Prominent journalists speak on campus

"60 Minutes" anchor Mike Wallace visits ND

By SHEILA FLYNN
News Writer

Known for his abrasive interview style, "60 Minutes" anchor Mike Wallace found himself on the other side of tough questioning Wednesday at Notre Dame.

While participating in an interview and question-and-answer session in McKenna Hall, Wallace was asked about controversial comments he made at a 1987 ethical panel discussion. When faced with a hypothetical situation in which an American war reporter could choose to follow a story or warn U.S. troops of danger, Wallace disagreed with another panelist and said journalists had no higher duty other than to report.

"You're a reporter. Granted you're an American," he told Jennings. "I'm a little bit at a loss to understand why, because you're an American, you would not have covered that story!" "You don't have a higher duty. No. No. You're a reporter!"

But Wallace expressed a very different view Wednesday when asked if his views on the hypothetical situation had changed.

"Yes," Wallace said. "I made the wrong quick reaction.

Wallace participated in an interview with American Studies professor Robert Schmuhl and answered questions from the audience. And the theme of journalistic responsibility - a duty to alert, to prepare for a career in journalism does not necessarily need to center around a professional. Rather, he said that prominent editors are far more interested in a reporter's inquisitive abilities and writing instinct than a course load stacked with journalism classes.

"You can put it in the bank that those doing the hiring are looking for a deep, inherent curiosity - an interest in what people do, why they do it and how the world works," DePalma said. "On top of that, journalists need endurance. They need to be curious not only about today, but about tomorrow, next year and the year after that."

DePalma urged prospective journalists to develop such qualities with a wide curriculum that includes a language specialty, history and American studies majors.

"In journalism," he said, "you never know what's around the corner because the woman, who was a freshman at the time of the March 2001 incident, seeks damages due to the two schools' alleged misconduct. She maintains Jefferson stood her in his car outside her dorm as she slipped in and out of consciousness after returning intoxicated with Jefferson from a South Bend bar.

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By MEGHANNE DOWNES
News Writer

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Hype up Halloween

What a great time of year! The leaves are changing colors as fast as the “die-hard” alumni make fire Ty websites to show their support for our team. The temperature is dropping more quickly than the seniors’ work ethic, and we all know what that means.

Halloween! This festive fall holiday is generally known for dressing up in ridiculous costumes and wreaking havoc on the neighborhood with your friends while raking in bags of free candy. Evenings are filled with young children flocking to random doorbells and desperately wanting to be the last house they knock on. The next doorbells will be opened by neighbors who are watching their children’s every move. Then the nights bring out the teens with their shaving cream and eggs ready to ambush the next doorbell.

This is the perfect chance to escape from the everyday monotony and let loose, dance with a stuffed monkey. It is obvious that these activities seem to have been lost in the shuffle here at Notre Dame.

Entry into midterms, group projects and other forms of time-consuming studies, the majority of the student body finds it impossible to squeeze in a full day of mischief and shenanigans. This year is different from my other years at Notre Dame since Halloween doesn’t conveniently fall the day before a huge test or important presentation. Rather, it falls on a Friday for the first time since 1997.

We all need to take this rare opportunity to dress up like complete idiots and have some fun. Go to a haunted house, carve a pumpkin, do something to take a break. This is the perfect chance to escape the ever-present pressures of your classes for a day or two and stop being so uptight and boring.

Everyone needs to do themselves a favor and squeeze into a wild costume they would never wear. And by wild costume I don’t mean being a cowboy. I’m talking a 6-foot-5 225-pound guy wearing a mini tennis skirt and an exact replica top of a Catholic schoolgirl who just dropped her diploma on the side of a road and stuck it in his freezer to keep as a possession of a species endangered by the Endangered Species Act.

This is the perfect time to show your support for our team. The temperature is dropping, it is obviously that these activities seem to have been lost in the shuffle here at Notre Dame. Change the weather. The leaves are changing colors as fast as the “Die-Hard” alumni make fire Ty websites to show their support for our team. The temperature is dropping more quickly than the seniors’ work ethic, and we all know what that means. It is obvious that these activities seem to have been lost in the shuffle here at Notre Dame.

Smile. Laugh. Be crazy. Go out for just one night.

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Filipino Princess discusses Muslim culture

By LAURA VILIM
New Writer

In an attempt to help educate students and faculty about the lives and cultures of Muslims, the University hosted a lecture Wednesday by Filipino Princess Emralda Kiram entitled "Being a Muslim in Christian Philippines." Kiram, who was born in the predominantly Muslim region of Mindanao to Sultan Kiram and Sultana Bai Labi Laila Kiram, focused her talk on the hostile relations between Muslims and Christians. She also highlighted the way these relations have dictated political and economic change within her country for centuries.

The estimated 3.5 million people — less than five percent of the Filipino population — who are Muslims in the Philippines are concentrated largely in the southern regions of Mindanao and Sulu. Although there are far more Christians than Muslims in the Philippines, several powerful Muslim separatist groups have been founded to protest the treatment of their people by the overwhelmingly Christian-led military and government.

Kiram began her lecture with an account of her childhood, a time she remembers as one that was relatively peaceful between Christian and Muslims. She commented on the ease with which she lived in both the Christian and Muslim world by taking on a Christian name in school while practicing her Muslim beliefs at home.

As time progressed and Kiram continued to seek higher education, she increasingly became aware of the stereotypes and insults thrown at her religion by the Christian majority. Although she had obtained a law degree and was enrolled in a journalism program in Manila, she was ostracized by Muslims and Christians alike.

"People thought that to be educated meant to be Christianized," Kiram said. "It was in Manila that I realized the stereotypes against Muslims."

In addition, Muslim women were encouraged to focus on marriage, not education, for it was dishonorable for Muslim men to marry someone smarter than they were. Thus, Kiram recalled that by her early 20s, she knew that she was being oppressed but failed to understand the reasons why her religion was being attacked.

Because Kiram could not start a career or continue her education due to the strife in the Philippines, she moved to Madrid just as the Muslim Separatist Movement was gaining momentum in her home country. During the middle of the 1970s, Muslim rebels waged violence against the Philippine military and the Marcos government, resulting in the deaths of hundreds of thousands of Muslims and the displacement of more than a million others. Under intense pressure from the Moros National Liberation Front (MNLF) and other rebel groups, Marcos made some concessions to the Muslim Filipinos, which put a brief end to widespread fighting.

Currently, Kiram and her fellow Filipino Muslims are still fighting for political and economic autonomy from the Philippine nation. They are asking to be given back their communally owned ancestral land that was taken from them and redistributed by Christians.

"It is very difficult to imagine a time when the government will sit down and talk with us," Kiram said. "Until this time comes and Muslims begin to feel a sense of independence from what they view as the harsh rule of the entirely Christian Filipino cabinet, discord between these two groups will continue to escalate."

As a way of promoting knowledge of the Muslim-Christian conflict in the Philippines, Kiram has worked for the past 27 years at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, is the chair of the Wisconsin Chapter of the National Federation of Filipino-American Associations, and serves as president of the Wisconsin Chapter of the Filipino-American National Historical Society.

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Wallace said he has wit­nessed various changes in news reporting during his 36 seasons with "60 Minutes."

"So much news, or what passes as news, is now opin­ion," Wallace said, and there­fore reporting is "not as pure news as it used to be." He attributed part of the decline to a rise in the number of news chan­nels, saying that the com­petitive drive to report the best news had been stron­ger when only three news net­works existed.

W h e n S c h m u l l asked if W a l l a c e thought news reporting was better in past decades, such as in the 1960s, Wallace said it "prob­ably was," but he noted the differ­ence in reporting means.

"I t's been a slow, little by little, because we've had to begin to change the news in any­thing we do," Wallace said. "It's not news when things go right." He did, however, applaud the ten­dency of media powers to focus more on negative devel­opments than on positive ones.

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Israeli troops kill Palestinian
JERUSALEM — Israeli soldiers shot and killed a Palestinian man and wounded another Wednesday after the pair crossed into a restricted area around the fence that separates Gaza from Israeli military zones.

In the northern West Bank, Palestinian milit­iants shot at Israeli soldiers training in a far West Bank area, wounding two of them, military officials said. One of the wounded was in serious condition, Israeli Radio reported.

Teams rescue 11 trapped miners
NOVOSHIKHITSK, Russia — Search crews blasted through solid rock to rescue 11 U.S. uranium miners who were trapped in a sot-up Monday after six days trapped in a deep shaft in southern Russia. One miner died underground and another remained missing, emergency officials said.

Because his arm reached the clock the men Wednesday morning after drillers punched through to the pit face where the miners had sought refuge following a flood.

Iraqis kill 2 U.S. troops in attack
BAGHDAD, Iraq — Two American soldiers were killed when their Abrams battle tank was damaged by resistance fighters, U.S. officials said Wednesday, as the number of U.S. soldiers killed in combat since major fighting ended topped the warmthere.

In recent weeks, seven Ukrainian troops were wounded in the first ambush of a multinational unit in the Polish sector south of Baghdad, coalition officials said.

The latest deaths bring to 115 the number of American soldiers killed in combat in Iraq since President Bush declared an end to major fighting May 1.

NATIONAL NEWS

Bush pushes GOP for drug bill
WASHINGTON — Prodded by President Bush, Republican lawmakers are making progress on a prescription drug benefit for Medicare recipients amid growing concern that older Americans will be turned away from the $400 billion limit set by the president.

Bush scheduled a White House appearance Wednesday to underscore his support for a drug benefit under Medicare, the govern­ment-run program that provides health care for 40 million disabled and older Americans. The bill also would overhaul the 38-year-old program.

School to appeal voucher move
DENVER — Thomas apparently violated prison rules and will appeal a decision by Denver-area officials to reject his voucher program application because the school would expel homosex­uals.

Rodolfo Gomez, principal of Silver State Baptist School in Lakewood, said the separate rulings this month by Denver Public Schools and Jefferson County officials were unfair and contradicted the purpose of the state voucher plan.

Under the state program, a school board can reject a private school's application if it advocates or fosters unlawful behavior or teaches hatred of a person or group.

LOCAL NEWS

Hot pot fire kills prison inmate
MICHIGAN CITY — A faulty hot pot, com­bined with a housing stipend that linked a cell to severe burns that killed an Indiana State Prison inmate, prison officials say.

The inmate, 33-year-old Shiloo Losmez, died Sunday at Lake County Medical Center.

Inmate Losmez, who was described as a Peruvian electrician and a drug addict, was transferred from the Lake County Medical Center to Lake County Jail Wednesday.

The investigation showed that the pot had been altered and a safety device had been disabled.

COLOMBIA

Air force chief warns drug pilots
BOGOTA — Colombia's new air force commander said Wednesday he would not tolerate to order suspect­ed drug flights dropped if they are tried by U.S. or Colombian military authorities and ignore warnings to land.

President Bush in August author­ized the resumption of drug surveil­lance flights over Colombia, suspend­ed after a 1991 U.S.-backed attack on the country's air force.

Losmez said he had been called on to order the shoot-down of a drug flight in mid-air since the U.S. flights resumed, but has ordered several aircraft destroyed after they landed at clandestine airstrips in Colombia.

In a memo released in August, Bush said he had determined that the surveillance flights are necessary and can be done without undue risk to civilian air traffic.

The United States immediately halted its participation in the inter­diplomatic flights program after a Peruvian fighter jet acting on U.S. intelligence shot down the missionary plane in April 2001, killing American Veronica Bowers and her daughter, Charity. Investigators said procedural errors, language problems and inadequate Peruvian air control caused the mistake.
Alumni Association to honor late ’89 grad

Special to The Observer

The Notre Dame Alumni Association will present the Distinguished Alumnus Award to the family of Dr. N. Donald Diel Jr. during a halftime ceremony Saturday (Nov. 1) at the Notre Dame-Florida State football game.

The Distinguished Alumnus Award is presented on rare occasions in recognition of exemplary service to Notre Dame or community.

A physician at the Arnold Palmer Hospital for Children and Women in Orlando, Fla., Diel, 35, was struck and killed by a tractor-trailer along the Florida Turnpike, where he had stopped to assist injured motorists at a rainy accident scene June 5, 2002.

Son-in-law seeks to clear Nazi allegations

Associated Press

CLEVELAND — It was 1980 when Ed Nishnic met Irene, a receptionist at the company where he worked.

“One day I was walking by her desk and I saw her name on a piece of paper. I said, ‘Are you related to that guy?’ She said, ‘That’s my dad,’ ” Nishnic recalled.

“That guy” was John Demjanjuk, the Ohio mechanic accused of being a Nazi death camp guard so sadistic that he had nicknamed the Ivan the Terrible.

The encounter led to marriage and launched Nishnic on a 20 year odyssey to clear his father-in-law’s name.

Through that time, he learned to write legal briefs, donned a bullet proof vest on an airplane because of death threats and comforted Demjanjuk in an Israeli prison cell as gallows were being built outside.

Nishnic’s mission is far from over. Israel’s Supreme Court cleared Demjanjuk of the Ivan the Terrible accusation in 1993, but the U.S. government has accused him of serving as a guard at other Nazi camps and stripped him of his U.S. citizenship last year.

Nishnic, 48, sees the two decades he has devoted to defending his 83-year-old father-in-law as something he had to do.

“I don’t believe God will ever give you more than you can handle,” he said.

Nishnic has traveled to Russia, Ukraine, Australia, western Europe and elsewhere in his quest to clear Demjanjuk’s name. He has helped raise money for legal fees, investigated leads and been Demjanjuk’s public voice.

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is representing herself, failed to serve summonses within the prescribed time frame. The woman has now amended her complaint and the suit will proceed.

Though no formal criminal charges were filed against Jefferson, a jury awarded the woman $1 million in damages in her civil suit against Jefferson. The woman, who transferred to a college closer to her Pittsburgh home due to the incident, sued Jefferson on the basis that the alleged rape caused severe emotional and psychological trauma.

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This year’s Pass In Review is scheduled for sometime in the late spring semester, and it is open to the student body. Conley was unsure of the exact date.

In other Senate news:

Four Senators were elected to serve as representatives from the Student Senate to the new Council of Representative. Keenan sena- dor Dan Zilke, Lewis senator Claire Berezowitz, Zahm senator Drew Sandstrum, and Off-Campus senator Amy Chambers will take their seats on the Council at a meeting Monday. Each Senator pledged to fully represent the Senate and its opinions on the Council.

Dave Brenner, president of "The Shirt" committee, spoke briefly to Senators regarding the new for a "The Shirt" president. Brenner asked Senators to “actively seek out people... who you think would be good for this position.” Brenner commented that he would like to see a broad applicant pool with a lot of talented people for the position. Applications for president of "The Shirt" are available in the Student Activities Office on the third floor of LaFortune and are due Nov. 7.

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**MARKET Recap**

**Stocks**

| Dow Jones | 9,774.31 | +26.22 |

**Treasuries**

| 30-YR BOND | +1.38 | +0.70 | 51.59 |
| 5-YR NOTE | +2.05 | +0.86 | 42.75 |
| 2% MORT. | +1.98 | +0.84 | 81.81 |
| 3-MTH BILL | -0.85 | -0.08 | 9.37 |

**Commodities**

| LIGHT CRUDE (NYMEX) | -0.65 | -28.91 |
| CEILING OIL | +1.60 | +387.00 |
| PORK BELLOWS | +2.68 | +48.91 |

**Exchange Rates**

| YEN | 108.3 |
| BAO | -0.85 |
| POUND | 0.59 |
| CANADIAN | 1.31 |

**IN BRIEF**

U.S. extends Halliburton contract

WASHINGTON — Vice President Dick Cheney's former company will retain a no-bid contract in Iraq longer than expected, the Bush administration said Wednesday, blaming sabotage of oil facilities for delays in replacement contracts.

Halliburton's contract, worth $1.5 billion so far, will be extended until December or January while the government receives and evaluates bids for replacement work that could total $2 billion.

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, which already has received competitive bids for replacement contracts, and hoped to announce the winners this month.

**Judge tosses suits against Merrill**

NEW YORK — A federal judge tossed out eight lawsuits Wednesday that sought to hold Merrill Lynch & Co. responsible for investor losses during the Internet stock bubble.

"The burst of the bubble and the attendant market chaos are not chargeable" to the banking giant, U.S. District Judge Milton Pollack wrote. He found no evidence Merrill Lynch had intended to defraud its investors, and he said the stock market as well as Merrill Lynch "were marketplace driven."

"We are pleased with the judge's ruling today," Merrill spokesman Mark Herr said.

**Dollar hits 3-year low against yen**

NEW YORK — The dollar ended New York trading slightly weaker across the board Wednesday, managing to avoid an even sharper slide that threatened to take hold after the currency slipped to a 21-month low against the yen earlier in the day.

"Under selling pressure following the Federal Reserve's decision Tuesday to leave interest rates on hold — which ensures the dollar's low-yielding status for a while — the greenback fell to a five-year low against the pound, and a three-year low against the yen."

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**Crude futures tumble on NYMEX**

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Crude oil futures fell 2 percent Wednesday, to a level not seen since September 2001, following release of mostly bearish weekly government and industry petroleum inventory reports.

Analysis and traders cited a spate of refinery problems, a combination of higher demand for November-delivery gasoline and heating oil, and strong market expectations for supply cuts, pushing December oil prices from falling more sharply.

"Market participants pointed out that the November contracts are trading on the New York Mercantile Exchange after the expiration of trading Friday and added that December gasoline futures did not hold their value as well as November did. November gasoline was settled at $1.15 higher at $3.13 a gallon after touching a high of 85.50 cents. The December contract settled at 91.90 cents at 80.29 a gallon after hitting an intraday high of 83.25 cents."

Peter Beutel, an analyst with Cameron Hanover, said he expected to see more of the same problems because of the supply picture.

"The reports showed crude stocks, distillate stocks — which include heating oil — imports and refinery runs all going against the grain. When they all rise in the same week, it's hard to get bullish," Beutel said.

"That to me is a pretty bearish combination here at the end of October." The reports showed gasoline stocks sharply lower.

Light, sweet December crude oil futures settled 6.5 cents lower at $28.91 a barrel after touching a low of $28.80. Prices have not been below $28 since November 2003.

On London's International Petroleum Exchange, December Brent crude oil futures settled 60 cents lower at $27.44 a barrel after touching a low of $27.41.

"This is something of a nervous market here," Beutel said. "It drifts around under its own steam, and then all of a sudden it decides to move violently one way or another."
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to Spanish," DePalma said. "Already, without recognizing it, I was expressing the curiosity that those editors were talking about."

After attending Seton Hall, DePalma's curiosity earned him a position writing for the Jersey Journal in Jersey City, N.J., a newspaper he said "thought of themselves as a minor league New York Times." His intimidating first assignment was to interview the families of three children who tried to imitate Huckleberry Finn by rafting down a river on the afternoon of July 4 and were still missing the next morning.

"It was a baptism by fire. My knees were knocking at the thought ... and as if that wasn't enough, I had to interview them in Spanish. And on top of that, my editor made me go back and do it all over again to see if they still had their Little League uniforms on." DePalma.

After the Jersey Journal, DePalma became a freelance writer, a situation that he described as liberating but somewhat intimidating. "Freelancing is a pretty scary thing because you're only getting paid for what your write. The pressure is on to earn money and get paid," he said. "But this was writing the way I wanted to do it: to write what I want the way I want it. There was only one job I would've taken — The New York Times."

After over 300 freelance bylines published in the Times, DePalma was officially hired by the elite newspaper, where he began in the Metro section. He was soon promoted to national correspondent and then became the foreign correspondent to Mexico City in 1995 and to Toronto in 1996.

DePalma also is the author of Here: A Biography of the New American Continent; a nonfiction book published in 2001. However, his book tour was curtailed by the events of September 11, 2001. "I was in San Diego to promote my book beginning on September 10, DePalma said. After the tragedy, "he was stuck on the other end of the continent I'd been writing about — now it was the same continent standing between me and that story."

DePalma made it back to New York and was able to participate in the Times' subsequent coverage of the attacks, an experience which he said was an example of the cyclical nature of journalism.

"The project-oriented schedule is a big advantage of journalism," he said. "You're going to have a disaster. You're going to have an election. It becomes a terrific opportunity to get your foot in the door to show them what you can do — so you'll be called in next time."

However, DePalma cautioned new reporters eager to break into the field against the impulse to sacrifice some of their integrity in the process. Citing the example of ex-New York Times reporter Jayson Blair, DePalma said that "as a journalist, you have to be very careful about your reputation — one serious mistake can bring it all down."

He closed with advice about persistence and payoff. "Journalism requires sustaining effort over a period of time and sustaining it in a different way from other professions. In journalism it's tough slogging all the way through," he said. "You won't be rewarded with a big salary or a big office. But you will be rewarded with the opportunities to ask questions and to jump in and out of people's lives in an infinite variety of settings."

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Congress agrees on $87.5 billion Iraq aid without loans

WASHINGTON - Congressional negotiators agreed Wednesday on an $87.5 billion aid package for Iraq and Afghanistan that meets a White House demand that none of the $20.3 billion for Iraq and $18.4 billion for Afghanistan should enable it to pay back about half of the $60 million for Iraqi reconstruction and security forces, and $800 million for Afghan reconstruction.

The loan was the most divisive item as the House and Senate tried to resolve differences between their versions of the bill. A Senate amendment, passed with bipartisan support, would have required Iraq to pay back about half of the $18.4 billion for reconstruction.

Loan supporters said U.S. taxpayers are already spending plenty on Iraq and that the country's vast oil reserves should enable it to pay back some of the money eventually. Under the Senate bill, Iraq would not have had to repay the loan if other countries for-gave 90 percent of the debt.

President Bush ran up under toppled leader Saddam Hussein.

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Networks prepare for sweeps

Associated Press

NEW YORK — If Ronald Reagan, Jessica Lynch, Elizabeth Smart, Britney Spears and Andy Griffith can’t save the television networks this season, maybe nothing can.

The November “sweeps” get under way Thursday, offering the major broadcasts networks a chance to start again. The season opening felt like a false start.

ABC, CBS, NBC, the WB and UPN — five of the six biggest networks — have lost audience this season compared to 2002 and, what is more important, lost the younger viewers that advertisers crave. The one gainer is Fox, due entirely to a stellar baseball postseason.

“The November sweeps can’t get here a minute too soon, given the lackluster performance of much of the networks’ programming this season,” said Ed Martin, programming editor for The Myers Report, a media economy newsletter.

“Nothing has caught on and the only hope now is some terrific sweeps programming to turn the lights back on and get people interested in television.”

Sweeps are the industry name for the three separate months during the season when ratings are monitored closely to set local advertising rates. Networks concentrate much of their best programming in these months.

Because nobody has started strongly, it’s one of the most important sweeps in years, said Steve Sternberg, an analyst for the media buying firm Magna Global USA.

“It’s hard to figure out what’s going on when you have the World Series and baseball postseason going so well combined with the fact that there’s been nothing major coming out of the networks to get your attention,” he said.

CBS, like NBC, probably hurt the most by baseball’s strength, is cutting the highest profile over the next month.

The network’s four-hour miniseries, “The Beagam,” set for Nov. 16 and 18, already has fans of the former president nervous about how he will be portrayed. A conservative group has called for an advertiser boycott.

It doesn’t help that actor James Brolin (outritten liberal Barbara Streisand’s husband) is cast as Ronald Reagan.

In further nostalgic appeals, CBS airs a three-hour 75th anniversary special on Sunday and welcome Andy Griffith, Ron Howard, Don Knotts and Jim Nabors back to Mayberry for a reunion special Nov. 11. A similar reunion for Carol Burnett stunned the industry with its high ratings in November 2001.

CBS and NBC engage in one of the most unusual, and perhaps destructive, ratings battles on Nov. 9 when they present television movies about kidnapping victim Smart (CBS) and former POW Lynch (NBC) at exactly the same time.

It’s one of Sternberg’s pet peeves: networks programming as much to hurt rivals as build audiences for themselves.

Besides the Lynch movie and music specials with Justin Timberlake and Shania Twain on Thanksgiving week, NBC is relatively stunt-free. Instead, the network hopes to draw viewers with its original programming, with twists like Bob Newhart on “Er.”

NBC has suffered this season because some old reliables, like “Friends,” have lost popularity. Although “Frasier” has rebounded in quality, if not in ratings, Martin said many of the critics he’s talked to across the country are surprised at how the quality of writing has slipped for many returning shows on all networks.

“People are scratching their heads,” he said. “What’s with all this dead air?”

After methodically boosting its ratings among a younger viewers, television’s oldest-skewing CBS has been hurt more than any other network by a puzzling viewership decline among young people, particularly men. Networks have grumbled that it’s the fault of the messenger, Nielsen Media Research.

Sternberg suggests they look in the mirror instead. Few of the new programs appeal to young men, he said.

Ben, Jen visit NYC mayor Bloomberg

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Ben and Jen finally made it to City Hall, but it had nothing to do with a marriage license.

Ben Affleck and Jennifer Lopez were there to visit Mayor Michael Bloomberg, who expressed his admiration for Lopez a few months ago.

“For those of you who were wondering, I finally got my date with Jennifer Lopez,” Bloomberg said Tuesday as Hollywood’s most overexposed couple arrived late for a scheduled event.

“I never thought I’d be here next to such greats as [salsa star] Willie Colon and with the mayor of New York City here at City Hall,” Lopez said.

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The Blue Room isn’t exactly... some romantic restaurant, but you know, heck, Ben’s here, and you take what you can get,” Bloomberg joked.

Lopez showed up at City Hall, with Affleck in tow, for the formation of a new commission to attract Latino entertainment and media to the city. Lopez will be its honorary chairwoman.

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British Conservatives oust party leader

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LONDON — Lawmakers in Britain's main opposition Conservative Party ousted leader Iain Duncan Smith in a no-confidence vote Wednesday, and party officials began to unite around a possible successor in hopes of averting a fractious leadership battle.

Former Cabinet minister Michael Howard emerged as a favorite to replace Smith when another possible contender, former party chairman David Davis, said he would not seek the leadership and would support Howard.

The party's trade spokesman, Tim Yeo, also considered a likely candidate, also urged Howard to run as did other party officials.

Whoever becomes the Tory leader would likely be the main opponent to Prime Minister Tony Blair of the Labor Party in the next national election.

Howard, 62, is a respected Conservative official who is considered a possible leader. The party has been riven by factionalism since the end of Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher's 11-year rule.

"I have . . . decided to stand aside from this contest in favor of Michael Howard, whom I believe will be well placed to unite the party and win the next election," Davis said. "I'm doing this in the hope that we can unite around one candidate."

Lawmakers voted 90-75 against Duncan Smith, who failed to unite the once-mighty party in his two years at its helm.

"The parliamentary party has spoken . . . and I will stand down as leader when a successor has finally been chosen," Duncan Smith said in a brief statement. "I will give that leader my absolute loyalty and support wherever it is."

Besides Howard, others cited as possible leadership contenders include the party's deputy leader Michael Ancram and chairman Therese May.

Sir Michael Spicer, the Conservative official who announced the outcome, said nominations for leadership candidates would be accepted until Nov. 6, with the first round of voting Nov. 11.

Conservative lawmakers will hold a series of ballots, each time knocking out the candidate with the fewest votes. The final two contenders will then face off in a nationwide ballot of party members, after campaigning across the country.

Duncan Smith was elected party leader in 2001, after the Tories suffered a second crushing election defeat at the hands of Blair's Labor Party.

Duncan Smith surprised many by leading the traditionalist Tories in a moderate direction.

He appointed the party's first female chairman, supported a Tory lawmacker who disclosed he was gay, and sought to make the party more inclusive by attracting more women, ethnic minorities and young people.

He also managed to gloss over the party's divisions on Britain's involvement in the European Union, and forged ahead with new policies on improving pubic services.

But Duncan Smith failed to impose discipline and loyalty, and many lawmakers sniped about his lack of charisma. Regarded as a slicked and wodden speaker, he rarely fared well against Blair in their weekly showdowns in the House of Commons. Howard is reputedly the only man on the Conservative front bench that the prime minister respects as an orator.

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Congress boosts firefighting funds

Legislators allot $2.9 billion to fight, prevent forest fires

WASHINGTON — With California’s forests in flames, Congress gave fresh attention Wednesday to a plan that would allow more tree cutting on federal land and near a vote on a record $2.9 billion to fight and prevent forest fires.

The spending bill before the House included $800 million for battling wild­fires, about $289 million more than the current budget, and $937 million for activities aimed at reducing the fire threat in all federal forests.

For some lawmakers, the issue was a personal one. Among those supporting the increased firefighting money was R e p . D u n l e y , H u n t e r , B. ­ C a l i f . , w h o s e house east of San Diego was one of many destroyed by fires that cover land the size of Rhode Island. Meanwhile, the Senate by a 97-1 vote gave a tentative nod to a compromise bill aimed at reducing future fire risks by allowing for expanded thinning of timber in 20 million acres of federal forests. Supporters of the bill said it would reduce the amount of underbrush and small trees that can turn a forest into a tinderbox.

During the day, California Gov.-elect Arnold Schwarzenegger visited Capitol Hill and appealed for help. "The huge disastrous fires have changed my mission," he said. "I’m now looking for federal money for ... the victims of the fire."

The forest­thinning legis­lation, which has been controversial, attracted newly broad sup­port as it moved toward final approval, probably on Thursday. Lawmakers con­sidered a series of amend­ments late Wednesday.

Supporters of the bill said it was needed to thin out dead and small trees and underbrush that can con­tribute to the rapid spread of fires and also make forests more sus­ceptible to disease and insect infestation. "Catastrophic wildfires, not logging ... is killing Oregon’s forests," said Sen. Gordon Smith, R-Ore.

Environmentalists have argued that the bill would open areas of the federal forests to unnecessary log­ging under the guise of fire­pre­vention. While more restrictive than a House­passed forest bill, it would allow some timber sales without environmental review and limit the ability to challenge timber con­tracts in court.

"We could see widespread heavy logging of mature trees even in pristine road­less areas," Sen. Tom Harkin, D-Iowa, com­plained.

But other Democratic sen­ators argued that the legis­lation would continue to safeguard forests, especially old­growth timber.

"This legislation is not a logging bill. This legislation would allow the brush to be cleared out and provide the first statutory protection of old growth forests and large trees," said Sen. Dianne Feinstein, D-Calif.

The legislation calls for $760 million a year for forest­thinning activities with half of the money earmarked for forests near developed areas. Some sen­ators said more money — as much as 70 percent — should be funneled to forests near where people live because wildfires in such areas pose the greatest threat.

The White House, meanwhile, said it supported the Senate legislation as it stood and opposed any changes that might jeopardize an agreement with the House.
A different side of Father Poorman

Debating the ‘Catholic vote’

Let me set Peter Quaranta’s charge, in his Oct. 29 column, that pro-life Catholics who vote Republican do so on utilitarian grounds. Although the fact that millions of innocent American children have been killed in the womb provides a compelling incentive to oppose abortion, there are many non-utilitarian reasons to vote Republican.

Respecting the life of all human beings, especially the unborn, is the cornerstone of what it means to be pro-life. If you accept the Catholic premise that human personhood begins at conception, then abortion must rank amongst the most heinous of crimes against humanity. It is the murder of the most defenseless and innocent people in society. The Church’s teaching on this issue is very clear. Human life must be respected and protected absolutely from the moment of conception.

An intellectually honest Catholic should also carefully consider his or her position on the death penalty. However, the Church concedes that “the traditional teaching of the Church does not exclude recourse to the death penalty, if this is the only possible means of effectively defending human life.” (Cf. Lec. 2627).

No one can disagree about whether capital punishment can be justified in modern society. However, one must acknowledge the potential evil of killing a criminal convicted of the most brutal crimes pales in comparison to the egregiousness of murdering innocent persons through abortion. A good Catholic pray for an end to both of these practices. But, given the choice between two evils, capital punishment is by far the lesser.

Quaranta is right in encouraging Catholics to support candidates who consistently uphold the Gospel message. To that end, the moral basis of their voting decisions is what is important. On the other hand, to the extent that candidates are interested in the opinions of the Church, I believe the Church would kindly encourage people to vote against candidates who support the death penalty or the use of abortion medicine.

Since 1970, the pro-life movement has grown by leaps and bounds. It has become a movement of millions of people who are committed to defending human life from conception to natural death.

Many on campus think of him as the author of conscience behind the campaign to protect the alcohol policy and the reason why the sensus must act at night in the dorm. While parts of this may be true, those who know Father Mark Poorman well report that he is a man of many great memories, in particular from his time as the rector of Dillon Hall. He later earned a Ph.D. in Christian Ethics from the Graduate Theological Union at Berkeley and returned to Notre Dame to hold various teaching and administrative positions. He gladly accepted University President Father Edward Malloy’s invitation in 1999 to be vice president of student affairs.

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An Alumnus usually ask each other two questions that pro-life Catholics must wade through numerous debates to find a path forward, a path that is consistent with our commitment to protecting human life. The first question is: Why do we choose to reverse the four billion procedures that we know cause the death of human beings? The second question is: Does our vote for pro-choice candidates who support the death penalty or the use of abortion medicine mean that we have abandoned our commitment to protecting human life? Father Poorman is a man of principled convictions, and for that reason, I believe he is right to call on his fellow Catholics to consider carefully their voting decisions.

Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

I am writing to express my concern about the recent editorial in The Observer. The editorial was written by Father Theodore Hesburgh, a well-known figure in the Catholic community, and it contained comments that I believe are misleading and inaccurate.

The editorial in question was published on October 30, 2003, and it discussed the issue of capital punishment. The author, Father Hesburgh, argued that capital punishment is a justifiable form of punishment for certain crimes, and that it is a matter of personal conscience for individuals to decide whether or not to support candidates who support the death penalty.

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In his Oct. 28 column, Peter Quaranto argues that the "approaches of many Catholics... to the political arena are misguided and immoral." This may or may not be true, but unfortunately Quaranto shows in his article that his understanding of politics is beyond misguided or misinformed; it is nonexistent.

I agree with the Catholic bishops' missive, which Quaranto claims to support, that Catholics have a moral obligation to be politically involved. His answers, though, would do the opposite. First, he suggests that Catholics without a "solid grounding in church teaching and doctrine," may mean nothing more than a particular strand of doctrine with which Quaranto agrees.

Beyond this ideological problem, his idea of a Catholic candidate is as politically wrongheaded as his blank ballot scheme. Catholics are (and always have been) a minority in this country. If we present a presidential candidate whose only appeal is his or her Catholicism, we are destined to lose every time. Rather than convincing the two major parties to take us seriously, such a move would alienate us. People in the past feared that Catholics would try to destroy the separation between church and state. Quaranto would play into their hands.

Quaranto fails to acknowledge the reality that other groups exist in society besides Catholics. In politics, it is necessary to build coalitions between those diverse groups and to compromise. Thus, Catholics must look for a candidate with some element or another of a candidate's platform. In a society of hundreds of millions of people, no candidate will be perfectly acceptable to each person. Our group is no different.

As Catholic, I see no mistake this necessary compromise for utilitarianism. But when we do not completely agree with either party, don't we have to assess the relative benefits and drawbacks of each candidate? Using language associated with concerns of "utility" does not automatically make us utilitarians.

Quaranto confuses a type of political philosophy with a natural cost-benefit analysis that is necessary to almost every choice we make. I do not even know how to respond to Quaranto's claim that "Republicans remain committed generally to an anti-life agenda on other issues." This seems completely devoid of any attempt to even understand why Republicans hold the positions that they do. Let alone any reasoned analysis of political issues. I doubt Republicans would call themselves anti-life. But many Democrats do not use the label either. It seems perfectly appropriate, though, for a far-left Catholic demagogue to say something like this.

Finally, for all his talk of faithfulness to Catholicism, Quaranto manages to betray his faith by arrogating for himself the power of God. And though my mind is incapable of fathoming the Lord's divine wisdom, I surely hope that He will not condemn him for one day at the polls. "Judge not, lest you be judged." seems a lesson that was lost on Quaranto. I suggest that before Quaranto write another one of his columns condemning the rest of campus for not joining in the activities like Peace Ca­lition, Pax Christi or the Progressive Social Alliance, he spend some time trying to dislodge the wooden beam from his eyes.

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Focus on commitment in gay marriage issue

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By JON RETARVHA  Assistant Scene Editor

The weather may be getting colder, but the Notre Dame Glee Club is just getting warmed up for its Fall Concert weekend. This group of about sixty male performers has already taken the South by storm, spending fall break touring Georgia, Tennessee, South Carolina, Illinois and Pennsylvania, and now they are gearing up for their return to South Bend on Thursday and Friday.

The Glee Club has a rich tradition in music at the University, spanning eighty-eight years and 2,000 participants. The group is particularly known for its close-knit membership, with many members choosing to live together both on and off campus. The Glee Club also has a very strong Alumni club, as was seen earlier in the football season as dozens returned to sing on the field during the annual Glee Club Alumni Weekend. Known as "the musical ambassadors of Notre Dame," these young men tour the country and the world while also dedicating their time to developing and strengthening their talents while not performing. This dedication stems from a shared love for music, as is seen in the variety of different performances they put on each year, with audiences from four to 4,000. They have four premier performances each year — one in the fall, one for Christmas, one in the spring and one for Commencement. Some of their smaller performances include events on home football weekends and at freshman orientation activities. Their attire also mirrors their performances, ranging from polo shirts and khakis to bow ties and tails.

The men of the Notre Dame Glee Club tour many parts of the country, including many Southern states, New England and the Midwest. They tour twice a year and hit anywhere from seven to ten engagements in a tour. In addition to the American tours, they travel abroad every two years. Their most recent tour, in the summer of 2003, included bookings in Italy, Austria, the Czech Republic, Germany, Switzerland, France, Spain and Ireland. The 2001 tour traveled through Bangkok, Singapore, Shanghai, Beijing, Hong Kong and Taipei. They have also toured the Middle East as well.

Before all this jet setting and fame can materialize, however, a prospective member must go through the audition process. Many of the members are quick to point out, though, that the audition is not the spotlight on a dark, empty stage that many would imagine. Nor are the judging members Simon Cowell impersonators. Most auditions are held in the fall, at the beginning of the year, but some may be held at mid-year if the numbers warrant it. The audition process is very informal, and all male members of the Notre Dame community are welcome to try out, regardless of experience. As their club Web site points out, "singing in the shower is documentable singing experience!" The audition itself does not even require prepared music, but is rather a chance for the director, Dan Stowe, to simply get a feeling for the ability of the applicant in regards to matching a pitch or holding a tune. The ability to read music is not required. The second aspect of the audition process is an interview with several glee club members.

The Glee Club has a repertoire rich in Notre Dame Tradition. Some of the songs that make their way frequently into performances include the "Victory March," the "Alma Mater," "Hike Notre Dame," "Irish Backs," "On Down the Line" and "Notre Dame We Hall Thee." They also specialize in many Irish classics, such as "My Wild Irish Rose," "Loch Lomond," "Danny Boy" and "Clancy Lowered the Boom." Several spiritual tunes are favorites of the Glee Club as well, including "Got a Mind to Do Right" and "Swing Down Charlot." All of these years of performing these classic songs have given birth to an extensive recording career for the Notre Dame Glee Club. Their latest release, "In Dulci Jubilo," exhibits many of the Christmas tunes performed in the holiday season by the club. Their album Under the Dome mirrors their fall and spring performances, with mixtures of classical songs and Notre Dame Traditions. Shake Down the Thunder is the collection of Notre Dame Fight songs performed by the Glee Club. Finally, Music from the Basilica highlights many Renaissance pieces performed in Glee Club concerts.

Much of the broadening of the club's collection of music is attributed to Stowe, who is entering his tenth year at Notre Dame. After doing graduate work at the University of Southern California and Cornell University, he went on to conduct the U.C. Davis Choruses, Chamber Singers and Early Music Ensemble, as well as the Cornell University Chorale. He also serves as the Notre Dame Orchestra conductor.

The Glee Club is ready to embark on another exciting year of concerts at Notre Dame. With music that everyone will enjoy, this Halloween weekend is the perfect time to experience one of Notre Dame's unique treasures. Performances are Thursday and Friday at 8 p.m. in Washington Hall. Tickets may be purchased at the door or at the LaFortune box office. The Thursday performance is free of charge, and the Friday performance is $3.00.

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The Glee Club has four major concerts throughout the year and will be heard this weekend performing their eclectic style at Washington Hall this weekend.

Glee Club returns home

The internationally-enjoyed singing group has its fall concert this weekend at Washington Hall
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ND Presents dances to start

U.S. Cellular and Notre Dame team up to help bring culture and the arts to the South Bend community

By SARAH VABULAS
Senior Editor

To connect with its new neighbors, U.S. Cellular has entered into a major sponsorship agreement that unites the company with both Notre Dame and the city of South Bend. Under this agreement, U.S. Cellular will sponsor "ND Presents: LIVE at the Morris." The series will celebrate music and the arts through three performances — The Suzanne Farrell Ballet, La Boheme and Cirque Unite, taking place at the Morris Performing Arts Center throughout the coming months.

"This series at the Morris is a fine example of how public/private sponsorships with South Bend and Notre Dame can benefit the entire community," said South Bend Mayor Stephen Luecke. "It is my great pleasure to welcome U.S. Cellular to South Bend and thank them for their significant commitment to our community.

"We greatly appreciate U.S. Cellular's support of this program that benefits students and residents alike," said John Haynes, Judd and Mary Lou Leighton director of performing arts for Notre Dame and executive director of the Marie P. DeBartolo Center for the Performing Arts. "We look forward to enhancing our relationship with U.S. Cellular in the future as the university expands its involvement in the performing arts.

On Monday, U.S. Cellular, which will offer wireless service to northern Indiana starting Nov. 1, presented Notre Dame with a check for $15,000 to sponsor the new series.

"On behalf of Notre Dame, we know that this is the beginning of a long relationship with U.S. Cellular that benefits both the residents of the South Bend area as well as Notre Dame students," Haynes said.

Tuesday night, the first of the three events took place at the Morris Performing Arts Center — The Suzanne Farrell Ballet. It was a beautiful event with amazing and talented dancers. They lit up the stage with elaborate costumed and graceful, poetic movements throughout the four-part ballet. The men and women of the company include principal dancers Jennifer Fournier, Chan Han Goh, Natalia Magnificaballi, Peter Boal and Runqiao Du.

They danced "Divertimento No. 15" by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, the "Pas de Deux" from Swan Lake by Peter Ilyich Tchaikovsky, "Tempo di Vale" from The Nutcracker by Tchaikovsky and "Serenade" by Tchaikovsky.

In 1993 and 1994, in order to fulfill a mission to enhance the arts education of America's young people, the Education Department of the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts offered two series of ballet master classes for students from metropolitan Washington and Baltimore with the legendary Suzanne Farrell.

This series provided intermediate to advanced-level ballet students the opportunity to study with one of the greatest ballerinas of the 20th century. Due to the uniqueness of Farrell's place in the ballet world and the quality of her teaching, the Kennedy Center enlarged the program to a national level in 1995. This intensive three-week program, Exploring Ballet with Suzanne Farrell, takes place each summer and has just finished its 11th session.

In the fall of 1999, Farrell took cues from the masters of ballet in whom she danced, admired and inspired to present The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts special production of 'Divertimento No. 15' was rapt, lyric, gloriously unified in tone and filled with moments in which dancers were at thrilling risk, reaching beyond their capabilities they're certain of to become more than they or we dreamed they might be," Tobi Tobias of New York Magazine said.

The company again performed in early 2001 at Seven Days of Opening Nights at Florida State University where, at the beginning of the 2000 academic year, Farrell accepted a tenured professorship in the Dance Department.

That exclusive engagement included the company premiere of Balanchine's "Raymonda Variations" and "Who Cares?" as well as A Farewell to Music with Canadian choreographer Anthony Morgan.

Following this extensive fall 2003 US tour that will, for the first time, take them in the West Coast, the company will open the Kennedy Center's 2003-2004 ballet season with a full week of performances in the Eisenhower Theater.

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From left to right, Mark Eagan, St. Joseph Chamber of Commerce president; Kenneth DeBartolo, U.S. Cellular director of sales; and John Rooney, U.S. Cellular president

The Kennedy Center helped promote the development of the Suzanne Farrell Ballet Co. in Chaconne so that it might grow to the touring state it is today.

From left to right, Jay Ellison, U.S. Cellular Executive Vice President presents cheque to John Haynes, executive director of Marie P. DeBartolo Center for the Performing Arts, with John Rooney, U.S. Cellular President.

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DENVER — Even after picking up two fouls less than two minutes into the contest and half of January in this game, Anthony had 12 points and seven rebounds in his NBA debut. He was the Denver Nuggets' 6-7, 220-pound forward who had 18 points and 13 assists for the Indiana Pacers, who had 18 points and 13 assists for the Indiana Pacers. 

He was the team's game leader for assists and steals and scored 16 in his NBA debut. 

Raja Bell, who signed with the Pacers, who had 18 points and 13 assists for the Indiana Pacers, played at a high level and with a lot of passion to earn this win against a good team. 

without Antoine Walker than other teams to check into an alcohol treatment program to help him

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."The theory behind the trade was that subtracting Walker's sometimes dominating presence will get the others more involved in the game. 

"The ball is moving a lot better. They don't have one guy controlling the ball," said Jimbo Coyle, who finished last season with Boston and started this one with the Heat. 

"I see the trade benefiting the Celtics. Not taking anything away from an Indiana team. It will give the other guys more scoring for the other games on the road." 

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Vasquez, who signed with the Pacers, held on for an victory over the Detroit Pistons, who got it from the bench. 

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Jim Ochoçe loves the Legion.

"To tell you the truth, I wasn't nervous," said Arroyo, who was making his NBA debut. "I just think this game let us know where we are and that we know we're capable of winning some games."

"I don't think that draft pick Sasha Pavlovic made his first four shots and scored 16 in his NBA debut. "It was kind of like, you know, with a free agent this summer. Also, I had 16 points, including a 3-point shot that tied it and got the go-ahead basket for a lead the Jazz never gave up."
Olympics

IOC reviews legality of retroactive drug tests

Associated Press

LONDON — The IOC is looking into whether drug tests at the 2002 Salt Lake City Olympics can be rechecked for the recently discovered steroid THG. IOC medical director Patrick Schamasch said Wednesday.

"The samples exist, now we have to drill into all the juridical issues," Schamasch said in a telephone interview Wednesday.

"We have all the information on the potential legal issues, my proposal will be to ask our president (Jacques Rogge), and he will decide." The IOC also is asking scientists if the frozen 19-month-old samples are viable.

"We want to be sure that the quality of the sample is still good in order not to face any legal issue with a potential degradation," he said. "It's a very sensitive issue." Dr. Don Catlin, who heads the Olympic drug-testing laboratory at UCLA, where 200 to 300 samples from the 2002 Winter Games are stored, said in a telephone interview Wednesday that retesting is still possible for THG, a previously undetectable drug.

"The World Anti-Doping Agency has urged retesting of all stored samples worldwide, international track and field officials plan to retest 400 samples from the world championships in Paris in August. "Everybody around that has old samples is interested to know whether they could or should retest them for THG," Catlin said Wednesday. "There are a number of legal issues. They want to know if the samples are stored under chain of custody. There are a myriad of issues that arise."

The IOC's doping rules only require drug testers to keep backup samples of positive tests for 90 days, while backups of negative tests must be kept for 30 days.

Catlin's lab has samples from as far back as the 1984 Los Angeles Olympics, and retested them last year for testosterone levels. Such testing is done more to determine the stability of such samples over time.

NFL

Tuiasosopo to start for Raiders

Associated Press

ALAMEDA, Calif. — Marques Tuiasosopo will start at quarterback for the Oakland Raiders on Sunday at Detroit in place of injured Rich Gannon.

Gannon, the reigning NFL MVP, was listed as doubtful Wednesday with a shoulder injury. The Raiders still haven't said how severely the 37-year-old Gannon is hurt.

Gannon was injured in the Raiders' 17-10 loss to Kansas City on Oct. 20 and hasn't thrown a pass since. The 24-year-old Tuiasosopo nearly rallied the Raiders (2-5) to a comeback win against the Chiefs, but fell just short when Tim Brown was tackled on the 1-yard line as time expired. Tuiasosopo was 16-for-28 for 224 yards after replacing Gannon.

Tuiasosopo, a seldom-used backup in his third pro season after a stellar college career at Washington, has had extra time taking snaps with the first-team offense because the Raiders had their bye last week.

"I'm just fired up to be able to contribute to the team a little bit more and help us win a ballgame," he said. "I'm just going out there to try to have some fun and try to win. It's been a while. We need to get back on a win streak."

MLB

Maddux, Millwood file for free agency

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Greg Maddux and Kevin Millwood, teammates with the Atlanta Braves from 1997-2002, headed the list of 16 players who filed for free agency Wednesday.

Maddux's filing could signify the end of his 18-year association with the Braves. The 37-year-old righthander was 14-11 with a 4.01 earned run average last season, when he set a major league record for most consecutive seasons to lead the league in wins.

Maddux and the Braves nearly parted ways last winter before agreeing on a one-year, $14.75 million contract.

While Maddux is expected to be among the most sought after free agents, the team remains out on Millwood, who put together an erratic 2003 campaign for the Philadelphia Phillies. The 28-year-old right-hander was 14-12 with a 4.01 ERA and threw a no-hitter on April 27. But he also failed to produce down the stretch for a team desperately needing an ace.

Millwood made $9.9 million in 2003 and was hoping to land a big, multi-year contract.

Other starting pitchers filing Wednesday were Pat Hentgen of the Baltimore Orioles, Kenny Rogers of the Minnesota Twins and Pedro Astacio of the New York Mets.

Seattle Mariners All-Star closer Shigetoshi Hasegawa also filed. Coming off the best season of his career, Hasegawa offers teams the flexibility of being able to set up or close.

Wednesday's filings brought to 149 the numbers of players who have opted for free agency.

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Green arrested for marijuana possession

Associated Press

WESTLAKE, Ohio — Cleveland Browns running back William Green pleaded innocent Wednesday to charges of marijuana possession and driving under the influence.

Green was arrested Monday after police received a cell phone call from a motorist reporting a possible drunken driver. An officer found a bag of marijuana weighing 3.2 grams in Green's car, according to police.

If convicted of the DUI charge, Green could be put on probation or face up to a $1,000 fine and six months in jail. His license could be suspended for up to three years.

The marijuana charge is a misdemeanor and carries a $100 fine.

Green and his attorney did not comment after the arraignment.

“Our team policy dictates that we handle all incidents involving our players within the organization on an individual basis,” Browns president Carmen Policy said. “William is represented by counsel, and we have been assured that we will be kept advised throughout these proceedings. We will work in conjunction with the National Football League to monitor this matter closely.”

NFL spokesman Greg Aiello would not comment specifically on Green's case. But Aiello did say that under the league's substance abuse policy, any player breaking alcohol- or drug-related laws is subject to a fine and suspension.

Green was released on bond Monday night.

Green, in his second NFL season, missed Cleveland's game last Sunday against the New England Patriots with a separated right shoulder. It would have been a homecoming of sorts for Green, who starred at Boston College before turning pro after his junior season.

While at BC, Green was twice suspended from the team for marijuana use.

The Browns made him the 16th overall pick in the 2002 NFL draft.

Following a slow start as a rookie, Green ran for 887 yards — 726 in his final seven games — as the Browns won seven of their last 10 games to earn a playoff spot.

Green leads Cleveland (3-5) this season with 559 yards on 142 carries.

Cleveland Browns running back William Green is tackled in a game against the San Diego Chargers. Green pleaded innocent Wednesday to charges of marijuana possession and drunk driving.

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LeBron James sets up for a shot in his first professional game. Though Cleveland lost to Sacramento 106-92, James made a mark with 25 points and nine assists.

James lives up to expectations in NBA debut

Associated Press

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — LeBron James — except for the result.
LeBron James more than lived up to his hype in the first regular-season game of his NBA career, playing like no other 18-year-old ever had in his professional basketball debut as the Cleveland Cavaliers lost 106-92 Wednesday night to the Sacramento Kings.
James had 25 points, nine assists, six rebounds and four steals, mesmerizing one of the league’s loudest crowds with skills no teenager had ever displayed at this level.
James’ point total was by far the most by any prep-to-pro rookie since Kobe Bryant made the jump in 1996, eclipsing the 10 points scored by both Jonathan Bender of Indiana in his 1999 debut and Amare Stoudemire of Phoenix last year.
In fact, James’ 25 points eclipsed the combined totals of Bryant (two points), Jermaine O’Neal (two), Kwame Brown (two), Eddy Curry (two), Tyson Chandler (one), Kevin Garnett (eight) and Tracy McGrady (none) in their professional debuts.
James led the Cavaliers back from an early 19-point deficit, giving Cleveland its first lead by feeding J.R. Bremer for a 3-pointer that made it 85-83 with 10:05 left in the fourth.
Sacramento regained control with a 6-0 run, and the Cavaliers never made a game of it down the stretch. James capped his night by shooting an airball from 3-point range just before the final buzzer, drawing taunts from the fans.
Those taunts, however, were only half-hearted. James entertained the fans too much to be treated too shabbily.
Though the Cavaliers often were uncreative running their halfcourt offense, James made things happen whenever he was moving with the ball — using his first step to get around defenders and initiate action.
James’ best stretch of the third quarter included a high-arching bank over Vlade Divac on a 1-on-3 break, followed by a left-handed finger-roll from 5 feet away in the lane.
As impressive as that stretch was, it was equaled by what James did right from the get-go.
Just 88 seconds into the game, James earned his first professional assist on Donyell Marshall’s pass to Ricky Davis for a dunk.

IN BRIEF

Lemieux becomes sixth to reach 1,700 points

PITTSBURGH — Just like always, it was Mario Lemieux who got the rebuilding Pittsburgh Penguins going — this time, with his history-making 1,700th point. As usual, it was the other team that had the big finish.
Lemieux became the sixth player in NHL history with 1,700 points with an assist that started a four-goal run by Pittsburgh, but the New York Islanders scored twice in the third period for a 4-4 tie Wednesday night.
"I thought we were going to win the way we played the first two periods," said Lemieux, who scored in his seventh straight game. "It’s disappointing.
Not necessarily to the Islanders, who are 9-1-3 in their last 14 games against Pittsburgh.
"It’s bad the way we played in Pittsburgh’s two-goal second period," Islanders goalie Garth Snow said. "But in the hole two goals in the third period and to come back and salvage a point, it’s good."
With the Islanders up 2-0 late in the first, Lemieux took Konstantin Koltsov’s pass along the right wing boards, slipped the puck between the legs of defensemen Janne Niinimaa, then made a backhanded pass to the slot to Dick Tarnstrom for his second goal of the season.
"It’s nice to get it out of the way," Lemieux said. "Sometimes when you’re going for a milestone, you try to do too much."
Lemieux joins Wayne Gretzky (2,857), Gordie Howe (1,850), Mark Messier (1,847), Marcel Dionne (1,771) and Carolina Hurricanes captain Ron Francis (1,768) on the 1,700-point list. Only Gretzky reached the mark faster than Lemieux.
Lemieux’s exceptional play not only halted what was threatening to become another Islanders’ rout of Pittsburgh, it was the first of the Penguins’ four straight goals — a

around the dial

NBA
Washington at Chicago 1 p.m., FSN
Denver at Houston 8 p.m., TNT
Cleveland at Phoenix 10:30 p.m., TNT

COLLEGE FOOTBALL
Boise State at BYU 7:30 p.m., ESPN

NHL
Philadelphia at New Jersey 10 p.m., ESPN2
Bryant says he'll get along with Shaq

Bryant castigated O'Neal during a telephone interview with ESPN, alluding to O'Neal as "unprofessional," "selfish," "fat" and "jalousie." He also accused the 7-footer of overstating the severity of his foot injury last season when he reported to training camp overweight.

Bryant's comments came a day after O'Neal said the Lakers were "my team," adding that Bryant needed to be more of a team player — an observation based on two exhibition games.

"We're cool. We talked this morning. He said what he said. I said what I said. We put it behind us," Bryant said after the Lakers' victory. "Shaq and I are going to move on. I'm here to train and help this team to a fourth title."

Asked if he wanted to clarify the comments to ESPN, Bryant replied, "I don't have anything to clarify. I'm past it." O'Neal blamed the media for starting the controversy.

"We do have some issues," he told TNT after the game. "(Bryant) said something that was misconstrued and I said something that was misconstrued and we talked about it. Right now, we are going to play."

We are just trying to win."

One member of the Lakers said Tuesday morning's meeting lasted about 20 minutes, with O'Neal and Bryant addressing the team but not each other. The only other player to speak was Karl Malone, the player said.

"What we tried to do was not to overkill the situation," guard Derek Fisher said. "We all know it's there, we're aware of it, it's not necessarily going to go away just today, so we addressed it."

At practice Monday, Jackson ordered the team not to discuss the dustup with reporters. He fined Bryant for defying that order by talking to ESPN later that day.

"We had an agreement, the agreement was broken," Jackson said. "We were really disappoint­ed about that.

Bryant appeared on the court with about 15 seconds left in the team's victory. He said what he said, I clarified. I'm past it."

O'Neal's comments came a day after he said he wasn't interested in a third fight.

Six weeks after losing the disputed decision, De La Hoya promised Wednesday to get back in the ring one more time with Mosley.

"I'm definitely going to fight again, that's for sure," he said. "I will box again. This will definitely be a rematch with Mosley."

De La Hoya was outraged by the defeat and demanded an investigation into the unani­mous decision. He has since backed away from that.

I had a lot of response from fans who said, "You were cheated. How can this happen?" De La Hoya said.

"A decision is a decision. They can be wrong at times. People make mistakes. Nobody's perfect."

I landed over 150 more punches and didn't get the decision. The public knows who really won. As long as the public knows who really won, that's all that matters." De La Hoya made the comments Wednesday during a news conference to introduce him as an Olympic boxing commentator for Telemundo. The Spanish language network owned by NBC. He will also contribute to NBC's coverage of the Athens Games.

Telemundo plans more than 130 hours of program­ming from Athens, the first exclusively non-English lan­guage Olympic broadcast in U.S. television history. It will be part of 400 1/2 hours of coverage from Athens, nearly double the 441 1/2 hours of NBC's coverage from Sydney in 2000.

Broadcasting is a new experience for De La Hoya, a five-time champion who recorded a second-round KO that was nominated for a Grammy in 2000 and formed his own boxing promotion company, Golden Boy Promotions, in 2001.

"The strategy is to be honest with the viewer," he said. "You cannot cheat them. You have to be honest. That's what I believe in. I want to tell the story, tell it right and make sure the viewer understands it."

De La Hoya said he was expected to be returning to the Olympics for the first time since he won a gold medal at Barcelona in 1992.

"I always wanted to go back to the Olympics as a spectator," he said. "Never in my wildest dreams did I think I would go as a com­mentator. It hits home. It touches my heart. This is a huge honor and I appreciate the opportunity."

De La Hoya said he was concentrating on his promotional company and wants to use it as a vehicle to change boxing.

"It takes time," he said. "To be able to correct a bad decision, I think we need that. I feel I can make a difference and take care of boxers. There is so much room to make the sport a better one. It can be a sport organized like the NBA or major league baseball. It's a mission I have, to make a difference, especially for fighters."
NFL

Falcons need Vick to return soon to save season

Quarterback has been out since preseason with ankle injury

Associated Press

FLOWERY BRANCH, Ga. — After watching his team go off to a miserable start without its best player, Atlanta Falcons coach Dan Reeves wants Michael Vick back on the field now.

No way, says Vick, who insists he won't come back until his broken leg is totally healed.

And, in the first firm line to his return, Vick said Wednesday he’ll probably make his debut Dec. 7 against Carolina — much longer than the projected recovery period.

“I’m kind of frustrated,” he said, “I thought I would be back a little earlier. But I don’t have any control over the way my body feels. Right now, I can’t do it. Horribly can’t do it.”

Reeves obviously feels different. He gave a totally unsolecized assessment of Vick’s recovery after being asked a general question about how the Falcons (1-6) are holding up during a six-game losing streak.

“Mike needs to get back as soon as he possibly can,” Reeves said Wednesday. “He talks about how he shouldn’t come back until he realizes, too, that you’ve got a small window of opportunity, and he’s not getting better sitting on the sideline.”

Vick, a Pro Bowler in his second-stringer Doug Johnson started the first six games, but he was benched after throwing 10 interceptions. Third-stringer Kurt Kittner started the last game, a 45-17 loss to New Orleans, and will apparently only start again against Philadelphia.

As for Vick, Reeves said, “If he’s going to be better, going to get in ballgames and not watching Kurt and Doug playing. It’s the same.”

Reeves originally was told Vick would be out for six to eight weeks. Just to be on the conservative side, he figured his quarterback could be out as long as 10 weeks.

Under that scenario, Vick would have been ready to go Sunday. “He wants to get back out there as quick as he can,” Reeves said. “We’re about 10 weeks into this, and hopefully he’s close to being ready.”

Vick began running in a straight line on Monday without much problem, but found the leg was still too painful to do any change of direction or critical to the running ability that separates him from other Qbs.

Vick figures he’ll be able to resume practicing in two or three weeks, and he’d like to have at least two weeks of practice time before playing in a game.

While expressing surprise at Reeves’ comments, Vick said he doesn’t expect the situation to cause a rift between player and coach.

Vick said he has the support of owner Arthur Blank, who has told the quarterback to make sure he’s fully recovered before he tries to play. Blank, of course, also will decide Reeves’ fate.

Vick also suggested that his recovery has been prolonged because Reeves wants him at practice.

“I do a lot of standing on it in practice,” Vick said. “I think that’s set me back, too. I’m trying to stay off it as much as I can.”

The quarterback flatly rejected any suggestion he’s delaying his comeback because the Falcons’ season already appears hopeless. He said the team’s record is irrelevant, but he’s got to protect his future.

“These opponents don’t care about you,” Vick said. “I have to care about me. This is my livelihood. I want to play for a long time.”

Safety Keion Carpenter stood by his teammate and close friend.

“He’s one of the fiercest competitors I’ve ever met,” Carpenter said. “He’s the leader of this team. He wants to be out there, but nature won’t let him.”

In the past two weeks, Vick has spoken with Mcnabb, who acknowledged he wasn’t 100 percent when he returned for the playoffs last season. “It emphasized to me not to rush this,” Vick said.

Vick tried to play with a severely sprained ankle during his sophomore year at Virginia Tech, but could barely run. Never again.

“I go out and try to play at 80 percent. I’m not going to play like I want to play,” Vick said. “I know what that feeling is like. I don’t want to feel it again.”
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1 p.m.
LaFortune
followed by Mass at 1:30 at
St. Edward’s Hall Chapel
monday 11.03
Forgotten Wars
Paolo Mancinelli of Rome presents “The World’s Forgotten Wars” on the witness of the Community of Sant’Egidio, International Catholic Public Lay Association
4:00 p.m.
Coleman-Morse Lounge
tuesday 11.04
Campus Bible Study
7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
114, Coleman-Morse Center
Confirmation Session
Sponsor’s Meeting
7:00 - 8:45 p.m.
Siegefreid Hall Chapel
Weekly Spanish Mass
10:30 p.m.
St. Edward’s Hall
wednesday 11.05
Graduate Student Christian Fellowship
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Rev. William M. Lies, C.S.C.
11:45 a.m.
Rev. Mark L. Poorman, C.S.C.

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2nd: Romans 5:5-11
Gospel: John 11:17-27

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A Lesson Most Definitely Learned

by Karea Coughlin
Intern, Office of Campus Ministry

When I was a kid, being "cool" was never that appealing to me... but being strong, being tough — that meant EVERYTHING. I wanted to win every footrace, be the champion of every athletic event... and no matter what happened, I never wanted to reveal pain or weakness.

Irony. I have learned, seems to be the vehicle of choice for God as He teaches me (and the rest of the world) the most important lessons. In 1946, a tiny and unassuming young woman whose body suffered from the damage caused by tuberculosis began to follow a path that would bring unexpected hope and inspiration to this "modern" world diseased with despair. It was then that Agnus Gonxha Bojaxhiu, known to her fellow sisters of Loretto as "Teresa" heard a "call within a call" which demanded of her a complete surrender to God. And when this happens, she said, "the only thing to do is to say 'yes'."

Mother Teresa spent the last fifty years of her life working not to realize great aspirations of transforming the world, but rather to live with a dedication to holiness — a holiness she was certain was available to everyone. It was a holiness attained through following a "simple path." Silence, prayer, faith, love, service, and peace: these were her steps on the simple path to holiness. This meant loving Christ and doing so in the poorest of the poor by becoming one of them — sharing with them their suffering, washing their feet, tending to their wounds, caring for their sick and dying.

Simplicity? Poverty? But I wanted to be strong - not weak and poor. I wanted to do amazing things that would impress everyone, not 'simple' things that nobody noticed. How "great" and "effective" could a person be if he or she doesn't fight for something? Enter The Cross: the moment when God himself became weak and broken. And in this brokenness, He healed the world. And with Mother Teresa's life, He again reminds us that it is not important that we do 'great things,' but rather 'little things with great love.' She herself was a little thing with great love.

Mother Teresa will forever remind us that it is not important that we do 'great things,' but rather 'little things with great love.' She herself was a little thing with great love. Now that is strength... that is everything.
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to the Irish for the fifth straight year, as they hit .008 on the match, largely due to the dominating Irish blockers, who finished with 16.5 team blocks to the Redbirds' five.

"I think we were confident leaning into today's game," coach Deb Brown said. "I think that we feel like we knew that if we played well, we were capable of winning in three (games)."

Brewster led the Irish with her impressive .524 hitting percentage, as she had 11 kills in 21 attempts with no errors. She ended game three, and the match, with her strong serving (17 points on the net). Meanwhile, Kelbley hit a strong .444 with her 11 kills. Jessica Kinder also added nine kills to round out the offense.

However, this was after a horrendous first game, in which the Irish ended with a .044 hitting percentage.

"I just think that our set location wasn't as good as it could have been and it went much better in games two and three," Brown said.

The Irish didn't come to play in game one, making it easy on the Redbirds, as the Irish made mistakes on their side of the net. However, Illinois State didn't do much better, as they hit a meager .130 in the first game.

"I think it was more unforced errors than anything," Brown said. "But it was certainly uncharacteristic of this team and not the way we wanted to start game one."

Game two saw the Irish begin to play their game, as setter Kristen Kinder led her offense to a stellar .531 hitting percentage. The Irish closed the match hitting a respectable .333 in game three. Kinder finished with 29 assists on the match to go along with her 12 digs.

"I was pretty pleased with game two, and game three I thought we could have played better," Brown said.

Defensively, Meg Henican once again led the Irish, as the libero registered 17 digs.

In the end, the Irish got the job done, as they increased their win streak to 11 games, and they look forward to Syracuse on Sunday, when they resume Big East play.

"I don't want to sound like the coach who's never pleased, but we need to be better," Brown said. "We are preparing to play at a higher level -- to play in the NCAA tournament. What we're looking for is more consistent play from the beginning to the end of the match."

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ND WOMEN'S SWIMMING

Irish take down Tampa

Tampa, Fla. — The Notre Dame women's swimming team concluded a fall training trip to Florida Oct. 23 with a convincing 158-114 victory over the University of Tampa. The Irish won 11 of 14 events in improving its dual-meet record to 1-0, while Tampa is now 0-1.

In the first event, the 200 medley relay of freshman Rebecca Grove, senior Laurie Musgrave, sophomore Christel Bouvron and senior Danielle Hulick finished first, while the relay of freshman Ellen Johnson, junior Georgia Healey, senior Lisa D'Olier and freshman Meghan Linnelli placed second.

In the 1,000 freestyle as junior Kristen Peterson fin- ished in 10:32.25. Junior Brooke Taylor followed in 10:41.80 and junior Katie Eckholt placed fourth in 10:56.24.

The Irish dominated the 200 freestyle event, placing first, second, third and fifth. Freshman Ann Barton touched the wall in 1:55.36 in earning top honors, while senior Lisa Garcia was second in 1:55.57. Healey was third in 1:56.23 and freshman Abby Strang placed fifth in 1:59.63.

Women's Soccer

Loss could help Irish for playoffs

Over and over in sports sports fans have seen just how difficult it is for any team to go undefeated in a season. Barely even do championship teams escape their sea- son without at least one loss, and for all but the best teams winning every game is often an unrealistic goal.

Notre Dame's women's soccer team made it one game short of achieving that goal before running out of time against Michigan. With a No. 2 ranking, this begins the question about how the loss will affect the Irish come the postseason.

With the loss coming out of the Big East schedule, the Irish still remain the favorites to win their eighth Big East Championship in nine years, especially if normal standouts Mary Boland and Melissa Tancredi return Sunday from nagging ankle injuries. If the Irish are able to get through the Big East, they still likely will get one of the top four seeds in the NCAA Tournament, meaning they would likely get to host as many as four games. In short, this loss itself could have very little impact on the Irish in their upcoming postseason stand- ing.

So the next question is, how does this Irish team regroup for their game's Sunday against Miami? There are a few reas- ons to think that this loss could help the team's mentali- ty heading into the postseason. First, the Michigan game was a classic "trap game" for the Irish, who had only one game in between ending their dominating run through the conference and beginning the postseason on Sunday. Expect the Irish intensity to rise come Sunday.

Second, the loss to Michigan was a wake-up call for a team that had so thoroughly domi­ nated its last few opponents it was primed for a physical team like the Wolverines to catch them off guard. The Irish had scored 27 unanswered goals in a row before Wednesday's loss. Don't count on them being caught off- guard again.

Finally, the Irish now can head into the Big East not hav- ing to worry about how many teams they have shut out or how many games in a row they have won. Those types of statistical distractions are out of the picture with this loss, and it allows the Irish a chance to refocus on their two primary goals — winning the Big East Championship and winning the national champi­ onship.

And while the goal of an undefeated season was lost to Michigan, those other two goals are very much still in the picture.

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HOCKEY

Cey returns to net after missing first six games

Irish look to avoid letdown at home

By JUSTIN SCHUVER
Associate Sports Editor

He’s back.

After missing the first five games of the season recovering from off-season knee surgery, junior goaltender Morgan Cey will return to action this Thursday and Friday as the Irish take on Nebraska-Omaha at the Joyce Center.

Irish head coach Dave Poulin has made it perfectly clear that Cey remains the No. 1 goaltender on the team, despite the recent play of freshman David Brown.

"Morgan is going to play [Thursday] night and then we'll go from there," he said. "He's healthy and going to win the game."

The Irish went 3-2-0 (2-2-0 in the CCHA) in Cey's absence, to a large part due to the play of Brown, who pitched back-to-back shutouts in Notre Dame's two most recent wins, including an upset victory over then-No. 1 Boston College.

But it is hard to keep a talented player like Cey off the ice. Since arriving with the Irish in the 2000 season and making the CCHA all-rookie team as an honorable mention, the Canadian native has been Notre Dame's workhorse in net.

Over his first two seasons with the Irish, Cey appeared in 71 out of 79 possible games and collected a .912 save percentage and a 2.80 goals-against average. He is on pace to easily beat the Irish career goaltending records in each category (Tony Zasowski's .892 and Forrest Karr's 2.92, respectively).

Cey and the rest of the Irish will have to avoid a letdown against Nebraska-Omaha (0-3-1, 0-1-1) after knocking off the No. 1 team in the CCHA with a 9-2 win. The teams have met 13 times in the all-time series, with the Mavericks holding a 7-5-1 record.

"It's interesting because that might have been our best game of the year," Poulin said. "We created lots of chances, but just didn't finish them."

"We want to play that kind of game again, but we want to have a better final score."

In addition to solid goaltending, a key component of Notre Dame's start to the season has been a penalty kill that is ranked first in the CCHA with a 92 per-cent success rate. On the power play, however, the team has struggled — scoring just three goals with the man-advantage for a 10.5 percent success rate.

"Special teams play is a huge part of college hockey," Poulin said. "I think the power play has created chances but just hasn't scored. We're pretty close, I think."

"We have to get our power play going, though, there's no question. In each game there's a critical turning point where a power play goal can really help swing the momentum in your favor."

The Mavericks' last game was a 2-2 tie on the road against Western Michigan Oct. 18, the first game in which Nebraska-Omaha has earned a point this season.

Offensively, freshman forward Scott Parse leads the team with five points (three goals, two assists) and is followed by senior forward Andrew Wong with four points, all assists.

Senior Brian Haaland has been average in net so far this year, collecting a .893 save percentage and a 2.71 goals-against average. Nebraska-Omaha split a two-game series with the Irish last year, with each team collecting a 5-3 win. The teams have met 13 times in the all-time series, with the Mavericks holding a 7-5-1 edge over the Irish.

Faceoff for each game is scheduled for 7:35 p.m.

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-Goalie Dave Brown stops a shot against Boston College earlier this season. Brown was a replacement for Morgan Cey, who will return this week.

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FOOTBALL

Mattison was aware of Campbell's injury

Willingham, Baer didn't realize tackle hurt himself in game

By ANDREW SOUKUP
Sports Writer

All the conversation about Darrell Campbell's unexplained absences is baffling to Notre Dame coaches.

After Notre Dame's 27-25 loss to Boston College Saturday, both head coach Tyrone Willingham and defensive coordinator Kent Mattison said they didn't know Campbell was out of the game in the second half.

At his Tuesday press conference, Willingham said that it's the responsibility of the head coach or the defensive coordinator to know if a player is in or out because position coaches are often responsible for rotating players in and out.

"Sometimes I am not aware of some of the specific personnel," he said.

Campbell left Saturday's game because he said he felt a tingling feeling in his arm, defensive line coach Greg Mattison said. He is probable to Willingham.

"In my 30 years of coaching I have never, when a defensive lineman has told me he couldn't play, gone running to the head coach or defensive coordinator," Mattison said. "And I might say that when I was a defensive coordinator, if a guy would have come up to me and said, 'My nose guard can't play,' I would have looked at him like he had two heads and said, 'Put in the next guy who can.'

In the hands of the enemy

A copy of the Notre Dame playbook is in Tallahassee, Fla.

Or that's what Matt Root, a tight end who transferred from Notre Dame to Florida State in the spring, said, according to a story in the Tallahassee Democrat.

"I got all the playbooks," the Florida native boasted.

But Root said that Seminole coaches have teased him about turning them over, they haven't formally asked him for the playbooks. Instead, he said he has been queried about players and tendencies.

"That's all he'll be able to do to help beat his former team. Root is unable to play against the Irish because he must sit out for one year as mandated by NCAA regulations.

Booker's return

On signing day two years ago, Notre Dame head coach Tyrone Willingham believed his first Irish recruiting class would contain running back Lorenzo Booker, who planned to announce his decision on an evening ESPN telecast.

But on national television, Booker stifled the Irish and donated a Florida State hat. He is was aware he has been queried about turning them over, they haven't formally asked him for the playbooks.

"I just want to go out there and win that game," Booker told the Tallahassee Democrat. "Because walking off that field there, if we win that game, I'd be feeling real good — letting all of you guys know, 'Yeah, I made the right choice.'"

What tipped the balance, Booker said, was the fact that he couldn't see himself playing for Willingham.

"You can't be yourself," he said. "I felt whenever I was going to be around him, I would have to put on some kind of act."

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Irish running back Julius Jones runs against Boston College in the team's loss.

Spoiler

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Oklahoma or Miami lose and the Seminoles don't lose the rest of the way.

They'll be lead by Bobby Bowden who, with a 48-24 victory against Wake Forest Saturday, became the all-time winningest coach in Division I-A college football history.

Saturday's game will be the second time in three weeks that the Irish will face a Top 10 opponent. USC blew out Notre Dame 45-14 Oct. 18.

"We're lucky that our schedule at this time of the year gives us this opportunity that we have against one of the top four, three, five teams in the country, depending on what particular poll you are looking at," Willingham said. "We have got a great football team coming in here that gives us an opportunity to be the spoiler."

Notre Dame thrived in that role a year ago, when players claimed they weren't getting enough national respect a year after a losing season. The 2002 campaign culminated in a 34-24 win over USC.

Now, the situation is completely different.

Behind quarterback Chris Rix, who reconciled with his teammates over the offseason and now directs a potent offense, the Seminoles are a Miami last away from controlling their own destiny. The Irish, 2-5, are trying to avoid a woe that seems to be re-opened week after week.

Still, Willingham is encouraged by Notre Dame's 18-point rally last week. Trailing 24-2, the Irish took a one-point lead with less than five minutes remaining, only to watch the Eagles win with a last-second field goal.

And because the Irish haven't given up this season, according to Willingham, the head coach believes his team has a chance at winning this weekend.

"We can knock off Florida State," he said. "We have got to play consistent. We have got to execute.

"We can't have lulls because Florida State, from what I have seen this year, doesn't have lulls. They go pretty hard the entire football game."

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**WOMEN’S SOCCER**

**Wake-up call**

Irish drop first game of season 3-2 to Michigan at home

By ANDY TREGER

Sports Writer

The stage was set for the women’s soccer team to complete an undefeated regular season and win coach Randy Waldrum’s 200th game Wednesday night against Michigan.

Instead, the Wolverines snapped Notre Dame’s 10-game shutout streak early in the contest and went on to upset the second-ranked Irish 3-2 at Alumni Field.

The Irish, playing without their No. 2 scorer Mary Boland and defensive leader Melissa Tancredi, struggled from the onset against the physical Wolverines. Michigan took the lead early when Katie Kramer shot over Irish goalkeeper Erika Bohn for the 1-0 lead in the 12th minute.

The Irish, down for only the second time all season, struck back quickly. Senior Amanda Guertin nailed the crossbar off of a set play after a foul and then scored the equalizer only 64 seconds after the Michigan goal. Guertin made a move to get by Michigan goalkeeper Megan Tuura and stuck a low shot to make it 1-1.

Although it appeared the Irish were ready to seize the momentum, the Wolverines were not through as they used their only two corner kicks to build a two-goal lead. The first came late in the first half as Therese Heaton played a kick from Stephanie Chavez off of her other corner kick to take a 3-1 lead early in the second half. Bohn was able to stop and deflect the initial header, but the Irish were unable to make the clearance and Chavez deposited the goal.

Upon taking the two-goal lead, Michigan changed their strategy and dropped back into a more defensive game, forcing the Irish to take time in trying to chip away at the lead. After initially breaking the mass of see LDSS/page 24

"Everyone on our team is a competitor, so of course, we'd have liked to have walked away with a win."

Kim Carpenter

Irish captain

**ND VOLLEYBALL**

Win streak hits 11 with sweep

Irish win 3-0 over ISU at Joyce Center

By HEATHER VAN HOEGARDEN

Sports Writer

The middle blockers of the Irish cannot be stopped, as Illinois State found out Wednesday night at the Joyce Center. Sophomore middle blockers Lauren Brewer and Lauren Kelbly combined for five blocks and 22 kills on route to the 3-0 Irish sweep of the Redbirds (30-23, 30-18, 30-20).

The Redbirds (11-13) lost see SWEEP/page 25

Jessica Kinder blocks a shot against Seton Hall earlier this season. The Irish beat Illinois State in three sets Wednesday.

FOOTBALL

Irish looking to upset No. 5 FSU

By ANDREW SOUKUP

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Oh, how times have changed for the Irish.

A year ago — or 10 years ago, if you will — Notre Dame played (and beat) Florida State in two games with national title implications. This year, Notre Dame can only play the role of a spoiler.

A week ago, Notre Dame lost to Boston College in a game coaches defined as "must-win" if the Irish wanted to go to a bowl. This week, it's "a heck of an opportunity to upset one of the best teams in the country," Irish head coach Tyrone Willingham said.

That's what the Irish season has been reduced to as the door was slammed virtually shut on a Notre Dame bowl game after last week's loss in Boston.

But as bleak as Notre Dame's season is, Florida State's is shining bright. Ranked No. 3 in the Bowl Championship Series rankings released Monday, 7-1 Florida State could jump into the national title game if see SPOILER/page 26

Bryant says he and Shaq are okay

Teammates say they want to focus on winning this year.

Tim Kacmar/Staff Writer

Notre Dame midfielder Jill Kryavec looks down in disappointment as her Irish lose for the first time this season, 3-2 to Michigan at home. The loss drops Notre Dame to 18-1-1 on the year.