New center aids special needs students

Long-awaited building serves to foster friendship, academic assistance for disabled individuals

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Attorneys address student privacy issues

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Recent busts at off-campus parties and tailgates have prompted many students to question what their rights are regarding interactions with the police — but local lawyers said the answers are not always clear.

The "layman's interpretation" of rights is what gets students into trouble, said South Bend attorney Lyn Boone. Most importantly, she said, students should be aware of their right to silence.

"Everyone needs that tattooed on their forehead," she said. "It's one of the biggest mistakes my clients make.

"Leone said she advocates prudence and advises students to understand that police officers show up at off-campus parties or tailgates because they have probable cause to be there. Probable cause — "the big word," Leone said — is the reasonable belief that a person has committed a crime.

"Yes, you can challenge (the police at your doorstep) — however they have probable cause," she said. "That's what you're fighting at your doorstep. You're not fighting being guilty... The noise ordinance gives police officers the right to be there in response to "noise complaints.""

Buddy Monterrosa, a Notre Dame Law School graduate and part-time public defender in South Bend, said an officer's right to enter a residence depends on the severity of the crime.

"I would argue that just because (an officer) sees people drinking, I don't think that gives him a right to go into a house," he said.

In the absence of probable cause, a resident can say the police are not allowed to enter his or her home, Monterrosa said. The resident can "fight it out to court" as long as there are witnesses present to corroborate his or her claim, he said.

"That's what I tell all of my clients," he said. "You have a reasonable expectation of privacy.

"People who go through the process and don't understand," said one of the biggest mistakes my clients make.

"If a student says, yes, you can come in, what is within plain view — within his presence — is what an officer has the right to cite," he said.

For example, if an officer enters a party and sees "people drinking underage, sees cups, sees beer," he or she has a right to investigate that further and administer citations, Monterrosa said.

"Police are not allowed to go through an apartment for drugs without a warrant," he said.

Monterrosa said a "warrantless intrusion" can occur in four circumstances: if police are in hot pursuit of a fleeing felon, if police need to prevent the escape of a suspect, if police fear an imminent destruction of evidence or if there is a risk of danger to police or other civilians around the residence. Police must have probable cause with the last three exceptions.

Senators discuss assaults

By MARY KATE MALONE
News Editor

Chief executive assistant Liz Brown led a lengthy discussion on the best way to disseminate information about sexual assault resources at the Student Senate meeting Wednesday.

Brown asked senators for their input on the issues before she meets with Associate Vice President of Student Affairs Bill Kirk on Friday to discuss sexual assault information and resources on campus.

Brick-Phillips senator Maris Braun said bathroom posters about sexual assault are not adequate enough.

The light blue, laminated signs are supposed to be in every residence hall bathroom, but according to senators who surveyed their respective dorms, the posters are not widespread. "I think posters are helpful, but in the heat of the moment I don't know if you'll have all your mental faculties together enough to do Step One, Step Two," Braun said, referring to the poster's step-by-step advice for students who have just been sexually assaulted.

"We might want to look at other avenues," she said.

But exactly what those avenues should be was debatable. Senators appeared to back Dillon Hall Senator Tyler Langdon's idea to distribute sexual assault information at mandatory freshman PILLAR meetings.

Alumni Hall senator Danny Smith suggested adding a sexual education center.

Abroad pricing policy to change

Fee adjustment allows for more participation

By JOE PIAULLI
News Writer

Over 50 percent of Notre Dame undergraduate students spend part of their college careers far away from South Bend — between 900 and 1,000 students choose to take part in one of the University's more than 40 international study programs annually.

As a response to the continuously increasing student demand for study abroad programs, a new study abroad pricing policy will go into effect in the fall of 2007.

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Selling out a “classic”

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Douthwaite, Assistant Provost for the Office of International Studies (OIS), students should see the new freshman class. Later, he said making informations would be most effective.

"If anyone applies to go in the spring we won’t be able to send more students abroad," Douthwaite said. "We need to have consistency between semesters.

Under the new policy, students will still receive Notre Dame credits and grades for courses they take abroad.

Sophomore Brett Wilps, who hopes to study in Rome next year, said he sees the new policy as encouraging. "If they can enable more students to go abroad, that’s definitely a positive," he said. "Obviously these programs are very popular so I’m glad to see that the University is supporting their growth."

Wilps said the coverage of airline more than makes up for the international study fee.

"Six-hundred dollars seems more than reasonable for round-trip tickets to Rome," he said. "If prices were a lot like that I think I’d go on more vacations."

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marathon Francesca Johnson got the idea to start the dance marathon at Saint Mary’s after attending a similar event in Indiana University.

Kistka said she signed on to help because she felt that it was a great cause — something the campus was in need of. "We have a lot of students who are interested in dance," she said. "This is a great opportunity for them to get involved."

During the dance marathon, the participants were allowed to choose their own music and dance style. They were also encouraged to bring their own snacks and drinks.

Kistka said that the dance marathon was a huge success. "We had over 100 people participating," she said. "It was a lot of fun and we raised a lot of money."
with Disabilities, located behind the Graduate School in St. Michael's Launder. The Jaylon and Vita Bea family endowed the scholarship with a $10,000 gift, named it in memory of their daughter, Sara, who was a student at Notre Dame and had multiple dis­abilities throughout her life.

The center occupies two downstairs room­ing rooms, one for quiet reading and the other for a large meeting area. They are next to the main offices of the Center for Student Development and the Office of Undergraduate Admissions.

The center is divided into two parts. One is a quiet room with desks and chairs where students can study, do homework or read. The other is a larger room with couches where students can talk to each other and hang out.

The majority of students who use the center are disabled students, but they also serve as a supportive environment for nondisabled students.

The center is open from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. on weekdays and from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. on weekends.

The center provides a variety of services, such as study breaks, seminars, workshops and tutoring.

The center also provides resources for students with disabilities, such as a computer lab, a study center, and a resource center.

The center is staffed by student workers, faculty members and staff from the Office of Undergraduate Admissions.

The center is located on the first floor of the Beaubien Center, off of the main campus.
INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Coup leader receives royal backing

BANGKOK, Thailand — Thailand's new military ruler, winning crucial royal backing for his bloodless coup, announced Wednesday that he would not call elections for another year. The U.S. and Western nations expressed disapproval and urged a swift restoration of democracy.

Army commander Gen. Sonthi Boonyaratkalin, appearing relaxed and confident in his military uniform at his first news conference since seizing power Tuesday night, said he would serve as de facto prime minister for two weeks until the junta — which calls itself the Council of Administrative Reform — chooses a civilian to replace him and drafts an interim constitution.

Sonthi sealed the success of his coup by receiving the royal endorsement as leader of the new junta, while ousted Prime Minister Thaksin Shinawatra, who watched events unfold on television, pondered his future and the threat of possible prosecution at home.

Judge throws Hussein out of court

BAGHDAD, Iraq — The new Iraqi judge in the Saddam Hussein genocide trial threw out the case Monday because the defendant, former President Saddam Hussein, threatened the independence of the tribunal.

Mohammed al-Obeidi al-Khalifa presided Wednesday after the government removed al-Amini, who angered Kurds by declaring last week that Saddam was "not a dictator."

Six inmates escape from Texas jail

LA VILLA, Texas — A former police officer about to face trial on drug charges and five alleged members of a violent drug gang overpowered a guard and cut through at least four fences to escape from a federal detention center near the Mexican border, officials said Wednesday.

The six inmates, including a former McAllen police officer and the alleged members of Raza Unida, fled the privately run facility late Tuesday, officials said.

Investigators are trying to determine that the inmates overpowered a guard with a homemade knife, locked him in a room, made their way through several exit doors and used "some sort of wire cutter" to breach the fences, Hidalgo County Sheriff B. Trevino said in a statement. He said no alarm sounded and the guard was not hurt.

Suspect arrested in dragging death

CASTLE HOCK, Colo. — A man was arrested Wednesday in the gruesome dragging death of a woman after a stained and tattered photo of him was found at the crime scene, police said.

The 36-year-old man told reporters in New York, "Not everyone in the United States in the assembly was empty as Chavez spoke, though the U.S. Ambassador John Bolton told The Associated Press that a "junior note-taker" was present, as is customary "when governments like that speak." The address appeared to be one of Chavez' boldest moves yet to lead an alliance of countries firmly opposed to the Bush administration. The speech came after the leftist leader crisscrossed the globe this summer visiting like-minded nations from Iran to Belarus.

The Venezuelan has become Latin America's leading voice against the U.S. government, and his speech was reminiscent of crusading addresses by his mentor Fidel Castro of Cuba and the late Argentine revolutionary Ernesto "Che" Guevara.

In his 23-minute address, Chavez also called Bush a "spokesman of imperialism" who was trying "to preserve the current pattern of domination, exploitation and pillage of the peoples of the world."

"An Alfred Hitchcock movie could use it as a scenario. I would even propose a title: 'The Devil's Diplomacy,' " Chavez said.

He accused the U.S. of planning and financing a failed 2002 coup against him, a charge the U.S. denies. And he said the U.S. tries to impose its vision of democracy militarily in countries like Iran and Iraq.

"We appeal to the people of the United States and the world to halt this threat, which is like a word hanging over our head," he said. "The imperialists see extremists everywhere. It's not that we are extremists. It's that the world is waking up."

At the start of his talk, Chavez held up a book by American writer Noam Chomsky, " Hegemony or Survival: America's Quest for Global Dominance," and recommended it to everyone in the General Assembly, as well as to the American people.

"The people of the United States should read this ... instead of the watching Superman on TV," Chavez later told reporters.

Prison documents to be released

NEW YORK — A federal judge on Wednesday ordered the Department of Defense to release documents detailing mistreatment or disciplinary action taken against detainees at the U.S. military prison at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, and other information sought by The Associated Press.

U.S. District Judge Jed S. Rakoff gave the government a week to provide the news organization with the information despite government arguments that such disclosure would violate detainees' privacy.

"The public interest in disclosing government malfeasance is well-established," the judge wrote in saying that the AP had demonstrated the need.

David A. Schultz, who argued the case for the AP, called the judge's decision "a resounding victory for the public's right to know." He said the identities of between 550 and 1,000 detainees who were ordered to be transferred or released from Guantanamo Bay after Jan. 1, 2005, will allow reporters to attempt to verify whether the government's account of events is accurate.

"The Department of Defense has made it virtually impossible for anyone to check the accuracy or thoroughness of what is going on in Guantanamo," Schultz said. "The public is supposed to be able to determine these things for itself."

A spokeswoman for federal prosecutors, Lauren McDonald, said the government had no immediate comment.

The judge noted that some detainees have initiated habeas corpus suits to protest what they consider abuse, while other detainees, since released, have gone public with allegations of abuse.
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tions, he said.

Cpt. Phil Trent, public information officer for the South Bend Police Department, said when officers go to off-campus residences, they want to speak to whoever is responsible — "that's primarily why they're there." SBPD officers enter off-campus residences on a "case-by-case basis," he said.

"Usually these things happen on weekends when we're busy with normal city activity," he said. "The officers go in to get their work done, solve the problem and get out — whatever that requires.

Monterrosa said police have the right to ask for identification at any time, though force should only be necessary when the individual is resisting.

"A lot of these cases are arrestable offenses — minor in consumption, minor in possession, public intoxication — and it's within the police officer's discretion to use handcuffs," he said. "If the individual is cooperative or not that drunk, then in those situations the police will just give them a citation.

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Student body president Lizzi Shappell said students must learn how to become full members of the South Bend community — from being better neighbors to following local laws and learning their rights. It is important for students to understand the responsibilities that come with those rights without using them to "evade the law," she said.

"If students are aware of their rights as members of this community, they should also be aware of the expectations of them as members of this community," she said.

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"If the charge is a misdemeanor, students can hire council," Monterrosa said. "If they can't afford that, then they should ask for a public defender. Under no circumstances should students try to handle it on their own.

Monterrosa said there are opportunities for individuals to resolve cases without pleading guilty.

"If it's a misdemeanor, it goes on your record forever, so you want to make sure you avoid that first conviction — or any conviction," he said.

Monterrosa said one way students can avoid conviction is through the St. Joseph County pre-trial diversion program. Established by the Prosecutor's Office, the program seeks to work with individuals with little or no criminal background who have been charged with a misdemeanor.

Cases of those accepted into the program "will be dismissed after a period of one year — meaning, no conviction — as long as the requirements and conditions of the specific agreement have been fulfilled," according to the St. Joseph County Prosecutor's Office Web site.

The program costs $315, which includes a $170 user fee and $145 in court costs. Monterrosa said the program is generally available to students if they are first-time offenders. Some crimes, like DWI and marijuana possession, do not fall within the statutes of the pre-trial diversion program, he said.

"One advice is that it's not automatic and it does depend on the circumstances," Leone said. "Sometimes you wind up with two, three or four charges based on one incident... [that] nine times out of 10 they'll allow the individual to have a pre-trial diversion." 

Leone said the pre-trial diversion program is valuable to students who worry about the ramifications of being charged with a misdemeanor. The program does not "bamp" pre-med or pre-law students," she said.

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Economic talks begin in China

U.S. Treasury Secretary Henry Paulson and Chinese Vice Premier say they will do more for the bilateral talks on Chinese trade and exchange rates in Beijing.

Associated Press

BEIJING — The United States and China are launching new economic dialogues, seeking to address long-standing trade tensions. U.S. Treasury Secretary Henry Paulson and his Chinese counterpart said Wednesday that they will do more to meet bilateral trade goals and answer concerns.

The strategic dialogues will deal with long-range and big-picture issues that affect the U.S. and China, the two largest trading partners in the world. The dialogue will be held in Beijing and be announced on the frst day of Paulson’s visit to Beijing.

Relations between the countries, once buoyed by robust trade, have deteriorated in recent years as China’s trade surplus rock­ets ever higher and critics in Washington have accused Beijing of boosting the currency undervalued to make Chinese exports cheaper. Washington also wants Chinese help in restarting suspended world trade talks.

Neither Paulson nor Wu said whether the currency or the trade imbalance would be addressed in the dialogue. But Paulson sug­gested that it should put eco­nomic relations in a new perspective.

“As global economic lead­ers, we share responsibility to maintain open markets at home and promote free and fair trade in all countries,” Paulson told reporters in Beijing’s Great Hall of the People. The dialogue “reflects the 21st century global economy and rede­fines the economic relation­ship between the United States and China.”

Boeing awarded $800 million contract

WASHINGTON — Boeing Co. will be awarded an $80 million government contract to provide new high-tech ways to catch illegal immigrants trying to cross U.S.-Mexico borders, officials said Wednesday.

The contract is the first part of a multibillion­dollar Homeland Security Department plan to help secure the Mexican and Canadian borders. The final bill’s total is unknown, a department official said, because it hinges largely on which Congress will want to spend how much and when. The contract will not be worth more than $1 billion to build a fence on the Mexican bor­der. Until then, the contract will be given to Boeing in phases, the offcial said.

The Boeing contract was expected to be awarded Thursday, according to a congres­sional aide and an offcial of the agency who spoke on condition of anonymity because the department had not yet made its announce­ment.

Homeland Security Department spokesman Dan Beck did not comment pending a formal announcement from the government.

ITHAS puts $3 billion in Indiana refinery

Company officials announced in October they were considering upgrading either the Whiting or Texas City, Texas, refinery to turn Canadian oil sands into gasoline. U.S. Energy Secretary Samuel Bodman said in July that production from Canada’s vast oil sands deposits could have a “profound” effect on energy security in the United States.

“IT’s a good move for the country because it will diversify our energy supplies,” Paulson said. “It will do more for you than planting an ear of corn in Iowa and turning it into ethanol.” Construction was tentatively sched­uled to begin in 2007 and be completed by 2011, pending regulatory approvals.
Ode to the ushers

So, we lost last weekend. Bummer. There are other things that are bummer, too. In fact, some of these bumm­ers also occur in the football stadium, but they have little to do with football. When like a bunch of drunken guys, celebrating in raucous Dionysian manner, stumble into the student section and do their best to make sure the words most closely associated with the Notre Dame student section—"drunk," "stupid," and "annoying." Thankfully, there is somebody who stands bravely against the smashed stupidity of these game-spilling drunkards. More than one somebody. I'm referring, of course, to the Notre Dame Stadium ushers.

I know some students have a less-than-amicable view of these stadium attendants. They see the ushers as harbingers of terror, roaming around the stadium with sinister intent, ready to swoop down and strike furious vengeance on any helpless student who just wants to party in a few pre-game, during-the-game and post-game festivities. Titans of terror. Golden-coated curtailers of freedom. Big Brother, watching your every move. These yellow-jacketed storm troopers of doom represent the hypocrisy of this University's fascist regime. Of course, some of our Lady's loyal sons and daughters think—those bumbling old bearded men are bitter, sad fools whose sole enjoyment left is to hang around the football stadium and rac ing a free viewing of the game. Heck, they probably even went to “Down to College.”

Not so, my friends, not so. Well, I can’t say for sure about the Boston College part, but I can assure you the rest of this caricature is more grossly inaccurate than the average Notre Dame student was ham­m ered after last weekend’s loss. It turns out these ushers are anything but sinister, sad, bitter or vengeful. In reality, these dedicated men and women are one of the primary reasons a game at Notre Dame Stadium is a unique experience.

Even before the Stadium ever opens, these faithful shepherds are helpful sources of information, poster-boy (and girl) advocates for the University, dedicated to their jobs. We (hopefully) don’t have to ask directions to the Stadium, but for thousands of visitors to campus, the ushers are always there to simply guide them to the sacred grounds of Notre Dame football. You can see them every home football Saturday before the game grabbing a hot dog or steak sandwich on the way to the Stadium (and supporting student groups, I might add). They’ll be happy to give directions, lend a hand, and even join in the spontaneous student cheers. I am thankful.

And that’s hours before kickoff. When game time actually nears, these ushers are swarming all over the place, guiding frail old alumni, confused visiting fans and disoriented students to their appropriate sections. Supposedly, Notre Dame has two hundred and fifty ushers twice as many as ushers most other college stadiums. This dedication to providing a good time translates into an enjoyable experience for all fans and students alike. Any time some idiot in the stands breaks open a beer can over his head, tries to drunken­ly crawl over the railing to a closer tunnel exit, or shouts violent ethnic slurs at opposing teams’ fans, an usher is somewhere nearby to help diffuse the situation and remind everybody to keep calm and enjoy the game.

These ushers do not abuse their authority or try to “ruin the fun.” I have never seen an usher in any way overstep his or her bounds or go after a student with malignant intent. They are always there to hand out high­fives and a “Irish!” on your way to sit down, to protect kids from their bumbling drunken selves when they try to push up and kindly remove inebriated imbeciles from the stands—for which I am thankful.

And how do we repay these dedicated men and women? By leaving dirty beer cans in the stands, feeling cooler when we sneak out over a railing, and whistling when our God-given marshmallow throwing privileges are called into question (let’s not bring it up to dispute again). Not all students are like this, by any means. But more of this goes on than the ushers really deserves.

The next time you’re in the Stadium, make a point to thank your usher for all his or her service, because we are the ones that benefit from their hard work. Some of them do it for a week­end job. Some do it because they love Notre Dame football. Some do it because they enjoy the dedicated fans and the experience of helping them out. Almost all of them enjoy being around the energetic crowd sections of a game. No matter what their reasons, none of them are the hell-bent author­ity demons students sometimes make them out to be. All of them are helpful, informative, and just fun to spend a game with. They are all valuable mem­bers of the Notre Dame community and the Notre Dame experience.

We need a new golden sign for the television advertisement, which reads: “Usher Like A Champion Today.”

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The unpopularity of overpopulation

Support the team, or hold out for a win?

Over the last few days, several students have written to The Observer expressing their disappointment in the student section's behavior at the Michigan game. We share this disappointment. We are disappointed that the student section blindly cheers on the football team regardless of what is happening on the field. We also feel that some of the seniors that left early and are some of the most ferocious Notre Dame fans in the world. We could no longer stand to watch our beloved squad being dragged all over the field. We followed our team all year. We have more than 100 fans at every home game and travel to several away games to cheer our team "onward to victory". We don't simply go to have fun, hear the band play and partake in tradition. Winning is what football is all about. Winning is fun. And winning, at Notre Dame is tradition. We wear "The Shirt" proudly with "TRADITION" across our chests. There are a few coaches missing from the back of that shirt --- Gerry Faust, Bob Davie and Ty Willingham --- coaches who did not uphold the tradition of winning.

Notre Dame is the nation's most followed football team not because of golden helmets or a great fighting song, but because we have traditionally been the best team in the land. Whenever we lose as seniors, on Sept. 30 against Purdue, if you're not going to turn up and make some noise then please sell your ticket to someone who will --- you might as well watch it on TV. Feel free, if you want, to sing the Alma Mater at the back of that shirt --- Gerry Faust, Bob Davie and Ty Willingham --- coaches who did not uphold the tradition of winning.

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Lostprophets mesh genres in ‘Transmission’

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In their latest release, Welsh rockers Lostprophets have evolved their sound from a pop-punk style to a more alternative, “Liberation Transmission,” the band’s third studio album, calls to mind shades of Duran Duran, the Clash, and even Fall Out Boy in its most accessible release yet.

Consisting of Ian Watkins, Jamie Oliver, Lee Gaze, Mike Lewis and Stuari Richardson, Lostprophets have made a conscious effort in their latest release to get back to their roots.

“From our parents, we grew up on pop music, but we were also into Metallica and Megadeth, and when you’re 19 years old all you want to do is play heavy stuff, and that’s easier to do as well.” Watkins said in a recent interview with MTV.com.

“If this was said to us by our parents it would have been good. It’s as little more pop, and in a way that stays true to the essence of what we do.”

Nevertheless claims that the purpose of the stuff down and let the songs really develop and the music is bloated. It’s a little bit set on the drawing board, strip down their sound and then they might have some real emotion and music. Nevertheless singer Josh Pearson performs at the Onefest music festival. They attempt to meld religious and punk music together with little success.

Hopeful Nevertheless struggles on debut album

By MARTY SCHROEDER
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There was a train of cookie cutter pop-punk that stormed through the highways of musicdom in the early 2000s - the music that was new, fresh and exciting. From Chattanooga, Tenn., Nevertheless frontman Josh Pearson says, “These aren’t just songs to soothe breakup scores or feed the fires of crushes: they are also songs to mend deeper wounds.”

He is referring here to the spiritual side of Nevertheless’ lyrics. Taking a note from such bands as Relient K and some early MxPx, Nevertheless includes references to their faith in God and how they bring that to the rest of their lives. This is all well and good. Many people immediately discredit a band that has religious overtones in their lyrics, but it can be done well.

The ska band Five Iron Frenzy was a perfect example of how religion and alternative music can meld into a very entertaining, thought provoking and cohesive whole. However, Nevertheless has none of these qualities. The lyrics are simple, there is very little diversity in their sound, and the exact layers of polish they put on this album saps out any innate creativity of the members of this quintet have.

One of the problems with this album arises from the song writing. Kevin Kadish, who has written with and/or for Rob Thomas and Jason Mraz, has helped write several of the tracks. When bands bring in people to help write the lyrics, the slope becomes very slippery. Instead of the band bringing their own ideas to the table, the song becomes very superficial. Instead, of the band bringing in their ideas to the table, the song becomes very superficial.

“Lover” is probably the worst track, merely because it tries too hard to be deep and meaningful. The lyrics mean well — but St. Paul did it better 2000 years ago — and the music is blotted. A piano is used which the song could do without, while Pearson’s vocals are too “little boy” sounding with no emotional rawness.

There are occasional moments where their genre-bending gets somewhat messy. While the band is generally successful in finding a hybrid between the metal of their past and the pop-alternative of their future, occasional moments on certain tracks seem a bit out of place. Finding fault with these moments, however, is not nitpicking rather than a real criticism.

On the whole, their sound is strong and consistently unique in their history.

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Chipotle comes to town, with free burritos

By SEAN SWEANY
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Chipotle, since its early beginnings in Denver, has quickly developed into a nationwide phenomenon with restaurants appearing like this one in Reston, VA.

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Restaurant praised for its all-around sophistication

By MARTY SCHROEDER
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Everyone knows about Chipotle and everyone knows that one is going to open on Main St. this Friday. However, not everyone may know that the founder, Steve Ells, is a graduate of the Culinary Institute of America and New York University.

The beginnings of Chipotle are the stuff that dreams are made of — fast food dreams anyway. Offering high quality food in a hip environment quickly and inexpensively, everyone knows that one is enjoying wild success in its meteoric rise to capitalize on the seemingly simple thing as a burrito.

"Black beans or pinto?" thought of such a meal may cause a mouthwatering desire to begin a quest for the first burrito of the day. For those who have enjoyed Chipotle before, a description and thought of a meal may cause a rumbling in the stomach. For others who have not experienced the joy of a Chipotle meal, this may sound like unnecessary hype and praise for such a seemingly simple thing as a burrito.

With the opening of South Bend's first Chipotle, however, the underestimated need remain that way no longer. Access to what the company itself calls, "a complete, four-course meal in a handy tortilla carrying pouch" is now available to all. People can ferry themselves out to Grape Holiday.

The success of Chipotle took some by surprise, but has most certainly not gone unnoticed. Conceived as a more casual fast-food establishment than McDonalds or Burger King, Chipotle has enjoyed wild success in its meteoric rise as a prominent restaurant chain. Other competitors including Wendy's and other smaller corporations have launched competitive "quick gourmet" concepts but have most certainly not gone unnoticed.

Col. Ells had his porcine livestock to roam, root and rear in the chips and tomatillos carrying pouch.

Alongside its pork, Chipotle obtains their meat products is focused on an attitude that keeps customers coming back for more.

As the first restaurant to market the idea, but it was the first to open to floodgate on the front of the consumer. The tortillas are handmade in two days and is never cleaned from marinated chicken and slow roasted pork.

The success of Chipotle has raised the bar in terms of authenticity and farm freshness. As the more casual "quick gourmet," Ells had been trying to bring freshness to the menu. The effort to bring freshness to the menu, this may sound like a seemingly simple thing as a burrito.

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MLB

Rocket wins No. 348 in last home start this year

Wigginton's two-run homer in the eighth lifts Tampa Bay over Baltimore to end Rays' nine-game losing streak

Associated Press

HOUSTON — The Houston Astros' fans gave Roger Clemens a warm send-off after the Rocket delivered one more performance to remember. Clemens pitched six scoreless innings in his final home start of the season for win No. 348 to lead the Houston Astros to a 7-2 win over the Cincinnati Reds on Wednesday.

The 46-year-old Clemens will have two more scheduled starts this season — and possibly forever — at the Phillips Field on Monday and at Atlanta on Sept. 30.

Clemens won't say what he'll do beyond that.

"It's definitely a challenge physically and mentally every year," he said. "If I commit to come back and play, I want to be able to perform."

"I don't know what tomorrow brings — but if this is it, I've really enjoyed it."

The seven-time Cy Young winner is sure about one thing — if he ever starts to feel like he can no longer dominate, that's when he'll retire for good.

"I can't handle losing average," said Clemens, who lowered his 2006 ERA to 2.37. "I guess there's a time when you know and I thought that was three years ago. But I had to come back and really challenge myself to get it done."

Luke Scott had a three-run triple and a solo homer and Craig Biggio hit a three-run homer as the Astros won for just the third time in 10 games, a slide that has left them with fading hopes in the wild-card race. The Astros were 6-1/2 games behind the wild-card leaders coming into the game.

Clemens (7-7) struck out six and allowed three hits with three walks. He did not yield an earned run for the fourth time this season and allowed fewer than three for the 15th time in 16 outings.

Before he threw his first pitch to start the fifth inning, the sellout crowd at Minute Maid Park rose to its feet and yelled for the former World Series hero to give a curtain call.

"I personally hope that it isn't," Ausmus said, "but catching Roger has been a highlight of my career. He's the ultimately prepared professional and certainly a first-ball Hall of Fame."

Clemens walked out for the seventh, but Astros manager Phil Garner came out before he threw a pitch and replaced him with Buscigglomer.

The fans stood for a roaring ovation and Clemens tipped his cap as he walked off the field.

"He wasn't going to pitch any more," Garner said. "That's just the way things played out, everything came together for that moment. The fans' reaction was unbelievable and Roger's reaction to that was just as special."

The cheering continued and Clemens came out for a curtain call that was interrupted, ending his fist in the air before disappearing into the dugout.

"That's what it's been about since I've been home," he said. "Obviously, winning and making it enjoyable for our fans out here."

Reds starter Bronson Arroyo (14-10) lost for first time in five starts, giving up seven hits and striking out four in 3-1-3 innings.

The Reds have also slipped from lead in the wild-card race, entering the day five behind the leader.

San Francisco 7, Colorado 4

Colorado closer Royce Clayton got the save after a double play and several runners were stranded.

Astros pitcher Roger Clemens leaves to a standing ovation after six shutout innings. He has yet to decide if he will play next season.

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Second shooter turns self into police

William Holmes, center, is escorted by authorities to the Allegheny County Jail Wednesday in Pittsburgh. Holmes will be arraigned Wednesday on multiple charges related to the shooting of five Duquesne basketball players.

Associated Press

PITTSBURGH — A second man charged in a shooting that wounded five Duquesne University basketball players turned himself in Wednesday, police said.

William Holmes, 18, of the Pittsburgh suburb of Penn Hills, was to be arraigned on charges of attempted homicide, aggravated assault, criminal conspiracy and weapons-related offenses.

Holmes is the third person arrested in Sunday's shooting after a dance at the private, Roman Catholic university. Two of the wounded players remained hospitalized.

The other 18-year-old accused of shooting the players, Brandon Baynes, was jailed Tuesday on similar charges. Neither of the teens is a Duquesne student.

Baynes and Holmes crashed a campus dance sponsored by the Black Student Union where they encountered the basketball players, according to police. They and two friends got into the dance with help from a student who is active with the union, police said.

The student, Brittany Jones, 19, was arrested Monday on charges of recklessness endangerment, carrying a firearm without a license and criminal conspiracy. She was arraigned and posted bond Tuesday morning.

On Wednesday, Duquesne announced she had been suspended for multiple violations of the student code.

The shootings took place shortly after the dance ended, when according to Associated Press interviews with two players, several non-students apparently became upset when Jones began flirting with one of the players.

Attorney Giuseppe G.C. Rosselli, whose firm represents Holmes, said the shooting was "just a bad situation every way around."

"When it's all said and done, our client will be found not guilty," he said.

Duquesne President Charles J. Dougherty said he hoped the second arrest would put the university "on the road back to normalcy and back to the safety and security that we have known for years on our campus."

The team was encouraged that junior forward Sam Ashaulo, the most severely injured player, appeared to be gaining strength.

Ashaulo, 23, remained in critical condition withbullet and fragments of another in his head. He has squeezed teammates' hands during their frequent hospital visits, and he seemed to respond to their words of encouragement.

In Brief

Embattled referee takes year off after blowing call

WALNUT CREEK, Calif. — The instant replay official whose failure to review a bad call helped Oregon beat Oklahoma has been granted a leave of absence for the remainder of the football season by the Pac-10.

The league announced Wednesday that official Gordon Biese, who has already been suspended for a game by the Pac-10, requested a leave of absence.

Because Pac-10 replay officials work in crews, replay assistant Roger Judd also will not work any more games this season.

"Gordon Biese has had a distinguished 28-year career as a Pac-10 official and, with the exception of Saturday, had done a fine job as a replay official," Pac-10 commissioner Tom Hansen said. "He is an individual with impeccable officiating credentials and unquestioned integrity. We look forward to his return next season."

Red Raiders coache questions players' hearts, desire

DÉS MOINES — Texas Tech coach Mike Leach ripped into his players following a 12-3 loss at TCU last week, blaming the defeat on what he said were "prima donas" who have gone "soft."

Texas Tech, which scored at least 50 points five times last season, didn't score a touchdown for the first time in six years. What has Leach most concerned is that many of the players who he said didn't put forth the effort needed against the Horned Frogs were veterans.

Leach said he has a handful of players who think they're better than they are. He didn't single anyone out but changes could be imminent.

The Red Raiders, who dropped out of the Top 25, host Southeast Louisiana Saturday.

"We bad guys sauntering around like prima donnas, and the guys that were the worst were our older guys," Leach said.

Hoosiers hope to improve outdated athletic facilities

BLOOMINGTON, Ind. — Indiana University trustees will vote this week on a proposed $55 million project aimed at making the Hoosiers' athletic facilities competitive with others in the Big Ten Conference.

Athletic director Rick Greenspan presented plans and architectural renderings Wednesday to the university's Board of Trustees. The board will vote on the project Friday.

If approved, the project would include a new basketball practice facility, improvements to IU's football stadium and a new baseball and softball complex.

IU president Adam Herbert said such improvements are long overdue.

"Our athletic facilities are probably the worst in the Big Ten," he said. "It's simply my view that we must correct this fundamental deficiency."
Injuries plague Louisville stars

Cardinals will struggle to stay unbeaten with back-up backfield

Associated Press

LOUISVILLE — In 1994, Nebraska was undefeated and No. 2 in the country when the Cornhuskers’ national title hopes took a potentially devastating blow. Star receiver Tommie Frazier was sidelined with a blood clot in his leg halfway through the season. The Huskers didn’t just survive without Frazier, they went on to win it all.

Now, Louisville, unbeaten and No. 8, is facing a similar challenge. The Cardinals have already lost star tailback Michael Bush for the year with a broken leg and fellow Heisman hopeful, quarterback Brian Brohm, for at least a month with a hand injury.

So far, Louisville’s been unfazed — at least on the field — by the injuries. When Bush went down early in the second half against Kentucky in the season opener, the Cardinals rolled along to a 59-28 victory. But with Bush’s backups was no problem.

Then came Miami, when Brohm went down early in the second half.

Hunter Cantwell replaced Brohm and Louisville posted its biggest win in years — 31-7.

But can the Cardinals keep it up?

“We need to just keep going,” Louisville coach Bobby Petrino told reporters this week. “I think the depth that we’ve been working at and the recruiting and you know, the ability to play a lot of playmakers in games last year and in the first two games this year helped us a lot. We’ve got guys that are very confident.”

Nebraska and coach Tom Osborne went four games into the season, when Frazier was hospitalized with a clot behind his right knee.

Clinton Childs, one of several talented running backs on that team, said the team’s confidence didn’t waver when Frazier went down.

“To be honest, we understood what type of team we had,” said Childs, who was a sophomore at Omaha North High School.

“We had really, really good team chemistry, it was something coach Osborne instilled in us.”

Brook Berringer stepped in for Frazier and Nebraska won the next two games by a combined 74-55.

Then Berringer got hurt, and the Huskers' offensive line that made anybody look good and a powerful offensive line that made anybody look good and a smothering defense.

Ultimately, the Cornhuskers were able to overcome the loss of their star — and his backup — because of their depth, a powerful offensive line that made anybody look good and a smothering defense.

Louisville has shown good depth.

Cantwell is no Brohm, but he’s got the full confidence of his coach. Petrino didn’t go conservative with Cantwell at the helm, and don’t expect him to anytime soon.
Thomas benched for marijuana use

Associated Press

GAINESVILLE, Fla. — Florida defensive tackle Marcus Thomas was suspended indefinitely Wednesday for a second violation of the school’s substance-abuse policy, leaving the fifth-ranked Gators without their top pass rusher.

Coach Urban Meyer said Thomas, a senior from Jacksonville who leads the team with three sacks, will miss at least Saturday’s game against Kentucky. "He is suspended," Meyer said. "The whole situation is under review. It’s under evaluation, and we’re just going to handle it as it’s appropriate. There’s no timetable. Nothing is set in stone."

Thomas spent part of Wednesday in meetings with school officials to appeal the suspension he received earlier this week for marijuana use, his mother said. Shelia Mote said her son tested positive twice for marijuana between the middle of July and the end of August. She believes both results are from the same drug use.

Mote said her son ingested marijuana at a party this summer. When he returned to campus in July, he failed a first drug test, which prompted school officials to suspend him for the season opener.

A second test, which Mote said came three to four weeks after the first, also came back positive. According to the school’s drug policy, Thomas could be suspended for 30 percent of the season.

School officials denied reports that Thomas already had been suspended five games.

Thomas has the right to appeal any suspension to athletics director Jeremy Foley. Athletes are allowed to present situations that might have influenced the test. Under the policy, Foley then makes a recommendation to the Substance Abuse Committee, which hands down the outcome regarding whether to change the condition of the punishment. "I just have to learn more about it," Meyer said.

Thomas is a three-year starter who has 138 career tackles and 13 sacks. Without him, the Gators will move defensive end Ray McDonald to tackle and insert sophomore Derrick Harvey into the starting lineup.

"It’s definitely a big player," linebacker Brandon Siler said.

NCAA Football
Football fever takes center stage tonight

PW and Pangborn gear up for 8 p.m. rematch at Riehle

By MATT HOPKE and JOHN TIERNEY
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Forget the “Feve.” All the Thursday night dancing will be on the gridiron tonight at Riehle West Field as Pangborn battles Pasquerilla West at 8 p.m. in a rematch of last year’s championship game.

The intensity for the replay of PW’s 13-0 championship victory heated up after both the Phonex and the defending champion Purple Weasels put up strong wins in their opening games.

Pasquerilla West put on a show last weekend, destroying the Bates of Breen-Phillips 20-0. The offensive explosion was due in large part to captains Mo Spring’s two touchdown receptions.

“We came out strong last week but we weren’t perfect,” Spring said. “We hope to continue to improve every week.”

Pangborn also posted a win in its season opener, beating Farley’s Finest 6-0. Most teams spend the first week working out the kinks, but the Phonex have a roster full of juniors and seniors that know about big game experience.

“We played pretty well last week, and we’ve been practicing a lot so we feel pretty good about the game against PW,” Pangborn captain Katie Riemersma said. “We’re returning most of our players from last year, so we’re pretty excited about the rematch.

A win tonight would put either team at the top of the Gold League with a 2-0 record. The added bonus for Pangborn would be some revenge for the shutout they suffered in the Stadium last season.

“I think we’re going to beat them,” Riemersma said. “We’re definitely good enough to beat them.”

Howard vs. Breen-Phillips

Howard and Breen-Phillips enter tonight’s 9 p.m. matchup at Riehle West Field on two opposite paths, with BP looking to rebound after a shutout loss Sunday and Howard looking to keep its momentum going after a shutout win.

Howard defeated Lewis 6-0 Sunday on a first-half touchdown pass from Sheena Keitchum to Megan Savage. While the Duck offense was stifled most of the game, the big-play capability it showed early on was enough. Howard held on to the lead and the victory thanks to dominating defensive play.

Meanwhile, BP lost 20-0 to defending Interhall champions Pasquerilla West. The BP offense looked good in spots and moved the ball efficiently, but was unable to make the big plays needed to score. The defense improved in the game’s waning moments, while the offense forced a turnover off an interception in the second half.

The Ducks plan to stick to their defensive game plan from Sunday, but hope that their offense will pick up more of the load. Offensively, Howard wants to get off to another fast start against BP.

“Getting the touchdown in the first half was huge, and we would like to do the same on Thursday,” Ducks captain Catherine Krug said.

However, Krug also emphasized Howard’s need to be more consistent defensively.

“The plan is not to be content with just one touchdown. We found out some things that worked offensively, and some that didn’t,” she said. “So we plan on building on that to create a more consistent attack.”

While on the surface, BP’s loss to PW appears potentially crippling, the fact that the Phonex played well in the second half of the defending champions and early favorites should be encouraging.

BP can still rebound to make the Gold League playoffs if it wins Thursday.

A win for Howard, meanwhile, will put the Ducks at 2-0 and headed toward a playoff spot.

McGlinn vs. Lewis

The McGlin Shamrocks will open their season against the Chicks of Lewis tonight at 7 p.m. on Riehle West Field.

Though the contest will be McGlin’s opener, captain Madeline Boyer remains confident.

“We’re not too worried that they have played a game and we haven’t,” Boyer said. “We just need to put into play everything we practiced.”

Lewis, 0-11, suffered a close loss to Howard in a game where one score was the difference. The 6-0 shutout only gives the Chicks more incentive to come out firing on all cylinders tonight, said captain Mia De La Rosa.

“We played OK in our first game. We just came out on the short end,” De La Rosa said.

“We tried our best to practice to fix the problems. Foremost among the Chicks’ troubles is putting points on the board. Despite generating a couple lengthy drives, Lewis finished its first game without a score — something the Shamrock defense loves to hear.

“We have a really good defense,” Boyer said. “From what I heard, Lewis didn’t score last week. Our goal is to make sure they don’t score again.”

One major issue Lewis and McGlin will try to sort out is what to do with a boatload of freshmen, as both captains are quick to admit that their teams are short on experience.

“It is hard to predict how our team will do this year because it’s a completely new squad,” Boyer said. “We have a lot of freshmen but they’re very enthusiastic.”

The same seems to be true for the Chicks.

“We just have to get our freshmen used to the pace of the game,” De La Rosa said. “We just have to make it in the top four to be in the playoffs. That’s our goal right now.”

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as we wanted to, but it was a great experience for me at my first tournament,” Fortner said. “I think I showed that I fit in at this level... at least a little.”

Filho, Santos-Ocampo and Willis travel to West Chicago, Ill., to compete in a ‘B’ team event next Monday and Tuesday at DePaul’s John Dallio Memorial Tournament.

“It's going to be nice to see how we fare in a tournament like this,” said Santos-Ocampo, of Naples, Fla., about his first official college event.

“It's a good chance for us to get back to competition,” said Filho, who hails from Brazil but has lived in the United States for the past four years. “It shouldn't be fun.”

Kubinski had nothing but praise for the freshmen, his

first-ever recruiting class at Notre Dame.

“It's a little hard to say after just a few weeks, but they've been outstanding in every way,” he said. “They've been working very hard.”

Kubinski noted that the freshmen are guaranteed to play in at least three events, adding that he expects some — in addition to Fortner — to eventually travel with the ‘A’ team.

“There's a potential for all of them to travel (as part of the top five),” he said. “In all likelihood, I expect two or three of them to travel before the season is over.”

Filho said that the possibility of cracking the top five has only caused the freshmen — and the rest of the team — to push each other harder.

“We know we have to practice hard,” Filho said. “Everyone has to earn his spot.”

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Irish senior captain Greg Dulby slides a goal past DePaul keeper Brian Visser in Notre Dame’s 3-0 victory Aug. 10 at Alumni Field.

at the exact midpoint of the regular season, the Irish are in danger of slipping from national championship contender to merely good to maybe even mediocre. If the Irish have aspirations to be an elite team again — they were ranked No. 2 two weeks ago — the shots have got to start finding the back of the net.

Technically, Notre Dame did find it once, on a Matt Beder header off of a corner kick in the 41st minute, but that was negated because of a pushing foul that happened away from the play. However, considering the offensive firepower the Irish have — Lapira and fellow forward Justin McGonigle have both been Big East offensive players of the week — they shouldn't have needed that goal to stand in order to ensure a victory.

The lack of production the Irish offense displayed again on Wednesday left Clark looking for answers.

“There are no easy solutions,” he said. “The guys have got to hold their confidence.”

The Irish, however, will need more than just confidence to turn things around.

While, in all fairness, it can be tough to find the answer to an offense that is barely problematic, Notre Dame needs to find a way to finish its chances if it plans on moving out of sixth place in the Big East Division, a group in which it was picked to finish second.

Ultimately, in an environment where everything boils down to the win-loss columns, Clark has accurately addressed where his team stands.

“They're potentially a good team,” he said. “But right now that's just potential.”

The problem remains how to unlock that potential, and in doing so, how to score.

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defense for the team's continued success.

"Our attack has been more balanced this year. We have quite a few players that can put the ball down," Schroeder-Biek said. "And our back court has done a nice job keeping the ball alive for the offense."

Setter Amanda Davis was one of those players, making several key plays to keep the Belles afloat.

Senior outside hitter Kristen Playko posted her 11th double-double of the year with a 15-kill, 22-dig performance. Freshman outside hitter Lorna Szpyrczak also had a double-double, her seventh of the season, with 13 kills and 10 digs. Sophomore middle back Cathy Kurczak added 11 kills while senior libero Anne Canack tallied 21 digs.

The Belles host Calvin College in another conference matchup Friday at 6:30 p.m.

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has the most possessions or the most shots that wins, it's the team that takes their chances."

Notre Dame almost found itself on the wrong side of the scoreboard in the first overtime despite controlling the pace. Northern Illinois senior Justin McGrane put a low cross in from the end-line where teammate Marcus McLarty's touch took him past his defender. Only a reflex save from Irish senior goalkeeper Chris Cahill kept McGrane's shot from giving the Huskies the victory.

"Cahill made a very good save [on McGrane]," Clark said. "If that shot goes in, we lose a game that we dominated, and that's happened to us a couple of times already this season."

Notre Dame had its share of chances in overtime as well. Its best opportunity came in the 105th minute when Lapira threaded a through ball toward the empty net, but Huskies defender Josh Karsien came flying back to clear the ball off the line.

Although the Irish created chances in regulation time, they were hindered by Northern Illinois' 4-5-1 formations, which allowed the Huskies to put most of their players back on defense and counter-attack.

"[Their formation] forced us to keep working the ball and to be patient," Clark said. "You ended up with 21 players in one half of the field. There wasn't a lot of space."

With the tie, Notre Dame's record stands at 4-3-2 for the season and 2-2-0 in Big East play. The Irish will next take on Pittsburgh at home on Saturday night, and despite his team's goose egg on Wednesday, Clark is optimistic that the scoring will come.

"We're making chances, but we're not finishing them off," Clark said. "We're very much at the forming stages right now."

Notes:
• Wednesday night was the fourth consecutive start for senior goalkeeper Chris Cahill. After the game, Clark confirmed that Cahill earned the starting job for now.

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54. Residential school

55. Triage factor

56. With 28-Down, European Union member

57. Transmitter

58. Colorful handful

59. Rug

60. Big do, slangily

61. Feeling of remorse, say

62. Girl in the comic strip

63. Clear

64. Scenic drive

65. Defensive footballer

66. Where lines may cross

DOWN

1. Popular BBC America show, for short

2. Smallest

3. Two-player activity

4. Executive airport lander

5. Colorful handful

6. Misfortunes

7. Long

8. What the king of diamonds needs

9. Clumsy gas station attendant?

10. Girl in the comic strip

11. Some seaweed

12. Playing location of ABC's "Lost"

13. Alternate to a sandwich

14. Prominent

15. "Ready to go?"

16. Lost value

17. Where "Xingyao" is the national anthem

18. Pop star?


20. Women's tour group

21. Musician among Time's 2005 Persons of the Year

22. See 95-Down

23. River through Kazakhstan

24. Evolutionist's discovery

25. Avant-garde

26. Dope

27. Philosopher who gave his name to an era

28. Double-checked

29. Zealot's group

30. Sound from a sex kitten?

31. One-upped

32. Green on the blue?

33. Prompting a "Ymch", perhaps

34. Life

35. 60-20-20

36. Ready to go?

37. Opportunity creator

38. Marilyn of the 5th Dimension

39. Feeling of remorse, say

40. Big do, slangily

41. Fully stretched

42. Princess

43. Poorest

44. Larry British

45. Two-player activity

46. Executive airport lander

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50. Executive airport lander

51. Common model railroad sconce

52. Ridicule

53. "Shopping.com's parent company"

54. "Carthorin's cry"

55. Rather

56. Busybody

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

1. Some quilt makers

2. Camp tourists

3. Reaction to an ovation

4. Boat's Mistletoe, e.g.

5. Host of the Overlooked Film Festival

6. Pig

7. Apartment burglar?

8. She'll's cry

9. Pristine

10. Colorful handful

11. "Boy Meets World" boy

12. Come clean

13. Sweet dessert with nuts?

14. Steady, perhaps

15. Form animal with a stage halt?

16. Concern of a political adviser

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MEN'S SOCCER

Empty net syndrome

Irish play to scoreless draw after two overtimes

By GREG ARBOGAST
Sports Writer

Junior Joseph Lapira was inches away from giving the Irish a hard-fought victory over Northern Illinois Wednesday night at Alumni Field. But the Huskies' most important defender was their crossbar, which stopped Lapira's shot and preserved the double-overtime, 0-0 tie.

In the 86th minute, Lapira received a pass outside the 18-yard line, pushed the ball past his defender and unleashed a shot that had the keeper beat. The ball ricocheted off the iron, as the Irish missed their best chance to wrestle away victory.

Notre Dame's lack of scoring was certainly not because of a lack of opportunities. Notre Dame outshot Northern Illinois 24 to 7, (15) shots on goal in the second half and two overtimes. The Irish also held the edge in corner kicks by a 10-to-3 margin.

"We had some very good chances that we didn't take," Irish coach Bobby Clark said. "If you watch soccer, it's not always the team that served the double-overtime, but it's not always the team that..."

Irish senior goalkeeper Chris Cahill grabs a save to preserve the 0-0 draw against Northern Illinois Wednesday. Cahill made two saves in the tie.

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SMC VOLLEYBALL

Belles ring up Kalamazoo

Playko, Davis sweep through Hornets 3-0

By SAMANTHA LEONARD
Sports Writer

The Belles first match at home in over a week was worth the wait, as Saint Mary's swept Kalamazoo in three games Wednesday.

Kalamazoo showed a lot of energy, but did not have enough steam to keep up with the Belles.

Saint Mary's dominated its first game, winning 30-16. The second game was more of a challenge as the Belles sweating a 38-36 victory over the Hornets before winning the finale 30-18 to complete the sweep.

With the conference win, Saint Mary's improved its record to 10-2 overall and 3-1 in the MIAA.

Belles coach Julie Schroeder-Biek credits her offensive improvement and "scrappy" defense today.

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