Donnelly tries to drum up campus support

Effect change, ND grad tells students

By AMANDA MICHAELS
Assistant News Editor

With the days until the national election ticking down and races across the country heating up, double Donnelly Joe Donnelly, the democratic candidate for Congress in Indiana's Second Congressional District, visited campus Sunday night to speak about his goals for the country and to encourage political activism among students at Notre Dame.

Donnelly, who graduated from the University in 1977 and from the Notre Dame Law School in 1981, is currently engaged in what he called a "razor-close race" with Republican incumbent Chris Chocola, to whom he lost in the 2004 election 55 percent to 45 percent. The race has been singled out for national attention by The New York Times, which used an attack ad employed by Chocola as an example of the trend in negative political campaigning.

Sponsored by the Notre Dame College Democrats (NDCD), the event drew almost 50 interested audience members to LaFortune — the majority of whom were students involved with the NDCD. Helen Adesoun, co-president of the Congressional candidate Joe Donnelly speaks to students on the importance of political activism and his own political goals.

Dorm changes uphold tradition

Goal is to create more space for students, not luxury housing

By JOE PIAULLI
Assistant News Editor

Students at DePaul University in Chicago might just be laughing at Notre Dame right now.

No, they didn’t beat any Irish sports teams or upset Notre Dame students academically. But they might be laughing at Notre Dame because of what they have that Notre Dame students don’t — in-room bathrooms and kitchens. Or maybe because of their tanning and hair salons. Or perhaps it’s just their satellite television service, their designer furniture and available personal maid and grocery services.

Lacking such luxuries, Notre Dame’s dorms can start to look like Walkmen among iPods. But for now, the University is tuning out the laughs — Notre Dame likes its older dorms, and the only changes planned for soon-to-be-constructed residence halls are of the spatial variety, said Jeff Shoup, the director of Residence Life and Housing (ORLH). ORL recently established a committee to discuss the future of residential life and decide what kind of campus living environment is best for Notre Dame.

"The first thing that draws a lot of places like climbing walls and hot tubs ... but I think everyone on the committee believed that we need to start to look like Walkmen among iPods."

Racers compete to fight cancer

By MAGGIE DUNN
News Writer

Almost 200 runners and walkers sweated through the 13th annual Saint Mary’s Oktoberfest 5K run/3K walk to help raise money for breast cancer Sunday afternoon.

The event’s 186 participants — ranging from Saint Mary’s cross-country runners to breast cancer survivors themselves — raised approximately $3,650 for the cause. While everyone walked or ran to raise money and awareness, many also had personal reasons.

"My boyfriend’s mom was diagnosed with breast cancer when we were both in high school, so I decided to take part in this event."

 Brazil week promotes cultural awareness

Organizers to screen video, stage concerts

By COLLEEN SHULA
News Writer

A film viewing, a social hour and concerts headline Notre Dame’s third annual Brazil week, an event beginning today that’s meant to celebrate Brazilian culture and encourage a greater appreciation of it.

"It’s a very lively culture that draws a lot of people," said Juliana de Sousa Solis, a member of the Kellogg Institute for International Studies, who helped plan and organize the week.

Events run from Monday through Thursday and begin with a showing of the movie "Favela Rising" on Monday night. The film, which has won 24 national and international film festival awards, documents social revolution ary Anderson Sá as he rallies against the violent oppression in his Rio de Janeiro community. Irene Rizzini, visiting chair in the Study of Brazilian Culture, will introduce the film and will lead a discussion after the screening.

Fans bear weather in victory

Early scoring, unique plays excite crowd

By PATRICK CASSIDY
News Writer

A week after its euphoric come-from-behind victory in East Lansing, the Irish football team returned home Saturday to face the Purdue Boilermakers in Notre Dame Stadium — and over 80,000 people were on hand to watch.

Fans like freshman Aileen Villarreal enjoyed the contest, despite the less heralded competition this weekend.

"This was a very important game for the students and fans," Villarreal said. "I think the fans came out panned because of the heart of the players showed last week."

The team gave the fans what they wanted right from the beginning, scoring a touchdown on their initial drive for the first time all season. The play calling for the Irish included some trickery as freshman receiver George West scored on an 11-yard reverse play. This decision would just be a precursor to an even more pivotal trick play by head coach Charlie Weis, a Jeff Samardzija fake field goal from five yards out.

"I love Weis' aggressive play calling," freshman Patrick Duffy said. "It has given confidence in his plays and whether it is a fourth down attempt or a fake special play, he has the guts to do it."
Woe is the castigated smoker

Perhaps it is just my own personal background, but I had never been exposed to true prejudice in my life, at least not until I came here to Notre Dame. Recently, though, I have become aware of a minority group here that suffers great persecution at the hands of others.

I am a smoker.

At a school that is constantly trying to become more diverse, it always amazes me that so many people can be so closed-minded about something. As a smoker, it is rare to go more than a day without at least one person telling me how awful my habit is and list a plethora of reasons for me to quit.

I find it hard to believe that there are many people in the country today who are unaware of the risks and consequences of smoking. After all, it is hard to ignore the flood of anti-smoking propaganda in every form of media. Every smoker knows the inherent risks, and has made a choice to keep smoking in spite of them. So when a random passerby feels it necessary to criticize my rights are slowly being taken away from me by the government.

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Media intake scrutinized

By AMY BARKER

The endless stream of media from a variety of sources can actually pose a problem to politics in America, Dr. John Pauley said in a talk at Saint Mary's Stapleton Lounge last week.

Chair of the Saint Mary's communication department Dr. John Pauley spoke on the complications media poses for politics in America last week at Saint Mary's Stapleton Lounge.

Entitled "What does it matter what media we consume?", the speech began with a presentation of American media and its coverage of American politics. Pauley, who chairs the communication department at Saint Mary's, compared the media of 50 years ago — when there were three major networks mainstreaming the news — to today's innumerable resources of information, which Pauley actually called a serious problem. He pointed out that anyone with an opinion can potentially publish it on the internet.

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John Pauley chair of communication

"Howard Stern, Oprah, etc. are not reporters or journalists," Pauley said. According to Pauley, in the trend of reinforcing and reassuring, the prospect of collaborating with an opposing opinion in order to find common ground is lost. The broader the spectrum of people a person is talking to or collaborating with, the sounder their reasoning must be in order to best reach out to the audience.

"In my opinion, the net result of selected exposure pervading our environment is disheartening," he said. Pauley moved into the second point of his speech by defining politics as "a system for distributing scarce resources to a collective for programmatic reasons," and questioned the media's presentation of politics. For example, 33 percent of citizens switched their initial presidential vote after listening to the Howard Stern show.

"Howard Stern, Oprah, etc. are not reporters or journalists," Pauley said. "How can they be a substantial source of political information?"

He encouraged students to seek and decipher all the available information and to avoid the cultural fixation and obsessions that are not a part of his political definition. Three techniques for preventing the problem in media consumption are listening, reasoning and dialogue, Pauley said, and students should focus on "conscious consuming of political information and in fact, all information."

Saint Mary's senior Rachel Sokolowski recognizes a problem in media consumption.

"A lot of youth are influenced by the wrong outlets," she said, "and if they can't decipher between thought and opinion then we are at a loss."

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Fund created to draw pros

Special to The Observer

University of Notre Dame board chairman emeritus Donald Keough, his wife, Marilyn, and their children have donated a gift to the University for an endowed position in support of chaired faculty positions for scholars who are both world-class leaders in their field of expertise and demonstrate a commitment to the Catholic mission of Notre Dame.

To be called Keough-Hesburgh Professorships, in honor of Don Keough and Rev. Theodore M. Hesburgh, C.S.C., president emeritus of Notre Dame, the initiative will create two endowed professorships and fund the University's efforts to identify and attract younger faculty and graduate students who would work with a Keough-Hesburgh professor.

"The generosity of Don Keough and his family has made an indelible difference in the great gains of Notre Dame in recent decades, and we are deeply grateful," said Rev. John I. Jenkins, C.S.C., the University's president. "We asked that the faculty chairs be named after Mr. Keough, a great lay leader at the University, and Father Hesburgh, a great Holy Cross priest president. These two individuals worked together on behalf of Notre Dame, and the name of these chairs expresses the fruitful collaboration between lay leaders and Holy Cross religious that has so enhanced the University."

The goal of the Keough-Hesburgh Professorships is to attract outstanding faculty members to Notre Dame who may be early or late in their careers, visiting or tenured, and traditional academic scholars or individuals whose intellectual pre-eminence has been demonstrated in other settings.

Thomas G. Burish, Notre Dame's provost, explained: "The two essential characteristics of the two appointed Keough-Hesburgh Professors are that they truly are among the best in their area of expertise, bringing both uncommon talent and broad visibility to the University, and that they will enhance Notre Dame's Catholic character and mission. It is our preference that such individuals be Catholic themselves, able to give witness to faith in their lives as well as provide intellectual leadership in Notre Dame's Catholic mission to the University community."

Part of the gift from the Keoughs has been used to create an office under the leadership of Rev. Robert Sullivan, associate professor of history and director of the Erasmus Institute, to identify Catholic scholars who are academically suitable candidates for positions at Notre Dame.

Keough is chairman of the board of Allen & Company Inc., a New York investment banking firm. He retired as president and chief operating officer of The Coca-Cola Company in 1993 and continues as a member of the Board of Directors. A member of the University's Board of Trustees since 1978, he served as board chair from 1986 to 1991.

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Shape the lives of others...and your own
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ND College, introduced Donnelly, emphasizing his Notre Dame connections.

"(Joe Donnelly) is a double Doner, his wife was part of the University's inaugural female class, his son and daughter are both students," said Mullaney. "If you're really an example of an incredible Notre Dame alum, Adeson said. Donnelly, who was late coming from a parade in the district, spoke first about the flag, paige and ideology, then opened up the floor for questions. His emphasis throughout was change, both the kind he said he plans on effecting if elected to Congress and the kind he envisions for students to envision post-ND graduation. This Indiana district as the starting point for change in the country as a whole.

"This district is the microcosm of America," Donnelly said. "We want to take our country back in the hands of working families, in the hands of all Americans [...] and change the world right here in Lansing, but that storm was treacherous weath.

"I think we can stabilize the country, but we have to work the next four years' worth of people shooting for to get this done, which we don't seem to have right now.

"In closing, Donnelly again asked for volunteer help, appealing to the audience as Notre Dame students.

"You say you want to be part of the Fighting Irish spirit and team — well, this is bigger than a football game game you've got something bigger than the game against Stanford next day [...]. This is your country, guys," he said.

"Make it so that when you finish, you can say one of the things you accomplished is that you got your country back."

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The key player in the Irish view of the game is junior halfback Darius Walker, whose 219 all-purpose yards sparked the offense and relieved the intense pressure placed on the Michigan defense.

"Darius Walker finally stepped it up," said Benvenega. "If he can play like he did the rest of the season, Notre Dame will be tough to beat.

Walker's glittering performance doesn't mean the enemy is gold, though — the defense gave up almost 500 yards of total offense. The steady "kill, kill" student section defensive chant was unleashed when Purdue quarterback Curtis Painter threw for 305 yards and three touchdowns on an 88-yard touchdown pass and catch to Selwyn Lyman.

"The defense needs to get a lot tougher," freshman Dan Mullaney said. "Hopefully our upcoming games will allow us to work out certain kinks before the end of our schedule.

The weather decided to reflect the dismal defensive performance, pouring on the crowd through most of the game. Bitter-faced Irish fans last week in East Lansing, but that storm was more severe said Kathleen Donahue, who attended both the Purdue and Michigan state games.

"Compared to the treacherous weather in East Lansing, this was only a light shower," she said. "It did however help to rile up the crowd even more.

One of the brilliant fans now await the Stanford Cardinal contest and the rest of the season with measured optimism. Freshman Brett Berceau is looking forward to Brady Quinn, who is back in the Heisman race, leading us to an unfinished, he said.

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Dozens feared dead in dam collapse
KANO, Nigeria — Families were swept away in a torrent of water and up to 40 people were feared dead after a dam collapsed in northern Nigeria, a state-owned radio station said Sunday.

The dam — about one mile from the center of Zamfara State’s capital city of Gusau — collapsed Saturday after heavy rains. But survivors were trying to determine whether to blame the downpour or structural neglect.

Ibrahim Brini Magara, a spokesman for the Zamfara state governor, said it was too early to determine why the dam did not hold up, but a construction firm had been asked to study the damage for clues.

Radio Nigeria said up to 40 people might be dead and area resident Johnson Unoka, 39, said he counted seven bodies floating in the water. Police confirmed three deaths.

Embattled Irish F.M. repays loans

"As Speaker of Dáil Éireann Bertie Ahern has repaid business friends more than $100,000 in hopes of deflecting a scandal that is threatening to force him from power," officials said Sunday.

Two government officials, who spoke to The Associated Press on condition of anonymity, confirmed newspaper reports that Ahern mailed checks Friday to four friends who had given him about $65,000 in late 1993 and early 1994. Ahern did not disclose having received the money until The Irish Times newspaper on Sept. 21 reported details of the payments.

Ahern, who has led Ireland since 1997, characterized the money as an interest-bearing loan — but conceded he had not repaid any of it to his long-time friends and business acquaintances.

NATIONAL NEWS

Congress reacts to e-mail scandal
WASHINGTON — House Speaker Dennis Hastert was preparing Sunday that the Justice Department conduct an investigation into former Rep. Mark Foley’s electronic messages to teenage boys — a lurid scandal that has put House Republicans in political peril.

A Democrat who requested Foley request that the Department of Justice conduct an investigation of his Foley’s conduct with current and former House pages to determine any of his actions violated federal law," Hastert, R-Ill., wrote in a letter to Attorney General Alberto Gonzales.

White House counselor Dan Bartlett called the allegations "a really big story" that had recently considered Resignation..." Gonzales, "No,"


Card on Friday did not dispute that he had talked about a Rumsfeld resignation with the president but said it was his job to discuss a wide range of possible replacements, including his own.

Rumsfeld on Sunday also denied any rift with President Bush. Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice and other administration officials said the ongoing debate doesn’t detract from his work with other international leaders.

He said he had spoken to Bush about his book’s contents were made public. Bush "called me personally," said Rumsfeld, to voice support.

Rumsfeld has previously acknowledged that he twice offered Bush his resignation, but it was not accepted.

The defense secretary and Bush faced growing criticism for their handling of the Iraq war as violence there has escalated, U.S. casualties have mounted and public support for the conflict has declined.

Fueling the debate in recent days was the release of a classified intelligence report that concluded that the Iraq war has helped fuel a new generation of terrorists and increased the overall terrorist threat.

Just back from a five-day trip to the Balkan region, which included a NATO defense ministers meeting in Slovenia, Rumsfeld arrived in Nicaragua Sunday afternoon for two days of meetings with defense officials from more than 30 South and Central American countries.

The talks here — in one of the Western Hemisphere’s poorest countries — are expected to focus on counter-narcotics and counterterrorism efforts, peacekeeping missions, humanitarian and disaster relief and the removal of land mines from the region.

The meeting of the region’s defense ministers follows a tense period in which Venezuela’s leaders have been asking the U.S. and President Bush during a U.N. meeting in New York City, Venezuelan President Hugo Chavez called Bush "the devil" and slammed U.S. leaders for trying to block his country from taking a seat on the U.N. Security Council.

Rumsfeld said Sunday he did not expect to meet privately with the Venezuelan defense minister, although he will see him during the regular meeting.

U.S. officials have long considered Chavez a destabilizing force in Latin America. And they have suggested that Venezuela would make the U.N. Security Council unworkable if the nation were to win its bid against U.S.-backed Guatemala for a rotating council seat.

LOCAL NEWS

Schools punish kids for online posts

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AFGHANISTAN

U.S. held detainees indefinitely

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were better off sticking to tradi-
tional dorm life, Shoup said. Though students are not likely to see lavish living changes, they will see improvements in the dorms — especially when new resi-
dence halls are built, which Shoup said they hope will be in the next five or ten years. According to Shoup, one of the biggest improvements will address the issue of tight quarters. Based on recent surveys of room size, dorms like Dillon, Alumni, Sorin, Zahm, Cavanaugh, Farley and Breen Phillips are most likely to see substantial changes.

"We don't get new residence halls ... the goal is actually to take down some of the occup-
ancies," Shoup said. "Those are the kinds of things that the committee talked about as a group rather than some of the kind of amenities I'm reading about ... which to me don't seem like traditional Notre Dame things.

Although one of the goals is creating more space for dorm living, maintaining and repairing dorms continues to be a high priority. In recent years, Dillon, Alumni and Farley have seen serious repairs. According to Shoup, OHLJ is always look-
ing at what repairs and changes are necessary. He's heard the rumors about Morrissey being considered one of the worst dorms in America, but is confident that Notre Dame is working for-
ward.

"A lot of people are coming into college who have never shared a room, and we put them into kind of a tight space," he said. "It's some-
thing that we're aware of and hope to fix in the next few years.

Shoup said the number of students moving off campus has been consistent in the past few years, but he believes the benefits of the new dorms may lead to more students staying on campus.

"Right now we're just trying to make the residence halls more livable," he said. "If that means more people stay on then that's great, if more people move off then that would be their choice.

Architecturally, Shoup said the new buildings will be designed with a gothic style — in the model of Zahm or Alumni.

"I don't know that there's going to be significant ameni-
ties or luxuries in new build-
ings — I think our goal would be that there would be lots of different room sizes," he said.

A variety of room sizes would allow upperclassmen to obtain better rooms, per-
haps even some with bath-
rooms, Shoup said.

The system of progressing to bigger rooms is not unknown at Notre Dame — in fact, it is somewhat similar to the system for football tickets in which older students sit closer to midfield — but Shoup said he hopes the sys-
tem becomes more pro-
uous.

Though new dorms may seem to be on a higher level in terms of standards of liv-
ing, Shoup said the pricing system would not change. Right now there are only two possible rates, the differ-
ence being between singles and other occupancies. Shoup said he is still sur-
prised to find that most incoming students seem to want to live in older dorms.

"It's still one of those things that ... if we let students pick — they're still saying Sorin, Alumni, Dillon, Morrissey," he said. "Every once in a while somebody will say 'well I have bad allergies, I really would prefer air condition-
ing.'" Sophomore Michael Lammie said he understands why students feel this way. "The dorms have so much tradition — they're sources of pride," he said. "Obviously it would be nice to have all those luxuries, but Notre Dame doesn't really need all that.

"I'd be worried that the dorms would lose their char-
acters and just become glorified hotels. I don't bring back to my friends about how fancy my dorm is, but I have plenty to say about our sports and academics that more than make up for it," he said.

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after the showing.

On Tuesday there will be a Brazilian social hour called "Bate-Papo" at the Hesburgh Center. It will include music by the Brazilian choir ContraCantos and Brazilian band Arabindo. The social hour will also have Brazilian appe-
lizers and maracuja, a Brazilian pas-
sion fruit juice.

Contracantos and Arabindo will perform again on Thu-
sday evening at Washington Hall. The two groups will join together to play a variety of Brazilian music, including jazz and beach dance. The choir and band will also perform during the week at two South Bend schools, Coquillard Elementary and John Adams High. Kelly Roberts, the publications and communications manager of the Kellogg Institute, said Brazil Week is more than just a campus event.

"We are hoping to bring a few exciting bits of Brazil to South Bend," Roberts said.

De Sousa Solis, who is half Brazilian, also believes it is important to extend the event to the communi-
ty.

"One of the big goals is to give not only Notre Dame, but also the Midwest, the opportunity to experience the best of Brazilian culture," she said. "I think it's an important culture to be exposed to. It has such an eclectic back-
ground."

One of the sponsors of Brazil Week is the Program in Portuguese and Brazilian studies. Established five years ago, the Program offers courses in Portuguese language and Brazilian culture. The Kellogg Institute has organized sum-
mer internships in Brazil for Notre Dame students as part of the program.

The University also offers study abroad programs in Rio de Janeiro and Sao Paulo.

Funding for the week's events originated in 2000 when the Kellogg Institute formed a partnership with the Brazilian Ministry of Culture at Notre Dame. The first Brazil Week was held in the spring of 2005 in conjunction with the partnership.

Other sponsors of Brazil Week include the Kellogg Institute for International Studies, the Department of Romance Languages and Literatures, International Student Services and Activities, the Department of Film, Television, and Theatre and the Institute for Latino Studies.

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**In Brief**

Lilly debates dropping diabetes drug

NEW YORK — Eli Lilly and Co. said Friday it is uncertain whether it will conduct a new, year-long clinical trial on an experimental drug for diabetes-related blindness requested by the FDA to approve the medicine.

Lilly said it is "disappointed" with the FDA's request and is weighing whether to conduct a new three-year clinical trial for Arxxant, which many had seen as the company's next block­buster drug. If approved, it would be the first oral treatment for diabetic retinopathy, a leading cause of blindness in people under the age of 65.

The Indianapolis-based drugmaker said the additional research could take up to five years to complete, including the time needed to enroll patients and collect the data.

"We are certainly disappointed with this communication from the FDA," Lilly's president and chief operating officer, John C. Lechleider, said in a statement.

Deutsche bank analyst Barbara Ryan predicted Lilly would drop development of Arxxant because the company "is not yet certain it is going to get approved" by the FDA.

**Companies struggle with pension rules**

NEW YORK — Now that corporate America's pension promises will be thrust into the spotlight by new regulations, investors should watch for accounting tricks companies may use to reduce their benefit obligations.

New rules from U.S. Financial Accounting Standards Board will force companies to report the status of their pensions and other post-employment employee benefits — as an asset or, for most, a liability unless they are underfunded — on their balance sheets rather than have them buried in a footnote to the financial statements.

That means huge liabilities could suddenly drop like a bomb onto balance sheets, putting any pension promises will be brought out in the open one way or another.

**In Focus**

Roger Ailes, chairman and chief executive officer of the Fox News Channel, speaks during the Summer Television Critics Association Press Tour in Pasadena, Calif., on July 24.

**Fox News losing market share**

Network faces challenges from ratings, Democrats as 10th anniversary approaches

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Fox News Channel will mark its 10th anniversary this week in an unusual position: knocked back on its heels.

The network is in the midst of its first-ever ratings slump. Cable news' most staid lineup is being jumbled.

And the blow-up over President Clinton's interview with Chris Wallace suggests that Democrats are attacking Fox because they perceive the same vulnerability in the network that Fox and the Bush administration.

Maybe some of this was on Fox News chief Roger Ailes' mind one day last week when he rode the elevator to the 22nd floor of News Corp.'s office tower for an 8 a.m. stroll through the network's ad sales department.

"Mr. Alles? What are you doing up here, someone wondered aloud.

"Taking attendance," the hard-charging motivator explained.

Message delivered.

Ailes, who is fond of lashes, had caused a stir by dismissing an interview with Bill Clinton, using that as an excuse to stop doing those nightly newscasts.

"It's a cover story," Ailes told The Associated Press before I went on and I kept nodding off during the interview. Their success clearly made Fox start, put more than double its rivals in the cable industry and profoundly changed television news since its signal turned on July 7, 1996.

Ailes can still remember a reporter's laughter during the news conference to introduce the network. He had the last laugh: Fox News beat by a year his plan for overtaking CNN and grew to more than double its rivals in viewership. It made stars of Bill O'Reilly and Sean Hannity and put "fair and honest" into news history textbooks.

"I watched CNN for a week before we went on and I kept trying to wake myself up," Ailes told The Associated Press. "I kept nodding off and I realized they are basically are being watched and they looked like a network that has never had any competition."

Ailes, a former Republican political operative, said simply presenting different ideas and viewpoints is a key to Fox News' success.

"I've had many people say to me we have forced people to think differently in their own newsrooms," Ailes said. "Fox's critics consider "fair and balanced" camouflage for an agenda. Whatever the truth, news-watching became increasingly partisan: more Democrats watched CNN, more Republicans watched Fox, according to a Pew Research Center for the People in the Press.

During its peak, it appeared to overexaggerate Fox's influence, former CBS News President Andrew Heyward suggested industry sensitivity to Fox's popularity, coupled with shock after the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, combined to dampen aggressive rhetoric in questioning the government's assumptions leading up to the Iraq war.

Ailes dismissed theory with an epithet.

Less attention has been paid to the look of Fox News. During its peak, it appeared more colorful, more graphically and more urgent. It made CNN look stodgy.

But the years of explosive growth have ended at Fox. Viewership over the first eight months of the year was down 5 percent compared to 2005, with a steeper 13 percent decline in prime-time, according to Nielsen Media Research. For 12 straight months, Fox's prime-time audience has been smaller than the year before.

**Third quarter ends with stock slide**

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Wall Street ended a slight advance on Monday, the Dow Jones industrial average pulled back further from record-high levels. The major indexes closed out the week, month and quarter with gains.

The day's economic news was gloomy and money managers made few moves as the quarter ended.

"This is possibly a short-term top," said Whitney Tower, executive vice president and chief strategist for Schwab's CyberTrader, said of the Dow's briefly surpassing its closing record of 11,272.98 on Thursday.

"The Dow has been flirtng with an all-time high; the market may be due for a little rest as we enter October."
Mobsters suspected of hampering anti-terrorism efforts

FBI concerned financial opportunities may inspire collaboration between organized crime and al-Qaida leaders

WASHINGTON — The FBI's top counterterrorist official harbors lots of concerns: weapons of mass destruction, undetected homegrown terrorists and the possibility that old-fashioned mobsters will team up with al-Qaida.

"If the mob has explosives and a terrorist wants them and they have the money, they could become instant friends," he said. Pat D'Amuro, a retired senior FBI official and now chief executive of Giuliani Security, said a Mafia boss once acknowledged that the mob would help terrorists.

"I am aware of a high-level Mafia figure, who was cooperating with authorities, being asked if the Mafia would assist terrorists in smuggling people into Europe through Italy," D'Amuro said. "He said, 'The Mafia will help who ever can pay.'"

Certain leafy greens deemed to be safe for consumption

Farmers begin to assess damage to business, return to harvesting in wake of national E. Coli bacteria breakout

WASHINGTON — The government gave a reprieve to farmers in California who are just waiting to see if they'll have orders, Kranz said.

Growers are trying to salvage what they can of their crops, but many say a loss of public confidence is the biggest threat to the industry. Before the E. coli outbreak, health-conscious Americans had driven up demand for spinach in salads and other healthy meals.

FEMA trailers finally cleared for use

Units could be sold or donated to various groups

WASHINGTON — Nearly 10,000 emergency housing trailers that were intended to be sent to the Gulf Coast to help Hurricane Katrina victims have been freed up for other uses.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency parked the trailers at Hope Municipal Airport in the months following the hurricane. The agency came under criticism when the trailers sat empty.

FEMA officials said that regulations against placing the homes in flood plains prevented their use on the Gulf Coast.

On Friday, Congress approved a homeland security spending bill that about E. coli in fresh spinach, growers said they reexamined the safety of their operations, anguish over the suffering of the 187 people sickened and one who died, and weathered significant losses as they watched crops go to waste.

"Everybody's just trying to regroup," said Teresa Thorne, with industry group Alliance for Food and Drug Education. It's too early to tell how hard the industry was hit, but agribusiness experts said unprecendented economic damage was likely.

In California, where three-quarters of all domestically grown spinach is harvested, farmers could end up to $74 million in losses, according to growers working with Western Growers, which represents produce farmers in California and Arizona.

Last year's spinach crop in California was valued at $258.3 million, and each acre of lost planting was worth $3,500 to the farmer.

The government gave a partial endorsement to the industry on Friday, with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration announcing that fresh spinach is "now as safe as it was before this event." But the warning remains in place for spinach recalled by Natural Selection Foods LLC of San Juan Bautista, which covered 34 brands in packages with "Best if Used By" dates between Aug. 17 and Oct. 1.

Growers on California's Central Coast have another six to eight weeks to harvest before shutting down for the winter, when spinach production moves to the southern valleys and Arizona.

Because they stagger plantings to allow for an uninterrupted supply, many growers still have young greens maturing.

When California Farm Bureau officials visited the Salinas Valley on Friday to meet with farmers, they found fields of overgrown spinach, too big for the processors who had ordered them under contract, farm bureau spokesman parties said.

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**Research finds flaw in infant death stats**

**Danger of premature births emphasized**

Associated Press

ATLANTA - Scientists now say a third of infant deaths are due to premature births — much a larger percentage than previously thought.

In the past, "preterm birth" has been the listed cause of death in fewer than 20 percent of newborn fatalities. But that number should be 34 percent or more, said researchers at the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

That's because at least a dozen causes of newborn death are actually problems that go hand-in-hand with premature births, such as respiratory distress syndrome, cerebral palsy and other congenital abnormalities.

"This brings preterm birth, as a cause of death, to the kind of level that we think it deserves," said the CDC's Dr. Bill Callaghan, the lead author of a study appearing Monday in the journal Pediatrics.

The revised statistic may lead to greater efforts to counsel pregnant women about taking care of themselves and avoiding actions that can lead to preterm births — such as smoking and drug or alcohol use.

It also may help organizations lobbying for more research into why some women who follow medical advice still have preterm babies. The March of Dimes is advocating to expand federal research into preterm birth and delivery and the care and treatment of preterm deaths.

At issue is how to label the causes of deaths for infants who die before they reach their first birthday.

"Preterm birth" generally describes infants who are born before 37 weeks gesta-
tion, and the term is also used as an official cause of death. Two-thirds of infant deaths occur in children who were preterm, but their cause of death is often attributed to one of the several specific problems that can occur in preterm babies.

"The only way that an infant gets assigned "preterm birth" is if there's nothing else on the death certificate," said Callaghan, a senior scientist at the CDC's maternal and infant health branch. "That may result in an underestimation of what the real problem is."

Callaghan and other researchers examined birth and death certificates for about 28,800 U.S. infants that died in 2002.

About 4,600 of those — or 17 percent — were attributed only to preterm birth. But the researchers also grouped in more than 5,700 other deaths that were attributed to preterm-related conditions, including respiratory distress syndrome, brain hemorrhage and maternal complications such as premature rupture of membranes.

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**Fire alarms failing to wake sleeping children**

Associated Press

COLUMBUS, Ohio — Children in deep sleep awoke to record- ing of their mothers' voices — calling them by name and ordering them out of their bedrooms — even if they slept through the beeping sound a smoke alarm makes, according to a small study.

The study reaffirms previous research that shows what works for adults doesn't always work for children, said Dr. Gary Smith, one of the researchers.

"Clearly, the strategy that has been used and tried and used for years ... fails miserably for chil-
dren," said Smith, director of the Center for Injury Research and Policy at Columbus Children's Hospital.

The study of 24 children ages 6 to 12 found that 23 awoke to the recording, and all 24 awoke to the mother's voice, saying: "(Child's first name)! (Child's first name) wake up! Get out of bed! Go to the bedroom!" Fourteen of the children also awoke to the beeping sound of the smoke alarm. One child didn't wake up to either.

Children who woke up to the voice did so at a median time of 20 seconds, compared with three minutes for those who woke up to the tone, according to the study by Columbus Children's Hospital researchers, who released Monday in Pediatrics.

The alarms were created using a large speaker and sounds measuring 100 decibels, about four times louder than lev-
els used in standard home alarms, Smith said.

The next step, he said, is to determine why children respond more to the voice alarm different than the tone, whether they were responding to their names, their mothers' voices, the frequency at which the sound was delivered, which was lower than the frequency of a beeping alarm.

Nancy Baron of Columbus said her 7-year-old daughter Maddie, who woke up at the time of the study, awoke to the voice alarm in 15 sec-
onds but slept through the tone alarm, while neither alarm woke her 9-year-old, who was 7.

"I was totally shocked," Baron said. "I actually was a little ashamed that we think what happens if this is real was.

The study came from a grant from the Ohio Department of Public Safety's Division of Emergency Services and the Ohio Emergency Medical Services Board.
American soldiers come home in body bags from Iraq on a morally regular basis. AIDS and civil strife tear apart Africa with ruthless impunity. Fresh lines are being drawn in the sand of the Middle East, dividing Israel and the Arab world. Unbridled violence dominates round-the-clock news and taking heads yell louder than ever at each other about anything that can be categorized as blue or red. So why in this world of mounting tensions, violence and casualties do I champion the abolition of the death penalty in the United States, which only claimed 60 lives in 2005—over all these other issues?

My simple answer is this: states are killing incarcerated criminals on behalf of its citizens and the executions can stop whenever their respective governors say so. It's going to take a lot more than a simple phone call to stop fizzlebells from hating Israel (contrary to President Bush's comments at the Great Eight summit). It will take decades to counter the damage that has been done by poor, racist, disease and civil wars in Africa, and it will take more than interim election promises by challengers and incumbents alike to solve the quandary of Iraq. In contrast, all it takes to stop an execution, to stop the killing of an incarcerated person, is a phone call by a governor. That, to me, is what makes this issue constantly relevant: the degree of control and consent over the killing of an individual expressed by the public and state governments. The concept is startling; state governments are taking these people out of cells where they are locked up and killing them as an agent of U.S. citizens. Think about that for a moment. Sixty times last year, a prisoner was taken from their controlled confinement, escorted to the waiting method of execution and killed. For you and me. The states do this because this is what they think we want to have happen. Therefore, they are enacting our wishes as citizens.

That being said, many of you are already formulating extremely reasonable questions and arguments in response to this line of thought. Why should we have sympathy for these convicted murderers and rapists? Why is it our responsibility to speak for those who have committed heinous crimes against other human beings? A good portion of you are likely in support of the death penalty and are internally recoiling arguments based on the merits of execution as a legitimate means of delivering justice to those who have so brutally carried out these acts.

I understand. I've had these thoughts many times and have held varying opinions until I really studied the topic and found myself with a steadfast stance against the death penalty. In fact, my thoughts have been grounded in facts and feelings alike, both in abstract morals and beliefs and in concrete statistics and studies. It is through a better understanding of the realities of the system of capital punishment, from trial through to the actual execution, that I arrived at the undeniable conclusion that capital punishment is inherently unjust, immoral and an unwarranted burden on states and their citizens alike.

My goal is not to convert you into a fellow critic of the death penalty. We know too well that the inevitable, well-crafted response would sway you back in a few short days. My aim is not to throw statistics and numbers into this small space and claim that they speak for themselves. If that worked, this issue would be moot and this space could be filled with articles about fresh unexamined topics such as The Vagina Monologues and over-population.

Instead, my intention is to invite all those interested in learning more about the death penalty and refining your beliefs through well-informed conversation to interact with the new campaign on campus: Notre Dame Against State Killing, or simply ND ASK. Its goal is to inform the Notre Dame community of valuable facts and opinions on the topic as well as facilitate continued discussion throughout the school year. Any interested student, faculty or community member is invited to attend any meeting or lecture regardless of your stance. If the statistics, opinions and discussions presented don't sway you, you are encouraged to attend and explain your views.

I for one am looking forward to a year of educated discussion on the death penalty and the insights, perspectives and reasonable solutions that will inevitably arise from the Notre Dame community.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Walk the walk?

Are we walking the walk? I'm an '88 Notre Dame graduate and keep asking myself this question over and over. A midlife crisis, perhaps; growing wiser, certainly not; finding the importance in life, huh?? I would ask everyone in the Notre Dame community to ask yourselves this question: “Are you walking the walk, are you wearing your faith on your sleeve and in your actions or are you hidden behind societal pressure?”

We are ND. Notre Dame is a Catholic community, which was brought together by our faith. This faith should be leading us in everything we do and be demonstrated on and off the football field. Is it?

Last week, I watched the Notre Dame vs. Michigan State football game with my young children. We watched with the same passion we always do, and with a family new to our area who happened to be Irish. Michigan State has sold out its stadium. Unfortunately, we were bombarded with repeated commercials for nearly naked women “desperate” to cheat on their husbands. Not one commercial, but several throughout the game. I could not believe ABC was using the Notre Dame football game to promote this trash. I assured this family, that this would outrage Notre Dame and that they would make a statement on Monday. I was sure the Notre Dame community would take action. I am amazed nothing has come of this. Despite contacting high-ranking Notre Dame administration, ABC sports, ESPN and writing a letter to The Observer, nothing has come of this. Instead we hear of people screaming, “We are ND” ask yourself what this means. Ask yourself what Notre Dame truly means and stands for. Notre Dame is much more than a football team. Notre Dame is a community of students, professors, subway alumni and alumni who are willing to “walk the walk” of their faith. We are a community that demands more of our society and ourselves.

I don’t have the answers, am not attempting to be righteous, and am far from perfect. However, I have a strong faith and know that together as a community, Notre Dame can and should make a difference. We need to repair much more than Notre Dame Stadium in our world.

Mick Connors MB
alumnus of 1988

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Stumping, not serving

Republican candidates wary of associating themselves with an unpopular president are finding lower-profile ways to raise money through the Fundraiser-in-Chief.

One strategy has been to close President Bush's fundraisers off from the press. Before May 2004, when Bush's approval ratings had hit a low of 42%, the photos of the President freezing point, 34 percent of his fundraisers were closed. Since then, 59 percent have been closed, according to the Associated Press.

This week, a second and more innovative strategy began. White House press secretary Tony Snow announced that the fundraising circuit has been graced by a more PR-safe White House star: himself.

In his White House press briefing on Wednesday, Snow said he was the first White House press secretary he knew of to participate in fundraisers. His participation, he said, was “unplowed ground.” At first, I admit, I found the unplowed-ness of this ground surprising; the White House press secretary seems to be the perfect person to fundraise in the President’s place. Who’s better to present the President’s face and agenda to eager, deep-pocketed donors than the guy who’s so good at talking him up? Why hasn’t anyone in this position, seemingly designed to defend the White House, gone on the stumping circuit?

Because it’s unethical.

Firstly, Snow’s participation in fundraisers may constitute a misuse of taxpayer dollars. White Snow has said that the Republican National Committee will pay for his travel and accommodations at fundraising events, it’s unclear whether the RNC will remunerate taxpayers for the President’s face and agenda to eager, deep-pocketed donors than the guy who’s so good at talking him up? Why hasn’t anyone in this position, seemingly designed to defend the White House, gone on the stumping circuit?

More importantly, the White House press secretary is a nonpartisan civil servant whose employer is the state and not the President or the President’s party. His job is to collect information about what’s happening inside the White House and dispense it to the media. Sure, at daily press briefings with the White House press corps, he also fields questions about White House policy and plans. Sure, he may spin this information to appease the man who hired him, but his primary responsibility, like that of the Cabinet members, is helping the government run more effectively, not gilding the President or his party.

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EDITORIAL CARTOON

YES, THE EARTH IS GETTING HOTTER THAN EVER AND YES, IT’S PROBABLY DUE TO HUMAN ACTIVITY BUT I’LL LET YOU IN ON A LITTLE SECRET NO OTHER ADULT WILL EVER TELL YOU... WE ACTUALLY DON’T CARE ABOUT OUR KIDS’ FUTURE.
Dear NBC Must See TV Thursday, in light of your apparent comeback this year. I feel I must express my constituents and hope that you are beginning your return to glory. I know it's been hard for you ever since "Friends" left you, but I wanted to let you know I never gave up hope. You stood by my side as I grew from a girl into a woman, and for that I could never abandon you. But in order to achieve a better future, we must look to our past for moral guidance and lessons learned. And Must See TV Thursday, you've made quite a few mistakes. You were so strong for so long. You created the perfect formula for Thursday night success — two hours of comedy followed by an hour of drama, then an hour of reality shows, or "Straw Dogs." Taking cues from Peckinpah's "Bonnie and Clyde," "A Dirty World," "Frasier," "Seinfeld," "Will & Grace" and "Friends," you dominated Thursday nights.

Then you always wrapped up the evening with dramas like "Till Street Blues," "L.A. Law" and ultimately "T.R." These were truly golden times. You considered the loss of "Seinfeld," but another dreary inevitability was just around the corner. "Friends" would end sooner or later. You needed to find a new comedy that would anchor your Thursday 8:00 p.m. time slot. You tried to find it in the Americanized British import "Coupling" that sounded remarkably similar to the generation X phenomenon "Friends," but you butchered that show like you had butchered so many before it. Before "Friends" (or "Buds") was in its last season and you took an enormous risk by scheduling the spin-off "Joey" in its vacant time slot.

This is when the death knell tolled. Not only did you assume that "Joey" would retain the massive "Friends" audience, but you took an even greater misstep when you abandoned your air-time formula and scheduled "The Apprentice" in its place. Your public reaction was astoundingly unsatisfactory. The cosmic unbalance plummeted NBC to fourth place and I blame you. I was confused and hurt because I didn't see the logic of your move. You really should have realized that your audiences have changed, but are themselves unable to go quietly into that good night. I know I could never abandon you. But in order to achieve a better future, we must look to our past for moral guidance and lessons learned. And Must See TV Thursday, you've made quite a few mistakes.

If you really want to bring back your two-hour night success - two hours of comedy and one hour of reality and one hour of drama. This cosmic unbalance plummeted NBC to fourth place and I blame you. I was confused and hurt because I didn't see the logic of your move. You really should have realized that your audiences have changed, but are themselves unable to go quietly into that good night. I know I could never abandon you. But in order to achieve a better future, we must look to our past for moral guidance and lessons learned. And Must See TV Thursday, you've made quite a few mistakes.

I hope this helps, Must See TV.
Irish dominate Boilermakers on the ground, through the air in 35-21 win

By JAY FITZPATRICK
Sports Writer

Charlie Weis finally got his wish.
Notre Dame confused the Purdue defense with a variety of motion runs, passes and play-action fakes — something the Irish had failed to do in the past two games — en route to a 35-21 victory over the Boilermakers Saturday.
Irish quarterback Brady Quinn completed 29-of-38 passes for 316 yards with four runs and two screens to Walker, Weis called a play-fake and freshman wide receiver George West took the end-around 14 yards to the end zone for the game's first points.
Notre Dame moved the ball with relative ease throughout the game, finishing with 169 yards on the ground — more than the team gained in its last two games combined.
"I just felt that the last two weeks, as the play caller, that we had to give up in the past
ning game because we got behind," Weis said. "I just made a commitment, along with my
staff and my players, that we were going to make the running game no matter what hap-
pened."
But that commitment to the running game showed no signs of slowing down the explosive Irish air attack.
Irish wide receiver Rhema McKnight sliced through the 114th-ranked Purdue secondary, and Quinn found him time after time. McKnight had 10 catches for 120 yards — both sea-
son highs — and two touchdowns.
Walker was second in the receiving col-
umn with nine catches for 73 yards.
"Week to week, teams are going to give you different things and basically give and take away certain things," Quinn said. "You just want to utilize that.
"It's important to come away
with points in the red zone,"
Boilermakers coach Joe Tiller
said. "It's not always critical to score a touchdown when you're down there, but you need
points."
The Irish responded to those
points with a continued commit-
tment to the run in their next posses-
sion. And Walker's gains early in
the drive set up big-
yardage plays downfield.

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Irish coach

Irish running back Darius Walker leaps over Boilermakers cornerback Terrell Vinson in Notre Dame's 35-21 victory over Purdue at Notre Dame Stadium Saturday. Walker rushed for 146 yards on 31 carries and added 73 more on nine receptions.
Irish running back Darius Walker gained 146 yards on the ground and 73 through the air as his effectiveness opened up the passing game for Notre Dame.
"I think that for the most part that the game looked like it was pretty well under control at 35-14,"
— Charlie Weis
Irish coach

Charlie Weis called a fake field goal with less than two minutes left in the first half and Samardzija's score put the Irish ahead by 21.
"We were averaging about two percent for the last couple of weeks."
— Charlie Weis
Irish coach

Purdue con-
tered just 4-of-14 third-down attempts.
Notre Dame's defense forced a
fumble both on Purdue's first-half and Samardzija's score put the Irish ahead 35-14. That would be more than enough for the Irish.
Notre Dame converted on its first eight third downs and twice on two fourth-down attempts, helping
the Irish nearly double the Boilermakers' time of possession.
Notre Dame had the ball for 38:01 to Purdue's 21:59.
"Well (third-down production) was significantly better this game," Weis said. "I include those couple of fourth downs in there as well so ... we were 10-
some receiver formation. Yards receptions. Walker. Walker had 31 carries and nine Brady Quinn’s passer efficiency 16 3 rating for the season is 139.63. yards per punt. The senior’s 47.48 average is just A ac A 3 2 6 the numbers 1602 1,485 A- 3.26 adding up the numbers National ranking for Irish punter Geoff Price in yards per punt. For the second year in a row, the price was 47.43. 103 Yards rushing Darius Walker gained in the first half. Walker hadn’t broken 100 yards in any of Notre Dame’s first four games. Brady Quinn’s passer efficiency rating for Saturday’s game. His rating for the season is 139.63. 163.54 Points Notre Dame scored in the first quarter. Before Saturday, the Irish had scored just 19 points in four first quarters this season. Touches by Notre Dame running back Darius Walker. Walker had 21 carries and nine receptions. 40 Yards Quinn has thrown for in four two-game stretches against the Trojans. The average is 371.25 yards per game. 1,485 Yards Quinn has thrown for in four two-game stretches against the Trojans. The average is 371.25 yards per game. 14 Yards freshman George West ran for his first career touchdown, an end-around in a three-receiver formation. 16:02 Notre Dame’s time of possession advantage Saturday.

report card

quarterback: Quinn had one of the best games of his career. He completed over 75 percent of his passes, including two touchdowns, and had nearly perfect timing with his receivers.

running back: Walker had his best game since his performance against Stanford last season. His 146 yards on the ground opened up the Irish air attack, and he added nine catches.

receivers: Aside from one McKnight drop in the end zone, the receivers had a nearly flawless game. McKnight caught 10 passes. Carlyle had five and Samardzija added four.

offensive line: The interior offensive linemen dominated Purdue’s defensive line, adding Walker’s big game. The only drawback for the unit was its four sacks allowed.

defensive line: The Irish held Purdue to just 3.4 yards per carry. Quinn not only established a consistent ground game, but also featured a solid punt return game.

linebacker: Joe Brockington played a solid game with Travis Thomas out with a rib injury, and Maurice Crum was solid as usual stopping the run.

defensive back: Painter throw all over the Notre Dame secondary, compiling 398 yards. The worst play for the unit was Selwyn Lyman’s 58-yard touchdown that cut the Irish lead to 14 just before the half.

special teams: Zatkowksi got hurt because he didn’t fair catch a punt when it was necessary, kickoffs were poor and Giotta missed a 48-yard field goal with the wind at his back. But Price had another solid game.

coaching: Charlie Weis wanted to run the ball, and he proved it early. Weis called two trick plays and a mis-direction play that showed just how much control he has on the offense.

overall: Notre Dame was nearly perfect on offense, but the defensive unit still has a lot of work to do.

Notre Dame spent four weeks of the 2006 season searching for the balance on offense it left somewhere in Palo Alto, Calif. last year. Well, the Irish found it Saturday — and in doing so, reminded the country why they were considered such a juggernaut heading into the season.

For the second straight year, Notre Dame clicked on all cylinders against an overmatched Purdue team. This was the performance Irish fans have been waiting for after four weeks of searching for an identity.

The passing game was precise. Quinn was 29-of-38 for 316 yards and two touchdowns, the receivers were in sync with their quarterback (McKnight had 10 catches for 120 yards), and the offensive line got great push against the Buckeyes’ defensive line.

And then, of course, there was Darius Walker.

Walker might have had his best game in a Notre Dame uniform given the circumstances. The Irish needed to establish a consistent running game after a three-week stretch in which they gained a total of 161 yards on the ground — something Walker seemed to take personally given his first half performance.

Walker touched the ball on Notre Dame’s first six plays from scrimmage and finished with 31 carries for 146 yards and a touchdown. He also had nine catches for 73 yards, and was on pace for over 300 total yards at halftime.

When a team runs the ball, it controls the clock. And when it controls the clock, and subsequently the momentum, it’s easier to win the game. That’s why Notre Dame getting 49 carries for the first time this season was so meaningful.

With Walker dictating the pace, Quinn was able to settle into his most efficient performance of the season. Quinn looked comfortable right from the beginning, and the first-half communication problems that hampered the Irish quarterback and his receivers at Michigan State were absent.

Granted, Quinn was picking apart an inexperienced secondary that was overmatched by McKnight’s simultaneous strength in running back routes and going up for deep balls. But with the accuracy he was delivering the football, many polished secondaries would have encountered similar problems.

What’s more, Notre Dame’s offense overpowered defensive problems that plagued the team throughout the game. The Irish gave up 498 yards of total offense and allowed Purdue receiver Selwyn Lyman to go for 238 yards and two touchdowns.

Charlie Weis and Rick Mirer will look at this tape knowing that 398 yards passing from an inexperienced quarterback (Saturday was the first career start) is a front-runner for the Heisman Trophy, Quinn will build on his 13 touchdowns quickly in this time. Thirty-five touchdowns in 11 games (an additional 22 in the following six) won’t be out of reach.

Jeff Samardzija — who has been limited to some extent this season — should get his reception totals up from the 27 he has so far this season.

And Walker, who looked slow and ineffective for three weeks leading up to Saturday, suddenly has put himself in position to have another 1,000-yard season. With weaker defenses than the Irish saw against Georgia Tech, Penn State and Michigan, Walker has the tough opponents behind him.

Why is all this important? Because once this six-game stretch is over, Notre Dame will face its biggest challenge of the season — a trip to Southern California. The Trojans are getting better each week, and using the momentum from their right win at Washington State, they’ll likely roll through the rest of the Pac-10 season.

But Notre Dame, following its offensive execution against Purdue, could also enter the game with the same confidence that comes from eight straight victories. And if the Irish can match the same type of balance it found Saturday, that game could get interesting.

The views expressed in this column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer. Contact Bob Griffin at rgriffin@nd.edu
Walker runs all over Boilermakers

Tailback shows no sign of slump, gains 219 total yards

By ERIC RETTER
Associated Sports Editor

Brady Quinn threw for 316 yards and two touchdowns, and Rhema McKnight caught a career-high ten passes for 114 yards. But running back Darius Walker carried the offense Saturday.

Walker had 21 ball games since his regular-season finale against Stanford when he picked up a personal-best 136 yards on 25 carries. But his effectiveness wasn't limited to the ground. Walker also caught 9 passes for 73 yards — both season highs — and rushed for a touchdown in No. 12 Notre Dame's 35-21 win over Purdue. His yardage total surpassed his combined totals of the last three games, where he had averaged only 128 yards on 41 carries, and it marked his 10th career 100-yard game.

The performance was his second-best career rushing total and his first 100-yard game since 2002 regular-season finale against Stanford when he picked up a personal-best 136 yards on 25 carries. But his effectiveness wasn't limited to the ground. Walker also caught 9 passes for 73 yards — both season highs — and rushed for a touchdown in No. 12 Notre Dame's 35-21 win over Purdue. His yardage total surpassed his combined totals of the last three games, where he had averaged only 128 yards on 41 carries, and it marked his 10th career 100-yard game.

Walker touched the ball on the first play from scrimmage and didn't stop getting it until the end of the game, by which point he had racked up 172 touches and accounted for 219 of the Irish's 454 total offensive yards. "It's nice, it's really nice to get so much work," he said. "At the same time, it's a lot of work. But you know, everything, running the ball, blocking, all of that, it's definitely a running back's responsibility and I definitely welcome the challenge." Walker credited his teammates for his individual accomplishments. "I really give kudos to my offensive line," he said. "I'm really just a guy who gets the ball and runs through space." He also understood that success of the Notre Dame offense rested on more than just him improving. "It has to be the focus of 11 players out there," he said. "Each player knows that they have to do their job and do it right." Walker took a brief moment to celebrate the performance. Asked if the Purdue defensive unit hit him harder than the gauntlet the Notre Dame running backs ran through during practice, he had a quick answer. "Definitely the gauntlet," he said.

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Thomas sits after injury in MSU game

Brockington replaces senior linebacker, Anastasio and Walls fill in for missing Grimes

By JAY FITZPATRICK
Spoon Writer

Irish senior linebacker Joe Brockington started in place of Travis Thomas Saturday.

Notre Dame coach Charlie Weis said Thomas was injured during the last play of the Michigan State game and it was a "time-of-decision" situation to sit him out. Weis said an MRI on Thomas' ribs was negative but he kept Thomas out of the game for precautionary reasons. "We felt that the safest thing to do would be we would take him out, he knows his team by now, he knew he just didn't feel right," Weis said.

Lymon has record day

Selwyn Lymon's 238 receiving yards was the most in Notre Dame history, behind only former Boilermakers receiver Chris Daniels. Daniels caught 22 passes for 301 yards against Michigan State in 1999.

"Selwyn had a nice game," Purdue coach Joe Tiller said. "He wasn't featured going into the game but he was open and he caught the ball." Grimes out with injury

Irish sophomore receiver and kick returner David Grimes missed the game with an injury suffered in practice and was replaced by sophomore Anastasio and No. 3 receiver and Darrin Walls as the kick returner. "I told (Grimes) I would go with him, that he deserves to be in the game," Weis said. "I don't think you noticed in a negative rein either.""Weis said. Burkhart makes debut

Freshman kicker Ryan Burkhart made his Notre Dame debut on the kickoff following Notre Dame's first score of the game. Filling in for kickoff specialist Bobby Renko, who strained a muscle in his leg during practice this week, Burkhart kicked off the ball at the kickoff. "I really kick it off every time the Irish were kicking with the wind, and senior Carl Gioia kicked off the one time Notre Dame went into the breeze."

McKnight moves up all-time reception list

Rhema McKnight's 10 catches Sunday give him 135 for his career, good for fourth all-time for the Irish. He moved past Ken MacAfee, Derrick Mayes and Maurice Stovall on the all-time catch list for Notre Dame. Tom Gatewood tops the list with 157 career receptions.

1966 team honored

Notre Dame officially honored the 1966 National Championship team before Saturday's game. The 1966 Irish team finished with a 9-0 record that year with the only tie coming against Michigan State Nov. 19. The team gave up just 38 points in 10 games while averaging 36 points per game on offense.
Beating The Drum

Brady Quinn tore through the Purdue secondary for 316 yards and two touchdowns en route to a 35-21 Notre Dame victory. It was the third straight year Quinn threw for over 300 yards against the Boilermakers. Darius Walker also got in the mix, gaining 219 yards — 146 rushing and 73 receiving. The Irish secondary had a hard time containing quarterback Curtis Painter and wide receiver Selwyn Lymon, who hooked up for two touchdowns and 238 yards — the most yards ever by an opposing wide receiver. But it wasn’t enough for the Boilermakers, as The World’s Biggest Drum went home with a loss.
What the music industry used to be is falling apart, and it can’t be denied that downloading has had a detrimental effect on sales. In fact, downloading has had an effect on the music industry that is more than just a decrease in sales. It is changing the way that music is purchased, consumed, and even the way that it is perceived.

For example, downloading has changed the way that music is consumed. In the past, people would buy albums and listen to them in their entirety. However, with downloading, people can now buy just one song at a time, and they can listen to it as many times as they want. This has led to a decrease in album sales, as people are no longer buying whole albums.

Another effect of downloading is that it is changing the way that music is marketed. In the past, record companies would spend a lot of money marketing albums, but now, they are focusing on marketing individual songs. This has led to a decrease in the number of new albums being released, as record companies are no longer sure if people will buy them.

In general, people are not using the cheaper cost of music to try something new or even pick up an album that includes a song they like. Instead they are buying the same single they have heard everywhere, and they won’t even try out the album that the single was on. There’s no investment in the artist’s full performance, just a simple grab for what is familiar.

In the end, downloading is changing the way that music is purchased, consumed, and even the way that it is perceived. It is a trend that is here to stay, and it is changing the music industry in ways that we may not even realize.
ATLANTA — Only two weeks ago, the Houston Astros were shutout innings and relievers committed two errors that led to Tyler Yates and Bob Wickman two unearned runs.

"I really got to believing we were going to carry this with Sunday's 3-1 loss to the Cardinals. " Garner said after the defending NL champion Astros were eliminated from the Central race.

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**NFL**

**Associated Press**

**CHICAGO** — The Chicago Bears showed how serious they are about contending for the NFC title, dominating the defending conference champions. 

Bears quarterback Matt Hasselbeck, front, is sacked for a 10-yard loss by Bears defensive tackle Tommie Harris in the first quarter of Chicago's 37-6 victory at Soldier Field Sunday.

Seahawks can't get off ground against Bears

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**IN BRIEF**

*Associated Press*

**NEW YORK** — Joe Mauer became the first catcher to win an American League batting title, going 2-for-4 on Sunday against the Minnesota Twins on the final day of the regular season to hold off the New York Yankees' Derek Jeter.

Mauer's double and singled against the Chicago White Sox, leaving his average at .347 down from a high of .392 on July 1 but good enough to best Jeter, who went 1-for-5 against Toronto and wound up at .343.

"You couldn't really not think about it," Mauer said. "There were so many scores. Scores on the board, people saying you need to do this, do that. I've never been so nervous in my life. I'm just happy it's all over with and we're here celebrating."

Mauer became the first catcher to win a batting title in either league since Ernie Lombardi hit .330 for the 1942 Boston Braves.

**Titans line up Haynesworth stumps on Cowboys center**

**DALLAS** — Cowboys center Andre Gurode needed stitches above his forehead and beneath his eye Sunday after being kicked twice by Titans defensive tackle Albert Haynesworth.

The incident occurred after Dallas had taken a two-touchdown lead in the third quarter.

Gurode's helmet came off after the play and Haynesworth, standing over him, used his right foot to kick Gurode in the head.

Gurode said they hadn't been talking or having any exchanges that led to Haynesworth kicking him twice.

"In all my years of football, this has never happened to me," Gurode said. "I've never seen anybody kick nobody else in the face."

Haynesworth, who was ejected, expects to be disciplined.

Mauer said.

"There's never been a two-touchdown lead in the third quarter."

"Nothing really changed to be honest with you," Trahan said. "But it's an interesting situation with a pass on course.

"I'm just happy it's all over with and we're here celebrating."
Gastronomist
Tango dancer
Wine connoisseur

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The New Jersey Devils made a major move to get under the NHL salary cap Sunday by sending suspended defense­man Vladimir Malakhov and a conditional first-round draft pick to San Jose for defense­man Jim Fahey and the rights to left wing Alexander Korolyuk.

The deal will save the Devils $3.6 million on their cap — Malakhov's salary — and it probably won't cost New Jersey much because Korolyuk will play in Russia again this season and Fahey might not make the roster.

With the NHL season sched­uled to open this week, Devils president and general manager Lou Lamoriello has been des­perate to make some moves to get under the NHL's $44 million salary cap. Lamoriello would not say whether the Devils will have to make more moves before the season opens on Friday in Carolina against the Stanley Cup champion Hurricanes.

"We're getting an exceptional hockey player," said Lou Lamoriello, Devils President.

Associated Press

The Devils, who also signed Jamie Langenbrunner in the offseason, also owed Malakhov and forward Alexander Mogilny some $7.1 million this season, even though they will not be on the team. They were signed as free agents last sea­son, but they were dropped from the roster for poor play.

Mogilny was sent to the minors, and Malakhov first retired and then was suspend­ed by the team.

Since they were both over 35-years-old when they signed last year, their salaries counted against the Devils' salary cap.

Lamoriello has petitioned the NHL to have Mogilny's salary removed from the cap because of a long-term hip injury. The 30-year-old Korolyuk had 19 goals and 15 assists in 45 games for Vityaz Chekhov in Russia. He last played in the NHL for the Sharks in 2003-04.

"We're getting an exception­al hockey player who could play for us next year," said Lamoriello, who refused to reveal the conditions placed on the first-round pick sent to the Sharks.

Fahey appeared in 21 games for the Sharks last season and had two assists.

"We'll have to take a look at him," Lamoriello said of Fahey.

The 38-year-old Malakhov had four goals and five assists in 29 games with the Devils. He has played in 712 NHL games with the New York Islanders, Montreal, New Jersey, the New York Rangers and Philadelphia.
MLB

Emotional MacPhail resigns as Cubs CEO

President apologizes for lack of success over his twelve years

Associated Press

CHICAGO — An emotional Andy MacPhail resigned Sunday as president and CEO of the Chicago Cubs after failing to get the team to the World Series during his 12-year tenure.

“This is the first thing I’ve ever done in baseball that I didn’t have a high level of success at,” MacPhail said, his voice cracking. The Cubs have made just two playoff appearances since MacPhail joined them in 1994 after he spent nine years with the Minnesota Twins, leading them to two World Series titles. Chicago finished its season Sunday at 66-96, the worst record in the NL.

“The clock on the MacPhail o-meter has run down to zero,” said MacPhail, who told reporters he brokered the subject of resigning during a team review with Tribune execu­tives in midseason. “It’s not just that we had a terrible season. I’ve been here 12 seasons and only two postseason appearances and to me that’s not what I came here to do. Obviously, I’ve been as effective as I wanted to be.”

Marketing vice president John McDonough will take over the club’s day-to-day operations on an interim basis. MacPhail will stay on through the transition and do his work for the major league baseball negotiating committee.

MacPhail’s grandfather and father were longtime minor league executives, and both are in the Hall of Fame.

“I’ve been in the business my entire life. I was born to it,” MacPhail said. “I’ve done just about everything imaginable in it from selling program space in Midwest, Texas, to scouting in the Midwest League, to being a GM, a president, negotiating a collective bargaining agreement.

“There is one role that applies to everything. You’ve got to win and if you don’t win, it’s subject to change.

Since MacPhail took over, the Cubs won the NL wild card in 1998 and the NL Central in 2003, when they fell five outs short of making the World Series.

The Cubs, who had a payroll of approximately $92 million this season, haven’t been to the World Series since 1945. They haven’t won one since 1908.

“This is a baseball decision. It’s an issue of making sure our fans know that we are committed to winning,” said Tribune Co. chairman, president and CEO Dennis Fitzsimmons, adding the company has no plans to sell the Cubs. “Andy MacPhail has been committed to winning. For whatever reasons, it didn’t work out.... Andy said it best, we both felt we needed a change.”

MacPhail couldn’t repeat his successes in Minnesota despite a bigger payroll, which he said had done a good job of developing pitchers, they hadn’t done so with position players.

PGA

Tiger wins sixth in a row

Woods easily takes American Express leading wire-to-wire

Associated Press

CHANDLER'S CROSS, England — Good news for the rest of golf: Tiger Woods is going on vacation.

A streak that began 10 weeks ago on the sun-baked links of Hoylake reached six straight PGA Tour victories on the rain-drenched fairways north of London on Sunday when Woods went wire-to-wire in the American Express Championship. He became the first player in tour history to win at least eight times in three seasons.

Threatened only by the weather that twice delayed the inevitable, Woods closed with a 4-under 67 for an eight-shot victory over Adam Scott and Ian Poulter.

"He’s dominating the game," Scott said. "It’s not the first time he’s done it, either.

The trophy in hand, Woods had one foot in a courtesy car that was ready to take him away when he took a few questions from the BBC. After playing seven times in the last nine weeks, he was eager to get home to Florida.

"I’m getting away for a little bit," Woods said. "As far as golf, I’ve had enough of it for a while.

This might have been his most dominating performance since he first began at the British Open in July, and not just because the eight-shot victory was his largest margin since winning by 11 at the 2003 Bay Hill Invitational.

Woods had such control over his game that he was third in driving distance and fifth in driving accuracy, missing only 12 fairways all week. And during one stretch, he hit 36 consecutive greens in regulation, a streak that ended when his approach onto the 15th hole drifted left and into a bunker for his only bogey of the final round.

One other streak ended on the last hole of the tournament—it was the first time all season he failed to make eagle on the 567-yard closing hole at The Grove. His chip from just short of the green scooted by the cup and stopped a few feet away for a tap-in birdie that put him at 23-under 261.

"This was a fun week," he said. "I hit the ball really well all 72 holes, really. It’s fun when you can control your golf ball that well.

In a week remembered for the death of Byron Nelson, it rekindled curiosity whether Lord Byron’s record of 11 consecutive victories really is untouchable.

Woods wasn’t ready to touch that one yet.

"It’s still a long way away," he said with a laugh. "If you look at it, I’m barely halfway. What he did was absolutely remarkable, and I’m just thrilled that I’ve been able to knock one in a row twice. That to me is a pretty neat accomplishment in itself.

Woods won the final four PGA Tour events in 1999 and his first two starts in 2000 to match Ben Hogan (1948) for the second-longest winning streak on the PGA Tour. He passed Nelson, Hogan, Sam Snead and Arnold Palmer with his third PGA Tour season of at least eight victories. Woods won eight times in 1999 and nine times in 2000.

And he has at least one tournament left—the Tour Championship.

Woods probably won’t decide until the last minute whether to play Disney in three weeks, Skipping that tournament, which has never been his favorite, would leave him one round short of being eligible for the Vardon Trophy for lowest scoring average.

Asked how much that award meant, Woods replied, "Not much.

"I’ve had a good year," he said. "But if you don’t play enough rounds, you don’t play enough rounds. He might come up short because of missing the cut at the U.S. Open for the first time in a major. That was his first tournament back since his father died of cancer in May, and Woods has been nearly unstoppable since then.

The only two tournaments he didn’t win was the Western Open (in tie for second) and the World Match Play Championship two weeks ago at Wentworth, a European Tour event that does not count toward his PGA Tour streak.

Woods successfully defended his title at the British Open for the fifth time this year, and he is 10-of-15 in his last 15 major championships that are stroke play.
Manning's late QB sneeze gives Colts victory

Patriots use balanced offensive attack, two rushing touchdowns from Maroney to destroy favored Bengals

Associated Press

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — Peyton Manning sneezed the fourth-quarter lead his Colts had just taken vanish in a flash when he fumbled the ball and returned the ensuing kickoff 103 yards.

Cool, calm and ever the leader, the Indianapolis Colts quarterback shook off the back of his field with a little more than 2 minutes left and took charge.

"There's never any panic," Manning said. "When they kick it back, we were just getting back on the bench. We didn't have time to get mad or to panic." They certainly had plenty of time to ruin the Jets' victory plans.

After Justin Miller's 103-yard dash, the Ravens took the lead with 2:20 left. Manning led the Indianapolis on the type of efficient drive that has defined his career — capping it with a 1-yard run that gave the Colts a wild 31-28 victory Sunday.

Manning was 6-of-6 for 60 yards on the drive, including a 19-yard pass to Marvin Harrison and a 3-yard sprint to Reggie Wayne that put the ball at the 1. Running the no-huddle offense, Manning then took the ball and pushed himself into the end zone.

"I was pumped," Manning said. "You practice those two-minute drills all the time. Everybody's played that back yard. It's just a little different, but that's what we brought him here."

Redskins 36, Jaguars 13

In the first quarter, Washington Redskins receiver Santana Moss made a 14-yard move that left Jacksonville Jaguars safety Roy Goodfriend sprawled on the grass at the 11-yard line.

The fourth quarter, Moss caught a pass and darted inside for a 43-yard touchdown. Brian Williams whiff at the goal line as he leaped in overtime. Moss dusted Grant and Williams at the 8-yard line, then dove across the goal line on a 68-yard game-winning catch down the left side.

Three dazzling touchdowns. With a playmaker like that, Mark Brunell didn't have to go about beating his old team — all he had to do was throw in No. 89's direction and watch his old colors look silly trying to make a tackle. Brunell-in-Moss resurrected the Redskins' season last year, and the combination came to life again in Sunday's 36-30 victory.

"He's the best after the catch I've played with," Brunell said. "He's easy to throw to. There's nothing he can't do."

Moss finished with four receptions for 128 yards, including TD catches of 55, 8 and 68 yards. Clinton Portis ran 27 times for 112 yards and a touchdown, becoming the first running back in 13 games to get 100 against the Jaguars.

Panthers 21, Saints 18

Six days after their emotional return to New Orleans, the Panthers were due for a letdown. They still gave Carolina all it could handle — until Steve Smith got loose late.

Weekend results

Ravens 16, Chargers 13

The Baltimore Ravens have a new formula for success: Keep the game close enough for Steve McNair to win it at the end.

McNair rallied the unbeaten Ravens for a second straight

Jets kick returner Justin Miller, far left, returns a kickoff for a 103-yard touchdown while being escorted by running back Leon Washington, middle, and Brad Smith, far right, Sunday.
Saint Mary’s takes third

Belles finish behind Olivet, Tri-State on Blackthorn course

By REBECCA SLINGER
Sports Writer

The Belles continued their early run of success this season with a third-place finish at the MIAA Jamboree on their home course, South Bend’s Blackthorn Country Club, Saturday.

The Belles placed behind first-place Olivet (334) and Tri-State (356), firing a 76-over par 364, but stayed ahead of five other teams in the conference-wide competition.

Saint Mary’s freshman Kate Doornbos led the team, posting an 87 (15-over par) en route to a sixth place finish. Doornbos said of her performance, "I was hitting a lot of my balls in regulation." Doornbos said of her performance, "That’s more than I normally do so I think that helped."

Saint Mary’s sophomore Alex Sei posted the second lowest score on the team, shooting an 89 to place eighth overall.

Doornbos was forced to withdraw after sustaining a minor injury. A 30 minute rain delay forced a late start to the tournament. Doornbos said the delay made it hard to "get going" after the rain delay.

"It did give the team a chance to rest though," Hamm said.

The team held on to their rhythm in the second round, maintaining their level of play to stay in the third place, just two strokes ahead of fourth-place finishers Albion College (366).

"We would have liked to have gone in and won it," Doornbos said. "Olivet has a really solid team this year. I think if we had [team captain] Katie O’Brien there, we could have beaten Tri-State."

Without their captain, the Belles were still able to put in strong performances to improve their finish by one place from the last Jamboree tournament, the Comet Classic.

"We worked really hard on our weaknesses in practice," Hamm said.

During last week’s preparations, the team played the course several times instead of holding their practice at the driving ranges.

The Jamboree’s individual medalist was Olivet senior Kristy Latimer of Olivet, who shot just six-over par for a total of 78. Olivet led the tournament with the top four golfers of the tournament participating on their team.

"Realistically speaking, the team can definitely finish in top-3 in the conference if we continue our improvement."

Alex Sei
Belles sophomore

Saint Mary’s split conference matches at Triangular

Belles sophomore Cathy Kurczak spikes the ball in a 3-1 win over Tri-State Tuesday.

By SAMANTHA LEONARD
Sports Writer

Saint Mary’s played two strikingly different matches Friday at the Adrian Triangular.

The Belles came out strong against Albion, winning in four games (30-24, 24-30, 30-23, 30-23). Senior Kristin Playko led the Belles with 17 kills, and freshman Lorna Slupczynski added ten more of her own.

The second match was lot tougher for Saint Mary’s and ended in a frustrating loss to Adrian. The host Bulldogs posted a 3-1 victory (24-30, 30-19, 30-21, 30-14), led by 18 kills by Lindsay Leshelman. Slupczynski posted ten kills in the match for Saint Mary’s.

Senior Libero Anne Cusack tallied a combined 49 digs in the two matches.

Saint Mary’s record now stands at 12-5 overall and 5-3 in MIAA play.

The Belles will play again at Calvin on Wednesday at 6:30 pm.

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By the finish, Michigan junior Erin Webster had a huge lead over the rest of the field, winning the race in 16:36.16 seconds faster than her next closest competitor. Webster helped lead the way for the Wolverines who won the race with 57 points. Michigan also boasted three runners in the top ten finishers with Alyssah Kolheimer (16:54) and Nicole Edwards (17:02) leading Webster at the front of the race.

As runners from Florida State and Providence continued to cross the finish line, the Irish had only one runner in - Sunni Olding, whose 17:15 time was only good enough for 18th place. The Irish did not have another finisher until 17:44 when Julie Opet crossed the line for 47th place. Despite the low finish since it helped them occupy the fifth team spot, the team's total.

The Badgers would eventually win the meet with 86 points, but coach Joe Piane was pleased with his team's performance since it helped them gain valuable points in the NCAA. Piane also noted he is more pleased with his team's performance Friday than two weeks ago in the National Catholic Championship since they were able to compete with some of the best teams in the country.

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Irish sophomore Patrick Smyth pulls away from a Florida State runner at the Notre Dame Invitational Friday. The Irish finished fourth in the race.

"I don't know if we're that bad or if we just had a bad day. Overall, it was a wasted effort."

Tim Connelly
Irish coach

"Brock [Hagerman] needs to learn how to run a 5 mile race."

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**Irish midfielders Susan Piancastall fights for the ball during Notre Dame’s 5-0 win over Pittsburgh Sunday at Alumni Field.**

Waldrum said, "I think today it’s nice to get the goals and stuff, but I thought Kerri did a great job just being very unselfish. Some of the little scenes she found, she was just finding those little spots to get people in.

After totaling 34 goals and 16 assists last year, the forward entered the game with seven scores this season and just one assist. According to Hanks, that relative lack of productivity had started to eat at her. Now that she helped Notre Dame keep its record unblemished, that tension has eased.

"I was getting a little down on myself because as a goal scorer I’m supposed to score goals," she said. "But I realized as the season goes on, I don’t care if I score anymore as long as we’re still winning. If we’re undefeated that’s all you can ask for. So if someone else scores that’s perfectly fine as long as we’re still winning."

In the 31st minute, Pittsburgh midfielder Corina Sebesta fired a direct kick into the arms of Karas. The shot ended an Irish streak of 106 minutes without an opposing shot on goal dating back to Friday’s game.

The Irish were able to control the Panthers, even though the starting lineup was missing senior attackers like Jill Krivarec, Cinalli and Weissenhofer to keep Irish legs fresh, before massive substitutions midway through the half.

With their starting lineup in the game, Notre Dame capitalized on an own goal when Buczkowski’s cross found Rock near the Rock as Panther defender Katie Sorina knocked into the net. In the 54th minute, senior defender Christie Shanahan’s cross found Rock’s head before passing the bottom corner of the goal to take a 2-0 lead.

Pittsburgh coach, and former Irish assistant, Sue-Moy Chiu was disappointed in the outcome, but admitted the challenge the Panthers faced.

"We did a good job of playing but it was sporadic," she said. "The Irish are good. They know when they put you under pressure, it’s hard to get out of it."

The Irish return to action next weekend against Seton Hall and Rutgers at Alumni Field.

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Horoscope

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ARIES (March 21-April 19): There isn't a whole lot you can do if someone you are in partnership with won't work or even come in your hallway. The more valuable you make yourself, the harder it will be for others to say no to you. 2 stars

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Prepare to defend yourself if someone questions what you have been doing professionally. Not everyone will be able to see your vision. Don't cross-examine but ask others who thinks the same way you do. 3 stars

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Today is all about making the most of everything that is available to you. A different mode of operation will help you if you take a look at the future. Love and romance are at a high cycle. 3 stars

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Take a look at what's going on in your own back yard. It may be time to rearrange the way things are being done. Someone will oppose you for the best of your step but you stand your ground. Consider making a move. 3 stars

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): You can make some visual changes at home that will make your life easier but don't overspend. A unique twist to a relationship will help you decide your next move. 3 stars

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): It is the perfect day to get down to business in a not-so-mediocre kind. A new way of presenting something old will result in a change of direction. 3 stars

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Avoid any turmoil at home. An unusual activity or event that you start will lead to all sorts of new opportunities. Someone you love will feel threatened by your choice. Some clues of emotional conflict. 2 stars

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Everything is beginning to unfold. Friends will grow and the chance to do something different will allow you to show your adaptability and raw talents. A change at home will do you a world of good. 4 stars

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You can get others to do things for you. A look at your past will reassure you that the changes you are making in the future are in your best interest. Someone close to you will be happy by the changes taking place. 3 stars

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Traveling will turn out to be a costly and a waste of valuable time. Your emotional outlook will change the way you view things, leading to mistakes and leaving you in a vulnerable position. 2 stars

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): As long as you don't overextend, you will do amazingly well. Money is flowing your way. Think in what politically correct. 2 stars

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Don't mix up an opportunity because someone you are emotionally involved with doesn't want you to get ahead. You may need to question your current partnerships. 4 stars

Birthday Baby: You are bright, articulate and currently good at improving. You can dazzle others with your intellectual outlook.

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Brown gets 500th career win as squad beats Seton Hall

By KYLE CASSILY
Sports Writer

Notre Dame head coach Debbie Brown earned her 500th career win Saturday with a victory over Seton Hall—a team to whom Brown and the Irish have never lost.

The Irish (9-5, 1-2 Big East) swept the Pirates (9-7, 1-2 Big East) 30-22, 30-22, 30-24 Saturday to win their third straight match.

Notre Dame is now in a three-way tie for first place in the Big East with St. John's (4-0) and South Florida (2-0). Junior co-captain Adrianna Stasiuk blasted a match-leading 12 kills and also recorded 10 digs.

It was Stasiuk's tenth double-double of the season and she now has 169 total kills—four behind team leader Christina Kaelin.

Senior co-captain Danielle Herndon tallied 19 digs—the 12th time this season the libero has led the Irish in that category.

The Irish defense stifled the Pirate attack and held them to a .091 hitting percentage—the lowest Notre Dame has held an opposing offense to since Nov.19, 2005 against Cincinnati.

Notre Dame shot .225 for the three games.

Notre Dame parried a late Seton Hall comeback in the third game to take the match on a kill from freshman Megan Foul that was assisted by freshman Jamel Nicholas.

The Pirates went on a small run to reduce the Irish lead to 23-19, but Notre Dame went on a 7-5 run to close out the match.

Seton Hall had a strong start to the first game, opening up a 9-5 lead before the Irish could respond.

Consecutive kills from Stasiuk put the Irish back in the lead in a big way. The score climbed to 21-12 before the Pirates recovered and moved within four points.

A 6-1 run closed out the opening game with a kill from sophomore Justine Stasiuk as the game-winner.

A strategic timeout salvaged the second game for the Irish.

ND CROSS COUNTRY

Irish struggle against top-ranked opponents

By JAY FITZPATRICK
Sports Writer

Notre Dame ran hard, but in the end it wasn't enough. Both the Irish men's and women's teams faced tough fields Friday at the Notre Dame Invitational, but only the men were satisfied with their performance, finishing tied for fourth.

Notre Dame's women's team came in hoping to run well, but fell behind early and had little chance of catching the seven nationally ranked teams and finished 12th.

The women's field featured seven teams ranked in the top 20—including No. 3 Michigan—lining up against the Irish. By the first mile, these top teams had taken control of the race, pushing Notre Dame's runners back in the pack. This trend only continued at the second mile with the Wolverines leading the pack followed by No. 12 North Carolina State and No. 29 Florida State.

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ND WOMEN'S GOLF

Team hits sunflower state

By CHRIS HINE
Sports Writer

Coming off a disappointing second-place finish in last week's Notre Dame Invitational, the Irish will travel to Lawrence, Kansas to compete in the Marilyn Smith Sunflower Invitational today and Tuesday.

Notre Dame will be without junior Alejandra Diaz-Calderon and freshman Julie Kim, who are out with injuries.

"It's kind of a week by week thing for both of them," Irish coach Susan Holt said. "Realistically, though, I expect them to be out for the remainder of the fall season."

Fifteen other teams will take part in the invitational Alvarado Golf Club. Holt said the emphasized working Notre Dame m's short game over the past week of practices in order to trim down the squad's scores to under 300 per round.

"This course has a lot of hills for being in the middle of Kansas," Holt said. "We worked on a lot of up and down, ledge, bump and run shots, and we worked a lot on putting, which will help at a course like this."

In the No. 1 slot for the Irish will be senior Noriko Nakazaki, who tied for eighth at last week's tournament. Nakazaki is Notre Dame's all-time leader in scoring average and is averaging 75 per round this year.

Sophomore Lisa Maunu, who has started the year with two top-20 individual finishes, will be in the second slot.

Freshman Kristen Weitzel will be in the third slot.

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