**Newly-proposed increase attracts support**

Rising student activities fee consistent trend over the past 10 years

By MADDIE HANNA
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While the Student Senate's proposed $15 increase in Notre Dame's student activities fee to implement the College Readership Program provoked debate last week, fee increases have been fairly standard procedure during the past 10 years. The current $80 fee was set during 2002, according to the 2004 University Factbook. This was a $15 increase from the previous $65 fee. In 1998, the fee increased by $55 to $65.

The Academic Affairs committee presented this data alongside statistics tracking the annual tuition percentage increase and annual inflation rate at last Wednesday's Senate meeting to explain why an increase in the student activities fee is necessary. "It is important to note that inflation has picked up in the past four years," the committee's conclusion said. "Inflation has decreased the buying power of student groups and organizations by about $8 since 2002."

The current inflation rate, cited by the U.S. Department of Labor as 3.0 percent, has increased steadily since the 1.6 percent rate in 2002. The rate has been a factor driving past fee increases, which have always faced debate.

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**Some colleges outpace others in research**

Editor's Note: This is the second article in a two-part series examining the presence and future of undergraduate research within different colleges at Notre Dame.

By JOE TROMBELLO
News Writer

While undergraduate research in some of Notre Dame's colleges is widespread or growing, it is still difficult for undergraduates to be involved in faculty research in some areas of the University, administrators said.

Science

Undergraduate involvement in research is relatively common in the College of Science, according to associate dean Mitchell Wayne. Wayne said a number of students sign up for research credit and are involved in some capacity in faculty laboratories. Wayne also said some students are funded through faculty grants.

"We strongly encourage students, especially students who think they are going on to graduate school, to do research," he said.

Assistant professor of physics Philipp Collon said about 25 percent of physics majors are "involved in one form or another in active undergraduate research.

Wayne said the college is talking about developing a new position to coordinate all of the research opportunities available to undergraduates, perhaps through a database. He also said the department does not have a "continuous method of support" to fund students who attend conferences or present their work.

Wayne said he and other members of the college are very supportive of University President Father John Jenkins' emphasis on increasing undergraduate involvement in research.

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**He's money: Vaughn and company fill Stepan**

Comedy show sells out, entertains students

By JOE PIARULLI
News Writer

The Stepan Center was wild with laughter Saturday night as actor Vince Vaughn brought four acclaimed comedians and three special guests to campus for a sold-out two-hour "Wild West" comedy show.

Vaughn opened the event, which began with Ahmed Ahmed, a comedian original from Egypt who joked about his difficulties as an Arab American — especially in terms of getting on an airplane.

Following Ahmed was the first guest of the night, producer Peter Billingsley. Billingsley played Ralphie Parker in the 1983 film "A Christmas Story" and is one of Vaughn's best friends. The two acted out a scene from an ABC After School Special they acted in together, in which a young Vaughn confronted Billingsley about steroid abuse.

Sebastian Maniscalco then took the stage and generated big responses with jokes ranging from shopping at a loopy store to having a "text message war.

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Inside Column

Stain caused damage

Students at Notre Dame, particularly during midterm exams, rarely have enough time to watch the news — so it is not surprising that a student body is not entirely aware of the catastrophic effects of Hurricane Stan in Central America the last few days.

The footage of Guatemala and El Salvador, replayed in the news, is reminiscent of Hurricane Katrina — except the victims this time are farmers and villagers, and the homes destroyed were not located along Bourbon Street, but on the Central American countryside.

More disastrously, though, these homes were not made of concrete, but rather of mud and clay.

Hurricane Stan, though not as potent as Katrina, has had an equally devastating effect, as the infrastructure in those countries is not designed to resist a hurricane.

After a week of incessant rain, the streets of San Salvador are flooded, partly because the city's drainage system dates back to 1920, and has not received significant maintenance since.

Houses are built irresponsibly, positioned along hills and mountains that may pose the threat of mudslides. In 2001, two earthquakes caused the side of a hill to collapse, burying an entire neighborhood.

The tragic scene repeated itself in 2005, when a mudslide in Guatemala came over the Mayan village of Panajachel like an avalanche. Rescuers are likely to declare the site a mass grave, as they expect all 1,400 of the village's residents to be dead.

Mayan Indians place great importance on the proper burial rituals of their loved ones, but once again, they are powerless in the face of a natural disaster that has already claimed their homes and crops.

In El Salvador, more than 60,000 people have lost their homes and work.

$8 million may be needed to repair the city's infrastructure, which includes 50-foot-high billboards that are vulnerable to hurricanes.

Hurricane Stan is still fresh in the memories of Notre Dame students, and though bankrupt — as we just contributed to a similar cause, the truth is that the Guatemalan and Salvadoran people need as much help as the Saints did.

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Correction

The Observer regrets a false attribution to a similar cause, the truth is that the Guatemalan and Salvadoran memories of Notre Dame students, and residents in Guatemala and El Salvador, are still fresh in the minds of many.

The Straight and Gay Alliance will sponsor a panel discussion focusing on "The Process of Coming Out" today at 5:30 p.m. in Dally's Room. Lesbian and bisexual alumni and current students will discuss sexual identity and the campus environment as part of the "National Coming Out Day" festivities.

Welsh Hall will honor Hispanic Heritage Month today with a talk on " Immigration and Social Justice" by Associate Director of Latino Studies Allert Brown-Gort. The lecture is open to the public and will take place at 8 p.m. in Welsh Hall's lounge.

Dr. Richard Jackson, professor of environmental health at UCB School of Public Health and former director of CDC's National Center for Environmental Health and Health Officer for California, will give a lecture titled "Urban Sprawl and Public Health: New Urban Planners and Architects are Health Leaders" today from 4:30 p.m. to 6. The event will be held in the School of Architecture Auditorium in 104 Bond Hall.

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

Offbeat

Police looking for missing giant cow

CHESAPEAKE, Va. — A full-size fiberglass cow was swiped from a Chick-fil-A billboard overlooking an interstate in eastern Virginia.

"It's kind of funny," said Mark Baldwin, a spokesman for Atlanta-based Chick-fil-A Inc. "But it's still a crime."

Tuesday, workers for Adams Outdoor Advertising noticed that one of two black-and-white cows had vanished from the 50-foot-high billboard along Interstate 464 in Chesapeake. It's the first time Chick-fil-A has lost a local cow, though about a dozen cows have been stolen in other parts of the country. Authorities have been notified. The cows cost $3,200, which makes stealing them a felony.

Keith Krause of Adams says he can't figure out how someone stole the 500-pound cows.

But Krause joked about a possible suspect, since the Chick-fil-A billboards often have cows painting a self-serving "Eat Chikin" message.

"Could this be a case of fowl play?" he asked.

Newlyweds meet while fleeing hurricanes

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. — Talk about a whirlwind romance.

Howard Cheenevert and Julie Morgan met at a staging area for evacuees of Hurricane Katrina beside Interstate 10 after foodwater forced them from their New Orleans homes. They got married on Sept. 19 in Lake Charles, La., where a relative offered them a place to stay and Hurricane Rita closed in.

Information compiled from the Associated Press.

Weather

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Note: Weather temperatures may vary.

The Observer will be held at Saint Mary's today to support breast cancer research. Registration begins at 4 p.m. in front of the Angela Athletic Facility. The race begins at 5 p.m. There is a minimum $5 donation to register for the race and shirts are also available for $15.

The views expressed in the Inside Column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.

Question of the Day: What did you do over the football bye weekend?

Dan Reynolds senior Morrissey

"I just went and had fun."

Jeff Schaaf senior, RA Morrissey

"I was on duty and I busted that guy."

P.J. Duckworth senior, RA Morrissey

"I was on duty and I busted that guy."

Michael Quinlan senior, RA Morrissey

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Ryan Wockenfuss senior, RA Morrissey

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A new interactive art exhibit stands in front of Little Theater in Moreau Hall at Saint Mary's. The works feature giant grass and tents for students to walk through.

In Brief

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CCC works to fairly distribute club funding

Council, led by president Beth O'Shaughnessy, regulates which clubs receive club status, controls budget, hears appeals

By ALCIA CONLEY
News Writer

With the proposed rise in student activities fees, some students may wonder where their hard-earned cash will be going each year — but the Club Coordination Council (CCC) can account for that money.

The CCC controls University funding for clubs and regulates which clubs receive club status and which do not. Council president senior Beth O'Shaughnessy said the CCC's biggest responsibility is to distribute student activities fees to clubs.

"A year, in the spring, clubs apply for funding for the next year's operation," O'Shaughnessy said.

Student activities fees, which make up the funding the Council gives to clubs, "come from tuition, fundraisers and donations, but the biggest portion comes from The Shirt," O'Shaughnessy said.

Of the hundreds of thousands of dollars raised through the selling of The Shirt every year, the CCC gets a percentage. The rest of the proceeds are distributed to the Rector Fund, which helps students with unexpected expenses, and to other campus organizations.

Junior Joe Molosky, the Council controller, said the Council uses funds from The Shirt to finance student clubs. Molosky handles the financial side of the CCC's activities — or as he put it, "making sure people's budgets are correct."

The busiest time of the year for the Council is during allocation season, during which clubs request the money they will need for their next year's activities. The allocation process is very time-consuming and demanding for Council representatives, and starts fairly early.

"In February, clubs submit a budget and a list of officers so we know who to contact," O'Shaughnessy said. "They list what they spent through that academic year and what they want to spend in the next year." Division Chairs then meet with the club and then report back to the entire Council and say how much funding they want overall.

Molosky then attends a meeting of the Financial Management Board (FMB) with the other student organizations on campus and based on what the Division Chairs have told him they need requests a certain budget for the Council. The FMB, which allocates the money, tells Molosky how much it can afford to give to the Council. Molosky then takes this number back to the Council, and for money is then divided up among the divisions, which split it among their own clubs.

Last year, for example, the Council asked the FMB for $349,000 and received $283,000. As president, O'Shaughnessy said she feels her biggest task is representing clubs to the Financial Management Board.

Clubs can also make appeals to the Council during the year for loans and money for unexpected expenses and activities they were not planning on doing during allocation season. For example, "the figure skating club appealed for funding to go to nationals," O'Shaughnessy said.

CCC representatives hold office hours so "club leaders can come with questions and the representatives can help them find answers," O'Shaughnessy said.

"There's lots of paperwork involved in holding an event, and it helps to have someone there to go and ask," said Amy Geist, who has a master's degree in higher education, said she wanted a job that would make use of her background. She also wanted to work with college students in their extracurricular activities.

In addition to representing clubs to the FMB, O'Shaughnessy also sits on the advisory board for the student body president, the Council of Representatives (COR). Heads of other campus organizations such as class presidents are on COR as well. If a club wants to co-sponsor an event with another organization that is not a club, such as a dorm, COR can give them funding for it.

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actor Justin Long, known for his roles in films such as "Chicken Little," "Old School," and "Dodgeball," Vaughn's '01 coaxed two students from the crowd to take their best dodgeball shots at Long, who was doing a tour. The attempt was a success and the rental fee to offset the cost of production. "It's a great way to do events like this," Flaherty said, "because it takes the financial risk to SUB and negates it." In other words, neither SAD nor SUB have received any profit from the event, as all ticket sales have been given to the film. "It was structured as a break-even proposition from Notre Dame's perspective," Flaherty said. "We provided a service to the student body in the largest performance," Flaherty said. "There isn't much doubt that Vince Vaughn is a big name after films like "Old School," "Dodgeball," and the year's top comedy, "Wedding Crashers." However, Vaughn has forgotten where his film career started. The echoes of "Rudy" chants are still alive and well at Notre Dame, and Vaughn's comments Friday with that film were a major reason why the show was possible at all. "I just worked out that the production only had to come here due to "Wedding Crashers,"" Flaherty said. Notre Dame's location also helped make the show possible, as the stop before Notre Dame was Detroit and the next stop would be Chicago. "The promoter establishes the schedule for us and they obviously route the tour appropriately so that they aren't zigzagging across the country," Flaherty said. "The date became non-negotiable from our end since the availability of a venue was limited and even still the logistics were tough with Relay for Life in Stepan in the morning. SUB was volunteering to host an event there early ... and provide volunteers throughout the weekend. While it has been quite a while since a similar show with such a big name has come to Notre Dame ("Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince" was the last film I saw in 2003), Flaherty says students have many more to anticipate. "SUB is always looking for events like this," he said. "We have a few things in mind and I'm excited to see what Flaherty has in store for us." So far, the rental work seems to have paid off, as the response from students like Negrete and Piarulli has been overwhelming. "The response from the guy was laughing so hard he fell out of his chair," Negrete said. "We didn't feature a dull moment, they were on their feet." "At some parts I was crying because I was laughing too hard," she said. "I thought it was cool how they had actors like the guy from "Wedding Crashers" ... that was really unexpected." According to Negrete, the show was well worth the steep $300 ticket price. "It was kind of expensive, but I don't regret it," she said. Flaherty said Negrete is in the majority. "We had nothing but positive responses to the event, both before and especially after. We sold over 900 tickets in the first couple of hours. We want to show how popular this event was with campus." The Notre Dame event was popular with more than just movie buffs. "Everyone that we had money from NBC had to tour Notre Dame's campus, and according to Flaherty, they enjoyed both the University and the event." "Everything was very positive," Flaherty said. "The comedians thought that the crowd responded very well, they loved the ND atmos... very nice," she said. "It was a lot of fun but positive to say," Flaherty said. Freshman Elise Yahner said the comedians' positive response to the Notre Dame community was a pleasant shock. "The fact that the show came to the Notre Dame campus was surprising enough, but the three actors who came along with Vince Vaughn were unexpected. The atmosphere at that event was great," she said. "I was a little nervous when Vince Vaughn and the other performers in the show came from backstage to sign autographs and talk to the fans, but it was the best surprise of all." Contact Joe Piarulli at jpiarull@nd.edu

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undergraduate research. "As a college we are thrilled to have the University President [Father John Jenkins] speak about this," he said. "It is incredible to push this since four years ago. He is experienced enough to know these things will happen automatically." Business

William Nichols, associate dean in the College of Business, said opportunities for undergraduates to become involved in faculty research are more common in business than in other colleges. "I agree that increasing undergraduate research is something that we would like to think about... but it is going to take a while," he said. "It is more difficult in this field than in science and engineering." At the same time, Nichols did stress that some students have been directly involved in faculty research. For example, a former student in associate professor of management Bob Easley's "Managerial Information Systems" course learned in class about genetic data to help out on a research project in the biology department. "Business student doesn't (necessar­ily) get to think about things like this," he said. "It was awesome. Some guy... in Easley's class... had to do this," he said. "Some students are very talented. Some parts [are alive]... and provide opportunities for under­graduates," Easley said while the show was well worth the steep $300 ticket price. "It was kind of expensive, but I don't regret it," she said. Flaherty said Negrete is in the majority. "We had nothing but positive responses to the event, both before and especially after. We sold over 900 tickets in the first couple of hours. We want to show how popular this event was with campus." The Notre Dame event was popular with more than just movie buffs. "Everyone that we had money from NBC had to tour Notre Dame's campus, and according to Flaherty, they enjoyed both the University and the event." "Everything was very positive," Flaherty said. "The comedians thought that the crowd responded very well, they loved the ND atmos... very nice," she said. "It was a lot of fun but positive to say," Flaherty said. Freshman Elise Yahner said the comedians' positive response to the Notre Dame community was a pleasant shock. "The fact that the show came to the Notre Dame cam­pus was surprising enough, but the three actors who came along with Vince Vaughn were unexpected. The atmosphere at that event was great," she said. "I was a little nervous when Vince Vaughn and the other performers in the show came from backstage to sign autographs and talk to the fans, but it was the best surprise of all." Contact Joe Piarulli at jpiarull@nd.edu

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dynamics of European social, economic and political systems as they relate to current gender theory, policy and women's identities.

The Women's Studies Advisory Committee chose the Antioch College Center for Study Abroad in Europe program because of its strong national reputation in the field and the opportunity for its students to study in six different countries with much success, including Argentina, Ecuador and Mexico. For many years, Saint Mary's women have been encouraged to try out the different options and opportunities available to them, and the College has supported the programs enthusiastically. "While we expect new pro­grams to gradually reaction from the students look­ing to those kinds of experiences has been very positive," Meyer said. "We measure the suc­cess of the international program by the quality of the experience, not the quantity it necessary for the students to have for me to be confident that what they are doing. They have been open to learning new ways of practicing receptive ... it has been a good experience." As a result of this, business students may not be as like­ly to engage in faculty research — hypothesis testing — as in other colleges, they still gain experience in research that will serve them in the business world, such as researching stock investments or business plans. "Research skills that faculty use are necessarily skills that provide in the classroom. People in business are trained ... to be leaders in business."

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Poultry slaughter begins in Turkey

ISTANBUL, Turkey — The slaughter of thousands of laying hens and roosters being raised in Romania began Sunday as a precaution against the spread of bird flu after both countries confirmed their first cases of the disease over the weekend.

In western Turkey, military police set up roadblocks at the entrance to a village near Balcarka. A two-mile radius was quarantined as veterinarians and other officials began destroying poultry at two turkey farms.

It was not clear how many animals would be destroyed, but the Anatolian news agency reported that a facility had 1,150 hens and 6,000 turkeys on one farm by noon Sunday.

Other flocks — including pigeons — and stray dogs in the village would also be killed as a precaution, said Nihat Pakdil, undersecretary of Turkey's Agriculture Ministry.

U.S. death toll reaches 20,000 in war

KABUL, Afghanistan — An American soldier who stepped on a land mine became the 20,000th U.S. military member to be killed in and around Afghanistan since the Taliban was ousted four years ago, officials reported Saturday.

This year has been the deadliest yet for the 10,000 U.S.-led coalition force, with 84 soldiers killed. The toll comes amid a major increase in insurgent violence that has left more than 1,300 people dead since March.

The latest American death came Friday while U.S. troops patrolled in a part of Helmand province that has been wrecked by violence by Taliban-led rebels, a military statement said.

NATIONAL NEWS

New York bomb plot fears lessen

NEW YORK — A reported plot to bomb city subways with remote-control explosives has not been corroborated after days of investigation, low-enforcement officials said Sunday amid a easing sense of concern.

Intelligence of suspects captured in Iraq last week after an informant’s tip about bomb-laden suitcases and baby carriages has failed to yield evidence that the plot was real, officials said.

The New York City Police Department has been able to determine that there are very serious doubts about the credibility of this specific threat,” Homeland Security Department spokesman Ross Knocke said. “This is after ongoing review and analysis.”

Heavy rains force evacuations in NH

ORLEANS, La. — A weekend of drenching rains washed out roads and flooded homes in states from North Carolina to New Hampshire.

At least three deaths were blamed on the storm. New Hampshire Gov. John Lynch declared a state of emergency Sunday and called in 500 National Guard members to assist in flood relief. Transportation Commissioner Carol Murray said police and highway crews blocked damaged roads before dawn, a move that likely prevented injuries.

LOCAL NEWS

Interstate-70 repairs set for 2006

INDIANAPOLIS — A crumbling stretch of I-70 will be rebuilt beginning next year in the Indianapolis area, preserving a byway that links suburbs to the downtown area.

The interstate is one of Indiana’s busiest roads, serving as the city’s main gateway from points east and is a key commuting link between Downtown and suburbs to the north and east.

Police beating filmed by reporters

NEW ORLEANS — Two New Orleans police officers repeatedly punched a 64-year-old man accused of panhandling, and after another city officer assaulted an Associated Press Television News producer as a cameraman covered the confrontations.

There will be a criminal investigation, and the three officers were to be suspended without pay and charged with simple battery Sunday, Capt. Marion Barry said. At about 3 a.m. Sunday evening, the officers were being questioned but had not been arrested, Delillo said.

“We have great concern with what we saw this morning,” Delillo said after he and about a dozen other high-ranking police department officials watched the APTN footage Sunday. “It’s a troubling tape, no doubt about it. ... This department will take immediate action.”

The assaults come as the department, long plagued by allegations of brutality and corruption, struggles with the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina and the resignation last month of Police Superintendent Eddie Compass.

The APTN tape shows an officer hitting the man at least four times in the head Saturday night as he stood outside a bar near Bourbon Street. The suspect, Robert Davis, appeared to resist, twisting and flailing as he was dragged to the ground by four officers. Another of the four officers then knew Davis and punched him twice.

Davis was face-down on the sidewalk with blood streaming down his arm and into the gutter.

Meanwhile, a fifth officer ordered APTN producer Rich Matthews and the cameraman to stop recording. When Matthews held up his credential and explained he was working, the officer grabbed the producer, leaned him backward over a car, jabbed him in the stomach and unleashed a profanity-laced tirade.

“I’ve been here for six weeks trying to keep alive... To hell!” shouted the officer, who later identified himself as S.M. Smith.
Scholarship program fails to yield graduates

Three-fourths of participants drop out each year

Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — A state scholarship program that helps thousands of students go to college each year is losing three-fourths of them before they can graduate.

Seventy-five percent of the students who reach college under the 21st Century Scholars program do not finish with a degree despite having all tuition and fees paid for, the Indianapolis Star reported Sunday.

Vermia Thornton, 24, of Gary was one of them. After a bright start at Indiana University-Purdue University-Indianapolis, her grades slipped after she moved off campus to save money, her grades slipped after she moved off campus to save money, she had dated through college classes.

She didn’t have any outlet or "people to talk to," Thornton said.

Since 1995, 25,000 students have gone to college under the 21st Century Scholars, which offers financial assistance to lower-income students who pledge, among other things, to keep their grades up and remain drug-free. Indiana spends $19 million a year on the effort.

The scholarships more than triple the odds that a needy student will graduate from college. With the scholarships, researchers estimate the graduation rate would be 7 percent, the Star reported.

"Four-year schools are beginning to realize it’s not enough to get people successfully in the door," said Martha Lankin, president of the private Lumina Foundation, which focuses on education. "You also have to work with them in college to help them stay in college."

Educators are trying to find new ways to help students stay in school, including pairing incoming scholars with their older counterparts.

"No one is showing them which path to go," said Demetrees Hutchins, an IUPUI graduate student who works with scholarship students. Consequently, "you get a lot of scholars who drop out."

Former Gov. Evan Bayh proposed the 21st Century Scholars program in 1990, and state lawmakers passed it into law the same year.

Under the program, seventh- and eighth-graders who are poor enough to qualify for free or reduced price lunches are offered the opportunity to pledge good citizenship and passing grades in return for four years of college tuition at any participating Indiana public college or university, most of which participate.

Students who pick private schools receive scholarships comparable to tuition at a public college or university. Students who pick private schools receive scholarships comparable to tuition at a public college or university. Students must sign up within two years of high school graduation, and they have 10 years to earn a degree.

The first class of 5,722 scholars enrolled in the program in the 1990-91 school year. Since then, 122,000 students have enrolled. Many have yet to finish high school. He said the breakdown between USA Today.

New York Times and Chicago Tribune newspapers could be shifted, explaining that the New York Times costs about the time people get there, then I’m going to ask why I am paying $15 for it," he said.

Some students didn’t have strong opinions one way or the other — an example that may support Baron in his belief that there will not be a serious paper shortage.

"As someone who doesn’t read the paper, I’m not excited about paying more, but again my parents are paying so I don’t think I would notice that much," junior Steven Kurtz said.

But he said he supported the concept and the program.

"I’d say the student activity fee increase is important," Kurtz said. "It’s good and it’s the readership program will help get people to know what’s going on outside of Notre Dame. It’s a decent idea."

Mary Kate Malone contributed to this report.

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Delphi files for bankruptcy

U.S. auto industry could face drastic changes; UAW asked to accept major pay cuts

Associated Press

Chicagoland—Delphi Corp.'s bankruptcy could force companies that use the auto supplier's parts overseas to sharply cut costs and focus on improving labor productivity, reduce wages and benefits, industry analysts and automakers said Tuesday.

Delphi, the largest U.S. supplier of auto parts, is expected to slash jobs and wages and close many of its 31 U.S. plants as part of its restructuring. "If you're a General Motors Corp., Delphi's largest customer and former parent, said it might have to assume up to $11 billion in retiree benefits. "Delphi's union-represented employees.

But the ripple effects won't end there. Delphi has 500 suppliers of its own who are waiting to see if labor agreement Delphi negotiates with the United Auto Workers. Once a labor deal is signed, the supplier's count will increase.

"There's a great deal of concern among auto suppliers about whether they can remain profitable or survive with Delphi's situation," said John Gillette, a supplier analyst with CPM Worldwide. "If Delphi's willingness to force renegotiation through a bankruptcy filing, I suspect other suppliers would do the same."

Delphi's bankruptcy, which is expected to result in higher costs for Delphi's customers, is one of the largest in U.S. history. The Troy-based company has filed for the third time in two years.

"We're setting record on top of record here," said Howard Siewert, equity market analyst at SKW. "We're nowhere near the 20 percent growth we may have seen a few years ago, but earnings will certainly be down."}

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| NYSE | 7,435.19 | +35.55 |
| S&P500 | 1,195.90 | +4.43 |
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In Brief

Third quarter profits expected

NEW YORK—Even with the economic disruption caused by hurricanes Rita and Katrina, analysts expect U.S. companies to report quite satisfactory double-digit profit growth when they start releasing third-quarter earnings in the coming weeks.

It's the fourth quarter that could cause consensus estimates to crumble as fears over soaring energy prices and other aftereffects of the hurricanes are likely to be reflected in companies' profit forecasts. And that will probably lead investors to focus on "What will you do for me?" instead of "What have you done for me lately?" as they peruse third-quarter results.

Standard & Poor's analysts say companies warn any variation the market was gearing to report aggregate profit gains of 14 percent for the third quarter, up from the record 14 percent consecutive quarter of double-digit gains.

"We're setting record on top of record here," said Howard Siewert, equity market analyst at SKW. "We're nowhere near the 20 percent growth we may have seen a few years ago, but earnings will certainly be down."

Wall Street makes quiet advance

NEW YORK—Wall Street made a muted advance Friday after still won the 1430.60 after a better-than-expected employment report raised hopes about the economy's strength despite the recent hurricanes. The major indexes each lost more than 2 percent for the week.

The market came back Friday from three straight down weeks after the Labor Department said September payrolls, well below the for the first time in over a year, sent the market into an economic slump in the wake of hurricanes Katrina and Rita, economists had forecast a drop of 150,000.

But while the Dow Jones industrial average rose once during the opening hour shortly after the opening bell, stocks gave up most of their gains throughout the day amid some skepticism about the report. Investors were awaited greater clarity on how the economy's health from upcoming third-quarter earnings and forward-looking estimates.

Louis Scherzer, CEO of Mittal U.S., division of the world's largest steel company, has chosen Chicago for its U.S. headquarters and will open its office here in January, officials announced Friday.

The company said 212 employees scattered across 33 locations will move into a high rise now under construction in the downtown business district.

Associated Press

Chicago—Mittal Steel Co., the world's largest steel producer, has chosen Chicago for its U.S. headquarters and will open its office here in January, officials announced Friday.Officials of the state of Indiana and Porter and Lake counties had taught the company to put its headquarters in Indiana because it employs about 10,000 people at mills in East Chicago and Burns Harbor. Mittal's executives currently operate out of various locations across the country, Scherzer said, including northwest Indiana and Ohio.

In recent years a number of Chicago-based companies such as Amoretti, Quaker Oats and Amoco have been bought out by companies based elsewhere. Daley noted that while much has been written about these developments, Chicago has also in recent years attracted companies, most notably Boeing Co.

"Chicago is ideally located for a global company like this," said Daley, who pointed to the area's well-educated workforce, nationally-ranked business schools and proximity to airports that allow travel non-stop to cities throughout the country and the world.

The city also stands to benefit from the move, said Paul O'Connor, executive director of World Business Chicago, a not-for-profit economic development corporation.

"The Delphi bankruptcy is a real watershed for the UAW," said Gillette. "The UAW is virtually powerless now."

James McSweeney, a restructuring expert who is representing Delphi suppliers in the bankruptcy proceedings, said Delphi could set a new model for the entire industry by scaling back its hourly work force and its U.S. manufacturing capacity and giving lower wages and benefits to the workers that remain.

Such a change is sorely needed, McSweeney said. Aiso and auto parts will always be made in the United States for U.S. consumers, he said, but the country needs less capacity than it currently has, and companies need to increase their presence in emerging markets such as Asia.
Dozens flee flood ravaged Mayan towns in Guatemala

Associated Press

GUATEMALA CITY — Dozens of foreign troops were deployed yesterday at a devastated lakeside Mayan town on foot and by helicopter Sunday as Guatemalan officials said they would abandon communities by land and sea and declare them mass graves.

Villagers who had swarmed over the area chanting for survivors as helicopters — including U.S. Blackhaws and Chinooks — fanned out across Guatemala to evacuate the thousands of trapped villagers to more than 100 communities still cut off by mudslides and flooding.

On Sunday, as aid workers reached the most remote areas, they learned that a mudslide had buried a storm shelter in the town of Tacana, about 12 miles from the Mexican border, where about 100 people had taken refuge from rains and flooding.

Thirty-seven bodies have been dug from the shelter since the mudslide hit Wednesday, and 52 people were still missing, said Jorge Hernandez of the country's civil defense agency.

Thousands of hungry and injured survivors mobbed helicopters delivering the first food and aid to communities that have been cut off from the outside world for nearly a week.

Some communities along Guatemala's Pacific coast have been cut off for almost a week, and when aid helicopters finally arrived Sunday, hungry and desperate villagers grabbed wildly at bags of flour, rice and sugar.

“As some foreign tourists worked shoulder to shoulder with Mayans in traditional colo­rful costumes and broad hats to dig for missing victims, others linked around mud-choked roads or boarded government helicopters in the second day of evacuations from the area around Lake Atitlan.”

Villagers went to the near­by town of San Andres Semetabaj to fly out an esti­mated 20 Scandinavians trapped since mudslides cut off the area several days ago. About 50 more tourists were helicoptering out of the village of Panajachel.

“We got about 400 (tourists) out last night, and were expecting more today,” said Solomon Reyes of Guatemala's Tourism Ministry.

In some areas the arrival of the Guatemalan military only complicated matters. Villagers in Panajachel refused to allow the army because of memories of a 1996 massacre there dur­ing the country's 36-year civil war.

But U.S. military helicopters from Joint Task Force Bravo based at Soto Cano Air Base in Honduras joined the rescue efforts with a half-dozen Blackhawk helicopters and one Chinook transport helicopter, running flights through dense clouds and heavy fog.

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The U.S. craft delivered some medical supplies and personnel and evacuated children needing medical care.

In El Salvador, authorities reported 71 deaths from the rains, after two people where swept away by flood waters in San Salvador on Saturday.

The rest of the dead were scattered throughout Nicaragua, Honduras, Costa Rica and southern Mexico.

Mexican President Vicente Fox visited devastated Chiapas state Sunday as floodwaters began to recede.

“The important thing is that the worst is over,” Fox said. “Now comes the reconstruc­tion.”

VENICE, Italy—Pope Benedict XVI hailed the German cardinal who risked arrest for his courageous stance against the Nazi regime when he was beatified Sunday in a ceremony on St. Peter's Square.

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Vatican City — A German bishop known as the “Lion of Munich” for his anti-Nazi sermons during World War II took a step on the road to sainthood when he was beatified Sunday in St. Peter's Basilica.

Pope Benedict XVI urged von Galen on Sunday to show “the courage to say and to do things that many intelligent men did not do in that period in Germany.”

Benedict said in his native Munich that von Galen showed “the hero­ic courage” of Clemens August von Galen and described the von Galen’s acts of protest against anti-Semitism, as a model for those in public roles today.

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Von Galen's homilies were secretly copied and circulated, according to German church offi­cials.

Nazis deported to concentration camps 37 priests — of whom 10 perished — in von Galen's place as punishment for the holocaust, according to a brief biography by Muenster Bishop Reinhard Lettman.

However, von Galen was not arrested. The Nazis were worried that if von Galen were arrested and killed. Muenster's residents would be angered and "written off as lost during the duration of the war," Lettman wrote.

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Funeral tradition continues
Procession returns to hurricane-ravaged streets of New Orleans

Associated Press

NEW ORLEANS — This city's historical jazz funeral procession returned to debris-lined streets Sunday to honor a famous chef who died last month in Atlanta where he had evacuated after being rescued from Hurricane Katrina's floodwaters.

More than two dozen people carrying black and white photos of a smiling Austin Leslie marched down the streets of the devastated Seventh Ward in New Orleans, celebrating the life of the famous chef whose Chez Helene soul food restaurant inspired the television show "Frank's Place" in the 1980s.

Leslie, 71, was rescued from his home two days after Hurricane Katrina and went to Atlanta to be with relatives. He died Sept. 29 after falling ill. An autopsy report was pending.

A brass band started Sunday's procession with a spiritual hymn, "A Closer Walk With Thee," which was followed by dancing, singing and twirling of yellow umbrellas.

Stan "Pampy" Shavers, a member of Pampy's Creole Kitchen in New Orleans, the restaurant where Leslie had last worked and where the procession began, said the crowd was "going to march into New Orleans and dance him into heaven."

The group made several stops, including the former location of Chez Helene, dancing past debris and garbage that remained along the streets six weeks after Katrina flooded the city.

"It's going to get back to normal eventually. We're going to bring the life back."

Dinerral Shavers, snare drum player

As the procession made its way toward the Backstreet Cultural Museum on the outskirts of the French Quarter, the few residents who have returned home came out of their houses and joined in the jubilation by dancing, clapping and singing.

Mildred Matthews, 79, was swaying on her front porch waving a fly swatter in the air as they passed.

"You all come back to New Orleans," she yelled.

Gralen Banks, a member of a local social club leading the procession, said the scaled-back procession was a first step toward restoring New Orleans' jazz heritage.

"This is how we do it. We ain't closed. Tell your friends," he said.

But Jason Berry, an author who has written a history of New Orleans music and is working on a book about the history of the city, said the city's musical establishment still has a way to go before returning to its pre-Katrina status.

"On a sentimental level, one can't help but be delighted," he said. "It certainly speaks about the endurance of the art form of jazz and the funeral traditions associated with it.

"Until all the musicians are back, and until the brass bands as a community gather and begin to play funerals on a regular basis, I don't think it's fair to say that New Orleans has regained that cultural territory that was so rich and beautiful.

A similar jazz funeral for Leslie was held Friday in Atlanta.

Holocaust Museum faces financial trouble

Associated Press

MILWAUKEE — The nationally acclaimed America's Black Holocaust Museum is struggling financially, due to its inability to find an executive director and lagging attendance, officials say.

The nearly 25-year-old museum has gone from having a working capital of $1.1 million a few years ago to not having enough money to make payroll payments on its building.

"We're digging for all these empty holes," said Marsha Weaver, the museum's former executive director, who recently came back to the board to help stabilize the facility. "We're putting together a whole new board.

One of her key functions had been grant writing. Since her departure, the museum has been led by a string of interim directors working on month-to-month contracts.

"We are now working to re-establish relationships with donors," she said.

One of the first of its kind in the country, the museum explores the struggles of blacks in America from slavery to the present time. It was founded in 1988 by James Cameron, who, in 1930, survived a lynching mob in his hometown of Marion, Ind.

The museum has hosted a number of high profile exhibits, including the "A Story Speaks: The Wreck of the Henrietta Marie," which brought in 75,000 visitors in 1999.

"It was wonderful and things were really bourn," said Marty Stein, a philanthropist who recently joined the board.

But in the past two weeks the museum has seen just 305 visitors.

Stein attributes the museum's current state to lack of leadership from its board.

"There were people who didn't really take their responsibility seriously and consequently let the museum drift," Stein said. "Now we are out raising money."

Board member Reuben Shank suggested the museum needed to raise $1 million to $3 million a year for its operating budget.

The National Underground Railroad Freedom Center, which has had nearly 300,000 visitors since opening in Cincinnati a year ago, has come to Milwaukee's museum and others like it for tips and advice, said Paul Bernish, chief communications officer for the Ohio facility.

"The significance of that museum is that it links to the forefront issues and history related to African-Americans, who are a civil and integral part of this society," Bernish said.

"This country has the most diverse population in the world."

Funding for black museums throughout the country has always been a challenge, said Lawrence J. Pijean Jr., executive director for the Birmingham Civil Rights Institute and president and chief executive officer of the Association of African American Museums.

Often, he said, the difficulty comes with the subject matter.

"They focus on the plight of African-Americans in America's past. Americans in this country tell us they are not involved. A discussion on civil rights and slavery may be uncomfortable. It may be difficult for us to receive financial support from the majority community."

Board member and Wisconsin Secretary of Revenue Michael Morgan said their fund raising drive is heading in a positive direction.

"It hasn't resulted in pulling us out of the crisis, but we have good people who are part of the museum now," he said.

Milwaukee Mayor Tom Barrett said he's confident the museum can work through its financial problems. The museum received $75,000 as part of a $1.1 million grant to turn a vacant area into an entertainment district.

The money is for a facade of the building and its grounds, and for marketing.
A laughing matter

Joey Falco

Forty Ounces to Falco

Modern-day Americans, on the other hand, might still suffering from the same sick-in-the-head that we inherited from our Puritan ancestors, have coined asinine phrases like "not a laughing matter" and "I had to prevent people from joking their way through life’s hardships." The woman on the Southwest Airlines flight, for instance, was only coping with the hardship of living in an imaginary democracy when a few socially individual had to take that coping mechanism away from her. Simply put, America has become about as funny as a bad case of the clap.

For starters, take a look at what we’re watching on television. Of the 20 most popular shows this season, according to the latest Nielsen ratings, 14 are dramas that have something to do with crime, time zones, crime scene investigations, law, order, law and order, emergency rooms, deserted islands, or, most frightening of all, female presidents. The rest consist of reality shows, Monday Night Football and only two comedies. Americans are watching two comedies — one of which isn’t even funny and only gets its laughs by catering to the latent sexual longings of repressed suburban housewives. No wonder a few airplane passengers couldn’t handle a little old F-bomb! Their favorite TV shows have them so paranoid over dirty bombs, suicide bombs and car bombs that they simply could not rationalize the possibility of — God forbid — laughing at a bomb.

What happened to the classic situation comedies that Americans knew “must see” on TV every Thursday night, that their lives never became as humor less as the issue of the Irish Rover? Sure, being able to watch Seinfeld every week, they made lemonade and told stories and jokes about a pantheon of gods who were rapists, murderers, and all-around funny guys.

Since when did America develop a Stalinist’s sense of humor? A few days ago, a woman was forcibly removed from a Southwest Airlines flight because she refused to take off a T-shirt that showed members of the Bush Administration alongside the phrase “Meet the Rockers” (with a vowel substitution, of course). Now, some might argue that the most significant problem with this case was Southwest’s discrimination against this fashionable woman’s freedom of expression. After all, if you can’t call your president that then the ACLU might contend, what’s next? Not being able to call Vice President Cheney a Dick?

Certainly, I want to maintain my right to publicly degrade my political leaders as much as the next guy, but I have an even bigger issue with this literal instance of the fashion police making an arrest. What has happened to this country’s sense of humor if it has reached a point where annoyed airline passengers and flight attendants would put up such a fuss over a $3 prank T-shirt?

Ever since the day a cavernous first kicked his friend in the crotch, man (and occasionally even woman) has used laughter to help cope with the difficulties and absurdities of human existence. Take the ancient Greeks and Romans, for example. Their poor souls simply could not figure out why life kept handing them lemons, but instead of getting their tops in a bunch, they made lemonade and told stories and jokes about a pantheon of gods who were rapists, murderers, and all-around funny guys.

In my experience, the only time it becomes socially acceptable for people to laugh at life’s tragedies is when they’re drinking — and that’s just unacceptable. If people are going to make Hurricane Katrina jokes or tsunami jokes or Sept. 11 jokes or Jesus jokes in the middle of a game of flip cup (we’ve all heard them), they should make those same jokes while they’re sober. That’s why so much of America, especially its college campuses, has a drinking problem — the only place where one can find true laughter and humor anyway is hovering upside-down over a leg of Keystone.

Consequently, from this day forth, I propose a lifting of the ban on laughter in America. Instead of constantly worrying about who will take offense to a joke, start wondering how many people’s day you can make by cracking the joke. Instead of the conservative establishment calling upon our moral values to force us to constantly mourn over any and all tragedies, start smiling a little and being thankful that the tragedies were not even more tragic and destruc tive.

The playwright George Bernard Shaw once said, “Life does not cease to be meaningful when people die any more than it ceases to be serious when people laugh.” In our short lives on this world, it can never be "too soon" to laugh.

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The Washington Post on Tuesday reported that after President Bush and Hurricanes Marler sealed the deal for her to become the 110th justice on the Supreme Court on Sunday night, the two and Laura Bush sat down for a congratulatory dinner of fried shrimp, polenta and chocolate mouse. And it got me thinking, and Italian, and I please forgive me polenta?

Thanks to the wonder that is in dictionary. I quickly learned that polenta is "a thick mash made of cornmeal boiled in water or stock. Outside of being shucked I hadn’t already ordered such an appealing-sounding dish during one of my many trips to fine Italian eatery around the country. Well, that help thinking that it was the perfect analogy for the entire Miers nomination.

First, in northern Italy, where, I have, read, polenta has pride of place over pasta, the dish is considered to be— not unlike how similar cornmeal and cornbread dishes are thought of on this side of the Atlantic. In the Bush administration, I where I have that reality has pride of place over qualifications. Miers is considered a staple — not unlike other search committee heads who were selected to fill the same job they were interviewing people for, say, five years ago.

Second, it should be noted, polenta is a comfort food. It goes perfectly with hearty stews, as well as big meals. But thanks to some crafty innovators in his inner circle. As pictures released...
Stilson is bombarded with questions after she has a stroke and begins to suffer from aphasia, a condition that impairs the ability to speak or understand words.

By MICHELLE FORDICE
Scene Writer

Under the direction of Mark Pilkinton, the Notre Dame Department of Film, Television, and Theatre's presentation of Arthur Kopit's "Wings" is an assault on the visual and audible senses that, though often difficult to understand, strongly depicts the feelings and thoughts of its main character, Emily Stilson. "Wings" allows the audience to look into the mind of someone suffering through a stroke and its aftereffects. After her stroke, the elderly Stilson suffers from aphasia, the partial or total inability to produce and understand speech as a result of brain damage. She also suffers from confusion over where she is. She is bombarded with questions from doctors ("What is your name?") and nurses ("Can you show me what you do with this object?")

"Wings" opens with a very simple set consisting of no more than a recliner, table, clock and book. Throughout the play this simplicity is layered upon with light, sound and multiple sets to create a confusing storm of information that beautifully reflects Stilson's own state of mind. Live dialogue is doubled with recordings, multiple sets of actors simultaneously depict the same character in different places on stage and the stage is layered with curtains and red and white light. The play is divided into four parts, but it is hard to discern between them. The audience is denied an intermission, allowing the play to continue without break and envelop the watcher.

There is often so much going on that the audience has to work to understand what is happening. Though this complexity would be considered a negative aspect in most plays, it only serves to emphasize Stilson's own struggles in "Wings." "Wings" does occasionally allow the audience a release from its depressing subject matter. There are a few humorous moments, such as when Stilson declares, "I've been put in with the deaf!" More importantly, sometimes Stilson does remember her past and often delights in her days of freedom in the skies. From the beginning, she claims that though "she doesn't know how," things "could be far worse." Stilson and the other patients make slow advancements, often losing as much ground as they regain, but every once in awhile they take joy in recapturing the ability to say the words that we take for granted, from "cheap" to "congratulations."

"Wings" ends abruptly and somewhat disjointed in its sentiments, reflecting the play's flirtation with hope and courage, but ultimate groundings in reality. Mrs. Stilson flies off into the night, not safe but not scared, and the audience is left still questioning.

Though it depends on the audience constantly paying attention and trying to discern what is going on, the sensual assault of "Wings" successfully allows the watcher to glimpse into the mind of someone stuck in a state of confusion and loss, producing within the audience sympathy and understanding for the play's protagonist.

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DPAC REVIEW

‘Wings’ descends on audiences’ senses

"Wings" was originally written as a radio drama for National Public Radio. The emphasis on language in the play reflects the fact that it has its roots in radio. The sets used in "Wings" are simple and uncluttered, so a variety of lighting methods are used. The light reflects the inner anguish and confusion of Stilson.

Doctors and nurses attempt to help Stilson and other patients who suffer from the loss of language abilities. The patients achieve small but significant gains.

DR. WILLIAM GALLAGHER (Unnerved)

"I've been put in with the deaf!"
Show Review

‘Wild West Comedy Tour’ wildly funny

Actor Vince Vaughn takes his comedy ensemble on a 30-day tour from Hollywood to the Heartland and makes a stop at Notre Dame.

By RAMA GOTTUMUKKALA
Scene Editor

Twenty minutes after the drop of the thun- derous applause and a standing ovation had subsided, Vince Vaughn emerged from behind the stage. The bags under his eyes, made famous in films like “Old School” and “Wedding Crashers,” were as deeply etched into his face as ever. Fans swarmed around him, clamoring for autographs and photos with the star, and he obliged as many requests as he could.

It was the kind of thrill that might have gathered around the set of his latest Hollywood blockbuster. Instead, the scene was Stepan Center, 20 minutes after performing in front of a packed house in the latest stop in his nationwide “Vince Vaughn’s Wild West Comedy Show” tour.

Accompanied by national touring comedians Bret Ernst, Sebastian Maniscalco, Ahmed Ahmed and John Caparulo — all from the famed Los Angeles Comedy Store — Vaughn unleashed an impressive comedy extravaganza fueled by a night of entertaining skits, hilarious stand-up routines and, in general, playing to the whims of a crowd eager for more.

Trading off between Vaughn’s pre-planned skits and the comedians’ stand-up routines, the show breezed along; as Vaughn and the comedians kept the audience laughing for the entirety of the two-hour performance.

“I had such a good time at the show,” junior Laura Stankiewicz said. “I love comedians and all of the people on the tour were so funny. There was no one that didn’t please the crowd.”

Walking out in a sharp gray suit, Vaughn broke the ice early by thanking the crowd for a warm welcome back to the campus where he got his first major film role — on the set of “Rudy” — and commented on the Irish’s successful early-season football campaign.

“Vince Vaughn is a dude,” John Caparulo said. “Stankiewicz said. “He was just so comfortable on stage improving, inviting students on stage and interacting with the audience.”

Throughout the night, Vaughn kept bringing special guests on stage to help him act out well-rehearsed skits, all actors who he’s worked with on various projects in his career. Two of those guests were Justin Long and Keir O’Donnell, who played supporting roles in “Dodgeball” and “Wedding Crashers,” respectively. For his skit with Long, Vaughn encouraged volunteers from the crowd to come up and test Long’s dodgeball skills.

“I really enjoyed all of the unexpected special guests,” Stankiewicz said. “I didn’t know before hand which celebrities were going to be there, so it was all a surprise to me.”

O’Donnell came on stage and drew caricatures on a big easel, a nod toward his role as a creepy teenage painter in “Wedding Crashers,” Vaughn’s last film. Long and O’Donnell also joked along with Vaughn and bantered back and forth with dialogue from their respective films, much to the delight of the fans.

“Vaughn seemed like a very down to earth guy,” Stankiewicz said. “And because he was having an awesome time, it pumped the crowd up even more.”

Vaughn even brought out Peter Billingsley, who played Ralfie Parker, a spunky grade-school kid in “A Christmas Story.” Billingsley is currently producing “The Break Up,” Vaughn’s next film project, but the pair worked together many years ago in a low-budget after-school special. Vaughn entertained the crowd with a few hilarious clips from the special on steroid abuse.

While the opening acts and skits were impressive, most of the laughter for the night was generated by the four comics. Putting together diverse routines, Ernst, Maniscalco, Ahmed and Caparulo had little trouble keeping the audience engaged. Each comic received a warm introduction from Vaughn before proceeding with a 15 to 20 minute routine.

“I thought the show was well done and most of the comedians had great material,” sophomore Joe Runde said. “Sebastian, the second comedian, was my favorite. He seemed well rehearsed and I liked his material.”

No topic was off limits, as everything from cell phones, iPods, tech music, ethnic stereotypes, airport security and world politics found their way into the comedians’ routines. The comics dug into various topics, both commonplace and bizarre, in performances that showed why they were hand-picked by Vaughn to perform in front of sold out shows around the country.

“(Vaughn) seemed pretty relaxed and it seemed like he had good relationships with the other comedians,” Runde said. “They worked well together.”

While wrapping up the evening’s events, Vaughn thanked the crowd for his enthusiastic reception, and promised that it wouldn’t be the last time in Notre Dame for the now-world-famous film star.

And just to rule the crowd one final time, Vaughn encouraged a win for the Irish against Southern California — words that would have fit right in to the small football film where Vaughn got his start.

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Vince Vaughn, best known for comedies like “Old School” and “Dodgeball,” proved his comedy skills on stage at Stepan Center on Friday, Oct. 28. The show, known as the Wild West Comedy Show, was part of Vaughn’s recent national tour that visited many college campuses around the country.

Vince Vaughn unsure if he wants to direct ever again

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Comedian Ahmed Ahmed has appeared on shows like MTV’s “Punk’d” and Comedy Central’s “Tough Crowd,” along with the “Wild West Comedy Show.”
SMC VOLLEYBALL

Irish win title, best six meet records at Relays

By JACK THORNTON
Sports Writer

The men's swimming team won the MAC championship at the 41st annual Dennis Starks Relays Friday, breaking six meet records and proving this might be one of the finest Irish squads ever.

"We performed very well," Irish coach Tim Welsh said. "The things we were looking for, we saw. We had speed, aggression, technique ... everything looked very good.

The Irish took first place, winning seven events for 254 points, outscoring second-place Ball State by 92 points. Oakland (Michigan) took third with 140 points, followed by Wisconsin-Milwaukee and Bowling Green (78), Cleveland State (70) and Marquette (38).

Welsh said consistency, Irish. "We were able to focus more on racing the clock than their opponents. In taking down

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IN BRIEF

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Associated Press

HOUStoN — Roger Clemens and the Houston Astros gave a whole new meaning to the word "longevity.

The 43-year-old Rocket came out of the bullpen to rescue the Astros and Chris Burke ended the longest postseason game in baseball history with a home run in the 18th inning, lifting Houston over the Atlanta Braves 7-6 Sunday and into the NL championship series.

"I'm sure proud of the guys," Clemens said. "It's been a lot of work for us. How 'bout the kid?"

Standing next to Braves and Astros began

Chris Burke hits a homerun to beat the Braves in the 18th inning, advancing the Astros to the NL Championship series. The game lasted 5 hours and 50 minutes, setting the record for the longest postseason game in history.

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Indiana Pacers struggle with injuries at training camp

INDIANAPOLIS — Indiana Pacers forward Jermaine O'Neal sat out Sunday's practice with a right thigh bruise, but said it is not serious and expects to play against New Jersey in Tuesday's preseason opener.

O'Neal attended the Pacers' annual FanJam at Conseco Fieldhouse, although he didn't participate in the 20-minute scrimmage. Jeff Foster and David Harrison also sat out the scrimmage with nagging injuries.

"We just thought it would be a good idea to lay off of it today," he said. "It was the perfect situation for me to rest my leg and get right back at it tomorrow (Monday) at practice.

Harrison, who missed most of last season with a knee injury, has been bothered by a pain near his ribs on the right side of his body, and Foster is still recovering from arthroscopic hip surgery.

Woods beats Daly in playoff at American Express

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — In a phenomenon display of power between golf's two biggest sluggers, Tiger Woods outlasted John Daly in the American Express Championship because of a 3-foot putt.

Woods made up two shots over the final three holes Sunday to force a playoff, then won on the second extra hole when Daly three-putted for bogey from 15 feet on the 16th, badly pulling his short par putt.

"I just played that second putt straight and, it went left," Daly said. "It wasn't meant to be.

It was a somber end to a riveting afternoon along the shores of Lake Merced, where some 20,000 fans crammed along the fairways and Cypress trees were treated to 350-yard drives and drama rarely seen this side of a major.

Woods closed with a 3-under 67 and won the American Express.
Saint Mary's takes fourth place at Benedictine

By KEN FOWLER
Spoons Writer

History repeated itself Friday, as the Belles turned in another strong performance during their last home race of the season in the 2003 Reigning Eagle Invitational in Lisle, Ill.

Becky Feauto led Saint Mary's to a fourth-place finish in the 25-team race hosted by Benedictine University.

Feauto's time of 20:16 was her second second-five-kilometer time this season, placing her No. 16 individually in the race, her best finish of the year.

Junior Sara Otto was second for the Belles, just two seconds behind Feauto.

The Belles finished fifth in the tournament last year and fourth in 2002.

"Notoriously, we've done very good here," head coach Jackie Bauters said before the meet.

Otto said the course itself helps the Belles' times there.

"I just really like the course," she said. "It just seems to go by really fast."

Bauters herself led the Belles in 2003 with a 17th-place finish on the road team to the team's best finish that year.

It was a very exciting," Otto said. "The team was really pleased with how things went."

Junior Katie White continued her solid running in the meet for a third straight season, finishing third for the Belles in the tournament.

White finished fifth for the Belles as a freshman and fourth last season. Her 20:58 five-kilometer time was her second-best time in the OK this season, and she finished No. 32 individually.

Two freshmen rounded out the top-5 for the Belles. Kelly Biedron continued her strong running in her first season, placing No. 37 in the individual field. Her time of 21:20 was five seconds faster than Caitlin Stevenson's 40th-place time.

"We're getting to midseason, so everyone is pushing themselves the best they can," Otto said.

The Belles entered the tournament hopeful because of their past strong performances in the race, as well as results from the beginning of this season.

Reigning Eagle Invitational champion Northern Illinois finished behind the Belles last week at the Sean Earle Lakefront Invitational. What's more, Bauters reorganized the team's racing groups before the meet to maximize the performance of some of her improving runners.

"We've been ... trying to re-pack some girls because some of them have made some improvements and need to move up," Bauters said.

Though Northern Illinois defeated its meet crown, Bauters' strategy worked well, as more than half a dozen Belles posted their best place finish of the year Friday.

The Feauto-Otto tandem has been finished No. 1-2 for the Belles in each of the team's five races this year.

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Team wins a pair of games this weekend

By KEN FOWLER
Spoons Writer

It took the Irish 95 minutes to light up the scoreboard for the first time against Rutgers Friday, but seven minutes into the second half of the season was enough to lead Notre Dame past Rutgers 1-0 in a thrilling Big East overtime match.

Five minutes into sudden death,外国语， footsteps to Thorkelson fed the ball from the left flank to freshman Brittany Bock at the top of the box. Hanks received the one-time pass from Rock and blasted the game-winning shot into the right side of the goal.

The Irish dominated the game statistically but failed to capitalize on any of their 10 shots on goal during regulation. Notre Dame attempted 14 shots and committed 10 fouls compared to Rutgers' lone penalty.

Hanks led the Irish offense with three shots (all on goal), and the Irish defense stood strong, preventing Rutgers from mounting any serious offensive onslaughts.

But the Irish defense made up for the offense. It posted its eighth Shutout of the year, yielding only two corner kicks and one shot-on-goal.

Though the normally high-powered Irish offense was held scoreless in regulation, head coach Randy Waldrum was happy with the end result.

"To get the win Friday at Rutgers in overtime was a great win," he said.

His team's offense rebounded two days later against Seton Hall on the campus of the New Jersey Institute of Technology in Newark with a 7-0 drubbing of the Pirates.

Bock scored two unassisted goals in a five-minute span in the second half and Hanks marked her 13th goal of the season in Notre Dame's ninth shutout in 14 matches.

The Irish defense held Seton Hall to just three shots — none on goal — and four corner kicks in the game as Lauren Karas combined with Erika Bohn for the shutout. It was Bohn's first appearance in a month, as the all-American goalkeeper has been sidelined with an injury since Notre Dame's trip to the Santa Clara Classic in early September.

"I hope by this next weekend she'll be back completely," Waldrum said. "We didn't play her Friday but we played her the second half of the window."

Hanks opened the scoring and six players scored for the Irish on the afternoon. Lizzie Reed scored in the final two minutes of the first half, and Amanda Cialli, Susan Pinnick and Maggie Manning netted goals in the second to put the game away.

Waldrum noted the dispersion of the scoring Sunday.

"It was a good overall performance from everybody," he said. "I can't think of somebody, anybody who had a bad day today."

"Two Big East wins, it was good for us," Waldrum said. "Now we just need to get back home to get ready for Connecticut."

The Irish host Connecticut Friday at 7:30 p.m. at Alumni Field.

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Riggins leads Irish to victory in home Relays

By CHRIS KOREY
Sports Writer

Christa Riggins couldn’t wait to get in the pool.

The freshman swimmer was first in the water for Notre Dame, leading off an Irish victory in the 200-yard freestyle relay on the way to a dominating team performance Friday in the Dennis Stark Relays at the Rolfs Aquatic Center.

The Irish accumulated 240 points, 40 more than second-place Iowa. The Irish squad won all but three scored events.

The meet consisted entirely of relays, a format designed to ease teams into the season and make the transition to college competition easier for young athletes like Riggins.

"I was just waiting to swim for your college coaches for the first time, but it was less pressure because it was a relay meet and with knowing we were going to do well," Riggins said.

New Irish coach Carrie Nixon wanted to install a sense of teamwork and unity in her squad before the season began. Riggins said she felt Nixon’s efforts had succeeded after the Stark Relays.

"I thought we had great team pride and Irish pride," Riggins said.

Illinois State took third in the meet with 154 points, followed by Oakland with 114, Wisconsin-Milwaukee with 94, Valparaiso with 68 and unbeaten St. Louis with 46 and Marquette with 26.

Riggins and teammates Raine Paulson-Andrews, Megan Linnell and Katie Guida won the 200 Free to begin the meet with a time of 1:36.14.

The Irish were less successful in the next scored race, the 400-yard medley. Ball State won the race in 3:57.37. The Notre Dame team of Ellen Johnson, Katie Hopkins, Jessica Stephens and Krissy Archer finished third, almost four seconds behind.

The Irish returned to their winning ways in the 800-yard freestyle relay. Led by Katie Carroll, whose leg of 1:50.89 came one second short of the school record. Notre Dame set a meet record with a 7:32.97.

Carroll, Ellen Johnson, Rebecca Grove and Ann Barton beat the old mark by almost 10 seconds.

The Notre Dame 400-yard individual medley team also won, with Jessica Stephens, Natalie Burke, Carroll and Courtney Choura finishing just .41 short of the meet record with a 4:09.68.

The next race was a 500-yard medley relay, with athletes swimming in 50-, 100-, 200-, 400- and 500-yard legs in order. The Irish team made up of Ellen Johnson, Caroline Grove, Johnson and Katie Guida broke a meet record with a 4:32.50.

In the 400-yard butterfly relay, the Irish came away with a victory as Choura, Riggins, Claire Hutchinsen and Wagner combined for a time of 3:56.51.

The Irish continued their winning streak with a victory in the 400-yard backstroke relay with Brand, Barton, Coch and Kiley Grove posting a time of 3:56.62.

The 400-yard breaststroke relay, Quin, Stephens, Choura and Burke led the Irish to a victory with a time of 4:30.67.

Hutchinson and Abby Strang won the two-swimmer 1000-yard freestyle relay with a time of 10:19.11.

Ball State broke the Notre Dame winning streak with a victory in the 200-yard medley relay, but the Irish won again in the 400-yard freestyle relay, as Caroline Johnson, Paulson-Andrews, Kelly Battle and Guida passed the Cardinals.

On the diving side, scores from 3-meter and 1-meter synchronized contested combined for a relay score. Irish divers Tara Flyer and Eazy Hirt won the 3-meter competition, but Ball State won overall with a score of 429.15.

The Irish will now refocus for the dual meet season, which begins Oct. 28 against California. This change represents not only an altered mindset, but also different workouts in practice.

"I know right now we’re kind of on an aerobic based program, and after fall break we’re going to do more specific, personally related sets," Riggins said.

"Sprinters will divide into sprints, middle distance and more distance over the same way. I think the distance we swim will be the same, but the way we swim will be different."

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ND VOLLEYBALL

No. 10 Notre Dame chalks up wins over Connecticut, St. John's

By TOM DOWART
Sports Writer

Their streak has reached seven.

After weekend victories over St. John's 15-13 (3-2 Big East) and Connecticut (9-8, 2-3 Big East), the No. 10 Irish improved to 14-4 overall and 4-1 Big East.

Notre Dame's hitting percentage skyrocketed in the Sunday Connecticut match. The Irish hit .353 as a team on route in a 30-20, 30-23, 30-23 sweep of the Hoyas.

Sophomore setter Ashley Tarutis led the offense with 42 set assists. Tarutis's counterpart, fellow sophomore outside hitter/libero Adrianna Stastak, notched a double-double with 10 kills and 11 digs. Senior All-American Lauren Brewster added 16 kills.

The Irish were also strong on defense, allowing only one service ace. Senior outside hitter/libero Meg Hendrick received 26 serves perfectly.

Eventually, the match turned into a good opportunity for coach Debbie Brown to get the young starters more playing time. All 13 players on the roster played for only the second time this season.

Saturday, the Irish struggled at first with the Red Storm but rallied for the 29-30, 30-26, 30-28, 30-27 win. Perhaps that was one reason for the tight match, which featured 27 ties and 13 total lead changes.

With 55 set assists, Tarutis orchestrated the explosive Notre Dame offense to 66 kills.

Brewster led the way again in the 2005 season, posting a .380 percentage. Stastak matched her career-high with 16 kills.

Senior Lauren Kebble and Carolyn Cooper posted 13 and 11, respectively.

Adding to the already high-powered offensive attack, Hendrick served up three aces. The Irish had eight service aces and just two errors. This season, their ace-to-error ratio of .820 ranks as the second best ever by a Notre Dame team.

The Irish, along with No. 6 Oregon State, are one of the two unbeaten teams in Big East play.

After playing 10 of 12 matches on the road, the Irish will be home this week for practice before traveling to DePaul this Saturday. Though the Irish have won seven consecutive matches, the Irish welcome the time this week to improve their game even more.

"We really want to work on being more consistent," Brown said.

As the Irish have played fairly consistently on the road, she is patient and, at the same time, excited to finally play at home.

"We’d like our chance to be home," Brown said, referring to her team's lack of recent home games.

"I don’t think it’s (being on the road too big of a) negative factor."

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Jackson era begins as Blue defeats Gold 3-2

By KYLE CASSILY
Sports Writer

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SMC SOCCER

Belles suffer repeat loss to tough Flying Dutch

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It was déjà vu for the Belles soccer team, but it was not the warm recollection for which they had hoped. Saint Mary's dropped a tough loss to late-surging Hope College 2-0 at home Saturday. It was the second time this season the Belles were knocked off by the Flying Dutch with the same score, an 0-6 overall.

In 2004, the Belles upset Hope with the reoccurring 2-0 margin at home en route to a season starter with the boards off of a Gold defender. The Belles' current two-game losing streak to date.

The staunch Hope defense proved too tough for a nut of the powerful Saint Mary's offense to crack as the Belles managed only four shots on Flying Dutch keeper Holly Cassily. This was Hope's eighth shutout of the year as it moved to 2-1 in the MIAA, good enough for second place behind undefeated Calvin College.

Hope held opponents to slight shots on goal average and has only scored up five goals in 12 regular season games.

"We were able to pass around them well, we came out with a lot of intensity," junior midfielder Colleen Courtney said. "We couldn't break them down. We had shots, but we just couldn't get it in the back of the net."

The game remained scoreless for well over two-thirds of regulation time, while both defenses smothered the opposition's attack. Hope struggled to sneak eight shots past the resilient Saint Mary's defense and could not convert until the 72nd minute.

Hope senior Negeen Maghachi forced the ball past goaliekeeper Hope-Line off a pass from Erin Serage to put Hope up 0-2 with a little under 18 minutes left to play.

The Belles forced their hand but could not come up with the equalizer as Hope notched the back-breaker in the 83rd minute. Sophomore Jilli Tisch put the game at 2-0 when she found the net on a question with full force; teammates or not, the Irish held nothing back. The physical play led to 13.5 minutes for both teams in the penalty box, a total of 14 individual penalties.

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Irish miss opportunities, fall to No. 9 Huskies

By KEVIN BRENNAN
Sports Writer

Great performances are not always recorded in the win-loss column.

Notre Dame lost to Connecticut 2-1 Sunday.

The Irish dominated play for the majority of the afternoon, but failed to capitalize on numerous scoring opportunities.

"Soccer can be a cruel game," head coach Bobby Clark said. "I thought the team played superbly well — possibly as well as we've played all season."

UConn's Julius James opened the scoring in the 21st minute by recording his second goal of the season. James headed a Ryan Cordeiro cross past Irish goalkeeper Chris Cahill to put the Huskies up 1-0.

Following the goal, Notre Dame took control of the game. At halftime, Notre Dame had recorded five shots, and UConn had mustered just two. The Irish took eight corner kicks in the first half, while the Huskies had none.

Five minutes into the second half, Notre Dame almost evened the score. Sophomore midfielder Alex Yushinaga fired a laser from 25 yards out, but the shot hit the left post.

Minutes later, UConn extended its lead. Cordeiro collected a ball that ricocheted off a UConn attacker and a Notre Dame defender and found the back of the net. The goal, coupled with his assist on James' goal, brought Cordeiro's season point total to 13.

The Irish responded quickly, as senior defender Ben Crouse put Notre Dame on the board four minutes after Cordeiro scored. Crouse headed in a pass from junior defender Ryan Miller to cut the UConn lead to 2-1. The assist was Miller's third on the year, tying him with forward Joe Lapira and midfielder John Stephens for the team lead.

"I was hoping to get us back on track," Crouse said. "But it just wasn't enough."

Clark was thrilled for Crouse, the goal was the first of the defender's career.

"It was great for Benny, because Benny's been working very hard all season and playing very well all year," Clark said.

After Crouse's goal, the Irish continued to pressure the Huskies. Notre Dame consistently kept the ball on UConn's half of the field for the remainder of the game and had several chances to score.

With 23 minutes remaining, junior midfielder Nate Norman beat two defenders to get a clear shot from just inside the box. Norman's shot sailed just high, though, and the Irish still trailed.

Notre Dame's final scoring opportunity came with just 15 seconds left in the game. But midfielder Ian Etherington, who had a game-high five shots, also missed high.

"We had several that were just very close, but you know we didn't finish. We didn't execute," Clark said.

Notre Dame finished the game with a 15-7 shot advantage. The Irish also took 11 corner kicks in the game compared to just five for UConn.

"To be fair, they gave us a lesson in that," Clark said. "It's not how many shots you have, it's not how much you have the ball, it's what you do with your chances."

Notre Dame once again played without one of its three captains, as center back Dale Bellas sat the game out with an injury. Greg Dalby moved back from his usual center midfield position to take Bellas' place.

Notre Dame travels to East Lansing Tuesday for an out-of-conference matchup with Michigan State. Clark hopes the team's outstanding play from Saturday will carry over.

"It was as good a performance as I've had ever from any team," the 28-year coaching veteran said. "Now the test is to get back and get it going again."

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day with a 345. Albion came in third on Saturday, only one stroke behind Hope and Olivet dropped to fourth place with a score of 350. After the two rounds of golf, Saint Mary's finished the tournament in first place, finishing four strokes ahead of Olivet and 13 strokes ahead of Hope, which ended the weekend in second and third place, respectively.

The weekend's tournament reflected exactly what the conference competition has seen throughout the entire fall season.

In two of the three jamborees this fall, Saint Mary's has finished in first place, giving themselves a secure lead in the rankings.

Olivet made a run in the second conference event, beating the Belles for the first place spot and cutting into the lead that Saint Mary's had established, but let up and finished fourth in the final event leading to the championships.

And the victory achieved just what the team has been working toward since the beginning of the fall.

In addition to the final team standings, several Saint Mary's golfers were awarded individual honors from the MIAA at the conclusion of the season. Mattia was named the Most Valuable Golfer in the MIAA for 2005, and finished the season with the lowest scoring average, 80.6, in the conference.

Mattia was also named to the All-MIAA First Team for the third year. Teammates Nicole Bellino, Kirsten Fantom and Katie O'Brien were also awarded conference honors this year, each earning a place on the All-Conference Second Team.

The conclusion of MIAA play also marks the conclusion of the fall season for the Belles. Head coach Mark Hamilton said the team felt mixed emotions on seeing the season end.

"It seemed like [the season] went quickly," Hamilton said. "The girls had been ready for a little bit of a break ... but they'll be sad to see it end.

The Belles will reconsider play in the spring, although the 2006 schedule is still pending.

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MEN'S BASKETBALL

Brey excels in his Coaches vs. Cancer efforts

By PAT LEONARD
Sports Writer

Like Delaware, like Notre Dame.

Notre Dame's men's basketball coach Mike Brey is maintaining his level of fundraising excellence for the Coaches vs. Cancer (CVCC) Program that he did when he coached the Blue Hens.

Behind the efforts of Brey and his wife, Tish, the University ranks 63rd among universities and colleges across the country in money raised for the CVCC and the American Cancer Society.

Notre Dame earned the ranking by raising $216,010 in 2004-05, a $47,000 jump from the previous year's sum.

"Certainly, my wife Tish has been a big driving force behind it," Brey said Saturday at the Notre Dame-Basketball Coaches Clinic. "But both at Delaware and at Notre Dame, we've had two communities that complete embraced the program. The Michigan community really bombed it out there.

Brey helped make Delaware one of the top CVCC fundraising schools in the country as head coach in Newark, Del., as well.

Since 2002, Brey and his wife have raised more than $630,000 total for the Michiana community's fight against cancer. Brey believes it is his responsibility.

"One thing about this disease, it's touched everybody," Brey said. "If not directly, you know somebody in the family that's been close, there's been a weird thing that has touched.

"I think we kind of got it rolling, people saw it from the outside — business leaders, University people — that now we've developed and grown to it every year," Brey said.

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his knack for snagging touch- downs. His eight scoring catch- es lead the team and place him No. 18 nationally in scoring.

Samardzija is an example of what happens when lanello's coaching strategy succeeds.

His six-foot-five frame and athletic ability honed from spending his summers on the mound as a pitcher for the Irish baseball team have been utilized in few.

"You have got to use your advantages," lanello said. "For some guys it's quickness, for some guys it's height, for some guys it's both. We just try to use whatever advantages we have for each individual.

When one of those individu- als is taken away, as McKnight was with a knee injury sus- 

ried against the Wolverines, lanello believes it's important for each player to know he has a responsibility to give his best possible contribution to the team.

"You develop your depth from the bottom up ... so everybody has got to be ready to go and be plugged in and get a chance to get their opportunities and take advantage of them," lanello said.

The Irish have been successful this season in developing this depth. Offense has looked fluid and explosive so far — especially in scoring 49 points against Purdue on Oct. 1, but Not. No. 1 team Notre Dame receivers with a huge challenge.

Though lanello knows about the talent and ability of the Trojan defense, he still stresses it's important for the Irish need to take care of themselves each day in practice and not worry about how UNC will play.

"We're just trying to develop complete receivers," lanello said. "Complete receivers block, complete receivers run good routes. Complete receivers read coverages. Complete receivers make plays down the field. We're trying to develop that, and every drill has its own different aspect of that part of the game."

lanello knows no one will ever become a perfect receiver, no matter how many drills or practices a player goes through.

But that doesn't mean lanello and his teammates won't try. "The coaching staff is trying to get them better," lanello said. "There's a bunch of things when you go through the game you can improve. And the neat thing about this group of receivers is they see it too. So they know there's plenty of room for improvement."

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Irish receiver Matt Shelton cuts upfield at Notre Dame's 49-28 victory over Purdue Oct. 1 at Ross-Ade Stadium.

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game, the Irish seemed destined to cruise to victory. A tough Buckeye squad answered, though, rallying to earn the break. A hold in the next game tied the match at 6-6.

The Fresno State team, which defeated the No. 1 team in the nation (Caroline Basu and Shashida Robinson of Georgia) in the semifinals, would win two of the next three games. They had a chance to serve out the match at 8-7. The Buckeyes had missed points that game, but clutch returns by the Irish thwarted Fresno State's chance at victory. Notre Dame won the game on a net cord winner to send the match to a decisive tiebreak.

The tiebreak was a microcosm of the entire match with momentum swings throughout. No team held a lead larger than two sets until Saina's errant return gave the Irish the victory.

The Irish advanced to the final by virtue of three victories over upset-minded opponents in the weekend.

The Thompsons blanked No. 7 Gabrielle Dush and Neyaessa Elieen of South Florida 6-0 in the round of 16 before defeating No. 6 Stanford's Alice Burness and Anne Vesely in the quarterfinals. 9-7. A 2-1 win over New Mexico's Iva Gersic and Maja Kovaacevic clinched a berth in the championship round.

Head coach Jay Louderback did not travel with the sisters to California, but was extremely proud of his doubles squad after hearing the result.

"We are excited to have the opportunity to compete in a final of a national tournament," Louderback told und.m.com following the match. "They have been so close over the past year. I think this is a big step for them to play so well in such a big tournament. They played really well together throughout, displaying a lot of really good teams. This experience should be really big for them in the future."

Dasso also commented that in addition to the confidence this win brought, she was also proud of the sisters' singles play at the All-Americans. Christian Thompson knocked off five ranked opponents in the prelims and qualifying rounds of the singles tournament, while Catrina Thompson fought off cramping in the second round of the doubles.

"This week showed them that they can compete against anyone in singles and doubles," Dasso said.

Catrina and Christian Thompson will rejoin their team mates this week to prepare for a match at home against Southern California Friday afternoon.

Coach Dasso emphasized that the twins cannot rest on their laurels, especially with a talented Trojan squad on the horizon. "We've got a good USC team coming in here this weekend, and we need to get back and focus on them," Dasso said.

"Everyone will be after the brothers now. Everyone will play their best match against them. They need to be focused for every match."

Dasso said while the sisters need to be prepared for every match, they are extremely confident following this weekend's success.

"They know there's no one they can't beat," she said.

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pushed Falls further out to create separation between the sharpshooter and his teammates.

At 24 years old, Collins' coaching dream started for him when he took over the then-woeful Washington Wizards to oversee a professional coaching career.

Collins has always been an articulate friend and fellow coach. "When I was (the head coach) at the match we needed (Collins) for my banquet, and he was Drawing A Lobster Gun in L.A. on a Tuesday: the banquet was on Wednesday," Brey said. "He red- eyed all night to play and then win, and dropped me on his team. They picked it up quickly; they're competitive and they're going to be in great shape. I think they're going to start practice next week."

Following his speech and on-court demonstrations, Collins spoke about issues concerning his career, the NBA and the game of basketball.

On Collins' path to remain close to the game of basketball: "I wanted to play and double- keyt as a young guy, so I have an awareness that when I watch the game, I have the ability to articulate what I'm seeing so that hopefully you can better understand it and enjoy watching it.

I think all the coaches who worked with me helped me in that area, and then I've worked with the Chicago Bulls, the Wizards and the Celtics during his pro- fessional coaching career. He has worked for CBS, Turner Broadcasting and NBC, and he's now commentator for TNT.

As for his hands-on work with Notre Dame: "I think this is a big step for them to come back at the age of 40 to play; knowing he's going to play throughout, delivering into the front office, and then with all the young guys on the team, he's delivered with a zone so that it's tough jod I ever tried to do."

On coaching Jordan in Chicago: "Michael Jordan was going to have youth and double-effect as a young guy, so I have an awareness that when I watch the game, I have the ability to articulate what I'm seeing so that hopefully you can better understand it and enjoy watching it."

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"Washington, easily. Wasn't even close. Because of the way Michael (Jordan) was president of the zone's influence, when teams are coming out of zone's influence, when teams are coming out of defensive versatility, I think you can't score, even close. Because of the way Michael (Jordan) was president of the".

"It's really hard for me to think that much effect. You don't see that much zone."

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"I don't think you're seeing the fundamental stuff. And if that's the case, the teams are shooting all the time."

On NBA teams' draft habits: "It's totally different (from the past). Now, if you stay in college for four years, you can't play anymore. But I went to some and I did that for four years, and I still got better when I got in the NBA. Now, it's a team's philosophy is 'Let's get them as young as we can.' And if that's the case, unless the player is unique like a LeBron James or a Carmelo Anthony, it's going to take him two or three years (to develop). And usually the first coach who coaches him is going to get fired, so I think somebody else can coach him. Very seldom will you be able to develop a young player and be there long enough for when he's at his prime to even be able to coach him, because you're going to take all the losses."

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Seeing double
Thompson twins win ITA All-American Championship doubles

By RYAN KIEFER
Sports Writer

Catrina and Christian Thompson won the ITA All-American Championships doubles title Sunday in Pacific Palisades, Calif., becoming the first Notre Dame women’s tennis players to capture a collegiate tennis grand slam tournament.

The twin sisters won the title match 9-8 (9-7) over Fresno State’s Luiza Sainz and Katherine Winterhalter after fighting off two match points. Sainz’s return at 8-7 in the tiebreaker sailed long to give the Irish the championship.

“There were no free points out there,” assistant coach Michelle Dasso said. “The girls really earned it. Both teams had chances with match points. It was definitely nerve-racking.”

The title match was a back and forth affair. The Irish jumped out to a 2-0 lead, but Fresno State was able to hold its serve and break the Irish to tie the match at two games all. The score was tied 4-4 before a hold and a crucial Irish break gave Notre Dame a 6-4 lead.

With Christian Thompson serving up 30-0 in the following set, Thompson paired with sister Christian to claim first place in doubles this weekend.

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MEN’S BASKETBALL

Collecting Collins’ wisdom

By PAT LEONARD
Sports Writer

One of Doug Collins’ first drills at the Notre Dame Basketball Coaches Clinic on Saturday began with an entry pass to the wing.

When Notre Dame guard Colin Falls caught Chris Quinn’s pass with his feet on the 3-point line, the coach in Collins showed itself — or at least proved it will never go away entirely.

“Colin, they’ll guard you in the parking lot,” Collins said, and he showed them all like they were freshmen.

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Former Washington Wizards head coach Doug Collins talks with former NBA superstar Michael Jordan during a game in 2003.

FOOTBALL

Ianello, Irish receivers bearing fruits of labor

Coach strives to help wideouts excel under Weis’ complex offense

By MIKE GILLOON
Sports Editor

Notre Dame entered the season with one of its deepest receiving groups in quite some time, as Rhema McKnight, Maurice Stovall, Matt Shelton and Jeff Samardzija all had talent and experience.

But that didn’t matter to Rob Ianello.

“We just started from ground zero,” the first-year Irish receivers coach and recruiting coordinator said. “I told them all when we started spring practice I was coaching them all like they were freshmen. Because in this offense and [with] their experiences with our staff, they were freshmen.

These "freshmen" have come along pretty fast.

Despite the loss of Rhema McKnight during the 17-10 Irish loss to Duke on Sept. 10, the Irish receivers have made huge strides this season.

Stovall, Samardzija and Shelton are each averaging more than 11 yards per reception. Samardzija has drawn national attention with

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SMC GOLF

Belles win their 4th straight title

By ANNA FRICANO
Sports Writer

A new piece of history was made for Saint Mary’s this weekend when the golf team traveled to the MIAA Championship and brought home its fourth conference title in four years.

The two-day, 36-hole tournament was the last leg of the race for the 2005 MIAA title, which is determined by total team score after four conference events.

After three jamborees, the Belles went into this weekend’s tournament already with a 22-stroke lead in the standings. On Friday, their lead was cut down somewhat by rival Olivet College, which finished 10 strokes under the Belles after the first round of play.

Saint Mary’s finished on Friday with a team score of 352. In third place was Hope College, four strokes behind the Belles.

But on Saturday, Saint Mary’s was able to significantly lower its team score, and finished the second round with a 336. Hope College was the runner-up on the second day of the tournament, finishing

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MEN’S SOCCER

Connecticut 2 Notre Dame 1
The Irish play their best game of the year, but still fall to the No. 9 Huskies.

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HOCKEY

Blue 3 Gold 2
The Blue squad edges the Gold team in a shootout to win the annual Blue-Gold game.

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SMC SOCCER

Flying Dutch 2 Belles 0
Hope College nets a pair of late goals to defeat Saint Mary’s.

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ND VOLLEYBALL

Notre Dame 3 UConn 0
The Irish hit .355 as a team in routing the Huskies.

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ND WOMEN’S SOCCER

Notre Dame 1 Rutgers 0
Kerry Hanks provided the game-winner in the 90th minute, downing the host Scarlet Knights.

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SMC XC

The Belles run to a fourth place finish out of 25 competing teams at host Benedictine University.

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