Mystery, faith surround Opus Dei

By JANICE FLYNN

The DaVinci Code, the controversi- al American novel that has tapped best-seller lists for well over a year, has stirred con- versation and controversy about Christian history and theology, generating particular interest in the controversial American novel that has been called "the publicity in the last an- nual summer's big book." The book, which has been translated into several languages and has sold millions of copies, is said to have made a "lot of people in the community uncomfortable," according to University spokesman Matt Sturin.

Officials investigate arson as a cause

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Opus Dei members gather for dinner on a recent evening at Windmoor, the men's center on Notre Dame Avenue. Members meet often at centers for spiritual guidance.

ND to offer limited flu shot supply

Nationwide concerns lead to revised plan

By KATIE PERRY and CLAIRE HEININGER

In light of the severity of the nationwide flu vaccine shortage, Notre Dame has decided to only offer vaccinations to high-risk individuals — reversing a previ- ous plan to also vaccinate the general population of students on a first-come, first-serve basis. Although students were informed through an Oct. 13 e-mail from Health Services direc- tor Ann Kleva that shots would not be available, the University realized "it could not in good con- science offer vaccinations to healthy students when the national community is strapped to cover all high-risk individuals," said University spokesman Matt Sturin.

The initial plan was a "natural reflex" on the part of Health Services to follow its mission of providing care to students, Sturin said, but was changed once Notre Dame officials had a chance to fully absorb the importance of the Centers For Disease Control guidelines about who is eligible to receive shots from the nation's dwindling sup- ply. "When we gained a full cog- nizance of the guidelines, we realized our program was too gener- ous," Sturin said. "Every instance [of vaccination] that goes outside those guidelines takes away from those high-risk individuals who are most vulnerable."
INSIDE COLUMN

Are you serious?

If this was your reaction after the infamously cursed Boston Red Sox advanced to the World Series, you’re not alone. Not only did the Red Sox advance to the World Series, they did it against the New York Yankees and after being down 0-3 in a best of seven series. No baseball team had ever come back from such a deficit and for the Red Sox to do it defined all odds. I could go on about the details of the monumental upset but you can find out about that in any sports page or on ISPN.com.

So rather then tell you what happened to the Red Sox, I’m going to take a stab at explaining the bizarre phenomenon.

My theory begins with a key assumption. It is that the Red Sox indeed are a cursed team. After trading Babe Ruth to the Yankees, the team has yet to win a World Series even after coming painfully close. The Red Sox still have to win the World Series to break the curse but this team has all the ingredients to shatter the curse forever.

Where do I start? One of the keys to breaking the curse comes from a friend of Pedro Martinez. The Boston pitcher has been seen with a mohawk-like style of hair that Martinez believes has magical powers…apparently his little friend does.

And what about Johnny Damon and his caveman long hair that has been a constant throughout the playoffs. Damon called the Red Sox “a bunch of idiots” and this characteristic has been vital to the team’s curse busting efforts.

Besides being idiots, the Red Sox also can be characterized as lazy and not the most clean cut bunch. Manny Ramirez jogs to first on his chin. Even their manager Terry Francona admits that team resembles a college fraternity.

And this is the central point of my theory; the Red Sox aren’t serious. They are overcoming an 86 year old curse and defeating far more polished and professional teams (like the Yankees).

Whether it is due to Pedro Martinez or Damon, I am sure that unique facial hair, or simply a lack of seriousness, I can’t say, but I do know that whatever they are doing it has worked.

Don’t get me wrong, the Red Sox are a very talented baseball team but their many quirks have given them an extra boost this season.

And if said “are you serious?” while watching the Red Sox surprise the world, I think I know how the team might respond…

No, we definitely are not serious.

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QUESTION OF THE DAY: ARE YOU FROM A SWING STATE AND WILL YOU BE VOTING?

Lindsay Wright
freshman
McClain

Rachel Jurowski
sophomore
Panborn

Andi Mackrell
freshman
Dillon

Brendan Donahue
freshman
Dillon

Suzie Perea
senior
off-campus

Kyle Karches
freshman
Keough

Steve Coyer
Sports Wire
Editor

"I don’t live in a swing state. I’m from Texas."

"Well, Arizona is back and forth, but I am planning on voting."

"Yeah (I’m from) Pennsylvania and I just dropped my ballot in the mail."

"Yes, (I’m from) Pennsylvania, and I already did vote."

"Yes, I live in Ohio and I am definitely voting."

IN BRIEF

The Student Union Board presents Oktoberfest tonight from 7 to 10 p.m. at Legends. Free German Chocolate cake and $2.75 Brautwurst with sauerkraut will be served, as well as German drink specials for those 21 and over. Live music will be provided by the Strudel Meisters German polka group from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m.

An informational meeting for Camp Kesem, a week-long summer camp for children with a parent who has had cancer. The camp is organized by Notre Dame students, and the meeting will be held tonight from 8:30 to 10 p.m. in the CSC Auditorium.

Professor William O’Rourke, Janet McNally and Jayne Marek from Notre Dame’s Creative Writing Program will read selections from their work from 7 to 8 p.m. tonight at Lula’s Cafe, at 1631 Edison Road in South Bend.

Notre Dame alumni who majored in history will talk about their experiences and career opportunities Thursday from 4 to 6 p.m. in room 6-20 Flanner Hall. All Arts and Letters Majors are welcome. The discussion is sponsored by the History Club, History Department and the Career Center.

JACKED! The Halloween Dance will be held from 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. Thursday night on the second floor of the LaForteau Ballroom.

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

BRAUETWURST @ THE CENTER FOR SOCIAL CONCERNS

Students met Tuesday in the Center for Social Concerns to receive information about joining the Peace Corps after graduation. This is an option many students opt for upon learning the benefits they will receive.

OFFBEAT

Welcome home party not so welcome

DALLAS — A judge welcomed a former fugitive back to her courtroom with balloons, streamers and a cake before sentencing him to life in prison.

"You just made my day when I heard you had finally come home," Judge Faith Johnson told Billy Wayne Williams, who had been convicted in abstasia of aggravated assault after he disappeared a year ago.

"We’re so excited to see you, we’re throwing a party for you," Williams, 53, who has a criminal record dating to the 1970s, was accused of choking his girlfriend. He failed to appear for his trial last November and was placed balloons around the courtroom. A cake was decorated with his name and one candle to signify the year he spent on the lam.

Man smuggling birds released from hospital

BHUSSEL, Belgium — A Thai man who tried to smuggle into Belgium two small egrets infected with the deadly bird flu virus was undergoing medical tests Sunday, but appeared to be in good health, officials said.

Authorities detained the man after a manhunt, and took him to a hospital in the northern port city of Antwerp.

"It’s precautionary. He hasn’t complained of any symptoms," Rene Snacken of the Public Health Institute told RTBF television.

Information compiled from the Associated Press.

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The weather in South Bend.

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Panel discusses U.S. foreign policy in African countries

By JEANNINE PRIVAT
News Writer

A range of speakers addressed various issues concerning the relationship between the United States and Africa in an "Africa, Trade, Debts & the U.S. Presidential Elections" panel Tuesday evening.

The first speaker, Brian Davis, the Midwest Field Coordinator for Debt Aid Trade Africa (DATA), analyzed the Bush administration's actions with regard to Africa. Davis said that as Africa has grown in importance with regard to the United States' foreign policy, presidents have been more willing to pass legislation and discuss African issues.

President George W. Bush has done more than any other president to aid and assist African issues, according to Davis, with initiatives like the President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR) and the Millennium Challenge Corporation (MCC) in 2002.

However, Davis added that even though the Bush administration has done this, it has not given its initiatives high importance. While the administration aimed to spend $5 billion per year by 2006 for Africa, the United States' budget for Africa has been cut in 2006. And though Bush has spent more than any other leader, with regard to relief aid as a percentage of a nation's wealth, Davis said the United States has ranked last in the wealthiest 22 countries.

Father Robert Dowd, assistant professor of political science, said the kind of attention paid to Africa is more important than the amount of attention. Since Sept. 11, 2001, the administration has focused more on Africa, because some in the administration have come to view Africa as "a potential ground for terrorism," Dowd said.

He also emphasized the importance of fair and free trade, as well as commended the African Growth and Opportunity Act and Millennium Challenge Corporation. However, Dowd was wary concerning the strengthening of militaries and police forces through aid to certain African countries.

If these [military and police] initiatives focused on consolidated democracies, that would be one thing, but they're not," he said.

Dowd said he would be "concerned about a second Bush administration without Colin Powell," who Dowd views as the strongest advocate for African issues within the current administration. Dowd also stated that he believed it is important to look at who will be in the prospective administrations surrounding the victory on Nov. 2.

LaDona Lappia, an M.A. student in Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies and former director for Amnesty International, said that Africa should be "blind following" by many African countries of the United States and Bush administration. With regard to the death penalty, Lappia said, "as long as America continues to kill, they (African countries) will not abolish killing." While the United States conducts trials for criminal acts and then sentences the guilty to death, in some African countries the death penalty is used to oblige political opposition, she said.

Lappia also warned of the problem with the United States' policy of small arms trade with African nations, where many small arms find their way into the hands of rebels and guerrilla armies. She called for an International Trade Treaty to more strenuous regulations for small arms trading. Lastly, Lappia touched on the topic of the ICC, International Criminal Court. He stated the case of his home country, in which the United States offered Sierra Leone $25 million to agree to a bilateral immunity agreement protecting United States nationals from being surrendered by Sierra Leone to the ICC.

"It would unfair to use money to buy freedom for Americans," he said.

The last speaker, Dolores T. Connolly, CEO of Sterling Engineering, Inc. and a board member of Generosity USA, spoke of the disconnect between Americans and the citizens and problems of the Third World.

"Obesity in our major health problem and I'm here to talk about hunger," she said. With the Millennium Challenge Act the United States signed to gradually increase aid up to .7 percent of its GNP in the next couple of years, is "dragging in this area," according to Connolly. Of the eight Millennium Challenge goals, she emphasized the importance of eradicating extreme poverty and hunger, achieving universal primary education, promoting gender equality and the empowerment of women and the development of a global partnership for development.

"The Millennium Challenge is building bridges that have never been built before," she said.

Dowd summarized by saying that it is important to stay true to the standards the countries have set.

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Panelists discuss the evolving role of the Africa continent in U.S. foreign policy and major issues in the U.S.-African relationship at Tuesday's forum.

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Volunteer Opportunities

LaSalle Academy
The LaSalle Academy needs tutors Mondays-Thursdays from 3:00-4:30 p.m. Students in the gifted and talented education program need help with tutoring, especially with support, organizational assistance, and encouragement. Contact Vice Principal Otha Reece at 238-7509.

Physical Education with Little Kids
Covenant Christian School needs volunteers to work with kindergarteners and first graders. Volunteers for their physical education developmental program will be needed on Mondays and Wednesdays from 1:15-3:00pm. If interested, contact Alicia Albrigton at 273-1691.

Redistribution of Supplies and Equipment
The Elkhart-St. Joseph Headstart Agency has requested volunteers to help sort materials at the warehouse. They need help sorting and then restocking supplies to the new site. If interested, please contact Donna Canon at her home 269-684-5441. You can also email her at renadcan@aol.com.

Rock the Vote Calendar

October 27
"Whom are you supporting in next week's presidential election and why?" The Irish Inquisition with Jim McKenna, Christines Wolfreeth and Bill Kirk.
Oak Room in South Dining Hall at 7:30 pm.

October 42004 Discussion with Father Scally
Stanford Hall at 8:00 pm.

October 28

"What's a Catholic to Do? The Environment, the Economy and Moral Issues in the 2004 Election" A Faculty Panel including Kristin Shrader-Fechters, Charles Rice and Todd David Whitmore on the diverse issues facing Catholics as they head to the polls on November 2. Sponsored by the program in Catholic Social Teaching.
Montgomery Theatre of LaFortune Center at 12:00 pm.

Registration for Urban Plunge Ends

November 3
Online registration for the Urban Plunge, a one-credit experiential learning course designed to expose students to the sites and sounds of poverty, closes on November 3.

During the 48-hour immersion over January break students will have the opportunity to meet people affected by poverty as well as those working to eradicate it. For information and to apply online, go to http://centerforsocialconcerns.nd.edu.

ISSLP 2005 Applications Due

November 1
Learning agreements and application forms for the Internationa1 Summer Service Learning Program are available at the Center for Social Concerns. Applications can also be downloaded and printed from website: http://centerforsocialconcerns.nd.edu. Please turn in applications to the CSC.

The ISSLP is an 8 week summer service-learning opportunity and academic course THEO 360B: Summer Service Learning: International. Program includes: Travel/Room and Board Expenses, Tuition Scholarship, 4.0 credits in Theology, Preparatory and Re-Entry classes. For further questions, please contact Rachel Tomas Morgan at TomasMorgan.2@nd.edu

“America Needs a Change” Rally
Progressive Student Alliance, in collaboration with the College Democrats, Peace Coalition and a number of social action groups, will hold a rally to raise their voices for political, economic and social change in this election season. Free hot chocolate and doughnuts will be served.

When: Wednesday, October 27 at 5:15-6:30 pm.
Where: Fieldhouse Mall (next to Stongheith)

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Students promised to help redevelop a fieldhouse that needs urgent upkeep.
Linguistic expert talks of word choice, gender

By TRICIA de GROOT

Robin Tolmach Lakoff, a professor at the University of California, Berkeley, used her expertise in linguistics to analyze the progress toward equality of opportunity for all people in the United States on Tuesday as part of the fourth Provost Distinguished Women Lecture Series.

Lakoff began her lecture by introducing her basic argument, "Redrawing the gender line in the sand" and then by explaining what linguists have to say about social changes.

"Language is the means by which we understand the world and the way we communicate to one another what we believe the world to be," Lakoff said.

Language functions, according to Lakoff, serve as a "universal donor" or medium especially with regard to the other social sciences and specifically, gender discussions. Language-based evidence is one way of making sense of social changes, said Lakoff.

"We look at the situation of women in part by words that have come and gone."

"Language is often the clearest way of understanding what is going on, what is working and what isn't. And, we can chart progress by what goes in and out of language," said Lakoff.

She then spoke more specifically on the implications that language has with regard to narratives, the media and the roles that they have played both in the past, present and what will play in the future. Lakoff narrowed her focus further and said that "more and more we are relying on the media to be the medium of story telling" and that novel TV sitcoms such as "I Love Lucy" gave "additional reinforcement of the post World War II message to tell women to get back home and stay back home."

Lakoff also spoke of the changes in academia and her own personal challenges upon entering the academic world with no role models to guide her in her pursuit of an academic career and how the same situation rang true with regard to law, medicine, and politics.

She talked about the implications of the changes in the roles of women in the 1970s to 1990s and how these women were given more choices, pressures and ambiguities than their mothers had ever encountered. These same women found themselves in time crunches, energy drains and identity crises and sought to, quite reasonably, blame the women's movement for these situations they found themselves to be unprepared for. "People sometimes turn on the women's movement as the evil genie of all of this," said Lakoff.

Instead, according to Lakoff, they actually "experienced nostalgia for a past that, in fact, had never existed."

Lakoff gave detailed examples of the major changes for women in the 1970s to 1990s, including Roe v. Wade, Ms. Magazine, "Thelma and Louise" and even Hillary Rodham Clinton whose terms as first lady, according to Lakoff, "made a great deal of rethinking about gender roles."

She concluded by showing the redrawing of the line in the present and illustrated this with examples such as Marcia Stewart being sent to prison, the sexism toward Janet Jackson's "wardrobe malfunction," and the media treatment of Teresa Heinz Kerry.

Lakoff then left the audience with three unresolved questions relating to the present understanding of role-sharing in couples, equality between the sexes and finally, the implications of starting off at a lower level."

The goal of the lecture series was established in order to create a number of small and large settings for faculty, staff, students and the community members to interact around some interesting topics, this one being the so-called "gender line."

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Vaccine

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Health Services will offer shots to Notre Dame's high-risk individuals — defined as students and employees with chronic health conditions including diabetes, asthma or acute allergies, organ transplant donors and recipients, pregnant women, immunosuppressed individuals and University employees and University employees and students over the age of 65 — Thursday at the Joyce Center from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Employees supplying direct patient care who are chronically ill or pregnant are also eligible.

All those individuals will likely receive the vaccination.

"Even though we have decreased the supply we originally had in hand, we feel we have adequate vaccines to handle the high-risk needs," he said.

The vaccines were obtained from a reputable, independent supplier in the Midwest, which asked that the University withdraw its name because it cannot handle heavy phone traffic, Storin said.

The nationwide shortage was prompted by the suspension of the manufacturing license of the Chiron Corporation, a major flu vaccine provider.

In response to the insufficient supply, both Notre Dame and Saint Mary's placed strict limitations on who could receive the shot. In past years, the two schools made flu shots available to any student or staff person desiring them.

Storin said he was unaware of problems at Notre Dame in the past, as major national shortages are rare.

French drug manufacturer Aventis Pasteur announced last Wednesday that it has located an additional 2.6 million doses of the vaccine, which it will deliver to the United States this January. This addition to the dwindling U.S. stockpile leaves the country with only 54 million doses, much lower than the 100 million doses needed to satisfy American demand, according to news reports from CNN.

Despite these recent developments, Storin said he does not believe the University will receive any additional vaccines.

"We expect that any increase in supplies later in the flu season will be directed to clinics and other facilities that particularly have high-risk populations to serve; we do not think colleges and universities will be among those that receive the added supplies," he said.

A supply of Flumist — an alternative, intranasal influenza vaccination — will be made available at a cost to the remaining University population in early November, according to Storin. Produced by Medimmune, a California-based drug manufacturer, supplies of Flumist will be limited and require payment of a fee by the vaccine recipient. Medimmune will supply 1 to 2 million doses of its vaccine to the American public.

Storin was unsure whether the Flumist supply would meet the demand of the Notre Dame community.

"We will have a limited supply but we are hopeful it will be adequate for those who want the Flumist," Storin said.

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Amnesty calls for U.S. investigation

LONDON — Amnesty International on Wednesday renewed its call for the United States to set up an independent investigation of the abuse of prisoners in Afghanistan, at Guantanamo Bay and at Abu Ghraib prison in Iraq. The organization denied it was seeking to influence the U.S. presidential election with its 200-page report, but expressed disappointment that the issue has not been prominent in the campaign.

"We feel this is the last chance to get it on the agenda of the candidates," Amnesty International spokeswoman Thea Richardson said in London.

Richardson added that six months had passed since the photographs of Iraqi prisoners being humiliated at the Abu Ghraib were first shown on an U.S. television. "It's taking longer for us to pull this report together," she said.

India unsure of Kashmir proposal

NEW DELHI — One day after Pakistan's president proposed a demilitarization of the violence-wracked Himalayan region of Kashmir, India's response was notably lukewarm, with an official making clear the proposal should not have been made first to reporters.

Refusing to comment on the substance of the proposals, presented to journalists Monday by Pakistani President Gen. Pervez Musharraf, Indian External Affairs Ministry spokesman Navjee Sarna said they should have been raised through diplomatic channels.

Karzai wins Afghan presidency

Interim leader declared official victor of country's first democratic election

Associated Press

KABUL, Afghanistan — More than two weeks after Afghanistan's first presidential election, vote counting dragged on Tuesday and interim leader Hamid Karzai emerged with a convincing victory.

With his inauguration to a five-year term a month away, the U.S.-backed Karzai already is under pressure from the Taliban, the militia with powerful warlords and in a booming narcotics industry that has become a major economic force in one of the region's poorest nations.

Officials declared the vote complete Tuesday afternoon, giving some 1.200 weary staff at eight counting centers a well-earned rest in the midst of the likelier winning month of Ramadan. Investigators were still examining about 100 suspect ballot boxes, but the election's chief technical officer said the count was effectively "over and done."

"It's just these last drags and drabs that have to be approved," David Avery told The Associated Press. "It's really nothing that can affect the outcome."

Showing 98.4 percent of the votes counted, the Web site of the U.N.-Afghan election commission showed Karzai had 55.5 percent of the vote, 3 points ahead of his closest rival, former Education Minister Qanooni.

An estimated 8.2 million ballots were cast in the historic vote Oct. 9, a turnout that U.S. and Afghan officials hailed as a major step toward ending the coffin of the former ruling Taliban, whose threats to disrupt the election proved hollow.

Karzai, 47, a member of the Pashtun community, the largest ethnic group in this diverse and often divided country, portrayed himself as the best candidate to weld a unified Afghanistan.

He also promised to double the income of Afghans and pursue a reformist agenda that can finally begin to deliver basic services such as health and education to people impoverished by a quarter-century of fighting.

So far, the country's re-emergence — cities such as Kabul and Kandahar are in the grip of a real estate boom — appears to be founded more on lucrative drug exports than the legal economy.

Under pressure from the United States, Karzai is expected to announce a crackdown on refiners and traffickers who use Afghan opium poppies to supply most of the world's heroin.

Karzai must deal with the opium traffickers at the same time he grapples with regional leaders who still control much of the country with the help of private militias that have so far escaped the U.N.-sponsored disarmament drive.

Frenzied Vendrell, the European Union's special representative, said Karzai took an important step before the election by excluding Defense Minister Mohammed Fahim, a powerful warlord, from his presidential ticket and then sidelining the most influential warlord in western Afghanistan, Ismail Khan.

"He's now got a mandate to have a reformist government," Vendrell told British Broadcasting Corp. radio, adding that the United States and European nations would support his efforts.

Election officials said formal confirmation of Karzai's victory could come by the weekend, when investigations into irregularities were expected to be complete and the election ruled "free and fair."

Karzai would then have until his swearing-in in late November to think about how to reorganize his Cabinet, which now contains a string of former militia leaders who helped the United States drive out the Taliban in late 2001.

Sniper sentenced to life in prison

Associated Press

SPOTSYLVANIA, Va. — Teenage sniper Lee Boyd Malvo accepted a deal Tuesday in which he avoided the death penalty and was sentenced to life in prison without parole for one of 10 slayings that terrorized the Washington area in October 2002.

Malvo, 19, is already serving a life sentence for another slaying in one of the killings, and dropped his appeals of that conviction in connection with Tuesday's plea bargain.

Malvo could still face a death penalty prosecution for other slayings. Malvo was sentenced Tuesday for the Oct. 11, 2002, killing of businessman Kenneth Bridges. Under the plea deal, he also received an additional life sentence for the shooting of Caroline Seawell on Oct. 4, 2002. She recovered from her wounds.

Malvo's guilty plea took the form of an Alford plea, in which Malvo did not admit factual guilt but acknowledged the government has sufficient evidence to convict him. He cannot appeal the sentence.

Malvo declined to make a statement before he was sentenced.

Sporstbyviana Commonwealth's Attorney William Neely said he consulted with the victims' families and they supported the plea bargain.

"He's spending the rest of his life in a maximum security prison where he'll be locked down 23 hours a day, seven days a week for the rest of his life," Neely said.

Malvo was convicted last year and sentenced to life in prison for the Oct. 4, 2002, murder of FBI agent LCDR Franklin, one of the sniper killings over a three-week span in Maryland, Virginia, and Washington, D.C. His accomplice, John Allen Mohammed, is on Virginia's death row for one of the slayings.
We’re going to try to gauge political sentiment on campus. In order to get a sense as representative of Notre Dame as possible, the ballots does not mirror that of any one state. We didn’t just want to replicate the outcome of this particular poll. This is a national university.” Franken said. “Notre Dame students are the kind of people who are willing to come together, and everyone thought this was a natural thing to do.” Franken said. “Student media should run the event, considering how much real media is involved in polling and election coverage.” Student reaction to the mock election was mixed. Many students felt that the election would not produce a true reflection of political opinion at Notre Dame. Notre Dame law student Tom Mitchell supported the election but questioned the forthcoming results. “I’m not sure that the people voting in the mock election are representative of voters as a whole. The willingness to go vote in a mock election is already self selecting for people with a much greater level of political participation,” Mitchell said. “I think it’s a good idea, I just have some reservations about it.” Sophomore Patrick Wood expressed a similar concern about the success of the mock election. “I think most people here are too apathetic, even in this election, to get involved.” he said. Laurie McFadden, coordinator of Notre Dame’s voting rights group, was in part with the student concerns about apathy, citing voter apathy as the biggest problem.

“Tired of knightly orders," the man said, "I think that the freshman reading assignment (The Vanishing Voter) is a good description of what’s happening here,” she said. Other students said they felt the mock election would increase political interest on campus. Junior Tyler Wilson said the sight of students voting would help encourage others to cast a vote. “I think it will show that the students at Notre Dame do care about national elections, and they should go along with their peers and participate… hopefully, it will motivate students to really show an interest in this election.”

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residents can now patrol the property and guards were on high alert. A group of about 300 individuals gathered in the laundry rooms and secured them. “We’re going to try to gauge political sentiment on campus.” in order to get a sense as representative of Notre Dame as possible, the ballots does not mirror that of any one state. We didn’t just want to replicate the outcome of this particular poll. This is a national university.” Franken said. “Notre Dame students are the kind of people who are willing to come together, and everyone thought this was a natural thing to do.” Franken said. “Student media should run the event, considering how much real media is involved in polling and election coverage.” Student reaction to the mock election was mixed. Many students felt that the election would not produce a true reflection of political opinion at Notre Dame. Notre Dame law student Tom Mitchell supported the election but questioned the forthcoming results. “I’m not sure that the people voting in the mock election are representative of voters as a whole. The willingness to go vote in a mock election is already self selecting for people with a much greater level of political participation,” Mitchell said. “I think it’s a good idea, I just have some reservations about it.” Sophomore Patrick Wood expressed a similar concern about the success of the mock election. “I think most people here are too apathetic, even in this election, to get involved.” he said. Laurie McFadden, coordinator of Notre Dame’s voting rights group, was in part with the student concerns about apathy, citing voter apathy as the biggest problem.

“Tired of knightly orders," the man said, "I think that the freshman reading assignment (The Vanishing Voter) is a good description of what’s happening here,” she said. Other students said they felt the mock election would increase political interest on campus. Junior Tyler Wilson said the sight of students voting would help encourage others to cast a vote. “I think it will show that the students at Notre Dame do care about national elections, and they should go along with their peers and participate… hopefully, it will motivate students to really show an interest in this election.”

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College Democrats co-president, stressed the importance of person-to-person campaigning, citing a door-to-door canvassing to be the most effective means of persuading registered voters to vote. Taylor mentioned two other trips the College Democrats plan to take before the election next Tuesday.

“We’re taking a final campaign road trip to Toledo, a group of about 300 of us, to do general last-minute canvassing and phone-banking.”

Notre Dame College Democrats will also volunteer in Benton Harbor, Mich on Election Day to get out the vote for Kerry. In addition, the College Democrats will hold a rally with other progressive student groups at 5:15 p.m. today on Fieldhouse Mall.

College Republicans will also canvass in the Republican stronghold of Granger this weekend to make sure that registered voters turnout. Members plan to work at the campaign headquarters of Chocola and gubernatorial candidate Mitch Daniels on Election Day.

“Now that registration deadlines have passed, the goals of Rock the Vote have shifted to getting out the vote and providing events to promote informed citizenship,” said Quaranto.

To help ensure that registered students vote, Rock the Vote is sponsoring a campus-wide competition that will award the dorm with the largest percentage of voting residents a $250 gift certificate to Best Buy. The organization will also be sponsoring an Election Watch in the Coleman-Morse lounge from 6 p.m. to midnight on Nov. 2.

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Firms to submit voting software

Computer scientists remain concerned about integrity of upcoming election

Associated Press

SANTA CRUZ, Calif. — The nation's largest voting machine company is submitting millions of lines of code to the National Library of Medicine. Reference Manager.

Database is expected to address scrutiny of computer scientists about the secret software used in elections.

But out of some voting machine makers Tuesday they would not submit their most valuable data — their proprietary source code. And they might not provide the library with copies of source patches, updates and upgrades.

Computer scientists said the conciliatory gesture wouldn't help ensure the integrity of the the weekly presidential election, when as many as 29 million Americans will cast electronic ballots. Some researchers worry that hackers, software bugs, ill-trained poll workers and power outages could endanger libraries or accidentally erase or alter voting data.

"This is a step in the right direction," said Doug Jones, associate professor at the University of Indianapo burial sciences department. "I just wish these steps hadn't been taken earlier, I say hooray, but it's a long-term benefit with some pretty glaring caveats."

Executives from the largest equipment makers in the United States — Electronic Systems, Sequa Voting Systems, Diebold Election Systems and Hart InterCivic — announced Tuesday that they had already submitted many versions of the software that will be used to tally votes next week. The library also holds proprietary code from Microsoft Corp., Oracle Corp. and other technology giants.

Executives acted at the request of the U.S. Election Assistance Commission, a year-old federal agency created through the Help America Vote Act.

"Chairman DeForest Soaries Jr. acknowledged that the data was far from complete. But he said the companies' ongoing submissions could eventually make election software more transparent to computer scientists, who want "open source" voting software that can be independently inspected."

"At a high level, this plan sounds good," Rubin said. "It reminds me of when people take security measures simply for appearance's sake — to make you feel better. But it's not adding any real security." The big vendors and a smaller company, Avanti International Technology, said the archive now contains significant parts of the code to be used in Nov. 2 in Florida, California, Georgia, Maryland, Delaware, New Mexico and Nevada. They also submitted vote-tallying software and other "election management" programs.

All the software in the library has been certified by independent testing authorities. Many states require such certification before using the programs in actual elections.

Mark Radcliffe, a market director at Diebold, said data storage "should provide substantial assurance to the voting public that their vote is accurate and securely tabulated."
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extraneous, from the canonization of its founder in 2002 to the arrest of member Robert Hansen, the FBI's onetime Russian spy, in 2001.

Brown's descriptions were often inaccurate, including the portrayal of Opus Dei as a momand pop operation and its exaggeration of corporal mortification practices. The reality is far more complex.

Unknown to many, Notre Dame is one of few universities that has Opus Dei houses, called "centers," near its campus. Windmoor, the men's center, has been on Notre Dame Ave. since 1960. Southold, a women's center, is marking its tenth year in South Bend.

Opus Dei's presence near campus is not well-known, and due in part to its small membership. It grows slowly through word-of-mouth invitation. In the United States, there are only 3,000 Opus Dei members. However, activities at both centers affect undergraduates on a weekly basis.

Windmoor director Jeffrey LANGAN, one of a handful of Opus Dei faculty members at Notre Dame, says the invitation is extended to anyone interested, as the organization is private - but not secretive, a critique alleged by many on the national level.

"We don't hire who we are," LANGAN said. "But we don't make a big deal of it either."

"The Work"

Opus Dei Latin for "The Work of God," was founded in Spain in 1928 by St. Josemaria Escriva. Escriva envisioned a way that lay people could seek holiness in their everyday activities, especially through work. Members are called upon to live the Opus Dei spirit that Escriva imparts. This is a spirit of prayer, charity, sacrifice and Christian love.

In 1982, the Vatican granted Opus Dei the unique status of a personal prelature, meaning that it is defined by individuals rather than geographical areas. Opus Dei is more structured than other lay organizations. Members are classified most generally into two groups: numeraries and supernumeraries. Numeraries are laymen and women who live a celibate and ascetic lifestyle in centers, and give up their salary and time to Opus Dei.

Supernumeraries, also lay men and women, live out the Opus Dei spirit through fulfilling their duties to their family, the most important aspect of their Christian lives. Priests form a third category, but compose only a small fraction of the membership.

"People work in the secular world, but receive strict spiritual direction from Opus Dei. They follow a spiritual routine including daily Mass, rosary, spiritual reading, personal prayer, as well as Opus Dei prayers and customs."

Spiritual formation consists of regular talks with either an Opus Dei priest or center director. Members strive to improve on day-to-day details: personal well-being, such as sleeping, eating, exercising, habits and relationships, as well as spiritual matters.

Senior Rich Moss, who attended an Opus Dei-sponsored high school and who now lives in Windmoor, said the Opus Dei spirit is relatively simple and straightforward.

"Opus Dei is all about sanctification of work," Moss said. "Basically, do what you do on a daily basis for God, and help other people do the same."

Opus Dei in South Bend

Throughout the week, Windmoor opens its doors to many undergraduates attracted to the spiritual formation and collegiality the center offers.

Friday night meditations draw the largest crowd, usually around 30 students. After Eucharistic adoration and a brief homily, dinner is served. After dinner, a faculty member is often invited to speak to the group on an occasion of the week.

Southold, the women's center, is neither as organized as it well attended, said senior Cara FARR.

FARR added that the center provides a place for spiritual formation, as well as a longer day of reflection once a month.

While students are often friends with those at the center of the opposite sex, the two centers maintain very little contact in terms of services.

"[Escriva] wanted men and women to be independent, to have no collaboration," LANGAN explained, referring to the spiritual growth of Opus Dei members.

"We can do more stress on the work that we are one in the spirit, we are doing the same thing. The priests are meant to be the head. They are in constant contact with the men and women in the center."

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Father Richard WARNER
director

Campus Ministry

LANGAN says.

"From universities, you can find people who are the most interested in the most capable of going all over the U.S. and the world, if that's what is asked of them."

However, Opus Dei activities have never been permitted on campus without the expressed consent of Notre Dame's Student Government, as a condition of the college charter. However, head activities at both centers are therefore independent of the university campus..Opus Dei says that reaction of the student government has been positive, even after the public controversy over the nature of Opus Dei and its alleged influence on students.

"Opus Dei is an approved way of life for people who are looking to deepen their spirituality and their commitment to God," WARNER said.

Southold's "fiscal" members I know who are members of Opus Dei, I have, personally, a great deal of respect for... I think they're very good people from a deep spiritual life and have found in Opus Dei a way to sanctify their life and their work."

Controversies

WARNER acknowledged that the relationship between some students and Opus Dei has caused controversy across the university. Over the course of the years that I've been director of Campus Ministry, WARNER said, "there have been occasions where situations have occurred because... some of the students in Opus Dei... had a harder time than they should have getting out when they wanted to.

WARNER could not comment on any specifics, but said the latest incident occurred almost two years ago. He cited a frequent lack of transparency as a cause of confusion.

"I'm not always convinced that people know exactly what they're dealing with, what the organization is really all about," WARNER said. "I wish it were. Opus Dei is ever so careful in the way of approach where things would be laid out ahead of time, and not just the liberal invitation to pray together or teach catechism."

LANGAN said a layered discovery process is intrinsic to the Opus Dei experience, including one with Opus Dei. He compared joining Opus Dei to making a speech.

"There are some things about your spouse that you don't possibly know until after you're married," she said.

"We tell people before they join Opus Dei that there will be times when they do feel challenging. These will be revealed in talks and as you are getting to us and we are getting to know you."

National critics accuse Opus Dei of being less than forthcoming about the organization's practices and activities. Others say Opus Dei retains too much control over its members, particularly students.

"Anyone who has more than a passing acquaintance with a Catholic church in the United States is more likely to have a highly critical estimation of Opus Dei," says Father Richard McNemar, a professor in theology.

"Opus Dei prohibits its students from taking courses from the purveyors of religious or from seeking spiritual counsel from certain priests on the faculty or staff of the University," McNemar said.

LANGAN denied such an impugnation, saying that no one is free to receive counsel or guidance, but that students are free to receive counsel or spiritual guidance from who ever they choose, but he recommends that students talk to an Opus Dei priest if they have been receiving Opus Dei formation.

"So I do tell students that the person who can best give you advice in confirmation is a priest of Opus Dei because they understand the spirit and are receiving the same formation," LANGAN said. "They know what's being asked of you and can give you guidance on how to put into practice the things you are hearing about."

Students and faculty involved with Opus Dei say that reaction of the students is generally positive, even after the publication of Brown's book.

"The DaVinci Code has been an occasion to have a lot of good conversation with people," LANGAN said.

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Attacks stretch across party lines

Bush, Kerry praise former presidents as national security battle continues

Voters skeptical of voting accuracy

A growing number of pre-election lawsuits are raising doubts about the possibility of an unresolved election - through Democratic expectations of a recount. Among about six in 10 Democratic voters, 56 percent, say they feel that way, while six-in-10 Republican voters, 69 percent, say they think it's likely there will be an unresolved election - though Democrats express more confidence in their candidate's ability to win.

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Fortinbras By Lee Blessing
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Rescuers dig for quake survivors

Associated Press

NAGAOKA - A family of three - a mother and her two toddlers - was rescued Wednesday after surviving four days buried in a lands­lide from the powerful quake that ravaged northern Japan over the weekend.

The family's white van was swept away in a wave of boulders and earth that pulverized the hillside road they were on when a 6.8-magni­tude quake ripped across rural Niigata prefecture on Saturday, killing at least 31 people.

Firefighters dispatched from Tokyo dug steadily through the rocks and rubble Wednesday afternoon after hearing Takako Minagawa's voice in response to their calls. The family's van was discovered on Tuesday.

TV footage showed the two children - Mayu Minagawa, 3, and Yuta Minagawa, 2 - being pulled from the wreckage by the rescuers, covered in mud after four days under the landslide. The workers continued digging to free the mother.

The children were flown by helicopter to hospital, said Keiko Kondo, a spokeswoman for Tokyo Fire Department.

The family had the force of intense interest in Japan after their car was spotted under the hillside rubble on Tuesday. TV stations showed Minagawa's father's desperate attempts to track down the family in the post-quake chaos.

The surprise rescue came hours after a powerful 6.1-magnitude quake rocked the region Wednesday morning, rattling already-damaged buildings and terrifying residents. At least five people were injured, and some buildings were damaged.

Homeless people in evacuation centers threw themselves to the floor and screamed in horror as the Wednesday trem­bler rumbled through the rural area of Niigata prefec­ture. A 4.2-magnitude after­shock hit about 25 minutes later.

The Japan Meteorological Agency said the stronger quake was centered at a depth of 6 miles in Hirokami, a village of 9,200 about 150 miles northwest of Tokyo. The agency warned another quake of similar strength could hit in the coming hours or days.

Five people were injured in the Wednesday morning quake, but it was unclear if any of them were in serious condition. One man suffered a stroke from the shock of the quake, said Ilsoo bishikawa of the Niigata prefectural gov­ernment.

"Shocks are continuing, we don't know what the damage situation is yet," said Kazumasa Sakurai, an official at the Hirokami city hall.

The family had been the focus of intense interest in Japan after their car was recovered at the scene.

The United States and Japan's neighbors in Asia phoned to offer help, and the United Nationselfare Chief Jan Egeland said disaster relief workers were on their way.

The coming hours or days could see more rescue operations as authorities dig through rubble to find survivors.

Prime Minister Thaksin Shinawatra said that "there were no mistakes," and that authorities lacked enough trucks to properly transport the 1,300 people arrested in Monday's riot in the southern province of Narathiwat because it was a public hol­i­day.

Authorities had to "tie them up on top of each other, and they got dirty," he said.

"We are sorry for that, sorry they met an untimely death," he told the Thai Senate, which had demanded an explanation for the deaths.

But Thaksin insisted the mili­tary had used "the soft approach," and that soldiers "did not fire a single round into the crowd. They fired water cannon and tear gas, and to tie their hands - that's the normal practice for controlling mobs.

Gen. Srisrichai Thongyasing, commander of a task force on security in that region, said the military used only four trucks to transport more than 1,300 detainees, and that they spent more than six hours in the vehicles before arriving at an army camp in a neighboring province.

Thaksin and other Thai offi­cials have sought to pin part of the blame for the deaths on the detainees' weakness due to dawn-to-dusk fasting during the Muslim holy month of Ramadan, saying they died of dehydration or suffocation.

Many relatives wept Wednesday as a police spokesman read out names of the dead outside the Inkyayuth army camp in Pattani province.

Muslim resident Wadamae Hajehding, 62, traveled 75 miles from the scene of Monday's riot to the army camp in hopes of finding that his 23-year-old son was not among the dead.

He said Thailand's security forces were "too cruel.

"They treat us worse than cattle," he said.

The detainees were among about 2,000 people who clashed with police and sol­diers outside a police station in Narathiwat province Monday while demanding the release of six Muslim militant suspects. At least seven people also were killed in the melee, apparently shot by security forces, and the overall death toll stood Wednesday at 85.

Police and soldiers fired water cannon and tear gas, then shot into the air to try to scatter the crowd.

After subduing the rioters, police and soldiers kicked and in some cases smashed rifle butts into young men as they were forced to sitter bare­cheasted across a road to the trucks that took them away.

Authorities said some rioters were armed. Thaksin said 20 pistols, seven assault rifles and the hand grenades used were recovered at the scene.

The death toll shocked mod­erate Muslim leaders who accused security forces of overreacting - a charge they have repeatedly made as the government has failed to halt violence in the southern provinces near Malaysia.

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America needs a change

We stand on the eve of what will undoubtedly be the most influential election in our history. How we vote will not only shape this country, but also how the world imagines America. The democratic ideals on which our nation stood so proudly have been compromised within the last four years. President George W. Bush and his administration of sorted corporate interests have mulled both in the sphere of being treacherous and dangerous for the American people. To stay on a path headed to ruin is folly. There are compelling, even straggling reasons to vote for change in the White House.

Today, we live in a world of harsh inequities, of wealth, political influence, health care, education and safety. The income gap has become a daunting shame of injustice. Not only are people separated by income, but also by the hearts of the rich find no kinship with the poor. Content to compete unbridled wealth, the owning class selfishly turns hardship into profit by reducing worker's wages and benefits. This "race to the bottom" makes basic survival on full-time work for minimum wage impossible for families. A job is more than a paycheck; it is our dignity, our family's security and our future. We need to value our communities through instituting a living wage and ending impediments to collective bargaining for adequate and needed labor rights.

All citizens must have equal access to the political process. The silencing of minority voices at the polls and in other facets of society endangers the fabric of our democracy. Martin Luther King Jr. declared, "Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere." We must embody that sentiment and treat the disenfranchisement of any citizen as a threat to our own civil liberties. We cannot impose democratic systems on other nations while our own political system is riddled with racism, sexism and class conflict.

For too long, quality education in America has been situated as a privilege of the rich and well-off, while urban schools struggle with outdated books, badly kept school buildings, budget cuts and under paid teaching staff. The No Child Left Behind Act, under-funded and undermined by the Bush tax cuts, has done nothing to turn this tide of injustice. We need an actual commitment through adequate funding of this measure and further steps to minimize the education gap in America. In regards to foreign policy and U.S. leadership in the world, much has been made about Bush's resolve and unwavering conviction to a single plan of action. Indeed, the Bush administration does not change its stance too often, but this is definitely not a positive attribute. As Noam Chomsky describes, Bush follows a strict line of policy decisions building U.S.-world hegemony within a "lunatic doctrinal framework" as it threatens survival. The war in Iraq, which is entering Vietnam-like territory with regards to domestic and international opinion and difficulty in reaching a peaceful end with current leadership, has increased American insecurity and threat of terror. It does not deter terrorists from procuring weapons of mass destruction, particularly nuclear weapons, when the United States attacks a largely defenseless nation — Iraq — under falsified and skewed reasoning while it deals with nations like North Korea and Iran diplomatically, knowing they have extensive weapons capabilities. It seems the Bush administration's obverse manner will encourage anti-American entities to arm themselves to prevent a U.S. attack on weakness.

Additionally, our integrity in the world has greatly deteriorated since the beginning of the Bush reign. His decisions to reject international agreements regarding biological and chemical weapons, the greenhouse effect and the preserving of outer space for peaceful purposes reflects harmful unilateralism and disregard for other countries. Our power on the world stage requires U.S. participation in any global agreement. While we may be able to ensure our survival of biological weapon attack, by turning our back on international coalitions and agreements to deter such aggression leaves our allies and defenseless countries open for attack. Further, this disregard also alienates our ability to compile intelligence crucial to preventing another Sept. 11 like an attack on the United States or one on our own allies.

America needs a change, and that change must begin on Nov. 2. We must not resign ourselves to inaction or support of the status quo out of fear. Instead, we must carry the banner for peace and justice, which we are — when in solidarity — able to bring to this nation and this world, Sen. John Kerry and Sen. John Edwards are the answer. Kerry and Sen. John Edwards are the absolute answer to all these problems, yet their vision for America faces a vastly direction which will — along with our participation — bring the change we need to see in America.

For that, they have my vote and commitment to action for a better America.

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The views expressed in this column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.
Stop justifying prejudice against homosexuals

Voting with a Catholic conscience

I have always tried to vote my Catholic conscience. This Catholic conscience has led me to vote more often for Democrats than Republicans for the last 20 years, and not because they are exemplars of virtue or represent any Catholic ideal. Instead, like the script of a good conscience, I "hold my nose and vote" for the least offensive candidate on the ballot.

Single-issue voting is a poor use of judgment. I believe that to be a Catholic in good conscience means to think through and weigh complexities. Good people led by their conscience are capable of differing conclusions. The reason why the Catholic Church embraces no single party or political ideology.

Many students have asked me my opinion on the coming election. I would never presume to violate their conscience by insisting on one candidate over another. I will manifest my own conscience as we all are preparing to vote.

In the history of the world, only two nations have slaughtered 40 million of their own people: the Soviet Union under Stalin, and the United States under America under legalized abortion. No election of the past 30 years has been so critical as this one for the issue of abortion. With as many as three or four of nine Supreme Court justices, the Catholic Church has the capacity to retire from a court already evenly divided.

In the face of various issues like abortion and stem-cell research, the next President will have a unique opportunity to set the Constitutional Law for then next genera
tions. Stating the case for the unborn will also have profound effects beyond the law.

Abortion is America's dirty little secret. Voting with a Catholic conscience means to base your personal life, sexual choices and political desires on the reasoning that human life is not a commodity but rather is a gift from God, which is the only institution, and that we should choose a life of discrimination, hardship and pressure.

"... why would anyone choose a discipline, hardship and pressure?"

Because they may or may not follow their beliefs and vote for the candidate that would do what they believe... because they may or may not follow God's will in the ballot booth... because they have been conditioned to vote for the candidate that would do what they believe is right... because they must choose between two candidates that would do what they believe is right. Even so, I doubt anyone would say it is easy.

It seems to me that many heterosexuals perceive homosexuals as being more much sexually active than others. However, I know of no direct correlation between sexuality and sexual acts. I realize that Grober brought this up when he said that all should struggle against this "hyper-sexualization" of society, but people never try and justify discrimination based on heterosexuals based on their sexual preference.

Several bishops and others have tried to justify denying communion to homosexuals based on the reasoning that their sexual acts are a sin, but I have never heard of a apostate to screen out homosexuals based on their sexual actions. Perhaps the question goes down deeper, to a place people prefer not to go (as our President did when he skirted this question in the debate). Is homosexuality a choice? Or gay men choose to be attracted to men instead of women? Or is it some kind of disorder to be treated? I can state unequivocally that homosexuality is not a choice or a disorder never chosen to be gay and neither did anyone else I know. In fact, the question itself is absurd — why would anyone choose a life of discrimination, hardship and pressure? Why would I choose to have to deal with questions about whether or not it is safe to hold my boyfriend's hand in public instead of just having a girlfriend and never having to worry? Likewise, by defining homosexuality most cause problems either for the person or society. As far as I know, most of the problems related to homosexuality are for the persons themselves and are caused by society's reaction to homosexuality.

Many who speak publicly on this topic like to talk about having to walk a fine line between accepting people for who they are and going overboard and becoming activists or prey to the "gay agenda." Unfortunately, however, this is a completely biased view. I've been gay for almost 24 years now and out and active both in my free time and in my studies of homosexuality for almost five. I have yet to find any evidence of this "gay agenda." In fact, all I have found are confused and hurt people looking for acceptance and equality. None of the homosexuals I have met are looking for special privileges, but rather are searching for someone to stop discriminating and finally put a policy of true acceptance and love for all of God's creatures into practice.

By not doing so, all that is brought about is a perception of us as a lesser species, and pain. How would you feel if you were suddenly told your eye color was unacceptable in today's society? For that reason, you and your partner have eyes of that color, you can not marry or see him as he is dying in the hospital? Few would accept that. Just as we have come to realize our past treatment of people of other races, ethnicities, religions and many other things, it is time for us to truly accept homosexual people.

Next time, instead of trying to justify prejudice with religious or political rhetoric look inside yourself and think of how you would want to be treated. If you were gay, would you want people telling you something is wrong with you? Or would you want to be treated as equal to the law and to treat you as their equal and leave your personal life, sexual choices and personal relationship with God to yourself? I think we would all chose the second.

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Live! From Notre Dame's campus

Regis Philbin makes the most of a weekend visit to his alma mater

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More than almost any top university, Notre Dame is a school whose loyal fan following has almost reached cult status, and talk show host Regis Philbin is one of its favorite sons.

The celebrity personality has become a household name and naturally his fan base grows enormously around the alma mater to which he still maintains strong ties.

Although Philbin's returns to campus always cause excitement, last weekend's visit was particularly unique. If having a chance to see the famous "Live! with Regis and Kelly" broadcast from Notre Dame campus was not enough, South Bend fans also had a chance to witness the host's foray into vocal performance in a benefit concert for the Center for the Homeless.

Philbin was born on August 25, 1933, and grew up in the Bronx. He was named after his father's alma mater, a Manhattan Jesuit high school. He served in the Navy after graduating from the University of Notre Dame in 1953 with a degree in sociology.

He began his career in Hollywood working in several entry-level jobs, such as selling as a film-delivery person for KQV-TV in Los Angeles. At that job, he wrote satirical pieces about the station's newscasts and tape them on the wall. Through this work he earned his first job as a writer in the entertainment industry. His job as a news and sports writer for the station led to a series of other news and feature jobs in television and radio. Eventually, he worked his way up to anchor positions.

The first talk show Philbin appeared on was "Live! with Regis Philbin Show" on KTV in San Diego, and it was from this that the now-famous "host chat" segment that is used to open most of his talk shows evolved. Philbin couldn't afford to wear anything but a sweater and the small budget the show was given. So he would just begin by talking about his own opinions and experiences instead of working with a pre-written script to introduce the rest of the show. This job led to "Philbin's People", which won an Emmy, and discussed current events with a variety of personal personalities.

Philbin took over as the host of Steve Allen's late night talk show, and gained national exposure as a sidekick on "The Joey Bishop Show". He continued to host a variety of shows, including two morning shows, "A M Los Angeles" and "Temp", and two game shows, "The Neighbors" and "Almost Anything Goes".

Through this work he earned his first national exposure as a sidekick on "Philbin's People", which became hugely successful. It cemented Philbin's position as a pop-cultural icon and grew up in the Homeless. The brand-new Performing Arts Center received much admiration on national television as Philbin gushed about the educational and entertainment benefits of the PAC, even jokingly predicting that the next Brand new would be trained there.

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Regis Philbin, a Notre Dame alumnus and co-host of the popular talkshow "LIVE! with Regis and Kelly," spoke at the pep rally for the football game against Boston College on Oct. 22. During his weekend visit Philbin also performed a concert and taped his half of "LIVE! with Regis and Kelly" from the PAC on Monday.
Second City performs at PAC
The Legendary comedy troupe kept the audience laughing with improve, satire and Martin Short

The six members of the traveling cast of The Second City perform a skit together on Friday night. Using a very limited number of props, the actors pantomime drinks at a gathering of couples.

By SARAH VABULAS
Scene Writer

Friday night, one of comedy's legendary groups came to Notre Dame's DeBartolo Performing Arts Center, performing in front of a packed house. While the audience was not made wholly of students, The Second City sketch and improvisational comedy did not fall by the wayside for the alumni that made their way into the seats of the DeCicco Mainstage Theatre.

As the theatre lights came down, "Mad World" by Gary Jules — which one might know from the film "Donnie Darko" — grew louder, ceasing once the theatre lights came up. The audience was not made wholly of students, The Second City cast assumed their positions on the stage. The Second City is currently celebrating its 45th Anniversary, therefore opening the show with a song about The Second City and what to expect in their show. The Second City is known for taking on current issues, political and otherwise. They certainly lived up to that reputation. After performing a spicy reality television shows, the cast wasted no time with poking fun at the recent Presidential debates, the media and current events. In the second act, they held a mock debate between three candidates, none of which really represented anyone involved in this election. This sketch took on a different meaning. They seemed simply to make up ridiculous stories about the candidates, as well as their positions on topics important to a presidential election.

Since they were tackling issues through humor, the actors moved on to a mockery of marital counseling and the hilarious miscommunications between a husband and a wife that can lead to fights. One of their sketches talked about how when a woman says one thing, her husband should understand it as something else. This was one of the best skits the entire evening, and the audience laughed until they nearly cried at parts.

Following that, The Second City participated in one of their improv games, where the last line of the prior skit must be used as the first line for the proceeding one. A few more sketches and improv sessions followed before the first act concluded to make way for a short intermission.

The second act began featuring creative love songs from each decade since the '50s until present time. The actors sang and danced, while making fun of the music in each decade. A few more skits trailed before the closing song. But before anyone could make it out of the theatre, the actors reappeared for a completely improvised third act with a special appearance by Martin Short, who was on campus this weekend for the football game. Short was paired with one of the actors for a skit that poked fun at a student missing a final exam. Following the sketch, the actors paired up to make scenes from suggestions from the audience about places and objects that should be in the mini-skits.

The Second City provided many laughs and entertainment for the audience. This was a wonderful opportunity for Notre Dame to have this talented group of actors perform.

If you missed out on the performance The Second City is a short drive away to its Chicago theatre. For further information on The Second City or for tickets to future shows, visit their Web site at http://www.secondcity.com.

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Left, two of the troupe members of The Second City perform a skit set in a car. Right, former Saturday Night Live cast member Martin Short made a surprise appearance in The Second City show.

October Treats
Desserts and drinks with an hint of autumn and a Halloween flavor

By MAUREEN MALLOY
Scene Writer

With the end of October fast approaching, a scary movie marathon is the perfect way to get into the Halloween spirit. The basics for this kind of party are simply some horror flicks and snack food, making it easy to organize. If you're ambitious, you can turn your room into a makeshift haunted house with fake spider webs, strings of colored lights, pumpkins and other decorations. Mix up the night's selections with a variety of movies, such as a cheesy one like "Prom Queen" followed by the suspenseful "Silence of the Lambs." The food should be simple and easy to eat while everyone is bundled up around your TV. Try some of these tasty Halloween treats...

Double Delicious Halloween Bars

1/2 c Butter
1 1/2 c Graham cracker crumbs
14 oz Sweetened condensed milk
1 1/2 oz Chocolate chips
1 c Peanut butter chips

Preheat oven to 350°F (325 for glass dish.). In 13x9 baking pan, melt butter in oven. Sprinkle crumbs evenly over butter; press down firmly. Bake 25-30 min or until lightly browned. Cool. Cut into bars.

Recipe courtesy of "Just Recipes" at www.melborponsi.com

Baked Caramel Corn

1 c Butter
2 c Brown Sugar
1/2 c Corn syrup
1 ts Baking Soda
1/2 ts Baking Powder
1/2 ts Salt
1/2 18 oz Vanilla
6 qt Popped Popcorn

Melt butter; stir in brown sugar, corn syrup and salt. Bring to a boil, stirring constantly, then boil, without stirring for 5 minutes. Remove from heat, stir in soda and vanilla. Gradually pour over corn, mix well. Turn into two large, shallow baking pans. Bake at 250 degrees F for 2 hour, stirring every 15 minutes. Remove from oven. Recipe courtesy of "Just Recipes" at www.melborponsi.com

Swamp Thing

Shake vodka and a cream liqueur of your choice with lots of ice in a cocktail shaker. Strain into a highball glass with large ice cubes. Fill up with cola.

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Memories of Stewart remain vivid for players

Five years after the golfer’s death, his peers reminisce

Associated Press

LAKE BUENA VISTA, Fla. — Paul Azinger rarely plays in a golf tournament without something reminding him of Payne Stewart, and the memories were particularly strong during The Puntal Classic at Disney.

Monday marked the five-year anniversary of the car crash that killed Stewart and five others.

Disney was the last tournament he played. Three days after he missed the cut by one shot, Stewart boarded a private plane for a meeting on a golf course in Dallas and then to play the Tour Championship in Houston. The plane lost cabin pressure and flew uncontrolled over the country until it ran out of fuel and plunged into a field in South Dakota.

Azinger and Stewart were partners for the first two pro-am rounds at Disney that year. Even though he shot 71-71, Stewart managed to make headlines by speaking in a mock Chinese accent on ESPN during a rain delay to retaliate for comments British golf analyst Peter Alliss had made about the U.S. Ryder Cup team.

“I watched him do it,” Azinger said, smiling and shaking his head. “He comes over to me and says, ‘Hey, that was pretty funny, huh?’ I told him, ‘Congratulations, Payne. You just insulted about 3 billion people.’

Azinger remembers the loosie pranks, the paintball, the jobs. He remembers their favorite fishing spot behind the fifth hole on the Magnolia course, where they once came across a rattlesnake on a dirt path and hit t-i-rons at it. Ask him about the Ryder Cup, and Azinger talks about the music Stewart brought: “Born in the USA” blared at the hole's edge.

Tom Lehman remembers, too. He delivered a powerful tribute to Stewart during a chilling ceremony before the start of Sunday’s American Championship, where an eerie fog shrouded the first fairway as players sat in shock. Lehman tries to think with Stewart’s widow, Tracy, every time he comes to Orlando for Bay Hill or Disney.

“I think about Payne fairly frequently,” Lehman said. “It could be anything — highlights of a golf tournament, a guy in knickers, thinking about the Ryder Cup, coming up on a private jet. You don’t want to forget. I don’t know if you want to dwell on what happened five years ago, but you don’t want to forget.

Anyone who goes in the locker room at Disney cannot forget Stewart.

Past champions have their own row of lockers. Stewart’s locker has a glass door to show its contents — a pair of red plus-fours on a hanger, a white shirt with his silhouette stitched in navy blue. A white tam-o’-shanter sits on a hook above white shoes and a wool glove. A box of golf balls is on the top shelf.

One look at the balls — a black box of Tittle Tour Prestige, a wound golf ball now obsolete during championships — is a reminder of how long ago it seems that the reigning U.S. Open champion was.

Even more startling was to see Stewart’s sons in the practice range early last week. Aaron is 15, a sophomore on the junior varsity golf team at Olympia High in Orlando.

Smith returns from injury to Bobcats at an 82-74 victory

Smith scores 16 points and chips in nine rebounds against Miami Heat

Associated Press

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Theron Smith scored 16 points Tuesday to lead the Charlotte Bobcats to their second victory of the preseason, a 82-74 win over the Miami Heat.

Smith, who missed the first five preseason games with an injured left knee, came off the bench to about 6-for-11. He added nine rebounds.

Melvin Ely added 14 points, Tamar Slay had 12 and Steve Smith scored 11 for the Bobcats.

Dwyane Wade led Miami with 15 points. Michael Doleac added 13 and Rasual Butler scored 13.

The game began at 11 a.m., part of the Bobcats’ “Cool School Field Trip,” which rewarded over 15,000 kids from 31 regional cities nationwide for meeting academic requirements.

Activity books were handed out to the students ahead of time, and they had to work on the exercises before coming to the game.

During one lesson on gravity, the Bobcats poured pop-corns from the rafters down onto a section of students. It made for a much looser atmosphere even for a preseason game — especially with students behind the bench screaming at Charlotte’s Brevin Knight for an autograph as he was for an inbound pass.

“After the game,” yelled back with a smile. The largest cheers were reserved for Shaquille O’Neal, who didn’t play, but received shrills and applause when he came onto the court before the game.

His absence meant Charlotte star Emeka Okafor couldn’t make good on his promise to dunk on O’Neal, a statement he made up to relieve the statistician of the event last month.

But Okafor didn’t play very much, either, spending a good deal of time on the bench as coach Bernie Bickerstaff tried to rest some players while giving others a chance at extended playing time.

Okafor was limited to nine minutes and Primo Brezac, who has emerged as a fan favorite through the first few preseason games, was in street clothes.

The early tipoff may have benefited the Bobcats, who are built around younger players. Although they trailed 20-18 at the end of the first quarter, they closed the first half with a 15-6 run to take a 45-34 lead into the break.

Miami, which had been turnover-free in the first quarter, had five in the second quarter to contribute to its halftime deficit.

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Rethinking Affirmative Action:
Diversity, Racial Preferences, and Restitution

During the 2004-05 academic year, the 40th anniversary of President Lyndon Johnson's speech at Howard University that articulated the rationale for affirmative action and announced his intention to issue Executive Order 11246 will occur. In recognition of this milestone in American History and the University of Notre Dame's leadership in the struggle to preserve this important institution throughout the past four decades, African and African American Studies announces "Rethinking Affirmative Action: Diversity, Racial Preferences, and Restitution."

Fall 2004

Title: "When Affirmative Action was White: An Untold Story of Racial Inequality in America"
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Location: DeBartolo Hall, Room 102

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Presenter: Nancy MacLean, Associate Professor of History and African American Studies, Northwestern University
Date and Time: Thursday, November 11, 2004, 2 to 4 p.m.
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Title: "What is Wrong with the Affirmative Action Debate?"
Presenter: Patrick L. Mason, Associate Professor of Economics and Director of African American Studies, Florida State University
Date and Time: Monday, January 31, 2005, 2 to 4 p.m.
Location: TBA

Title: "The Politics of Affirmative Action after the Michigan Cases"
Presenter: Linda Faye Williams, Associate Professor of Political Science, University of Maryland - College Park
Date and Time: Monday, February 28, 2005, 2 to 4 p.m.
Location: TBA

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NBA
Utah suffers a 97-86 loss to Philadelphia

Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA — Allen Iverson scored 19 points, and Kyle Korver his four 3-pointers and added 15 points to lead the Philadelphia 76ers to a 97-86 preseason victory over the Utah Jazz on Tuesday night.

The Sixers played their first game with coach Jim O'Brien's new lineup and rotation.

Glenn Robinson and Samuel Dalembert were dropped from Philadelphia's starting lineup when O'Brien announced he put the first stamp on his new team.

O'Brien named veterans Aaron McKie and Marc Jackson and rookies Andre Iguodala to the starting lineup. McKie beat out Willie Green to be the starter at shooting guard. Iguodala gets Robinson's old spot at small forward, and Jackson takes over from Dalembert at center.

Iverson, who will play point guard rather than shooting guard, and Kenny Thomas will be the other starters for Philadelphia's season-opener Nov. 3 against Boston.

Philadelphia (6-1) used its seventh different starting lineup in seven exhibition games. This one, though, is going to stick.

The new roles weren't reflected in minutes or production. Green played 24 minutes and scored 13 points while McKie played 16 minutes, missed all three shots from the floor and had one point.

Dalembert scored seven points in 24 minutes, and Jackson finished with four points in 17 minutes. Iguodala scored 10 points in 31 minutes.

Iverson pumped his fist and jumped off the bench during a nifty, off-balance layup by Iguodala in the second half.

Andrei Kirilenko led the Jazz (6-3) with 14 points and Carlos Boozer added 10.

The Sixers went 34-for-44 from the line, while the Jazz shot 27-for-33.

MLB
 slugger museum auctioning items

The Observer

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — The Louisville Slugger Museum is having a rummage sale.

A Hall of Fame-caliber collection of bats, balls, photos and other items will be up for bidding at a public auction at the museum on Nov. 6. Many of the items were dredged from a warehouse and file cabinets in the basement of the Hillerich & Bradsby Co.'s downtown museum and factory, where the trademark bats still are manufactured.

Marquee items include Louisville Sluggers handled by "Shoeless" Joe Jackson, Ty Cobb, Jim Thorpe and Babe Ruth. The collection also includes a ball signed by both Ruth and Lou Gehrig, a Cleveland Indians jersey worn by Satchel Paige and a letter handwritten by Ruth with six of his signature at the bottom.

"There are things so unique in this auction that have never been publicly sold," said David Bushing, a bat expert and authentification. "It's going to be quite an event for collectors."

The bat was acquired from the estate of Syd Smith, Jackson's teammate and close friend. Bushing said there's no proof Jackson used the bat, but it is the only known one autographed by the enigmatic Jackson, who hit .356 in 1908-20. Although acquitted by a jury on charges he helped fix the 1919 World Series, Jackson was banned from baseball in 1921 by commissioner Kenesaw Mountain Landis and never made the Hall of Fame. "I don't know if the Jackson bat is the star of the show, but it's definitely going to be in the top five," Bushing said. "The fact that it could have been used by Joe Jackson adds to the mystique. If there was proof it was Joe Jackson's game bat, it would be in games — with his autograph on it, we'd be talking about millions of dollars."

The Thorpe bat still has a ring of black handle tape, ball marks on the barrel and two small cobbler's nails hammered into the end. Thorpe believed the nails would strengthen the bat and had them inserted at a shoe store in Ohio.

Thorpe was stripped of the two gold medals he won at the 1912 Olympics because he had signed a semipro contract before the games. He signed with the New York Giants in 1913 and played in the majors for six seasons. The bat dates from between 1917 and 1920.

Like the Jackson bat, the Thorpe model was consigned to the auction from outside the museum. The gem of the museum's contributions is a bat used by Cobb, circa 1911-15, with grease-pencil markings made on the side. The markings were made by Cobb, but by Henry Morrow, Hillerich & Bradsby's receiving agent in Cobb's era.

When a player returned a bat that was damaged, Cobb would write the date, the player's name and the city or team where the bat originated. Bushing said the markings increase the bat's value, which he guessed at $125,000.

"Side-writing in the world of bat collecting is as good as a letter of authenticity," Bushing said.

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NBA

Timberwolves remain favorites with several returning players

Associated Press

MINNEAPOLIS — The Minnesota Timberwolves are among the favorites in the Western Conference, largely because the key players are back from last season's team that nearly made the NBA Finals.

But with a week to go until the regular season, two of their biggest stars — Latrell Sprewell and Sam Cassell — have raised doubts about their long-term futures with the team. And Wally Szczerbiak has made it clear he wants a bigger role.

Cassell and Sprewell, who form Minnesota's "Big Three" with league MVP Kevin Garnett, want contract extensions.

Sprewell has publicly said he wants an extension before next the opener against New York or he'll ask for a sign-and-trade deal after the season or become a free agent. Cassell was upset enough about not getting an extension that he skipped the team's media day and first day of training camp.

"We are family, we deserve extensions," Cassell said this week. "There's no other way to say it. You can't sugarcoat it." The Big Three formed the NBA's highest-scoring trio last season and led the Wolves to the Western Conference finals, where they lost in six games to the Los Angeles Lakers. But Cassell barely played in that series because of a hip injury that caused painful buck spasm.

Cassell is convinced the outcome would've been different if he had been healthy.

"I know for a fact we'd be celebrating our first championship in the city right now," Cassell said.

Cassell, never one to bite his tongue, thinks the Wolves need to pay more if they want to keep him and Sprewell, who wasn't available to reporters after practice Tuesday.

Neither Sprewell's agent, Robert Gist, nor Timberwolves owner Glen Taylor immediately returned phone messages seeking comment. Cassell's agent, Charles Tucker, couldn't immediately be reached.

Kevin McHale, Minnesota's vice president of basketball operations, has said he also wants to get Sprewell an extension before the season starts. Sprewell is due to make $14.6 million this season. Last week, he said he had the St. Paul Pioneer Press he doesn't want to take a pay cut, but at $34, the Wolves could be hesitant to oblige.

MLB

Francona is not getting comfortable

Associated Press

ST LOUIS — Terry Francona knows better than to get comfortable.

He may have been sitting on top of the world, just one win away from bringing the World Series trophy back to a town that has waited 86 torturous years to throw itself a party, but the Red Sox manager hardly needed reminding how precarious that perch can be.

He might be the last man in baseball, in fact, who needs to hear how his team can lose in a big game.

His predecessor in Boston was fired after getting within a game of the World Series, so there was never any doubt how the job description read the day Francona signed a contract.

In Philadelphia, during his only previous stop as a big-leaguer manager, Francona left the ballpark one day to find somebody had slashed his tires — on Fan Appreciation Day. But that wasn't the only reason why, even after his Red Sox pulled steadily away to a 3-0 lead over the St. Louis Cardinals in the best-of-seven series, Francona fidgeted in the dugout and nervously shifted the city's focus. Cassell said he was gunning for the other's mouth from cheek to cheek.

"Anybody ever seen me play when I was a player?" Francona asked reporters after Boston's 4-1 win Tuesday night. "You can understand why I never get too confident."

Self-deprecation is a lost art in the major leagues, but Francona could be the man to revive it. With one more victory, he becomes living proof that nice guys don't always finish last.

That was the rap against him in Philly, where Francona strung together an unimpressive 285-363 mark before being chased out of town in 2002 amid talk that his players ran him over.

But that was the strange thing about his rebirth in Boston. The very same qualities that made him a paty in one clubhouse made him a hero in another.

 Colleg Football

Brezina emotionally walks away from game

Georgia Tech player suffered from disease that causes narrowing of spinal cord

Associated Press

ATLANTA — Brad Brezina feels just fine, which might be the worst part of all.

If he wants to fill weights, go right ahead. If there's a pickup game down at the basketball court, he's in.

He just can't do the one thing he loves more than anything — play football for Georgia Tech.

"I went and ran the other day, I'm in shape, I feel good," Brezina said. "My body feels perfectly fine to go out there and practice. It's tougher when I think about it in that regard."

With a heavy heart, he has had to walk from the sport that he loves more than anything — football for the Atlanta Falcons in the 1960s and '70s. His son yearned to follow the same career path.

"It's been real tough," Brad said, struggling to hold back the tears. "This is something I've had a passion for since I was a kid. It's just one of those things you grow up wanting to do."

After starting his college career on the defensive line, Brezina shifted to offense this season. He earned a starting job and seemed to have a bright future.

One jarring bit against Miami changed all that.

Brezina has watched the play on film. He was doing all the right things as he prepared to block a linebacker — head up, shoulders back — but he knew right away that something was wrong. Crumpling to the turf at Bobby Dodd Stadium, Brezina couldn't move his arms or legs for a few frightening seconds.

"It's something I would not want to do again," he said somberly.

Still, reality didn't set in immediately. Brezina regained the feeling in his limbs and wanted to go back in the game. He thought it was merely a "stinger" — a jarring of the spine that is common in football, causing temporary paralysis in extreme cases.

Wisely, the trainers recognized that his condition was more serious.

Boston manager Terry Francona answers questions at a news conference on Tuesday at Busch Stadium.
ABC to bring Azinger, Faldo to the broadcasting booth

The two last faced each other in a close Ryder cup final

The Associated Press

LAKE BUENA VISTA, Fla. —

Paul Azinger and Nick Faldo are linked by a dynamic Ryder Cup match in which neither player wanted to lose, even after they had nothing to gain.

In the final pairing at The Belfry in 1993, Faldo took the lead with an ace on the 14th. Azinger answered with a birdie to square the match.

And although the United States already had clinched victory, they battled to the very end, with Azinger pouring everything into a 12-foot birdie on the 18th hole for a halve.

"The last time I talked to Nick Faldo, he shook my hand at the Ryder Cup," Azinger said.

The next time could be in the broadcast booth at ABC Sports.

Two sources connected to ABC, both speaking on condition of anonymity, told The Associated Press that the network will announce next week at the Tour Championship that Azinger and Faldo will share the booth with host Mike Tirico for a majority of ABC's golf telecasts next year.

"I can't answer that," said Mark Loomis, wrapping up his first full season as ABC's coordinating producer for golf.

Azinger, who first dabbled in television at the '95 Ryder Cup when he was recovering from cancer, is among five players who worked sparingly with ABC this year as the network tried to find a replacement for Curtis Strange.

"I don't want to be a full-time broadcaster," Azinger said.

Faldo worked with ABC at the British Open and the American Express Championship.

He said in Ireland that he would like to work a dozen tournaments for ABC as a way to keep in touch with golf.

The sources said minor details were being worked out this week as ABC tries to complete its lineup of talent.

The other networks have only one analyst in the booth: Johnny Miller at NBC, Lanny Wadkins at CBS.

"We are definitely going to be different next year," Loomis said.

Loomis, 37, started his career in 1990 by paying his way to golf tournaments to work as a runner.

He researched statistics for Brent Musburger in 1992, moved up to a production assistant and has spent the last seven years producing college football and basketball for ABC.

His marching orders as the golf producer were tall.

"They said, 'Let's make this the best golf coverage on TV,'" Loomis said. "And in order to do that, you have to try a bunch of things."

The first step was production.

Loomis sent out a questionnaire to his entire crew, from cameramen to announcers, and the resounding response was that the telecast needed more energy.

He considered taking the lead analyst out of the booth and putting him on the course, although that never happened. The one experiment he liked was getting an on-course commentator to the ball quickly to explain what the player is facing on the next shot.

"Logistically, it's hard to make that happen," Loomis said. "We have to have a camera out there right away. And the best time to go to commercial is when they hit their tee shot, because it's a long walk. I don't want to do this just to do it. I want to do it when it makes sense."

The biggest change was when Strange resigned in June after nine years in the booth.

Strange turns 50 next year and will be eligible for the Champions Tour, although he was interested in staying with ABC if he could get a long-term commitment.

ABC didn't offer one as it tried to chart a new course.

Loomis says there is no model for golf coverage, although having two analysts in the booth would break the mold. As he spoke, ESPN's college football show was on the television behind him —

"It depends on the personalities and the mix. We hope we put the right mix together. If I had to say, for example, what is the future holds, it's that we'll have a better mix of personalities.

"Don't get me wrong — golf is the most important part; how we present it," he said. "I can do a million things production-wise, and the average viewer might subliminally notice or might be more entertained. But consciously, you really notice the announcers."

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**COLLEGE FOOTBALL**

Purdue needs a win after last two straight losses

Associated Press

WEST LAFAYETTE, Ind. — Northwestern might not have Michigan’s pedigree or Wisconsin’s lofty ranking in the AP Top 25, but that hasn’t stopped No. 17 Purdue from calling Saturday’s game against the Wildcats the biggest of the year.

The Boilermakers (5-2, 2-2 Big Ten) are reeling after dropping two heartbreakers in a row at home to the Badgers and Wolverines.

Purdue’s best start since 1945 now seems like a distant memory for a team that is suddenly desperate just to get a victory.

“We need to find a way to win a football game, if that’s possible,” Purdue coach Joe Tiller said. “And we think it is.”

The Boilermakers could not ask for better timing to play Northwestern (3-4, 2-2). Purdue has defeated the Wildcats seven straight times, which is once by a margin of less than eight points.

And finally, after facing two of the best defenses in the country in consecutive weeks, Purdue’s high-powered offense finally gets a breather against a Northwestern defense that ranks 105th in the nation against the pass.

“Tiller expects to see more of the same the rest of the season. ‘I suspect every team will try that against us,’ Tiller said. ‘If you’re playing against Purdue, wouldn’t you do it? I would.’ The Wildcats may not.

Their secondary plays primarily in zone schemes, and Orton said he would be surprised to see a lot of man-to-man coverage on Saturday in Evanston, Ill.

Michigan's Michael Hart, top, flips over Purdue's Kyle Smith on his way to a first down that set up the winning field goal in the fourth quarter on Oct. 23. Michigan defeated Purdue 16-14.

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**Wife’s illness affects Smith’s outlook**

Associated Press


He has had plenty of big questions related to both this season, because his wife was diagnosed with cancer.

Diana Smith first got the news this summer, after a large tumor was removed from her colon during emergency surgery. The first diagnosis was that her case was terminal.

But better news followed, giving the Smiths hope, and giving the typically upbeat, high-energy coach a new perspective on life.

“Di has kept us positive,” Smith said. “And I guess I just refused to believe what we were being told. You go from terminal to a feeling that we can handle this — so you go from a dark day to a sunny day.”

Smith, preparing his Spartans (4-3, 3-1 Big Ten) for Saturday’s game against No. 12 Michigan (7-1, 5-0), has mixed feelings about his archival days. It was a University of Michigan medical team that gave the Smiths their best news in four months.

At first, doctors told the 55-year-old Diana Smith she had a stromal tumor a rare but typically fatal type of cancer.

The Mayo Clinic confirmed the diagnosis.

Unable to accept that determination, the Smiths turned elsewhere. The team from the University of Michigan Medical Center determined the tumor could be of the desmoid variety, which is far less threatening. About two weeks ago, a team at Boston’s Dana-Farber Cancer Institute agreed.

A desmoid tumor probably would reappear at the same spot and grow more slowly. It also would be more treatable with drugs.

A colon exam earlier this month "looked good," Smith said. The worst consequence for Diana Smith has been some anemia, but she hasn’t missed a Spartans road trip this season. She even made the family’s July trip to Africa, where the 55-year-old coach climbed Mount Kilimanjaro.

“She’s just gone on with life,” Smith said. “She’s out every day, taking care of everything.”

Diana Smith protects her privacy and typically does not do interviews. But her husband says her positive attitude has helped him stay upbeat. The illness also has sparked some personal reflection for Smith, well-known for his humor and affection for his players.

The Smiths, married 34 years with three adult children, are both from Idaho Falls, Idaho. But they haven’t had a well-defined home since Smith began his college coaching career as a graduate assistant at Weber State in 1971.

**Women's Soccer Top 25**

1. North Carolina
2. NOTRE DAME
3. Penn State
4. Virginia
5. Portland
6. UCLA
7. Princeton
8. Santa Clara
9. Kansas
10. Washington
11. Tennessee
12. Florida
13. Florida
14. Texas AM
15. Duke
16. Auburn
17. Ohio State
18. Stanford
19. California
20. West Virginia
21. Connecticut
22. Clemson
23. Texas
24. Marshall
25. Illinois

**Men's Soccer Top 25**

1. UNC-Greensboro
2. NOTRE DAME
3 (tie). Creighton
3 (tie). Virginia
4. Indiana
5. UCLA
6. Southern Methodist
7. New Mexico
8. UC-Santa Barbara
9. Washington
10. Wake Forest
11. St. John's
12. Santa Clara
13. Maryland
14. Duke
15. Boston College
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6. Penn State
7. Ohio State
8. Florida
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11. Stanford
12. UCLA
13. California
14. Saint Mary's (CA)
15. Texas A&M
16. Tennessee
17. Utah
18. Kansas State
19. Santa Clara
20. UC Santa Barbara
21. Illinois
22. San Diego
23. Louisville
24. Arizona
25. Florida A&M

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**World Series**

Boston Red Sox leftfielder Manny Ramirez pokes a single to drive in centerfielder Johnny Damon during the fifth inning of Boston's 4-1 win over the St. Louis Cardinals in game three of the World Series.

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**Red Sox one game from breaking curse**

Associated Press

ST. LOUIS — Get ready, Boston. There's no other outcome now: Pedro Martinez, Manny Ramirez and the Red Sox will either win the World Series or add another historic collapse to their legend.

They'll either reverse the Curse that plagued the team since 1918 or they'll fall apart, just as they did the last four times they got this close.

Martinez made his long-awaited Series debut a special one, bailed out when Ramirez and David Ortiz did as much damage with their arms as bats. Backed by the surprising show of defense, Boston cruised past St. Louis 4-1 Tuesday night for a 3-0 lead and left a crowd that loves its Cardinals booing the home team.

Until this October, it was considered almost impossible for any baseball team to recover from such a deficit in the postseason. No one had ever done it — that is, until the Red Sox bounced back to stun New York in the AL championship series.

And now, after being only three outs away from getting swept last week, Boston is on the verge of sweeping the club that led the majors in wins this year and claiming the ultimate prize.

Derek Lowe will try to finish it off Wednesday night, with Jason Marquis starting Game 4 for St. Louis.

Pitching a day after his 33rd birthday, Martinez threw seven innings of shutout ball, holding the limp Cardinals to three hits and retiring his final 14 batters.

Ramirez put Martinez ahead with a first-inning homer and the three-time Cy Young winner held it, helped by superb defense and shaky baserunning.

Added up, the Red Sox set a team record with their seventh straight postsea

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**In Brief**

Foster latest Pacer bitten by injury bug

INDIANAPOLIS — Indiana Pacers center Jeff Foster will have hip surgery Wednesday and is expected to miss four to six weeks, further depleting the team's front court.

Foster is scheduled to undergo arthroscopic surgery on his right hip. He has been hampered by the injury since before training camp, but didn't believe it to be serious until it flared up this week.

"It's a clean-out type thing, not a tightening thing or reattachment deal," Pacers coach Rick Carlisle said Tuesday. "But it is weight bearing. So we'll just have to see.

His emergence as a legitimate starter and rebounder played a big role in the Pacers' success last season. He averaged 6.1 points and 7.4 rebounds in his first season as a starter.

Scott Pollard, who has looked sharp in the preseason, will fill Foster's spot in the starting lineup.

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**In Brief**

Foster's injury is the latest to hit the front court. Forward/center Jermaine O'Neal could be held out of the remaining preseason games with a nagging ligament strain in his left foot, and rookie David Harrison has missed time with a shoulder injury.

Man sentenced in baseball rivalry shooting

LOS ANGELES — A man was sentenced Tuesday to 50 years to life in prison for shooting a man to death in a Dodger Stadium parking lot after an argument.

Pete Marron, 20, was convicted in August of first-degree murder in the Sept. 19, 2003, killing of Marc Antenor cruz. The jury also found Marron guilty of using a handgun in the attack.

Prosecutors said Marron shot Antenor cruz during a dispute in late December of the end of a game between the Dodgers and San Francisco Giants.

Police said the shooting apparently involved fan rivalry. Antenor cruz was described by family members as a Giants fan.

Sore thigh forces Federer's withdrawal

BASEL, Switzerland — Roger Federer pulled out of the Swiss Indoors after hurting his left thigh in a practice session Tuesday, while Taylor Dent and Paradorn Srichaphan exited with upset losses.

The top-ranked Federer will need to rest up to two weeks and could miss the Paris Masters and season-ending Tennis Masters Cup, which starts Nov. 17 in Houston.

As a kid, Federer was a ball boy at this tournament, which his never won.

"This is a huge disappointment for me, clearly," said Federer, the first man since 1988 to win three Grand Slam titles in a season. "But all I can do is wait again until next year."

The man who replaced him in the draw, Bohdan Ulbrich, reached the second round when Luis Horna quit with lower back pain after losing the first set 6-1.
The Titans' plan to avoid rebuilding is unraveling

Associated Press

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Six hours before kickoff, doctors removed Shad Meier's appendix, leaving the Tennessee Titans with only one healthy tight end: rookie Ben Troupe.

That forced coaches to scrap all plays with two tight ends, a staple of the offense, and drop the season that started with Super Bowl dreams and is being undermined by injuries and problems.

The Titans are paying for it. Tennessee's wide receiver Eddie江山, middle, throws down a cup of ice in the closing moments of his team's 20-10 loss to Houston on Oct. 17.

As of Wednesday, the NFL season that started with Super Bowl dreams and is being undermined by injuries and problems. The Titans lost for the first time this season. Two players each season, let pricey veterans leave and rely on the coaching staff to teach the youngsters.

The strategy led to a 5-2-4 record from 1999 to 2003, with an AFC championship and playoff berth in four of the five seasons.

"Every week, there's something wrong injury-wise, and it's very frustrating," Steve McNair said. "Teams that replaced them by drafting five defensive linemen. Keener now has four sacks in Philadelphia and Houston, respectively, and tried to replace them by drafting five tight ends, one of his team's key players each season, let pricey veterans leave and rely on the coaching staff to teach the younger ends.

Kevin Carter can't believe it's a new situation for us," coach Jeff Fisher admitted.

General manager Floyd Reese took over this franchise in 1994, forced to rebuild a playoff team torn apart by the NFL's new salary cap. He watched his Houston Oilers go 2-14 that season.

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The Titans thought they could rely on the draft to restock and minimize his inexperience. They're doing a lot of different things to them, spreading the blocking units out, not letting him catch it on the run.

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The Colts wish to improve their return game.

Jacksonville's kicker Josh Scobee kicks the winning field goal to defeat Indianapolis last Sunday. The Jaguars won 27-24.

Associated Press

In Indianapolis — Tony Dungy sounds the same warning message each week. To reach the Super Bowl, the Indianapolis Colts have to get better on offense and defense.

After Sunday's 27-24 loss to Jacksonville, Dungy has a new concern: Improving kickoff coverage and kickoff returns.

Six games into the season, the Colts are ranked No. 32 in kickoff in coverage and 15th in the AFC in kickoff returns. It's clearly not what Dungy expected after dedicating a quarter of all training camp practices exclusively to special teams.

"We're last in the AFC in both, and that's hard to do," Dungy said. "On Sunday, we looked like we did not practice at all. It looked like the first day of training camp.

There will likely be a special emphasis placed on the kicking game this week after Sunday's dreadful performance.

It started when James Mungro fielded the opening kickoff at the Colts 13 and took one step to his left — out of bounds. Things didn't get any better. At one point, Dominic Rhodes fielded a kickoff in the end zone, hesitated, started to come out but dawdled it just before stepping on the goal line.

And then there was the kick coverage.

Jacksonville's average drive started at the 35, the Colts' at their own 17. Of the Colts' five kickoffs, the Jaguars were backed inside their own 30 once — when they started at their own 26 on the opening possession of the second half.

That must get better this week when the Colts face one of the NFL's most dangerous returners, Dante Hall.

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The Colts could be helped by the possible return of kick returner Brad Pyatt, who missed Sunday's game after reinjuring his right ankle in practice last week.

Colts wish to improve returns and coverage

Jacqueline's kicker Josh Scobee kicks the winning field goal to defeat Indianapolis last Sunday. The Jaguars won 27-24.
COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Keady’s final days at Purdue begin

Associated Press

WEST LAFAYETTE, Ind. — Gene Keady’s final days as coach at Purdue have begun. Keady is in his 25th and last season as head of the Boilermakers, but he’s not feeling sentimental... yet.

“It’s the same as usual, business as usual,” Keady said Tuesday at Purdue’s annual media day. “It’s nice to know this will be my last media day,” he joked.

“There are a lot of fans happening these days.”

After this season, Keady will step aside and hire the head job to former assistant Matt Painter, who was hired from Southern Illinois in the offseason to serve as an assistant for one year before taking over.

Judging by his demeanor on Tuesday, Keady couldn’t be happier with the situation. It’s been great. Matt’s been a great assistant.” Keady said. It’s been a smooth transition. It’s been enjoyable.

Keady said adding Painter and Paul Lusk, who served under Painter at Southern Illinois, to his staff has energized him and made him even more determined to go out on a winning note.

“I feel very comfortable with our three guys,” Keady said of Painter, Lusk and Cuonzo Martin. “They’re involved in the coaching. I don’t like ‘yes’ men. I want players who will critique and coach and teach and have enthusiasm about it, and I think we’ve got that.”

But make no mistake, Keady is not a ceremonial figurehead at Purdue this season. He’s still very much involved in the day-to-day operations, and it is still his team.

When asked if it would get awkward between the coach of the present and the coach of the future if Painter stepped on his toes, Keady replied, “There won’t be any toe-stepping, because I’m running the show. Painter could not have agreed more.

“It’s uncharted waters that this is happening, but we’re familiar with each other,” Painter said. “I am his assistant. It’s not a dual role. It’s a dictatorship.

One that has, for the most part, been successful over the last 24 seasons. But Keady is looking for something better than last year’s 17-14 season that included a 7-9 record in Big Ten play.

There is reason for optimism, as Purdue last nine games by five points or less, including four by one point.

“We had five injuries,” Keady said. “We don’t think that should be a problem this year.”

One thing Keady has tried to do is keep the focus off him—and the unique situation with Painter—and on his team and his players.

“I told them to play for themselves, play for each other and play for Purdue,” Keady said. “Don’t play for me. That’s embarrassing.”

His messages rarely fail to hit home with his players, but this one clearly has been heard.

“To me, I’m glad I got the opportunity to play for coach in his last season,” junior college transfer Gary Ware said.

MLB

Ex-Yankees accept probation

Prohibition concerns bullpen brawl that occurred in 2003

Associated Press

BOSTON — Two former New York Yankees who got into a brawl with a Fenway Park groundkeeper during the 2003 American League Championship Series agreed Tuesday to serve six months of probation and perform 50 hours of community service.

Pitcher Jeff Nelson and outfielder Karim Garcia accepted the deal just before the case was scheduled to go to trial.

The deal also calls for the players to be evaluated for possible anger management counseling.

If they meet the requirements and stay out of trouble, the assault and battery charges will be dismissed.

"While sufficient evidence exists to prove the case beyond a reasonable doubt, the conduct of Nelson and Garcia does not merit criminal convictions," the district attorney’s office said in a statement.

Charges were dropped last week against former Yankee Paul Williams, 25, of Derry, and shortstop Carlos Delgado, a part-time groundkeeper who got into the fight with the players.

The fight broke out after Williams cheered for the Red Sox while in the Yankee bullpen during the third game of the American League Championship Series in September of 2003. Williams' most serious charge was the assault and battery against Nelson and Garcia.

"It’d be nice of you guys to write that," Nelson told a reporter as he walked out of the courtroom.

Nelson, 37, now plays for the Texas Rangers. Garcia, 28, was released this August from the Baltimore Orioles.

If you have any questions, please let us know. We are here to help.
SMC VOLLEYBALL

Belles lose fourth consecutive loss

By JUSTIN STEITZ
Sports Writer

The Olivet College Comets cooled off Saint Mary's yesterday by defeating them in four games. For the Belles, this marked their fourth consecutive conference loss in a row. Saint Mary's finished the year 5-11 in the MIAA and currently resides in seventh place in the league.

The Comets came out strong in the first game and drowned the Belles by a score of 30-27. Saint Mary's was able to regroup in the second game and easily won 30-23. But after losing to Saint Mary's in three straight games earlier in the season, Olivet did not let up and beat the Belles in the next two games by scores of 30-24 and 30-22.

The victory was only the Comets' third conference win of the year and places them at 8-22 overall.

Despite this difficulty, Michelle Turley once again dominated for the Belles as she posted 16 kills. But this wasn't enough to enough to Olivet.

A number of Belles also played well on defensive. Anne Cusack led the team with 18 digs followed by Shelly Bender's 16. Amanda David recorded another 13 herself and Stephanie Bauer added 12 to finish the contest.

"We all had obstacles to overcome this season, the coaching staff included," Michelle Turley, outside attacker.

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NFL

Bengals save pride and season

Associated Press

CINCINNATI — Now that they've won their first Monday night game in a dozen years, are the Cincinnati Bengals capable of something even more unexpected?

"We're pretty good at night," quarterback Carson Palmer said. "The atmosphere is just unbelievable. You could tell that Cincinnati wanted a Monday night game for a long time. We really fed off of them. It was crazy all night long. The intensity they brought really kind of propelled us through this game, especially defensively."

Palmer's 50-yard touchdown pass to Johnson got the Bengals ahead, but it was the defense that kept them there. One of the league's lowest-ranked units had two interceptions, forced a fumble, got three sacks and kept the Browns (5-2) in check for most of the night.

For the first time since that Sunday night win, the defense played like something important was at stake. It was.

"We had our backs to the wall, we're playing on national television, it's early in the season and we're 1-4," linebacker Brian Simmons summed up. "It feels good, but keep in mind we're only 2-4. There's no reason we can't play this way every week."

The Bengals were 1-4 — the same as last season — when they pulled themselves together for their first "Monday Night Football" appearance since 1992. Johnson led the way with seven catches for 149 yards, repeatedly beating Pro Bowl cornerback Champ Bailey.

The Bengals are still languishing at the bottom of the AFC North, but they're no longer a lost cause. Same as last season.

Cincinnati crawled out of an identical start in coach Marvin Lewis' first season by winning six of its next seven games, moving up to 7-5 and a first-place tie with the Ravens at 8-4.

"We were 1-4 last year and we bounced back," Johnson said. "We were 1-4 this year and we bounced back."

They did it once, why not again?

Well, the schedule is much more daunting. The final three road games are in Baltimore, New England and Philadelphia.

And the Bengals (2-4) have yet to prove they're anything more than a creation of prime time television. Their two victories are 16-13 over Miami at home on Sunday night, and the upset over Denver at home on Monday night. In their four day games out of the national spotlight, they've looked half-ashed.

"We're probably just nocturnal," Palmer's.

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Honnor victory Sept. 15. Sawyer leads the Big East in both goals against average (1.3) and shutouts (9) and Stewart has even chipped in on offense, notching a pair of goals, including the game-winner in 2-0 win over Boston University on Sept. 5.

In addition to Stewart and Sawyer, defender Kevin Goldwiate has also been stellar in the back since returning from injury in late September.

However, as much as defense has been the story this year, the maturation of a young, yet potent offensive unit has been equally responsible for the Irish climbing to the No. 5 spot in the most recent NSCAA/Adidas poll.

Graduating 15 of 35 goals from last year's Sweet 16 squad, to say the Irish were uncertain where the tallies would come from at the beginning of the season would be an understatement.

"Ask me (who will score the goals) at the end of the season, and I'll be able to answer your question," coach Bobby Clark said during preseason action.

Forwards Justin Detter (14 goals) and Devon Frescod (12 goals) and midfielders Greg Martin (six goals) accounted for 32 of the team's 38 goals last season.

Goldwiate, Stewart and sophomore midfielder Ian Eberhard have currently lacing up the boots to find the back of the net last season.

"The scoring really fell to two main players last year," Clark said after Notre Dame's second and final preseason game. "I think the way to cover that is to get goals from a lot of different areas and not rely on solely one or two guys.

"Can we actually get goals from four, or five even six different areas?"

"I think that's possible this year."

Clark's comments appear prophetic several months later as a handful of young Irish players have stepped up and shouldered the goal-scoring burden.

Junior forward Tony McGeeeney (five goals) and sophomore forward Justin McEleney (five goals, one assist) have spearheaded the Irish attack, while senior Luke Boughen (two goals, four assists), Sherrington (three goals, two assists) and Joe Lapira (two goals, two assists) have also contributed.

Both Megna and McGeeeney currently sit fifth in the Big East in goals scored with five each while Eberhard's five assists rank third in the conference.

The young unit leads the Big East in a pair of offensive categories — shots (291) and corner kicks (101) — and ranks third in both goals (26) and assists (23).

While inconsistency often accompanies youth, the Irish offense has been characterized, steadily this season, netting at least one goal in 13 of 16 games, including a goal or more in each of their last nine contests (8-0-1 during the stretch).

Although the Irish may not light up the scoreboard in every game, as evidenced by Notre Dame clinching its fifth regular season conference crown since the Irish joined the Big East in 1995 with a 2-0-1 conference road trip over fall break.

Should the aggressive young offense continue to buttress what has been a shut-down defense, the Irish may achieve yet another "first" come NCAA tournament time — a national championship.

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its feelings at Tuesday's practice.

"That was not my focus. That will come in time. I think our football team is hurt. I do think we'll get over it. The focus today was number one to get healthy. Start the process of getting back to where we need to be," Irish coach Tyone Willingham said.

"I think if it doesn't hurt, then why are you doing it. I know they hurt. I know they gave the best they could."

Now sitting at 5-3, Notre Dame's schedule isn't getting any easier with two ranked teams at two different venues and an improving Pittsburgh team.

But those are the cards the Irish are dealt with right now.

"We've backed ourselves into a position where, you always say you don't have much margin for error, but right now you have three games remaining and those three games really make your season. "Willingham said.

Even after the blowout loss to Purdue, Willingham and the coaching staff kept the team focused on possibly qualifying for the Bowl Championship Series by getting to nine wins.

Now with a third loss, it's very unlikely the Irish will reach that level.

Willingham and his staff haven't talked to the players about it much, but he knows the best the team can do is to win out and see what happens.

That's all that's left.

"I think an excellent record. When I say excellent, that's not 9-2, that's gone. I think 8-3, that's the best we can do at this time," Willingham said.

"I don't think that's a terrible record, it's not what we wanted, but I think that's something to play for."

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Do you have a short story, poem, painting or photograph? Submit your work to the Winter issue of The Juggler, ND's student literary, art and design magazine.

Please bring artwork to Mary Foster in 206 Riley Supply slides for pieces larger than 11x17 or 3-D work.

Written work can be emailed via attachment to juggler@nd.edu or dropped off in the box outside the Scholastic office in the basement of South Dining Hall. No entries of more than 2,500 words, please.

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ARIES (March 21-April 19): Don’t get all charged up before you know exactly what’s going on. You are likely to get the wrong information. Think before you react. **

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WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Batteast honored as Preseason National Player of the Year

Senior also named first team All-American by Basketball News

By HEATHER VAN HOGARDEN
Sports Editor

After a season that saw her named to a first team all-Big East performer and honorable mention All-American, Irish senior Jacqueline Batteast has been named the Preseason National Player of the Year and a first team All-American by Basketball News.

The forward earned these honors in the publication's season preview after a season in which she averaged 16 points and 8.6 rebounds per game.

During the postseason, one which saw the Irish reach the Sweet 16, Batteast averaged a double-double — 22 points and 11.7 rebounds per game, to go along with a 48.3 field goal percentage.

Last season was the third in a row Batteast was named to the all-Big East team. Entering the 2004-05 campaign, Batteast is in 11th place on Irish all-time scoring list, with 1,315 career points. She has started 64 straight games for the Irish, and 86 of the 90 games played in her three years at Notre Dame.

Already this preseason, Batteast has been named a pre-season All-American and award nominee by four other publications.

She was selected to the Wooden Women's Award Preseason All-America team, meaning she is one of 30 candidates for the Wooden Award given to the top women's basketball player.

FOOTBALL

Irish to regroup, recover

Bye week allows the team an opportunity to rest and prepare for Tennessee

By MATT LOZAR
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After the disappointing loss to Boston College, the first installment of a few more years for a lot of players is to want to get back out as soon as possible and play again. But the Irish aren't in that situation.

Thanks to the moving of the Brigham Young game to Sept. 4, the Irish have a bye after Saturday's disappointing loss and an extra week to prepare for a tough road trip to Neyland Stadium at the University of Tennessee.

And there's looking to capitalize on the situation.

"When you have a bye situation, you have to learn to use it to your advantage. Right now, our advantage, it gives us some extra time to get rid of the feel we have and get back in the saddle," Willingham said.

"Sometimes you can have a hangover from a defeat, so hopefully, the time that we have, the extra week, will give us an opportunity to not have that, lose it and focus on Tennessee."

Wide receiver Rhema McKnight agrees.

"It's actually good for us because we've been waiting for a bye week for awhile now," he said.

"Guys have been beat up, still working pretty hard, but get a chance to rest and be ready for Tennessee."

The Irish were devastated after the game Saturday. Their emotions will recover over time. Willingham isn't concentrating on getting the team over the loss.

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SMC SOCCER

Belles fight for life in playoffs against Hope

Game expected to determine the rest of the team's season

By RYAN DUFFY
Sports Editor

Though they won't make the NCAA Tournament this year, the Belles know they can hang with the best of them.

Saint Mary's will get to prove just how talented their team is when they face off today against Hope College, which currently sits atop the standings in the MIAA conference.

"Hope is a very strong team, and the games against them are always good because they're top competition," senior captain Jen Herdman said. "We're all excited for today's game. Hopefully, we'll have some better luck on the road and take home a win."

The Belles looked strong in their first meeting with Hope this season, pulling out a 2-0 victory at home. The loss to Saint Mary's is the only conference loss for Hope all year, and both teams eagerly anticipate a rematch.

"We're excited because we always enjoy playing Hope," senior Shannon Arttak said. "They're another high caliber team that plays a style of soccer similar to ours."

Although the rematch against Hope was expected to be the deciding factor in whether the Belles made the