**CSC picks theme for programs**

**Economic justice will be addressed in events**

By BECKY HOGAN

While the Campus Labor Action Project focuses on economic issues within the Notre Dame community, the Center for Social Concerns is taking a wider lens to the problem of poverty by making its theme for the year "Economic Justice For All."

The theme derives from the document "Economic Justice For All," a piece written in 1996 at the U.S. Conference of Catholic bishops that addresses the devastating reality of poverty throughout the world.

"We chose the document as our theme because we wanted to look at how Notre Dame can look at poverty and the needs of the community through the lens of Catholic social teaching," said Bill Purrell, associate director of Catholic Social Tradition and Practice.

The CSC will use the issues addressed in the document to shape many of the events, service learning seminars, lectures and forums it sponsors throughout the year. The Justice Education Team, along with Father Bill Lies, will choose the document as their theme for programs.
INSIDE COLUMN

Feels like home

I cannot say enough good things about living off-campus. Granted, driving to class is a pain (although I’m habitually 1:00 on attendance thus far), but the daily adventures in my life more than make up for the 15 extra minutes of commute time in itself. And to be honest, when your earliest class is at 11 a.m., that 15 minutes is probably worthwhile sacrifice.

My first and favorite off-campus adventure is grocery shopping. This round trip usually realizes the endless possibilities that grocery shopping offers. Facing other shoppers for the last chicken and wild-rice Lentil Cuisine when Martin’s is running a 5-for-$10 special on those delicate frozen meals is a thrill only that true supermarket aficionado can experience.

In this vein, Martin’s is by far my favorite grocery store, both for its convenient location and the deliciousness of its Side Door Deli. Don’t Feel like cooking? (An odd feeling at the supermarket, but I’m not judging.) Try a delicious pasti sandwich, soup-to-go, the salad bar or a Really Mude Meal.

Seriously, I could dedicate a whole column to Martin’s. And their muffins. Particularly the oatmeal-chocolate-chip ones. After pulling off the Indiana Turnpike on August 18, Belmont Beverage was obviously my first stop. But a close second was Martin’s—to pick up my Advantage Card, of course.

In short, I highly recommend the wonderful world of Martin’s to the discerning grocery shopper.

Closely related to grocery shopping is its end result: Cooking. Although I am confident that my housemates and I will soon tire of making delicious meals from scratch—and I admit it only really happened a few times in the last three weeks—there’s something about sitting around a table together that evokes a real feeling of family, or at least a fake plant that occupies a special place in my heart, mostly due to Dad’s mocking of its running a fake plant.

Five girls around the kitchen may take femininity back several decades, but I get a really rewarding feeling from the teamwork of making a meal both nutritious and delicious. Or maybe that’s the fact that, in the Italian style, wine is an important part of our dinners together. Either way, it’s a nice feeling. So, laying on the couch wearing “turkey pants” afterwards, in fact. Which brings me to the next great part of campus: Spare.

I absolutely love having a room to myself. On the walls hang my dad’s old Zahm interhall football jersey, circa 1978, signed photos of Paul Hornung and Rocky Bleier, and a fake plant that occupies a special place in my heart, mostly due to Dad’s mocking of its being a fake plant that occupies a special place in my heart, mostly due to Dad’s mocking of its running a fake plant.

In short, I highly recommend you find a house directly between Rocco’s and Club 23, with off-the-street parking, a porch swing and women asking for “money for a table... okay or a beer” showing up on your dorm door at all hours—wait, that might not be a positive—if your experience is anything like mine has been thus far, it may well be the best year of your life.

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QUESTIONS OF THE DAY: WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE TO SEE AT A FOOTBALL PEP RALLY?

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“Snakes. In the stadium.”

“Charlie Weis beating up the opposing team’s mascot.”

“Brady Quinn running plays with the band.”

“Brady Quinn, without a shirt on!”

“Charlie Weis, without a shirt on!”

OFFBEAT

Nude teens raising eyebrows in Vermont

BRATTLEBORO, VT.—Nudity isn’t new here. Usually it hides itself in more subtle places than a downtown parking lot, though.

This summer, a group of teenagers has dived into near restaurants, bookstores and galleries, igniting a debate about whether this bohemian southern Vermont town should ban a practice that has been tolerated until now. "Trash任務 limits to be a laid-back town and pretty accepting of the unusual, but this is really pushing limits," said Police Chief John Martin.

By most accounts, the stripping started on a whim in early summer when a young woman sat naked on a park bench, Martin said. Then another woman started taking her shirt off downtown.

A music festival promoting nudity and rebelliousness set up in May in a downtown parking lot and attracted nude hula hoopers, Martin said.

Kids buy lunches with scans of fingers

ROME, Ga.—The never-ending march of technology now means school children here can pay for their cafe-trots sloppy joes with their fingers.

"The finger's better because all you've got to do is put your finger in, and you don't have to do the number and get mixed up," said Adrianna Harris, a second grader at Anna K. Davie Elementary School.

Information compiled from the Associated Press.

IN BRIEF

The office of Multicultural Affairs will present "Whitch coastal shore? Saree, Gender, or Class?" today from noon to 1 p.m. in Vander Vennet Theatre.

The 2006 Endowed Fall Lecture Series will kick off with “Welcoming the Stranger: Hospitality in the Christian Tradition” featuring Ana Maria Pineda of Santa Clara University at 7:30 p.m. today in Le Mans Hall’s Stapleton Lounge.

The Charles E. Sherry Award for Excellence in Teaching will be given to Professor Christian Mose of the Department of Romance Languages and Literatures Thursday at 4 p.m. in the McKenna Hall auditorium. As the recipient of this year’s award, Professor Mose will deliver a brief address on teaching and learning. A reception will follow the presentation.

Student Comedy Night at Legends will begin at 10 p.m. Thursday. ND/MSCC student ID required to enter.

The traditional marching band step-off will be at 4:30 p.m. Friday in front of the Main Building, heading through campus to its practice in the Joyce Center parking lot.

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

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Fitness centers expect frequent student use

By ADAM HEMBREE

News Writer

Members of the Notre Dame community used the University's fitness centers 350,000 times last year, and both the Rockne Memorial and Rolfs Recreation Center have taken measures to respond to the high volume of users.

Several new workout bikes were added at the Rock, and although Rolfs did not get any new equipment this summer, there are plans in motion to obtain three new treadmills later this year.

The weight room in the Rock was also rearranged to maximize space efficiency, said Jennie Phillips, Assistant Director of Fitness and Facilities for RecSports.

Phillips said the department loudly tries to obtain a new line of equipment on a yearly basis. Most machines, especially motorized equipment, require frequent upkeep, she said. As a result, RecSports does quarterly maintenance on their machines, which "truly extends the machine's life," Phillips said.

Kara O'Leary, Assistant Director of Recreational Facilities, said the Rock was used over 100,000 times last year and Rolfs recorded over 250,000 uses in the same period.

Ninety percent of the student body and 47 percent of the faculty and staff use the equipment over the course of a year, O'Leary said.

"I'm here about three times a week," said freshman Mike Narvaez, who plays interhall football. "Rolfs has some really nice stuff that's better than my high school's," Phillips said that whether or not one was an athlete in high school, the recreation facilities provides ample opportunity "to continue or begin a new activity."

"Physical activity is so important to overall health," Phillips said.

For those who frequent the fitness facilities, there is a comment sheet available for users. The member feedback allows management to "get a feel for what patrons use... what they like and don't like," Phillips said.

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Rockne Memorial gets new gym equipment

Talk discusses I.T. ethics

Start of Berges Lecture Series focuses on tech companies in China

By STEVE KERINS

News Writer

While many people think the Chinese government has total autonomy over its citizens that's not the case when it comes to freedom of expression and multinational corporations operating in China.

The Berges Lecture Series launched its string of six talks on business ethics with a panel discussion Tuesday evening entitled, "Freedom on the Internet and the Ethical Responsibility of I.T. companies in China," with this issue as its heart. George Enderle, the O'Neil professor of international business ethics, moderated the discussion.

Lionel Jensen, department chair of East Asian languages and literature, was the evening's first speaker. Jensen provided an overview of issues relevant to the use of the Internet in China today.

"Technology itself may be value-neutral, but it is always employed in a specific cultural context," Jensen said.

Describing Chinese government policies directed at information control, he said, "Rights in such a context are better understood as privileges.

Jensen said Internet access is now widely available in China, especially for young, educated people. He also described the rapid growth of information technology operations in China, which has led to conflict with the government.

"The [Chinese Communist Party] has encouraged the use of the World Wide Web," he said, but it is less able to regulate it than it was before the advent of blogging and other online activities.

Jensen also spoke about the government's latest attempts to restrict the flow of information across its borders, which he said "were backed by real policing power."

It is against this background, Jensen said, that many international companies are willing to cooperate with state censorship to increase their Chinese market share.

Father Oliver Williams, director of the Center for Ethics and Religious Values in Business, followed Jensen. He compared the current situation businesses face in China with that encountered by multinational corporations in South Africa before the demise of apartheid.

Williams said freedom of expression, freedoms to receive and impart information and right to privacy are among the key human rights issues relevant in the Chinese business environment.

"If [multinational companies] were complicit in human rights abuses ... it would be unethical for them to stay in China," he said.

Williams also touched on mechanisms for change in the Chinese government's approach to these issues, noting its increased emphasis on lifting Chinese citizens out of poverty.

The final speaker theology professor David Clairmont, who examined how Catholic moral theology might be applied to the issues of Internet freedoms and international business in China.

Clairmont posed questions on the morality of accepting restrictions on human rights imposed by the Chinese government.

"[For corporations] to abide by the laws of the land in which they do business is to be complicit in a qualified good," he said. "Compliance with law has an element of testimony... giving credence to the laws that exist."

Clairmont said "a further examination of our laws about freedom of information" is needed in the current debate.

The Berges Lecture Series is presented each fall by Notre Dame's Center for Ethics and Religious Values in Business and the Institute for Ethical Business Worldwide. The next lecture, entitled "What's Hot in Business Ethics," is scheduled for Sept. 18.

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pate in the pep rally. The last year, pep rally organizers started to require that non-students have tickets to get into the Joyce Center — a rule not in place on Friday, Heisler said, due to the "virtual challenge seating" at the stadium. But after the USC game last October, attendance at pep rallies declined, and event organizers overestimated the number of students who would attend later into the rally.

This year, organizers will make student-seating designations one week at a time after they estimate what the student interest is for the rally, Heisler said.

"I think the track record over the course of years suggests that those numbers do vary from week to week," Heisler said.

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Executive director of the CSC, chose this year’s theme. Sean Agniel, a graduate student in the Master of Divinity Program helping to coordinate many of the events sponsored by the CSC this year, said the 20th anniversary of the document "calls for ongoing inquiry and demands that the document be revisited."

"This year’s theme reminds us that our salvation is tied up with the salvation of the world (and calls) us to think about who we are as Christians," Agniel said. Pursell said the CSC plans to use the document as "a reminder that issues of economics have values behind them." "There are multiple ways of examining poverty and we wanted to do it in an interdisciplinary way," he said.

Pursell said the CSC will also be present at the Notre Dame Academic Forum on Sept. 14 to discuss issues of the global health crisis. In October, Pulitzer-prize winning journalist David Shipper will give a lecture on his book, "The Working Poor." The CSC and Mendoza College of Business will host the lecture. The CSC chose a theme as the basis of the year’s service opportunities and seminars to try to engage all members of the Notre Dame community in issues of poverty and economic justice. Pursell said if this approach works well, he said, the CSC will plan on selecting different themes in the future.

"We have already begun talking about the upcoming year," he said.

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Government pushes professor purge

TEHRAN, Iran — Iran’s hard-line president urged students Tuesday to push for a purge of liberal and secular university teachers, another sign of his determination to strengthen Islamic fundamentalism in the country.

With his call echoing the rhetoric of the nation's 1979 Islamic revolution, Ahmadinejad appears determined to remake Iran by reviving the fundamentalist goals pursued under the republic’s late founder, Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini. Iran still has strong moderate factions, and even taking office a year ago Ahmadinejad has made it clear he wants pragmatic voices in both the government and diplomatic corps with former military commanders and inexperienced in political campaigns.

50 Taliban dead in NATO strikes

KANDAHAR, Afghanistan — Artillery and airstrikes killed between 50 and 60 suspected Taliban militants Tuesday, and NATO’s civilian chief warned that insurgency-wracked Afghanistan could again become a failed state if the international community loses the battle to stabilize it.

The U.S. troops, operating under NATO command, clashed with the militants in Panjwayi district of Kandahar province, where the International Security Assistance Force began an operation over the weekend to flush out hundreds of Taliban fighters. NATO has already reported more than 200 Taliban killed in the operation.

McClanahan resigns as Medicare chief

WASHINGTON — After eight months overseeing the new Medicare drug benefit, the biggest change since the health program’s beginning, Mark McClanahan said Tuesday it was time to move on.

McClanahan, who has been with the Bush administration from the start, and he has been a critic of the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services since March 2004.

"My kids don’t remember me in a job where I was just regularly absent. It’s just time," said McClanahan, the father of 7-year-old twin girls. "We’ve gotten a lot accomplished and I’m very confident with the track the agency is on."

Florence forms in Atlantic Ocean

WASHINGTON — A mid-Atlantic Storm Florence formed far out in the open Atlantic on Tuesday, and forecasters said it probably will become a hurricane.

But they said it was too soon to tell whether the sixth named storm of the hurricane season would reach the United States.

Florence had sustained wind near 45 mph, 6 mph over the threshold for a tropical storm. The minimum for a hurricane is 74 mph.

"Our forecast does have it becoming a hurricane by Friday morning — minimal hurricane, Category 1," National Hurricane Center meteorologist Mark Willis said.

LOCAL NEWS

Police officer hurt in cruiser crash

FRANKLIN, Ind. — A semi-trailer crashed into a state police cruiser stopped along Interstate 65 on Tuesday, injuring a police officer.

The trooper escaped without life-threatening injuries, but suffered a broken vertebra and many cuts, police said.

The trooper was placed over a semitrailer on the shoulder of northbound I-65 about a mile north of Indiana 28 and was inspecting the vehicle from his patrol car when the crash happened at about 12:40 p.m.

MEXICO

Calderon named president-elect

MEXICO CITY — Felipe Calderon was declared president-elect Tuesday after two months of uncertainty, but his ability to rule effectively may be in doubt. He faces an embittered Lopez Obrador vowing to lead a parallel federal government from the streets.

The unanimous decision by the Federal Electoral Tribunal rejected allegations of systematic fraud and awarded Calderon the presidency by 233,831 votes out of 41.6 million cast in the July 2 elections — a margin of 0.56 percent. The ruling cannot be appealed.

Calderon now must win over millions of Mexicans angry that President Vicente Fox, who is from Calderon’s party, didn’t make good on promises of sweeping change — and fend off thousands of radicalized leftist who say they will stop at nothing to undermine his presidency.

Lopez Obrador, whose support is dwindling but becoming more radical, has said he won’t recognize the new government and vows to block Calderon from taking power Dec. 1. Protesters outside the tribunal went as the decision was announced and set off firecrackers that shook the building.

"We aren’t going to let him govern," said Lopez Obrador, a 30-year-old student, screamed as hundreds of protesters threw eggs and trash at the courthouse.

Associated Press

Bush quotes Osama’s strategy

WASHINGTON — Quoting repeatedly from Osama bin Laden, President Bush Tuesday that pulling U.S. troops out of Iraq would fulfill the terrorist leader’s wishes and prop- el him toward the grand goal of total Muslim em- ralful goal in the modern world.

With two months until an Election Day that hinges largely on national security, Bush laid out bin Laden’s vision in detail, including new rev- elations from previously unrevealed documents.

"A new glossy strategy paper doesn’t take the place of real change that will make our country safer," said Sen. Russ Feingold, D-Wis.

"If President Bush had unleashed the American military to do the job at Tora Bora four years ago and killed Osama bin Laden, he wouldn’t have to quote this barbarian’s words today," said Sen. John Kerry, D-Mass.

"Because President Bush lost focus on the killers who attacked us and instead launched a disastrous war in Iraq, today Osama bin Laden and his henchmen still find sanctuary in the no man’s land between Afghanistan and Pakistan, where they still plot attacks against America."

Bush’s speech was the second in a series linked to next week’s anniver- sary of the Sept. 11 attacks. It was delivered to the Military Officers Association of America in a hotel ballroom filled with U.S. troops, includ- ing several injured in the war, and with diplomatic representatives of foreign countries that have suf fered terrorist attacks.

Bush planned a third speech Wednesday from the White House, laying out his plan to change the war so that detainees held at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, can be tried for crimes before military commissions.

Bush argued Tuesday that history will look favorably on his currently unpopular war strategy.

"History teaches that underestimating the words of evil and ambiti- ous men is a terrible mistake," the president said.

"Bin Laden and his terrorist allies have made their intentions as clear as Lenin and Hitler before them. The ques- tion is: Will we listen? Will we pay attention to what these evil men say?"

To make his case, the White House cited previ- ously unreleased docu- ments including a copy of the al-Qaida charter found by coalition forces in Afghanistan that says hostilities will continue until everyone believes in Allah.

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Viacom's CEO Tom Freston has stepped down after 5 years of running the company, according to the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission's filing.

The move comes as Viacom, the media company, is facing a tough year. The company's shares have tumbled since Freston took over in 2003, with the company's stock price falling by more than 50 percent.

Freston's departure comes as Viacom is struggling to find its footing in a rapidly changing media landscape. The company has faced criticism for its lack of innovation and for its slow response to the rise of streaming services like Netflix and Hulu.

Freston's departure is likely to be a relief for many investors, who have struggled with the company's performance over the past few years. The company's shares are down by more than 50 percent since Freston took over in 2003, and many investors have been frustrated with the company's lagging performance.

Freston is likely to be replaced by a new CEO in the near future, although the company has not yet announced who that person will be. The search for a new CEO is likely to be a difficult one, as Viacom has struggled to find a successor to Freston in the past.

In the meantime, Viacom's board of directors will continue to lead the company, and Freston will remain as chairman of the board. The company's new CEO is expected to focus on turning around the company's performance and finding new ways to grow its business in the coming years.
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Steve Cartwright, COR liai­ 

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This exhibition is designed to foster a better understanding of the human consequences of migration by presenting the expressions of Mexican-American/Mexican Artists, as they explore the experiences and socio-political issues raised by Mexican immigration to the United States.

Opening reception Thursday September 7, 2006, 6:00-8:00 p.m.
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Crow said Islamic fundamentalists "do not do critical analysis," but rather believe fate causes misfortunes when Muslims do not pray enough.

This fundamentalist oversimplification is a result of "the lack of a 'deformist' mentality in the Muslim world — an anti-intellectual, anti-rational, and even an anti-spiritual mentality that rejects the most critical part [the spirituality] of the Muslim legacy," he said.

A similar mentality can be seen in American culture, he said, in the oversimplified depictions of the "good West" battling the "fundamentalist Middle East," "totalitarianism" or "terrorism." The use of these broad terms, Crow said, is "unhealthy always, but dangerous when done by leaders."

The primary oversimplification by Islamic fundamentalists occurs regarding the sacred concept of the jihad, he said.

"Jihad fills all legal, cultural, spiritual, political and military role. It is a form of sacrifice and suffering by giving up one's 'inner life," Crow said. "Jihad must be a struggle for the welfare of others, not just for one's own transformation."

Crow told the story of Abdul Ghaffar Khan, a Pakistani pacifist who worked with Gandhi to non-violently secure Indian independence from Britain, as one of the most successful historical jahids.

"Jihad can be understood peacefully, but it has been submerged in headline-grabbing actions of destruction," Crow said, using the Khan story.

Crow described himself as "on a personal, intellectual jihad, which serves to "expand the mind and thoughts to see a concept." A peaceful jihad can also take the form of a moral, athletic or philosophical struggle," he said.

Crow was born in Lebanon to American and Lebanese parents. He converted to Islam as an adult. Crow opened the lecture in "traditional Muslim fashion" with a prayer and stressed his own spirituality throughout the afternoon.

"It is painful for a Muslim to talk of our troubles. Some say that we should only talk to other Muslims about the problems," he said. "But it is too late to criticize ourselves only in private."

Throughout the lecture, Crow emphasized two divergent paths that those on a jihad can take — the path of bloodshed, symbolized by animal sacrifice and suicide bombers, or the path of spiritual development taken by Abdul Khan.

"I do not think that God wants the spilling of our blood in sacrifice," he said. "Rather, I think that God wants the sweet smell of our spirit."

Crow spoke to an audience mostly comprised of faculty, graduate students and members of the South Bend community, as well as undergraduates. The lecture was held in a Hesburgh Center seminar room with an overflowing crowd.

The attendance pleased Crow, who described his material as "a profoundly important issue that affects each and every one of us."

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First artificial hearts approved by FDA

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Associated Press
WASHINGTON A Massachusetts company received federal approval Tuesday to sell the world's first fully implantable artificial heart.

The 2-pound mechanical hearts would be used only in patients who are close to death and have no other treatment options.

The Food and Drug Administration granted Abiomed Inc. a humanitarian exemption allowing it to sell the AbiCor artificial hearts, agency spokeswoman Susan Bro said. Surgeons likely will implant between 25 and 50 of the devices a year, though the company has approval to sell up to 4,000 annually, Bro said.

"We're talking about a small group of end-stage patients, whose only choice is between immediate death or new, innovative technology," said Dr. Daniel Schultz, director of the FDA's Center for Devices and Radiological Health.

So far, the artificial heart has only been used in animals. Two died from the operation, and another never regained consciousness. The device survived an average of five months, though notably one patient lived 16 months following surgery, and another 17 right patients, Tom Christerson, died in February 2003 after moving home.

The company said earlier this month it would be implanting the artificial hearts at five hospitals around the country once doctors training in the procedure is complete. Unlike other permanent artificial hearts, including the Jarvik-7 implanted by Barney Clark in 1982, the AbiCor is fully contained within the chest, with no outside wires.

"I think as the technology improves, it's going to be a good option for people," said Dr. Laman Gray, a University of Louisville surgeon who was part of a team that implanted the first AbiCor. That surgery was done at Jewish Hospital in Louisville, which is expected to be among the five hospitals offering the mechanical hearts to patients.

Abiomed is targeting men — but not precluding women — with heart failure patients who are too sick for a heart transplant, have exhausted other options and are likely to die within a month. The current device is too large for about 90 percent of U.S. women and many men. The company plans to make a smaller and longer-lasting version.

In 2005, an FDA panel of outside experts voted against recommending Abiomed be given permission to sell the device in limited numbers. At the time, the experts expressed concern that many AbiCor recipients suffered severe strokes, some fatal, that compromised their final weeks.

The FDA then worked with the company to refine the niche device.

"At the end of the day, the FDA was convinced the sponsor had met the bar," said Dr. Bram Zuckerman, director of the FDA's Division of Cardiovascular Devices.

The company now believes a redesigned cuff on the device will prevent two bars from coming into contact with human tissue. That contact was believed to be the cause of the strokes in some of the first test patients, said Michael R. Minogue, the company's president and chief executive officer.

The Danvers, Mass., company also hopes to implant the hearts in patients who can be treated with blood-thinning drugs to further reduce the risk of stroke, Minogue said in a recent interview. Two patients who received hearts with the redesigned cuff and anti-clotting drugs did not suffer strokes, he said.

"We want to focus on getting the device to patients and getting them home, so whatever that number is, that is what it will be," Minogue said.
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Sports

My new favorite techie accessory is the ear clip. The sleek, stylish earpiece popping up in middle aged men’s ears like there is no tomorrow. And who doesn’t love mobile Web casts? Information is literally at our fingertips. Yet, are we using these advancements in technology to improve and protect our world? Or are we conveniently ignoring the science presented to us like spoiled children solely concerned about our own selfish desires?

During the past few months, there have been several major movements in the combat against global warming. Al Gore made a movie and Tom Brokaw did a television special highlighting the dangers and realities of this ultimate disaster. Both media personalities involved scientists and experts to help in the production of the shows. Major time and money were also invested to make the American people aware of global warming and its dangers. Millions of Americans watched the film and television show and, unless completely cold-blooded, walked away with alarming knowledge and hopefully a little fear.

It seems like this is not the first time we have been warned about heated world issues. As I recall, experts, such as doctors of Middle Eastern studies, warned government officials that going to war in Iraq would be a horrible mistake. Intensively aware of Iraqi and Middle Eastern culture and society, these experts knew that if we declared war, the fighting would result in a quagmire— and most likely a civil war.

It seems for years scientists have been warning us of the dangers of global warming, but me, being young and naive, never really paid attention or felt fear because it was not going to happen to me during my lifetime, so I did not have to deal with it. We all had the Alfred E. Newman approach of “What, me worry?” However, I now realize that it is going to affect me and is affecting others in the world as we speak. Tragic, destructive hurricanes and tsunamis have devastated millions in the past year alone, and scientists predict the number of these natural disasters is only going to rise, along with their destructive power. Both of these disasters are just the beginning of the global warming cycle, which scientists promised would happen. Although we do not have to worry about hurricanes and enormous waves in Indiana we do need to look at these disasters as personal warning signs. While a Noah-like flood may not happen in my lifetime, it could very likely happen to my children or grandchildren. Little things can be done starting today to protect our posterity and ourselves.

Sadly, our generation has held onto this worry-free, selfish mind set for too long. Perhaps your parents or aunts and uncles took place in Vietnam War protests. Their generation stood up for themselves and fought to put an end to an unnecessary war. Yet our generation, as a whole, sits back quietly, listening to our iPods, saying and doing nothing about the current war that could have been prevented, and nothing about the possible life or world ending tragedies that can be prevented.

Our generation has the opportunity to make a difference when we vote who will represent us in making decisions that affect our society and society’s future. It seems now, as well as in years past, the government has blatantly lied to us, ignoring expert opinions and the well being of the country. Therefore, it is crucial that number one, we all vote, and number two, choose a representative that will truly look to our nation’s best interest when making some of these decisions.

We also have a choice when we choose how we get our information. Watching Fox News, reading only the sports section of the newspaper, and Googling celebrity gossip is NOT how we should obtain our knowledge about the world. Do we need to resort to harrying Bill Nye the Science Guy on MTV or dating Summer on The O.C. to spark the inner scientist in all of us? Read the front page of a newspaper and watch an entire news broadcast from an unbiased station. When we start getting real news and information, we can start making a real difference.

It is time to wake up to our cell phone alarms and smell the Starbucks. We are living in a world currently suffering from war and the early stages of global warming. It is time for our generation to do our part in providing a better place for us all to live. Besides, who wants to bring their little Domers to the ND vs. USC game in 120-degree heat?

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Police priorities

It seems to me that the biggest problem facing the crime and citation controversy surrounding off-campus housing is poor prioritizing by the South Bend Police Department. If the SBPD has enough time and resources to check Facebook to find out when and where a party occurs, then why do they not have enough manpower to stop (or at least curtail) the recent series of robberies and assaults against students?

There are certainly worse things that could happen than some college students drinking and listening to music—things such as muggings and armed robberies. The students of Notre Dame and Saint Mary’s contribute put in an enormous amount of service hours in the community, and we are repaid like this? This appears more than a little unfair to me.

Christopher Tillett
freshman
Alumni Hall
Sept. 5

Recent raids not constructive

I feel as though all we ever hear about here at Notre Dame is the relationship between Notre Dame and the South Bend community—how it’s not positive, how our community doesn’t have a cooperative relationship with the residents of South Bend, how it needs improvement. I think it is apparent that there’s another relationship we have with South Bend that needs no improvement at all: the one between Notre Dame and the Turtle Creek Apartments.

The article mentioned no complaint about noise or disruption, simply that an “anonymous complaint” was received concerning a party list-ed on MySpace under events and also under people’s blogs. I don’t know any student that would be so offended by a party simply listed on a social Web page to take the matter to law enforcement officials. I do however know that ResLife has access to Facebook, another social Web page much more likely to list events such as this party. Maybe I am incorrect in that assumption.

The more important point is that over the past couple years, it seems as though the Turtle Creek Apartments, located near the soccer fields, practically on campus, have been targets of mass raids by police. Students partying at houses farther off campus are more likely to walk home through unsafe neighborhoods, or even worse, simply drive drunk. Maybe the police think that this is a good plan; maybe Notre Dame does too.

I, for one, think that these raids, which encourage increasing amounts of students to move further and further away from campus and into the South Bend neighborhoods, are irrational and frankly dangerous. The University notifies us constantly of assaults and attacks that occur as students walk home late at night, sometimes after consuming alcohol—they’re just making us walk even farther to return to campus and push us even farther away from the Notre Dame community.

Maura Bradley
senior
Lewis Hall
Sept. 4

Economics, morality and the academic forum

This year’s Academic Forum coincides nicely with the twentieth anniversary of the U.S. Catholic Bishops’ letter “Economic Justice For All.” The bishops felt compelled to respond to the devastating effects of poverty they witnessed in the 1970s and 1980s. “That so many people are poor in a nation as rich as ours is a social and moral scandal that we cannot ignore” (No. 16). The Economic Pastoral continues to challenge and encourage American Catholics.

It calls each of us at Notre Dame to consider the economy, in all its elements, as subject to the demands of morality, to make ourselves aware of the concrete realities imposed on the poor, and, most importantly, the letter calls us to “conversation and common action, to new forms of stewardship, service, and citizenship” (No. 27).

Does the U.S. economy serve the needs of persons (especially the poor), or do people serve the economy? Do we, as individuals and as a University, participate in the U.S. economy in a way that builds community and solidarity in our world?

In “Economic Justice for All,” the bishops intended to make available the riches of Scripture and Tradition so that we might think more creatively about the plight of the poor and the complexities of the economy. They call us to pop the “Notre Dame bubble,” and to become aware of what life is like for the destitute in South Bend and beyond. If you have not yet, consider participating in one of the many opportunities offered by the Center for Social Concerns that try to move us toward solidarity.

We desperately need liberation from ideolo-gies and quick fix policies. The 20th anniver­sary of the economic pastoral gives us an opportunity to subvert sound byes and beyond. If you have not yet, consider participating in one of the many opportunities offered by the Center for Social Concerns that try to move us toward solidarity.

Being human beings, we all make mistakes; it is inevitable. Eighty-eight people in particular made mistakes Friday evening that they all must live with for the rest of their lives. They are both upset and embarrassed at the events that took place that night. The only thing that could make their situation worse is having the entire Notre Dame community know about it. Revealing people’s personal information such as a name or an address of the incidents or even the extracurricular activities of a resident who is both unprofessional and unethical.

I am not against the fact that the incident found its way into The Observer. When something of this size and importance to the local community takes place, it is the responsibility of a journalist to make these events known to the public. However, there exists a great difference between reporting the news and negatively portraying people in the Notre Dame and Saint Mary’s community.

There is no excuse for releasing names of those arrested, addresses of the incidents or even the extracurricular activities of a resident who wasn’t even involved. The fact that these pieces of information made their way into the school paper is a very negative testament to the staff of The Observer. All those involved in the publishing of the article should be incredibly ashamed of themselves, and realize that as students, they are only hurting the community that we work so hard for at Notre Dame. When people make mistakes, we should let them deal with it personally, not advertise these mistakes to 8,000 more people.

Rick Loeing
junior
Stanford Hall
Sept. 4

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EDITORIAL CARTOON

"I'M SORRY, STEVE. I DIDN'T KNOW IT WAS YOU."
'ECHOES OF GLORY' DVD REVIEW

By MARTY SCHROEDER
American Scene Editor

"Echoes of Glory: The History of Notre Dame Football" is an amazing highlight reel. The number of games from which footage was drawn is the documentary's high point. However, a low production value and Roy Schieder's uninspired narration bring this DVD down.

The documentary begins with a timeline of the coaches of Notre Dame and devotes more time to the good than the bad. Ara Parseghian and Lou Holtz get more screen time than Gerry Faust and Bob Davie — an imbalance that is to be expected. This section ends with Charlie Weis as the new head coach and pays little attention to the controversy of Tyrone Willingham's firing.

Again, this is not surprising since the over-arching focus of the production is Notre Dame's tradition and its football highs — not the lows. The DVD goes on to discuss the rivalries that Notre Dame has developed over the years. The USC rivalry begins with Knute Rockne and goes all the way through Willingham's last season. Out of no fault of the production team, last year's USC game, while still fresh in Notre Dame's memory, is missing.

The Army rivalry — which began with coach Jesse Harper — was first an argument over money. Army wanted to pay Notre Dame $1,000, but Notre Dame wanted $1,000. The University eventually got the money it wanted and traveled to West Point for the game, which left the running forward pass as its legacy. The 38-40 yards pass that Notre Dame used in this high-profile game were the first many people had seen in American football.

The final sections review Notre Dame's Big Ten rivalries, including the team's first football game against Michigan and the drama of Notre Dame's bids for admission into the Big Ten. After all this history, of which the producers were able to include a large amount, the DVD goes over the greatest games in Notre Dame history and the greatest Bowl games. The highlights are impressive, and the video obtained from some of the games must have taken copious amounts of research. The 1952 Notre Dame-Oklahoma and 1988 Notre Dame-Miami games are also featured.

The DVD extras are excellent additions. The Knute Rockne speeches are amazing pieces of history that any Notre Dame fan should watch. To see the man that founded Notre Dame football on film talking to his players is an experience that puts Notre Dame football in perspective and is quite moving to see where Notre Dame came from — the hard work of many people.

There is also an extra about the Band of the Fighting Irish, which gives the group its due in the history of Notre Dame football. The band did exist before the team, and this extra gives the group some credit usually reserved for the football team.

However, this DVD suffers from relatively low production values. It looks inexpensively made — surprising, given its association with Warner Home Video. A better narrator could also have been used. Schieder does a fine job but sounds old and somewhat bored. This DVD is great for highlights, which abound. The history is interesting but not presented very well.

With a bit more money and a better director, this DVD could have really "woken up the echoes."

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THE NEW GOLD STANDARD" BOOK REVIEW

By BRIAN DOXTADER
Scene Editor


Still, Prister's new volume, published Tuesday, falls prey to the same problems as Grant's — namely, too cursory an analysis and an over-reverent portrayal of the subject.

Throughout the book, Prister takes veiled jabs at both Willingham and Davie, though it could be argued these are deserved. He discusses the justifications for firing Willingham, but his research comes into question when he claims that "it was an unspoken, yet unbreakable rule: barring scandal, death, or wartime, it was understood that no Notre Dame head football coach would be dismissed until he'd had a minimum of five years to establish his program." The assertion apparently ignores Hank Anderson, whose resignation was forced rather than voluntary.

Prister's approach is not without humor, as the chapters have such titles as "The Tyrone Willingham Years — All Three of Them," "Let the Best-Drown Begin" and "Break Out the Champagne." The book reads very quickly and Prister's casual tone fits his approach quite well. His love for Notre Dame football is obvious, though it does slightly skew objectivity, as Homericism seeps through in many sections of the book.

The biggest problem with "The New Gold Standard," however, is that it's not very insightful. Parts of it read like AP game recaps, and other portions feel like highlight reels of Weis' press conferences. Prister summarizes, not analyzes. "The New Gold Standard" also has the odd problem of being at once too cursory and too detailed — its lack of analysis is countered by an over-reliance on sound bytes and game specifics. The game descriptions, particularly of the USC game, are nothing new to even casual Notre Dame fans, which means Prister's sense of audience may be slightly skewed — and there probably aren't many Irish fans wanting to read another detailed description of the end of the USC game anyway.

Prister has nothing but praise for Notre Dame's coach. There is precious little about the "man behind the myth," as it deals only with superficial, public information about Weis' personal life. "The New Gold Standard" isn't the insightful revisionism of Murray Sperber's "Knute Rockne in "Shake Down the Thunder," nor is it the hero-worship of Grant's "The Tyrone Willingham in "Return to Glory." It simply recounts what Weis publicly did and said, without much comment on either other than lines of praise scattered throughout.

Doesn't writing a book about Weis after only one season seem a bit premature? Yes, it does. Weis, with his "9-3 isn't good enough" banner, would be the first to admit that he hasn't achieved his goals yet. Prister might have been better off waiting for a few years until a more complete and insightful portrait of Weis and his coaching came into focus. As it stands, "The New Gold Standard" has too little to discuss, though the hope is that Prister's praise of Notre Dame's new coach may grace numerous magazine covers.

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Faces of Notre Dame football have graced numerous magazine covers. Publications include "Sports Illustrated" and national media like "TIME Magazine."
NOTRE DAME IN THE MEDIA

By BRIAN DOXTATER AND ERIN MCGINN

The relationship between the media and Notre Dame is the very definition of love-hate. Open any magazine or newspaper referencing collegiate sports and, whether the writer likes Notre Dame or not, it is nearly impossible for the Irish not to be mentioned.

The Irish appear all over the media world. One of the most recognizable places is in movies. Notre Dame has had two silver screen movies made about its football team. Lloyd Bacon's "(42nd Street)" "Knute Rockne All American" (1940) stars Pat O'Brien as Knute Rockne, arguably the most famous coach in the history of college football, the coach of the Irish from 1918-1930.

An icon of the football world, Rockne himself literally changed the sport by inventing the forward pass. Former President Ronald Reagan plays the role of George Gipp, whose death lead to the "42nd Street" "(42nd Street)" "Rudy" (1993) starring Sean Astin in the title role as Rudy Ruettiger, a kid who worshipped Notre Dame and who eventually grew up to become a legend in his own right. Astin and Notre Dame is the very definition of heartwarming stories, like that of Coach Weis and the subsequent hiring of Coach Weis.

Notre Dame has always held a special place in the media, be it positive or negative. Its national exposure brings to the forefront of the media the good, the bad and the scandalous. The clips sell more than anything else.

Newspapers and magazines jumped for joy when word of the O'Leary fiasco was around the internet, conveniently linking them in one place. The clips come from a wide range of sources, most notably Youtube, and span decades.

The best clips are from the Holtz era, a time that included such greats as Tony Rice, Tim Brown, Rocket Ismail and Jerome Bettis. Watching the end of the 1992 season (1992 against Penn State) or the end of the 1993 "Game of the Century" (against Florida State) or the 1993 Notre Dame-Florida State) are available and make for great viewing.

Other notable clips include the 1973 Sugar Bowl against Alabama, the 1988 "Catholics vs. Convicts," The 1992 "Cheerios Bowl" and the 1992 "Snow Bowl." The later is an eight disc set that includes over eight of Notre Dame's most dominant among broadcasters. Regis and Kelly.

Almost anything that mentions the Irish is instantly a hot-seller, so newspapers are not usually afraid to throw the name around any which way they can. Any news about Notre Dame is big news - the scandals sell more than anything else.

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All videos can be found at: http://www.bluwiki.org/go/BGS_video
By BRIAN DOXTADER
Scene Editor

There are some certainties in college football that are like clockwork — someone from the Seminoles will get arrested, Michigan will be overrated, the BCS will be a mess and EA Sports will release a new version of "NCAA Football."

"NCAA Football 2007," however, may be the best version yet. It tweaks improvements from 2006 but retains last year's playability.

The biggest change to "NCAA Football 2007" is the Campus Legend mode, which is really just a revamped Race for the Heisman from 2006. The user creates his or her own player, chooses a position and goes through training camp, which then gains the player scholarship offers to various schools. Once at the school of choice, the player is immediately inserted into the starting lineup, no matter how unrealistic — a freshman QB obviously wouldn't get the start over Quinn, but that's how it goes in the game.

Campus Legend mode requires players to balance academics (with majors ranging from Division 1-A Mascots to Chemistry) and football with a schedule that allows them to choose where they want to concentrate. Focus too much on football, and the GPA slips (which can make a player ineligible). Conversely, focus too much on academics, and on-field performance suffers.

The schedule is controlled from a "dorm room," which gets bigger and fancier in each succeeding year — though it seems pretty unlikely that a Notre Dame or UCLA player would have a Reggie Bush poster hanging on the wall.

While the mode is actually pretty easy, it unbalances the game by driving the player to use his or her created character more often than is realistic. It's conceivable to win the Heisman all four years at running back, quarterback or even receiver, even on the highest difficulty level, as long as you keep feeding your player the ball. This leads to 50-yard bombs late in the fourth quarter when you're ahead by 30 just to pad stats.

After three or four years, you are given the choice to either export your player to Madden 2007 or to coach — which is pretty funny, since a 22-year-old player probably wouldn't get to be head coach at a D-IA school, even if he did win the Heisman four years in a row.

Dynasty mode, however, remains the core of the game, as players try to lead their teams to multiple national titles. Players can recruit in-season and invite prospects to visit during key games.

There are welcome new features, including more varied playbooks and a new "momentum meter" which shifts according to big plays during the game. A team could have all the momentum and be driving toward the end zone when the quarterback throws a pick six. Suddenly, the other team grabs momentum and gives its players a performance bonus.

For the most part, the graphics are very good and much improved. The collision engine is better, which means that players rarely run through each other anymore. On the other hand, there are still no gang tackles or shared sacks, even though sometimes it appears that there should be.

Other animations, especially celebrations, are also back and better than ever, although EA needs to fix a few things in the future. There's nothing more bizarre than watching a running back celebrate a two-yard run up the gut.

The game balance, once the series' Achilles' Heel, is much easier in 2007. The running game works as players break tackles, fall forward, push for extra yardage and blockers actually hold their blocks once in a while. Receivers have a greater tendency to catch balls thrown their way, with far fewer inexplicable drops.

EA has also fixed the balance issues from previous year, which heavily favored mobile quarterbacks. Though they are still extremely effective (especially Troy Smith and Pat White, who runs amok against slower defenses), better defensive recognition and QB spy plays that actually work help negate their advantage and make pocket passers like Quinn and Brian Brohm more viable.

The AI, unfortunately, is still dumb as rocks, even on the highest difficulty, which means an offense (or defense, for that matter) can continually run the same play and the computer won't pick up on it. No matter the opponent, you'll feel like you're playing against a Greg Robinson-coached team every time.

One of the most frustrating parts of the game is the frequency of roughing the kicker and running into the kicker penalties, especially on extra point tries. A penalty is incurred about every other attempt — a stunningly high frequency, especially given its rarity in actual games.

In fact, special teams as a whole are problematic. The new "over-the-shoulder" cam used when defending punts and field goals is nice and an interesting idea, but it makes blocking the kick way too easy. A similar cam is used when fielding kickoffs and punts, which makes it much harder to see downhill.

The kicking game, however, is much improved. Kickoffs and punts are now controlled using the right analog stick (think "Tiger Woods Golf"), which makes it much easier to be accurate.

Historical rosters are once again in the game, though these seem merely transferred from previous editions, which means Notre Dame's 1977 quarterback still isn't Joe Montana (though he is, oddly enough, the starter on the All-Notre Dame team).

The unfortunate absence of the absolutely loaded All-America team from 2005 is a bit disappointing for those who would love to see Reggie Bush and Vince Young line up in the same backfield with Paul Posluszny and AJ Hawk wreaking havoc together at linebacker.

College ball is, in many ways, more exciting than the NFL and the ability to run "gimmick" offenses like Spurrier's fun-and-gun, Meyer's spread option and the triple option attack give the game increased playability.

There are still some issues with the AI and graphics, but for the most part, "NCAA Football 2007" is the best game of its kind. And if that's not enough, for the first time in the game's history, Notre Dame is one of the best teams in the game, which means that, at long last, you too can go out there with all you've got and win just one for the Gipper.

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Boston defeats Chicago in 1-0 shutout Tuesday

Ortiz is 0-for-3 with a walk in his return; Twins’ win extends their lead in the AL wild card race with win over Devil Rays

Associated Press

Boston — David Ortiz was back in the Red Sox lineup, the Fenway crowd giving him a standing ovation just for stepping up to the plate.

His timing is still off, his MVP-caliber production still absent. He is still looking for a fastball, beingpoke and prodded to determine the source of heart palpitations.

Some fastballs got by him that don’t normally get by him. That will change, “Red Sox manager Terry Francona said. “It was good to see him out there.”

Ortiz went 0-for-3 with a walk and two strikeouts, but his return was good news enough for Boston following one of the worst months ever for a franchise that has seen plenty of bad ones. Injured closer Jonathan Papelbon got good news from doctors and a Kason Gabbard further cheered the reeling Red Sox with seven innings of three-hit ball to help them beat the Chicago White Sox.

It was the first major league victory for Gabbard (1-3) and the second consecutive outing from a starter pressed into service due to a litany of injuries to the Red Sox staff. Julian Tavarez, making just his second start, held the White Sox to two runs in six innings on Sunday.

“Who... is pitching against us tomorrow night?” Chicago manager Ozzie Guillen said, laughing, in the visitor’s clubhouse after the game.

The White Sox dropped 1-2 games behind Minnesota in the AL wild-card standings and Boston remained six games behind the Twins.

On the wining side, major leaguers with 47 homers who were not pinch run for发射 5947, was held Monday before a game in Oakland, commemorating of heart palpitations being diagnosed for two days last week to undergo extensive heart testing, all released Thursday and were a heart monitor over the weekend.

“The ongoing monitoring of David Ortiz has not identified any medical problem,” said physician Dr. Thomas Gill said in a statement.

Ortiz was not available for comment after the game. But he said before batting practice that he was no longer wearing a heart monitor is not taking any medication — just “rice and beans.”

Minnesota 8, Tampa Bay 0

Johan Santana became the first 17-game winner in the major leagues, allowing two hits over eight scoreless innings as Minnesota beat Tampa Bay 8-0 over the Devil Rays.

Santana (17-5) struck out 12 and walked one. The left-hander, 8-0 since the All-Star break, retired his first 10 batters before Delmon Young doubled with one out in the fourth. He then got eight straight outs before Young singled to lead off the seventh.

Santana recorded 10 or more strikeouts in eight games this season and six times in his career.

The Devil Rays — whose last win against Minnesota came June 3, 2004, when they beat Santana — got only three batters reach base against him.

B.J. Upton drew a two-out walk in the fourth.

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Michael Cuddyer hit an RBI double during the fourth inning.

Minnesota manager Ron Gardenhire was ejected for arguing the call, which was a ground-rule double. Gardenhire said the call was a different day. He was ejected after the rain delay. Jeremy Accardo (1-1). Marte’s four-out for his 30th save. The first batter he faced, Magglio Ordonez, reached on an infield single, but tried to advance on a wild throw. He was thrown out at second by catcher Kenji Johjima.

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FIFA

French soccer star Zinedine Zidane arrives at FIFA headquarters in Zurich July 20 for a hearing regarding his head-but of Italian Marco Materazzi. Materazzi said Tuesday he insulted Zidane’s sister.

Associated Press

ROME — Italy’s Marco Materazzi said he insulted Zinedine Zidane’s sister, revealing nearly two months after the World Cup final what provoked the French star to head-but him in the chest.

In Tuesday’s interview with the Gazzetta dello Sport, Materazzi disclosed that after he held his opponent’s shirt, Zidane said: “If you want, I’ll give you the jersey later.”

“I responded that I preferred his sister, it’s true,” Materazzi said. “It wasn’t something nice, true. But luckily there have been dozens of players who have confirmed that a lot worse things are said on the field.”

Zidane was sent off after receiving a red card for the head-but. Italy went on to win on penalty kicks.

Materazzi received a two-game ban for the July 9 incident and will miss Wednesday’s rematch of the final, a 2008 European Championship qualifier.

Zidane received a three-match suspension, but he retired after the World Cup.

Materazzi said that the Italian federation, in the middle of a match-fixing scandal, told him not to complain about the incident during a FIFA hearing.

“I accept without raising my voice the price to pay for having brought home the World Cup. I’m pretty happy to have paid it,” Materazzi said.

Asked if the two could make peace, Materazzi said: “You sign a peace agreement after terrible wars, so why can’t Zidane and I make peace?”

“A peace among men, without a lot of publicity. The door to my house will always be open for that. And if Zidane wants, he knows where to find my address.”

France captain Patrick Vieira thinks the apologies should go both ways.

“I think Zidane is waiting for Materazzi to apologize also for the insults he used,” Vieira said.

Vieira, who is Materazzi’s teammate at Inter Milan, said he chatted with him before leaving to join the France squad.

“He told me he is disappointed not to be here.”

Vieira said: “It’s a very cheerful guy, but he loves to wind people up. Sometimes you need to know when to stop.”

Associated Press

Clemson's Jelena Jankovic advances to first Grand Slam semifinal.

Rainstorm ruins Phillies starter's major league debut

PHILADELPHIA — Brian Mazone bounced around from the independent leagues to the minor leagues, waiting and hoping for an opportunity to pitch in the majors.

The Philadelphia Phillies were finally ready to give him a chance, only to have bad weather alter those plans.

Mazone, a 31-year-old left-bander, was to start his big league debut on Wednesday against the Houston Astros. However, rain postponed Tuesday night’s game between the Phillies and Astros.

It has been rescheduled for Sept. 25. So, Randy Wolf, who was to start Tuesday night, will take the mound on Wednesday against Andy Pettitte.

Meanwhile, Mazone repacked his bags and headed to Rochester, N.Y., to pitch for Triple-A Scranton Wilkes-Barre in a playoff game Wednesday.

Purdue safety out for year with hyperextended knee

WEST LAFAYETTE, Ind. — In one freakish moment, Torri Williams went from being a starting safety at Purdue to having an uncertain football future.

Williams got his right foot caught in the new Bermuda grass at Ross-Ade Stadium in the third quarter Saturday against Indiana State. The resulting hyperextended knee has put him out for the season and raises questions about whether he’ll play for Purdue again.

Coach Joe Tiller said the earliest Williams could return is next fall.

“What I’m most concerned about is, because of the severity of the injury, is that we do the right thing so that this guy can hopefully experience a complete recovery,” Tiller said.

Williams’ roommate, fellow defensive back Zach Logan, said teammates are trying to help however they can.

In Brief

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NEW YORK — Jelena Jankovic lost so many matches in a row this week, she lost count. But she’d taken enough stats classes in college to figure this: It was probably time to quit tennis and go back to school in Belgrade.

On Tuesday, Jankovic graduated — to her first Grand Slam semifinal, that is — by taking away No. 4 Elena Dementieva’s serve and coining 6-2, 6-1 at the U.S. Open.

“I cannot believe that I won in two sets,” Jankovic said. “Was the score? I don’t even know the total score.”

Shortly after she finished, rain began and the other daytime singles matches were postponed until Wednesday. Seventh-seeded Nikolay Davydenko led No. 17 Andy Murray 6-1, 5-7, 6-3; 2000 U.S. Open champion Marat Safin led Tommy Haas 2-1.

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Malkin evades pressure to remain in Russia

One of world's best players will be lethal threat for Penguins

Associated Press

PITTSBURGH — Finally, Evgeni Malkin wasn't worried about hiding his emotions or himself. He signed the contract he wanted to sign, with the team he wants to play for.

Malkin, under so much pressure to keep playing in Russia that he hid out for five days in Finland to escape his Russian team, signed his first NHL contract Tuesday with the Pittsburgh Penguins.

No arm-twisting or middle-of-the-night negotiations were needed to make him sign a deal worth at least $3 million and probably much more. The 20-year-old Malkin was so determined to play in North America this year, one of Russia's best-known sports figures was willing to risk his image back home to do it.

"His dream was to come to Pittsburgh and start his career in the NHL, and he had to go through a lot in the last couple of weeks to achieve that," Penguins owner Mario Lemieux said. "It's always difficult when you've got a different country and a different language, and it will be tough for him for the next few months.

It has already been a tough time for arguably the best player in the world not previously in the NHL, with 19-year-old Sidney Crosby to give Pittsburgh a dynamic 1-2 center combination.

After signing a one-year deal last month to remain with his hometown Metallurg Magnitogorsk, reportedly at 3 a.m. following hours of persuasion, he immediately regretted the decision and phoned agent J.P. Barry for help.

Barry arranged to meet Malkin at the Helsinki airport when Metallurg arrived for training camp on Aug. 12, and the two secretly left together. They stayed hidden in a hotel there for five days until Malkin was granted a U.S. visa.

The agent wasn't as concerned as much for Malkin's safety as he was that the Russian team, which was still in town, would try to get him back.

"We were worried that whenever there's a mystery and someone can't be found, they try to look for him and if they could find him, they would try to continue the psychological pressure," Barry said. "We didn't want that to happen. It was really necessary for us to keep him away from that possibility.

According to Barry, Malkin was followed to his home - the agent isn't certain by whom - whenever he wanted to go. Whenever the team felt he had to see him, they would try to continue that pressure.

Once Malkin was gone, Metallurg general director Gennady Velichkin rebuked his star and threatened to sue the Penguins. Barry expects Metallurg to file for an injunction that would prevent Malkin from playing in the NHL, though no Russian team has ever successfully done so with a player once he has left.

Malkin said he has patched up his relationship with Velichkin.

"I definitely was a little concerned," he said, speaking through interpreter Olga McQueen. "But, knowing him for so many years, I had to believe that he wouldn't go for any harsh measures toward me. After I had my visa obtained, I called my parents and informed them that everything was fine and I was doing great. They contacted Mr. Velichkin and actually now they are doing well and Mr. Velichkin doesn't have any hard feelings against me."

Among those supporting Malkin's decision was Russian national team coach Slava Bykov, who said the star forward should be allowed to play wherever he wants. Three weeks ago, Malkin faxed a letter of resignation to Metallurg which, according to his agents, allows him under Russian law to quit his job there.

"We knew it wasn't going to be easy to get him out of there," Lemieux said. "We have to listen to the player and where he wants to play. He really wants to be here in Pittsburgh, and we'll do everything we can to help him out."

Malkin spent three weeks training in Los Angeles area before arriving in Pittsburgh on Monday night. He had a whirlwind first 24 hours there in which he dined at Lemieux's house, spent his first night in his new city and took part in an informal early morning skate with players such as Crosby before attending a news conference.

Russian star Evgeni Malkin, left, holds up his new jersey with Hall of Fame forward and Pittsburgh owner Mario Lemieux.

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Professor of Film, Television, and Theatre

Mary Rose D'Angelo
Associate Professor of Theology

Charles Barber
Associate Professor of Art, Art History, and Design

12:00 Noon Saturday, September 9

"More Than a Movie: Assessing The Da Vinci Code" will offer insights into the cinematic quality of the blockbuster film, the historical relationship between Jesus and Mary Magdalene, and the theological role of the art depicted in the movie.

This panel presentation will include Jim Collins, professor of film, who specializes in film and television theory, film history, and popular culture; Mary Rose D'Angelo, associate professor of theology, who studies early Christianity and the role of women; and Charles Barber, associate professor of art history, whose areas of specialty include early Christian and Byzantine art.
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NFL
Mannings deny personal rivalry

Siblings say Sunday's matchup is centered on teams, not each other

Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — Peyton Manning hoped one training camp interview session would end the questions about Sunday's Brothers Bowl. As his New York brother might say: Forget about it.

With Gotham's most hyped brotherly battle since perhaps the DiMaggio's, the Manning vs. Manning affair has become the opening weekend's marquis matchup — much to the family's chagrin.

"They've both said it's a game between two teams, and it is," father Archie Manning said during Peyton's recent bowling tournament in Indianapolis. "The media is trying to make it out to be Tiger vs. Phil or something, but it's not like that."

Certainly the Manning clan would prefer to downplay the first-ever football meeting between Eli and Peyton, Archie's sons who were both taken No. 1 overall in their respective draft classes.

Peyton, the two-time MVP, tried to diffuse the situation the first week of training camp when he answered the questions he expected from the moment schedule-makers put the Giants-Colts game in prime time on Week 1. Afterward, Peyton said he wouldn't talk about it again.

Good luck. The blackout will undoubtedly end when Peyton holds his usual Wednesday news conferences this week. While Peyton and Eli have attempted to focus on the bigger picture — such as the importance an opening day win might have on their teams' playoff hopes — others, including the league itself, have used the obvious storyline to their marketing advantage.

In the NFL's kickoff Weekend packet, page 55 is headlined "Manning vs. Manning an NFL QB First."

So much for the Giants and Colts.

"Well, that's the era we live in," Archie said. "There will be a lot of hype, and I'm proud of the way the boys are handling it."

Relying on 14 years of NFL experience and nine more as an NFL father, Archie Manning has tried to keep things in perspective as the sibling rivalry looms. He's not saying whether the family has scheduled a sewing project to create those trendy half-Giants, half-Colts shirts, and, like his boys, insists Sunday night's matchup really is more than a family affair.

The duel has created some intriguing family planning, though.

Last month, Peyton said he'd already taken care of most ticket requests because Giants players had a limited supply. Archie also wouldn't say whether similar comments coming from his sons in New York and Indianapolis were choreographed. Peyton and Eli both said during the preseason they're more concerned with the opposing defensive ends than their own slabegiut.

And Peyton believes his father merely wants a high-scoring game rather than picking one son to win and the other to lose.

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Archie Manning
father of Eli and Peyton Manning

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"The problem we have is, we start school today," he said. "A lot of kids go to classes and aren't quite sure where their classes are, and quite honestly, the University isn't quite sure where all their classes are.

"I just thought it was best for everybody that we don't add any burdens that won't help us win the football game."

Paterno also said he is glad Penn State is playing a tough out-of-conference opponent. He said games against top programs — mentioning Notre Dame, Alabama, Pittsburgh and Boston College — are good for the team and for the fans.

"We're playing a top-two or [top-three team in the country this week, and that's fun, that's great," Paterno said. "If you wouldn't want to play this], you're in the wrong game, you're in the wrong league. You ought to be a reporter. It's a big game against an awfully good football team.

Penn State beat Akron 34-16 in the opener at University Park Saturday. Paterno said he liked most of what he saw but that the Nittany Lions have a lot to learn.

"We're playing on the road, got the crowd noise, got to pay attention to crowd noise and not get panicky when things go wrong," he said. "We're in a development stage, and we have to be patient."

Paterno said he watched the film of Notre Dame's 14-10 win over Georgia Tech Monday night. He both critiqued and praised the Irish.

"I thought Notre Dame hurt themselves with some bad penalties that prevented them from scoring," he said. "I thought the punter did a super job. [And] that No. 9 is a super punt returner. He manufactures yards when he doesn't have them.

"To see two teams play as precisely as they did in the first two games — that is a great credit to both coaching staffs."

Notes:

◆ A reporter asked Paterno if he was a Notre Dame fan growing up in Brooklyn, "or if that was mostly for Irish kids."

"That's an ethnic question, and I'm going to have the ACLU get a hold of you," Paterno quipped.

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Penn State head coach Joe Paterno stands on the sidelines in the Nittany Lions' 34-16 win over Akron. Paterno enters his 41st season as head coach at State College, Pa.

Penn State safety Nolan McCready, left, and linebacker Dan Connor tackle Akron running back Dennis Kennedy. Connor registered 33 tackles in the win.

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er," head coach Bobby Clark said. "He has all the credentials to be one of the best attacking players in the country. We knew that before he scored four goals, and I don't think it changes now."

Individual honors have already started to pile up for the Irish offense, even though the season is still early. Lapira was also named Big East Offensive Player of the Week, becoming the second Irish striker in as many weeks to earn that honor.

Senior Justin McGeeney earned the distinction after he scored two goals in a 4-1 rout of Creighton — which was also ranked No. 8 at the time — during the opening weekend of the season.

"Scoring goals early is always a good thing, it relieves a lot of pressure, especially as a forward," McGeeney said. "If you don't score goals, the tension kind of builds up."

Despite the stellar individual performances of his forwards so far this season, Clark remains wary of too much individual praise.

"Sometimes you get those aways and you think sometimes you don't, but I think you usually get them when the team's done well," he said. "When a forward scores a goal, there's usually an assist behind the goal, and somebody had to win the ball first so it's usually a team effort."

Clark also noted that it takes a special type of player to be a goal scorer at this level.

"If you are a forward, you're always bring on the edge," he said. "There's always a fine line between it being a great game and it being a not so great game, and I think that's part of it, you need to be tough to survive and be a forward."

This season, the Irish have five players who meet Clark's description for goal scorers and who will compete to split time this season — Lapira, McGeeney, sophomore Bright Dike, junior Kurt Martin and freshman Tamba Samu, who could prove to be a solid contributor despite the talent ahead of him.

"It keeps everybody on their toes," Clark said. "One of the nice things is that someday maybe it's not their day, or they get a minor injury like Justin had last weekend [missing the Indiana game], and no other players are very happy to fill in. They all get on tremendously well."

"Scoring during the battle for playing time means there is strong competition — even in practice."

"There's rivalries; there will always be rivalry, but there's also great camaraderie," Clark said. However, the players see the intra-squad competition as a positive.

"We're playing people in practice that are just as good as half the people we come up against [in games], and that just makes us that much better," Lapira said. "I know that if I go out and bust my tail for 30 minutes, somebody else can come in for 15 minutes and bust theirs .... It just gives us a lot of opportunities for people to sub in and we're confident that every forward that subs in is going to score goals."

Clark also believes each of his forwards will rise to the occasion during the course of the season.

"Bright [Dike] can break out as a goal scorer on his own, and I wouldn't be surprised if he breaks out this weekend," he said. "Kurt Martin can also get goals ... and then, you know, you've got Tamba Samu waiting in the wings. We're very talented in that respect."

As an offensive unit, each player plays a unique role on the squad, especially McGeeney, the only senior forward Notre Dame has this season.

"McGeeney is the father of all the younger strikers," Clark said. "He's the father of them all — maybe the grandfather of them all. He's the elder statesman. They all look up to him, and he carries himself very well."

McGeeney credits the team's offensive woes from the improved attack displayed early this year.

"The spring was good for getting all of us on the same page," he said. "More than anything, it was just getting us forwards together getting us to work with each other [and] work off each other. We know the kinds of runs each other makes. We kind of complement each other and know how each other play and it makes it easier."

The two most experienced strikers, Lapira and McGeeney, have become especially close in their time together.

"Me and 'Geeny have been playing together for three years now, [and] of all the forwards, me and Justin are by far the closest friends," Lapira said. "We have our own little pregame ritual, and it's been that way since the beginning. It helps a lot having him."

According to Lapira, that ritual includes writing the same phrase on their chests before each game.

To Lapira however, the ritual is close to his heart — and he's keeping it that way.

"I don't think you would want to put that in the paper," he said. "It's just personal."

Ironically, despite their history together and the fact that they have accounted for all but two of Notre Dame's goals this season, neither McGeeney nor Lapira has scored while the other is on the field.

"We kind of joke about that," Lapira said. "We play so well together we just haven't gotten it done this year."

As far as the rest of the season, Lapira believes he has the exact goals as the rest of the forwards — and the rest of the team.

"I just want to make everyone else around me better, I guess that's every one of our goals, just to step up and make the team better," he said. "As a team, we just got to keep playing consistently. Obviously, everyone's goal is to make the tournament and win it, but it's a long way until then, so for now our goal is to beat South Florida."

They'll get their chance Friday night at 7:30 at Alumni Field.

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needed. "We'll see how the games go and if we can keep the guys going, then we'll see how we can earn their starting spots back."

Several players, including freshmen Arezou Khakzad and Michelle Weisenhofer, have played well in the absence of Bock, a forward, and Dew, a defender. Notre Dame is 4-0 without Bock and Dew in the lineup and the Fighting Irish have scored 16 goals so far this season.

"It's going to pose problems for us, but in a good way," Waldrum said.

Butkus said that the team has performed at times, it's going to be important to get them back, but at the same time the players who have been out there have done just fine.

"We're going to have to see how everyone does at practice and then figure out our lineup."

Bock and Dew were in Russia since Aug. 12. The U.S. beat Congo, Argentina and France to advance out of the group stage, then defeated Germany 4-1 in the quarterfinals. In the semifinals, Team USA lost in a shootout to China after a scoreless tie and then fell to Brazil in the third place game, also on penalty kicks.

The Irish will take on TCU in Fort Worth, Texas at 7 p.m. Friday. The game against SMU in Dallas will begin at 1 p.m. Sunday.

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The result is simple. Arguably the best linebacker in the country last season — as a junior, he was named the Butkus Award for the nation's top linebacker and the Bednarik Award as the nation's top defensive player — returns for his senior year as the anchor of a corps that also welcomes back four starters from the 2005 team all-conference honors.

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SMC SOCCER
Young team kicks off home opener

Nine freshman face first collegiate foes

By DAN MURPHY Sports Writer

Saint Mary's takes the field against Albion College this afternoon in the season opener — and in addition to battling the Britons, the Fighting Irish will do the same against the French national team.

Saint Mary's freshman forwards will get their first taste of college soccer as the Fighting Irish will play on last year's 11-7-1 record. The Class of 2010 will get an early chance to contribute after losing three starters from last year's squad.

"I think we will do very well," sophomore midfielder Courtney. Courtney split time between forward and midfield last season and finished the year with two goals. Heine was a workhorse for the Fighting Irish, starting all 19 games and tallying a career-high 124 saves on the year for a 1.35 goals against average.

"I think we will do very well. We have a lot of freshmen capable of stepping up where we need them the most," said Lauren Hinton, a redshirt sophomore.

The Fighting Irish will look to capitalize on the strength of their back four by using the whole field against the Albion defense and moving the ball effectively.

"It's important to play on both sides of the ball. If we are taking the ball up the flank and crossing, or switching it up in the midfield," said Hinton.

Hinton said the team has been too busy focusing on their own play to spend much time preparing specifically for the Britons.

"Since half of our team is new, all we have been working on is our own game and the other team's defense is just going to figure out who will play where," she said.

Kickoff is 4 p.m. today at the SMC Soccer Field.

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Posluszny

All the good ones that play that position have instincts that you can't coach."

Charlie Weis

Notre Dame coach Charlie Weis said in his press conference Tuesday, "You can talk about toughness, you can talk about athleticism ... but instincts are something that some people have and they don't have natural instincts."

"Posluszny's a very natural and smart, instinctive player," said top-caliber linebackers are a guy."

Ryan Harris

Notre Dame tackle Ryan Harris said that although Posluszny is not a guy who's going to come out and talk about himself, "He's a guy that's a veteran player right there."

Notre Dame offensive tackle Ryan Harris said that Posluszny has the instincts of a natural linebacker. He's performing at a high level for a sophomore."

"He's a guy who knows how to fit his game into big games, so a player like that, you always respect him."
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THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME
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FOOTBALL

Lion low

Joe Pa steers players away from distractions

By KEN FOWLER
Sports Editor

Don't tell Joe Paterno about the hype. He's not interested.

Penn State's coach deflects questions about the buildup to Saturday's game, insisting he can only focus on the strategy of the game at hand.

"I haven't got the slightest idea of hype," Paterno said in his weekly teleconference Tuesday. "We've got a good tough football game to play. ... Hype is hype. Somebody would have to describe hype to me. I'm not even sure I could spell it correctly."

Reporters are swarming University Park, which has had some repercussions.

Paterno, entering his 41st year at Penn State, restricted access to players Tuesday, saying the intense media attention would distract even the seniors from their game preparations and daily rou-

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ND WOMEN'S SOCCER

Sophomores back from Russia after USA loss

Brock not hurrying them into game action

By CHRI$ KOREY
Assistant Sports Editor

Two weeks after most Notre Dame students attended their first classes of the semester, sopho-

mores Britany Brock and Carrie Dew are finally back on campus.

They returned from Russia Tuesday after helping Team USA finish in fourth place in the 2006 World Championships.

Brock and Dew combined for 15 goals and nine assists last season for the Irish, playing key roles in Notre Dame's 23-3 season that included a Big East Championship and a quarterfinal run in the NCAA Tournament.

Irish coach Randy Waldrum said the pair will not immediately return to practice for Notre Dame.

"We're going to give them the week to get adjusted to the travel and the time zone and recover from the tournament they just finished," Waldrum said. "More importantly, we're giving them time to get the academic side of things taken care of. That's got to be our biggest priority since they've missed so much class."

Waldrum said Brock and Dew may work out with the team today, but will not participate in the full practice. The Irish leave tomorrow for Dallas, Texas, where they will face SMU and TCU this weekend.

As for Brock and Dew, Waldrum said they will only be inserted into the lineup if he feels they are ready.

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MEN'S SOCCER

Striker earns Big East honors

Lapira part of stacked Irish scoring attack

By ERIC RETTER
Assistant Sports Editor

In the 98th minute of Sunday's game against Indiana, junior forward Joseph Lapira won the ball, beat the Hoosiers' last defender to the inside and chipped the ball into the back of the net — giving No. 8 Notre Dame a 5-4 victory.

Lapira's game-winning goal was his fourth of the day in the Irish scoring attack.

As teams set to play each other Sunday.

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