Society Run brought in donations of over $5,500 dollars for the South Bend Special Olympics by soliciting donations from those on campus.

The run consisted of two tables, one set up on the Fieldhouse Mall and the other set up by the Hennes Bookstore, as well as several "runners" who walked around campus soliciting donations. One runner, according to Trident Naval Society secretary Bryan Kreller, ran from midnight until 9 a.m., setting a record.

Kreller said that the initial count of the donations received was over $5,500, all of which will be presented to the Special Olympics. In past years, the amount of money raised was usually around $3,500.

"Change is great," Kreller said. "If everybody gives a quarter, the total would be in the thousands."

According to Kreller, many of its members are involved with Navy ROTC and the club is not affiliated with the United States Navy or the military in any way, but it does have a working relationship with the Naval ROTC program.

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Group discusses, enacts gender issues

By ASHLEY DYER
News Writer

The Guerrilla Girls, an action-oriented group of art activists, swept Saint Mary's campus last Friday, dressed in gorilla masks and black clothing for a luncheon at the Moreau Center for the Arts.

The group answered questions about sexism and racist attitudes in the art world during the event, also attended by faculty and students from Saint Mary's art and women's studies departments, Center for Women's InterCultural Leadership representatives and members of the South Bend art community.

Formed in 1985, the group of all women activists began in response to an exhibition at the Museum of Modern Art in New York entitled "International Survey of Painting and Sculptures." Only eight percent of the artists represented in the exhibit were women, and all were white, whether American or European.

At first, the group decided to remain anonymous and eventually took on the names of deceased female artists and writers as pseudonyms. According to the group, which calls itself the "Conscience of the Art World," they feel that anonymity allows them to focus on the issues at hand.

Frida Kahlo and Kathe Kollwitz, two of the group's founding members, performed Friday evening in Little Theatre. Playing to a packed audience, the girls began debunking attitudes in the art and film industries through popular education techniques. Their presentation used stick­ers, posters and billboards to enlighten the general public on inequities found throughout the art world.

Later in the program, Kahlo and Kollwitz presented excerpts from their latest book, "Bitches, Bimbos and Ballerinas," which highlights the deconstruction of cultural stereotypes by reclaiming derogatory words and phrases as well as poking fun at and reinventing these stereotypes.

"(Activists) need to use humor as the great equalizer," Kahlo said.

Attendees at the event said they enjoyed hearing the group's views on gender issues in the art world.

"The Guerrilla Girls energized the campus and brought a lot of attention to the issue of feminism based on sex and race," said Astrid Henry, coor­dinator of Women's Studies.

Others credited the group for discussing cultural and gender perspectives.

"The Guerrilla Girls did a great job of not only expressing their views, but also addressing some of the (unspoken) issues on our campus alone," said Art Club president Candie Waterko.

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ND theologian publishes book on Jesus

Special to The Observer


Father Elizondo's book combines personal stories, theological observations and an analysis of the Gospel narratives. John Cavadini, chair of Notre Dame's theology department, praises it as "a book where scholarly and pastoral insight into the biblical text are one and the same. The very best theology seamlessly provides the reader with intellectual and spiritual profit and Father Elizondo's book delivers admirably on that.

Father Elizondo, who received Notre Dame's highest honor, the Laetare Medal, in 1997, has served as a visiting professor in the Department of Theology and the Institute for Latino Studies since 1998.

A native of San Antonio, Texas, where his Mexican immigrant parents owned a grocery store, he has spent most of his life there and served for many years as pastor of San Fernando Cathedral. The Sunday Spanish Mass at which he presided became famous throughout Latin America when more than 1 million households.

Father Elizondo became prominent as an advocate for underpaid and exploited Mexican-American laborers in the archdiocese during the early 1970s, and as an increasingly self-conscious Mexican-American community began to assert itself politically and culturally, he established the Mexican-American Cultural Center at Assumption Seminary.

The well-traveled Father Elizondo speaks seven lan­guages and has written 12 books, including "The Future is Meztizo," "Galilean Journey," and "The Human Quest."

His last book, "San Fernando Cathedral: Soul of the City," was written with Timothy Matovina, associate professor of theology and director of Notre Dame's Cushwa Center for the Study of American Catholicism.

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**Rescue plane arrives from research station**

Associated Press

DENVER — An airplane carrying an ailing worker from the U.S. research station in the South Pole landed in Chile on Sunday on an emergency rescue flight.

The twin turboprop Twin Otter landed at Punta Arenas in the southern tip of Chile at 10:30 p.m. EDT after stopping at a British base on the coast of Antarctica, said Elaine Hood of Raytheon Polar Services.

The plane took off from the Amundsen-Scott South Pole Station about 5 a.m. EDT for the British Rothera Air Station, some 1,350 miles away, said Valerie Carroll of Raytheon Polar Services.

The Denver-based company manages the polar station for the National Science Foundation.

The ill employee was to be flown to the United States from Chile on a charter. The employee, whose name is being withheld at his request, can walk but may need surgery. Raytheon has declined to confirm reports he is suffering from a bladder infection.

The patient's destination in the United States will not be disclosed to protect his identity, said Peter West of the National Science Foundation.

The pilot flew the 16-hour round trip to the polar station and back to Rothera. The patient boarded a second Twin Otter for the flight to Punta Arenas. The plane also carried two pilots, an engineer and a physician's assistant.

The 900-mile, five-hour flight across open ocean to Punta Arenas, at the southern tip of Chile, can be anything but a milk run.

"The Drake Passage between Chile and Antarctica has probably the worst weather in the world," said Steve Penikett, manager of Alberta, Canada-based Keno Bore Air, which operates the planes used in the rescue.

"It's a long ways, and kind of cold."

The rescue flight had been delayed for days because of wind and snow during the southern hemisphere's spring season.

"Definitely the weather at the bottom of the world is very fickle in the spring," said Carroll.

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**Shooting suspect kills himself**

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — A man suspected of shooting and wounding a doctor at a hospital in a Los Angeles suburb killed himself Sunday outside a fast food restaurant, police said.

Investigators had been looking for Eugene Guevara, 73, in connection with Friday's shooting of a doctor at Kaiser Permanente Medical Center, police said. Guevara was once a patient there.

Guevara shot himself in the stomach and, after authorities arrived, shot himself in the head, Officer Don Cox said. He was taken to Los Angeles County-USC Medical Center, where he died. No one else was injured.

The gun recovered outside the restaurant near downtown Los Angeles was the same weapon as the weapon used in the Baldwin Park hospital shooting. Police searched Guevara's home Saturday, but did not say if they found evidence.

Police locked down the hospital after Friday's shooting and spent hours searching for Guevara, who was identified by hospital employees from a surveillance tape.

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**Fisher Hall's Roof Sit raised money for the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children. Approximately $2,500 was collected and will be donated in honor of Chad Sharon.**

For every 25 students that signed the guestbook, the University will donate an additional $25 to the charity. Collected funds will be donated to the charity in name of Chad Sharon, a former Fisher Hall resident who died last February in a drowning accident.

The guys wanted to do something to memorialize Chad. The assistant rector from last year told me that a lot of people didn't have an outlet to channel whatever feelings they had about Chad's death," said Angiollo. "This was a chance for them to use those feelings they had for something positive. Chad has been kind of a rally cry for the dorms."

Fisher Hall initiated the fundraiser last year and intends to make the roof sit a signature event, choosing a different charity each year, Angiollo said.

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**Fisher Hall co-president Fisher Hall assistant rector Dominic Angiollo said. He said that they're making that decision.**

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**The Denver-based company operates the planes used in the rescue.**

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**"If you want something said, ask a man; if you want something done, ask a woman."**

—Margaret Thatcher, ex-British prime minister

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Martin leads in Canadian election

TORONTO — Former Finance Minister Paul Martin took a huge lead Sunday in voting to choose the leader of the governing Liberal Party, making him almost certain to succeed Jean Chrétien as Canada's prime minister next year.

In unofficial figures supplied by the Liberal Party, Martin had nearly 50 per cent. That approached the more than 2,900 needed for a first-ballot victory at the November convention where the former finance minister has been announced as a replacement for Chrétien, who has announced he will retire in February.

Under Canada's political system, the head of the majority party in Parliament is prime minister. If Martin gets the Liberal leadership as expected, he would become the head of government when Chrétien steps down.

If he gains office, Martin is expected to focus on improving Canadian-U.S. relations strained by personal differences between Chrétien and Bush. Canada refused to take part in the war in Iraq.

LOCAL NEWS

Power loss plagues Israel victims

HARAM, Israel — Utility crews had restored power Sunday to more than two-thirds of the people who had been without since Hurricane Isabel struck, but isolated price gouging and a general lack of information were keeping many residents in the hardest-hit areas.

The storm severed electrical service for more than 60,000 customers from the Carolinas to New York. By Sunday morning, that figure had been whittled to about 1.8 million.

President Bush plans to travel to Virginia, on Monday for a briefing on storm damage and recovery efforts.

Former U.S. President Bill Clinton arrives with Shimon Peres for an 80th birthday celebration for Peres on Sunday in Tel Aviv.

Nonetheless, he has been an acting premier, ran for the job five times and never won outright. He served two years from 1984 to 1986 after a tied election, using the period to bring down hyperinflation and withdraw troops from much of Lebanon.

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Gagnon said that students found carrying marshmallows into the game or in possession of a large quantity of marshmallows in the stands will be ejected and reported to the Notre Dame Security Office. Gagnon said that stadium personnel are only interested in removing marshmallows onto their thighs, Gagnon said. Gagnon said, however, that he believed the students might not have realized they would be ejected if found with a large quantity of marshmallows.

During halftime Saturday, a group of three Notre Dame Security Police officers stood at the entrance of Section 29, looking for seniors throwing marshmallows. When they ejected several students from Section 30, the student crowd booted and threw marshmallows at the officers.

Gagnon said that stadium personnel are only targeting the "leaders" of the "students who have a large quantity of marshmallows — and that no student has actually been ejected for throwing one marshmallow. He said that confiscated ticket books would be returned to students after they met with officials in final lieu, but Gagnon said those officials have not told him "squat about punishment for ejected students."

Gagnon said that throwing objects during half time is also offensive to the band. "It is a major insult to the band. They turn to salute the sidelines and the seniors, the leaders of the student body, aren't listening to the band. They are insulting the band," Gagnon said.

Gagnon said he might support a different prank if it did not have the potential to injure others. He said a marshmallow fight would be more appropriate outside of the Stadium. "If students want to have a marshmallow fight on the quad, I'll sign a petition to endorse it, but what a lot of people see as a tradition now, it causes harm," Gagnon said.

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Africa

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African bishops have met to discuss the continent's political and educational crises that have firmly rooted the Catholic Church in the United States and in Africa. The bishops' claim a step further than just feeling his hand in my pocket," Carroll said.

"An usher reached into my shirt pocket and pulled out a ticket book. He asked me to open it. I did and let him know we had everything in order," Carroll said.

"My wife and I went to the Catholic Church in the United States, it played a significant role in the development of the United States. We played a significant role in the development of the continent of Africa — thus making the United States' obligation a double one," he said.

While he held the United States partially responsible for the current situation in Africa, Obasanjo said that the continent's leaders have become part of the continent's success thus far. "We plan to turn the continent around by positioning Africa... in the global world," he said. "We believe that rather than spending too much time on the Book of Lamentations, we would do well to rather move on to the Book of Revelation. We conceded that it was imperative for Africa to strive for a shared vision... to rescue our continent from the edge of oblivion.”

While its leaders work from the inside, Obasanjo said, it is equally as important for the global community to see and accept the work that he and other African leaders have set out to do.

"So far, we have been heartened by the response of the rest of the world," he said. "Nigeria, which gained independence from Great Britain in 1960, but endured years of short-lived democracies, political corruption and military rule, instituted its most recent regime with the democratic election of Obasanjo in May of 1999 and then again four years later. "When we look back at what we have been through as a people... we can say, in the words of St. Paul, "We have proved to be more than conquerors," he said. "Despite our pain and suffering, our continent has been known as a continent of joy and life." The best way to pull Nigeria firmly into the international spectrum, Obasanjo said, is to involve it economically in the global market. He spoke of programs implemented by his government "to bring our economy out of the woods," and asked that his audience, the University and the States invest in the Nigerian economy and encourage other international interests to do so.

All of Africa pays attention to his country's actions, and mediating the continent's conflicts has become a major part of Nigeria's role as the most populous nation in Africa, Obasanjo said.

"Firstly, try to keep Africa on the discussion table," he said. "Do not write us off or put our success stories in the back ground. Try to raise us seriously, join us in advocating for debt relief in African countries."

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Steel tariffs benign to business

WASHINGTON - The federal trade panel recommended Friday that the government keep tariffs on imported steel, which will be voted on soon. The tariffs, which were enacted in 1990, have been in place for more than 20 years and have helped to protect the American steel industry from foreign competition.

Steel is a crucial material in many industries, including construction, automotive, and manufacturing. The tariffs have been controversial, as some argue they are harmful to the economy, while others see them as necessary to protect American jobs and industries.

The tariffs are currently set at 20%, but the trade panel recommended that they be reduced to 15%. The decision will be made by the government, which will vote on the recommendation in the coming weeks.

Despite the tariffs, the steel industry continues to struggle with excess capacity and oversupply, which has led to lower prices and reduced profits.

The steel industry employs over 300,000 workers in the United States, and the tariffs have been seen as a way to help American steel companies compete with foreign rivals.

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Crucial IN auto plant might close

FRANKLIN, Ind. — The possible closing of a crucial auto plant is sending shock waves through this Indiana city, where the company is the largest employer.

ArvinMeritor, which employs 800 people in Franklin, will decide by the end of the month whether to close the plant, which makes automobile air and emissions products, said company spokesman Howard Harky.

Losing the 65-year-old Franklin plant would be a tremendous blow to the city, said Tom Thompson, vice president and general manager of Fletcher Chrysler, Dodge and Jeep in Franklin.

"It's going to be devastating to the community and all the businesses in town," he said Saturday.

News of the possible closing emerged Thursday when company representatives met with the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America Local 2991 to tell them of the preliminary decision.

The news came as a surprise to local officials because the plant recently had undergone extensive renovations.

A union representative said he thought the company wanted to cut costs.

Hanley said the company wanted to keep its manufacturing plants near automobile companies that buy the parts and systems.

Several weeks ago, company representatives met with the union to say they would eliminate several parts of the plant and only 20 to 50 jobs, said Harry Alfrey, the union's business representative.

Alfrey hopes some employees would get transfers to other ArvinMeritor plants.

"We're all basically in the dark," he said. "We're waiting on the phone call at this point."

The possible closing points to Johnson County's need for a more diverse job base, said Chris Kinnett, executive director of the Johnson County Development Corp.
CALL TO SOLIDARITY WITH AFRICA

SEPTEMBER 21-24
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FOR A COMPLETE SCHEDULE: WWW.ND.EDU/ICL

8:30-10:00 am Theology and the Project of Re-imagining Africa McKenna Hall Auditorium
Moderator: Prof. Maura Ryan (Vice President and Associate Provost, Associate Professor of Theology, University of Notre Dame)
Sr. Teresa Okure, SHCJ (Professor of Scripture, Catholic Institute of West Africa) Solidarity among Christians: Lessons from the New Testament
Fr. E. Eluchakwu Uzorwe, CSSp (Professor of Theology, KWI Dublin and Catholic Institute, Paris, France) African Theology and the Project of Re-imagining Africa
Respondent: Prof. John Cavadini (University of Notre Dame)

10:30 am-12:30 pm American and African Scholarship and "the Call to Solidarity with Africa" Auditorium
Moderator: Rev. Paul Kolimam, CSC (Assistant Professor of Theology, University of Notre Dame)
Rev. Cyriac Davis, OSB (St. Meinrad School of Theology) American and African Scholarship and the Call to Solidarity with Africa.
Prof. Carolyn Nordstrom (University of Notre Dame) The Church on the Frontlines of War and Peace
Rev. Michael Schultiths, SJ (Catholic University of Ghana) Catholic Higher Education in Africa: the Promise and the Project
Respondent: Prof. Emily Osborn (University of Notre Dame)

1:45-2:45 pm Informal Breakout Sessions on Topics of Interest (optional)
U.S. Faith Based Organizations: Public Advocacy for Africa Auditorium
Facilitator: Mr. John Carr (Secretary, Department of Social Development and World Peace, USCCB)
Role of Civil Society in Africa
Facilitator: Mr. Ian Gary (Strategic Policy Adviser, Catholic Relief Services)
Food for Life: Confronting the Agricultural Crisis in Africa
Facilitator: Mr. Ray Almeida (Policy Adviser, Bread for the World)

3:00-5:00 pm The Church at the Service of Africa Auditorium
Moderator: Prof. Mark Roche (Dean, College of Arts and Letters, University of Notre Dame)
Most Reverend Laurent Monsengwo-Pasinya (Archbishop of Kisangani, Democratic Republic of Congo/President of SECAM) Church at the Service of Humanity
Most Reverend John Onaiyekan (Archbishop of Abuja/President of the Nigerian Episcopal Conference) Imaging and Re-imagining Africa: the Role of the Church
Most Reverend Joseph N. Perry (Auxiliary Bishop of Chicago) The American Church in Solidarity with the African Churches
Respondent: Mary Motte, FMM (Missiologist)

5:15 pm Mass at the Basilica of the Sacred Heart Lower Level
Presider and homilist: Most Reverend Wilton D. Gregory (Bishop, Diocese of Belleville/President, USCCB)

6:15 pm Dinner (limited seats available) Lower Level
Mr. Andrew Natsios (Administrator, US Agency for International Development) The Role of Faith Based Organizations in Africa's Development

8:00-9:30 pm Religion and Political Participation: Roots of Conflict in Africa Auditorium
Moderator: Prof. Mark Roche (Dean, College of Arts and Letters, University of Notre Dame)
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Bishop resignations sought in N.H.

Associated Press

MANCHESTER, N.H. — More than 100 protesters outside St. Joseph's Cathedral on Sunday called on Bishop John McCormack to oust two New Hampshire bishops for their roles in the priest sex scandal.

Victims of pedophile priests and groups seeking change within the church rallied outside the cathedral Sunday to register their displeasure with the bishops and church leaders. The protesters, a largely Christian crowd, came from as far away as Kentucky, New York and Vermont.

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HBO leads Emmy Awards nominations

The Sopranos' look to win best drama

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — "The Sopranos" took aim at its first best drama trophy at Sunday's Emmy Awards, competing with other top nominees "Six Feet Under" and "The West Wing." HBO's mob drama, which received 13 nominations for the 55th Annual Primetime Emmy Awards, had the chance to become the only cable series ever named best drama.

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Recall candidates see sprint to the finish

New poll shows Gov. Davis gaining

SAN FRANCISCO — With a federal judicial panel likely to reinstate the Oct. 7 date for the California recall election, Gov. Gray Davis and his candidates vying to succeed him are preparing for a final two-week campaign push.

A new poll showed the race tightening in Davis' favor.

An 11-judge panel of the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals will argue Monday on whether to uphold a ruling by a smaller panel last week that the election must be postponed until six counties still using punch card ballots can upgrade to more reliable voting machines.

The judges chosen for the new panel are said to be more conservative than the three who made the original ruling. Observers say the new panel will likely reverse the earlier ruling.

"As they say at the racetrack, we're going into the clubhouse turn," said Jack Pitney, professor of government at Claremont-McKenna College.

The best known Republican in the race, Arnold Schwarzenegger, was preparing to step into the spotlight for his first and — chances are — his only debate of the campaign Wednesday.

Schwarzenegger, who has called Wednesday's forum "the Super Bowl of debates," is preparing extensively for it, aides said.

"He meets regularly with his team of policy advisers and experts, and now the focus is on the debate," campaign spokesman Todd Harris said.

Davis enters the week buoyed by new poll numbers showing he is gaining momentum. A statewide poll by the Public Policy Institute of California released Sunday showed just 53 percent of likely voters want to oust Davis, down from 58 percent last month. Forty-two percent said they would vote to keep him in office.

The poll mirrored two other statewide polls released this month that showed, while a majority of voters wanted to recall Davis, the margin has tightened.

The same poll also showed Schwarzenegger virtually tied with Lt. Gov. Cruz Bustamante, the only Democrat in the race among candidates vying to replace Davis if he is recalled. The poll found 28 percent support for Schwarzenegger and 26 percent for Bustamante, with 14 percent saying they support Republican state Sen. Tom McClintock.

The findings fueled new speculation about whether McClintock will get out of the race in order not to split the Republican vote and hand the election to Bustamante. McClintock has said repeatedly he does not plan to leave the race.

Pitney said the debate will give Schwarzenegger his best chance to win over conservative voters, who are the core of McClintock's support.

"The debate is an opportunity for Schwarzenegger to close the sale with a lot of Republicans and conservatives, or an opportunity for other candidates to stop him cold," Pitney said.

Davis, who will not participate in the debate, planned to campaign this week with Washington Gov. Gary Locke and Sen. Joe Lieberman, a Democratic presidential candidate. Lieberman will also campaign with Lt. Gov. Cruz Bustamante, who is his California campaign chairman.

"We are going to stay focused on the strategy that got us through this entire surreal process," said Davis campaign spokesman Peter Bugone. "The governor is going to talk candidly with voters at town hall meetings, and will be joined by Democratic party leaders to point out that this is a power grab by Republicans and is fundamentally unfair."

Hometown residents honor Ind. governor

CORYDON, Ind. — The late Gov. Frank O'Bannon was honored Sunday in the town square where he first announced he was running for governor in a tribute with hand-clapping gospel music, bells ringing from the state's first capitol and the singing of childhood stories.

"Frank O'Bannon has finally returned to his boyhood home," said Tom New, O'Bannon's chief of staff, speaking to residents in the late governor's hometown of Corydon who had gathered for an event billed as a celebration of O'Bannon's life.

O'Bannon was slain "from you 15 years ago for our own selfish purposes, for this is the place Frank O'Bannon truly loved, the place from which he drew strength," New said.

The late governor died at age 73 on Sept. 13, five days after suffering a stroke in Chicago. O'Bannon's body has been cremated and his ashes will be buried at a later date in a private ceremony at Cedar Hill Cemetery in Corydon.

About 1,000 people sat in white chairs in the middle of the town square in Corydon, and hundreds others stood or sat on lawn chairs to watch the service. The office of The Corydon Democrat, owned by O'Bannon's family, is on the square along with the Corydon United Methodist Church where he sang in the choir.

O'Bannon owned a large log cabin on the outskirts of town, and frequently returned to southern Indiana as governor to attend church and visit friends. He and his wife, Judy, planned to retire there.

There were tears and the crowd was solemn as bells were rung from the first state capitol — built in 1816 — and churches in the square.

There also was laughter and joyous singing, during gospel hymns sung by the Wesley United Methodist Chancel Choir from Jeffersonville, the playing of the Indiana University fight song and John Mellencamp's
For the last several weeks, there has been a buzz surrounding the nine participating Democrats in the Public Safety primary. Unfortunately, it had nothing to do with any of them, but rather with a new entrant: an Unidentified Alma.

Mike Marchand

Democrats see as a unilateralist “chicken hawk.”

But if the Democrats intend to defeat Duddy by criticizing the war in Iraq, it would be nice if their military candidates had a coherent position. Clark, the New York Times last Thursday that he would have voted for the Congressional resolution that authorized invasion, then immediately took it back the next day before delivering a speech at the University of Iowa: “Let’s make one thing real clear. I would never have voted for this war.”

So, in the end, there’s really only one discreditable reason why Clark is gaining support: he’s a general and looks the part. Left-wing internet blogger Scoobie Davis thinks Clark can “kick George W. Bush’s illegitimate a-—” But despite the buzz, he doesn’t make a whole lot of sense as the Democratic nominee. He has one clear advantage over President Bush and can’t really capitalize on anything else. In fact, many cynical conservatives think Clark’s mission is simply to weaken Howard Dean’s candidacy enough so that Hillary Clinton can jump in and steal the nomination. Thankfully, I’m not buying any of that paranoia.

It is telling, though, how lukewarm the “1962 Mets” Democratic roster is when a pinch-hitter like General Clark suits up and grabs a bat. He’s not quite ready to swing yet, though; my prediction is that he’ll wind up being the vice presidential nominee for whoever does win the nomination. Mike Marchand, class of 2001, would like to give props to eagle-eyed readers who spotted an error in his last column (and rightly hammered the Observer who got face time on ESPN. His column appears every Monday). Contact him at Marchand@ndsmc.edu. The views expressed in this column are those of the author and not necessarily those of “The Observer.

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Quote of the Day

“Human rights is the soul of our foreign policy, because human rights is the very soul of our sense of nationhood.”

Jimmy Carter
U.S. President
Letters to the Editor

Criticism undermines Notre Dame community

Students exercise poor judgment in ridicule of quarterback

I attended the game on Saturday against Michigan State and am writing to express my disappointment in certain members of the Notre Dame student body. Before the game, I noticed some students walking around wearing T-shirts designating Carlyle Holiday. I grew up a Notre Dame fan and was fortunate enough to graduate from the University. My freshman year was the last year of Gerry Faust and my senior year was the National Championship season. So I have seen both good and bad, I’ve never seen, however, members of the student body single out one of their own for ridicule.

To those students who think these shirts are cute or funny, I ask them how they would feel if they sat behind someone wearing a T-shirt insulting their brother, sister or other family member. The student-athletes on the football team are not professionals. They aren’t being paid to show up on Saturday. On Monday morning, they go to class with the rest of the students. They eat in the same dining halls and live in the same dorms. Do students wear these T-shirts Monday through Friday? I highly doubt it.

This is not about who should start or not. This is about being a member of the Notre Dame community—a community made up of individuals of character, not a select group of snooty, self-centered students. To those certain students, I say that you should be ashamed of yourselves.

Bill Dunn
class of 1989
Sep. 21

Spite for Holiday makes University look bad

I have been a Notre Dame fan all my life and am blessed to have had a son attend and graduate in 2002. I have watched hundreds of football games with pride. In the past few years, however, I have witnessed a disturbing trend where Irish pride, dignity and respect have given way to embarrassing, mean-spirited attacks in the form of boos and cat-calls aimed at Notre Dame players.

On behalf of true Notre Dame fans who love the game, and more importantly, what Notre Dame stands for, I apologize to Carlyle Holiday and his family. How sad and disgusting it is to hear Notre Dame fans boo a player. Where is the loyalty, the support for a struggling athlete, the sensitivity to understand that he and others on the team are doing the best they can? I want to win like everyone else, but not at the expense of emotionally attacking a student—a 20-something-year-old young man.

Notre Dame lost more than just a game against Michigan State. Nationally televised, the game and its fans illustrated how commonplace and ordinary Notre Dame is becoming. Once an icon for teamwork, moral conduct and spiritual values, the University and its football fans are quickly gaining a new image for themselves—one certainly familiar to gladiators of old. Or, for a more contemporary comparison, they are reminiscent of a Jerry Springer audience.

If you love Notre Dame, then you love its students and all it stands for. In so doing, you respect and appreciate the efforts and talents of those students regardless of outcome. “Winning” is being part of Notre Dame. The University and its fans should be proud of Carlyle Holiday.

He is what Notre Dame stands for.

Marc Novotney
Indianapolis
Sep. 20

Presidential visit raises human rights concerns

Notre Dame was visited this weekend by Nigerian President Olusegun Obasanjo. Father Paulinus Odozer believes we should join with Africa, and help the country forge into the future, “with the rest of the human community.” I would also like to believe this goal is possible of Nigeria. However, I have serious reservations about the country’s leader, His Excellency Chief Olusegun Obasanjo, and his appeal for solidarity. President Obasanjo has it within his power to spare the life of Amina Lawal, a Nigerian woman sentenced to die by an Islamic court.

Lawal’s crime is having a child outside of wedlock, which is considered adultery under Islamic Sharia law. She is condemned to be executed by being buried up to her neck in sand and stoned to death.

Although the Nigerian Supreme Court will have the final say with appeals, President Obasanjo has allowed this travesty of human rights to go on far too long. How can Nigeria forge into the future if President Obasanjo continues to allow the unjust persecution of this woman? As Catholics and Christians it is our belief that every person is equal under God. Two thousand years ago, Mary Magdalene was to have suffered the same fate as Lawal in to face, but Jesus halted her accusers as he said to them, “He that is without sin among you, let him cast the first stone at her.” (John 8:7)

If solidarity is to have sympathy for all humanity, then President Obasanjo should have sympathy for Amina Lawal and tell his people that the discrimination of women will no longer be tolerated under his presidency. I implore the students of Notre Dame, Saint Mary’s and Holy Cross to raise their voices in support of human rights and tell President Obasanjo that in order to join the rest of us in the future, he must first demonstrate equality toward humanity in his own country.

Anthony Chacon
SMC Information Technology Staff
Sep. 19

EDITORIAL CARTOON

Remember, If he was back, I DONT SAY ANYTHING ABOUT THE LINKAGE - JUST IMPEL IT.

Marc Novotney
Indianapolis
Sep. 20
Shame songs: We all have them, we all love them

There comes a time in every man’s life when he must swill his pride, cowboy up and admit to something that he has been hiding from the rest of the world. Today, that thing happens to be those irresistible yet embarrassing melodies that come on the radio for your listening pleasure. Yes, I’m talking about the modern marvel that is the shame song. Loosely defined, shame songs are those you love to listen to but would never admit to liking in front of your friends.

The prime example comes when you’re driving in the car and an addictive yet humiliating song pops up on the radio. If you’re lucky enough to be alone, you say, “Yes! I just love ‘Tears Don’t Fall’ by the 4 Non Blondes! Crank this up.” If you happen to be in a car full of friends, however, the song merits a much different response; “Turn this trash off and throw it out the window!”

By EMILY HOWARD
Assistant Scene Editor

The cold weather is approaching, the days are getting just a little bit shorter, and your tank tops and flip flops are beginning to see their final days, and aside from the utter depression that we are beginning to feel because we realize that the South Bend winter is approaching us, we all begin to wonder: What should we expect for the upcoming fall fashion? Well, here’s a little preview.

Female Fashion

Girls, get ready for a blast from the past; not only are the 80s returning to haunt us, but the mod squad look is back as well.

That’s right: Styles from both the 60s and the 80s will be hitting the racks this fall. This means that the retro look is back, complete with the crocheted sweater vest, A-line or high-waisted dresses and the short school-girl minis that our moms were years back. Cargo pants and parachute pants with a pump shoe are popular this fall, as well, creating a comfortable, yet funky style that can be manipulated with numerous different bright colors from our past.

Classic animal prints are popular this fall, but keep in mind the term “classic” when putting together an outfit that involves our furry friends. Over-doing leopard prints can only lead to gaudy, so be careful when considering these styles.

The idea is to enhance the look of luxury this season by dressing up with either leather, suede or fur. All three can be viewed as fun and unique, yet at the same time create an aura of lavishness by merely dressing them up.

Another new gusty trend being introduced this fall is modern metal. Animal printed skirts and beaded dresses add some flair to the commonly classic look, and with the incorporation of silvers and metallics, the outfit can transform into a bold and daring look.

Black and white, although classic, are making a comeback in a huge way this fall. When in doubt, go to gaudy, so be careful when considering these styles.

The new color for the season, though, so if you are searching for a new color to add to your outfit, purple is the way to go.

Corduroy jackets are finding their way back into our closets, as well. These styles can range from the classic waistcoat to the new, brighter-colored jackets. These fun new styles can be worn with jeans or create a casual yet hip look, and they allow for much more incorporation of color with a once very classic look.

This stylish model sports an Paul Smith striped shirt and Armani boot cut jeans. Both are very popular styles this upcoming season, and the light colors of the shirt are a good indication of what to be expected this fall.

Tom Raaf is a junior who can usually come up with a comeback in less than 10 days. More “Power” to you, tiger. Contact him at traaj@nd.edu

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to wear out on the town, as well. Keep in mind that shrunken coats are very popular this season, also. They help in keeping everything fitted. They can be worn with a mini-dress to make the outfit look at bit more flirtatious, or you can add a pair of skinny trousers to achieve a more professional appearance. The idea is to look like you have stepped out of a man’s closet, albeit with clothes that have substantially shrunk. Although menswear is huge this season, try to keep everything slim and delicate.

Leather jackets and trench coats are popular again this fall. Leather jackets can range anywhere from the waist length to the knee, but keep them slim-fitting as well. Trench coats that hit just below the knee are popular once again, but keep them light, as you don’t want to look overwhelmed by the longer coat.

As for the night life, well girls, get ready to show some leg once again, because minis are still filling the stores and will be for quite a while. Looks like we are returning to the school once again, with the shorts pleated on the side paired with either a button-down or an argyle sweater. Simple oversize buttons are also popular and enhance the school girl look by the strong presence of the button.

If you are aiming for a more romantic look, try higher waists with ruffled tops. The flowing look of a higher waist enhances the line of elegance, and ruffles always increase the girlish factor of the outfit.

Platform shoes are making their comeback this fall, as are sillet heels. So girls you can pretty much take your pick.

Round toe pumps are softer-looking and a bit more versatile, while pointy-toed flats are highlighted this season with a straighter leg. Pointy pumps are popular, with a higher, skinny heel and fun colors. Oxford pumps accompany the school girl look, but they have been updated with stitching, tassels, buckles and stacked heels. Finally, high boots will be big this fall with a skinnier heel and a decorative zipper or buckle.

As for accessories, wrist purses are also popular this season. They can be used for nighttime and daytime activities, as they are small and difficult to lose. Gator print purses are also popular. Although expensive, you can find knockoffs at reasonable prices nearly everywhere. They are made for nighttime and daytime activities, as they are small and difficult to lose. Gator print purses are also popular. Although expensive, you can find knockoffs at reasonable prices nearly everywhere. These jackets are waist-length jackets with plenty of pockets.

“Welder’s coats are also making their way into the fashion world, but not in their custom bright green. Look for these below-the-waist length coats in suede or twill traditional neutral colors.

Stripes and fun patterns will be common on the button-down shirts, and boys, unless you somehow manage to find a hideous pattern, you really cannot go wrong here. When in doubt, boys, go with the traditional button-down with khakis or jeans.

Corduroy blazers are a new fun look for the fall, as well, but you will have to be a bit more fashion daring to pull this off. They are slowly making their way into the industry, so until then, be cautious.

Bitch the worn-out running shoe, guys, and try to go for a more worn leather, along with more neutral colors. These are always a quick fix to any shoe problems.

The next time you go belt shopping, because it is such a common thing to do, consider some more worn leather, along with a large metal buckle instead of the more traditional style. These not only help with the whole sagging problem discussed earlier, but they also add a bit of style to the outfit.

You do not need to go to Beacon Bowl and actually steal a pair, but Steve Madden, for example, has some very casual yet stylish tennis shoes that will give you the outfits that needed little kick.

Puma and Adidas shoes will flood the sidewalks with their retro, casual wear shoes, so stay on the lookout for any that may catch your eye.

Keep in mind, however, that as long as it is warm enough to wear the conventional brown leather flip-flop, these are always a quick fix to any shoe problems.

Ordinary jeans and focus on the uniqueness of the added accessory.

The new fall season brings many new fashions, but at the same time, do not be afraid to throw your own twist into the advice listed above. Individuality always completes an outfit, along with confidence, so use the following tips to find your own fashion sense.

In the words of Coco Chanel, “In order to be irreplaceable, one must always be different.”

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Hogans gains 156 yards, scores twice in Chief’s win

Associated Press

HOUSTON — Dante Hall fed off a trip to Mom’s kitchen. Hall had a 73-yard punt return for a score in his return to Texas and Priest Holmes had 156 total yards and two touchdowns to lead Kansas City to a 42-14 victory over Houston on Sunday, giving the Chiefs their first 3-0 start in seven years.

“The guy that gave us the spark was Dante Hall. We are going to give the game ball to his mother,” Chiefs coach Dick Vermeil said, noting Hall from Hawaii. “She cooked him for lunch last night and we are going to bring him back home with us.”

The Texans trailed 14-7 in the third quarter when Houston rookie Tony Hollings, getting his first playing time at running back this season, fumbled after a jarring hit by safety Jerome Woods. The Chiefs’ Dexter McCleon regained the Houston at 43. Moments later, Trent Green hit a wide-open Eddie Kennison for a 15-yard score.

The Texans went three-and-out on their next series, and Hall made them pay.

Hall took the punt at the 27-yard line, escaped Jason Snell and dashed around the right end where he juked punter Chad Stanley. Then he picked up his blockers and cut back untouched across the goal line for a 28-7 lead.

Seahawks 24, Rams 23

Mike Holmgren shuffled to the podium in the interview room Sunday, but expects to play in their next series, and Hall was set to have his back surgery on Monday.

“Don’t believe it, I promise,” Holmgren said. “I’m going to go to work with myself.... It was hard to get over last week. The last thing we wanted to do was lose another game like that.”

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“If we would’ve lost this game, my wife better keep her hand on 9-1-1,” defensive end Michael Strahan said. “Because I don’t know what I was going to do with myself.... It was hard to get over last week. The last thing we wanted to do was lose another game like that.”

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Chicagp — While the Chicago White Sox fade, the Kansas City Royals aren't ready to give up. Rondei White hit a two-run homer and Aaron Guiel drove in three runs as the Royals sent the White Sox to another big loss, 10-4 Sunday.

"Right from the get-go, this team's shown courage," Royals manager Tony Pena said. "This team is going to play hard the whole year. That's the point. The season's not over. There's still a week to go."

Chicago (71-74), which trailed 4-0 before it came to the plate, has dropped eight of 11, falling 2 1/2 games over the AL wild-card lead to 2 1/2 games over Cleveland, and 5-0 in six starts at Jacobs Field.

"It seems like every time we had him on the ropes, he took it up another notch," Indians first baseman Ben Broussard said. "He'd throw a fastball 88 mph, the next one 92, and the next one 95. He's so polished. And for a change, Boston's unpredictable bullpen was smooth, too,"

Mike Timlin worked a hitless eighth and Byung-Hyun Kim pitched the ninth for his 15th save.

Oakland 12, Seattle 0

Ted Lilly heard about Rich Harden's hurt back, then walked into the manager's office to tell Ken Macha he would pitch. And oh what a gem Lilly threw — when Oakland desperately needed one.

Lilly won his sixth straight start and Mark Ellis hit his first career grand slam as the Athletics avoided a three-game sweep by second-place Seattle with a 12-0 win Sunday. "I think this shows how bad we want to win the West," Lilly said.

Billy McMillon had three hits and drove in two runs as the defending AL West champions lowered their magic number to win the division to three. The A's lead the Mariners by four games.

Seattle fell 2 1/2 games behind Boston in the AL wild-card race. The Red Sox won 2-0 at Cleveland.

The Mariners have six games left, including three against the A's in Seattle next weekend. "This is obviously a big game, a big opportunity," Mariners catcher Dan Wilson said. "It's a completely different race if we win today, completely different. Put this way, this loss takes it out of our hands if they win three.

Seattle had 31 hits in the first two games of this series, but managed only four hits against Lilly and three relievers.

Harden was scratched because of back spasms and replaced by the left-handed Lilly, who beat Seattle for the first time in eight career starts. He entered 0-4 with a 6.89 ERA against the Mariners.

Associated Press

Chicago White Sox catcher Ben Broussard, right, and Kansas City Royals catcher Dan Wilson are introduced before a baseball game in Chicago on Sunday. The White Sox beat the Royals 10-4.

Kansas City's Rondell White bowls over Chicago catcher Miguel Olivo in the Royals' 10-4 win Sunday.

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NATIONAL LEAGUE

Cubs' victory narrows
Astros' division lead

The Associated Press

CHICAGO - Cubs manager Dusty Baker all but guaranteed a victory before Sunday's game. Of course, most managers would feel that way with Mark Prior pitching.

Prior gave the Cubs the dominating start they needed, striking out 14 in 7 2/3 innings as Chicago shook off two straight damaging losses to beat the Pirates 4-1 Sunday and closed within a half-game of the NL Central lead.

Aramis Ramirez, traded by the Pirates to the Cubs two months ago, hit two solo homers to help give Chicago a split in the four-game series.

"That was how I felt. I say what I feel. I felt we were going to win," Baker said of his pregame comments. "We were due to win, and with the guy we had going out there, it really wasn't that tough to make that prediction."

The Cubs missed chances to gain ground on first-place Houston by losing 10-6 in the second game of a doubleheader Friday night and 8-2 Saturday night. They didn't Sunday, when the Astros lost 6-4 in St. Louis.

The Cubs also cut their deficit in the NL wild-card race to 1 1/2 games as both the Marlins and Phillies lost Sunday. Still, it wasn't as if they were hanging on every pitch of the out-of-town games — their clubhouse TVs were tuned to two NFL games.

St. Louis 6, Houston 4

The NL Central will be decided in the final week of the season, and the St. Louis Cardinals have an outside chance to win.

Edgar Renteria had a key two-run double to back Sterling Hitchcock as the Cardinals beat Houston 6-4 Sunday, cutting the Astros' NL Central lead to a half-game over Chicago.

So Taguchi hit a two-run homer for St. Louis, which took two of three from Houston and closed within four games of the lead. Last weekend, the Astros swept the Cardinals in a three-game series in Houston.

"It was neat after losing three down there to get two out of three here," Hitchcock said. "Nobody wants to get eliminated. This shows a lot about this club and its character."

Houston (84-71), which failed to hold a 3-0 lead, had won six of eight.

The Astros close the season at home with three games against NL West champion San Francisco and four against Milwaukee. The Cardinals (81-76) finish with two games at the Brewers and three at Arizona.

"The years we've won have usually gone down to the last week," Houston's Craig Biggio said. "It's always a grind. We have the right mixture of veterans and young players to handle it."

Los Angeles 7, San Francisco 5

One down, eight to go.

Manager Jim Tracy thinks the Los Angeles Dodgers may have won all their remaining games to gain the NL wild card berth, and they took the a step forward Sunday with a 7-5 victory over the San Francisco Giants.

The win moved them within 2 1/2 games of the wild-card lead.

"We have a tall order ahead of us," Tracy said. "It looked like we had to win out to get there, to win the final nine. To do that, you have to win the first one."

Shawn Green started the Dodgers with the first of their four homers. Robin Ventura, Adrian Beltre and Jeremy Burnitz hit consecutive homers off rookie Kevin Corelia in the fourth inning to tie the game at 5.

"What we did today, we haven't done much — and that's to hit the home-run ball," Tracy said. "Those back-to-back-to-back home runs ignited us, ignited the crowd."

Milwaukee 6, Arizona 4

Wes Obermueller got his first major league win, a year and a day after his big league debut.

Rookie Season, Keith Ginter and Bill Hall homered Sunday to back Obermueller as the Milwaukee Brewers beat the Arizona Diamondbacks 6-4 Sunday.

The 26-year-old right-hander, making his 13th major league start, had lost his first seven major league decisions. He made his big league debut on Sept. 20 last year for Kansas City against Cleveland.

"I'm still shaking a little bit," he said. "It feels good to get over this hump a little bit. I just had some bad breaks in a couple of them."
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SAN FRANCISCO — Kelly Holcomb waited until the last possible minute to save the Cleveland Browns — and maybe his job.

Andre Davis caught an 11-yard touchdown pass from Holcomb with 29 seconds left as the Browns rallied for two late scores and a 13-12 victory Sunday over the San Francisco 49ers.

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Cleveland's Andre Davis grabs the game-winning touchdown pass in the Browns' 13-12 win over the 49ers.

Buccaneers 31, Falcons 10

Warren Sapp needs to work on his dance moves. Beyonce, he's not.

That's OK. The Tampa Bay Buccaneers are having fun again.

Sapp, the 303-pound defensive tackle, scored the first offensive touchdown of his career on a 6-yard pass and the defending Super Bowl champions bounced back from an embarrassing defeat, routing the Atlanta Falcons.

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"We're already down in numbers," Law said. "As long as I can run, even if I'm not full speed, my presence is important out there."

The Jets lost to Washington 16-13 on a field goal with 5 seconds left, then fell to Miami 21-10 before Sunday's seven-point loss.

"It's a sickening feeling," quarterback Vinny Testaverde said. "Losing like this is worse because you were in all three games.

The Jets were without two key players — quarterback Chad Pennington, with a dislocated wrist and corner back Donnie Abraham, with a broken shoulder.

"I knew Vinny was going to [Wayne] Chrebet because of his main guy," Samuel said. The Jets came right back on Testaverde's 29-yard scoring pass to Chrebet less than two minutes later, but came no closer as they converted just one of 13 third-down opportunities.

"It was a character drive," Testaverde said. "We felt like we had momentum but then we can't go out and repeat it."

The Patriots blew a five-game home winning streak against the Jets.

"We can put that little curse behind us," Law said. "I'm sure the Jets will bounce back like they did last year."

Colts 23, Jaguars 13

When Reggie Wayne heard Indianapolis Colts fans chanting his name, some teammates insisted he was in the wrong place.

Peyton Manning had him right where he wanted.

Wayne produced the best game of his NFL career, catching 10 passes for 141 yards and two touchdowns — nearly all in the second half — as he carried the Colts to a victory over Jacksonville.

"Reggie Miller today — it's Reggie Wayne," the third-year receiver said. "So I can right up for one day."

The chants of "Reggie! Reggie!" have typically been reserved in Indianapolis for Miller, the Pacers' all-time leading scorer. On Sunday, for the first time, the chant reverberated inside the RCA Dome — and for good reason.

Wayne did it all as the Colts improved to 3-0 for the first time since 1996 and only the second time since 1978.

He went across the middle, won battles on deep routes, made impressive runs after the catch and terrific adjustments.

He finished with career highs in receptions and yards and matched a career high in touchdowns.

His numbers would have been even more impressive had he not dropped a possible touchdown catch on Manning's footer across the middle late.

But it didn't matter.

Wayne played the way the Colts expected him to when they made him their first-round pick in 2001, and everybody responded.

Ravens 24, Chargers 10

Jamaal Lewis talked the most smack about his matchup with LaDainian Tomlinson before the game, and he also gained the most yards.

A week after setting the NFL record with 295 yards on 30 carries, Lewis ran for 152 yards and one touchdown on 23 carries as the Baltimore Ravens beat the punchless San Diego Chargers 24-10 on Sunday.

Lewis also fumbled at halftime late in the first quarter, but the ball bounced a few yards ahead and Lewis picked it up and ran 50 yards for a touchdown.


Lewis irked Tomlinson during the week by saying Baltimore was trying to dominate the Chargers star running back.

Tomlinson, the NFL's second-leading rusher last year with 1,683 yards, had a season-high 105 yards on 23 carries and scored his first TD in three games. He also had eight catches for 51 yards.

Lewis knew his second straight game. San Diego has been outscored 88-37 the season. Including their second-half collapse last year, the Chargers have lost seven straight and 10 of 12.
College Football

Rashaun Woods of Oklahoma State broke the NCAA Division 1 record for touchdown catches in a game Saturday. Woods caught seven passes for touchdowns as the Cowboys defeated Southern Methodist University.

Woods sets record for TD catches

Associated Press

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SMC VOLLEYBALL

Belles fall to Alma in four

By JUSTIN SCHUVER
Associated Sport Editor

Saint Mary's Laura Temple hits a shot in a recent game against Rochester College.

Saint Mary's Lauren Temple led the Belles in kills, amassing 21 kills in the only a freshman.

Outside hitter Kristen Playko again led the Belles in kills, amassing 21 kills in the four-game match. Playko has led the team in kills for nearly every game this year, despite being only a freshman. "Kristen's just another strong player," middle hitter Elise Rupright said. "She is an excellent player, but I think she also has a positive attitude. "This year we have a much more positive team and I think we all want to do what we can to help each other out and help win."

The Belles got off to a rough start, losing the first two games but coming back to win the next game. They made the fourth game close, but were unable to get it done and eventually fell by two points.

"That's probably what we were happiest about," Rupright said. "We didn't quit and fought hard to the end."

Outside attacker Ann Carpenter had an especially solid game for the Belles, totaling 15 kills while committing zero errors.

Setter Laura Temple led the Belles in assists with 43, which is not all that unusual for a setter. What is somewhat unusual is that she was also the leading blocker on the team, totaling two blocks, both of which were assisted.

Overall, the blocking game was not a strong point for the Belles, who totaled five blocks in the game while their opponent collected 13 blocks. Alma had more kills than Saint Mary's as well by 25-30, 21-30, 30-26, 28-30.

The Belles had more digs than the Scots however, with Saint Mary's collecting 91 digs to Alma's 89. By far, Shevik had the most individual digs; the closest to her were two Alma players who tied with 21 digs.

Saint Mary's remains at home to face conference opponent Hope Tuesday at 6 p.m. Alma lost to Hope in the first game this year.

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ND Women's Golf

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Irish midfielder Kevin Goldwaite kicks the ball during Notre Dame's 1-0 win against West Virginia.

Prescod continued from page 28 with 3:16 remaining to push up and join the offense on crucial plays inside the Irish box. "If you let them hang around, then in the last four or five minutes they become very direct," Clark said. "But it's important that our team did not give them any chances today."

Clark was pleased with his team's dominance. "I thought we controlled play from start to finish," he said. "We could have won by a lot more, but I guess you get the same amount of points for a 1-0 win as you do for a 5-0 win, and a win's a win."

Midfielders Martin and junior Luke Boughen made smart decisions distributing the ball. Senior outside midfielder Chad Riley won a significant number of tackles, and defenders Jack Stewart, Kevin Richards and Goldthwaite were too fast and too aggressive for the West Virginia attackers.

"In the first 30 minutes, we just tried to overwhelm them with our work ethic," Martin said. "(West Virginia) is a team that has won its last four games and given up no goals. I think this is another step in our team play."

Notre Dame is 1-1 in Big East conference play. The Irish lost to St. John's earlier in the season.

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Irish finish 15th at tournament Special to The Observer

The Notre Dame men's golf team scored a final-round 307 to finish in 15th place at the Inverness Intercollegiate Invitational Saturday afternoon at the famed Inverness Club in Toledo, Ohio. The Irish posted a three-round score of 934 and wound up 48 shots behind the tournament winner, UCLA.

Sophomore Dan Klauser rounded out the Notre Dame lineup, finishing 63rd overall with a 239 score. Freshman Cole Isban also made the trip for the Irish, but was disqualified after the second round for submitting an incorrect scorecard.

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none of the Irish could keep up with race champion Ryan Sheehan, of St. Francis (Pa.), who was far ahead of the front pack for much of the race. "We were just going to run as a team today," Van Ort said. "We were just going to stay as a team through three miles, and see how it unfolded.

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School Daze

Clare O'Brien

Marshmallows are dangerous weapons, ma'am...

Putting away scum like you helps me sleep easy at night.

Brett Campbell & Dan Zychinski

Jumble

Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

Henri Arnold Mike Aguirion

Horoscope

Sharing this birthday: Joan Jett, Catherine O'Hara, David Coverdale, Scott Nix, Little Bo-pee.

Happy Birthday: You have a built-in need to discover what is just and truthful, and you will continue to do so until you reach your goals. Your courage and drive will help you accomplish whatever is necessary to find the success you desire. Your numbers are 3, 12, 28, 31, 34, 43.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Get involved in activities that are related to your physical energy and stamina. Dancing or sports events will be rejuvenating. Talk to your peers about forming a participation group at work.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Don't make rash decisions. Romance with a co-worker, although tempting, will make you lose grace in the eyes of your superiors. Colleagues may try to lowball you or make you look bad.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): You can form partnerships, but don't move too quickly. Things may not be as they appear. Make sure that your legal team checks things out thoroughly. Don't believe everything you're told.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Concentrate on your work and getting along with those who work with you. If you can work with others, you will find what you are looking for in your career.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): You will be togetherness-oriented with the one you love. Chances are good that if you neglect your mate, you won't have anyone else to give you love. Playing to your heart's content with your lover will make you feel good for the day.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): You will have your hands full with co-workers, and you'll be surprised at how much you can accomplish. Your suggestions will help improve your environment at work and put you in everyone's good books. Affairs may be enjoyable, but they are not the best environment at an emotional level. Don't be too hard on the ones you love. Let them know what you're going through so they don't think that they're to blame. You need to find a release for your tension.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): You will find it much easier to deal with relatives today. Avoid them over for a visit and tell them what your intentions are. You can make successful changes if you are focused and determined.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Unite with co-workers, and you'll be surprised at how much you can accomplish. Your suggestions will help improve your environment at work and put you in everyone's good books.

SIGMUND (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You will overcome everything at an emotional level. Don't be too hard on the ones you love. Let them know what you're going through so they don't think that they're to blame. You need to find a release for your tension.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Secret affairs may be enjoyable, but they will backfire, causing you more grief than you can imagine. You must finish one relationship before you begin another.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Your involvement in groups that are concerned with self-improvement and physical enhancement will be a positive turning point in your life.

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Men's Soccer

Continuing their winning ways

Prescod's goal holds up in 1-0 win over West Virginia

By PAT LEONARD
Sports Writer

Devon Prescod notched his fourth goal of the season Sunday as Notre Dame knocked off Big East opponent West Virginia 1-0 at Alumni Field.

The win marks the second consecutive victory for the Irish after defeating in-state rival Indiana by a goal in double overtime Thursday night.

Prescod scored with 3:46 remaining in the first half against a Mountaineer defense that had not given up a goal in its four previous games. Prescod put a free ball in the box and drilled a low shot past goalkeeper Nick Noble. "They play a 4-5-1, with just one forward," coach Bobby Clark said. "If you don't get the goals early, you'll keep them hanging around."

The Irish out shot the Mountaineers 16-4 and had numerous chances to put the game away. Defender Kevin Goldswaite hit the joint of the crossbar on a shot, and forward Justin Detter flicked a Nate Norman crossing pass off the crossbar. Other shots sailed just over the net. West Virginia's Noble made eight saves.

"We're doing our best not to get frustrated on offense," captain and center-outfielder Greg Martin said. "I thought Detter played very well. Huny! Moga started and played well for us. The forwards are all doing a good job. The goals are going to come."

West Virginia brought pressure late in the game, inteig递给 goalkeeper Adam Shults.

Men's and Women's Cross Country

Runners win home invitational

By JOE LINDSLEY
Sports Writer

Even without their top runners, the Irish were ahead of the pack. And this came as no surprise to either the list or their opponents.

At the first of their two home meets for the season, both the men and the women took first place Friday among the Division I and II teams at the National Catholic Invitational.

Individually, the women's contest was won by junior Kerry Meagher, running varsity for the first time in her Notre Dame career.

While the competition was somewhat more challenging than the first meet for the Irish, the team at the National Catholic Invitational are not quite the caliber of those who Notre Dame will face from this point on in the season. Because of this, Friday's race was an opportunity for the Irish to work on running in packs and perfecting race strategy, as well as a chance for less-experienced runners, from freshmen to seniors, to represent Notre Dame on the varsity level.

This was a long-awaited moment for Meagher, who won last year's junior varsity event at the National Catholic Invitational.

"I knew I was in really good shape, and I knew what I could do," she said. "I was where I wanted to be. The team, we stayed together as a group. It was exactly what we wanted to do." Meagher, whose 1,500-meter performance last spring took her to the regional track meet, was at the top of the list. Though Senior Maggie Nelson took second, and sophomores Elizabeth Webster and Jean Maringelli finished third and fourth, Senior Katie Wales arrived at the line in seventh place.

The men also stuck together in a pack for much of the race. Led by sophomore Caleb Van Ort, who took second overall, the Irish occupied four spots in the top ten. Despite their efforts... see CROSS/page 26

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Women tie Stanford, defeat Santa Clara

By ANDY TROEGER
Sports Writer

The No. 2 women's soccer team completed a solid weekend Sunday with a 2-1 victory over No. 10 Santa Clara at the SCU Adidas Classic. The Irish opened play in the tournament with a 6-0 tie against No. 16 Stanford.

Although the Irish only scored two goals on the weekend, they dictated the majority of play in both contests, taking a 14-5 advantage in shots against Santa Clara, while having a 13-7 advantage agains Stanford.

With the win and tie, the Irish moved to 7-0-1 on the season. Santa Clara fell to 3-2-1 and Stanford exited the weekend with a 3-3-1 record.

The Irish took the early lead against Santa Clara, with the tandem of junior Mary Boland and sophomore Katie Thorlakson combining on both goals against the Broncos.

Thorbakson started the sequence five minutes in, with her cross going through the box to Boland, who placed the ball into the far right side of the net for her team-best seventh goal of the season, matching her combined total from her first two seasons at Notre Dame.

Santa Clara notched the equalizer early in the second half, scoring on their only shot on a goal from freshman Marian Dalmy. It was only the fourth goal allowed by the Irish all season and the first goal allowed by Notre Dame in the second half of any game.

The tie was short-lived however, with senior forward Amy Warmer starting the eventual game-winning sequence. After gaining possession on the right side, she passed to Boland, who struck a low shot toward the goal. Santa Clara goalkeeper Julie Ryder saved the ball momentarily, but Thorlakson hammered home the rebound to provide the final margin.

The Irish controlled most of the play on both goals against the Broncos... see SOCCER/page 26

WOMEN'S GOLF

First place finisher

By Kim Peck
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Irish searching for answers after 22-16 loss drops their record to 1-2

**By PAT LEONARD**

The United States flag at the north end of Notre Dame Stadium flew at half-mast Saturday in memory of late Indiana governor Frank O'Bannon. But after the Michigan State game, Irish fans might have thought it was for Notre Dame's season.

Two Carlyle Holiday interceptions—one of which was returned 40 yards for a touchdown—and a 71-yard touchdown run by Spartans running back Jaren Hayes buried Notre Dame. And as much as freshman quarterback Brady Quinn and sophomore wide receiver Rhema McKnight tried, a fourth quarter comeback was too late as Notre Dame fell to Michigan State, 22-16.

"I think we played determined the entire game," coach Tyrone Willingham said. "We fought all the way to the end. Loses hurt. They hurt players. They hurt the coaches. We'll bounce back." Quinn entered the game twice, the second time following a 40-yard interception return of a Holiday pass by Michigan State linebacker Greg Taplin to make the score 22-6. Quinn completed five passes on the team's final drive which was capped by a 29-yard touchdown pass to McKnight.

The defense, however, could not hold Michigan State on a crucial third-and-8 play with 1:25 remaining. The Spartans gained seven yards, converted on fourth down (even after the Irish were penalized for having 12 men on the field after a time out) and time ran out.

Determined players, the Irish have found, isn't enough this season.

"Football is a game about individual battles," said middle linebacker Courtney Watson. "If every individual on your side of the ball wins that battle, then you have a very good chance of winning that game, and we haven't been able to do that the past couple of weeks."

Michigan State began the scoring on its first drive—the first time this season that has happened for the Spartans. A 16-yard Jeff Smoker booting and an 11-yard pass to wide receiver Agim Shabazz set up a Dave Rayner 31-yard field goal that gave Michigan State a 3-0 lead.

The Irish got the ball back, only to have Holiday throw a screen pass directly into the hands of Spartan linebacker Mike Labinjo.

Quinn would play the next two Irish series at quarterback, with Holiday starting the second half.

Irish defensive lineman Cedric Hilliard forced a fumble on the ensuing Michigan State drive and defensive end Kyle Budinscak recovered at the Spartan 15. The offense settled for a 33-yard Nick Setta field goal.

Setta kicked three field goals on the day and two in the first half as Notre Dame went into the locker room tied 6-6, still without an offensive touchdown since the Washington State victory two weeks ago.

"Usually when you're kicking a field goal something bad happened on offense, because you didn't get the first down or you didn't get in the end zone," Setta said. "So you just try to help the team as much as you can."

Notre Dame received the ball to start the second half, only to lose momentum on a Marcus Wilson fumble following an 11-play, 45-yard drive. The defense held Michigan State to three-and-out the next drive, but after poor decision-making by Holiday and an Irish punt, Spartan quarterback Brian Hoyer and running back Jaren Hayes broke a 71-yard touchdown run off the left side of the line.

The run made the score 13-6 Michigan State.

"We had one big letdown," Budinscak said, "and that's all it takes." Despite another Setta field goal, Greg Taplin's 40-yard interception return for a touchdown off a Holiday miscue made the score 22-9 and put the game out of reach.

On the one hand, the Spartan defense deserves a large amount of credit for containing the Irish.

"Our defense came to play today and while we made mistakes, we are making fewer and fewer each week," Spartan coach John Smith said. "They certainly contributed to our win."

On the other hand, the ineptitude of the Notre Dame offense may have contributed more.

Wide receiver Maurice Stovall dropped a potential first-down pass over the middle in the second quarter that halted a Notre Dame drive, one of three he would drop on the day. Tight end Jared Clark also dropped a key pass, as did running back Julius Jones.

After the game, reporters suggested the offense just was not clicking and that some chemistry was missing between quarterbacks, linemen and receivers. But McKnight saw things a bit differently.

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A solemn Hilliard, who finished the game with five tackles and a forced fumble, simplified the matter.

"Right now we're not getting it done," he said. "It's nothing in particular. As a team we're not getting it done. I'm kind of out of it right now."

Why?

"We're one-and-two, man," Hilliard said. "Nobody wants to be 1-2."
Counting Irish problems

Chris Federico
Sports Writer

How bad was Notre Dame Saturday against Michigan State? Let me count the ways:

One, quarterback Carlyle Holiday possibly had the worst game of his Notre Dame career — which isn’t saying much for the oft-maligned signal caller who may lose his starting job to freshman Brady Quinn next weekend.

Holiday played so poorly that he ought to consider switching sports — say to basketball.

After all, he at least has a player with more bounce passes Saturday than Notre Dame point guard Chris Thomas, Holiday’s 10- for-25 performance with two interceptions — one of which was returned for a touchdown and served as the “nail in the coffin,” as Spartans coach John Smith described it after the game — was just the beginning of Notre Dame’s troubles.

Two, even on the rare occasions that Holiday’s throws were on the money — and in his defense, some of them were — the Irish receivers were likely to drop the balls. Notre Dame had at least eight dropped balls that should have been completions, including such beauties as Maurice Stovall’s third-down drop in the second quarter to move the chain and Jared Clark’s potential first-down reception from Quinn that could have put the Irish in scoring position near the end of the first half.

Three, one of the reasons that many of Holiday’s passes were coming off of the turf in Notre Dame Stadium was that, for the third straight game, he was attempting to deliver most of them while falling to his backside. While Michigan State only has three sacks — which is three more than the Irish defense had all day — Spartan defenders had free range on Holiday and Quinn all afternoon.

Four, while one way to cure the problem of pressure on the quarterbacks would be to run the shotgun, Notre Dame couldn’t do that because center Zach Giles couldn’t complete the simple task of snapping the ball to the quarterback without sending it above his head, throwing off any rhythm the quarterbacks may have had with the play.

Five, but even getting past all these problems, the Irish managed to put together a few impressive drives that should have resulted in touchdowns and a Notre Dame victory. But time and again, the Irish took themselves right out of the game with costly penalties and turnovers at the most crucial time.

All three Irish turnovers halted successful drives and swung the momentum right back into the hands of Michigan State. Holiday’s interception on a swing pass attempted for fullback Rashon Powers-Neal stopped a seven-play, 33-yard drive that could have answered Michigan State’s game-opening field goal. Marcus Wilson’s fumble turned around a 12-play, 49-yard drive to start the second half, and Holiday’s second interception all but sealed the victory for the Spartans.

But unlike most Notre Dame games of the past year and a half, offensive anemia was not the only gripe. Even the once-mighty Irish defense bears some of the blame for Saturday’s loss.

Six, while the defense contained the Spartan running backs for the most part, they suffered a couple breakdowns on a Jaren Hayes 71-yard touchdown run. Later, with the team in striking distance and only needing a third-and-9 stop to get the offense back on the field for a last-minute drive to win the game, the defense fell short, allowing Hayes a 7-yard run to set up the first down and the Spartan victory.

But the scary part is, this game was an easy one for the Irish and a must-win. They now have to travel to take on two potential top-25 teams in Purdue and Pittsburgh, then get to come home for the pleasure of hosting USC, who blew Notre Dame up for 610 yards of offense last year. After that, it’s on the road to take on rival Boston College, followed by a home game with a Florida State squad bent on revenge.

“It is really hard to point to any positives from today’s game,” running back Julius Jones said. “I think everyone is feeling the pressure now.”

And they should, because without some major improvements after Saturday’s performance, the Irish are staring a 1-7 start right in the eyes.

The opinions expressed in this column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer. Contact Chris Federico at cfederico@nd.edu.
By ANDREW SOUKUP

McKnight's play provides silver lining

One of the few bright lights for the Notre Dame offense Saturday was the play of sophomore receiver Rhema McKnight, who caught eight passes for 110 yards, including a 29-yard touchdown catch in the fourth quarter. 

But in the end, like the rest of the Irish, he didn't want to talk about his positive play Saturday.

"I'm just worried about the negatives right now and not the game's effectiveness before we worry about that," he said.

Still, the sophomore receiver developed a rhythm with quarterback Brady Quinn on the game's final drive, catching four of the five complete passes on that drive.

"He stepped up and made plays, and everybody else has to follow suit across the board," offensive coordinator Bill Diedrick said. "He stepped up and made plays today." 

Brady Quinn attempts to make a pass against Michigan State. Quinn's play in the Irish loss has sparked controversy over whether he should take over as the starter.

Quinn shines; is the Holiday over?

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If there wasn't a bona-fide quarterback controversy before Notre Dame lost 22-16 to Michigan State, there is now.

There is after Carlyle Holiday completed just 10-of-25 passes for 99 yards, including two interceptions (one of which was returned 40 yards by Greg Taplin for a touchdown), and got benched in the fourth quarter.

There is after his backup, true freshman Brady Quinn, completed 7-of-17 passes for 104 yards, including a 29-yard touchdown pass to Rhema McKnight.

There is after Irish head coach issued his least definite defense of Holiday to date — "We'll make that decision later in the week" and "No, I don't know who the starter is now — and offense coordinator Bill Diedrick said the pair would split reps equally during the week.

So what did Holiday have to say about T-shirts on campus that read, "We'll stop at nothing to replace Holiday" and the Irish began to move the ball 12-play, 49-yard effort, ended in a 30-yard field goal with 7:43 remaining to pull within 16-9 Saturday. Holiday left the field in the third quarter before he went back in the game.

But Holiday and the Irish coaches know the current state of the Irish quarterback position is no laughing tape. Diedrick, normally one of the most quatable Irish coaches, was uncharacteristically reserved after Saturday's loss, saying he'd prefer not to comment on the nation's 116th-ranked offense until he'd seen game film and saw how the players performed in practice.

"The quarterback situation, that's not a big concern to me," Holiday said. "I said 'I think the main thing is losing the game. It hurt us. Just when you look over and see some of the players on the team and they're crying, that's what really hurts.'

"It was a really painful game." 

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Michigan State 6 0 0 22

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Drive: 5 plays, 22 yards, 2:48 elapsed.
Notre Dame: 3
Nicholas Setta 29-yard field goal with 2:59 remaining.
Drive: 4 plays, (3) yards, 2:05 elapsed.

Second quarter
Notre Dame 6, Michigan State 3
Setta 29-yard field goal with 4:11 remaining.
Drive: 7 plays, 27 yards, 3:23 elapsed.
Michigan State 6, Notre Dame 6
Rayner 30-yard field goal with 7:43 remaining.
Drive: 9 plays, 35 yards, 3:49 elapsed.

Third quarter
Michigan State 13, Notre Dame 6
Jaren Hayes 71-yard run (Rayner kick) with 5:25 remaining.
Drive: 1 play, 71 yards, 13 elapsed.
Notre Dame 9, Michigan State 13
Setta 35-yard field goal with 9:20 remaining.
Drive: 11 plays, 60 yards, 4:55 elapsed.

Fourth quarter
Michigan State 16, Notre Dame 9
Rayner 30-yard field goal with 9:10 remaining.
Drive: 17 plays, 78 yards, 9:09 elapsed.
Michigan State 22, Notre Dame 9
Greg Taplin 49-yard punt return touchdown (Brandon Fields pass failed) with 6:55 remaining.
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Rhema McKnight 29-yard pass from Brady Quinn (Setta kick) with 2:29 remaining.
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comp-attempt 17-42-2
punts-yards 7-276
fumbles-lost 1-1
penalties-yards 8-55
20 first downs 15

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NOT QUITE ENOUGH

Despite outgaining the Michigan State offense by two yards, Notre Dame didn’t have enough to get it done against the Spartans and fell by a score of 22-16. Interceptions, fumbles, bad shotgun snaps, wobbly punts, dropped passes and poorly-thrown passes added up to Notre Dame’s second loss of the year. The home team could not get it done against a mediocre opponent, and the schedule isn’t getting any easier.

Irish running back Julius Jones runs through a hole as Spartan defenders pursue. Irish backs only collected 100 yards on the ground in Saturday’s loss.

Irish punt returner Vontez Duff jukes out a Spartan defender during his electrifying 46-yard return in the first quarter. The return set up one of Nicholas Setta’s three field goals.

Irish receiver Rhema McKnight runs after catching a short pass from Brady Quinn in the fourth quarter. McKnight scored the only Irish offensive touchdown.

Irish defenders try to block a Dave Rayner field goal attempt. Notre Dame was unsuccessful in blocking the kick, one of three Rayner field goals in the game.