Faculty, students consider academic initiatives

Faculty, students say ND must promote academics outside class

Editor’s note: This article is the last in a series of articles focusing on academic engagement at Notre Dame.

By JOE TROMBELLO
News Writer

Although faculty and students may express diverging opinions on the extent to which students are academically engaged outside of the classroom, both sides agree that the University needs to provide more resources to bring faculty and students together.

To that end, numerous initiatives — both student and faculty driven — either exist currently or are

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Student reaction to possible changes mixed

By JOE TROMBELLO
News Writer

Student reaction to the programs described by College of Arts and Letters Dean Mark Roche and other faculty members that aim to increase academic opportunities outside the classroom was mixed. Most students said that they believed students could benefit greatly from increased funding and interaction with faculty members while others said they thought the money could be better used elsewhere.

Robert Gibbs, a sophomore finance/psychology major, said that he thought business students would benefit from increased lectures on campus but not necessarily from increased funding for research.

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Kelly promotes SMC on ‘Live!’

By ALISON NICKERSON
News Writer

Saint Mary’s was recently featured on the popular morning television show “Live with Regis and Kelly,” when co-host Kelly Ripa received a brochure and video that highlighted various aspects of the school from the College’s Marketing Communications Department.

During the segment, which aired Oct. 22, Ripa showed co-host and Notre Dame graduate Regis Philbin the brochure that featured her in several of the pictures, thanks to computer reproductions of the images. She is foamed “playing basketball” and “making friends with the student body.”

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SMC debates current events in Catholicism

By NICOLE ZOOK
News Writer

In light of recent issues affecting the Catholic Church such as priest scandals and the Sept. 29 papal appointment of 31 new cardinals, the question is raised to what degree such issues should spark discussion within the Saint Mary’s community.

Special interest is given to the amount of discussion these events receive within the curriculum given that the school from the College is a Catholic institution.

Joe Incandela, a professor in the religious studies department, said that he believes that religious studies courses offered at Saint Mary’s address current events in the Catholic Church but added that the courses do not focus solely on such events. Instead, he feels that because a large percentage of the Saint Mary’s population is Catholic, conversations are placed in the context of a 2,000-year-old tradition.

“A large part of what a tradition is, is an argument across the years about what to value, retain or jettison as time passes,” Incandela said.

In terms of the sexual

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SAT changes affect admissions

Studies suggest new changes could favor girls over boys

By TERESA RALISH
Assistant News Editor

The recently-announced sweeping changes to the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) will affect undergraduate admissions at Notre Dame, University officials said.

The College Board, which administers the test, announced in June 2002 that a new writing section will be added to the the traditional math and verbal sections of the test, raising the maximum possible score from 1600 to 2400.

The first revised SAT will be administered in March 2005.

“We are going to start to do some studies and then track the first class of students that takes the test,” said Bob Mundy, director of admissions operations.

The writing section will ask test takers to revise grammatical errors in paragraphs and to write a short essay from a topic prompt.

Analogies will be deleted from the verbal section and abstract math reasoning questions will be replaced by questions covering Algebra II material never before included on the exam.

Mundy said he felt the current SAT did not have any major problems, and the University would not make any changes to it admissions policies or process until it evaluated the new SAT for four or five years.

“I think the current SAT has been helpful,” Mundy said. “The new one may be better. It has the potential to be better.”

The SAT has typically been used by college admissions boards to predict freshmen grades.

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INSIDE COLUMN

U.S. should hit the books

America seems to have begun to make the characters in E.E. cummings' war story The Enormous Room — le Directeur. As head of the prison, le Directeur knows well how to use fear to maintain power. He installs this fear through three means: his subordinates, punishments and direct contact with prisoners.

The United States aims to instill fear in terrorists through its subordinates by using the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO). Following the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks on the U.S., Secretary General Robertson invoked Article V of the alliance's constitution, which states that an attack on one is seen as an attack on all. America intends to strike fear into the hearts of terrorists but ends up intimidating its allies by pressuring them into upholding its views. The fear America wishes to instill in terrorists may only get there by making our allies nervous and escalating the atmosphere of fear worldwide.

The prison's most dreaded form of punishment was known as cabinet, or solitary confinement. By designating Iran, Iraq and North Korea as the "axis of evil," the U.S. casts out these countries from the civilized world. However, this fear is felt by the other countries of the world as well. The fear of isolation is present to countries that must be cautious of being associated with countries designated by a superpower as an "axis of evil." It becomes a playground conflict on a dangerous scale: Be friends with the enemy of a superpower and risk punishment and war on terrorism and the fear it creates? Not only has the war on terrorism and the fear it creates? America wishes to instill its agents but ends up intimidating its own prosperity.

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QUESTION OF THE DAY: WHICH TEAM WILL HAVE MORE LOSSES — FOOTBALL OR BASKETBALL?

Amelia Schmidt
Freshman
Welsh
If it's not the football team, I'm transferring.

Brad Springman
Sophomore
Dillon
I think the football team will have more losses overall.

Claire Colclough
Freshman
Welsh
"The football team — except Brady Quinn!"

Johanna Bosile
Sophomore
Pembogn
Unfortunately, I will have to go with the football team... prove me wrong, guys!

Kristy Luehm
Senior
Welsh Family
Football, because women's basketball is awesome.

Margaret Martin
Senior
Pasquerilla East
Basketball, they play more games, duh.

VIEWPOINT

Copy Editor

Dolores Diaz

Notre Dame students watch the elections at Recker's on Wednesday afternoon. Around the nation, Americans headed to the polls to vote in state and local elections on Election Day.

OFFBEAT

Amorous ram blamed for mysterious signals

LONDON — A mysterious transmission that baffled British intelligence analysts for days was caused by a ram rubbing up against an aerial mast, a government agency said Tuesday.

Scientists at Government Communications Headquarters in Cheltenham, western England, an intelligence-gathering station, were baffled by strange high-frequency noises coming from Scarborough signal station in Yorkshire. GCHQ's in-house paper, the Daily Observer, said the noises were unlike anything staff had encountered before and an investigation was launched.

Their investigation found the signal only happened in the day time, went across all the high-frequency bands and only Scarborough aerials could pick it up.

Eventually, investigators discovered that a ram was rubbing its horns against the aerial masts "in between servicing some local ewes," the paper said.

Ad showing helium inhalation is criticized

WASHINGTON — A Toys "R" Us television commercial that featured the company's mascot, Geoffrey the Giraffe, inhaling helium from a balloon has drawn the ire of anti-drug advocates.

"Any portrayal of inhalant use is bad, especially when we're reaching out to younger children who are at most risk of abusing inhalants," Charles Carre, administrator for the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, said.

Information compiled from the Associated Press.

IN BRIEF

Learn more about the Caribbean in a conference that focuses on the region's culture and current issues. The conference takes place today from 2 to 7:30 p.m. in McKenna Hall.

The Career Center, Center for Social Concerns and MSA Program are sponsoring a work shop titled "Unlock Your Not-for-profit Career." The event takes place today at the Career Center from 5 to 6 p.m.

Enjoy dinner and discussion in an inter racial forum titled "Image and Relations." The forum takes place tonight at the CFC Coffee House from 5:30 to 7 p.m. Please RSVP to 1-6841.

The Saint Mary's Student Activities Board will sponsor a showing of "Charlie's Angels: Full Throttle" tonight at 8 p.m. in the Carroll Auditorium. Admission is free and snacks will be provided.

Find out more about the Alliance for Catholic Education (ACE) during an information session tonight from 7 to 9 p.m. in the LaFortune Ballroom. Interested students can talk to incoming graduates of the program and pick up an application.

A lecture titled "The Gospel According to Bono: The Words and the World" will take place at 10 a.m. in the Coleman Morse Center lounge.

Stop by Legends tonight to enjoy a concert by Gavin DeGraw. Doors open at 9:30 p.m. and the show starts at 10.

To submit information to be included in this section of The Observer, e-mail detailed information about an event to obse news@nd.edu.
SMC students register for spring classes

Members of the faculty advise students on classes, requirements

By MEGAN O’NEIL

Saint Mary’s students are meeting with their faculty advisors to plan course schedules and learn more about the advanced registration system that students will use to register for classes next semester.

Advanced registration, a system the College has used for many years, enables students who have declared a major to reserve positions in the classes they need to fulfill their requirements.

"It's an excellent system because, come their senior year, students can't say that they didn't have the opportunity to get the classes they need," said Lorraine Kitchner, college registrar. Advanced registration begins during the first week back after the fall and spring break and is key in assuring that students are able to graduate in four years, Kitchner said. The system is particularly important in highly structured majors such as the sciences.

Organic chemistry professor and advisor Dorothy Feigl is in close contact with her students from the moment they walk onto campus their freshman year, she said. The large number of prerequisites for chemistry and physics majors, along with long lab hours, make scheduling for her students especially complex.

"The most basic thing in advising is to make sure that the program we set out to do [for the student] will get her to her senior year in a timely manner with every class that she needs," she said.

The advanced registration system, she added, makes it possible for the science department to accommodate all of their students' lecture and lab time needs. She and other advisors can then help students integrate general education courses into their schedules, she said.

Students with multiple majors or minors have an even more difficult challenge in fitting everything into their tight schedules.

"It's an excellent system because, come your senior year, students can't say that they didn't have the opportunity to get the classes they need," said Lorraine Kitchner, college registrar.

Senior political science and economics major Anne Decesaro attributes her ability to keep on track for graduation in May to careful planning and the assistance of her advisors. She said some of her course requirements overlap, and the advisors for each major communicated with each other to formulate the most efficient four-year plan. She is also depending on the advantage of advanced registration this year to guarantee that she completes her required courses in time for graduation.

"Without the three poly-sci classes I am taking next semester, I wouldn't have my major completed," even though the course is done and turned in, she said.

All departments conclude advance registration scheduling Nov. 14.

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Interfaith Christian Night Prayer & Campus Ministry present

The Gospel according to Bono

a four-part look at the radical faith that inspires the world's greatest rock band

the words & the word

this week the series continues as we dive into the social justice message of U2 through lyrics & scripture

tonight 10:00 p.m. coleman-morse lounge
Conference examines ministry

By MATTHEW SMEDBERG
News Writer

In what was at times a highly emotional atmosphere in McKenna Hall, pastors and religious ministers from around the country met to discuss the issues which face them in their ministry. About 40 participants listened to addresses by both active pastors and university researchers, often punctuating their thoughts with applause.

The conference was organized in conjunction with research being done by professors David Sikkink of Notre Dame and Michael Emerson of Rice University under the sponsorship of the Lilly Foundation.

The purpose of the conference was to bring those involved in ordained ministry together to discover what issues they found most pressing in their ministry. Four speakers addressed the conference, and three additional conference sessions were devoted to group discussion and open forum.

Speaking Tuesday afternoon, Jackson Carroll, professor emeritus of Divinity at Duke University, addressed many of the changes which are going on in the world outside the church building which affect how ministry functions.

"The Church has always been called to be transformational, not conformative," he said. Carroll spoke of the "accommodation of religion" which is related to the "culture of options" which modern America presents. He spoke with sadness of a "pagan-church" from which everything is optional.

Speaking after Carroll, Hywel Taylor spoke of his experiences with ministry in African-American Baptist churches. Taylor is an associate of artist Jesse Jackson, and he spoke about his efforts to empower the African-American clergy to be strong ministers. So much of the marginalization and racism which surrounds us, he said, is due to divisive mistrust and prejudice within the black community.

"Some say that it is all too us versus them," he said. "It isn't us versus them — it is all too often us against us.

In the conference's concluding address, Father Virgil Elizondo left many conference participants amazed with his description of the work he did to revitalize the ministry of the San Fernando Cathedral in San Antonio. The cathedral became a spiritual rallying point for the Hispanic and Chicano population of San Antonio. Its parishioners would brave the Texas heat to attend Mass in the centuries-old church and build a vibrant community around its focus. After his retirement from diocesan work, Elizondo came to Notre Dame, where he holds a visiting professorship in theology.

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assault charges within the Church, Incandela feels it continual to be discussed in context within the department.

"I imagine that the priest scandals are spoken about in some classes, and I remember a lecture by Margaret O'Brien Steinfield for the Center for Spirituality nonointime series last year," Incandela said.

O'Brien Steinfields visited the campus last March to discuss the scandal that rocked the Church. Her lecture was the first in the Center's annual Lenten Lecture Series.

"Currently the College's Center for Spirituality, under the direction of Sister Kathleen Dolphin, continues to present issues to the campus in appropriate settings.

"Most frequently, what we have been doing is using the Catholic Common Ground conversations," said Sister Rose-Anne Schultz, the College's vice president for mission. "That's one of the main ways we have been getting the campus into discussion together. Saint Mary's and the Catholic Common Ground Initiative began a partnership in 2001, focusing on the promotion of small group dialogue. Since then, about 10 to 15 discussions have been discussed in these conversations.

"However, the College realizes that not everyone in the Saint Mary's community is Catholic," Incandela said. "As such, it strives to inform on issues rather than push them into mainstream academia. Incandela believes that Saint Mary's does not overstep these boundaries. In his opinion, pushing Catholicism occurs only if Catholic-only views are presented to courses and lectures with no avenue for dissenting views or if students are rewarded in grades for expressing Catholic views in class but penalized for other views.

"I am confident that neither of these conditions exists at Saint Mary's," Incandela said.

Freshman Angie Allison agrees. "I don't really think that major Catholic issues are discussed a lot," she said. "In a situation where Catholicism is brought up, though, I think it's wrong. I'm not seeing any other boundaries stepped on there at all.

The Center for Spirituality and other campus groups continue to bring speakers to campus that will focus on important issues. They said they hope to encourage discussion among and between the students and faculty of Saint Mary's.

Incandela also continues to urge his students to study the issues themselves and to actively engage in such conversations.

"My view is that important issues cannot be discussed enough," she said.

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Which European country has the most neighbors?

Austria shares borders with the Czech Republic, Germany, Hungary, Italy, Liechtenstein, Slovakia, Slovenia, and Switzerland.

Quote & Facts:

Number of neighbors:

Austria, 9

Belgium, 5

Czech Republic, 4

Denmark, 2

Germany, 2

Ireland, 2

Italy, 2

Netherlands, 2

Norway, 2

Poland, 2

Slovakia, 2

Spain, 2

Sweden, 2

Switzerland, 2

Total neighbors: 30
INTERNATIONAL NEWS

U.N. says al-Qaida was in Somalia

NATIONAL NEWS

Illegal logging causes Indian floods

CAJON, Calif. — Firefighters got a morale boost from a visit by President Bush while battling a wildfire that left more than 200 people dead or missing in India's southern Kerala state. The blaze has displaced about 200,000 people and has been raging for two months.
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being considered for the future to increase funding and provide more opportunities for students to engage in research. These opportunities include contact with faculty members outside the classroom.

Faculty Initiatives

Mark Roche, dean of the College of Arts and Letters, said that the greater number of programs now available have made students who wish to become more academically involved easier to please.

"It means that have the capacity and the intellect ... we need to be more creative for them to engage in intellectual life," he said.

Roche said that other initiatives — such as the first-year convocation — have been a success in terms of bringing students into the classroom. In response to the need to support events that bring faculty and students together, the University has taken steps to increase student academic engagement.

"Part of the problem with freshman orientation and [first-year] issues is that students know never how far faculty are willing to go, if they are willing to go to work at all," said the counselor. "The most common is to the classroom," she said. "This program is such [the academic counselors] can call the faculty member and be denied.

In response to the push to have in-class discussions with faculty, several academic counselors said they have already planned events with professors.

Greg Downey, assistant professor of English, said the benefits of his class this year, as taught in the Liberal Arts to visit the University. Students, said that the money is no longer acceptable. "For business students, it doesn't seem like there is a lot of interest in going to the gym and doing research," he said. "It's hard to see the connection between the things you might be researching and immediate business application.

In contrast, Mary Mullon, a senior honors program participant, said that she thinks increasing funding for student research and conference travel would prove especially useful because it would allow students writing senior thesis projects to have better access to primary sources. She also said that these resources may be useful for those interested in doing undergraduate research.

"I think that you [University initiatives] are a great opportunity and a lot of my friends have felt the same way. To have the opportunity to do independent research is something that's incredible," she said. "If giving students interest in doing undergraduate research is, it's just a matter of putting the time in to apply for it," she said.

"It definitely would have been something I wouldn't have liked," she said. From my perspective, they're bad changes," she said.

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gades, and subsequently whether an applicant has the potential to succeed at a given college. Because the vast majority of Notre Dame applicants could be successful at the University, Mundy said proposed changes would not affect Notre Dame as much as other universities where the quality of the applicants is more variant.

The SAT test has been a subject of criticism for college admissions. February 2001. Richard Akshion, president of the University of California system, recommended that the University no longer accept the SAT for admission purposes until it became more of an achievement-based test.

In general, Mundy said the SAT will not have any major role in the admission process, and the University would not consider accepting only the ACT, as Akshion proposed.

"I think we've got a pretty reliable predictor [of applicants' performance] right now," Mundy said.

Mundy also noted that Notre Dame admissions counselors had been involved in College Board discussions on the SAT revisions. He attended the College Board's meeting last fall and said that admissions director Dan Saracino was currently attending the College Board's national conference.

Student interest in the SAT last year said they thought the revisions could have mixed results, raising questions that have been a part of the national debate on SAT revisions.

Freshman Destinee Delemos said she wasn't sorry to see the end of analogies but had concerns about how the new changes might affect certain groups of applicants.

"I think [the changes] put certain students at a disadvantage, but for me personally that would have made it a lot easier," she said.

Freshman Dan Nickele said his strengths were math and science, and disagreed with the addition of the writing section — something that he finds difficult.

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WASHINGTON — The government is broadening a broad sweep of the mutual fund industry and more charges are likely in the going forward on the $7 trillion business, a top enforcement official said Tuesday.

Stephen Cutler, head of the Securities and Exchange Commission’s enforcement division, told Congress that the SEC plans to send notifications to some firms this week that investigate internal and file civil charges. He did not name any of the companies nor did he say how many would receive the legal warnings.

Cutler spoke as the scandal spread to Prudential Securities Inc., with the SEC and Massachusetts securities regulators filing civil charges alleging improper trading against former brokers and branch managers at the company’s Boston office.

The regulators alleged that the brokers used several means, including false identities, to disguise rapid in-and-out trading in mutual funds to enrich themselves and the hedge funds whose money they were investing.

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Wal-Mart receives “target letter”

Associated Press

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Target letters give people or companies formal notification that they are the focus of an investigation. Williams said the company was not surprised, given its comments to federal officials made after Oct. 23 raids.

"We expect the grand jury will begin its hearings in mid-December and this notification gives us time to provide the U.S. Attorney’s Office information we feel supports our position," she said.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Wayne Samuelson in Williamsport, Pa., where the case is being handled, would not discuss specifics or respond to comments by Wal-Mart.

The raids keyed on floor cleaners employed by companies Wal-Mart hired for the work. Ten of the people arrested were Wal-Mart employees hired as the company continued a move to phase out the use of cleaning contractors.

The workers came from 18 nations. Wal-Mart says it pledged its cooperation once it learned of the raids.

That day, the company instructed store managers to preserve relevant records. It has also said it would review all of its domestic employees, more than 1 million, to ensure they all have legal status.

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112,600 students

One mission.

Teach.

Tonight at 7:00pm
November 5

ACE is a two-year, post-graduate service program featuring three pillars: Master degree teacher preparation, community life, and spiritual development.
Capping a script that had leaked out in cable network instead.

Cacy, said one has seen.

CBS said it was not bowing to political pressure, critics said that was exactly the case, and worried about the effects of such pre-emptive strikes on future work.

CBS believed it had ordered a love story about Ronald and Nancy Reagan with politics as a backdrop, but instead got a film that crossed the line into advocacy groups. The network executive, said a network executive who illegally distribute songs online. It has started to sue listeners who've told them to allow cable and satellite companies more control over what they can do with that content, leaving consumers and advocacy groups reacted just as strongly against the decision.

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Just a week ago, conservatives said it was a question of accuracy. The ministries became a hot topic on talk radio and the TV news networks. The chairman of the Republican National Committee wrote to CBS President Leslie Moonves, asking for historians to review the movie, and the conservative Media Research Center asked advertisers to consider boycotting the film.

This was a left-wing censor of one of the nation's most beloved presidents and CBS got caught," said Brent Bozell, founder of the Media Research Center. Republican National Committee Chairman Ed Gillespie said putting the movie before a smaller audience on Showtime doesn't address accuracy concerns.

Without changes, Showtime should remind viewers every 10 minutes that the movie is fictional, he said.

But as Internet content creators get faster and broad-casters switch to much clearer digital television, the movie and television industries will put high-quality copies of shows and films on the Web that others can download for free.

This would reduce the broadcasters' ability to sell the shows for syndication or overseas.

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The five-member FCC voted unanimously to allow a "broadcast flag" to be added to digital programming to block broad distribution on the Internet, though the two Democrats on the panel expressed reservations. Republican FCC Chairman Michael Powell called it "an important step toward preserving the viability of free over-the-air television." In its order, the FCC told makers of digital television receivers that by July 1, 2005, their models must recognize the flag, an electronic signal that broadcasters can embed in their programs.

The commission said the order applies only to electronic equipment that can receive digital broadcast signals, not digital VCRs, DVD players and personal computers without digital tuners. The FCC scored a big victory for consumers and the preservation of high-value, over-the-air free broadcasting with its decision, said Mrs. Valenti, president of the Motion Picture Association of America.

Viacom, parent company of the CBS television network, said it decided a "broadcast flag" was the right step forward for consumers. "We believe the broadcast flag is not only the right course of action that recognizes the interests of consumers, it is the best way to ensure that cable and satellite companies to encrypt all digital programs.

FCC Commissioner MichaelCopps said the FCC's order does not go far enough to safeguard viewers' privacy. "Tipping use of the technologies could arguably allow such things as tracking personal information," Copps said. "The broadcast flag should be about protecting digital content, not about tracking Americans' viewing habits."
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I shudder to think what this country would be like today if Stowe had not written these novels, now that we ride on the backs of several million race relations in this country. I am just as afraid to imagine what these novels, now that we ride on the backs of several million people, might do to our country.

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Re-examine use of death penalty

As a Program of Liberal Studies major, I found Joe Trombleo’s Nov. 2 article about the issue of capital punishment very engaging. Here at Notre Dame to be very thoughtful-voking. I think that the overwhelming majority of students here do not see the relevance of their studies—in order to “get something” out of these four years they secure a career. This connection between school and life manifests itself in the ridiculous amount of business done on campus. Politics is all about understanding relevant issues. I know my major has not prepared me for any particular career, and I am fine with that. Do you waste four years and a lot of money? That is the question. What do you value—understanding or utility, books or Benjamins, arts and letters or business?

Somehow associate dean of the Mendoza College, William Nichols hit it right on the head. He said, “The Supreme Court in the case of Singleton’s appeal related to inmates under a life sentence who kill another inmate or guard might qualify.” The Supreme Court has forbidden the execution of those who are so incompetent that they “are unaware of the punishment they are about to suffer and why they are to suffer it.” The Court also held that a State may forcibly give antipsychotic drugs to an inmate “who has a serious mental illness.” If the inmate is dangerous to himself or others and the treatment is in the inmate’s medical interest.” Singleton argues that while medication relieves his psychosis it is not in his medical interest because it would qual-

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If we have a death penalty this result makes sense. If we do not have a death penalty, a capital punishment the use of that right in both cases is bizarre result in his case should prompt us to question the penal systems, are

The achievement is in the journey—whether or not you win or lose. The answer is not “satisfy” it is certain. Too many of us are near to being the most important. Whatever happens in the next game, what the Irish. Sure, Florida State fans would have left the game midway through the fourth quarter, but this is not Florida State. I for one came to Notre Dame to embrace the school spirit and because the winning is the Notre Dame tradition, not to demand a top-10 national football team unconditional support. If we had not come to the games simply to cheer, do the jig, high five, turn on the music and try our hardest day after day, week after week, we withhold our support to this school. John Paul II

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right. They play through injury and foul weather, they sweat and bleed and struggle and fight and try their hardest day after day. After all, we expect a victory. Rather, Notre Dame is a place where we are not only about football and winning. Whatever happens, we aim to do our best. For us, autocratic leadership is out of place. We go to watch a good game of football played by the very idea that leadership by example is necessary. They

An education by leadership

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**Sevendust seasons music scene with new album**

By MATTHEW SHORTS  
Scene Music Critic

Fresh off their first acoustic-based tour, Sevendust has released its fourth and most powerful album, Seasons. Lajon Witherspoon’s powerful vocals and Clint Lowery’s sardonic lyrics add to its raw and heavy guitar riffs and create an intense, powerful sound. The album was recorded in Massachusetts and Florida, and Sevendust returned home to where it all started: Atlanta, Georgia. Here, they hooked up with producer/singer Butch Walker. Originally out of his father’s garage, Walker helped them cut their demos for their first record deal. Now they meet again at Ruby Red Studios in Atlanta.

Seasons, while not a breakthrough concept for Sevendust, delves back into the new sound created in Animosity, released two years earlier. Lajon Witherspoon. Sevendust’s front man, proves that, in addition to being a great lyrical artist, he has vocals to lend to the heavy music behind him. A great deal of maturity in the band’s creation. Sevendust’s reputation for a high energy and powerful live performance once again on their sophomore album. Opening up with “Disease,” Sevendust seems to have taken a back step from its normally hard and heavy opener. This song was the first track in the album, which form a rather weak opening for a lyrically powerful CD. Sevendust’s single “Enemy” follows and opens up the flood-gates for an arsenal of powerful songs. “Enemy” is a song for drummer Morgan Rose to vent his frustrations and differences with Dez Fafara, Ex-Coal Chamber and current DevilDriver front man. The title track is a song about desperation and a desperate times,” guitarist Clint Lowery said. The powerful lyrics sung by Witherspoon leave one with a deep consideration on how this song can be applied to anyone’s life: “The seasons are way too cold, will we last another year?”

“Broken Down” and “Separate” reveal the more melodic and lyrically powerful band that has developed over the past two years, but leaves one with the feeling that Rose was not considerably challenged while sitting behind the drums. “Honesty” is also musically weaker, like the two previously mentioned, but with more meaningful and heartfelt lyrics. Sevendust completes the full spectrum of the album with their addition of “Skeletone Song.” A slow but deep song that allows you to “lose yourself in a song again.”

Following the potent “Skeletone Song,” Sevendust seems to slip a little with both “Dissipate” and “Burned Out.” Both songs, although lyrically similar to the rest of the album, seem to lack the musical energy found throughout the rest of the album. “Suffocate” steps up the speed and energy.

**The Shins release stellar sophomore album**

By RYAN RAFFERTY  
Scene Music Critic

What is it with sophomore albums? Musicians that create a stunning and groundbreaking debut album are seemingly never able to recreate the magic again on their sophomore release. They give the impression that they have just exhausted their creative juices. Every once in a while, however, a band comes along with a spectacular debut album and has just enough juice to create an adequate sophomore album. The Shins are not one of these bands. They are the even rarer breed of musicians that has creative juice left over for their sophomore album. The Shins have successfully avoided the sophomore slump with their latest release, one that possesses more musical variety than their previous album.

**Sevendust**

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**Chutes Too Narrow**

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The Shins’ debut album, Oh! Inverted World, was an instantaneous success. The album was stunning in its bare essential musicianship and Beach Boys-esque lyrics. Oh! Inverted World was certainly catchy, sunny, and bright pop album, but there was something missing. Although it was a fantastic album, it lacked variety, and it seemed Mercer was holding back some of his musical abilities. The Shins’ sophomore release, Chutes Too Narrow, is the answer to that album. While Oh! Inverted World may have lacked variety, Chutes Too Narrow possesses variety. The instruments previously weren’t allowed to exist on their own; now the reverber has been turned off and every guitar riff and keyboard melody exists in its own corner of your speaker. Mercer’s voice soars over every song, layering equally emotional verses with fun, catchy choruses. Every song on Chutes Too Narrow exists by itself, and it shows in every aspect of the music.

Chutes Too Narrow carries a similar lyrical theme throughout, but the sounds all have a distinctly musical style. The album’s first single, “So Says I,” sounds very similar to the songs on the Shins’ debut album but with a fuller, richer sound. “Turn a Square” sounds like Revolution-era Beatles with a dash of Lemonheads and a hint of Radiohead. “Fighting in a Sack” is a fast-paced power pop tune with a harmonic thrown in at the end for good measure, which gives the song a Bob Dylan feel. “Got Gone For Good” features a lap slide guitar played in the style of early Uncle Tupelo. The best track on Chutes Too Narrow is the transcendent “Saint Simon,” featuring a dreamy, haunting chorus played on violins and keyboards with Mercer’s towering vocals filling in the gaps.

Overall, Chutes Too Narrow is an amazing album. The songs sound eerily familiar yet eccentrically original. The Shins’ sophomore album builds upon the musical groundwork laid on Oh! Inverted World, creating a tower of music built with the most intricate and detail-oriented musical bricks. Mercer’s vocals place the airtight roof on this soaring album. He showcases his vocal range wonderfully and sings with an entertaining, luminous passion. Chutes Too Narrow is the perfect album to brighten up any cold, dreary South Bend winter day. The Shins have successfully avoided the sophomore slump and set the bar for every sophomore album to come.

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**ALBUM REVIEW**

**Everything Holland touches turns to gold**

By CHRIS KEPNER

Dave Holland is back with his first release since his Big Band's Grammy-winning effort, *What Goes Around* (2002). With *Extended Play*, he and his Quintet complement an already significant catalog of studio work with a double disc of live material recorded during a stretch at the legendary Birdland in November 2001. Holland is part of that elite group of musicians fortunate enough to have the opportunity to play with and learn from the master himself, Miles Davis. He toured with Davis for two years in the late 1960s and appeared on several of Davis's records. Included are *Take Five* and *Bitches Brew*. Alongside other Milesonian disciples like John Scofield, Wayne Shorter and Herbie Hancock, Dave Holland today stands at the forefront of the jazz world, helping to shape its future and train the next generation of musicians.

The Dave Holland Quintet, as it appears on this record, formed in 1997. It consists of Chris Potter on soprano, alto and tenor saxophones, Robin Eubanks on trombone, Steve Nelson on vibraphone and marimba, drummer Billy Kilen, and Holland playing the double bass. *Extended Play* is, as the name implies, a live "extension" of the group's three studio albums: *Points of View* (2000), *Prime Directive* (2000) and *Not For Nothing* (2001). All three albums have been highly praised for their musicianship and originality.

This is an interesting ensemble with a very distinct sound. Merely the presence of vibraphone in the rhythm section, as opposed to the more traditional piano, is enough to set this Quintet apart from most other groups. Being a fantastic composer in addition to a world-class bassist, Holland uses the contrasting sounds of the saxophone and trombone in front of the magnificent haunting vibraphone to create beautiful harmonies and shocking dissonances, sometimes so intermittently that you can't help but wonder at his sanity while marveling at his genius. Seven of the nine songs on this record were written by Holland, with Potter and Eubanks each contributing one. As a result, *Extended Play* is a glorification of one of the finest composers in modern jazz.

Their debut release, *The Dave Holland Quintet*, is the chemistry that exists between its members. All are superior musicians and improvisers, but it is their uncanny ability to improvise collectively that propels them into that special class of truly memorable collaborations. "The rare opportunity to have a group with a stable personnel over a relatively long period has given us a chance to explore these compositions beyond their beginnings and use them as a vehicle for our intuition and imagination," Holland said.

As the two discs contain just nine tracks, two of which are over 20 minutes long and only one of which is under 10 minutes, *Extended Play* is certainly an exploration. The distinction of five shamrocks is reserved for albums that are expected to become timeless. *Extended Play* has the potential to do so, and thus it receives four and a half. Any student of jazz should get this record and pore over it for a long while. Enthusiasts can enjoy it but may want to use discretion because, as stated earlier, the songs are long and exploratory.

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**ALBUM REVIEW**

**Darkness debut could change the face of music**

By BRIAN FOY

When looking back at music, few bands can be seen that changed the face of music as we know it. The Beatles, Led Zeppelin and Nirvana immediately come to mind for their bands can be seen that changed the face of music as we know it. The* Darkness*, with its precision and attention to detail and its layered precision of the guitars, is unlike any other band today and it may take a listen or two to truly appreciate the scope of *The Darkness*’s sound. However, once you truly hear the album, there is no doubt it will remain in your library for years to come. So instead of justifying a purchase it may be why The Darkness was able to make their debut at a major label. Permission to Land contains every aspect of a great album with its precision and attention to detail.

The true gem on the album is the first single "I Believe in a Thing Called Love." The track encompasses everything that The Darkness does well and puts it into one song. The song has elements of Justin’s piercing falsetto voice as well as multiple guitar solos and bridges. The drum and bass help round out this track that will surely be a karaoke classic some day. The final song on Permission to Land is The Darkness’s homage to power ballads. The track is simple in structure, but once again the layered precision of the guitars and uniqueness of Justin’s voice make it a jewel. Only time will tell if the States warm up to the phenomenon that is The Darkness’s Permission to Land is one of the strongest debut albums of the last 20 years which may be why The Darkness was able to make their debut via a major label. Permission to Land contains every aspect of a great album with its precision and attention to detail.

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Messer hits empty net to pass Mr. Hockey

NEW YORK — Even at 42, Mark Messier still has a flair for dramatics.

Messer enjoyed being tied with Gordie Howe on the NHL points list and the final game before he passed Mr. Hockey in the closing seconds of the New York Rangers’ 3-0 victory Tuesday night over the Dallas Stars.

"The Rangers captain scored the first and last goals to give him 1,851 points and set off an on-ice hug with his teammates. "I always find it hard to celebrate something like that, but what I have to realize is it’s a tremendous honor for all the people I played with and the game of hockey itself," Messier said.

Messier found an empty net for a short-handed goal with 4.7 seconds left.

"Well, I wasn’t really thinking about that point right there," Messier said. "Obviously if the opportunity presented itself, I would love to pass it up to him just right.

It was just like the night in 1994 when he guaranteed New York would beat New Jersey in Game 6 of the Eastern Conference finals and stay alive in route to the Rangers’ first Stanley Cup in 54 years.

Messier sealed that win by landing the puck flat in the corner. "I can’t lie, I definitely couldn’t wait for that shot to go in," Messier said.

Alex Kovalev fed Messier as he streaked down the right wing.

"I’m sure he’s not too happy about that," Messier said. "But I think I’m just as happy about it." Messier’s teammate for 10 seasons.

The final goal came after Alex Kovalev fed Messier as he streaked down the right wing, and the referrees allowed the New York empty net to become and empty net.

"I can’t lie, I definitely wanted to do that," Messier said. "But you only have one opportunity to do things like this."

"I think they were a little up there," Cassidy said. "So, when you beat your rival, it always feels good."
Boos don’t stop Lakers from earning 4th win

Associated Press

MILWAUKEE — Kobe Bryant wasn’t the only one booed Tuesday night, when fans jeered him and former Buck Gary Payton every time they touched the ball in the Los Angeles Lakers’ 113-107 victory.

Bryant scored 31 points, Shaquille O’Neal had 23 and Payton 19 as the Lakers (4-0) stayed unbeaten by overcoming a 10-point second-half deficit.

The Bucks, outscored 24-10 over the final 7:07, got a career-high 36 points from Michael Redd.

Bryant expects jabs in every NBA arena outside the Staples Center after being charged with sexual assault in Colorado last summer.

Payton only played 34 games in Milwaukee last season after the blockbuster trade with Seattle before bolting to Los Angeles for the chance to win a ring.

That was enough for the Bradley Center crowd to feel spurred, and they rauced Payton and Bryant with equal vigor, especially when Payton took a pass from Bryant underneath and drained a 3-pointer at the buzzer to give the Lakers a 57-54 halftime lead.

It was the 16th lead change of the second quarter, when the Bucks regrouped after trailing early by 12 points.

The crowd soon had plenty to cheer about when the Bucks scored 18 points in the third quarter and the Bucks built an 85-73 lead. But Kareem Rush’s 3-pointer at the end of the third quarter pulled the Lakers to 86-83.

The Bucks led 97-89 when Tim Thomas pulled up for a 3-pointer without running down the clock.

Big mistake!

He missed, and the Lakers scored two quick baskets to force a timeout. Two free throws by O’Neal with five minutes left made it 97-95.

The Bucks pulled ahead 101-95 on Desmond Mason’s two free throws, but Bryant sank a 3-pointer with 3:31 left to make it 101-98.

After Payton’s basket at the two-minute mark, Bryant hit another 3-pointer with 90 seconds left to give the Lakers a 103-101 lead, their first since 64-63.

They wouldn’t trail again.

Before the game, both Bryant and O’Neal said their well-documented public spat was behind them.

"I think it was basically a war of words and not really a war of feelings," O’Neal said. "He’s got tough skin. I’ve got tough skin.

Rockets 86, Nets 75

Steve Francis found a way to make up for missing every shot in the first half. He simply didn’t miss with the game on the line.

Francis ignited a game-ending, 14-1 run with eight straight points and an assist to lead the Houston Rockets to an 86-75 victory over the New Jersey Nets.

"I was frustrated," said Francis, who finished with 17 points, 10 rebounds and six assists after going 0-for-8 in the first half.

"When you’re not making shots, you’re going to be upset about it," Francis added. "Coach calmed down. He told me he wouldn’t play me the rest of the game if I kept acting like a fool. He told me winners forget the first half and come back in the second half.

The coach Francis was talking about was Jeff Van Gundy. The Rockets’ new head man is 3-1 since taking over a talented team and teaching it how to play defense.

The Rockets came into the game leading the NBA in scoring defense, and they were tenacious in the fourth quarter, limiting New Jersey to 4-for-18 shooting from the field.

The Nets are a tough team but I figured if we could at least try to stop their fast break, you’ve got a better chance," said Cuttino Mobley, who led Houston with 20 points. "We played solid. We made them take jump shots. Luckily they missed a few of them and we got to fast break.

New Jersey, which played without forwards Kenyon Martin and Rodney Rogers and shooting guard Lucilous Harris, shot 33.8 percent for the game.

Pacers 71, Nuggets 60

Jermaine O’Neal had his best game of the young season, while Carmelo Anthony struggled through his worst game as a pro.

It should come as no surprise, then, that the Indiana Pacers held the Denver Nuggets 71-60.

O’Neal scored 25 points and grabbed 20 rebounds, and Anthony had just 2 points on 4-for-13 shooting.

The scary thing is, O’Neal says he can play better.

"I’m still really not shooting the ball the way I want," O’Neal said. "Rebound wise, I’m getting better. It’s early. I hope I can get it going on offense.

Los Angeles’ Devean George slams the ball through the net in the first quarter of the Lakers’ 113-107 win over the Bucks Tuesday.

"This game wasn’t much on the beauty scale," Pacers coach Rick Carlisle said. "But in terms of the effort, intensity and passion that went into our win, I give our team high marks.

The 131 points are the lowest total since the NBA instituted the shot clock in 1954-55. Earl Boykins led the Nuggets with 18 points on 7-for-11 shooting. His teammates finished 16-for-67 (24 percent) from the floor.

O’Neal dominated on both ends of the floor and almost single-handedly staved off a furious fourth-quarter rally by the Nuggets in a game that was, from a scoring standpoint, offensive.

The Nuggets shot just 29 percent and committed 23 turnovers. The Pacers weren’t much better, shooting 35 percent and committing 18 turnovers. But they withstood a 17-2 surge by Denver in the final period.

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SEATTLE — Edgar Martinez still won't talk retirement.

Martinez, who turns 41 in January, agreed Tuesday to a $3 million, one-year contract with the Seattle Mariners, a deal that allows him to earn an additional $4 million based on plate appearances.

It's unclear if Martinez's 18th major league season will be the last for the designated hitter.

"I'm not going to talk about that," he said. "I'm just going to do what I can do to help the team win and have some fun.

The two-time AL batting champion had a $4 million base salary this year and earned $3.5 million in performance bonuses. He faced a Sunday deadline to file for free agency.

But Martinez wants to finish his career with the Mariners, and the only organization he's played for.

"I'm very glad everything worked out and I'm coming back for another year," he said. "I think if we didn't reach an agreement, the chances that I'd stay home were a lot greater than I'd play for another team.

Martinez has several franchise records, including career batting average (.315), games (1,914), hits (2,119), extra-base hits (803), doubles (491), RBIs (1,188), walks (1,225) and runs (1,174).

He was selected to his seventh AL All-Star team last season and won his fourth Silver Slugger award after hitting .294 with 24 home runs, 98 RBIs and 25 doubles in 145 games.

Martinez feels healthy enough to keep going. He started working out one week after the Mariners finished with 93 wins, missing the playoffs for the second straight year.

"I feel I'm in good shape and ready to go again," he said. "I'm very excited.

As of now, New York's projected rotation includes Mike Mussina, Jose Contreras and Jeff Weaver, who is viewed as a fifth starter. Jon Lieber also could return, though he hasn't pitched in the major leagues since reconstructive elbow surgery in August 2002.

Weaver, 7-9 with a 5.99 ERA, was sent to Tampa, Fla., to work with pitching instructor Billy Connors. Cashman called it "rebabbing.

"What he showed this year is not what he is," Cashman said. "I've already had trade offers on him, to be honest, but I can't get value on him given the season he had. Hopefully, Billy can get back into his head a little bit.

Given the holes in the rotation following the retirement of Roger Clemens and the possible departures of Pettitte and Wells, free agents such as Bartolo Colon and Sidney Ponson could become targets for the Yankees.

"Pitching is the biggest issue for us," Cashman said.

**Associated Press**

NEW YORK — Derek Jeter played the AL championship series and the World Series with a ruptured tendon in his left thumb.

Yankees general manager Brian Cashman made the disclosure Tuesday after the team's news conference to announce Don Mattingly's return as hitting coach.

Cashman said the team will wait about two more weeks to determine whether the tendon, injured in the opener of the series against the Boston Red Sox, can heal with about three weeks of rest. If it doesn't, it would require surgery.

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NCAA FOOTBALL

Miami moves ahead in MAC with upset win

Associated Press

OXFORD, Ohio — Cal Murray ran for a pair of touchdowns, and Miami of Ohio's avaricious defense forced three fumbles Tuesday night, setting up a 33-10 victory over No. 15 Bowling Green.

Miami (8-1, 5-0 Mid-American Conference) has won eight straight since an opening drubbing at Iowa. The Redhawks are on the threshold of their first national ranking since the end of the 1974 season.

Playing with its highest ranking in school history, Bowling Green (7-2, 4-1) never got rolling on offense and couldn't overcome a three-fumble game by quarterback Josh Harris.

The teams were facing their biggest challenge of the season — a trip to the Toledo area. Both teams are in second place in their respective conferences.

Harris has been successful almost every time the Broncos have had a lead since the end of the 1974 season.

Harris threw a 24-yard touchdown pass to a diving Charles Sharon on the next play, cutting Miami's lead to 10-7. The clock problem caused confusion, but didn't figure in the outcome.

Instead, it came down to which of the two prolific quarterbacks made the most mistakes.

Roechlisberger fumbled and threw an interception at the 1-yard line in the first half, then settled down. Harris fumbled three times and was limited to throwing mostly short, harmless passes as he went 20-of-35 for 160 yards.

Murray's 3-yard run put Miami ahead in the second quarter, and Janssen Patron fumbled the kickoff, setting up Jared Parseghian's 27-yard field goal for a 10-0 lead.

Roechlisberger's best play came on the opening drive of the second half, when his nilfy handoff fake allowed Martin Nance to outrun the duped safety and catch a 49-yard pass. Mike Smith's 5-yard touchdown run on the next play made it 17-7.

Nance had 169 yards on 10 carries, tying the school record with his fifth 100-yard game of the season.

Harris' second fumble of the game led to Roechlisberger's 1-yard sneak for a 24-7 lead midway through the third quarter.

Harris' final fumble set up Miami's clinching score, a 2-yard run by Murray with 3:45 left.

And they are playing the 98th toughest schedule of 117 teams.

There are three wins by just three points, including in overtime at 1-8 Arizona, which fired coach John Mackovic the next day. They also won against one-win Vanderbilt and beat still-winless Army, which also fired its coach. Their season finale is at SMU, which could be 0-11 by then.

When the Frogs finally broke out offensively, scoring 62 points with a school-record 782 yards in their last game at Houston, they won by just a touchdown. TCU's defense has dropped from fourth to 31st nationally in total defense after giving up 1,077 yards and 82 points in two games.

New comes Louisville (7-1, 3-1), the C-USA's top offense at 35 points and 470 yards a game. The Cardinals have won three straight since a double-overtime loss to South Florida, where TCU had one of its three-point games.

"The pressure is on TCU," Cardinals coach Bobby Petrino said. "They're undefeated, and they're trying to be in the BCS picture. They've got a lot of pressure on them to win, and we don't have to worry about all of that. Our goals are still in front of us."

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NCAA FOOTBALL

TCU starting to worry BCS

Associated Press

FORT WORTH, Texas — TCU knows there's only one way to continue the debate about whether its deserves to be part of the Bowl Championship Series: keep winning.

For the No. 13 Horned Frogs, who along with No. 1 Oklahoma are the only unbeaten teams in major college football, there is no game bigger than Wednesday's against Louisville. It is the toughest on TCU's schedule and is being televised nationally when no other game is being played.

"It's a great game to be spotlighted in as long as you win," TCU coach Gary Patterson said. "All of that other stuff doesn't make a difference. I know if we don't beat Louisville all of these conversations don't mean much."

TCU is No. 9 in the BCS standings, the same spot it reached in 2000 after a 7-0 start. The Horned Frogs (8-0, 5-0 Conference USA) have to climb three more spots and finish there to become the first team from a non-BCS conference guaranteed a berth in one of the four BCS bowls.

 Officials from the Fiesta Bowl, one of the lucrative BCS games, will be there Wednesday. So will representatives from three other bowls, all of them with C-USA ties.

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NCAA FOOTBALL
Seattle graps 4 AL Gold Glove awards

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Seattle outfielder Ichiro Suzuki and Mike Cameron and Mariners infielders Bret Boone and John Olerud won AL Gold Gloves on Tuesday. All nine winners had previously earned the honor for fielding excellence. There were seven repeat winners from last season — won AL Gold Gloves on and Mike Mussina and John Olerud this year.

The NL Gold Glove winners will be announced Wednesday. Gold Gloves, presented since 1957 by St. Louis-based Rawlings, are voted on by managers and coaches before the end of the regular season. They may not select players on their own teams, and they vote

Seattle outfi elder Ichiro Suzuki makes a sliding grab in a 9-7 loss to New York on Aug. 7. The right fielder was one of four Mariners to be awarded Gold Gloves in the American League Tuesday.

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**Gretzky returns to run Team Canada**

TURONTO — Wayne Gretzky will return as executive director for Team Canada at the World Cup of Hockey next September.

Hockey Canada announced the move Monday at Gretzky's restaurant, aM said the NHL great is bringing back the same management team that helped produce a gold medal at the 2002 Olympics.

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Rejoining Gretzky are Kevin Lowe, the general manager of the Edmonton Oilers, and Steve Tambellini, the vice president of player personnel for the Vancouver Canucks.

**Duncan out for at least a week with ankle sprain**

SAN ANTONIO — San Antonio Spurs forward Tim Duncan will be sidelined for one to three weeks with a sprained left ankle.

Duncan was injured in Monday night's loss to Memphis.

The Spurs said Tuesday that Duncan's ankle will be re-evaluated after the Mavericks game.

Spurs point guard Tony Parker also was not expected to play against the Heat due to an ankle sprain sustained during the preseason, and reserve forward Robert Horry was questionable with a strained groin.

Duncan and Parker were the team's top scorers last season, combining for nearly 40 points per game. Duncan has averaged 16.5 points and 12.7 rebounds this season. Parker has yet to play.

Duncan rolled over on his ankle while making a fall-away jumper midway through the first quarter against the Grizzlies.

Chavez was picked for his third Gold Glove and Mussina won his second in a row.

**IN BRIEF**

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Super rookie summits: LeBron versus Carmelo

Associated Press


Rivalries have always given the NBA some extra bounce. On Wednesday night, another will be born. This one pits a pair of the league's most talented rookies — good friends who have received rave reviews after playing just a few pro games.

And Cleveland's LeBron James and Denver's Carmelo Anthony can't wait for the opening tip.

"You know there's going to be a lot of hype," Anthony said.

More than 70,000 fans, a national TV audience and more media than have ever covered a game in Gund Arena, will witness the Cavaliers' home opener against the Nuggets.

It also will be James' regular-season home debut, and the former Akron high school superstar — and No. 1 NBA draft pick — wants to put on a good show.

"A lot of people are going to be here," said James, who has averaged 18 points, 7.3 rebounds and 7.7 assists in three games. "I'm just here to show the city of Cleveland that we're a way, way, way better team than we were last year.

James grew up just 30 miles away, and he's expecting a large contingent of family and friends to be on hand. "Half of Akron," he says.

And Anthony last faced each other in high school and have been trying to downplay any rivalry — old or new.

"A lot of people are going to portray it as a LeBron-Carmelo game, but it's a Nuggets vs. Cavaliers game, and we're trying to go out there and win," Anthony said. "It's going to be on everybody's front page. I know that already. As long as I go there with the mind-set of just trying to win, nothing can hold me back.

Nothing has stopped Anthony so far.

A 6-foot-8, 220-pounder with a featherly outside touch, Anthony, the No. 3 overall selection, has gotten half as much hype as James. His stats (17.7 points, 7.3 rebounds and 3.3 assists) aren't quite as impressive, either.

However, Anthony led the Nuggets to a 2-1 record after three games, with wins over West Coast powers San Antonio and Sacramento. Against the Kings, Anthony had 23 points, six rebounds and five steals and earned best all-around effort this season.

"Smooth," Cavaliers coach Paul Silas said of Anthony. "He kind of reminds me of [Sixers forward] Glenn Robinson in a lot that he has that nice jumper, but he goes to the hoop. He's going to be a scorer for years to come.

Like Magic Johnson and Larry Bird before them, James and Anthony have entered the league with huge expectations. What sets them apart is that James is the rare star who became good friends later on in college. He can drop shoes and Anthony and James are already tight.

They first bonded at a USA basketball camp three years ago in Colorado, where they were the best players. But James says it was their off-court similarities that naturally drew them together.

"He's cool," James said. "He came up the same as me, single parent, talk of the town. We just came up playing the game we love. We love the same things."

Former trainer sues Manning

Associated Press

BARTOW, Fla. — A female athletic trainer's defamation lawsuit can proceed against Indianapolis Colts quarterback Peyton Manning and his father, a judge ruled.

Judge Harvey Kornstein said Monday there is enough evidence for a jury to hear the case, which stems from a 1996 encounter during which Manning dropped his pants in front of former University of Tennessee teammate Jamie Ann Naugright.

The quarterback, without using Naugright's name, talks about the encounter in the book he wrote with his father, former New Orleans Saints quarterback Archie Manning, the lawsuit also names writer John Underwood and publisher HarperCollins Inc. A trial is set for March in the lawsuit.

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**HOCKEY**

David Brown earns second conference rookie award

Special to The Observer

Notre Dame goaltender David Brown continued his red-hot play in goal for the Irish last week and has been selected the Central Collegiate Hockey Association’s (CCHA) rookie of the week for the week ending Nov. 5.

Brown, who has made just four starts in his collegiate career, recorded his third consecutive shutout in the 2-0 win over the Maverickls on Friday, Oct. 31. The 5-11, 188-pound goaltender made 22 saves in the victory and ran his consecutive shutout minute streak to 186:15, a new Notre Dame school record.

The three consecutive shutouts are also a school record as are three shutouts in one season. He is one off the all-time career shutout mark of four held by Cey and Mark Krushelnok.

Irish goalie David Brown was named rookie of the week for the second time this season after setting a Notre Dame record with three consecutive shutouts.

**FOOTBALL**

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Associated Press

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Injuries plague Irish starters Earl, Budinscak

By ANDREW SOUKUP
Sports Writer

A glance at Notre Dame's injury list shows just how many players are banged up. Safety Glenn Earl, who hobbled off the field against USC and hasn't played since, isn't likely to return to the Irish this season. Secondary coach Trent Walters said Earl is back home in Lisle, Ill., recovering from knee surgery.

"He's home now, because he had his knee operated on Friday," Walters said. "I expect him back next week helping, but he should not be here for the game on Saturday."

Then there's defensive end Kyle Budinscak, who went down against Florida State and is out this week and maybe longer. Irish head coach Tyrone Willingham said Budinscak is questionable to return against BYU. Budinscak did something that prevented him from kicking or punting since.

While he wouldn't say exactly what the nature of his injury is, Setta did say that it presents him from going through the full range of his kicking motion.

"It's one of those things you don't understand and try to get through," he said. "I'd just hurt the team right now if I tried to play right now."

Setta estimated that he would be ready to return by the Stanford game Nov. 29 at the latest, which means he would miss the Navy and BYU games but have a bye week to help him continue to rest. The injury, he said, isn't healing as fast as it was expected to.

"I thought last week that this week was going to be the week," Setta said. "You just have to shut your mouth and not try to cry wolf too many times."

Quarterback switch

In the late minutes of Notre Dame's 37-0 blowout loss to Florida State Saturday, and after considering the fact that senior quarterback Brady Quinn had struggled all game long, Willingham said he considered putting Carlyle Holiday back under center briefly.

But Willingham's thought stayed as thoughts and never turned into action.

"It was the timing of the game," Willingham said. "I didn't think he was right."

Holiday hasn't taken a snap in a game since he was replaced by Quinn before the Purdue game. The Irish are 1-3 in games in which Holiday is their starting quarterback.

No success after close calls

As if their 39-game losing streak against the Irish wasn't enough to tip the history books against the Midshipmen, Navy hasn't had much success against Notre Dame the year after a close loss.

Since 1976, Navy has lost to Notre Dame by a touchdown or less four times — five including last year's narrow 30-23 loss. In those years of close but-no-cigar (1976, '84, '97 and '99), the Midshipmen lost by an average of 3.75 points. The year after a close victory, Notre Dame won by an average of 29.5 points.

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The injuries, coupled with a wealth of inexperienced players and a well-disciplined opponent in Navy, means the Irish are playing much more individual attention in practice.

"We had more individual time than we ever had," Irish defensive coordinator Kent Baer said. "It's just a lot of reps. You have to go over it again and again."

And the fact that the Irish are having to plug in inexperienced players is no excuse for their current struggles, Willingham said.

"You have to make sure you simplify to a degree, to make sure that you give them every opportunity to see those looks and practice against those looks as many times as possible so they are comfortable with what they hope they will see," the Irish head coach said.

Ireland in 39 years — the longest streak in college football — and, at least before the game, this season represents Navy's best chance to knock off the Irish in at least 10 years.

To complicate matters further, Notre Dame's defense has been hit with a rash of injuries. Glenn Earl and Kyle Budinscak are both out indefinitely, according to Willingham.

The absence of defensive leaders hurt the Irish so much last year against Navy that coach Tyrone Willingham led by eight points with five minutes left in the game. "I think you have to learn if you're going to be a coach in this business for any period of time, you have to be able to handle the good and the bad."

-Tyrone Willingham coach

Beneath the Irish defense, the Midshipmen are 3-0 overall. They have already called something that prevented him from kicking or punting since.

So far this season, Navy has scored the first goal of the game off a penalty kick. "It was a swamp, but just had to adjust," Navy's sweeper Carrie Orr said.

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SMC SOCCER

Belles' defense shines on wet Olivet field

By DAN TAPETILLO
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Despite the terrible field conditions, Saint Mary's was able to come away with not only another victory but also its first shutout of the season.

The Belles had to overcome patches of water and mud to defeat Olivet College 3-0 Tuesday night.

The win puts the Belles at 6-4-3 in the conference and 10-5-3 overall.

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Setta said he appeared to adjust well as the Belles led early in the first half after Orr scored the first goal of the game off a penalty kick.

Saint Mary's continues to look strong and dictate the game as the Belles came back to find the second goal of the half. The leading scorer for Saint Mary's, freshman Carolyn Lippard, found herself on the short end of the season off an assist by Sarah Budd.

On the second half of play, the offense showed no sign of fatigue as Saint Mary's scored their final goal of the game off a long, range kick from freshman Ashley Hinton.

"We came to play, and we played tough," Logan said. But Saint Mary's could not have come away with the win without the stellar defense that has turned out to be a major highlight for the team this season.

"Our defense did not allow any goals, and Katie Taylor continues to be the most consistent player," Orr said.

Saint Mary's hopes it can continue to play well this season and just enjoy the game, as Saint Mary's scored three goals in the first half against Olivet College.

Calvin is currently tied for first with Hope College in the MIAA standings and the game against Saint Mary's is critical. The Belles have yet to see different results from Tuesday night's win.

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Irish ready for traditional game in exhibition

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No more practice jerseys. No more trap兹d zones. No more 24-second shot clocks. No more 120-degree Barbados gyms. No more openly hostile crowds.

It's regular old-fashioned basketball in the Joyce Center for Notre Dame tonight, which, after playing three games in Barbados under international rules, opens its regular slate of exhibition games tonight against Hoop Group.

"We've been playing good ol' American rules, baby. Springfield, Massachusetts," Irish coach Mike Brey said. "We've been playing with those lines for so long, I think it's been confus-
ing our big guys.

The Irish will play three games in four days during a fall break tour in Barbados, finished 2-1. The trip marked the emergence of the Chris Thomas-Chris Quinn backcourt, a combination Brey plans to use on an extensive basis as the year progresses. That duo will debut tonight for Irish fans, who still have to wait until Nov. 24 to see Notre Dame play at South Bend's Purcell Pavilion.

The Quinn-Thomas backcourt has been one Brey has emphasized throughout the team's pre-
season. Brey estimated that the pair has played against each other just a handful of times in practice. Instead, he's trying to help the two develop on-court chemistry needed to see who handles the traditional point-
guard duties, who turns into the shooting guard. It also gives the Irish the ability to switch pressures the opposition's pri-
mary ball handler.

But so far, the two have been able to work out sharing the duties well. Although Brey says that as well as he has to do it, the guard, the coach doesn't spend much time dictating who runs the ball at point when both are on the floor — it's a natural process that develops depending on each ses-

sion.

"Whoever gets the ball can go," Quinn said. "Maybe I'll get it and go, and Chris will get the ball to whoever is open, or vice-
versa. For the most part, it's strictly natural.

The Irish are in a particularly unique situation this fall. Notre Dame's season only can help exhibition games to prepare for a season, but Notre Dame's fall tour has already given them three games.

The team added preparation time. Brey plans to continue the ''new rules'' as well as the drills and teamwork development preferred in Notre Dame's interior players. In preparation for the season, Brey gave the teams grooming season for the Terrin Cooks' primary interior threat — something the Irish will need with the depart-
ure of Matt Carroll and Dan Miller.

"I think that if they're not con-
 fident in passing to me, they're not going to pass it down," Francis said. "That's why I have
to establish my presence before the ball gets the floor.

"We still have three weeks until our first game, and it feels like it's going to be a three-week sprint," Brey said. "You have to pick your spots and pace them too." Notes

Brey praised the play of fresh-
man guard Russell Carter, whom he has been playing well in practice and games from Barbados. It wasn't clear if classmate Russell Carter is close to cracking into the regular rota-

tion.

Junior Jordan Cornette will sit out tomorrow's exhibition with a bruised knee, Brey said.

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And that's just the new teams. Syracuse won the national title last year, and Connecticut is ranked No. 1 this season. Notre Dame and Pitt are both top-25 teams, and, of course, Ohio State and North Carolina are two of the top teams in the country.

What about Notre Dame? This year's team has already compiled two new records, one unexpected and one expected.

The first new record is the most wins under Mike Tranghese. The second is the fact that the team is still in the running for a national championship.

"We've won two games already," Tranghese said. "We've lost two games already. We're still in the running for a national championship. That's the only new record we've set this year."
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Happy Birthday: Govt on it. With you think you can sit through the exciting and joyful day ahead, think again. Get your act together and start anew. The only satisfaction you'll get is from the success that goes after you. Do your own thing and refrain from putting demands on others. It's time for you to take all the glory yourself. Your numbers: 1, 13, 22, 29, 35, 46

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AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Don't let worry ruin your weekend. You need to take care of your health. If your job is causing that much stress, you need to consider making changes.

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Big East adds five schools to conference

By ANDREW SOUKUP
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Ending a seven-month process that saw three of its members leave for a rival conference, the Big East Conference announced Tuesday that five Conference USA schools had accepted the conference's offer to join the league in 2005-06.

Louisville, Cincinnati and South Florida accepted invitations to join the Big East in all sports. DePaul and Marquette — traditional Notre Dame basketball rivals who don't have football teams — will be the fourth and fifth additions.

Notre Dame, which some newspapers previously reported had entertained offers from other conferences, will remain in the new 16-team league in all sports except football, which will still remain independent, school spokesman John Heisler said.

"It's been a complicated summer for everyone in college athletics and particularly for the Big East," Notre Dame athletic director Kevin White said in a statement, "and today's announcement represents a resolution and a plan to move forward for all those associated with the conference."

The conference turmoil began in June when Miami and Virginia Tech accepted league's offer to leave the Big East. A few months later, Boston College joined the two

Just made the league a whole lot tougher.

"Now that it's official, it's the best basketball league in the country," the Irish men's basketball coach said. "The first part of me says it's exciting. Then I say, I hope we get nine bids [to the NCAA Tournament]."

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Mike Brey always thought the Big East men's basketball conference was among the best in the country.

But with the addition of Louisville, Marquette, Cincinnati, DePaul and South Florida to a league that sent four teams to the NCAA Tournament last year, the ACC's premier basketball conference, say coaches

FOOTBALL

Irish not making excuses as team struggles

By ANDREW SOUKUP
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He could point to the fact that Notre Dame has the toughest schedule in the nation. He could say he's playing too many freshmen and sophomores. He could say too many players are injured. He could say that he's not playing with players he recruited.

But Tyrone Willingham won't.

Instead, the coach of the 2-6 Irish tries to keep his team pointed toward the future by emphasizing the importance of ending the season on a positive note.

"I don't think you'll see me bring up any excuses, and maybe I have inadvertently and I apologize for those if I have," the Irish head coach said at his weekly press conference Tuesday. "But I don't believe excuses are solutions. So you won't hear me provide any excuses."

Willingham firmly believes the Irish are pointed in the right direction. He points to the improvement in Notre Dame's offense in the second half of Saturday's 50-21 win against Florida State, when the Irish scored 14 first downs compared to just one in the first half. And he says he is impressed with the team's resiliency, despite the fact that the team is off to its worst start since 1963.

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