Law student keeps hurricane blogger

By KATIE PERRY
Ames News Editor

Second-year Notre Dame law student Brendan Loy's newfound celebrity was the product of an unusual source — his fame sprouted from a Web log, blog for short, created in April 2002.

Before the tragedy of Hurricane Katrina, the 23-year-old's blog, brendanloy.com, had a respectable traffic flow of approximately 1,000 Web site hits per day. But in the days leading up to and following Katrina's New Orleans landfall, his count totaled as many as 34,000 hits per day.

Loy, an avid tropical storm tracker since childhood, followed the displaced New Orleans area. Many students taught by Notre Dame grads through Teach for America have moved to similar locations. For most Saint Mary's students, the summer seems a long way off. But for many in the class of 2006, the time for entering the "real world" is rapidly approaching.

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Oppenheimer's life discussed

By PETER NINNEMAN
News Writer

Curious students and professors gathered Tuesday for a lecture on the most destructive man-made weapon, the nuclear bomb, and its creator, Robert Oppenheimer.

The second installment of the lecture series "Thoughts on the Unthinkable: Perspectives on Nuclear Weapons and Warfare" took place last night in the McKenna Hall auditorium and featured historian Kai Bird, a freelance journalist and contributing editor to The Nation. The lecture focused on Oppenheimer's troubled life, who Bird described as a key player in the creation and policymaking of the atomic bomb.

Bird characterized Oppenheimer, a physicist and government adviser who directed the development of the first atomic bomb, as having the hurricane's path and carefully charted its grave potential days before city and state officials paid such notice. No Nosstradamus, the self-described "dork" used what would deem basic common sense to predict the pending mass devastation.

"The local government and the media did not sound the alarm loudly enough, but my blog did," Loy said. "I didn't make an amazing forecast, I just looked at what was happening with the National Hurricane Center ... I'm not clairvoyant."

Loy said he based his prediction on public information released by the National Hurricane Center. Owen Hentges' blog, brendanloy.com, had 40,000 hits a day.

Hurricane impacts grads teaching in South

Former Notre Dame students working for Teach for America help with relief effort

By KAREN LANGLEY
News Writer

When 2005 Notre Dame graduate Melissa Hentges began her two years of service with the Teach for America program three weeks ago in New Orleans, her new pupils made a lasting impression on her.

Seven-year-old Bailey Jones, a quiet student with a toothless yet infectious smile, created intricate artistic projects. Jy Nessa Lewis, a strong-minded six-year-old, made sure each day that her hearing-impaired classmate understood what the class was doing. And Jy Nessa's brother, seven-year-old Abin Latise, was a natural leader. After months of preparation, Hentges had finally begun her two years of teaching a class of 30 New Orleans second graders.

Then Hurricane Katrina hit Aug. 29.

Hentges' elementary school, as well as the housing project where many of her students lived, was located near a levee that broke. The school remains under five to seven feet of water.

Hentges is one of four 2005 Notre Dame grads participating in Teach for America in the New Orleans area. The hundred thirty-eight volunteers from the program were originally stationed in the area, but many have either followed the displaced New Orleans students to Baton Rouge and Houston or relocated to safer areas them-

Career fair draws 130 companies

Record-high number of firms to attend Notre Dame's annual fall expo

By SARAH WHEATON
News Writer

Microsoft, Rolls Royce and Capital One are just three of the 130 companies that will make an appearance at today's Career fair in the Joyce Center.

Notre Dame's annual fall expo, which will take place from 4 to 8 p.m., will feature a record-high number of companies, including many new ones, said Lee Swie, director of the Career Center. Internship opportunities, as well as full-time jobs, are available.

"We still have our strong investment bank and accounting firms, but now we have more opportunities for all students at Notre Dame who want to get into the business world," Swie said.

Students with career interests outside of the business world will also find opportunities, due to a "greater diversity of employers this year," Swie said.

Kirkland & Ellis, a prestigious law firm based in Washington, D.C., will be present for students interested in that field, including Teach for America, which hired 45 Notre Dame graduates last year.

SMC Seniors make use of career facilities

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A resident of Dillon Hall dressed up in the traditional Teen Wolf costume Tuesday and ran around South Quad to publicize his dorm’s upcoming Pep Rally. The event will take place Thursday at 7:30 p.m. in front of the dorm and will include various skits.

Question of the Day: What message would you put on a wristband and why?

Rachel Manley senior Farley

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The conference, which continues through Wednesday, features a host of performances, lectures and master classes by top organ scholars, musicians and craftsmen and celebrates the first year of Notre Dame's O'Malley Organ, which stands in the performing arts center's Reyes Organ and Choral Hall. "This has been one of my dreams during my 25 years at Notre Dame," said Craig Cramer, professor of organ and artist-in-residence, who also organized and performs at the conference. "That we would be able to bring people to campus from my discipline and show them that we have a flourishing organ program and that the University is committed to educating the next generation of organists and church musicians. This is a significant event in my profession and in Notre Dame's decade of the arts."

Presented in conjunction with the American Guild of Organists (AGO), the conference focuses on the works of Dietrich Buxtehude with particular emphasis on keyboard techniques, improvisation, theoretical issues, performance, practice topics and the historical situation of music in 17th-century North Germany.

The O'Malley Organ was hand-crafted by Paul Fritts & Co. of Tacoma, Wash. and has 2,550 pipes and 35 stops. It was funded through a charitable remainder trust from the late Marjorie M. O'Malley, a member of Notre Dame's Advisory Council for the College of Arts and Letters from 1980 to 1986, who also provided funding for the Holtkamp organ installed in the University's Basilica of the Sacred Heart in 1978.

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Nore Dame students have a strong record of success in competing for jobs and internships, according to recruiters present at the career expo, Svet said. The number of Notre Dame sophomores who accepted internships or full-time job offers from companies was in the high 60's last year, Svet said.

"We don't have 100 jobs, but we don't have enough students for the number of jobs," Svet said. Employers have already posted more than 450 jobs on Golazo an online Notre Dame recruiting system.

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Hurricane Center and computer models.

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"It has been very emotionally trying to realistically think about the possibilities for my children and where they may or may not be." Although her original school will not reopen in the foreseeable future, Hentges has elected to join the Greater New Orleans Recovery Corps-Houston. This group is a division of Teach for America's "emergency corps," which will serve displaced New Orleans students, St. John's Parish, Louisiana, and Houston. New Orleans corps members had the option of either joining the Recovery Corps or being reassigned to another region in the country.

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Contact Julie Putnam.

The expo is sponsored by the Carner Center and the Mendoza College of Business.

Engineering Career Fair was held Tuesday.

James Ehlinger, a senior computer engineering major, went to the engineering industry day Tuesday night. "I focused on three or four companies there but looked at the others. I'm looking for a full time job for next year," he said.

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If you are interested in being a member of the "Chimes," Editorial Board please attend.
INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Six-nation talks resume after recess

BEIJING — North Korea insisted Tuesday it would not go so far as to scrap nuclear programs, raising questions about the possibility of a breakthrough as six-nation talks aimed at persuading Pyongyang to abandon its atomic weapons resumed after a five-week recess.

Envoys from China, Japan, Russia, the United Nations, South Korea and the United States met Tuesday in Beijing before continuing the fourth round of talks since 2003 that have so far failed to resolve the standoff.

Last month, negotiators took a break after a record 13 days of meetings without agreement on a statement of principles on the core dispute.

British rules cease-fire to be void

BUSHFALL, Northern Ireland — A major outlawed Protestant group in Northern Ireland has abandoned its 11½-year cease-fire and is an enemy of the peace once again, Britain declared Wednesday in a long-expended verdict against the Ulster Volunteer Force.

The British government, Peter Hain, said he has received sufficient evidence that the UVF, an underground group supposed to be halting Northern Ireland’s Good Friday peace accord with a 1994 cease-fire commitment, is killing this summer and launched multiple gun and grenade attacks this week against the police and British army.

Hain’s Northern Ireland Office said in a statement that UVF members’ violence “amounted to a breakdown in their cease-fire” and meant that, as of midnight, Britain no longer viewed it as valid.

NATIONAL NEWS

Bush recognizes government fault

WASHINGTON — President Bush for the first time took responsibility Tuesday for federal government mistakes in dealing with Hurricane Katrina and suggested the calamity raised broader questions about the government’s ability to handle both natural disasters and wars.

“Katrina exposed serious problems in our response capability at all levels of government,” Bush said in a joint White House news conference with French President Jacques Chirac. “This is an area where I think we have to face up to the facts, face up to the mistakes and learn from them.”

Robert evades Democratic questions

WASHINGTON — Democratic presidential nominee John Edwards repeatedly refused to answer questions Monday about his fight to cover the deductible costs of the vice-presidential nominees’ homes with government money at a joint news conference with Chirac.

“I think nominates have to draw the line where they are most comfortable,” said Roberts, who also sidestepped questions about civil rights voting rights and the limits of presidential power in a long, occasionally antagonistic day in the witness chair.

He did say past Supreme Court rulings cannot cover the vice-president, including the v. Wade decision that legalized abortion in 1973. But the principle of precedent allows for overturning rulings, too, he said.

LOCAL NEWS

Controversial Catholic School opens

ROLLING MEADOWS, Ill. — An embattled, controversial Catholic religious order that has enrolled 18 seventh- and eighth-graders in its newly opened third U.S. boarding school for boys interested in the priesthood.

The Legionaries of Christ said the minor seminary, called Sacred Heart Apostolic School and located on a 51-acre campus 20 miles west of Chicago, is for students who are not ready for a grade level each year with an ultimate goal of 100 to 120 students, order spokesman Jay Dunlap said.

Unions blame city for L.A. blackout

LOS ANGELES — Workers who accidentally triggered a massive lunchtime blackout were upgrading the city’s power system during peak daytime hours because the city was “cutting corners” and reluctant to pay higher wages at night, a union official claimed Tuesday.

City officials denied an allegation, and one City Council member questioned whether the outage was an intentional move to save money to pressure the city in an ongoing contract.

Almost 2 million people, from downtown Los Angeles to the San Fernando Valley, lost power Monday for as long as 2½ hours. Traffic lights were out, elevators stopped, police were alert but said terrorism was not suspected.

The shutdown came after a Department of Water and Power crew incorrectly cut several control lines at a receiving station in the Tujunga Lake area of the San Fernando Valley.

Ron Deaton, the utility’s general manager, said it was an honest mistake by technicians.

“Even there is there ain’t no more,” Deaton told officials at Tuesday’s City Council meeting.

The workers were installing automated monitoring controls to provide department officials with immediate information about the status of its system.

Brian D’Arcy, an official with the union representing 8,200 utility workers, said technicians should have done the work at night, when power usage is lower and there is less potential for wide-scale shutdowns. Night work means higher wages, though, and the city didn’t want to pay, he said.

“They’re cutting corners,” said D’Arcy, business manager for the Huntington Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 18. “They should’ve done it in the middle of the day when people are coming back from lunch and turning their computers on.”

Residents in Gulfport, Miss., watch as machinery removes debris collected from inside their hurricane-damaged homes on Tuesday.

Bush officials concerned about national gas shortages for coming winter

Associated Press

BATON ROUGE, La. — It may take months for domestic oil supplies to resume fully national gas production after Hur­ricane Katrina, top Bush administration officials said Tuesday while expressing worries about shortages this winter.

Unlike with heating oil and gasoline, there’s little immediate capacity to increase supplies with imports.

There are concerns about the supply of natu­ral gas,” Energy Sec­retary Samuel Bodman said Tuesday, a week after an agency in his department predicted that natural gas prices in some parts of the country will be 71 percent higher than last winter.

Bodman and Interior Secretary Gale Norton took a helicopter to see the Gulf to observe the damage to oil platforms and flew over the Louisiana Offshore Oil Port, the terminal where huge oil tankers drop off their cargo in deep waters miles offshore.

Evidence that the region’s oil production facilities is inoperable, at least at first, a dozen tankers were anchored near the port waiting to drop off their cargo. The facility, known as the LPF, returned to full operation last weekend.

Norton said that 90 percent of the Gulf oil platforms will be capable of production by the end of the month. But she emphasized that there is widespread damage to offshore facilities that will hamper production beyond that.

Bodman and Norton visited one of the govern­ment’s Strategic Pet­roleum Reserve facilities, where the government is providing several refineries with oil to make up for supply losses.

They then went to an Exxon-Mobil refinery near Baton Rouge, La., which has needed gov­ernment oil to continue production.

Bruce March, the refin­ery’s manager, said that about 20 percent of its crude is coming from the government stockpile. The refinery, the second largest in the country, scaled back production briefly after the hurri­cane hit, but it now is again in full production, March said.

Norton said that 58 percent of Gulf oil pro­duction remains shut down, as does 38 percent of the region’s natural gas production.

Both Cabinet members expressed concern about upcoming supplies of natural gas. About one-third of the Gulf’s natu­ral gas production has been disrupted.

Bodman said that “there is less known” about the extent of dam­age to underwater natu­ral gas pipelines and it’s uncertain when those facilities will be up in full operation. He said it could be several months before the region’s natu­ral gas system recovers.

While the loss of oil production is being made up from government reserves and foreign sup­plies, there is no such backup for natural gas.

“we don’t have an international market” that the country could rely on for additional supplies as it does with oil, Norton said.

Last week, the Energy Information Administra­tion estimated that natu­ral gas prices would soar this winter because of the hurricane, including intra­states as much as 71 percent in parts of the Midwest.

Bodman and Norton met with senior execu­tives from two dozen energy companies Mon­day evening in Houston.

The executives said they needed government help in arranging for housing for thousands of employ­ees as they struggled to
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people in jobs," said Mike Sanders, the director of Indiana Careers at SMC. "While that's not our responsibility, we help them find out what they're interested in."

Senior Lindsey Lozmack, a communications studies major, has used the Center's resources to find direction. "You know what's out there," Lozmack said of the working world, "but you don't really know what you're going to like."

Although she has submitted her resume to a number of companies nationwide due to opportunities provided by a summer internship, Lozmack consults the CCO's director Jeff Roberts about her future career path. "He really helps you sort out your priorities," she said.

To aid students, the CCO offers multiple career fairs, workshops and internship opportunities each semester. The CCO's best assets are the ones that help graduating Belles start their own professional network, Roberts said. "The Center was really helpful," said senior Kate Keating, an elementary education major. "I brought in my resume and they helped me tweak it, which was how I landed my summer internship with Chicago Public School and my job for next year."

"Go Belles" is an online system that allows SMC students to enter their resumes into a national referral system, posting the resumes of Saint Mary's seniors for hundreds of employers across the U.S. Another tool available to Saint Mary's students is alumnae of the College. A database, called the Alumnae Resource Network, was created to feature 5,000 accessible Saint Mary's alumnae. Roberts said. A student can search by her major or a specific geographic area and gain access to hundreds of Saint Mary's graduates and their contact information. This allows Belles to get in contact with women in the same field or same part of the country in which they themselves are interested, Roberts said. "It's not really meant for them to give you a job," says Sanders of the ARN. "It's meant to start networking."

Students will be able to speak to alumnae about careers at "Grace Under Fire," a panel discussion to be held Thursday, Oct. 13, at the Stapleton Lounge.

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**Market Recap**

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**Feds defend 9/11 relief program**

**Small Business Administration Chief Hector Barretto defends the SBA’s actions Tuesday after facing a congressional inquiry.**

**In Brief**

**Deficit to be below last year’s record**

WASHINGTON — The federal deficit, with one month left in the budget year, is running well below last year’s record pace, thanks to a surge in tax collections.

In its monthly budget report, the Treasury Department said Tuesday that the August imbalance came in at $49.9 billion. For the first 11 months of the budget year, the deficit totaled $135.2 billion, 19.4 percent below the level of red ink for the same period in 2004. The government recorded a $24.6 billion surplus in September 2004 that left the total deficit for 2004 at $412.8 billion, a record in dollar terms.

The flush in government spending is a surprise for this September as well that will lower this year’s total deficit to a projected $333 billion, down from the $427 billion the administration had forecast last February.

**Strike, debt pressure Northwest**

**Associated Press**

MINNEAPOLIS — Northwest Airlines said Tuesday it won’t make a $42 million dollar contribution to the $65 million pension deficit over debt payments in recent days, suggesting the carrier is conserving its cash rather than freezing potential bankruptcy filings.

Northwest’s board planned to meet Wednesday morning to decide whether to file, said Will Holman, a spokesman for the Pilots Association union, which has a member on the board.

The carrier, whose mechanics have been on strike since July 20, said it also must make a $65 million pension contribution by mid-September. If the company wins a claim made against its assets, according to a filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Typically, such defaults could trigger other debt covenants that would force a bankruptcy. Two other major U.S. carriers — United Airlines and US Airways — have entered Chapter 11 since the 2001 terrorist attacks.

Northwest, struggling through the strike by mechanics, has said previously that bankruptcy is a possibility. The company has raised its $1.1 billion target for annual labor cost savings to a new, undisclosed figure, as rising fuel prices have battered the airline.

Northwest said it began hiring permanent replacement mechanics on Tuesday.

About 120 union mechanics rallied at their strike headquarters near Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport, where their leaders told them Northwest’s fill-in maintenance operation can’t last.

"If we stay strong, if you don’t cross that picket line, the company will have no choice but to contact us,” said Jim Young, chief negotiator for the Aircraft Maintenance Pensional Association.

Ted Ludwig, president of the union’s Twin Cities local, also urged strikers to stick together.

"If you want to work at a nonunion place, go to Wal-Mart. Don’t go back in here,” he said, jerking a thumb over his shoulder at a Northwest maintenance hangar.

The two sides haven’t met since early Sunday, when mechanics walked away from an offer that sought even more concessions than they rejected before striking.

In a letter to the union late Monday, Northwest urged union leaders to allow a vote on the airline’s latest offer. But mechanics at Tuesday’s rally didn’t appear unhappy that their leadership wasn’t sending them an offer. When Young asked the crowd whether anyone wanted to vote on the last proposal, they roared, "No!"
Feerer victorious in NYC primary

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Fernando Feerer teetered on the edge of victory Tuesday over three other Democrats competing in their party's primary for the chance to wage an underdog campaign against Mayor Michael Bloomberg, a billionaire Republican who enjoys broad support in this overwhelmingly Democratic city.

With all but 10 precincts reporting, Feerer had 40 percent of the vote, ahead of U.S. Rep. Anthony Weiner's 29 percent, Manhattan Borough President C. Virginia Fields had 16 percent, and City Council Speaker Gifford Miller had 10 percent. Fields and Miller conceded their losses.

Feerer needed 40 percent to avoid a runoff with Weiner, and the outcome might not be known for several days until every vote is counted, including more than 25,000 absentee ballots. The winner goes into the general election on Nov. 8 against Bloomberg, who is more popular than all four Democrats in recent polls.

Also on the New York ballot, Manhattan District Attorney Robert Morgenthau defeated former judge Leslie Crocker Snyder, a no-nonsense former judge who raised the 86-year-old incumbent's age and eight-term tenure as campaign issues. Morgenthau was the model for the fictional TV prosecutor Adam Schiff on the program "Law and Order."

Ferrer's run is his third try for mayor after losing the primary in 1997 and a runoff in 2001 to then-Public Advocate Mark Green. The primary that year was supposed to take place on Sept. 11, but was rescheduled in the chaos of the terrorist attack. Green eventually lost to Bloomberg, who was considered a longshot until he was endorsed by Rudolph Giuliani as the final rival in the race of the World Trade Center.

Ferrer, the former Bronx borough president, would be the city's first Latino mayor if elected.

A potential runoff between Feerer and Weiner promised to be lively. While all four Democrats largely avoided attacking each other leading up to the primary, there were occasional tangles between the two men.

As votes are counted, the two are not likely to waste precious time, campaigning as if there will be a runoff, which would be held Sept. 27.

Some Democratic leaders were concerned a runoff would divide the party and weaken their chances against Bloomberg, who is beset by shining approval ratings.

Not to be outdone, Bloomberg threw an election night party in Brooklyn, even though he did not face a challenger in the primary. To cheers of "Four more years," he addressed supporters at the celebration.

"Someone told me there was a primary contest going on tonight, is that right? I love primary night, especially when I don't have one," Bloomberg cracked.

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as a victim of McCarthyism, the FBI and the destruction of the weapon he created. The last part of the lecture concentrated on how Oppenheimer's fears and theories on proliferation are still relevant in the post-9/11 world.

"He is today a metaphor for all the dilemmas and predicaments we encounter today," Bird said.

Bird specifically cited the current Bush Administration's advocacy of unilateralism, which Oppenheimer spoke against.

Bird also drew parallels between Oppenheimer's trial and his loss of civil liberties. In 1954, Oppenheimer was suspended from his position as chairman of the General Advisory Committee of the Atomic Energy Commission because of charges that he was associated with Communists. He was accused of using illegal wiretaps and officials worried he was a security threat.

Bird tried to have the audience understand Oppenheimer's troubled mindset. He often described Oppenheimer as pacing or mumbling.

The lecture concluded with a question and answer session. A spirited debate between Bird and Fr. Wilson Miscamble of the history department about President Trump's motives for dropping atomic bombs on Hiroshima and Nagasaki. Miscamble contested Bird's assertion that the Japanese were already successfully defeated when the bombs were dropped.

Bird was chosen to speak because of his expertise in the area of nuclear warfare, history professor John Soares said.

"Bird has written a number of books, that have made an important contribution to our knowledge about some of the most important figures in American politics and diplomacy during the Cold War," he said.

Bird recently co-authored "America's Prometheus," the first full-scale Oppenheimer biography. It was researched and written for about two decades and includes evidence from many recent documents.

The lecture series takes place during the first semester on Tuesdays at 7:30 in McHenry Hall.

The series' goal is to provide different perspectives from people of all fields of expertise. The first lecture of the series was given by Harold Agnew, who worked under Enrico Fermi during the Manhattan Project. Other guest lecturers include a Russian professor, physicists and political scientists, among others.

The series is sponsored by the College of Science, the Department of Physics, the Reilly Center for Science, Technology and Values, the Center for Social Concerns and the Joint Institute for Nuclear Astrophysics.

One upcoming high profile speaker is David Kay, who was directed by President Bush to search for weapons of mass destruction in Iraq in June 2003.

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PNETHERLANDS

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Associated Press

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“The woman’s two young children were left in the house in a south­ern Amsterdam neighbor­hood, police said. The kidnappers bound and gagged a neighbor who was in the house, and he was later freed by one of the chil­dren.

“At this moment we don’t know where she is.”

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United Nations

Annan disappointed in reform document

Associated Press

UNITED NATIONS — The U.N. General Assembly on Tuesday adjourned without action on a long-awaited reform of the United Nations, leaving many details for the document to be hashed out later.

“Obviously we didn’t get everything we wanted and with 191 members it’s not easy to get an agreement,” Annan said. “All of us would have wanted more, but we can work with what we have been given, and I think it is an important step forward.”

Annan had gambled that by calling the summit — the largest gathering of world leaders in history — he could push through a list of sweeping U.N. reforms and refocus attention on the Millennium Development Goals for targets for reducing poverty and disease by 2015.

But diplomats said they had lowered their expectations in the last few days because the issues were too contentious. Still, they called the document a breakthrough after so many months of bitter debate. “It would have been a disaster if they had not moved at all,” Annan said.

Several were pleased with the creation of a peacebuilding commission and a political office, said Emry-Jones-Parry, the British ambassador. “Don’t expect Rome to be built in a day, it wasn’t,” Britain’s U.N. Ambassador Emry-Jones-Perry said. “Against the difficulty of this negotiation, its complexity, this is a very substantial gain.”

The outgoing president of the General Assembly, Jerzy Buzek of Poland, said the document was “the best possible outcome.”

There will be work to do on some issues, he said. “We have to take this as a step forward and in the coming months we will have to make sure that we make progress.”

Buzek said the document would be used as a starting point for future negotiations.

Rumsfeld seeks NATO takeover

German Defense Secretary denies rumors that United States is leaving Iraq

Associated Press

BERLIN — NATO should ultimately take over anti-terrorist operations in Afghanistan handled by the U.S.-led coalition, Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld said Tuesday, but he refused to set a timetable for drawing down American troops.

Speaking to reporters at the beginning of a two-day NATO meeting, Rumsfeld also rejected suggestions that the United States might begin pulling troops out of Iraq by the end of the year, saying the departure would be determined by what is occurring in that country.

“It’s all condition-based,” Rumsfeld said.

Affirming that position was the British defense minister, John Reid. “We are in Iraq for as long as it takes to solve the problems in Iraq,” Reid said, “until the job is done.”

More detailed talk was stifled by fears about increased violence accompanying parliamen­tary elections in Afghanistan scheduled for this coming weekend, as well as the upcoming elections in Germany, where some have openly opposed any increased combat missions for NATO.

Rumsfeld also said that Afghanistan’s elections come four years after the U.S. invaded the country to overthrow the Taliban. Insurgents have vowed to disrupt the balloting.

Rumsfeld said NATO’s move to take on a larger role in Afghanistan, including drug interdiction, will be a key topic of discussion throughout the meeting.

“Over time it would be nice if NATO would develop counterterror capabilities which don’t exist at the current time,” he said.

NATO has 11,000 mostly European troops providing security in northern and western Afghanistan. Around 19,000 U.S. led troops cover the south and east.

NATO plans to expand slowly its peacekeeping role and eventually take primary responsibility for security in the country. Thirty-five countries have troops in Afghanistan, including a number of non-NATO nations.

Under the NATO plan, German troops will take the lead role in the north, Italians in the west, British in the south and Americans under NATO command in the east.

Finnish and Turkish troops will lead in Kabul — working alongside Afghanistan’s fledgling army and police.

Rumsfeld said he is also urging his defense counterparts to find ways to increase the mili­tary flexibility of NATO’s forces and the financing for the alliance. Several countries put on the military the security forces can engage in as part of NATO, such as limiting where they can go or what type of combat force they can use.

Rumsfeld declined to single out which countries he felt posed problems. He said there are 17 pages of edicts limiting where troops can go and what they can do.

“Different restrictions on national forces makes it enormously difficult for command­ers to have the flexibility to function,” said Rumsfeld.

In addition, he said a funding increase is needed because some smaller countries have lower defense budgets or must plan their spending so far in advance that it makes it difficult for them to respond quickly to changing military needs.

Rumsfeld said he hopes that changes in the structure of NATO will eventually allow the alliance to reduce some of its forces in Kosovo as well.

Rumsfeld plans to meet privately with several of his col­leagues Wednesday, including Russian Defense Minister Sergei Ivanov.

Meanwhile, Afghan President Hamid Karzai said the U.S.-led coalition needs to reconsider the way it is fighting Taliban­­led rebels. His comments came after six months of fierce bat­­tles that have left more than 1,200 dead.

“We and the international community, the coalition, must sit down and reconsider and rethink whether the approach to the threat of terrorism that has [been] taken is the absolutely right one,” he told British Broadcasting Corp., in an interview broadcast Tuesday.

He suggested combating the problem where "terrorists are trained" but declined to elabo­rate.

Afghan officials say many insurgents train in secret bases in neighboring Pakistan, deep within denials from Islamabad.
Owners get homicide charge

Louisiana Attorney General investigates 34 nursing home deaths

Associated Press

BATON ROUGE, La. — The husband-and-wife owners of a nursing home near New Orleans were charged Tuesday with negligent homicide in the deaths of 34 people during the flooding unleashed by Hurricane Katrina.

The case represents the first major prosecution to come out of the disaster.

The owners of St. Rita's Nursing Home in Chalmette "were asked if they wanted to move the patient. They did not. They were warned repeatedly that this storm was coming," Louisiana Attorney General Charles Foti said.

"In effect, their inaction resulted in the deaths of these patients," Foti said.

Salvador A. Mangano and his wife, Mable, surrendered and were jailed on 34 counts of negligent homicide. Each count carries up to five years in prison.

The attorney general said he is also investigating the discovery of more than 40 corpses at flooded-out Memorial Medical Center, in New Orleans' Uptown section.

The victims at St. Rita's died Aug. 29, the day the hurricane hit, and on Sept. 6, at least 14 unrecognizable bodies were still inside the nursing home, the New York Times reported last week.

St. Bernard Parish Councilman Ricky Malenfant said the water rose three feet in 15 minutes that morning and then even faster, the Times said.

Several men tried to rescue the nursing home's residents by floating them out on mattresses, and others were able to walk to a school, the Times said. In all, the home had about 60 residents.

There were apparent efforts to fight the incoming water inside St. Rita's. A table was nailed against a window and a couch was pushed up against a door, the Times said. There was also evidence that water had reached the roof.

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For anyone preparing to enter the Career Fair this week, I would like to share with you our philosophy of post-grad, whether you like it or not.

First rule: Have your own standards. It is your life, your college experience, your decisions. We should get excited at a job prospect. Work is so central to our "selves." Through our labor we not only take care of ourselves, but also get a chance to contribute to our world, and if we are lucky, can be creative and express ourselves. So the questions we should be asking ourselves—what would make me most happy to do? This job allow me to innovate within the ranks?

Second rule: Do not fret over the resume. This kind of only applies if you are going to get some face time with the employer. I think it is so much more impressive to convey yourself with stories and genuine personal stories of your experiences. Think to those rare jewels you have in your life, the times when you shined, conquered or failed miserably but picked yourself up valiantly. Laying those bulbs out there is employers will be so much better than a fancily worded resume or a robotic set of responses.

Third rule: Do not feel like you have to go to every Career Center event. Instead, try having a few heart-to-hearts with friends, clergy, faculty and others on campus about this job process. The people you end up flying with—whether it's the lefty justice crowd or young Fortune 500-ers—know stuff about jobs and programs that might fit you, since they know you.

Fourth rule: Check out the labor conditions. This may be easy to overlook, but it is vital. Ask if an employer or program offers health insurance. Find out what kind of starting hours are expected of you. Wonder if this company is currently being boycotted or having labor abuses. We are all going to be invited to sign the Pledge of Social Responsibility, which affirms we will take the teachings of social justice and responsibility with us beyond Notre Dame to our careers and lives. Appendix W, through our marketing image, we are a school with a "Higher Education," so we should emerge from this to work for places that uplift human dignity, social justice and the common good.

So, I shall not attend tonight's career fest for two reasons: no career that fixes my standards would be there and I am really not that anxious about post-May 2006. I am taking a more relational approach, looking at what is in front of me, talking to friends and guides about possible options and making connections through my existing social networks. Also, I have got one definite job in the bag already. Jealous much? Seriously, I do have a paid internship prospect if a want it and I never wrote a single resume, did a single nervous interview or any of that song and dance. I reached into my own network of relationships, told good stories about myself and was serious about making my preferences known.

So do not freak out about this career stuff; resourceful people who know other people of interest should not have a problem getting something together. Yet, I do not want to assume most of my readers have personality and grace, so if you are one of those people, do not go to the Career Fair. Instead, go to LaFortune or legends, mingle, meet some people and grow some social skills and backbones. It would be far worse to leave college with no job, but no style, personality or sense of identity. Mock interviews will not teach you how to live and interact; we each have to forge ourselves to learn that lesson. And do not sell your soul for a huge paycheck. Working 100 hours a week for a fortune is not what I call living; it looks more like dying.

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Support for the smoking ban

I understand Mr. Ronderos’ opinion in his Sept. 13 column concerning the proposed smoking ban in St. Joseph County. In fact, I believe it may go too far, but his concern is based on sincere personal philosophy.

Both of my parents are smokers and have been for quite some time. I love them dearly, and I cannot imagine the world without them for nearly all of my life. My father has tried very hard to quit many times and is in the process of making another attempt. They know it’s unhealthy and have frequently tried to quit for their sake.

I believe that smokers do have the right to smoke if they so choose. If one tries to link that with one of Thomas Jefferson’s unalienable rights, the pursuit of happiness, I fail to see the reasoning.

Josh Uniowski
"Yeah, right."

Mr. Ronderos spoke of frontiermen having “a fierce zeal to control their own fate.” I, too, have that zeal. As nearly everyone desires, I want to live as full a life as possible, not to be cut down early by lung cancer caused by second-hand smoke. I want to have the freedom to inhale that which I desire.

Both of my parents are smokers. I can smell it all around me, and I always have. I have no choice but to report that my parents smoke, to their skeletal responses of "Yeah, right."

Letter to the Editor

Support for the smoking ban
**DVD Reviews**

‘Hustle’ delivers martial arts masterpiece

By MARK REMENDERDER
Asian Scene Editor

Stephen Chow is a creative genius. His films have a pure, original quality that is not often found in modern movies. “Kung Fu Hustle,” his latest movie, is also perhaps his best one yet.

The setting is Shanghai during the 1940s. The previous gang that reigned over the region, The Crocodile Gang, has just been replaced by the notorious Axe Gang. The sequence in which they come to power is both amusing and visually inspired to watch, a trait that defines the rest of the movie.

Parallel to the Axe Gang plot is that of lowlife thug Sing, played by director Stephen Chow; and his sidekick Bone, played by Chi Chung Lam. They are two small-time thugs who are trying to prove their own notoriety and join the axe gang.

The two try to pull a scam at a small slum complex, and inadvertently involve the Axe Gang with the completion of a film. From there, it becomes obvious that no one is as they seem.

“Kung Fu Hustle” is a masterpiece. The back of the DVD case claims that it’s a mixture of “Looney Tunes” and “Kill Bill,” but even that description does not do the movie justice. It is simply like no other movie that has come before it. Even if Stephen Chow’s earlier works, while imaginative and creative in their own right, don’t quite match the creativity found in his latest offering.

“Shaolin Soccer,” Chow’s previous work, was impressive. The very notion of combining soccer with computer rendered martial arts may have seemed abstract, but it was pulled off to great effect. In a scene at the beginning of the DVD, Chow references “Shaolin Soccer” in a humorous way, giving fans of his work a treat.

The video and sound are of the utmost quality, as can be expected from a Sony Classics release. It is a good thing too, as this is definitely a movie that appeals to the senses. The sheer imagery within the movie is worth at least a glance.

In regards to sound, however, there is one complaint. Many film purists prefer to watch movies subtitled rather than the original language track playing. Normally this is a judgment call, but in regards to “Kung Fu Hustle,” that would be a mistake. The subtitles are some of the worst to ever grace a video, often having very little to do with what is actually being said. The dubbing is an absolute waste of time, much more effort has been put into this movie, and one can only assume its close to its source material.

The special features are also up to the Sony Classics standard, with enough to please any DVD aficionado. The commentary track from Park and cinema author is quite good as well, some of which are good for a laugh. There is also an interview with Chow conducted by Ric Myers, a martial arts film author. It’s a good way to round out the movie, completing it with some solid extras.

“Kung Fu Hustle” should be watched by anyone who is interested in films. The movie is such an unusual, viceral experience that it would be a shame to miss it.

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**Korea’s vengeful dish best served ‘Old’**

By BRIAN DOXTADER
Asian Scene Editor

Park Chan-wook’s “Oldboy” ("Oldboy") demonstrates that Korean films are suddenly at the creative forefront of world cinema. Few films are as bold and strange, as its revenge story unfolds unpredictably into something much larger and more bizarre.

Scorred at the 2004 Cannes Film Festival, “Oldboy” marked a new high in Korean cinema as it surpassed the standard Park set with “Joint Security Area” four years prior. The film’s labyrinth plot begins innocuously enough, opening with Oh Dae-Su (Choi Min-Sik), an ordinary businessman, who gets drunk on his daughter’s birthday. Oh Dae-Su is suddenly and mysteriously abducted. He spends years in a small room, being taken care of by unknown forces.

Eventually he is let out into the world and immediately begins seeking revenge on his tormentors. This sets in motion the second act, which seems like a straightforward revenge plot. It is not until the shocking final act that the depth of the film’s perverse logic becomes clear and “Oldboy” elevates itself into something far more than the sum of its parts. Its logic, while twisted, ultimately works and grants “Oldboy” a satisfyingly perversely effective, and one can only assume its close to its source material.

Much of the film’s success can be attributed to lead actor Choi Min-Sik, whose star-like performance is the glue that controls the picture and holds it together. Choi runs a gamut of emotional and physical trials with conviction, which makes the more difficult aspects of the picture somewhat easier to handle.

Among his highlights as a performer are a tracking shot in which he brutalizes a gang, and a scene involving an octopus that can’t be adequately expressed in words.

Lee Woo-jin, the film’s antagonist, brings a monocholy sadness to a role that has a startling amount of depth. The DVD, as expected, has English subtitles to complement the Korean Dolby Digital 6.1 EX track. There is also an English dub track that should be avoided at all cost. Additionally, there is a commentary track from Park and cinematographer Jeong-bun Jeong, an interview with Park and some deleted scenes with optional director’s commentary. Though these features are all engaging, enough interest in the film may lead to a better DVD somewhere down the line. It’s difficult to categorize a film like “Oldboy.” The film is often difficult to watch, but it has such confidence and bravura that it’s hard to ignore. It is a significant milestone for Korean cinema and its key director, Park Chan-wook, who asserts himself as one of the world’s premier talents.

“Oldboy” is recommended, but try not to eat anything before watching it.

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Atypical horror film fails to deliver scares

By ERIN MCGINN
Scene Critic

"The Exorcism of Emily Rose" sets itself up for failure before the audience even begins to watch the movie. While it has been changed, so as not to include "exorcism" in the title, it arguably could have served better. How, as any movie-goer hears the title, William Friedkin's bar-setting "The Exorcist" is immediately brought to mind, and comparisons between the two movies are inevitable. As a horror film, "The Exorcism of Emily Rose" pales in comparison to the fear evoked in "The Exorcist," but it is successful as a courtroom drama, bringing to the forefront the debate of science versus faith.

"The Exorcism of Emily Rose" is based on the true events surrounding the German college student, Anneline Mether, who in the 1970s was the subject of real-life exorcisms sanctified by the Catholic Church in modern times. Following her death, the exorcism, Anneline died of starvation and as a result her parents and the priests involved in the exorcism were put on trial for negligence leading to manslaughter.

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The Exorcism of Emily Rose

The plot concerns low-level diplomat Justin Quayle (The English Patient's Ralph Fiennes), who meets and swiftly marries a radical named Tessa (Rachel Weisz). The film opens with her murder before flashbacks begin to unravel the mystery surrounding her death. Quayle's investigation eventually uncovers a grand conspiracy that Tessa was trying to uncover, which involves pharmacology and their testing on African natives. Jennifer's in-the-field work is more problematic than it initially appears. Hanging a love story around a larger, grander framework is nothing new ("Casablanca" did it back in 1942), but the stubbornness of the relationship — Tessa and Justin sleep together mere hours after meeting and are married only a few days later — is jarring and mutes its impact. Additionally, the dichotomy between characters (the good guys are really good and the bad guys are really bad) is startling and inspiring in a film so socially and politically aware. Its faux cinema verite style would work in its favor, but it always had the potential to be truly terrifying, and at times almost are, they usually fall flat, mostly due to the subtitles. When Emily starts speaking in tongues, the filmmakers provide subtitles for her, which caused the audience to react with laughter rather than fear. The film also skims the surfaces of other points that could have used better development. The viewer is led to believe that Laura Linney's character is beginning to experience some of the signs of possession, but that plotline never really goes anywhere.

Another area that could have been further developed, and would've been highly interesting, concerns the reaction of the Catholic Church. In both the film and the real-life incident, the Church backed out and refused to defend its priest, to whom it had given permission for the exorcism.

This is mentioned only briefly in the movie, though it was an intriguing point that would’ve benefited from more attention.

While "The Exorcism of Emily Rose" definitely stands apart from other movies in its genre, it never manages to stand on its own two feet. Audiences looking for a typical horror movie are sure to be disappointed, and those looking for a taut courtroom drama will be less disappointed, but still not entirely satisfied.

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‘Gardener’ lacks consistency and focus

By BRIAN DOXTADER
Assistant Scene Critic

"The Constant Gardener" is one of those films that sweeps through with such bristling force that it can fool critics into thinking it's a great picture. It's not.

Its director, Fernando Meirelles, is widely regarded as one of the most promising, if not the most promising, directors working today. The film opens with the murder of a social activist that leads to a grand conspiracy that thefilm's main character is becoming a victim of. The audience is left wondering if the film is about the mysterious death or the conspiracy, and whether it's a mystery or a political allegory. Despite these questions, the film manages to keep the viewer engaged, mostly due to the excellent performances and the engaging story line.

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Singing for the present

Three-time Grammy winner Bruce Hornsby set to perform Friday

Bruce Hornsby stormed onto the music scene in 1986 with his triple-platinum album “The Way It Is.” This Friday night, he graces the stage and piano of the Leighton Concert Hall at the Marie P. DeBartolo Center for the Performing Arts, heralding an evening of music that is sure to please audiences both young and old.

Three Top 20 hits from “The Way It Is,” including the No. 1 title track, launched Hornsby to the 1986 Grammy for Best New Artist. He went on to sell more than 10 million records and has earned Grammys for Best Bluegrass Recording and Best Pop Instrumental.

A pianist and composer, Hornsby has challenged the parameters of the mainstream music world, as well as his own creative boundaries, finding inspiration in a wide array of musical influence including jazz, pop, classical, bluegrass, rock and vaudeville. His songs never cease to be lyrically clever and musically formidable, permitting listeners interpretive space to judge each masterpiece according to their own taste and perspective.

“I always wanted my music to have a real strong sense of place,” Hornsby said on the biography section of his official Web site. “And I’ve always wanted to find a place in my music to express good playing also. I’m someone for whom playing the instrument well is really important.”

The Observer was unable to contact Hornsby for this article.

Recently Hornsby has recorded with Eric Clapton, Sting, Elton John and others in the production of his latest album, “Halcyon Days.” Evoking hopes for the future and memories of the past, Hornsby reflects on life with children and what it means to be a child.

“Most of this record is really influenced by me being a parent,” Hornsby said on his site. “So much of it was written based on my experiences as a parent, worrying about my kids. It’s inspired by trying to put myself in their shoes. It’s tough to be a kid.”

Combining with Elton John in “Dreamland,” Hornsby sings a 21st century lullaby to his and all sons dealing with problems of self-esteem. “Gonna Be Some Changes Made,” in Hornsby’s words, “is about any bumbling idiot who can’t seem to get his [stuff] together.” The album speaks to those with families and those without alike, telling of trials and errors in dealing with those you love and those you live with.

In his first trip to the DPAC, Hornsby looks to treat fans to an evening of old and new, resting on his laurels only so far as his own musical talent and ambition will permit.

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Any question of Hornsby’s devotion to his audience and performance is readily answered by the singer.

“To be creative, spontaneous in the moment and make music in the present tense, that’s what we’re all about,” he said. “I never liked to play the same thing every time ... I think of my songs as living beings that evolve and change and grow through the years.”

Creative, spontaneous, making music in the present tense — Hornsby concertgoers will leave satisfied and completed.

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MLB

Yankees score 17 runs in win over Devil Rays

Five-run second inning lifts Jays over Red Sox

Yankees maintain Wild Card lead with defeat of Oakland

Associated Press

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. — Jason Giambi hit his 30th homer and drove in five runs, helping the Yankees pull within 2 1/2 games of the Tampa Bay Devil Rays 17-3 toudge close to first-place Boston in the AL East.

Hidedeki Matsui and Jorge Posada each drove in three runs, and the Yankees climbed a season-high 19 games over .500 with two 1-2 games of the red Sox.

Jackie Robinson (2-2) allowed three runs and five hits in seven innings, winning his third straight decision since coming off the disabled list Aug. 15. He had no help in his previous three starts.

Giambi had a three-run homer in the first and a two-run single in the sixth, when New York scored seven runs and batted around for the third time in the game.

The Yankees finished with 19 hits, 18 of them singles. After getting just 12 hits and four RBIs during an ill-fated 2-0 season, he has 30 homers and 19 doubles in six weeks of his career and driven in 79 runs.

Matsui also homered in the second double and two-run single.

Posada drew a bases-loaded walk in the first, then followed with a RBI single in the second and two-run single in the sixth.

Tampa Bay has been a troublesome opponent for the Yankees, winning 11 of 16 games between New York's NL-mid total to build 19-3.

Toronto 9, Boston 3

Kosuke Fukudome scored to sum up Boston's night when he plunked Eric Hinske. Gabe Gross hit his first home run in nearly a year in a four-run eighth and the Toronto Blue Jays beat Boston Tuesday for their ninth in 11 games against the Red Sox this season.

Hinske fouled at Yoke for the reliever to hit him in the seventh, one pitch after Shea Hillenbrand's RBI single gave the Blue Jays an 8-3 lead. Fukudome, who had struggled since he was activated from the disabled list on Sept. 1, allowed one run and two hits in one inning.

Boston's AL East lead over the second-place New York Yankees was cut to 2-1-2 games with another disappointing loss to Toronto, which is 72-72.

Cleveland 5, Oakland 4

The lights went out for a while before Ben Broussard restored power for the Indians on the final pitch. Broussard's second homer of the game, a tiebreaking three-run shot in the ninth, sent Cleveland to a victory over Oakland and gave Athletics and kept the Indians in control of the AL wild-card race.

The Indians started Tuesday with a one-game lead over the New York Yankees for the wild card. They moved 2-1/2 games ahead of the Athletics.

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"It's a big switch. It's a big change for us. We go from a pass-happy team to a running team," Carroll said, referring to missed tackles as this team's biggest problem in the Hawaii game.

"We just over-ran some stuff. We've worked on it," he said. "Hopefully we'll do better. We've certainly stressed that."

Carroll said there's a sense of relief about coming off a bye week and knowing his team plays on each of the next 10 Saturdays.

"It's really time to get back to business," he said. "It's time to get out and do things the way you know how to do them so we can undertake the challenges of the season," the coach said. "I'm not real set­

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"It's a big switch. It's a big change for us. We go from a pass-happy team to a running team," Carroll said, referring to missed tackles as this team's biggest problem in the Hawaii game.

"We just over-ran some stuff. We've worked on it," he said. "Hopefully we'll do better. We've certainly stressed that."

Carroll said there's a sense of relief about coming off a bye week and knowing his team plays on each of the next 10 Saturdays.

"It's really time to get back to business," he said. "It's time to get out and do things the way you know how to do them so we can undertake the challenges of the season," the coach said. "I'm not real set­

The Trojans have a 37-3 record since the start of the 2002 season and are 43-9 since Carroll took over as coach a year earlier.

A crowd of at least 85,000 is expected to attend the home opener.
**NFL**

Chiefs running back Larry Johnson (27) turned himself in Monday after an altercation over the weekend with his girlfriend. Johnson was charged less than two years ago for aggravated assault.

Larry Johnson cited for domestic assault

Associated Press

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Larry Johnson turned himself in to police Monday night after an altercation he had with his girlfriend early Saturday at a bar, the latest in a series of troubles with the law for members of the Kansas City Chiefs.

Police Department spokesman Darin Snapp said the Chiefs running back was cited for domestic abuse assault. Johnson posted bond and was released, with a court date set for Sept. 20 on the municipal charge.

Snapp said the girlfriend came into the bar and saw Johnson with a different woman. The 25-year-old girlfriend, of Overland Park, Kan., saw Johnson and walked the other way, Snapp said, but Johnson text messaged her on her phone and asked her to meet him downstairs.

The running back then grabbed the woman by the arm and pulled her to the front door, Snapp said, where Johnson asked the manager to make her leave. The manager said he couldn’t do that.

Snapp said Johnson became irate after his girlfriend confronted his date. The running back grabbed the victim by the shoulders and shoved her, causing her to fall onto the floor, the police report said.

The girlfriend told The Kansas City Star, in a story on its Web site, that the police report was wrong and denied that she was pushed or dragged to the door. Snapp said the woman told police she didn’t want Johnson arrested, but instead just wanted the incident documented.

Friends convinced the woman the next day to file a police report after seeing bruises on her arms, Snapp said.

The accusations come less than two years after Johnson entered a diversion program for allegedly brandishing a gun during an argument with an ex-girlfriend at his home. He was charged in December 2003 with aggravated assault, a felony, and misdemeanor domestic battery.

Under terms of the diversion Johnson was required to complete 120 hours of community service, attend an anger management course and stay out of trouble for two years.

Johnson County prosecutor Paul Morrison said if it’s determined he committed a criminal act, his office would file a motion.

**IN BRIEF**

NBA players raise money for Hurricane Katrina victims

A handful of professional basketball players are going to spin the Wheel of Fortune to raise money for victims of Hurricane Katrina.

Carmelo Anthony of Denver, Ray Allen of Seattle, Baron Davis of Golden State and Luke Walton of the Los Angeles Lakers are among 15 NBA and WNBA players teaming up with the television game show “Wheel of Fortune.” The players will tape shows Thursday for the game show’s NBA week, airing Oct. 31-Nov. 4.

Each player will be partnered with a fan from his team’s city, and the fans will play for cash and NBA-themed prizes.

The players will compete for their favorite charity and for the Red Cross, with a minimum of $100,000 of their winnings going to help Hurricane Katrina relief efforts.

The contestant from the team with the week’s highest total winnings will win a trip to the 2006 NBA All-Star game in Houston.

Damon will return to Red Sox lineup this Thursday

TORONTO — An MRI of Boston Red Sox outfielder Johnny Damon’s left shoulder Tuesday showed no structural damage.

Damon didn’t play in Boston’s 6-5 win in 11 innings over Toronto on Monday night. He has been playing with discomfort since injuring the shoulder on a slide against Baltimore on Sept. 4.

“The report was as good as it could be,” Boston manager Terry Francona said. “Structurally there is no damage. I think he bruised that area. He’s got some swelling.”

Francona said Damon will remain in Boston for treatment while the Red Sox finish their Toronto road trip. Boston returns home to play Oakland on Thursday.

“Even if he can’t play the news is good. He’s going to be OK,” Francona said.

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Chicago White Sox at Kansas City 7:10 p.m., p.m., Comcast

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High school football to continue for evacuees

Associated Press

DALLAS — Damien Allen tugs at his tight pants after each play, struggling to stretch a size L into an XL.

The other players are wearing shorts. But not most of the evacuees, who quickly pieced together their uniforms scavenging through leftovers in a sweat-scented equipment closet. Only some of the 13 found shorts and a few must share helmets.

Monday was their first football practice at Madison, the designated high school for students still living in mass downtown shelters nearly two weeks after Hurricane Katrina. They practice wearing colored paper bracelets that grant admission back to their cots and free meals — orange for Reunion Arena, neon pink for the convention center.

None are superstars or fixtures on recruiting watch lists. Head coach Ronald Johnson figures maybe two can contribute at the varsity level.

Twice as many signed up last week, but they disappear once they find homes and leave the shelters. Fifteen passed physicals Friday and two moved to suburbs by the weekend. Johnson doesn’t see many of the kids whose parents he met at the shelters, where Johnson and his staff navigated through a grid of cots in search of signed waiver forms.

“Two more will probably be gone by tomorrow,” said Johnson, who can only identify a handful by their first names.

He doubts that some played football in New Orleans, even though many brag of throwing touchdown passes and anchoring defenses back home. One drill and Johnson knows better. If he’s unsure, he quizzes them: What’s a double-team block? When pulling right, which foot leads?

Sophomore Michael Bridgewater played linebacker at Higgins High School near New Orleans. His mother brought Michael and two cousins to Reunion Arena after they could no longer afford staying at a Motel 6. He can’t reach his girlfriend and doesn’t know what happened to an uncle and four of his cousins.

He’s also, if he stays at Madison, an option at fullback.

“I’m homeless right now, but that’s the last thing on my mind,” Bridgewater said. “I’m living in a shelter. I never thought in a million years I’d be living in a shelter. But don’t feel sorry for me. Encourage me. That’s why I’m out here.”

The evacuees stick together. They play catch during water breaks and crowd around leafing through a stapled playbook on the sideline. They seldom mingle with the other players.
**GAMING**

E-sports represent a new trend in gaming

*Associated Press*

NEW YORK — Is “frags per round” going to be the batting average of the 21st century?

Professional computer gamers certainly hope so.

Players of Counter Strike, a popular title in competition at the U.S. finals of the World Cyber Games last week, count their prowess in how many enemies they can shoot to pieces, or “fragment,” in a frantic two-minute round of virtual gunplay.

Time and demographics, boosters say, argue for videogame tourneys becoming the next big spectator sport in the United States, where more than 108 million Americans now play computer games, according to the Yankee Group.

They’re already garnering big-name sponsors.

“Kids in the early 1900s were playing baseball in dirt fields. Kids today are playing computer games” says Jason Lake, an Atlanta real-estate lawyer who owns two teams of pro gamers, totaling fourteen players, some of whom did battle last week.

For a non-gamer, the competition at New York’s Hammerstein Ballroom can’t have looked too exciting.

Pale young men crowded around computers on the floor as the cyberspace-based action unfolded on big-screen displays overhead, accompanied by a play-by-play announcer rattling off things like “Schwan’s gonna be hiding behind a big box there, waiting for them to come up, and it’s 7-0 for the counter-terrorists on this map.”

Only about 4,000 spectators showed up at the Hammerstein, organizers said, but more than 63,000 followed the games live on the Web.

Even more significantly, more than a million people around the world have tried to qualify for the final, to be held in Singapore in November. That’s mostly a sign of the acceptance that computer gaming (or e-sports, as promoters like to call it) has gained in the rest of the world.

Just 49,000 of that million were Americans.

In South Korea, where the World Cyber Games is based, three cable channels broadcast competitive gaming around the clock and some of the country’s approximately 200 professional gamers bask in rock star-like fame.

In the United States, “there are rock stars already, but the mass market doesn’t know about them,” says Robert Krakoff, president Bizor Group, which makes computer mice and is a major sponsor of the games, along with Intel Corp. and Samsung Electronics Co.
Cahill

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weekend, he was named Big East Goalkeeper of the Week. "I wouldn't say it's anything more than just a recognition of the overall defensive efforts in those games," Cahill said, calling the recognition "an overall defensive award."

Cahill earned the starting spot in goal after a heated summer and preseason battle between the four keepers on the Irish roster. "We've got two, really we've got four good goalies on the team, with the two freshmen and the senior, Justin Michaud," he said. "It's good to have a fire burning under you all the time and I don't ever really imagine myself becoming content because there's always someone there pushing me to get better."

Cahill excelled in prep soccer in his hometown of Louisville, Ky. "He was first spotted at our elite camp over the summer," Irish coach Bobby Clark said. Cahill was a three-time All-Star at St. Paul's where "he caught our eye ... he's come in and done a first-class job."

Standing tall at six and a half feet, Cahill has a natural size advantage. "As a goalkeeper you certainly cover more real estate if you're big, so he covers a fair amount of real estate," said Clark. "He's got a big wingspan." Fortunately, Cahill has managed to avoid two common pitfalls of tall goalies: awkwardness and struggling with balls on the ground. "Quite often tall people, they're not always as well-coordinated, as athletic, and Chris is one of those fortunate people, not only is he big but he's well-coordinated," Clark said. "He's a very good athlete, he's quick on his feet and he can move. He's obviously good with high balls, with balls in the air, but he's also very, very quick at getting down for low balls."

The Knot resident claims to have had his nerves under control before stepping on the field for his first collegiate game time. "I think I was nervous, definitely, but it was a good sort of nervous," he said. "It was a nervous energy that I think I needed. I think it's a good thing to be a little bit nervous — if you're not that's when you've got something to worry about."

Fortunately, Cahill has had the guidance of excellent goalie coach Brian Wiese, one of Clark's assistants and a coach who focuses on guiding Notre Dame's highly out-standing keepers. "Brian's done a great job with this one," Clark said. "He did a good job with last year's goalie Chris Sawyer as well ... He does a fabulous job with all the goalkeepers."

Cahill appreciates Wiese's expertise as well. "As far as a coach he's everything you'd want," said Cahill. "He takes us through every single day and whatever we need, he's got us on our toes working on our weaknesses. It's nice to be practicing the things you're good at."

Michaud has also helped keep the Irish defense steady. "They both worked hard and one of the most pleasing things for me was to watch at halftime Justin was out warming up Chris, getting ready," Clark said. "He was a rival and they both work so well to help one another and to improve each other."

This goes with another of Cahill's observations: the team-first attitude of the Irish. "I was definitely confident," he said of his first times in goal, "because I know that the guys in front of me are going to make the job as easy and as simple as possible."

To Cahill, though, it's not just the defense stepping up and making stops so he doesn't have to. "Unity is a huge factor in the past success of the Irish and in their future hopes. "I feel like our team is 25 guys that are all best friends.""

Chris Cahill
Irish goalkeeper

Goalkeeper Chris Cahill makes a save against New Mexico on Aug. 20. The 6-foot-6 goalkeeper won the starting job this fall. "I think at the moment he's just been establishing himself as the goalkeeper, now he has got to become a leader," Clark said. "I think it's really important that a goalkeeper does become a leader in the backfield and I think it's something he's starting to realize and something he's really starting to work on."

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Per the team's goal, players' scores improved as the weekend progressed. They attributed the improvement to getting comfortable with the greens and to their adjustment to the pressure of playing against such formidable opponents.

"I think it's good for smaller schools to play bigger competition every once in a while," co-captain Kristin Fantom said. "Also, once we got over getting used to the greens we were able to get down our scores."

Today is the first outing when results will count in the standings as the Belles attempt to defend their MIAA crown for the fourth straight season. Rivals Olivet and Albion, along with host Calvin College, look to challenge the Belles as they aim to retain their four-peat.

The outing will be played at Calvin's home course, the Thornapple Pointe Golf Club, located just east of Grand Rapids.

The course is relatively short, measuring only 5,302 yards. This should play to the advantage of the Belles, who are known for their excellent short game and work around the greens.

The Calvin outing is the first of three regular season outings the Belles will participate in before heading to the MIAA championships, slated for the weekend of Oct. 7-9 at the Bedford Valley Country Club.

Getting the regular season off on the right foot is essential to another successful season on the greens, and the Belles are looking for a very solid performance today and the rest of the season.

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McKnight's 5-yard touchdown catch opened scoring and proved the difference maker in the final score.

To fill the vacant wideout spot, coaches will simply slide the depth chart up a name. Quarterback Brady Quinn has thrown to eight different players, including four wide receivers, already this season.

And though no one would qualify McKnight's production as replaceable, the Irish are certain they have the personnel to substitute into the game and maintain efficiency.

"Next guy goes in," Weis said of his plan to adjust. "That's all that happens. It's always been that way. It's the only way I know."

"Once again, I hate to keep on going back to the past, but I've always come from systems where (if) one guy goes out, just plug the next guy in."

So far this season, indications are Weis will be able to continue the methods he learned in New York and New England with this team.

The Irish lose McKnight, who has caught five balls for 69 yards and a touchdown. But remaining are starting wideout Maurice Stovall (four catches, 44 yards), deep threat Matt Shelton, who according to Weis is getting closer to 100 percent health, and the team's leading wide receiver, Jeff Samardzija (seven catches, 86 yards, two touchdowns).

Running back Darius Walker and tight end Anthony Fasano have eight catches each to lead the team, but in the wide receiving corps, Samardzija has distinguished himself as a clear primary option for Quinn.

"Jeff has great athletic ability and ball skills," Weis said. "He's been a perfect complement in the system, along with the other receivers we have."

"I think at this point, Jeff has been the one who has been open based off the coverage schemes. I think Brady has done a nice job of getting the ball in his hands."

Samardzija is on pace to make almost 40 catches this season, which would be more than twice the amount of grabs he made in 2004 (17).

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SMC SOCCER

Belles return to home field

Team faces physical, tough play of MIAA rival Albion College

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Sports Writer

The Belles will return to their home turf today from an extended tour of pre-season tournament exhibitions and early MIAA road games to tackle the physical play of Albion College.

Saint Mary's did not finish the road sojourn with the best record (1-3 overall, 0-1 MIAA), but is confident that the change of scenery and the welcome embrace of the Belles' campus will spark a much-needed victory.

The schedule for the Belles is not an easy one to play, with home and away series with Hope. The women lost to Hope 2-0 in that series road game last weekend. There are also Calvin, Alma, Olivet and Tri-State, all of which bring the Belles a unique challenge on the field. As a result every game won is crucial — making those games played at home that much more significant in the long grind of the fall season.

"Albion always brings a strong, physical team," Belles coach Caryn Mackenzie said. "The fact that we are on our field for the first time will help us set the tone.

The tone they hope to see will undoubtedly be an offensive one, as the Belles have managed to net four goals for the season to date, with all four coming in a 4-3 double overtime victory over SUNY-Brockport in the season opener.

The three straight shutouts imposed on the Belles have not come as a result of a lack of ability on the offense; Mackenzie has repeatedly praised the strong play of her attackers and midfielders.

The players have taken it all in stride as well, realizing the meat of the season is still ahead of them.

"Every game we have played we have seen some really good stuff," midfielder Carrie Orr said. "We have played some of the best teams around. We know that and we think we can play with anyone."

The Belles are hoping for a much more fun to play at home, "you have got your fans and everything. We are really looking forward to it." Carrie Orr midifelder

The competition level has been high so far this season. The Belles faced DIII national contender Illinois Wesleyan and one of the top MIAA teams in Hope College. Albion will continue this trend in Belles opponents, as it is also a perennial contender in the MIAA.

"They are usually one of our toughest competitors, they are usually very aggressive," Orr said. Last year Saint Mary's split the season series, coming away with a 2-0 win at home and a 3-2 overtime loss on the road.

The whistle will kick off the Belles' home season at 4 p.m. on Wednesday, a start that the Belles hope will get them started on the right track once again.

"It is always much more fun to play at home, you have got your fans and everything. We are really looking forward to it," Carrie Orr said. "We are ready to bring out a lot of energy for the game."

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been lifting her game the entire season.

Saint Mary's seemed poised to take a two games to none lead as they led 24-19 late in the second game. Weak serve reception proved to be the Belles' demise; however, Olivet (2-7, 1-0) was able to take advantage of Saint Mary's mistakes, using a 9-1 run to take a 25-24 lead and holding off the Belles for the win.

Schroeder-Biek thought her team eased up at the end of game two.

"We relaxed. We need to work on our killer instinct and drive toward the finish," she said.

The Comets of Olivet were energized by their win in game two and came out with more emotion in the third game. A 7-4 Belles lead was quickly erased by a 6-1 Comets run. Saint Mary's was able to tie the game at 16, but inconsistent play again proved to be the Belles' Achilles' heel as they lost 14 of the game's final 21 points.

The final point summed up a frustrating night for Saint Mary's. A Comet player dove and dug a ball that seemed destined to be a Belles kill, sending it across the net and into the open court for a miraculous Olivet kill.

Despite the loss a three-game winning streak for Saint Mary's ended a seven-game losing streak for Olivet.

The Belles will look to bounce back from Tuesday's difficult loss when they travel to Concordia, Ill. Thursday for another game of their season.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY: You should be able to make some serious cash this year. You will be able to put your talents to work in a very precise way. You will be successful because you breed your skills and they even what you have to offer. The area will come from doing your own thing. Your numbers are 7, 16, 21, 29, 42

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Focus on what you have to get done. Don't go out or it will come to haunt you. Too much of anything will work against you -- it's about balance and staying sensitive.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Doing something special for the person in your life that you love the most. Update your look and you will receive plenty of compliments. A creative approach to a project will be a step in the right direction.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21): Don't take a financial risk. Watch your spending habits -- being overly generous will put you in the poorhouse. Shop wisely and do the work yourself.

CANCER (June 22-July 22): Partnerships should be taken to the next level. Someone you meet will lead to a joint effort on future projects. Don't be shy; you will have a great personality to capture attention.

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McKnight out with leg injury for MSU

By PAT LEONARD
Sports Writer

Notre Dame's leading receiver from last season will be on the sidelines for the team's first home game Saturday. Rhema McKnight will not play against Michigan State in the first home game of his senior season due to a leg injury he suffered in Notre Dame's 17-10 victory at Michigan last weekend.

McKnight caught two balls for 18 yards against Michigan before injuring himself, and both came on the offense's 12-play, opening game scoring drive that lasted just 2:58.

Wide receiver Rhema McKnight celebrates in the arms of guard Dan Stevenson after catching a touchdown.

SMC VOLLEYBALL

Olivet takes win over Saint Mary's in five matches

By RYAN KIEFER
Sports Writer

Consistent play may not always be exciting, but it the end, it wins games.


The loss was particularly disturbing for Belles coach Julie Schroeder-Biek, as she felt her team was a victim of its own mistakes.

The Belles (4-7, 0-2 MIAA) looked strong early in the match, taking control of the first game by jumping out to an early 6-1 lead. Michelle Turley paced Saint Mary's with her strong hitting.

She propelled the Belles to a win in the first game. Schroeder-Biek took notice of Turley's stellar play.

"She is a strong player," Schroeder-Biek said. "She played well over the weekend and has been a key to our success.

Middle hitter Shelly Bender spikes the ball against Olivet Tuesday night. The Belles lost in five closely-played matches to their MIAA rival.

"We hurt ourselves more so than any one of their players hurt us," Schroeder-Biek said.

The Belles (4-7, 0-2 MIAA) entered the match with a 2-2 record in MIAA play and were looking to bounce back today after a loss to Calvin College last weekend.

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SMC SOCCER

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