Concerns raised over rights infringement

By BETH ERICKSON
News Writer

Editor’s Note: This is the second in a three-part series exploring the controversie and implications surrounding the visa revocation of Tariq Ramadan, a professor who was scheduled to begin teaching at Notre Dame this fall.

The revocation of Professor Tariq Ramadan’s visa has sparked debate on Notre Dame’s campus and nationwide about the long-term effects of the USA PATRIOT Act, the document that created the restrictions under which the State Department denied Ramadan entry into the United States.

The PATRIOT Act was created after Sept. 11 to arm law enforcement officials with new tools to detect and prevent terrorism. It has also, in effect, granted the government several additional powers, including the right to deny non-citizens admission into the U.S. for expressing their political views — which has raised some eyebrows in the Ramadan case.

Groups such as the American Civil Liberties Union have argued that the Act directly violates the Bill of Rights because it grants the government license to investigate persons, citizens and non-citizens without that which they call due process. The government’s decisions regarding Ramadan have spurred several members of the Notre Dame intellectual community to raise similar concerns.

I recognize that defending the United States from attacks must be a paramount concern of our government, but in taking responsible measures to protect ourselves and our loved ones, we must also be particularly careful not to betray the principles and values that define our greatness as a nation,” Crok Institute director Scott Appleby said. “These principles should not be suspended because the

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Political editors clash over Iraq

Top journalists Corn, Loury debate election

By MADDIE HANNA
News Writer

National Review editor Richard Loury and The Nation Washington editor David Corn focused on the Iraq War Wednesday night during a spirited debate on the upcoming election in front of a packed house at Washington Hall.

Loury, conservative author of "Legacy: Paying the Price for the Clinton Years," defended the war against the more liberal Corn, author of "The Lies of George W. Bush: Mastering the Politics of Deception."

The debate, moderated by Center for Social Concerns executive director Father Bill Lies was

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Board votes against The Library

Owner alleges city grudge against him

By CLAIRE HEININGER
News Editor

The county alcohol board unanimously decided Wednesday not to recommend the renewal of the liquor license of The Library Irish Pub, a popular student bar that was the site of two police raids in less than a year.

Contending that owner Chuck Hammons lost his chance for approval by breaking an agreement made a year ago, the St. Joseph County

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Non-discrimination amendment passed

By AMANDA MICHAELS
Associate News Editor

After the State of the Student Union address by student body president Adam Istvan, Student Senate passed a non-discrimination clause amendment to the Student Union constitution at Wednesday’s meeting.

Introduced to the floor by Diversity Affairs committee chair Nicholas Coleman, the amendment recognizes the University’s goals to "affirm the dignity of all regardless of color, gender, religion, ethnicity, sexual orientation, social or economic class and nationality" and forbids any act that goes against these standards. Under the clause, allegations of discrimination will be dealt with by the Student Union Ethics Committee.

"This amendment helps the process of eliminating discrimination at Notre Dame, and ensures that the Student Union is fair to everyone," Coleman said.

He added that such clauses

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Sleep is good

I awoke from my slumber at the right time during a lecture the other day, as the professor made an earth-shaking declaration about the human species — human beings are actually made to sleep twice a day.

Okay, maybe not so earth-shaking, but I found this to be quite intriguing, and as I began to daydream once again, if you are my professor reading this, I promise I pay attention for the rest of the class.

There are societies in this world where this tradition is followed. Although it may seem silly to some in our hard-working, industrial culture, several cultures around the world allow for an afternoon nap.

Spain, Mexico and Italy all find it all right to take a nap in the day-time.

It would be nice if we could learn a thing from these nations and incorporate napping into our own daily routine. It isn’t like other societies just came up with the idea a few years ago. It is human nature, and these nations have found ways to be successful without eliminating any accommodation for those who fit their second sleep period into their schedule.

Unfortunately, our nation is surely too industrialized to consider making naps a popular thing anytime soon.

And so we must treasure these days off college, these days when you can sleep until 11:00, go to your 12:30 class, and take a nice three-hour nap in the afternoon, because before you know it you’ll be back in some office for 12 straight hours from sunrise to sunset wishing you could sleep the way you do.

It may be just my lack of sleep this week and the fact that I am writing this column at 12:30 a.m. without even starting my homework yet that I would think so much about sleep.

But it is a nice thought. So if you’ve read this far and my column hasn’t bored you to death just yet, feel free to go reward yourself with a nap, and don’t feel bad about it — it’s only normal.

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QUESTION OF THE DAY: WHO WOULD WIN A DEBATE BETWEEN RUSH LIMBAUGH AND MICHAEL MOORE?

Katie Miller
freshman Lewis

"Rush Limbaugh, because he's smarter than Michael Moore." 

Edin McDermott
freshman Lewis

"Rush Limbaugh, because he doesn't agree with Michael Moore." 

Eduardo Salinas
sophomore St. Edward's

"Rush Limbaugh will win because he's a man and Michael Moore isn't." 

Frank Duerson
sophomore Keough

"Michael Moore, because I don't like the name Limbaugh." 

Dmytro Aponte
law student Fischer

"Michael Moore will win, because he won't be on pills." 

In Brief

The Senior Class Council is offering Margaritaville tonight from 5 to 8:30 p.m. on the beach of St. Joseph’s lake behind Keenan Hall. Admission and food are free with driver’s license and student ID. Beers and margaritas cost $2 each. The rain location is the Monogram Room of LaFortune.

The Student Union Board will offer screenings of “Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind” starring Jim Carrey and Kate Winslet tonight at 10 p.m., and on Friday and Saturday at 8 and 10:30 p.m. The cost is $3 each, and it will take place in 101 Dodellart Hall.

Budin and Alumni Halls presents the Frogs and Dogs on Fire bonfire tonight from 9 to 11 p.m. on Holy Cross Cross.

The Kello Institute presents “Portugal Panel: Thirtieth Anniversary of Portugal’s Revolutionary Transition to Democracy” today from 3:30 to 4:45 p.m. in the Hesburgh Auditorium.

The improv group Comedy Sportz is coming to Washington Hall Friday night at 10 p.m.

Saturday is the final day to register for the Oct. 29-31 NDE retreat. Sign-ups are in 114 Coleman-Morse.

The Creative Writing Program joins the St. Joseph County Literacy Council in its annual book fair all day Saturday at the Barnes and Noble.

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

OFFBEAT

Dad says school duct-taped son's pants

DUNLAP, Ind. — An outraged father of a seventh-grader says an assistant principal duct-taped his son’s pants to keep them from sagging then sent him back to class.

Scott Allison told the Concord School Board on Monday that his 12-year-old son, Spencer, said last week that a teacher asked him to pull up his pants and tuck in his shirt, Allison said.

"She then proceeded to duct tape his waist, three times around the waist," said Allison. "Then she sent him back to class, in front of his peers."

Actors filming robbery scene arrested

BELGRADE, Serbia-Montenegro — A group of Serbian actors filming a bank robbery scene played their parts so well that police mistook them for the real thing and hauled them off to a police station, a newspaper reported Wednesday.

The crew was filming the robbery scene Tuesday on a street in Novi Sad, 30 miles north of Belgrade, as part of a project to be shown in a multimedia performance at the nearby Serbian National Theater.

"We had just put black stockings on our heads and were carrying plastic hand-guns needed for the scene, when about 30 policemen surrounded us with pistols pointed at us," actor Aleksandar Galjin told the Vecernje Nova St newspaper.

Information compiled from the Associated Press.

Visiting artist Michael Barnes gives a stone lithographic printmaking demonstration to students Wednesday in the Printmaking Shop in Riley Hall.

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Tuesday's voting results led to a runoff between two tickets. Rocky Krivda and running mate Lauren McAllister advanced to today's runoff election with 30 percent of the vote. Colleen Kilty and running mate Maggie Siefert also advanced with 24 percent of the total vote. Five other tickets competed, making this election the largest in recent years at Saint Mary's.

Elections commissioner Anna Bauer said 62 percent of the freshman class voted in Tuesday's election, and Bauer added that she and the candidates are hoping to raise the percentage who show up to the polls today. Both tickets did last minute door-to-door campaigning Tuesday night hoping to promote their ideas on how to best serve the Class of 2008.

Presidential candidate Krivda said she believes her and McAllister's backgrounds in high school student government allows them to offer the freshman class new and exciting opportunities. "We plan to promote S.T.I.C.K. (School spirit, Teamwork, Integrating spiritualty, Community building and Keeping excellence)," Krivda said. "Our motto is, Stick with us, and we'll Stick with you!" Krivda also emphasized their history of leadership in community service organizations and their approachable personalities.

Voting started at midnight and continues until 11:59 p.m. Saint Mary's freshman can vote by logging onto PRISM and clicking the "Answer a Survey" section...

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By ANGELA SAUD
Saint Mary's Editor

SMC freshman runoff election set for today

Saint Mary's hosts justice seminar

By NICOLE ZOOK
News Writer

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Mendoza, IBM hold management contest

By KATIE PERRY

The Mendoza College of Business and IBM teamed up Wednesday for the first-ever Notre Dame MBA Case Competition, a contest with the underlying aim of increasing the number of Notre Dame alumni employed by the corporation.

Roughly 40 competition entrants were presented with a management situation involving the Mercury Computer Systems and asked to address the issue in the form of a written analysis. Six finalist teams were then selected to present their ideas to a panel of judges made up of Mendoza faculty members and current IBM employees.

The winner of the contest, Notre Dame graduate student Kevin Suhanic of Cleveland, was rewarded with an all-expense paid trip to IBM's headquarters in York. He will be given the opportunity to interact with IBM executives — a crucial element of his job search.

Suhanic’s reward is representative of the relationship between Notre Dame and IBM.

The software company is comprised of numerous small units, each with the foremost goal of ranking first or second in their respective market. In order to accomplish this goal IBM actively seeks intelligent and decisive individuals, Michael Riegel, director of On Demand Marketing and Strategy for IBM Global Services, said.

“We’re trying to identify the new leaders of IBM,” Riegel said.

The overall success of this collaboration has already led competition organizers to begin thinking about future contests.

“So the plane coming in to South Bend we discussed how we wanted to do this again next year,” said Riegel. “We were overwhelmed with the results.”

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Professor leads relationship talk

Students discuss dating and marriage at first Theology on Tap session

By KEN WALSH

Notre Dame students gathered with Professor of Psychology, David Smith, at Legends on Wednesday night to discuss dating and relationships in this year’s first session of Theology on Tap.

Smith’s self-proclaimed “doom and gloom” talk focused on finding love and dealing with conflict in a marriage or other relationship.

“The idea that there is ‘the one’ out there is ridiculous, and I’m very, very sorry to be the one to tell you this, but you’ve got to give it up,” Smith said.

He said that while it is a common conception that there is one person for everyone, in reality, there is a very large pool of people to whom any given individual can be successfully married.

According to sophomore Kathleen Krcmaric, however, a merely successful marriage may not be sufficient.

“I just think there is a difference between a successful marriage and a happy marriage,” Krcmaric said.

Regarding relationships at Notre Dame, it is Smith’s belief that there is not enough dating, and the dating that occurs is too heavy and intense.

“Feelings of love and satisfaction in a relationship,” Smith said, “are not predictive of the long-term success of a relationship. It doesn’t predict divorce, and it doesn’t predict happiness in a relationship.”

Smith offered a bit of advice about developing relationships, saying that truly healthy conversations with no overtones can be had in even the short time between classes.

“There are a lot of people really missing out, there are great people here, and the more of them you get to know, the better,” Smith said. “But if there is a wall between the genders because you feel like you can only talk at this high level of commitment type of thing, then you are missing out.”

Theology on Tap will take place this semester on Sept. 29, Oct. 6 and Nov. 3, 10 and 17 on the club side of Legends. Doors open at 9:30 p.m. and the presentation begins at 10 p.m.

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

British hostage pleads for his life

BAGHDAD, Iraq — A senior Iraqi official said Wednesday that a decision had been made to release a top female germ-warfare scientist for Saddam Hussein, but Iraq's leader and U.S. officials moved quickly to fashion the idea that she would be freed soon. Iraqi militants who behead two Americans have threatened to kill a British unless female detainees are let go.

A videotape posted on an Islamic Web site later Wednesday showed a man identifying himself as British Prime Minister Tony Blair to help save his life.

European cities restrict traffic

STOCKHOLM, Sweden — Hundreds of European cities and towns restricted automobile traffic Wednesday, part of the continent's annual campaign to lower air pollution by encouraging commuters to use public transportation, bicycles or their feet instead of their cars.

More than 1,500 municipalities, chiefly in Europe, participated in the seventh annual campaign by setting up roadblocks to prevent nonessential automobile traffic from entering city centers. The campaign also spread to cities in Japan and South America.

In Stockholm, a busy thoroughfare in the southern part of the capital was closed to all vehicle traffic. People were encouraged to walk or ride bikes to browse shops, and a local group offered historical walking tours of the Soedermalm neighborhood.

NATIONAL NEWS

Government releases combatant

WASHINGTON — The Justice Department has reached an agreement with a U.S. citizen held as an enemy combatant for more than two years, clearing the way for him to return to Saudi Arabia, officials said Wednesday.

The agreement also means that despite his long incarceration, Yaser Esmad Hamdi will not face any criminal charges in the United States.

Hamdi, born in Baton Rouge, La., and raised in Saudi Arabia, will be flown by the Defense Department to Saudi Arabia as soon as Wednesday to return him to the country where he was being held in a Navy brig in 2002.

The agreement calls for Hamdi to renounce his U.S. citizenship and adhere to restrictions barring travel to certain countries.

Man pleads guilty for killing 2

OREGON CITY, Ore. — A man accused of killing two of his daughter's friends, then hiding their bodies on his property pleaded guilty Wednesday to murder charges and received two life sentences in prison.

Douglas Weaver, 41, avoided the death penalty by pleading guilty in the 2002 deaths of the girls, classmates and friends who disappeared within two months of each other. In total, he pleaded guilty Wednesday to 17 counts, including rape, sex abuse and abuse of a corpse.

LOCAL NEWS

Whooping cough rate increases

SOUTH BEND — The number of whooping cough cases in Indiana has nearly doubled since 2003, and health officials are at a loss to explain why.

Eighty-seven cases of whooping cough have been reported so far this year in Indiana, up from 44 cases recorded at the same time in 2003, health officials said.

Wayne Stagg, an epidemiologist with the Indiana State Department of Health, said Saint Joseph County has the most cases in Indiana, with 18.

Lebanon captures al-Qaida leader

Associated Press

BEIRUT, Lebanon — Lebanese soldiers on Wednesday killed the top al-Qaida operative in the country and another man linked to Osama bin Laden's terror group who were plotting to blow up foreign embassies in Beirut. An American diplomat and Western diplomats and recruiting insurgents to fight U.S.-led forces in Iraq. Second Security Service officials said the two Lebanese men arrested Friday along with eight accomplices were also planning to attack Lebanese security and judicial targets.

Michael Murphy, speaking at a news conference, identified the leaders of the plot as Ahmed Salim Mikati and Ismail Mohammed al-Khatib, both Lebanese, and said they had eight Lebanese and Palestinian accomplices, who were also arrested on Friday night.

Prosecutor-General Adnan Addoum told the same news conference al-Khatib was "the head of al-Qaida organization in Lebanon.

Murr said Khatib is an al-Qaida operative ... his role was to recruit fundamentalist youth to carry out operations against coalition forces in Iraq.

Addoum alleged Mikati was trying to establish al-Qaida cells in Lebanon and had contacts with Abu Musab al-Zarqawi, the leader of the Iraqi insurgent group Tawhid and Jihad, with the aim of recruiting fighters to go to Iraq.

Al-Zarqawi's Tawhid and Jihad beheaded two American hostages this week and has threatened to kill a Briton also in their hands unless Iraqi women prisoners are released.

The group has killed at least seven hostages in surgeries this year and has claimed to be behind a string of deadly bomb attacks.

Murr said one of al-Khatib's recruits was a Lebanese citizen who was killed in Iraq on Sept. 17. He was not identified.

Stevens causes flight disruption

Plane grounded in Bangor, Maine, man aboard is found on U.S. "no-fly" list

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Alcoholic Beverage Board asked the state of Indiana to deny the permit for the 113 E. Wayne Street establishment. Indiana State Excise Police cited 20 minors — all of whom were Notre Dame and Saint Mary's students — at The Library April 16.

A larger raid in April 2003 led to the citation of 51 minors and prompted a 30-day suspension of Hammons' liquor license.

"We approved his permit last year under the condition he'd sell the bar," board member Michael Pajakowski said.

"He said he'd get out of the business and that didn't happen... so at this point there was no way we could make a favorable recommendation," Pajakowski said.

Hammons, however, claimed he did satisfy the board's request. "I did have a buyer, but the deal fell through to no fault of my own," he said. "I could not secure the lease. No lease, no deal — that's not my fault."

"We didn't feel Johnson should benefit by selling to another owner, but the state voted to kill [our recommendation]," Pajakowski said.

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Though the amendment was only up for discussion Wednesday, with a vote planned for next meeting, there was no debate. The amendment was approved by a unanimous vote.

In other Senate news:

• The amendment to the Student Senate attendance policy amendment was approved unanimously. It was previously sent back to the Oversight committee for clarification of wording. The new policy includes provisions for three unexcused absences from full Senate meetings and three unexcused absences from committee meetings.

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minors — all of whom were Notre Dame and Saint Mary's students — at The Library April 16. A larger raid in April 2003 led to the citation of 51 minors and prompted a 30-day suspension of Hammons' liquor license. "We approved his permit last year under the condition he'd sell the bar," board member Michael Pajakowski said. "He said he'd get out of the business and that didn't happen... so at this point there was no way we could make a favorable recommendation," Pajakowski said. Hammons, however, claimed he did satisfy the board's request. "I did have a buyer, but the deal fell through to no fault of my own," he said. "I could not secure the lease. No lease, no deal — that's not my fault."

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Morgan Stanley's troubles weigh heavily on Wall Street, Dow down 136 points

**In Brief**

**Outback to convert Chi-Chi's**

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — Chi-Chi's, the Mexican restaurant chain, may have served its last gains. Outback Steakhouse Inc. this week closed on its $41 million deal for the rights to 76 restaurants in Chi-Chi's chain, which was beleaguered by bankruptcy and a hepatitis outbreak.

Outback plans to convert many of the restaurants into its own brands — which include the signature Outback Steakhouse, Carrabba's Italian Grills, Bonefish Grills, Fleming's Prime Steakhouse and Wine Bars, Red Robin and Cheeseburger in Paradise restaurants.

**Problems prompt SEC inquiry**

WASHINGTON — Regulators have found serious accounting problems at mortgage giant Fannie Mae, prompting an inquiry by the Securities and Exchange Commission and calling into question its financial soundness, the company disclosed Wednesday. Its shares dropped nearly 7 percent.

In at least one instance, the regulators said, it appeared that the government-sponsored company put off some accounting for expenses to a future reporting period in order to meet earnings forecasts that brought bonuses for executives.

The Fannie Mae board has named a special committee of outside directors to respond to the allegations by the Office of Federal Housing Enterprise Oversight. Fannie Mae is the second-largest U.S. financial institution behind Citigroup Inc.

The developments surprised financial experts and Wall Street. A little more than a year ago, Freddie Mac — Fannie Mae’s sister agency and competitor in the trillion-dollar home mortgage market — disclosed that it had understated profits by some $4.5 billion for 2000-2002 in an effort to smooth earnings. Fannie Mae’s accounting then came under close government scrutiny, though its leaders insisted that it had no problems of that type.

Associated Press

**NEW YORK**

Disappointing earnings from Morgan Stanley and oil prices topping $48 per barrel sent stocks sharply lower Wednesday as investors moved to protect their recent gains. The Dow Jones industrial average dropped 136 points.

Investor pessimism during the summer took its toll on earnings, which widely missed Wall Street expectations due to a sharp drop in trading commissions.

The big spike in oil prices created fresh worries that oil could surpass $50 per barrel, which would further curtail consumer spending just as the winter heating oil season arrives. A barrel of West Texas intermediate crude was quoted at $48.25, up $1.49, on the New York Mercantile Exchange.

"Morgan Stanley certainly brought about some profit taking today after the recent runup in stock prices we've seen over the past several weeks," said Michael Sheldon, chief market strategist at Spencer Clarke LLC. "The question now for the markets, I think, is whether we give back most of the gains since August or just half of the gains. And oil will play a big part in that."

In midafternoon trading, the Dow was down 138.33, or 1.4 percent, at 10,106.60.

Broader stock indicators also were substantially lower. The Standard & Poor's 500 index was down 15.43, or 1.4 percent, at 1,113.87, and the Nasdaq composite index was 32.93, or 1.7 percent, to 1,988.25.

The run on oil was interesting in that when it started going up a few weeks ago, the market continued to rally. I think the drag today may have more to do with psychology than any actual impact from oil," said Richard Dickens, senior market strategist at Lowry's Research Reports. "I think people are looking at oil, looking at the earnings and the poor earnings, and they're thinking this is a good time to get out with some profits."

Morgan Stanley's troubles also weighed heavily on Wall Street, which had seen positive earnings earlier in the week from Goldman Sachs Group Inc. and Lehman Brothers Holdings Inc. Morgan Stanley posted a 34 percent drop in third-quarter profits, missing Wall Street forecasts by 17 cents per share. Shares of Morgan Stanley tumbled $3.04 to $49.34.

The news had a fast effect on other brokerage stocks, with Goldman Sachs falling $1.18 to $93.72, while Lehman Brothers gained 90 cents to $80.66. Bear Stearns Cos. Inc. dropped $1.68 to $85.41 as its profits declined by 10 percent from a year ago. The company still managed to beat analysts' expectations by 11 cents per share.

FedEx Corp. delivered a strong earnings report, in which the company's profits were more than doubled from a year ago, matching Wall Street's estimates. FedEx nonetheless skidded $3.88 to $84.81 on a modest outlook for the current quarter.

Fast-food chain Wendy's International Inc. slid $1.68 to $33.82 after the company cut its 2004 profit forecast due to curbing damages and a resulting drop in business in Florida, along with high beef prices. Several Wall Street firms lowered their ratings of Wendy's.

**Bakery files Chapter 11 bankruptcy**

Associated Press

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Interstate Bakeries Corp., the maker of lunch box staples Wonder Bread and Twinkies, filed for bankruptcy Wednesday after months of financial turmoil brought it part to the low-carb craze.

The nation's largest wholesale baker filed for Chapter 11 reorganization and installed new management, saying it intended to survive. The company will continue operating its bakeries, outlet stores and distribution centers, and analysts said that its famous brands are unlikely to disappear from store shelves.

Tony Alvarez, the head of turn-around firm Alvarez & Marsal and the baker's new chief executive, said the company had no immediate plans to lay off additional workers. But, he added, "It's very rare in this country that anyone goes through Chapter 11 and is reorganized."

For more than a year, Interstate Bakeries has struggled with declining sales of its bread and sweet goods products, a drop the company and analysts blame on the popularity of high-protein, low-carb diets such as Atkins and South Beach.

Thomas Morabito, a food analyst at Cleveland, said the company was hurt by what he called a "lack of innovation" in responding to the low-carb market; it didn't release a low-carb product until February.

He said the diet trend, combined with the company's high debt and large overhead costs, led to the filing. "I think the low-carb phenomenon was just a final blow to IRC," Morabito said.

The Kansas City-based company listed assets of $1.6 billion and liabilities of $1.3 billion in its court filings. In those filings, it said chairman and CEO James Eileman has resigned effective Wednesday.

Interstate Bakeries and its subsidiaries employ 32,000 people at 54 bakeries and 2,600 distribution centers and outlet stores across the country.
there should be some kind of universality to the Constitution in regards to actions within the U.S.," sophomore Anne Kroeger said. Kroeger is a double major in Arabic and Political Science who is enrolled in what was intended to be Ramadan's Islamic Ethics class. Other students have voiced support for the Act, defending its efforts to protect citizens.

"I think that the lack of terrorist attacks upon American soil since the passage of this act, which did so with overwhelming bipartisan support, is a testament to its vitality in the defense of our Republic," Notre Dame College Republicans co-president Ian Ronderos said. "The charges of the ACLU are completely unfounded and if they had their way we would be a much more vulnerable nation. As the great Roman orator and statesman Cicero put it, 'The safety of the people shall be the highest law.'"

The debate has extended nationwide, and some have argued that national security concerns give the government the right to determine the scope of its laws. The issue is not betrayal of the First Amendment, but restricting its reach in time of war, as has happened throughout American history and must happen now if we are seriously to wage war," Daniel Pipes, Director of D.C. think tank the Middle East Forum, said. "Pipes, the creator of Campus Watch, a Web site designed to review and critique Middle East studies in North America, has praised the professor's tenure in the United States since Notre Dame appointed him last January. In an August editorial by the Chicago Tribune, he quoted himself as saying in January, "Once again we see that the Inward leaning academy and in particular the Krot Institute [at Notre Dame] has a soft spot for militant Islamic figures."

Several professors have charged that the most significant infringement of rights lies in the government's ability to bar Ramadan without pressing charges against him, a power granted by the PATRIOT Act. "If the State Department would say why Professor Ramadan's passport has been revoked, we would have something to comment on," Joseph Amar, professor of Classics and Theology, said in an interview earlier this month. "If he actually posed some threat, they should be forthcoming about it. Anyone who is accused of something has the right to know their accuser and what he is being accused of." Neither the University nor Professor Ramadan has received any further information from the Department of Homeland Security or the State Department.

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Haiti

Floods overwhelm island

Associated Press

GONAIVES, Haiti — U.N. peacekeepers fired into the air to keep a hungry crowd at bay Wednesday as aid workers handed out the first food in days for some in this city devastated by floods from Tropical Storm Jeanne. Meteorologists said the storm could strike the United States by this weekend.

It was too soon to tell where or if Jeanne would hit, but the National Hurricane Center in Miami warned people in the northwest and central Bahamas to beware of dangerous surf and rip currents kicked up by Jeanne in the coming days.

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Candidate allegedly poisoned

Opposition party claims presidential candidate was sabotaged

Associated Press

KIEV, Ukraine — Ukrainian politicians opened a criminal investigation into the alleged poisoning of a leading candidate in a crucial presidential election scheduled for next month, officials said.

The candidate, Viktor Yushchenko, became sick more than two weeks ago, and the campaign charged that he was poisoned by political opponents. The allegations have roiled the already heated race to replace outgoing President Leonid Kuchma.

Yushchenko, a leading opposition figure who is running neck-in-neck with the ruling party's candidate, became ill Sept. 6, and was hospitalized in Austria. After he was discharged Saturday, doctors in Vienna said it was possible he had been poisoned but they could not confirm it.

Prosecutors said in a statement that they were investigating charges of "attempted murder of a statesman," a public figure. They offered few details and did not indicate if authorities had substantiated the poison charges or identified suspects.

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interrupted by outbursts of applause and anger from what appeared to be an evenly divided audience composed of members of the Notre Dame and South Bend communities.

Lowry supported the war by arguing for the elimination of the threat of Saddam Hussein and advancement of human rights.

"If you really want to hold a dictator to account, to stop the slaughter, you can't rely on the United Nations, you have to rely on the United States of America," he said.

Lowry continued amidst applause.

"We owe it not just to the (Iraqi) people, but to ourselves, to do everything we can to try to prevail there (Iraq)."

Corn, however, said that there were other options to deal with the threat besides war. "Bush refuses to acknowledge it (the possibility of other options) or he refuses to see it, and I don't know which is worse," Corn said. "Bush scare the hell out of me."

To counter Corn and defend Bush's stance on Iraq, Lowry said, "If you think the war is based on lie, you do not have a candidate in this race," taken to mean that Kerry too supported and voted for the war.

While Corn acknowledged this statement, he said that Kerry acted upon information from the president that there was a direct and immediate threat on the country.

"I question the due diligence of this remark," Corn said, basing his response on newer information that shed light on what went on prior to 9/11.

"I do believe the president pushed into an elective war. Elective war, you can plan for it." However, Bush never met with cabinet members to deal with the political, economic or security transitions, according to Corn.

"It was hocus-pocus. They did not stop to think about the hard questions," he said.

Lowry attacked Kerry's "flip-flopping" in response.

"John Kerry voted to authorize a war, not to authorize an empty threat. He knew the result. To turn that around now because of politics is really an odious thing," he said. "John Kerry has literally been on every side of this issue because he can't remain steadfast under political pressure."

Corn said that Kerry had demonstrated "guile," "resolve" and "thoughtfulness."

"Mature leadership means assessing threats and responses," Corn said.

Alluding to a long list of past presidents, Lowry said that Bush has been following a Democratic tradition of idealism as it pertains to foreign affairs. He accused liberals of ignoring the administration's idealistic goals and of "holding a grudge and turning their backs."

Corn said, "And now we're told this is about idealism. I find the administration's use of idealism highly cynical."

"The number one reason we had to go March 19 wasn't because of idealism, but because Bush said there was a direct threat. Where's idealism when it comes to Russia?"

Corn asked, also receiving applause.

Further commenting on the Bush administration's involvement in Iraq, Corn said, "Bush went before the UN this week. You want to know what his plan is? To prevail."

"You don't behave in a reckless fashion with other people's lives are at stake," Lowry maintained his stance.

"What you're trying to do in the long run here is to cut through the axis of evil, create an axis of decency, to rearrange and displace tyrants," he said.

Other debated issues not related with the war included taxes, global warming, gay marriage and abortion, but were only briefly discussed compared to the heavy focus on Iraq.

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Bush challenges Kerry

President Bush talks with voter Michelle Mazzalla Wednesday during a campaign visit to Millville, Penn.

Associated Press

KING OF PRUSSIA, Pa. — President Bush mocked John Kerry's fitness to be commander in chief Wednesday, saying the way to bring U.S. troops home from Iraq "is not to wilt or waver."

Kerry suggested to a campaign crowd that Bush might bring back the military draft and said in an Associated Press interview that the president was "living in a make-believe world."

Answering a question about possible revival of the draft at a forum with voters in West Palm Beach, Fla., Kerry said, "If George Bush were to be re-elected, given the way he has gone about this war and given his avoidance of responsibility in North Korea and Iran and other places, it is possible, I can't tell you."

Bush, trying to show a leadership contrast with his Democratic opponent, said on a campaign trip to bastionground Pennsylvania: "I'm driven by my desire to protect the American people. I'll be steadfast in my resolve to do everything I can to make you secure."

Less than six weeks before the election, Iraq was increasing in prominence as a campaign issue, thrust to center stage by spreading violence, kidnappings, beheadings and the deaths of more than 1,000 U.S. troops. With Americans divided about the war, Bush is trying to keep voters focused on what he says are Kerry's conflicting statements rather than the daily bombings and bloodshed.

"George Bush is trying to fight a phantom here because he won't tell the American people the truth, so he sets up something that's not a real issue and attacks it," Kerry said in the AP interview after his West Palm Beach event.

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Judge calls mistrial in pepper spray case

**Associated Press**

SAN FRANCISCO — A federal judge declared a mistrial Wednesday when a second jury deadlocked on the question of whether police went too far by swabbing pepper spray on the eyes of bound, nonviolent logging activists.

Under federal law, all jurors must agree on a verdict, unless both parties agree to accept a non-unanimous verdict.

The judge took the lawyers into her chambers to try to break the deadlock, but she said she would not agree to the activists' demand that police stop using pepper spray on nonviolent protesters.

"It's like asking them not to use a gun when they respond to a robbery," attorney Bill Bragg told reporters.

"It's about time we get some enforcement of the law," attorney Tony Serra, the activists' attorney, said the case was about trying to ban the use of pepper spray on those practicing civil disobedience. "They are unwilling to agree to that," he told reporters. "Therefore, I agree there will never be a resolution."

California farmers fear boycott

**Associated Press**

SAN FRANCISCO — California rice farmers are worried that genetically engineered rice will be allowed into the state.

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As we all know, 2004 is a very significant year in American politics. For many of us, it will mark our first opportunity to vote in a national election. Whether this will be your first or 10th chance to walk into a voting booth, it is important to exercise your right to be heard. If you are not happy and do not vote, you ultimately have no reason to criticize our government. Regardless of whether you've recently marched at peace rallies or whether you have "Bombs Over Baghdad" on repeat in your CD player, you have a forum for making your feeling known on Nov. 2. Studies have shown that 18-24 year-olds will have a big influence on the outcome of this election. According to the latest Rasmussen Report, President Bush and Sen. Kerry are in a dead heat with Bush only slightly leading at 48 percent and Kerry with 46 percent. It is likely this election could again be decided by only a few thousand votes in several key battleground states.

While the right to vote has historically been open to all, it has made great strides in the past two centuries. At times minorities such as blacks and women have been outlawed from voting. These groups protested, marched, were arrested and even died to ensure their rights. And so passionately they believed their vote would not only more accurately give them a voice in our government, but that their vote really could make a difference.

As we saw in 2000, our electoral system is not without its own election-chasing chads. Another lesson learned from the GoreBush election is that when the race is close, your vote can make the difference. Many young people today overlook the significance of their vote. Whether you are for Bush, Kerry or Nader it is imperative that you vote on Nov. 2. Every single trip to the voting booth has the potential to determine the outcome of the election. There are also many issues in the upcoming election that many of us feel strongly about. This is your time to choose the candidate who best agrees with your own opinions. While it can be difficult because of conflicting views. decide which are most important to you and vote accordingly. You still have time to register and get an absentee ballot if you haven't done so already. This is a right that people have died to ensure for us. As President Kennedy said, "The margin is narrow but the responsibility is clear. It is our duty as young Americans to make our voices heard. This is our responsibility. So even if you have a particularly rough night at Club 23 on the first Monday in November, it is your patriotic responsibility to pee yourself off the floor the next morning and cast a vote. We are the future of this country. If you can't answer the bell and don't find your way to a ballot box, then you've missed your opportunity to make your political views relevant.

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Letter to the Editor

Straight talk

I've had enough of people telling me Sen. Kerry is not a flip-flopper including Katie Boyle in her Sept. 21 column, so I've decided to let him speak for himself: "So clearly the allies may have made it and I think that's their great concern. Where's the backroom of Russia, where's the backroom of France? Where are they in this? They are inextricably linked to this nearly illegal activity?" CNN's Crossfire, Nov. 12, 1997.

"Obviously the United States has to protect our national security interests and we have to do what we think is right," The O'Reilly Factor, May 22, 2002.

"I'm going to say that John [Edwards] joined me in voting against that $47 billion, July 13.

"I completely agree with this administration's goal of regime change in Iraq," Speech to the 2002 DLC National Conference, Nov. 29, 2002.

"In the resolution that we passed, we did not empower the president to do regime change." Meet the Press, Aug. 31, 2003.

"The president and his advisors did not do almost anything correctly in the walk up to the war." This Week, Oct. 12, 2003.

"Are you one of the anti-war candidates?" Chris Matthews. "Um, I am, yeah." John Kerry, Hardball, Jan. 6, 2004.

"I will be a commander-in-chief who will never misunderstand us into war," Democratic nomination acceptance speech, July 29.

"When it comes to Iraq, I would not have done one thing differently. I would have done everything differently," Speech to the National American Legion, Nashville, Sept. 6, 2002.

"The presidential election is about who's most important to you and your way to get elected, that's irrelevant." The O'Reilly Factor, May 22, 2002.

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Quote of the Day

"My advice to you is get married: if you find a good wife you'll be happy, if not, you'll become a philosopher."

Socrates philosopher
Feeding Grandma

Your family can expect to face this problem sooner or later. Grandma is in the hospital, incurably ill. She is comatose or in a persistent vegetative state (PVS). She receives nutrition and hydration through a tube. She is not dying and not in pain. If food and water are continued, she will live for years. Can you turn off that tube and let Grandma go “home” in peace? Tough question. Fortunately, in his address last March on the rights of PVS patients, Pope John Paul II gave a clear answer.

First, the basic principles. “(The direct and voluntary killing of an innocent human being is always gravely immoral)” (Evangelium Vitae). This includes euthanasia, which is an act, or omission, which of itself and by intention causes death to eliminate suffering. We also have a positive, but burdensome pain and suffering to the patient. If the tube were excessively painful, Grandma’s feeding tube is not supposed to cure her illness but only to sustain her life insofar as and until it is seen to have attained its proper finality, which consists in the spiritual and not in the physical nourishment of the soul.

As Monsignor Kevin McMahon, of St. Charles Borromeo Seminary, described it, this papal teaching is “an authoritarian interpretation” forbidding Catholic facilities to provide nutrition and hydration from PVS patients as long as it preserves life or alleviates suffering. The law allows religious hospitals to decline to follow instructions in advance directives that conflict with their stated policies.

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1. If it is useless in sustaining bodily life because her body is unable to absorb the nutrients.
2. In the dying process when inevitable death is imminent despite the provision of feeding and medical treatments and the removal of the tube would therefore not be a cause of her death; or
3. If the administration of the nutrition and hydration itself causes unreasonable, burdensome pain and suffering to the patient. If the tube were excessively painful, which it rarely is, you could remove it if your intent were to relieve the pain and to replace it if and when it could be done without pain. If your intent in removing it were to cause Grandma’s death for her own good, that removal would be euthanasia, a form of murder.

So Grandma’s quality of life may not be so good. But, as John Paul said, the value of her life “cannot be made subordinate to any judgment of its quality expressed by other men.”

In his March 2004 address, the Pope said “the administration of water and food, even... by artificial means, always represents a natural means of preserving life, not a medical act. Its use [is] ordinary and proportionate, and... morally obligatory, unless and until it is seen to have attained its proper finality, which... consists in providing nourishment to the patient and alleviation of his suffering...” (WLAN hope for recovery cannot ethically justify the... interruption of minimal care... involves the nursing and hydration. Death... is... the withdrawal of an artificial means of preserving life.)

In keeping with the Pope’s teaching, my firm does not defend a position that the tube be removed as a result of their withdrawal...” It ends up becoming, if done knowingly and willingly, true and not euthanasia by omission.”

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As a student coordinator for Rock the Vote, I wish I could potentially thwart the campaigns of their candidates. But in their motion to reject the Transpo proposal, did the College Republicans and the College Democrats have ever once vetoed or thwarted on-campus registration drives designed to get Notre Dame students to vote for their preferred candidates—white, middle class and conservative? Could potentially they have turned the campaigns of their candidates?

In the past semester, it has been a privilege to work with Philip Wells, Ian Ronderos and other College Republicans and College Democrats to foster political dialogue at Notre Dame. Yet, at this time, I would ask the leaders of both parties to reconsider their focus. What is it we need the students to be a candidate worthy if in the effort to ensure his victory - would bring a welcomed breath of fresh air to this district and, with it, numbers become the but..."

In this election year, I assure you, Notre Dame Rock the Vote has only one bottom line: to get as many students and faculty on this campus as possible to vote. It is imperative that the surrounding community, registered and educated about the issues. In order to do so, we need the collective support of the College Republicans and the College Democrats as well as the diverse perspectives that are necessary for the surrounding community, registered and educated about the issues. In order to do so, we need the collective support of the College Republicans and the College Democrats as well as the diverse perspectives that are necessary for the surrounding community, registered and educated about the issues. In order to do so, we need the collective support of the College Republicans and the College Democrats as well as the diverse perspectives that are necessary for the surrounding community, registered and educated about the issues. In order to do so, we need the collective support of the College Republicans and the College Democrats as well as the diverse perspectives that are necessary for the surrounding community, registered and educated about the issues. In order to do so, we need the collective support of the College Republicans and the College Democrats as well as the diverse perspectives that are necessary for the surrounding community, registered and educated about the issues. In order to do so, we need the collective support of the College Republicans and the College Democrats as well as the diverse perspectives that are necessary for the surrounding community, registered and educated about the issues.

It is my hope that the College Republicans and College Democrats—party politics aside—will still join us.

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Rejecting bi-partisan spirit

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I am a lifelong South Bend and 2nd congressional district resident. For most of my life, this district was represented by Tim Noemaker, a Democrat and Notre Dame alum. Boomer served a long and successful tenure before retiring prior to the 2002 election. His successor was to, among other things, his ability to cross party lines, accorded to Democrat and College Republicans, rich and poor, urban and rural.

His successor, Chris Chocola, faces one of the toughest elections in the county this November. From a pragmatic standpoint, I can understand why Ronderos and the College Republicans do not want to support the votes that would theoretically go against Chocola. I, however, am deeply concerned that an indifference towards the traditional Hoosier spirit of bi-partisanship.

Chocola was elected to represent the entire second district of Indiana, not some of the residents who voted for him, nor only those who would likely vote for him again. Likewise, Mitch Daniels, the Republican candidate for governor, is running for the privilege of leading the entire state, not just the 2nd district. Republicans should like it or not, the job of our 2nd district congressman and our Indiana governor is to represent everyone, into those residents of "heavily Democratic districts" as Ronderos describes the Transpo route neighborhoods.

I have participated in several voter registration drives this semester and through them I have met people from all walks of life and in a particular persuasion. These citizens have all demonstrated to me a unanimous common thread: they all want to have their share in electing our representatives regardless of party. The College Republicans’ insistence on ignoring the very people who would elect their candidates makes me wonder what they have to fear by helping to make sure every 2nd district resident has a vote.

Perhaps they are afraid that the traditional Hoosier spirit of bi-partisanship would bring a welcomed breath of fresh air to this district and, with it, unemployment for their candidates.
**ALBUM REVIEW**

**Nelly hits and misses with new releases**

By COURTNEY WILSON  
Scence Music Critic

Multi-platinum superstar Nelly makes history this month as the first rap artist to release two separate CDs on the same day. Reminiscent of Oatska with "Spearboxx/ The Love Below," it is designed to present two distinct sides of Nelly. So was this just a poor marketing ploy? I think not. Nelly proves successful with both albums debuting at the No. 1 and 2 positions on the U.S. charts. "Suit," most notably the softer, more R&B style of the two albums, reigns slightly above the faster hip-hop attempts from "Sweat." Fans may disagree with the double release, as it also means double the price, but have purchased them both nonetheless. "Sweat," the more edgy, "dirty south" of the two, fails to live up to the stan-

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**Muse provides its own inspiration**

By BECCA SAUNDERS  
Assistant Scene Editor

While most bands today fit nicely into one genre or another, the British rock band Muse does not make categorizing so easy. With a variant range of song tempos, styles, lyrics, themes and much more throughout their latest album "Absolution," Muse proves itself worthy of all the attention it has received over the past few months. The majority of people probably know of Muse's hit single "Time Is Running Out." Sadly, that is all some know, and that is absolutely tragic when there is an album as spectacular as "Absolution" that people everywhere could be enjoying.

It is often difficult for a band to produce a truly unique sound that is not heavily similar to a predecessor or current band. Muse has triumphed on this count.

"Absolution" has to be one of the most successfully diverse albums ever produced. Not only does it showcase fast, upbeat rock songs such as "Time Is Running Out" and "Butterflies and Hurricanes," but it also just as naturally and creatively contains slower ballad gems such as "Ruled by Secrecy" and "Suit." The track also features a hot vocal collaboration with Missy Elliot and Mobb Deep. But the numerous collaborations are not enough to save this album. This CD doesn't heat up nearly enough to make us 'sweat.'

Nelly puts on his suave "Suit" for the second CD, presenting what may be his sensitive side. This CD is chocked full with collaborations, which seem to work best for his songs. Smooth beats, soft vocals and a little more vocal performance from Nelly are used to make this record a bit high above that. The lesser "Sweat." "In My Life," featuring Mase and Avery Storm is a stand out. The harmonies in this song are outstanding. Nelly tries to lay down some country grammar with popular country singer Tim McGraw in "Over and Over." But instead the song, conveniently, just repeats the same lyrics "over and over again." The only thing you will want to know about this song is when it will end.

And what better way to make a hit, then to borrow from a previous hit. "N Dey Say," is easily the best song on the album; borrows its beat from the old 80s Spandau Ballet song, "True." If you're down to your last $20 and you are deciding between the two, opt for "Suit." You cannot go wrong with this CD.

Muse has a unique sound worthy of any rock fan's music collection.

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**Absolution**  
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The Roots' latest is too tame

By KENTYATA STORIN
Assistant Scene Editor

High expectations surround every album release of The Roots, but the group has never managed to garner the popularity or attention that mainstream hip-hop acts possess. Led by drummer "T-Bone" and rapper Black Thought, The Roots is a rare breed in hip-hop, as it focuses on live instrumentation, making it perhaps the only true hip-hop band out there.

Over time the group has enjoyed occasional radio play for a few of its more conventional songs, most notably its 1999 hit "You Got Me." Featuring Erykah Badu, but unfortunately in eccentric style has often left its music unknown to many hip-hop fans. Despite this, The Roots remain a well-respected group by both critics and fans of underground rap because of its excellent live performances in constant ambition to push albums in new directions.

The group's last release, "Phrenology," demonstrated this as it was ambitious, experimental and at times downright weird, making it both impressive and intoxicating regardless of whether one liked all of it or not. The Roots attempt to push musical boundaries once again in "The Tipping Point," but it does not wow you as much as The Roots intend.

In an attempt to make "The Tipping Point" loose and free-flowing. The Roots created the album through a series of jam sessions that were later edited down for release. On paper, this was a creative idea and one quite fitting for The Roots considering its focus on live music. The result is a quality album, but it is not nearly as innovative as it could have been. In fact, aside from parts of the album's concluding 16-minute track, "Why (What's Goin On?)," there is little resemblance of the original jam sessions. Instead, it is strangely unventurous.

Unfortunately, the album also stumbles in some areas. "I Don't Care" and "Somebody's Gotta Do It" are two such low points, with rather mundane beats and hooks that are rather uncharacteristic of The Roots. Cuts such as these are rather disappointing, for one expects more from The Roots, jam sessions or otherwise.

With virtually no guest rappers, Black Thought takes the brunt of the lyrical work on "The Tipping Point." Black Thought is often understated as a rapper, and for the most part one loses a good job on "The Tipping Point." His finest moments are on "Web" where he is backed by only a simplistic, cymbal-oriented "tubedowm drum beat, allowing his lyrics to come to the forefront of the song.

Even though Black Thought is solid, much like the rest of the album, he is not spectacular. Most of his lyrics lack focus and meander a lot as a result of the original jam sessions. While this would be fine normally in a live performance, on a recorded album it does not work because the end result is an album that lacks focus and purpose.

Although "The Tipping Point" is a fine album, and still much better than the average hip-hop record, it will likely disappoint many fans of The Roots for lacking the creativity of previous efforts. One would expect The Roots to have something fresh and original from its jam sessions, but unfortunately that was not the result. The Roots will surely come up with some fresh ideas for the future, but hopefully it will execute them better, so fans can once again enjoy the imaginative music it is capable of creating.

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The Tipping Point
The Roots
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Flogging Molly soaks punk rock in Guinness

By MARTY SCHROEDER
Scene Music Critic

Flogging Molly's Irish-influenced punk returns on its third album, "Within a Mile of Home." This band formed in 1997 when Dave King met six other people who shared his love for Ireland, punk rock and Guinness. Flogging Molly debuted with "Swaggers," taking the punk world by storm with its fast guitars and drums melded to Irish violins, tin whistles, mandolins and an accordion. "Within a Mile of Home" maintains the Irish influences and the hard rocking from past albums, but this time the band takes a deeper look at Irish culture. "Drunk" is a fast, energetic anthem about generations where he is backed by only a simplistic, cymbal-oriented "tubedowm drum beat, allowing his lyrics to come to the forefront of the song.

Within a Mile of Home
Flogging Molly
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This song kicks into high gear with a simple and speak of the difficulties of life while maintaining the Irish dolefulness that permeates all the music of this band.

"Factory Girls" follows up these two and this is where King and the rest of the band begin to go in a different direction than in years past. This song slows the tempo down and reminds one more of traditional Irish music than punk rock. King croons on this one about factory girls taking leisure after work, "Singin' in the streets drinkin' their cocktails." This song provides a vein on the third album with a theme that is present in almost all Flogging Molly songs: Being from one of history's most repressed countries, King has a special place in his heart for repressed peoples, and "Factory Girls" gives us a glimpse of the simple joys yet hard work ethic of the thousands of Irish that stayed in Ireland and sailed for America. This song also features vocalist Luvidia Williams who adds a very nice complement to King and Bridget Beglies's tin whistle.

"To Youth My Sweet Boislin Dubh" and "The Light of a Fading Star" provide some fast, energetic anthems about generations passing on the torch. "Tobacco Island" comments on the events of 1659 when Charles II of England forced many Irish from their homes — reminding us that even though King has come to America, he has not forgotten where he is from. Bassist Nathan Middleb provides the lyrics and a lead vocal growl to the hard-edged "Queen Anne's Revenge." The rest of the album follows these with some good Irish fun and a startlingly political commentary thrown in for good measure.

If you are unfamiliar with this great and amazingly original band, its debut "Swaggers" would be the best place to start but if you are a Flogging Molly fan then pick up this record. It does not disappoint and takes a somewhat different direction in sound if not in lyric. In a time when punk rock is in its death throes, this band is keeping the punk ethos alive with nothing but Irish ideals, guitars and Guinness.

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Zambrano outduels Perez as Cubs win

Smoltz blows save as Braves lose to Reds; Estes outpitches Johnson in Rockies' win

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Sanders hopes to be ready Sunday

Associated Press

OWINGS MILLS, Md. — Deion Sanders hopes to play for the Baltimore Ravens on Sunday, even though he knows it might be prudent to rest his strained left hamstring.

"Playing in his second game following a three-year retirement, Sanders hurt his leg last Sunday in the second quarter of Baltimore's 30-13 victory over the Pittsburgh Steelers. He was removed after running stride for stride with Plaxico Burress on a long pass play.

Sanders was held out of a portion of Wednesday's practice and is listed as questionable for Sunday's game in Cincinnati, meaning there's a 50 percent chance he will see action.

"I'm feeling pretty good," he said before practice. "I'm not a gambling man, but I'm going to try to do my best to be there for my teammates."

Within reason, anyway. Sanders, 37, isn't about to press himself into action for an early-season game if it could lessen his odds of being available in January.

"This is a marathon. This is not a sprint," he said. "I think you guys want me in there for the finale, not just for a 40-yard dash."

Asked of his opinion of Sanders' readiness for Sunday, Baltimore coach Brian Billick replied with a grin. "When you're 50 years old, you're going to be questionable every week. When you're that old and played this long, questionable is pretty good."

Sanders participated in only eight plays against Pittsburgh, including a 23-yard punt return that left him with tightness in his hamstring. He said the injury was aggravated while covering Burress on a pass that fell incomplete.

Bengals receiver Chad Johnson is eager to go up against Sanders, saying, "Now I can show everybody, not just Cincinnati, what my game is by going against the best."

Sanders called Johnson "one of the top three receivers in the game" but laughed at the concept of being challenged by someone he considers to be his friend.

"That's every week man," Sanders said. "It doesn't start in the darn game. It starts in practice. It's like that. I get the best out of everybody because everyone wants to put my head in their trophy case."

It also helps that he's secure enough in his relationship with Parcells to stand up for himself when getting chewed out, such as after he threw interceptions on three straight live drives in a close game against Cleveland last Sunday.

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Bill Parcells

Cowboys' coach

The Associated Press

Dallas Cowboys' quarterback Vinny Testaverde finds himself under pressure in a week one loss against the Vikings.}

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"We assume people are going to blitz us because we have an old quarterback," Testaverde said. "But if you're able to make plays when you're blitzed, then people will stop blitzing. I'd say we've hit probably 90 percent already. I can't really remember one incompletion."

No, that last wasn't a joke about a foggy memory. In fact, what Testaverde remembers from the last 17 seasons in the NFL is a big reason why he's thriving now.

Knowing how to take care of his body has enabled him to make the most of an arm Parcells says will be NFL-caliber for another 20 years. His understanding of the game made it easier for him to take over when incumbent Quincy Carter was surprisingly cut four days into training camp.

"I'm confident he can throw that ball pretty much all the time," Parcells said.

Fans who were booing after the third pickoff went back to cheering. Testaverde said he understood how they felt. He also said "I think we won't be getting utilized as much as we were last year," realizing how much he would've been "to blame if Dallas had blown that game."

While Parcells already had faith in Testaverde, Jones is gaining it quickly.

Jones is so thrilled that he's making comparisons with 1998 — only not to the Jets who came away as after he threw interceptions in a 23-17 loss to the Redskins.

"It's also telling that he's making comparisons with 1998 — only not to the Jets who came away with a game-winning field goal. I can only imagine what he would've said if it was Minnesota in the opener, then another current Cowboys quarterback."

Still, the Cowboys and 322 against the Vikings and 322 against the Super Bowl champs.

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Keyshawn Johnson, but to that year's Dallas team, the last featuring Troy Aikman, Michael Irvin and Emmitt Smith in their prime.

"He's a yard at a very high level, exceeding my expectations," Jones said. "He's got somebody who, with time and guys open, can throw the ball accurately. I'd certainly like to have a couple of them back from last year, but that happens to everybody."

The Cowboys never thought they'd be 2-0 after the first two games. But they were trying to play catch-up against Minnesota in the opener, then Cleveland came out stacked against that run.

Parcells would like to run more, but he's glad to know he can rely on the passing of Testaverde, the blocking of his line and the receiving of Johnson, Glenn Antonio Bryant and emerging tight end Jason Witten.

"I think we have some weapons," Parcells said. "I think we can spread the field."

With 355 yards against the Vikings and 322 against the Browns, Testaverde became the oldest player in league history with consecutive 300-yard games. He also joined Don Meredith as the only high-passers to do it.

It was a long ago (November 1963) that it happened in the Sundays before and after Testaverde was born.

Testaverde may savor his accomplishments one day, maybe even while broadcasting a Cowboys game. Now, though, he's more concerned with figuring out why all his long drives have produced just four touchdowns and two field goals.

"Yards are great," he said.

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Vick is reason for Falcons’ 2-0 start

Associated Press

FLOWERY BRANCH, Ga. — As Michael Vick somersaulted through the air — cleats pointing toward the Georgia Dome roof, helmet just inches off the turf — he actually recalled a similar play from his Virginia Tech days.

“It was my first college game,” Vick said. “I was just running reckless and jumped. I didn’t know where I was headed. This time, I was conscious of where I was in the air.”

Vick didn’t want to land on his neck, so he rolled his head forward and plowed down on his back. No problem.

Just another play in the life of the NFL’s most amazing player.

And how’s this for amazing? Vick has guided the Atlanta Falcons to their first 2-0 start since 1998, which also happens to be the season of their lone Super Bowl.

“Man, he’s one of a kind,” cornerback Jason Webster marveled Wednesday. “I’m just glad we’re on the same team.”

Vick already has provided one of the season’s signature plays. Last Sunday against St. Louis, he took off from the Rams’ 16 in a mad sprint for the corner of the end zone. Jeramie Butler dove at Vick’s legs near the sideline, sending the quarterback spinning like a Ferris wheel.

The crowd gasped, but Vick popped right back up. Warrick Dunn scored on the next play, giving the Falcons a 14-6 lead on their way to a surprising 34-17 victory.

“I know how to play this game,” Vick said, his tone more resolute than cocky.

This is what he said all along during the preseason — a time spent mostly on the bench, sparking worries among the Falcons faithful that Vick wouldn’t be ready to run the West Coast-style offense brought in by new coach Jim Mora and coordinator Greg Knapp.

Mora was more concerned with what happened a year ago. Vick broke a leg in the preseason, missed the first 11 games of the regular season and returned to find a team on its way to a dismal 5-11 finish.

“We knew it was basically a no-win situation,” Mora said. “If you played him too much, people thought you’re risking injury. If you didn’t play him enough, then people didn’t think he’s going to be ready for the season. We knew what we were doing.”

Vick certainly looked comfortable against the Rams. He completed 14 of 19 passes for 179 yards, including a short swing pass — a staple of the West Coast system — that fullback Justin Griffith took for a 62-yard gain.

But it’s the running that sets Vick apart.

He carried 12 times for 109 yards, even though the Rams were intent on keeping Vick in the pocket and making him throw.

“It’s clear we weren’t able to do that,” St. Louis defensive end Leonard Little moaned.

Webster puts it this way: “He can run like any receiver or running back — better than most — and he throws as well as any quarterback.

It’s not much of a stretch to call Vick the most valuable player in the league, if value is based on what a player means to his own team.

Two years ago, Vick made his debut as an NFL starter and was nothing short of spectacular. He guided the Falcons to the playoffs, led them to an improbable postseason win at Lambeau Field and was voted to the Pro Bowl.

Last season, the Falcons went 2-10 with Doug Johnson and Kurt Kittner at quarterback, back their hopes dashed by Vick recovered. He reclaimed the starting job for the final four games, and Atlanta won three of them.

Often overlooked amid all the hype: Vick is only 24, his best years still ahead of him.

“It’s day to day,” Mora said. “Every day, he gets better and more comfortable. It’s natural that the more repetitions you get doing something, the more comfortable you’re going to feel doing it. You see that every day in Mike.”

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Sun Devils' success a turnaround from last year

Associated Press

TEMPE, Ariz. — Andrew Walter's arm, a fleet of talented receivers and a smashing defense have propelled Arizona State into the national rankings and helped bury bitter memories of a disappointing 2003.

In his fourth season, coach Dirk Koetter has the 22nd-ranked Sun Devils 3-0 heading into Saturday night's Pac-10 opener at home against Oregon State.

The sometimes strained relationship between the star senior quarterback and the coach has been mended in the name of winning.

"We both understand this is it for me and him on the same team at ASU," Walter said. "It's all about wins. We just have a good understanding about what it's all about right now. There's no other goal than getting a win every week, so it's pretty easy to be on the same page when it's like that."

Every Sun Devil was on that page last Saturday night, when Walter threw for 428 yards and five touchdowns in a 44-7 rout of No. 16 Iowa. The Hawkeyes, who beat Arizona 21-2 last season. managed just 100 yards and were shut out for the first 59 minutes.

The rousing victory in front of a noisy capacity crowd in Tempe was exactly what was expected of Koetter when he was hired out of Boise State after Arizona State fired Bruce Snyder following the 2000 season.

But it's been a long time coming. Koetter was 17-20 at ASU going into this season.

The team sputtered to 5-6 last season, and Walter flirted with leaving school for the NFL. At 6-foot-4, he has the size and arm to make it at the professional level. But his prospects for a high draft pick weren't great, and the lure of one last shot at college football brought him back.

He wanted to leave school a winner.

"That's why I came back," Walter said. "I didn't come back to break any records. Those are all nice, but I came back to have success as a team."

Walter has put up gaudy numbers on the Arizona State. His five TD passes against Iowa gave him 66 for his career, breaking John Elway's school record.

Walter and the Sun Devil offense are a major reason why the team is 3-0.

"Gus made plays for Andrew," Koetter said. "There have been times over the past two years where we haven't been consistent about making plays around Andrew."

Outside the program, few expected much out of Arizona State this season. The media covering the Pac-10 picked the Sun Devils to finish sixth. But within the program, with a flood of returning players, there was a growing feeling of self-confidence.

"There has been a lot of talk amongst the team — I'm going clear back into the offseason in our leadership meeting. I think our guys are aware that when they put it together, they can play," Koetter said.

Colts' James could be cleared to play Sunday

Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — Indianapolis Colts running back Edgerrin James was upgraded from doubtful to questionable for this week's game against Green Bay despite missing Wednesday's practice with a strained hamstring.

Coach Tony Dungy said James worked out earlier in the day but was held out of the afternoon practice. Dungy said Thursday's practice could help clear up James' playing status.

"I would not anticipate him playing, but if he practices tomorrow, that would be a step toward playing," Dungy said. "If he can't practice, that will tell us something else."

James was injured on a 30-yard touchdown run that sealed the Colts' 31-17 victory at Tennessee on Sunday. After the game, James said he was fine. But an MRI exam on Monday revealed damage, and Dungy said it was doubtful he would play.

Less than four hours later, James was running through light drills and said he still hoped to play against the Packers. James was not available for comment Wednesday.

The Colts (1-1) were making contingency plans, though.

If James doesn't start, Dominic Rhodes will. Rhodes rushed for 1,104 yards — an NFL record for undrafted rookies — when he replaced James for the final 10 games of the 2001 season.

"I don't know what's going to happen, Edge says he's feeling great," Rhodes said. "He knows I'm excited. I want to get that chance and I'm ready to help out."
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Basilica of the Sacred Heart
Mass
45 Minutes after the Game
Stepan Center

**sunday 09.26**

Mass
8:00am, 10:00am, & 11:45am
Basilica of the Sacred Heart
RCIA - Inquiry Session
10:00-11:30am
Coleman-Morse 330

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**Catholic Calisthenics**

by Megan Thomas, Campus Ministry Intern

It’s the first Sunday of the year and you are not Catholic. It’s decision time. Should you go to dorm Mass? Hmm. Well, it seems like it would be a good thing to do as a part of your new community. But, you’ve never been to Mass before. Then you realize that your roommate and all of your friends are going, so you decide to give it a whirl. After all, Mass probably isn’t that different than your church back home, right? And then it happens. Stand. Sit. Stand. Kneel. Stand. Hold hands. Hug. Kneel. Stand. Sign of the Cross. And then, “Thanks be to God” it’s over.

This was my experience several years ago. Coming to Notre Dame with a Presbyterian upbringing was a challenging experience. I wanted to go to dorm Mass with my friends, but I didn’t understand what was going on. I found myself doing “Catholic Aerobics” at Mass, and I didn’t know why I was doing them. I had many questions and felt uncomfortable speaking about them with Catholics, because I did not want to feel like an uneducated outsider. I needed a place to go to ask my questions.

Maybe you are comfortable in your own faith and have decided to continue going to dorm Mass to be a part of your community. Maybe you have decided never to go back again. But maybe you are like I was, confused with these “Catholic Aerobics.” Maybe you would really enjoy a chance for “Catholic Calisthenics.” And by calisthenics I mean a chance to learn more about the Mass and the Catholic Church with other non-Catholics in a laid-back setting. If the latter applies to you, you are in luck!

If you are looking for a place to bring your questions, come take part in a new program for non-Catholics looking at some of the major points of Catholicism. We will gather for prayer, listen to your questions, and share some information on Catholicism, so that you can feel more at home at Notre Dame. No pressure...no strings attached...just information...come check it out!

Catholic Calisthenics
Monday, September 27th
5:30 - 6:30 pm
Coleman-Morse 316

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**Mass schedule**

**Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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Edwards pleased with Jets’ 2-0 season start

Team excited with solid play heading into idle weekend

Associated Press

HEMPSTEAD, N.Y. — For the last three years, Herman Edwards spent his bye week working long hours, trying to fix the problems that plagued his slow-starting New York Jets. He showed up to work alone on weekends while players and coaches took a break, refusing to rest until he figured out how to save the season. It worked in 2001 and 2002, when the Jets rallied to make the playoffs. Another slow start last season turned into a disaster. After opening 0-4, the Jets went 6-10. So Edwards hatched a plan. He would make his team younger. He would make training camp harder. He would will his team to 2-0.

So at the first team meeting six months ago, the coach announced his short-term goal. “We only had two games in September,” Edwards said. “I could load up my ammunition, everything for two games. It’s just like that was the season for us, for at least two games. We got to come out of here 2-0.”

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Before presenting his 2-0 plan to the team, he met with several team leaders to explain exactly what he wanted to do. Everyone was on board. From that moment on, every Jets player knew they had to start 2-0.

Every person, if you can ask them one thing that they remember from the beginning of offseason training to now — I think everybody had 2-0 in their heads,” running back Curtis Martin said. “His focus became our focus, and that’s what makes good teams.”

It also helped that Edwards decided he needed to rely more on Martin, who leads the league in rushing after two games with 315 yards. Chad Pennington is healthy and started his first career season opener against the Bengals, making it easier for the Jets to get continuity with their quarterback.

The defense is entirely revamped under new coordinator Donnie Henderson. Edwards dumped aging veterans Mo Lewis, Marvin Jones, Sam Garnes and Aaron Beasley and has infused youth everywhere: rookie Erik Coleman starts at safety, rookie Jonathan Vilma will start at linebacker in place of the injured Sam Cowart, and second-year player Victor Hobson also starts at linebacker, while rookie Derrick Strait is the nickel back.

Curtis Martin ran for 119 yards with two touchdowns on 31 carries in last Sunday’s game against the Chargers. Martin’s re-emergence has been key for the Jets this season.
Rangers move to three games back of Athletics

Associated Press

Eric Young picked the perfect time to hit his first home run for the Rangers, who are making the most of their last chance against Oakland.

Young's three-run shot was the game-breaker, pushing Texas to a 5-3 win over the Athletics in their second straight 2-1 lead.

That was in his 305th at-bat — the most this season by any player in the majors without a homer. It was his 95th game, his fifth straight start at second base in place of injured Akinori Otsuka.

Toronto 5, New York 4

Orlando Hernandez wasn't even aware the New York Yankees would have clinched their 10th consecutive playoff berth with either a win or an Athletics loss.

He was sitting through a repeat of the previous night's game. Jonny Peralta's two-run double keyed Cleveland's five-run seventh inning, and the Indians rallied to defeat the Detroit Tigers — just 24 hours after the Tigers blew a five-run lead and lost.

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Jake Westbrook (13-9) won for the first time in four September starts, allowing three runs and seven hits in seven innings.

Boston 7, Baltimore 6

Orlando Cabrera capped an emotional few days with a big homer for the Boston Red Sox.

Cabrera, who flew all night after leaving the team for two days to go home to Colombia to be with his ailing wife, homered in the bottom of the 12th inning to lead the Red Sox to their second straight win in their last at-bat, over the Baltimore Orioles.

Cabrera lined a 2-2 pitch from Rick Bauer (1-1) into the Green Monster seats in left field. Cabrera's wife, Ellana, underwent an undisclosed surgical procedure earlier this week.

"I slept the whole night on the plane," Cabrera said.

From Bogota to New York — six hours.

On Tuesday, Mark Bellhorn's two-out, two-run single in the bottom of the ninth lifted the Red Sox to a 3-2 win. Wednesday's victory moved the Red Sox 6 1/2 games ahead of Anaheim in the wild-card race and cut their AL East deficit to 3 1/2 games behind the New York Yankees, who play a three-game series at Fenway Park this weekend.

"I was thinking about taking another day because my wife asked me to stay another day," he said. "I kept saying, 'I got to go. I got to go.'"

Once Cabrera got back to Boston, he told manager Terry Francona he was ready to play.
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**ESPN/USA Today poll**

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**NFL**

Entertainer Janet Jackson covers herself after her outfit came undone during the halftime performance with Justin Timberlake at Super Bowl XXXVIII. Federal regulators fined CBS a record $550,000 for the incident.

Regulators fine CBS for halftime show

WASHINGTON — Federal regulators on Wednesday fined CBS a record $550,000 for Janet Jackson's "wardrobe malfunction," which exposed the singer's breast during the Super Bowl halftime show.

The Federal Communications Commission voted unanimously to slap each of the 20 CBS-owned television stations with the maximum indecency penalty of $27,500. The total penalty of $550,000 is the largest fine levied against a television broadcaster. Most of the FCC's bigger fines have been "high-profile fines," Associated Press executive Louis Boccardi said, to viewers. Thecasters could scrub anything deemed too raunchy. CBS, for example, aired the Grammy awards ceremony a week after the Super Bowl with a five-minute delay. More recently, the NFL began its season with a live, pregame show on ABC that was aired with a 10-second delay, and Monday Night Football telecasts on ABC will air with a delay for the remainder of the season.

The FCC started a crackdown soon after the Super Bowl, resulting in several high-profile fines. Television networks also began implementing broadcast delays so counselors could scrub anything deemed too raunchy. CBS, for example, aired the Grammy awards ceremony a week after the Super Bowl with a five-minute delay. More recently, the NFL began its season with a live, pregame show on ABC that was aired with a 10-second delay, and Monday Night Football telecasts on ABC will air with a delay for the remainder of the season. On Tuesday, CBS News appointed former U.S. Attorney General Dick Thornburgh and former Associated Press chief executive Louis Boccardi to investigate what went wrong with its story.

**In Brief**

Philadelphia 76ers center Todd MacCulloch retires

PHILADELPHIA — Philadelphia 76ers center Todd MacCulloch retired Wednesday, ending an attempted comeback from foot problems that sidelined him the last 1 1/2 seasons.

MacCulloch had surgery in January on his left foot to free up a crushed nerve, leaving him hopeful of a recovery and perhaps a similar procedure on his right foot. Instead, there was no progress.

The 7-Foot MacCulloch was Philadelphia's second-round pick in 1999. After two seasons with the Sixers, he signed with New Jersey, then was traded back to Philadelphia in 2002 along with Keith Van Horn in the deal that sent Dikembe Mutombo to the Nets.

He had his best season with the Nets in 2001-02 when they reached the NBA Finals. He averaged 9.7 points and 6.1 rebounds in 62 games. MacCulloch averaged 6.1 points and four rebounds in 223 career games.

NCAA may approve fifth season of eligibility

INDIANAPOLIS — NCAA football players could have five seasons of eligibility and would be allowed to transfer once without penalty if two new proposals are approved next year.

The NCAA's Championships Committee will forward both measures for consideration during a 2-day meeting that ended Wednesday in Indianapolis. The committee also approved a proposal that would permit Division I-A schools to again add a 12th football game starting in 2006.

"It didn't have a significant discussion about it because the football issues committee said athletes wanted to play," said Linda Bruno, the committee chairwoman and commissioner of the Atlantic 10 Conference.

Colleges had been pushing for a committee to vote on proposals to increase the number of games that Division I-A schools can add. The NCAA in 2002 approved a proposal that would permit a 12th game starting in 2006.

"It's a big learning curve to take these cars that have been made to predominantly just go left and try and sort everything out, but I think it's going quite well," Rice said. "The biggest change is the braking. We haven't been using the brakes (on oval) really."

Brian Barnhart, the IRL racing operations director, said the initial road tests "exceeded expectations." "I think the primary effort in coming down here is to test components on the car and its ability to cool."

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field advantage to try to get above the .500 mark.

Despite a close 2-1 loss to instate foe and defending national champion Indiana, the Irish are playing their strongest heading into the road trip.

Freshmen Alex Yoshinaga posted two goals in Saturday’s game and classmate Joe Lampa added one to combine with veteran Tony Mogna.

“I think a lot of people were concerned with losing a lot of scoring power and obviously, there’s always some concern with that,” Clark said.

However, the Irish are finding their stride six games into the new season.

“As a team I feel we’ve got a lot of people who are capable of putting the ball in the back of the net,” Clark said. “A good team has a lot of different people scoring.”

A diverse range of players, from defenders Jack Stewart and Christopher High to standout forward Justin McGeeney, have lit up the scoreboard for the Irish this season.

In addition to finding the back of the opponent’s net, Stewart and High have helped anchor a defense that protects their own. Always a stronghold in the Clark era, the defense has established itself among the nation’s stingiest.

After Saturday’s game, the team buckled down to prepare for West Virginia with its usual hard-working practices.

“Just the regular practice, that’s all we do,” Clark said. “We’re working really hard at what we work at every week, and I think we’re in pretty good shape.”

The Irish have not lost at Mountaineer Soccer Complex since 1999. They take the field against West Virginia at 7 p.m.

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SMC VOLLEYBALL

Belles fall to 1-8 with loss on road to Chicago

Ann Carpenter and Elise Rupright make a play on the ball during a Belles game last season against Manchester.

By JUSTIN STETZ
Sport Writer

For the third straight match things didn’t go the Belles’ way as Saint Mary’s lost a non-conference match to the University of Chicago Wednesday night.

The loss makes the Belles 1-8 on the season and 1-5 in the MIAA. Their chances of making the conference tournament are slowly slipping away with each new loss.

The Maroons came into this game with a record of 9-5 and this win extends their streak to five straight during September.

The Belles lost three in a row for the fifth time this season.

They dropped the first game by a score of 30-23.

However, it did not get any better for the team as they only managed to score 21 points in the second game, and ended up losing 30-27 in the final game.

Saint Mary’s gave up at least 15 or more kills in each
ND Women's Soccer

Irish hold the No. 1 spot in both polls
Notre Dame overtakes North Carolina for the top place in the coaches' poll

By MATT MOONEY
Sports Writer

It's a consensus. After the rankings in the coaches' poll were released Tuesday, Notre Dame now holds the top spot in both major collegiate polls. The Irish (8-0-0) claimed the No. 1 spot in the Soccer America magazine poll last week following a weekend in which they defeated then-No. 11 Arizona State and previously top-ranked North Carolina (7-0-1) lost its perfect record in a scoreless tie against Tennessee.

Notre Dame is now one of only five schools remaining with a perfect record out of 308 Division-I programs. It is fitting that the Irish had to overtake the Tar Heels to assume the top spot in the polls. North Carolina has been the barometer for success for a collegiate women's soccer program since the NCAA began holding championships in 1982. In those 22 years, the Tar Heels' incredible 12-year stretch from 1986-97 in which they went an astounding 283-49, the Irish accounted for over half of their losses with a nearly even 2-4-2 mark against North Carolina.

The two teams have not played in four years, but their matchups in the past were for high stakes and almost always narrowly decided. In 1994, North Carolina was riding a 92-game winning streak entering its second ever game with the Irish. When the dust cleared, Notre Dame had broken that streak by holding the Tar Heels to a 0-0 stalemate.

The tie proved to be the beginning of an intense rivalry. Seven of the 12 games between the two teams have either been ties or decided by one goal, with four games going into overtime. Six times the matchup has pitted No. 1 against No. 2, and the two have battled in the national title game three times. The Irish lost all three of those games, including a 1-0 overtime thriller in 1996. The Irish, however, do have the distinction as one of only two teams to beat Carolina in consecutive games after defeating the Tar Heels in the NCAA semifinals in 1995 and then again in the regular season in 1996.

Notre Dame does not have North Carolina on its regular season schedule this year, but the two teams could meet in the NCAA Tournament.

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Midfield Kim Lorenzen tries to hold back an Eastern Illinois defender during Notre Dame's 3-0 win over the Panthers on Aug. 29. Notre Dame is currently ranked No. 1 in both national polls.

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do to is make sure you're in
great position and to line up
to make the tackle," Wilks said.
"Once you're in that position we
always talk about going for the
football, and that's what hap-
pened last week.
"Zbikowski was in great posi-
tion, and he wrapped the guyup and went for the strip and
pulled it out. That's a good job
from the standpoint of taking
what we worked on during
practice and applying it to the
game.

Although it's early, this year's
defense has been compared to
the defensive unit in 2002 that
played a large part in leading
the Irish to a 10-2 regular sea-
son record and a trip to the
Gator Bowl.

That defense caused 25
turnovers in its 13 games, and
this year's unit is off to a similar
start with 11 turnovers so far in
two games. The Irish have also
scored two defensive
touchdowns in 2004.

"It's big anytime a defense
scores or sets up a score or
gives the offense great field
position, or scores," linebacker
Derek Curry said. "It's definitely
our priority. One of the main
things we try to show is that our
offense can go up and get a
score or getting ourselves in
the end zone in the end.

While turnovers have been
a huge positive for Notre Dame
so far this season, the Irish defen-
sive coaches are aware that too
much of a focus could be placed
on turnovers at the expense of
good solid fundamentals.

"We always talk about tack-
ling first," Baer said. "You've
got to tackle and make sure the
guy's wrapped up, then you
can come in and strip the foot-
ball.

"Some of those turnovers
were on tackles, just good solid
hits. We weren't really trying to
strip the ball but we were just
putting the hat on the ball."

Wilks agrees with the idea
that it is important to not lose
sight of the fundamentals while
pushing the importance of
turnovers on the secondary.

"The number one thing you
must have [is] be a good defen-
sive back is discipline," he said.
"That is a position you really
have to be disciplined in
what you're doing. You always
want speed, size, and to be
strong, but the most important
thing back there is to be disci-
plined."

"You have a lot of guys in this
game who have those tools but
put themselves out of position
and can't make the play, discri-
pline is the biggest key in the
secondary."
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