University to renovate Joyce Center

College breaks ground on academic building

Scholar reviews genocide studies

Saint Mary's Board returns for meetings

Trustees explore Facebook

Student government fields questions

Large dome to be renamed Purcell Pavilion after donor

New facility boasts updated technology

Construction could create traffic jams

However, neither White nor University architect Doug Marsh could name a start date. University guidelines require 100 percent of construction costs to be confirmed and 7.5 percent cash in hand before the University breaks ground. Currently, the University has more than $22 million of the $24.7 million dollar project confirmed — $12.5 million from Purcell, and approximately $10 million more from "a handful" of donors, White said. Marsh did say once construction begins, the project should take somewhere over a year. The project will be the first major renovation of the 35-year-old basketball arena. The last significant addition to the Joyce Center was the 1985.

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Drawing courtesy of Notre Dame Athletic Department

An artistic rendering depicts plans for a $25 million renovation of the south dome of the Joyce Athletic Center.

By KEN FOWLER
News Writer

Notre Dame's basketball arena will get both a new look and a new name, thanks to an upcoming $25 million renovation — but a significant number of questions remained unanswered after the University's announcement Thursday.
The University will renovate the south dome of the Joyce Center and rename it Purcell Pavilion to the Joyce Center in honor of Philip J. Purcell II, Notre Dame Trustee and lead donor for the project, athletic director Kevin White said.

By JENNIFER METZ
News Writer

Saint Mary's broke ground on a new, state-of-the-art academic building Thursday afternoon. The building, part of the College's renovation and construction plan, will make new technology accessible to students and faculty.
The ceremony took place at the corner of Brother Andre Drive and Madeleva Drive. Parents, alumni and friends were in attendance to celebrate what the Saint Mary's website called an "exciting new venture for the College and our Saint Mary's family as we celebrate the 125-year history of Saint Mary's College.

By LAURA BAUMGARTNER
News Writer

Commuters to the Saint Mary's College campus may want to allow for extra travel time in upcoming months. That's because Brother Andre Drive at the College will be closed with heavy construction equipment for the remainder of the year. Sewer lines are installed by the city of South Bend and a new academic building and hotel are built on the southern side of campus.

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College Trustees

By KELLY MEEHAN
Saint Mary's Editor

While Saint Mary's campus was abuzz with anticipation of the groundbreaking of the new academic building, approximately 30 Trustees joined in the excitement as they flooded campus for their quarterly meeting.

Thursday's groundbreaking ceremonies purposely coincided with the two-day meeting of the Saint Mary's Board of Trustees, Executive Assistant to the President Susan Dampeer said. "The Board's meetings began Thursday in rooms throughout campus and will once again remain closed to the public, with the agenda not made public," Dampeer said.

Although the meetings remain extremely private, the Chair of the Board will issue a report to the community about a week or two after the meeting, Dampeer said.

The Trustees packed in committee meetings throughout the day Thursday and will hold their formal meeting today at the Student Lounge in the Student Center.

The Board elected seven and appointed three Trustees to serve for three years during their April 2006 meeting, all of whom will be present at Friday's meeting.

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A happy medium

During the meetings of intellectuals, whenever the topic of television comes up, one earnest, erudite, bright-eyed scholar never fails to quickly dismiss the subject with "There's nothing good on television," almost immediately fol­lowed by the proud declaration of "I haven't watched television in forever." The logical inconsistencies in these two statements are enough to make even the most casual philosophy student scratch his head in confusion. If you flick through the channels at any time during the day, you will obviously find some terrible programming. But is that so different from the multitude of irredeemable movies or poorly-written books released each year? Those that look down on television love to compare gaudy reality programming to the best of literature, film, art and music, which seems rather unfair. All mediums have their masterpieces, just as all mediums have their flops. I don't mean to debate literature or film, as we all know the sensational feel­ ing one achieves when finishing up the last few pages of a great book or the sense of wonder permeating a packed theater when the opening credits roll for a highly-anticipated movie. I simply wish more well-educated students would open their mind to the merits of television.

In Robert Putnam's book "Bowling Alone," Putnam posits that mass media is somehow driving our culture apart, and that position couldn't be further from the truth. How often do you watch a television show you truly enjoy alone? In the time before "Grey's Anatomy" quad watches, "The O.C." crowded 24-hour lounges every Thursday night. I can only hope everyone has experienced the joy of sitting around with a group of close friends and watching "Arrested Development.

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Fonda lectures on life, poverty

By RYAN SYDLIK
News Writer

In between lengthy personal anecdotes, actress, writer, activist and workout video star Jane Fonda spoke about poverty and women Thursday night in DeBartolo auditorium.

While her lecture was titled "The Feminization of Poverty," her speech was focused more on child psychology processes and her own family experiences. TheMicroventuring

"We are not meant to be perfect, we're mortals, God is meant to be perfect," she said. "We are meant to become complete."

Fonda Continued that cultural demands on girls to be perfect are lastent until they reach puberty, when a psychological "empty space" forms. She said girls fill that space with food, drug or shopping addictions.

Boys have an even worse situation, Fonda said, because pressure hits them as soon as they start school.

"To be a real man, you can't be a sissy, you can't cry," she said. "Teach our boys not to have this bifurcation between head and heart, it's OK to be emotionally literate.

"We have to teach our boys to integrate head and heart, we have to understand girls are the agents of change," she continued. "We don't have the same way of thinking."

She felt bad for the "little girl," she said.

The stress of needing to be perfect hit Fonda as a little girl, and she emphasized the problem of overparenting parents.

"The child feels it must be their fault and they have to be perfect," she said. "It doesn't really go away when you grow up ... it continues on into your relationships."

Pursuing perfection is impossible, Fonda said. Much

Also on the agenda was the continuing controversy surrounding the recent decision by the Student Union Board (SUB) to exclude graduate students from ticket lotteries for away football games.

"Historically, the SUB has always allowed graduate students to participate in the lottery," Schoenharl said. "What we are saying is that graduate students will be able to participate in the USC lottery, and if we go to a bowl game."

Paul Schramm, a graduate student who had contacted SUB on the issue, spoke about the disagreement.

"The SUB Is very much aware of how the GEO feels," Schramm said. "For the foreseeable future, graduate students will not be allowed to participate in the lottery."

Several participants commented on the widely held impression that graduate students fall to share undergarduates' enthusiasm toward Notre Dame's football program.

"There is absolutely graduate student interest in participating in these events," Schoenharl said. "The next meeting of the Graduate Student Union will be held Nov. 2."

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Graduate Student Union

Football lottery, health insurance top priorities

By STEVE KERINS
News Writer

University health insurance coverage and graduate student access to football ticket lotteries for away games were the primary issues discussed at the Graduate Student Union's (GSU) meeting Thursday.

GSU president Michael Lundin and co-secretary Sarah Busby came to yesterday's meeting after presenting graduate students' concerns to Notre Dame's Board of Trustees earlier in the day.

"Health insurance is the largest outlay [for] graduate students in terms of things we have to pay for," Schoenharl said, referring to issues discussed with the Trustees.

"For the last three years, [Notre Dame] has given us a stipend to defray the costs of health insurance, but that stipend program runs out this year," he said, citing the high costs for Medicaid-eligible members and dependents to the health insurance policy. "What we would like is for the University to cover all of the healthcare costs."

Lundin said the Trustees would discuss health insurance in the spring and are aware of "the need to be more competitive with other universities."

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Gain insight into the lives of ancient populations of the Middle East—how they lived, what they ate, from what diseases they suffered, how they died—through an examination of their bones.

Sheridan, who specializes in forensic and cultural anthropology, analyzes ancient bones and pieces together biological clues to better understand the lives of those populations.
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"What I found interesting is that you talk about the Facebook world and the real world... you
say in real life you have 20 friends and in your Facebook world you have 500," said one
Trustee. "What does Facebook provide that your real friends don't provide? What need does it
fulfill?"

The concept of a Facebook "friend" continued to perplex some Board members, who strug­
gled to understand the motivation for having so many.

Andrichik clarified the meaning of "friend" on Facebook, explain­
ing that the word is "too strong of a term," since most Facebook
friends are merely acquaintances, if that.

At Shappell's urging, Dutes admitted he has roughly 900 Facebook friends, and after being
pressured by a Board member, he said he rejects friend requests from people he has never met.

"But it's not people from other schools... if I don't know them or haven't met them, I reject the
request," Dutes said.

Facebook, the students said, is both a way to keep in touch with high school friends and a means
to establish one's individuality.

"But if it went away, would that be a great loss? Second, what's next? Where does it go from here?" one Trustee said.

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McClelland said that was not true in her case, noting that Facebook made the college adjustment easier by keeping
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But privacy issues are certainly a concern, Shappell said, noting
that most students only allow their profile to be seen by their
Facebook friends, and no one else.

"We joke that Facebook is a stalker's dream," Shappell said.

Safety concerns aside, Trustees also expressed concern about the
quality of communication between young people.

A Student Affairs representative brought up the absence of "verbal cues" in students' communication and another spoke about infor­
ation that is "left out" when stu­
dents use text messaging and phone calls instead of letters.

Though some students admitted that instant messaging and text messaging can keep identi­
hies hidden, no student expressed
resentment of that fact.

At the end of the discussion, one trustee warned the students that virtually any digital commu­
nication is "within the purview of the courtroom" and subject to
discovery.

"All of this is captured and no longer private," the Trustee said.

The Student Affairs committee is made up largely of younger
Trustees and Trustees who hold positions at institutions of higher
learning — making them an ideal
group for a discussion like this, Shappell said after the meet­ing.

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS
Georgians vote as crisis continues
TBILISI, Georgia — Georgians voted Thursday in municipal elections that could serve as a bellwether for President Mikhail Saakashvili’s pro-Western policies amid a deepening crisis with Russia.

The U.S.-educated Saakashvili faces an electorate increasingly disenchanted and impatient with the slow pace of economic reforms nearly three years after the Rose Revolution propelled him to power. Georgia’s recent arrest of four Russian military officers on espionage charges also has sent relations with Moscow plummeting.

However, bread-and-butter issues such as the rising cost of living and persistent corruption may ultimately determine how much support Saakashvilli has in his drive to modernize the country and integrate with the West.

NATO takes over Afghan security
KABUL, Afghanistan — NATO extended its security mission Thursday to all of Afghanistan after the U.S.-led coalition took over command of the war-battered country’s east.

The handover diminishes the Pentagon’s role in the war and gives the Europe-based military alliance its biggest test yet.

The transfer of command “illustrates the enduring commitment of NATO and its international partners to the future of this great country,” said British Gen. David Richards. He was promoted to the military’s top rank Thursday as its investigation of a page sex scandal at a remote base in Afghanistan nearly five years after the West opened a criminal investigation into two produce companies that supplied produce to Natural Growers Express.

Associated Press

IRAQ
Rice tells leaders time is limited
BAGHDAD — Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice warned Iraqi leaders Thursday they have limited time to settle their differences and that the escalating waves of violence are intolerable.

On a visit five weeks before congressional elections in the U.S., Rice also insisted the Bush administration has been honest with Americans about the costs and stakes in Iraq.

Administration officials recently have found themselves defending their conduct of the war, and Rice’s remarks reflected the political toll for the White House from an unpopular conflict.

“This is really hard going,” Rice told reporters during her stop in the Iraqi capital. “Not only do I believe that the president has been clear with the American people that this is a struggle, he’s been clear with the American people why he thinks it’s a struggle that needs to be waged.

After meetings in the Middle East with Arab and Israeli leaders, the top U.S. diplomat came to Iraq to tell sometimes squabbling leaders they have a short window to resolve disputes that she said are spurring sectarian and insurgent violence.

While killings among Iraqis have not abated, American casualties also have spiked recently.

Car bombs killed four people and wounded 28 in Baghdad on Thursday. At least 23 U.S. soldiers have died since Saturday, most were in Baghdad amid a massive security sweep by U.S. and Iraqi forces.

Associated Press

FBI searches for contamination
Agents look for negligence at spinach companies; producers could be held liable

WASHINGTON — The House ethics committee approved a resolution Thursday opening a criminal investigation into two produce companies involved in the contaminated spinach outbreak, federal agents are following a script first written a decade ago to hold companies responsible for mass food poisoning.

In 1990, authorities secured the first criminal conviction in a food poisoning case when juice-maker Odwalla Inc. was heavily fined for tainted apple juice that killed a baby. That was followed by a case against Sara Lee Corp. five years later, which led to a fine for tainted hot dogs and lunch meals that killed 15 people.

Federal officials do not think anyone deliberately contaminated the spinach with E. coli, which has killed two and sickened at least 190 others. Instead, the probe is focused on whether the companies failed to make sure their produce was safe to eat.

FBI and Food and Drug Administration agents spent 11 hours Wednesday searching Natural Selection Foods LLC and Growers Express, sifting through records and evidence indicating the spinach producers skirted proper food-handling procedures.

“We are looking more toward the food-safety issue at this point,” FBI spokesman Joseph Schade said Thursday, adding that the investigation was in its early stages and may or may not lead to criminal charges. It could also spread to other spinach producers, he said.

Also Thursday, health officials in Idaho confirmed that the death of a 2-year-old boy was caused by tainted spinach. Test results showed that Kyle Aligood was infected with the same E. coli strain that killed an elderly Wisconsin woman.

Legal experts say the companies do not need to have known that their products were contaminated to be convicted of criminal charges, only negligent in their duties to keep tainted foods from the market.

Lawyers involved in previous food-poisoning cases said the government will likely try to charge the companies under the 1938 Federal Food Drug and Cosmetics Act, which makes it a crime to sell or distribute “adulterated” products any item deemed unsafe for human or animal consumption.

Distributing contaminated food through interstate commerce is usually a misdemeanor, but it can rise to a felony if authorities find evidence that company officials knowingly took action to compromise the safety of the food supply.

Penalties can include jail time.

That would be hard to prove in this case, said Fred Pritzker, a food safety lawyer in Minneapolis who represents several victims in the recent spinach scare.

The Federal Food Drug and Cosmetic Act is unusual because simply allowing contaminated foods into interstate commerce could result in criminal charges, even if there was no intent to violate the law, said Eric Greenberg, a food safety lawyer.

“The result of prosecution under this statute is that you can be considered a criminal, and you may even go to jail, and it may simply be because you made a mistake, or one of your employees made a mistake,” he said.

Tests on spinach recalled from grocers point to nine spinach farms that supplied produce to Natural Selection, one of the nation’s largest distributors of bagged salads. The company issued a statement Wednesday saying it was confident in the cleanliness of its plant and pointing the finger at growers.

A spokesman said it had no further comment Thursday.

Growers Express operates a food-safety program in which small-scale farmers pay the company to provide health and safety inspections and maintain databases of audit reports. The company turned over those audit reports to the FDA and FBI on Wednesday.

FBI officials walk through a Growers Express plant in Salinas, Calif. The FBI searched two produce companies Wednesday for evidence of a crime in the E. coli outbreak.

LOCAL NEWS
Teacher faces 23 criminal counts
SCOTTSBURG, Ind. — A high school teacher engaged in sexual misconduct with a 15-year-old girl who was his student when she was a youth minister, state police said Wednesday.

John Mark Karr, 27, is a teacher at Scottsburg High School in Scott County, where the girl was a student.

The girl was 14 and 15 years old when the encounters occurred between 2002 and 2004 in various locations in Scott County, police said.

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Penalties can include jail time.

That would be hard to prove in this case, said Fred Pritzker, a food safety lawyer in Minneapolis who represents several victims in the recent spinach scare.

The Federal Food Drug and Cosmetic Act is unusual because simply allowing contaminated foods into interstate commerce could result in criminal charges, even if there was no intent to violate the law, said Eric Greenberg, a food safety lawyer.

“The result of prosecution under this statute is that you can be considered a criminal, and you may even go to jail, and it may simply be because you made a mistake, or one of your employees made a mistake,” he said.

Tests on spinach recalled from grocers point to nine spinach farms that supplied produce to Natural Selection, one of the nation’s largest distributors of bagged salads. The company issued a statement Wednesday saying it was confident in the cleanliness of its plant and pointing the finger at growers.

A spokesman said it had no further comment Thursday.

Growers Express operates a food-safety program in which small-scale farmers pay the company to provide health and safety inspections and maintain databases of audit reports. The company turned over those audit reports to the FDA and FBI on Wednesday.

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RICE TELLS LEADERS TIME IS LIMITED
BAGHDAD — Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice warned Iraqi leaders Thursday they have limited time to settle their differences and that the escalating waves of violence are intolerable.

On a visit five weeks before congressional elections in the U.S., Rice also insisted the Bush administration has been honest with Americans about the costs and stakes in Iraq.

Administration officials recently have found themselves defending their conduct of the war, and Rice’s remarks reflected the political toll for the White House from an unpopular conflict.

“This is really hard going,” Rice told reporters during her stop in the Iraqi capital. “Not only do I believe that the president has been clear with the American people that this is a struggle, he’s been clear with the American people why he thinks it’s a struggle that needs to be waged.

After meetings in the Middle East with Arab and Israeli leaders, the top U.S. diplomat came to Iraq to tell sometimes squabbling leaders they have a short window to resolve disputes that she said are spurring sectarian and insurgent violence.

While killings among Iraqis have not abated, American casualties also have spiked recently.

Car bombs killed four people and wounded 28 in Baghdad on Thursday. At least 23 U.S. soldiers have died since Saturday, most were in Baghdad amid a massive security sweep by U.S. and Iraqi forces.

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moment." The Board of Trustees and other guests were present at the ceremony, which was followed by a reception at the groundbreaking site.

The facility will contain multiple laboratory space and partial residence hall spaces, which facilitate environmentally sustainable practices and make a commitment to green space, said University President Carol Ann Moore.

"That's one of the things that we're very excited about," Moore said.

Besides laboratories, the building will "include both formal and informal social space for faculty-student interactions," Moore said.

"The new facility will be an excellent addition to the Saint Mary's campus," sophomore Maureen McGuade said. "It will be used to the great advantage of faculty, staff and students to advance the mission of the College." The College mission reads, "The College is an academic community where women develop their talents and prepare to make a difference in the world."

"It will be completed by the end of May," said senior Mary Ann Loucks. "It will be a wonderful addition to the city." The College will also provide a new space for the College's music and art programs.

Affleck-Graves said the new building will have a dramatic entrance and "a lot of light." The building will also feature a "clubhouse and apartment-style housing." More than 600 donors — including faculty, staff, alumni, parents, students and friends of the College — are funding the new academic building. The funds have already exceeded the goal of $16.5 million to cover construction costs and operating endowment. Even more funds are secured in gifts and pledges, and 75 percent of the necessary amount is cash-in-hand.

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College spokeswoman Melanie McDonald said traffic will be affected by the congestion the various projects will cause, but none of the roads on campus are expected to close.

The first of the three construction projects on campus was begun by the South Bend water department. This venture is part of a long-term plan to reduce combination sewers and decrease the risk of flooding with federal and state regulations in compliance.

"We're looking to decrease the amount of raw sewage entering local rivers and streams during periods of heavy rainfall, according to the department Web site.

McDonald said this project would be completed by January.

The second project to reach completion will be the addition of a new storm sewer — is expected to be completed by the end of the month. The project cost is $10,000.

The third and last of the three current projects will be the addition of a new sewage system to the facility.

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An artistic rendering depicts the new academic building at Saint Mary's. Ground was broken on the project Thursday.

The College will consider initiating restoration of Madeleva Hall, the former facility, for use as student housing or classroom space.

"If the Board of Trustees approves, renovation of Madeleva Hall will begin that fall," said the College. "The College will begin working on a renovation design for the building this summer."

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All new Trustees participated in an orientation session Wednesday to interact with the members of the College community, Dampeer said.

While the meetings and agenda remain under wraps, Dampeer said the Trustees take the opportunity to meet with select students while on campus.

"Board members often interact with students," she said. "They will be having a discussion with student leaders and lunch with students." In addition to the newly elected Trustees, three board members were recently given Emeritus status during the spring meeting.

"We felt appreciation to Phil, as you provide his leadership," said the Trustees take the opportunity to meet with select students while on campus.

Purcell was chief executive officer of Morgan Stanley from 1997 until this March. Before joining Morgan Stanley, Purcell served as executive officer of Dean Witter Discover for 11 years.

Contact Ken Fowler at kfowler@nd.edu
Goodyear workers go on strike

Company, union fail to agree on deal; employees walk out in U.S. and Canada

IN BRIEF

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studies, highlighting how the "second generation of scholar-
ship on genocide" differs from the
first, as well as discuss the
limitations of those new develop-
ments in his lecture entitled
"New Directions in the
Comparative Study of Genocide." He noted that there has been a
"three-fold increase" in recent
years of books published on
"academic genocide." He noted that there has been a
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genocide, attributing this increase
to events in the 1990s, namely
genocides in Rwanda and
Bosnia, which served to
generate interest in human
rights. "This field is moving
in many different directions at
once ... even though (the
topic of genocide has) a very
narrow focus," he said.

In demonstrating the different
directions of genocidal research,
Straus cited six books by various
authors which he referred to as
the "core of second-generation
literature" — those that under-
score the values of the new
perspective on genocide.

While he discussed individual
merits of each book, Strauss
argued that the core literature
problems faced by the genocide researcher, includ-
ing "conceptualization, case
selection and hypothesis testing." The problem of conceptualiza-
tion in genocide research lies in
the fact that "not one of these
authors [of the core of second-
generation literature] uses the
same definition of geno-
cide," he said.

Straus said the lack of a con-
crete definition leads to
problems in case selec-
tions, as one definition
may apply to the Rwandan case
but not the Holocaust and vice
versa. Furthermore, because of
the difficulty in defining genocide
and pinpointing examples, Strauss said it becomes difficult to
critically study genocide
and compare it to
other historical events.

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Scott Straus
political science professor
University of Wisconsin

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genocide is so vague that it's very
difficult to come up with a zero
point (that defines when the
term can be used)," he said.

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Schwarzenegger won't
release infamous tape

By ANGELIDES
Associated Press

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — Gov.
Arnold Schwarzenegger's office
on Wednesday rejected a
request that it release sev-
eral hours of audio tape that
contained the governor's now
infamous comments about the
mangling of "black blood" and
"Latino blood.

The letter from
Schwarzenegger Legal Affairs
Secretary Andrea Lynn Hoch
came in response to a demand
from the Republican gover-
nor's Democratic opponent in
the November election, state
Treasurer Phil Angelides.

Hoch said the audio files
were obtained without
authorization from a
password-protected area of the
governor's Web site. She also
didn't say they were "accessed
in a way that would suggest to
any reasonable person that the
files had not been posted for
public distribution."

Angelides has acknowledged
that members of his campaign
staff downloaded the audio
files from the Web site and
leaked a small portion of them
to a Los Angeles Times
reporter.

The recordings were from a
speechwriting meeting in the
governor's office last March
that included Schwarzenegger
and a handful of aides. At one
discussion, the governor's chief
of staff discussed the possible
ethnicity of a Republican
assemblywoman.

Referring to temperament,
Schwarzenegger said that
whether Cuban or Puerto
Rican, "They are all very hot."

"They have the, you know,
part of the black blood in
them and part of the Latino
blood in them that together
makes an ethnic mixture,"
Angelides says on the
recording.

He apologized for the
matter this past weekend and
the assemblywoman said she was
not offended.

Angelides and his campaign
officials maintain aides did
nothing wrong in accessing the
audio files.

"Gov. Schwarzenegger is
well aware that these audio
files were as publicly avail-
able as a children's book in a
public library, yet now his
office is making false accusa-
tions and using legal tricks to
keep these files from becom-
ing available to the public," said
Angelides spokeswoman
Amanda Crumley.

The aides downloaded the
recordings after going to a
link of a Schwarzenegger
speech about Hurricane
Katrina on the governor's
official Web site. They then
shortened the Web address
and reached a trove of other
audio files.

Last week, Angelides sent a
letter to Schwarzenegger's
office asking that roughly four
hours of private recordings be
made public.

Hoch said Angelides' own
statements suggest his cam-
paign accessed the audio files
"in an irregular way."

She said the files were con-
tained on an "exempt serv-
er" maintained by the gover-
nor's office and were for
use by his staff. The office permits
reporters to access specific
files via a link, but said the
directory can only be viewed
through use of a password.

Further, Hoch said the audio
files were exempt from public
disclosure because they were
prepared solely for internal
use and would reveal the
deliberative process in the
governor's office.

"If the recordings were
released to the public, it
would chill the flow of infor-
manion within the governor's
office, and it would impede
the governor's ability to work
with his speechwriters and
others in performing his offi-
cial duties," Hoch wrote in
her reply to Angelides' campaign
lawyer, Lance Olson.

Olson, in his letter to
Schwarzenegger last week,
suggested the unreleased
recordings from the closed-
door meetings contain poten-
tially "more inflammatory
statements" by
Schwarzenegger, including his
views on the assimilation of
immigrants.
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Pilots deny turning off communication device before crash

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SAO PAULO — The American pilots of an executive jet involved in a deadly high-altitude collision with a Boeing 737 have denied they turned off the transponder that signaled their location, authorities said Thursday.

Pilots Joseph Lepore, of Bay Shore, N.Y., and Jan Paladino, of Westhampton Beach, N.Y., repeatedly told investigators they never turned off the device that transmits a plane’s location and believed that it was working just before the collision, said Denise Niedermayer, a spokeswoman for the Mato Grosso do Sul State Public Safety Department.

Brazilian authorities suggested a day earlier that the pilots may have turned off the device.

Authorities did not say why they believed that may have happened, but said a malfunctioning transponder was a possible cause of the collision with Gol Airlines Flight 1907, which plunged into the Amazon jungle Friday, killing all 154 aboard in Brazil’s worst air disaster.

The Legacy was making its inaugural flight from the southern Brazilian city of Sao Jose dos Campos to the United States, where it had been purchased by ExcelAire Service Inc., based in Romkonkoma, N.Y.

On Thursday, the New York newspaper Newsday quoted ExcelAire chief executive Bob Sherry as saying he was seeking the return home of Lepore, 42, and Paladino, 34.

He declined to comment on the crash, but said, “Our pilots have been treated well.”

Nearly 40 bodies had been recovered from the crash site by Thursday, but federal authorities were having difficulties identifying the bodies and said that DNA testing may be needed to complete a process that could take weeks.

Above, a Brazilian Air Force helicopter lifts a load of victim remains Wednesday from last week’s plane crash in the northeast area of the Brazilian state of Mato Grosso. Below, recovery workers carry human remains. Prosecutors could charge two American pilots with manslaughter for the mid-air collision.
MEXICO

Government, people upset by lack of immigration reform

Federal officials reject U.S. legislation to increase security at the border, disagree on appropriate response

Associated Press

TIJUANA — Mexico lobbied for six years for a comprehensive immigration reform that would allow millions to cross into the United States legally. Instead, they're getting a fence.

Mexicans — from leading politicians to migrants preparing to cross illegally — consider the U.S. plan to fence off much of the border shameful, offensive and ill-conceived.

President Bush on Wednesday signed a bill that would allot $1.2 billion for hundreds of miles of fencing along the U.S.-Mexican border and for more vehicle barriers, lighting and infrared cameras.

But migrants resting at a Tijuana shelter after being deported from the United States said more walls wouldn't deter them. Alfonso Martinez, a 32-year-old from southern Mexico, had been working as a farmhand for six months in Vista, Calif., when he was arrested and deported last week.

"Wall or no wall, I will try at least three times," said Martinez, who said he would try to cross by himself through Tijuana, a mountain town about 35 miles east of Tijuana. "I have three girls that I have to support, and in Mexico there is no work."

Mexican immigrants in the United States and the Mexican government had lobbied lawmakers for more ways to cross the border and work legally.

While Bush had proposed a temporary worker program, it didn't garner enough support in Congress for passage. The idea has been dropped by Washington, at least until after the November congressional elections.

Congress focused on security over immigration, arguing that the porous border was used by terrorists who want to sneak into the U.S. undetected. There is no evidence that has happened, however.

The Mexican government this week sent a diplomatic note to Washington criticizing the plan for 700 miles of new fencing along the border. Foreign Secretary Luis Ernesto Derbez called it an "offense" and said Wednesday his office was considering taking the issue to the United Nations.

Ruben Aguilar, the spokesman for President Vicente Fox, said Thursday that Mexico had ruled out that possibility. He added he was "confident" the additional fencing would never become a reality because an immigration accord would eventually replace it.

President-elect Felipe Calderon Thursday criticized the U.S. plan, but said the case is a bilateral issue that should not be taken to any international organization.

"I think it is a deplorable decision that has been made by the United States Congress for the construction of this wall, and it does not solve our common problem, which is emigration," Calderon told a news conference in Santiago, Chile.

Guillermo Alonzo, a migration expert at the Tijuana-based Colegio De La Frontera Norte, said fences instead will force migrants to look for new ways to sneak into the United States and find new routes through deadlier terrain.

"When migrants are deterred to cross, they find a way to jump the fences," Alonzo said. "Walls don't stop anything."

Alonzo cited the construction of a fence between Tijuana and San Diego, known in Mexico as the "tortilla wall." It was completed in the 1990s and forced migrants into the sparsely populated and dangerous Arizona desert.

While there are walls at various points along the border, the one in Tijuana is the longest stretch, running 14 miles west from the Otay border crossing and plunging into the Pacific Ocean.

It has become a symbol of the divisive immigration issue, a blank slate for graffiti, crosses, photos and other remembrances of those who have lost their lives trying to sneak into the United States. Some families, divided by the border, even meet at the fence, talking through the metal wires.

While the wall downward from Tijuana from the illegal migration mesa it was in the 1990s, hundreds of migrants still come here, Alonzo said.

INDIA

Dengue fever outbreak kills 38; authorities deny epidemic

Associated Press

NEW DELHI — India's health minister said Thursday the death toll from an outbreak of dengue fever had risen to 38 as hospitals struggle to cope with an influx of patients.

In southern India, meanwhile, an outbreak of dengue and chikungunya come as the annual monsoon season tapers off, leaving puddles of stagnant water where mosquitoes breed.

"Definitely, we are tackling the situation and this is not an epidemic and in the next few days to come we expect the situation is under control," Ramadoss said.

He added: "The situation is being controlled. There is no need to panic."

The outbreaks of dengue and chikungunya come as the annual monsoon season tapers off, leaving puddles of stagnant water where mosquitoes breed. Female Aedes mosquitoes transmit dengue. Symptoms include high fever, joint pain, headache and vomiting. It is fatal in rare cases.

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Authorities have been working to spray pesticides in New Delhi, where 15 people have died, and surrounding areas in recent days.

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Many Americans believe that imitation is the sincerest form of flattery. Yet, on the discourse shifts to the politics of life and death issues such as war or abortion, they turn a deaf ear to those who express differing points of view. Does anyone who speech obstructionists attempt to suffocate dissenters who conveniently forgetting that this nation was founded on discussion - that our strength lies in our diversity and our unyielding search for truth.

On Sept. 11, 2001, every American was abruptly called to action, individually called to better our nation's defense of democracy abroad and to improve our own domestic safety. I personally know the call to serve my country, having first worn a U.S. Armed Forces uniform as a Notre Dame freshman during the height of the Vietnam War's unpopular. How dare anyone, especially another Notre Dame alumna who is a military lawyer and Marine cap­
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Abortion display examined

Cemetery reminder

On Thursday and Friday, Notre Dame Right to Life will be displaying what is known as the "Cemetery of the Innocents" on South Quad. This memorializes the over 47 million children who have been killed through surgical abortion in the United States since the Roe v. Wade court decision in 1973.

This year we are erecting 600 white crosses to represent the number of abortions performed in the United States in only four hours, the length of a Notre Dame football game. In addition, there will be 3,600 pink and blue flags representing the approximate number of surgical abortions that occur each day in the United States.

This cemetery is meant to serve as a reminder of what is in fact occurring when each abortion is performed. We hope that it makes clear what is being "chosen" and challenges the idea that abortion is a matter of "choice." Finally, we wish to remember also the millions of women who have been harmed, both physically and psychologically, through their abortions. They are remembered with a display of red roses, and we recall their pain and the pain of all those who have suffered because of abortion with a large wooden cross.

We pray that the hearts of all men and women will be inspired to acknowledge the dignity of life from the moment of conception to natural death. Let us see these days of Respect Life Month to reflect on the gift of life and the tragedy of a culture that often falls to recognize the value and dignity of every human person.
THE PHASES OF DISNEY

From Agrabah's slums to Pride Rock and back again

By CASSIE BELEK
Assistant Scene Editor

Walt Disney 2-D animation has risen, fallen, risen and again. The promising rebirth of animation that “The Little Mermaid” made possible in 1989 lasted only a decade. Walt Disney Feature Animation made its last traditional animated feature in 2004 with the easily forgettable “Home on the Range,” a movie that alienates Disney magic but does evoke amazement because it was created by the same company who crafted the masterful 1950 classic “Cinderella.”

Traditional Disney animation has not recovered from this dark period that began in the 1990s. While Disney/Pixar films have all proven to be enormously popular, the creativity that drove audiences to these computer-animated films is nonexistent in Disney’s direct-to-video 2-D animated films. With the exception of “Lilo & Stitch,” these films have achieved little success since 1999’s “Tarzan.” However, it should be said that Disney has survived dark days before.

Walt Disney’s animation gold in the early 1930s with the introduction of Mickey Mouse and later, his pals Goofy and Donald Duck. However,Dialog was wiped from the floor. Further ground in animation and in 1938 he released “Steamboat Willie” which is credited with the first animated feature film in English and Technicolor. The wild success of “Snow White” sparkled the company’s golden age of animation, despite a few bumps during World War II, continued until Disney’s death from lung cancer in 1966. Before Disney’s death, Walt Disney Feature Animation had completed 18 animated films.

During his tenure, Disney looked for new ways to experiment in animation. His third animated feature was the 1939 masterpiece “Fantasia”—a beautiful synthesis of classical music and mesmerizing animation. The result of this synthesis was an instant critical success, but only slowly gained a public following over the years.

1959’s “Sleeping Beauty” — the last of the fairy tale features until “The Little Mermaid” — is another successful and stylized experiment. It was the last of Disney’s animated features to use hand-inked cells and its elaborate paintings resembled a moving tapestry. Eyvind Earle gained a new audience of backgrounds himself and each painting took him seven to 10 days to complete — seven times the amount of time in previous features. Initially, “Sleeping Beauty” was a box-office failure because of its slow pace but, like “Fantasia,” it has gained a following over the years and is now heralded as one of Disney’s best and most beautiful animated films.

After Disney’s death, the animation studio seemed lost without his direction. From his death until the release of “Mermaid” in 1985, Walt Disney Feature Animation produced only nine animated features, the most memorable being “The Jungle Book” — released the year after Disney’s death — and “Robin Hood.”

After years of honing the craft of young, new animators, the animation studio finally found a new life in the animated musical “The Little Mermaid.” Returning to Disney’s successful musical format, “Mermaid” won the Academy Awards for Best Original Score and Best Original Song for “Under the Sea.” The film was a box-office success and ushered in a new era of Disney musical animated features.

Everyone associated with Disney feature animation is looking forward after “Mermaid.” In 1991, “Beauty and the Beast” became the only animated film to ever be nominated for an Academy Award in the Best Picture category. It lost to “Silence of the Lambs,” but won the Academy Awards for Best Original Score and Best Original Song for the titular song, “Aladdin” followed in 1992 and “The Lion King” opened to box-office gold. Although extremely popular, many Disney fans have dismissed some of the two Disney princesses that followed.

1998’s “Mulan” and 1999’s “Tarzan” were Disney’s last two traditional animated successes. Since then, Disney has produced flops that lack the beautiful animation details of their predecessors. Disney’s recent lack of quality in its feature films has been coupled with its shameful direct-to-DVD animated sequels. Instead of producing well-thought out and well-animated feature sequels, Disney distributes hackneyed Shadows of its original animated masterpieces in order to make a buck.

These recent inferior features and sequels do not evoke the same enchantment that Disney’s masterpieces have for years. “Magical” is the only way to describe a beloved Disney animated feature. With former CEO Michael Eisner gone, Walt Disney Feature Animation has announced plans to return to the traditional animation that it abandoned with “Chicken Little.” Disney is currently developing “The Frog Princess,” which will return to the traditional animation seen in the early 1990s. Like “The Little Mermaid,” the public will look to this feature to return traditional Disney animation back to glory. If “The Frog Princess” cannot successfully capture the fans of Disney magic, 2-D animation has a chance of making yet another triumphant return.

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DISNEY BETRAYS NOSTALGIA

By MARTY SCHROEDER
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Disney has dropped a pack of shrink-wrapped nostalgia into the collective lap of our generation. Now, the question arises — what is the house of Mouse going to do with that nostalgia in its marketing strategies? With the recent release of “The Little Mermaid” on DVD, this pertinent question is at the forefront of the current college generation — and their wallets.

“The Little Mermaid” is now digitally remastered and, so the logic goes, more enjoyable. Disney has also included several documentary featurettes on the new two-disc special edition, including one explaining the animation processes and another featuring the titular source material by Hans Christian Anderson. Anderson’s fairy tale supposedly provided the background story for this film. Needless to say, the background that Anderson supplied was only slightly altered — only slightly. They also include a feature called “DisneyPedia: Life Under the Sea.” It is almost assured that no one of our generation cares about Jacques Cousteau’s life among the underwater inhabitants when they are buying “The Little Mermaid.” All that anyone wants to hear about is what Sebastian the crab has to say about the story. It has been out of college for a few years. The release of the DVD is also confounding because of the so-called “limited time release.” Disney has been threatening to put their most beloved films into a “moratorium” since they started releasing these special editions. Since the group that is most likely buying “The Little Mermaid” is either in college (which means they don’t have much money) or is working temporarily or low-paying jobs. Yet Disney says they only have a year to buy the DVD. How do they expect people to buy it when the disposable income isn’t there? The people with the disposable income — teenagers and those who have been out of college for a few years — are either too young or too old to remember “The Little Mermaid.” It’s the older generation who wants to become human after falling in love.

Also, the parents that had kids growing up with this film and other films like it most likely don’t have young children anymore. If this DVD were released three to four years after the film had come out (which, of course, is impossible), theoretically, our parents would have wanted to enjoy “The Little Mermaid” with our younger siblings as they did with us. However, this is not the case and it seems that Disney is showing itself in the foot.

And the proverbial gun is the limited time release. Though it was clearly a decision concocted by some executive to get people into Best Buys and buy the DVD, it’s not going to work. In fact, it is more likely to alienate consumers than to do anything else. Many remember this film as one of their childhood’s favorites. Now, Disney is saying, “We’ll give it to you, but only for a year and then after that, well, tough luck.” Some will most certainly buy it, but many may say “For a limited time only” and become awash in a wave of betrayal over the film felt given freely in their childhood which now feels stolen. When younger, we watched the movie and loved it. We felt robbled now that we know Disney is looking for a quick buck playing off a generation of nostalgia.

It and extends past “The Little Mermaid.” The past release of “The Lion King” included an entirely new song. If it were added as an extra on the DVD, no big deal, but Disney decided to throw it into the film. Who do they think is going to buy this? The answer is the kids who grew up with it and the song “Morning Report” is not in the film as remembered. It may have worked for “Star Wars” — able to create a whole new fan base in a new generation, but these films are not going to do that with a new song and some remastered animation.

The moral of the story is Disney wants money. They are going to make a beatle with “The Little Mermaid” DVD because they’d realize who wants to see the DVD and how to be friendly to their customers who love this film, they could make so much more — and wouldn’t come across as jerks.

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Ariel is the main character in the Disney classic, “The Little Mermaid.” Based on a fairy tale, it tells the story of a mermaid who wants to become human after falling in love.
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DVD REVIEW

By SEAN SWANEY
Assistant Scene Editor

Before there was "Finding Nemo," before there was "Shark Tale," there was a little movie under the sea about a mermaid named Ariel. In 1989, Disney’s "The Little Mermaid" began the so-called "second golden age" of Disney animation, which then led to blockbuster hits that included "Beauty and the Beast" and "The Lion King.

"The Little Mermaid" has recently been released in a two-disc special edition DVD in Disney's Platinum collection, which includes first-generation Disney classics such as "Sleeping Beauty," "Cinderella," and "Bambi," along with second generation hits in the vein of "The Lion King" and "Aladdin.

This release, as Disney has done for many of its beloved films, gives "The Little Mermaid" the deluxe treatment in terms of film restoration and a wide assortment of special features that cater to casual and ardent fans alike.

Loosely based on a story by Hans Christian Andersen, the movie follows the mermaid Ariel (Jodi Benson), daughter of King Triton. Her cephalopod-like body is beautifully and evilly animated along with her evil lackeys, Evil, vain and tragic all at the same time, she is a centerpiece of the film, showcased in spectacular fashion by her song "Poor Unfortunate Souls." The swirling colors and well-written lyrics provide the benchmark for another well-remembered Disney villain's song - Scar's nefarious "Be Prepared.

Several other memorable musical numbers — including "Kiss the Girl" and Academy Award-winning "Under the Sea" — transform this from a mediocre film into a Disney classic, as they are instantly recognizable songs to millions of people. Such music — composed by Alan Menken and Howard Ashman — quickly reemerged as a staple of Disney films as the pair also contributed the music for "Beauty and the Beast" and "Aladdin.

After the success of "The Little Mermaid," Disney produced a string of hits — culminating with "The Lion King" — using mostly the same formula where a headstrong teenager causes conflict with authority, allowing the villain to take power, forcing the teenager and a colorful cast of friends to set things right with a plentiful assortment of catchy, memorable songs along the way.

In true Disney fashion, this can only resolve itself in an epic battle that results happily-ever-after.

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The film itself has been digitally restored, as has nearly every other Platinum Disney DVD release, a process that results in more vibrant colors and a sharper image than ever before seen on a home release. While on other DVD releases this has been a good thing, here the job seems haphazardly done. The central characters look stunning, but the smaller roles and backgrounds themselves seem neglected and the juxtaposition between the two is jarring and unsettling. The sound, also remastered, seems unnatural at times with loud sound effects often overshadowing dialogue or music. While the film presentation is disappointing, the special features on the second disc are impressive and show the time and effort that went into producing this DVD.

Seven deleted/alternate scenes give an indication of what the film might have been like and an hour-long "Making of" special gives an idea of the film's origins, while a virtual ride of the proposed attraction takes power, forcing the teenager and a colorful cast of friends to set things right with a plentiful assortment of catchy, memorable songs along the way.

There is no question this formula practically gave Disney a printing press in their basement and "The Little Mermaid" is without a doubt the catalyst that jumpstarted the whole process — although the mediocre "Pocahontas" and "Mulan" used the same formula. As such, the treatment it receives on this DVD is well deserved, but the overall product falls just short of what it could be. The film itself has been digitally restored, as has nearly every other Platinum Disney DVD release, a process that results in more vibrant colors and a sharper image than ever before seen on a home release. While on other DVD releases this has been a good thing, here the job seems haphazardly done. The central characters look stunning, but the smaller roles and backgrounds themselves seem neglected and the juxtaposition between the two is jarring and unsettling. The sound, also remastered, seems unnatural at times with loud sound effects often overshadowing dialogue or music. While the film presentation is disappointing, the special features on the second disc are impressive and show the time and effort that went into producing this DVD.

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With such comprehensive special features and a treasured story and film, the "Little Mermaid" DVD, in spite of the presentation quality, is enjoyable and worthwhile. While not on the level of "Aladdin" or "The Lion King" or "The Little Mermaid" makes it fun to rewatch childhood and enjoy a life that's better, down where it's wetter, under the sea.

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The Little Mermaid
Platinum Collection Edition
Walt Disney Home Entertainment

"The Little Mermaid" revived Disney animation when it was released in 1989. Characterized by amazing music and dazzling animation, it was the harbinger of Disney animation renaissance which produced other great animated films.
MLB PLAYOFFS

Yankees fail to hold off Tigers: Cards shut out Padres

A-Rod goes 0-4 with 3 strikeouts in loss

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Justin Verlander overpowered Alex Rodriguez with 100 mph heat, Joel Zumaya capped that, his fastball whizzing by at 102.

The New York Yankees never saw what was coming, and the Detroit Tigers headed home with a split.

Verlander and Detroit’s bullpen held New York’s mighty offense, Curtis Granderson’s go-ahead triple off Mike Mussina capped a comeback, and Detroit beat the Yankees 4-3 Thursday to leave them tied at one game apiece in their best-of-five AL playoff series.

“There’s a lot of people doubting us,” Zumaya said. “A lot of people don’t expect the Tigers to come out and play as good as we did. We have to prove ourselves and, obviously, we proved it a little bit today.”

Verlander, like Zumaya one of Detroit’s rookie sensations, pitched in and out of trouble for 5-2-3 innings, allowing seven hits and four walks. He gave his only runs on Johnny Damon’s fourth-inning homer, which put New York ahead 3-1.

Tigers manager Jim Leyland then made the unusual move to pull him with a runner on, one out and a 1-1 count on Robinson Cano. Jamie Walker came in, threw two balls, and induced an inning-ending 4-3 double play.

That was just one of up-and-down day for the wild-card Tigers, who ended a six-game losing streak that cost them the AL Central title last weekend.

“I just didn’t like the fastball before that. It was 92,” Leyland said. “I just said, ‘This is it. I’m going to make my move now. I know there’s a count on the hitter, but I’m going to make it right now.’ Just all of a sudden, your instincts take over and say, ‘Look, this is just not right.’”

Those type of against-the-throw moves helped Leyland turn the Tigers in his first year as manager, steering Detroit’s streak of losing seasons at 12.

“Feels like a guy,” Yankees manager Joe Torre said.

Walker, Zumaya and Todd Jones combined for one-hit relief, making New York’s mod- ernized bullpen resemble overmatched kids.

Jones pitched the ninth for the save, giving up a leadoff single to Hideki Matsui. A soft toss over the plate on his hip • thrown “pen mates. Jones then struck out Richard Hidalgo and retired Cano on a soft fly and got Damon out on a pop.

Verlander’s All-Star batting order struck out nine times and went 1-6 with 8 men in scor­ ing position.

Cardinals 2, Padres 0

Not even San Diego native David Wells could save the Padres, who appear to be headed for their first postseason loss against the St. Louis Cardinals.

San Diego was 24-6 this season against NL West foes.

Wells and Jim Edmonds hit RBI singles off Wells in the fourth inning and Jeff Weaver held the Padres in check to lead the Cardinals to a win Thursday at Petco Park and a 2-0 lead in the division series.

The two-time NL West champion Padres spoke about going deep into this postseason. Heck, if they don’t start hitting the ball, they might not go deep into this weekend.

San Diego has now lost nine straight playoff series dating to its World Series sweep at the hands of the New York Yankees in 1990.

Pujols got three more hits after homering in the 5-1 victory in Game 1.

Weaver, bumped by the Los Angeles Angels with a 3-10 record, and four relievers combined on a four-hitter. The Padres have only 10 hits in the first two games and are 0-4 with runners in scoring position.

Game 3 is Saturday at St. Louis. Edmonds and fellow Cards manager Tony La Russa, if necessary, but history sug­ gests otherwise.

San Diego barely avoided one of the biggest September collapses ever, improved to 8-0 in the postseason against San Diego. That includes division series sweeps last year and in 1998.

In those eight games, San Diego has led for only four innings, all in Game 3 in 1996. They ended up losing that game 7-5 when Brian Jordan, who made a spectacular diving catch in the eighth inning, hit a two­run homer off Hoffman in the ninth, with the ball landing in a palm tree beyond the left field fence at Qualcomm Stadium.

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Yankees third baseman Alex Rodriguez throws his bat after striking out in the eighth inning of the team’s 4-3 loss to the Tigers Thursday.

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Padres rookie Josh Barfield doubled off Wainwright with two outs in the eighth before Adrian Gonzalez grounded to second.

Weaver struggled so badly with the Angels this year that he was traded to make room in their rotation for his younger brother, Jered. But he earned this start by going 4-1 with a 4.03 ERA in 8.

The Padres obtained the 43-year-old Wells from the Boston Red Sox on Aug. 31, mostly because of his history of post­ season success, which included World Series championships with Toronto in 1992 and the Padres in 1998, when he beat San Diego in Game 1.
## Men's Soccer Top 25

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## In Brief

### Bonds’ trainer released from prison

SAN FRANCISCO — A federal judge ordered Barry Bonds’ personal trainer released from prison Thursday, blaming a legal “snafu.”

U.S. District Judge William Alsup said Greg Anderson must be freed because a federal appeals court had not affirmed the contempt order within the required 30 days after Anderson was jailed.

Anderson, 40, could be returned to prison if the appeals court affirms the Aug. 28 contempt citation.

### Carlisle signs extension, becomes team executive

INDIANAPOLIS — Any Indiana Pacers players talking back this season to coach Rick Carlisle will also be mouthing off to a team executive.

Carlisle signed a multi-year contract extension and added a new title as executive vice president of basketball operations. The new position puts him directly below CEO Donnie Walsh and president Larry Bird and gives him more clout in disciplinary matters.

“IT lets the players know that there’s a front-office position associated with the head coach,” Walsh said. “He’s not just hanging around. He’s part of what we do up here.”

Terms were not disclosed in Thursday’s announcement.

“I was confident that we’d come to some kind of an agreement,” said Carlisle, who has a 146-100 record going into his fourth season with the Pacers. “Things worked out well. I think it shows we’ve got a common vision for the team, not only this year but for the future of the franchise.”

### Haynesworth escapes charges

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — A repentant Albert Haynesworth won’t be charged with assault for bashing his ex into the bare head of Dallas Cowboys center Andre Gurode. An unprecedented five-game suspension may not be the end of his punishment, however.

After consulting his family all week, Gurode said Thursday he’s decided not to press charges against the Tennessee Titans defensive tackle.

But with their own fans still angry about Haynesworth’s latest trouble, the Titans are investigating Haynesworth’s options and trying to decide if they even want him around anymore, according to spokesman Robbie Robinson. As the former player himself and co-chairman of the competition committee, Titans coach Jeff Fisher has been angry with his top stopper all week. Fisher did not immediately return a telephone message left Thursday.

“To me, the respect factor was violated by Albert,” he said Monday.

Seven games will remain on the Titans’ schedule once Haynesworth’s five-game suspension ends. The five-year veteran has one more $5.5 million season on his contract, but the winless Titans will have enough salary cap room in 2007 to easily absorb the hit if they release him.

Haynesworth’s stomp has been shown on countless TV replays, lampooned by national comedians and unanimously criticized — even overseas. Haynesworth stepped up damage control with a news conference Thursday in which he apologized to all who watched what he did Sunday in a 45-14 loss to the Dallas Cowboys. He admitted he was an emotional player who is starting counseling and will work with Nashville children to share the lessons he has learned.

He got welcome news shortly before his news conference, when Gurode announced through his agent that he would not seek charges despite still having 20 stitches in his face and headaches.

A lawsuit remains a possibility.

"It’s agonized and he’s deliberated back and forth on this, and he has no desire to pursue any criminal charges at this time,” said his agent, Kennard McGuire. “But I think in going forward this young man just wants answers.”

## Around the Dial

### MLB

**Philadelphia at Chicago Cubs** 8:05 p.m., WGN Chicago White Sox at Detroit 7:05 p.m., Comcast

### French goalkeeper Barthez announces retirement

PARIS — Goalkeeper Fabien Barthez announced his retirement from soccer Thursday, three months after helping France reach its second World Cup final.

"I am starting a new life," Barthez said. "I will continue to enjoy myself... but without soccer."

"Some goalkeepers continue until 37 or 38," the 35-year-old Barthez added. "But I needed a human adventure, something like that."

Barthez, who helped France win the 1998 World Cup and 2000 European Championship, isn’t attached to a club and hasn’t played since July 9, when the French lost a shootout to Italy in the World Cup final.
ND vs STANFORD BOOK SIGNINGS

FRIDAY, OCT. 6

11am-1pm

Cappy Gagnon
Notre Dame Baseball Greats

Tom Pagna
The Phantom Letters

1pm-3pm

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Sharon Bui
Future Domers
A Child’s Guide to Notre Dame

3pm-5pm

Ted Mandell
Heart Stoppers and Hail Marys

Mike Steele
The Fighting Irish Encyclopedia

Kerry Temple
Back to Earth: A Backpacker’s Journey into Self and Soul

SATURDAY, OCT. 7

9:30am-11:30am

Angie Jurkovic
Notre Dame Coloring and Activity Book

Jason Kelly
Mr. Notre Dame

11:30am-1:30pm

Pam Ogren
Creating Happy Memories

Mike Steele
The Fighting Irish Encyclopedia

Connie McNamara
Go Irish

Karen Heisler
Fighting Irish Legends, Lists and Lore

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SMC VOLLEYBALL
Belles not taking 0-8 Comets lightly

By SAMANTHA LEONARD
Sports Writer

Olivet hasn’t won a match all season, but that doesn’t mean the Belles have a freebie this weekend.

The Belles (12-6, 5-4 MIAA), who are fifth in the MIAA conference, will take on Olivet tonight at 7 p.m. The Belles have had some ups and downs over the past week, but I am looking forward to our Olivet match,” Schroeder-Biek said.

After losing two conference matches in a row, Schroeder-Biek knows her team has some things to work on. “We need to come in strong and take care of our game,” Schroeder-Biek said. “We need to get in the flow of competition again as a squad — much more talk out on the court, land everyone coming prepared to compete. Our primary goals are to work hard together to gel in sync again.”

The Belles have already taken on Olivet once already this season, beating the Comets 3-0 on Sept. 7 with game victories of 30-19, 30-19 and 30-25.

Key players to watch in tonight’s game will be sophomore middle blocker Cathy Kurczack and senior setter Amanda David. Both players were honorable mentions for the MIAA Conference Player and Specialty Player of the week.

The Belles take on the Comets tonight at 7 p.m. at Olivet.

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ND VOLLEYBALL
Team at home for two matches

By DEVIN PRESTON
Sports Writer

The Belles take on the Joyce Center this weekend for a pair of home matches against Marquette and Syracuse — the first time the team will play on familiar ground in over a month. Its last appearance at home was a 3-0 loss to then-No. 6 Santa Clara Sept. 3.

“It’s so nice to be back in the Joyce Center,” Irish head coach Debbie Brown said. “Not having to deal with delays and long travel (is fantastic). I don’t think any of our flights have been on time this season.”

The Irish (9-5, 3-0 Big East), who are set to play Marquette today at 4 p.m. and Syracuse Sunday at 1 p.m., will look to continue their dominant winning streak amongst Big East opponents and advance to the top of the conference. Having beaten Rutgers, Villanova and Seton Hall, Notre Dame is one of two teams in the Big East that has won all of its conference games so far this season.

Big East rival Marquette (7-8, 3-1 Big East) is confident coming into the match. Like Notre Dame, it has won five of its last six matches. While Brown has now totaled 500 career wins, the Golden Eagles are one win away from that milestone number as a program.

Marquette has strong offensive players that have been putting up solid numbers. Junior Kimberly Todd averages 4.84 kills per game and senior Jamie Mueller has posted 3.98 kills per game this season.

The Irish offense, however, has been equally as potent, posting 15.6 kills per game — the same average as Marquette. Freshman outside hitter Christiana Kaelin leads the team with 3.90 kills per game. Notre Dame has also hit with more consistency than the Golden Eagles, hitting a conference best .325 in Big East matches compared to Marquette’s .246.

Both Marquette and Notre Dame are very formidable teams defensively, ranked second and third in the Big East, respectively, in digs per game. The Irish defense averages 13.75 digs each game. Mueller leads Marquette with 5.32 digs per game. Senior libero Danielle Herndon leads Notre Dame with 5.14 per game.

Hoping to gain an advantage over their opponents this weekend, the Irish have been working to improve their defense even further.

“We worked a lot this week on defensive positioning and individual digging drills, trying to work on our blocking and defending,” Brown said.

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After missing the extra point, the Shamrocks fell just short of the first down, turning the ball over on downs to Farley.

Farley's 13-yard touchdown pass to Spring, while Knott, currently tied for the league's lead in interceptions helped the Weasels secure the win.

Passerella continued to contribute to her team's success with two big runs, darting between the tackles for a combined 50 yards. Eventually, the Finest moved the ball past the goal line with Baron's 1-yard touchdown pass to Spring. At the end of the game, the Weasels had three touchdowns in regulation and one in overtime, proving to be too much for the Shamrocks.

Both Farley and McGlinn will face the Lewis Shamrocks on Thursday night in the final week of the regular season. Farley said the game will be a fun one, especially with how it was earned.

"It's our goal to win games on our goal line," Farley said. "And we're not going to let them get in."
Saint Mary’s to face key MIAA opponent

By DAN MURPHY
Sports Writer

Saint Mary’s will look to get back on track Saturday when it travels to Michigan to take on Olivet College.

The Belles are recovering from their first conference loss this season, a 2-1 defeat at the hands of the Albion Britons.

Olivet’s Brittany Cortese scored twice in the game, including burying a rebound late in the second half to give the Britons the lead for good. Saint Mary’s was able to produce plenty of opportunities in the last few minutes but could not overcome a sloppy first half of play.

“I don’t really know what to blame it on, but for whatever reason we were not ready to go out there — she was one of the few positives in the [Albion] half of play. The team’s lone goal came early in the second half when Ashley Hinton took advantage of a penalty kick to net her third goal of the season. The Belles managed just one shot on goal in the first half, but could not overcome a sloppy first half of play.”

Saint Mary’s has provided most of the production so far this year, with six goals and an assist. She has already doubled her production so far this year, with six goals and an assist. She has been a consistent leader for the team, and this past weekend’s success has really boosted the confidence of the team — they’re excited to compete.

“Things are starting to pick up for the team, and this past weekend’s success has really boosted the confidence of the team.”

Jackie Bauters
Belles coach

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Belles ready for Eagle Invite

Runners confident after last week’s solid performance in Chicago

By BECKI DORNER
Sports Writer

The Belles head into the Eagle Invitational today in perhaps the best shape they have been in all season.

Many Belles coming off personal bests last weekend at the Saint Francis Invitational, hosted by Loyola University Chicago. Megan Gray was the top individual for the Belles, breaking 20 minutes for the first time this year with a recorded 19:27. Sara Otto was just shy of the 20-minute mark, finishing the 5K with a 20:10. Saint Mary’s came in 17th out of 33 teams, with Case Western University taking the overall team crown.

“Many of the girls stepped up,” said Belles head coach Jackie Bauters of her runners’ performance in Chicago. “Megan Gray has been a consistent leader for us, and is on top of her game right now. I was excited to see Alice Miller and Caillin Stevenson race well. I think we’ll see a lot more out of them in the next few weeks which will help close our scorers distance.”

Miller and the other Belles pushed themselves especially hard this week in practice, with local storms and changing weather conditions making training a little bit complicated. Bauters, however, was pleased that the team managed to log some good hours on the course.

“We were trying to put a little more quickness in the team, incorporating some more speed rather than strength training,” she said.

Last year at the Eagle Invitational, hosted by Benedictine University in Lisle, Ill., the Belles came from 20:20 to 20:58, Kelly Biedron with a 21:02. Stevenson with a 21:25 and Miller with a 21:56.

“The course has a tight hill and bridge at the bottom, it’s flat besides the hill just before the mile mark. It’s typically a good race for us.”

However, wet conditions from recent storms could make the course run slower than usual.

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Belles hope to peak during these next few races.

The Belles hope to better last year’s fifth place league finish, and Bauters is confident with the state of the team’s prospects.

“I feel like the team is in a good place right now for the MIAA a month away from now,” Bauters said. “Things are starting to pick up for the team, and this past weekend’s success has really boosted the confidence of the team — they’re excited to compete.

“Our competition is doing well too, it’s going to be tough, but I feel like we’re on the right track to really peak at the championships, which is our goal.”

Jackie Bauters
Belles coach

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Irish take ice in exhibition game

By KYLE CASSITY
Sports Writer

Notre Dame had only six days to prepare with its coaching staff for tonight's exhibition game against Windsor, but the team spent the off-season in the weight room to get bigger and jumpstart an offense that frequently lagged last season.

The first day the Irish could officially hold practice was Sept. 30. The 7:30 p.m. game in the Joyce Center against Windsor will be the only exhibition match-up of the season, as the Irish open the regular season Thursday night at home against Minnesota State-Mankato.

But the short amount of prep- ration time does not compare to the struggles the team faced last year when it had to learn new systems and a new coaching style under then first-year head coach Jeff Jackson.

"As far as learning the systems and what not, you think it would be a little easier and a little less growing pains, because we've had a year under Coach [Jackson] and we know how he works," captain T.J. Jindra said.

Jackson said that the pick-up hockey and shinny — a free-for-all fight over control of one or more pucks — that the team played over the summer has led to a decrease in turnovers and better puck protection in practice. Players have also devoted extra time to putting on muscle mass.

"We've been in the weight room an awful lot," Jindra said. "We're just trying to get bigger and stronger, a lot of guys have put on some weight. That's what coach wanted.

The Irish players that returned this season averaged 190.2 pounds each in 2005, while this year those same players weigh in at 202.2 pounds per man.

The Irish hope that their offense that finished 10th out of twelve teams in the CCHA in goals scored per game — 2.45 — and 11th in shots per game — 25.61 — will benefit and that the extra weight will cause more wins in corner battles.

And although Notre Dame finished with middle-of-the-pack numbers in CCHA defense, the additional pounds could gum up the opposition's ability to move within the Irish zone and add physically to a penalty-kill unit that was third-worst in the league in kill percentage.

"Some of the younger returning guys have shown great improvement in the weight room," Jackson said. "And right now it looks like they may carry that over onto the ice.

The team has carried its unity onto the ice as well and wears it on their backs — literally. Every Irish practice jersey has the No. 7 steamed onto it, and it holds a special meaning to the players and coaches — a meaning that they won't say beyond the locker room.

"Lucky number seven," Jindra joked about the number's significance.

Notes:
- Jindra was named team captain Monday by Jackson, and it is the second year that the senior has held that role. Jindra was joined by senior alternate captains Jason Puge — also in his second year as alternate captain — Wes O'Neill and Tom Sawatske.
- Sophomore forward Erik Condra was selected by the Ottawa Senators in the seventh round, 211th overall, of the NHL Draft June 24. Condra led the Irish in scoring in his rookie season, the first freshman to do so since Jamie Ling did it in 1992.
- Irish defender Luke Lucyk has left the program for a year to spend a season at the junior level. Lucyk will return to the Tri-City Storm, his former team in the United States Hockey League, but will re-join the Irish next season. Jackson said that Lucyk's year allowed him to make the switch in order to gain more experience and his scholarship return will still be there upon his return.

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Irish junior defenseman Brock Sheahan grabs the puck in Notre Dame's match against Michigan Nov. 4, 2005. Michigan won 8-0.

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6:00 p.m., DeBartolo Hall, Room 126

Professor Howard J. Bromberg
Ave Maria School of Law

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Players take field in fall scrimmage

By KEN FOWLER
Sports Editor

Notre Dame will have its first games under new coach Dave Schrage this weekend — and Schrage is guaranteed three wins.

The annual Blue-Gold intrasquad series kicked off Thursday with sophomore right-hander David Phelps squaring off with junior right-hander Joey Williamson.

“We’re trying to play it as close to a spring game as we can,” Schrage said. “It’s kind of the culmination of the fall.”

Each game is a seven-inning contest, with Game 2 and 3 coming Saturday at 9:30 p.m. and Sunday at noon. Schrage said he is looking for “crisp” defensive play, even if the offenses play well.

“If it’s high scoring and we’re hitting the ball all over the place, that’s fine,” Schrage said.

Saturday’s game features starting pitchers Wade Korpi, a junior left-hander, and fellow throwing for consistency out of them think the biggest thing is looking at starting pitchers Wade Korpi, a junior left-hander, and fellow throwing for consistency out of them think the biggest thing is looking at

Sophomore right-hander Kyle Weiland, who has worked with the starting pitchers this fall, will be in his usual role of closer for the series. Weiland had 16 saves last season with a 2.37 ERA in 49 1-3 innings pitched.

Schrage said he expects the pitchers and batters to be on par after four weeks of fall practices.

“Guys have competed really hard this fall for some positions,” Schrage said. “What we’re looking for is to see how our guys have progressed.”

Notes:

• Schrage brought in some help to coach the series.

Irish pitching coach Sherard Clinckscale will manage the Blue team with the help of Colin Burns of Irshyes.com in Game 1, Irish Illustrated’s Tim Priser in Game 2 and Michiana celebrity Jeff Jeffers of WNDU-TV in Game 3.

For the gold team, volunteer assistant John Fitzgerald said he will have the support of WSBT-TV’s Pete Byrne in Game 1, Blue and Gold Illustrated’s Ryan O’Leary in Game 2 and Sean Stries of ESPN Radio in Game 3.

“Those are the things that I did at Evansville,” Schrage said. “We’ve got a great fall and I think the biggest thing is looking for consistency out of them throwing strikes.”

Pitchers are limited to 75 pitches over the course of the series, which may limit the amount of work relievers get in.

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Men’s Swimming

Starke Relays mark start of season

Swimmers attempt to reach 3-peat as Big East Championship begins Friday

By CHRIS HINE
Sports Writer

Defending two straight titles is hard. Defending two straight titles after graduating ten seniors from last year’s championship team is even harder.

The Notre Dame men’s swimming and diving teams will start down the road to defending their previous two Big East Titles this weekend at Roits Aquatic Center in the Dennis Starke Relays.

The Irish will compete against five other schools in the 13-event meet.

“Our expectations are very simple, but very demanding,” head coach Tim Welsh said.

“All we expect is for the team to improve in every event.

We’re not worried about the scoreboard. If we improve, the scoreboard will read how we want it to read.”

Associate head coach Matt Tallman was also optimistic about Notre Dame’s chances.

“We really look good. The guys are swimming well. Even the guys who are returning this year have looked better than they normally have,” Tallman said.

The Irish will be led by senior tri-captain and nine-time Big East champion Tim Kegelman, who is the first swimmer in school history to qualify for the NCAA national meet.

Kegelman holds school records in seven events.

“Our team wants to defend our Big East title, work our way up to top 15 in the Dual Meet polls, qualify a solid group of people, including relays, for the NCAA championships so we can score some significant points once we get there,” Kegelman said. “To accomplish these things, we must consistently turn in fast times in our dual meets when we race during intense, mid-season practices.

Also returning this year is junior Jay Vandenberg, a three-time Big East champion and owner of school records in the 1,650-yard freestyle, 500-yard freestyle and 1,000-yard freestyle.

Senior tri-captain Ted Brown, who set the top time in the 200-yard freestyle, will provide some much-needed versatility for the Irish.

Brown was a part of the 800-yard freestyle relay team with fellow senior captain Louis Cavadini, senior Brian Freman and junior Bob Seery last season.

Brown competed in the 1,000-yard freestyle, the 200-yard fly and the 400-yard individual medley.

“We have big expectations this year that include not only winning the Big East Championship for the third straight year, but also sending a big group to the NCAA meet,” Brown said. “We’ve set the bar of excellence high because we feel like we’re a special team this year that can do big things in the water.”

Sophomore Michael Ruffin, who qualified for the NCAA nationals, will dive for the Irish, along with junior Sam Stoner.

Stoner and Kegelman said the Irish shouldn’t miss a beat after graduating 10 seniors.

“Our senior class last year was big and quick, but I could say the same thing of our entering freshman class,” Stoner said. “There are a few guys who have a great time. They’re the same time of our entering freshman class.”

The team’s upperclassmen have liked what they’ve seen so far from the younger members of the swimming corps.

“Two sophomores will be racing for us for the first time, Sam Pendergast and Jeff Wood, both of whom bring a lot of speed to the team,” Kegelman said. “Having the new guys has increased the level of the practices, which will benefit us all this year.”

The event is named in honor of longtime head coach Dennis Starke, who was the program’s first head coach from 1958 until 1985, the year Welsh took over the program.

“Starke has been great,” Welsh said. “This is the 42nd year in a row we’ve begun a new season where he’s either coached or been the meet referee again this year.”

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in conference play.

The Knights enter the weekend seventh nationally in goals against average (1.356), allowing seven shots per game in a defense that hopes to test the nation's third best scoring offense that outshot Pittsburgh 31-1 last Sunday. Irish freshman forward Michele Weissenhofer was named conference offensive player of the week and Top Drawer Soccer national player of the week following her three goals and assist last weekend in wins against then-No. 6 West Virginia and Pittsburgh.

But the Irish can’t get caught up in Sunday’s matchup, Lorenzen said, because they still have to take care of business against Seton Hall Friday night. The Irish spend most of the week working on their own games, but Lorenzen said Notre Dame coach Randy Waldrum makes it a point at practice to focus on the first foe of each weekend.

“We talk about our own team and improve our style of play,” Lorenzen said. “To improve the way we’re playing the past couple of weeks is usually our main concern. (But) generally during the week we focus us a little bit more on the team we’re playing Friday night.”

Seton Hall enters the weekend 6-5-1 and 2-2-1 in the Big East after beating South Florida and Georgetown and tying Marquette in its last three games. The Pirates also upset then-No. 15 Georgia earlier in the year.

Lorenzen hopes a strong Irish crowd Friday night could help quell any ideas the Pirates have of an upset.

Last weekend, Lorenzen said a large and loud student section was a critical part of a 3,000-strong crowd that helped turn the second-half momentum against West Virginia - numbers that carried into Sunday as 2,700 filed in to watch the Irish beat Pittsburgh.

“I would definitely say having that large of a crowd Friday and Sunday really changes the game,” she said. “When we got down Friday 1-0, having the crowd build the momentum made a big difference knowing you have that support and everyone’s yelling for you.

This weekend’s noise will begin tonight at 7:30 p.m. followed by a 1 p.m. start Sunday.

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Way to the college hockey arena. Longer it's development, the goal of a program with prominent arenas. Notre Dame's ice facility held back by forces it cannot control when it should be on its game meeting. Jackson and his coaches are used to transfusing average teams into national champions, especially in the past 10 years. Minnesota had not won an NCAA title since 1979 when it built the new Mariucci Arena in 1994. The Golden Gophers won back-to-back championships in 2002 and 2003, followed by another pair of tournament appearances.

Wisconsin's hockey program had fallen on hard times in the late 1990s before it built the Kohl Center. The Center is a multi-purpose basketball and hockey arena that houses 14,000 people when configured for hockey. Both the Badgers men's and women's hockey teams were 2006 national champions and were perennial contenders in the WCHA for the eight seasons prior to the titles. This success can and will be replicated at Notre Dame. It was generated the day White hired Jackson as his new hockey head coach.

White works now to secure the funding that is necessary to build a new arena, and has shown a dedicated effort during his tenure to improve every sport's situation. The one obstacle that remains is to gain monetary backing by benefactors. With that in place, it is fair to say that architectural plans will follow shortly thereafter.

If Jackson has accomplished this much without facilities on par with CCHA peers, imagine what he could do with a new arena.

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Horoscope

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ARIES (March 21-April 19): You may not be thinking practically but you will pull things off by being determined and refusing to consider that you may fail. Yourâ€”and everyoneâ€™sâ€”effort will count today, so don't let anyone tell you differently. You will achieve.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): You may feel limited by unspoken rules or the ceilings in your life. Whatever it is that you see in your plans and you can turn a negative into a positive. Find out more about the propositions being offered. 4 stars

GEMINI (May 21-June 21): Keep your emotions out of whatever you are doing and you won't face setbacks. Someone will not be on your side. Love, romance and intimacy are on the menu for the next few days. 4 stars

CANCER (June 22-July 22): Don't let anyone question who you are. You have options and choices. Don't let the demands being put on you by friends or family. 3 stars

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Changes at home may be heart breaking at the same time, they will bring you peace. A new kid or car, a settlement agreed upon or even a move put into play. Keep yourself of what is working for you.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Talk to a counselor and make a positive change in your life and your relationships. A short trip to visit someone who can offer you information about something that interests you will be the first step to a new direction for you. 4 stars

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): You can make a move that will lead to a better future. Don't be so afraid of change or letting go of things that are no longer working for you any more. Be a little adventurous. 3 stars

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Family, children and schooling should be your forces. Helping someone will bring you satisfaction as well as ensure that you will get help when you need it. Mutual understanding will be what counts.

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FOOTBALL RECRUITING

Analyst: Students can have recruiting impact

By KEN FOWLER
Sports Editor

There's a new push in town — and it's for getting the Notre Dame student body more involved in the recruiting process.

National recruiting analyst Tom Lemming said he has seen students at other schools — from Georgia and Ole Miss to Tennessee and Ohio State — work as active participants in the recruiting war.

"The one thing I could notice at other schools is that the fans could let the recruits know they're there," Lemming told The Observer Thursday. "A lot of the students (at other schools) know who these recruits are. But the Notre Dame's student body, from what I noticed, are all on caffeine. They're bouncing like crazy. And I think that energy could help a lot if they make more noise (towards the recruits).

At least some students, though, are trying to change the perception Lemming put forward. Notre Dame seniors Chris Castellan and Matt Wharton have started a group on Facebook.com, "ND Students Today for Continued Excellence Tomorrow," that promotes what recruits are coming to campus each weekend and encourages students to recognize by name each recruit in cheers at pep rallies and games.

NOTRE DAME ATHLETICS

Home remodeling

By BOB GRIFFIN
Sports Writer

When Notre Dame athletic director Kevin White announced the $24.7 million renovation on the current Joyce Center arena Thursday, there were three particularly satisfied faces present to absorb the news.

Because for Irish men's basketball coach Mike Brey, women's basketball coach Muffet McGraw and volleyball coach Debbie Brown — all three whose teams use the facility for home games — the improvements will not only provide a better atmosphere for fans, but also an additional allure for high school recruits.

"It's great in recruiting and with some of your young guys in Chicago, Pittsburgh defender Carli Brill in Notre Dame's 5-0 win Sunday.

ND WOMEN'S SOCCER

Squad aims to protect rank

Seton Hall, Rutgers to test Notre Dame

By TIM DOUGHERTY
Sports Writer

No. 1 Notre Dame welcomes a pair of New Jersey schools to South Bend this weekend with the top spot of both national and Big East rankings on the line.

The Irish (11-0-0, 4-0-0 Big East) take on Seton Hall tonight and Rutgers Sunday afternoon at Alumni Field.

And if Rutgers (10-1-1, 4-0-3) gets by DePaul tonight in Chicago, it will enter Sunday's match undefeated.

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HOCKEY

Current arena not adequate

The right coach and his staff are in place. The team has bought into the philosophy. And North America's best recruits give verbal commitments to Irish hockey before they can even drive.

Yet Notre Dame is forced to play in a Joyce Center arena that has never been adequate, let alone state-of-the-art.

That's unacceptable.

And it appears set to remain that way for the foreseeable future after Thursday's unveiling of massive renovations to the Joyce Center by athletic director Kevin White did not include a single mention of the hockey facilities.

While Executive Vice President John Affleck-Graves said that plans for a new hockey facility were still in the conceptual stage pending funding and that they would not advance to a more definite plan until the backing was in place.

That is a sound strategy to follow, but the hockey team is

to be something we'll have to deal with. He'll know us better than anyone else in the country outside our own staff," Clark, however, said that No. 8 Notre Dame won't be changing its game plan.

"We always just play the way we play," he said. "Our players have got to be mentally tough. We're going to do what we do, [but we're] just got to be able to do it well.

And if anyone knows the way we play and our players, it's Brian Weise," Clark said. "That's going

to take on Marquette and Syracuse in Big East matches.

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ND VOLLEYBALL

MBL

Tigers 4, Yankees 3

Alex Rodriguez strikes out three times as New York loses at home.

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Irish coach Charlie Weis and quarterback Brady Quinn's success in running the no-huddle offense — a throwback to Buffalo Bills quarterback Jim Kelly's K-Gun attack — has left opposing defenses on their heels.
Why Notre Dame needs a blowout

Now we know — Notre Dame can win games. But can they win blowouts? The Irish are used to being favorites by now. They know that anything can happen, that the Vegas line doesn’t mean anything at the end of the game except a few dollars have changed hands.

In five games, they have one win by a clean margin (Penn State), lost one game by much more than expected (Michigan), and had two one-score victories (Michigan State and Georgia Tech).

But the Irish should have blown Purdue out of the water, and they didn’t. They gave up too many plays on defense. They left too many offensive point opportunities on the board. That can happen again.

This Irish team knows that carrying a two-score lead isn’t necessarily safe — just ask John L. Smith. They’ve shown that they’re vulnerable to big plays on defense and, more surprisingly, on offense.

This team is not invincible. But to Stanford, it should be.

Stanford is 0-5 and has scored just six touchdowns in five games, while giving up 18. Its opponents have outscored the Cardinal by 124 points this season. The Irish carry a slim point differential of 19 points in their favor, a very different story than last season.

It’s time for a blowout win. The Irish need a lopsided victory. They need Brady Quinn to compile numbers rivaling the national debt. They need Rhema McKnight and Jeff Samardzijta to come up with circus catches. They need Darius Walker to run halfway home to Georgia.

A dominant win over Stanford will send the Irish into a bye week with good karma.

Brady Quinn breaking a few more passing records — probably ones he already holds, but who’s counting? — would be a nice cap for this game.

Notre Dame is a game that Stanford can get up for. Last season, a Stanford team with a 5-5 record took Notre Dame to the wire with everything at stake. Walker’s $14 million two-point conversion saved the day, but it was more of the same for the Irish — giving up too many big plays on defense. This game should not be a shootout. Trent Edwards isn’t bad, but with two top receivers out, he shouldn’t have anyone to throw to — let alone any time to throw.

This is a game where the defense should come up big every time, holding Stanford to three-and-outs and preventing 80-yard pass deconstructions (see last week’s Purdue game). The Irish have something to prove. This isn’t to say that there’s no place for class in football. There is, and Irish coach Charlie Weiss has shown it. Calling a punt or a dying boy — that’s class.

Congratulations to Coach Weiss after a heart-breaking home loss last Oct. 15 — that’s class. Calling off the dogs with just a two-score lead — that’s just asking for trouble.

Breaking the 30-point barrier would be nice this weekend. So would keeping the Cardinal from reaching the end zone. A blowout win would help pull the leftover pain from the Michigan game and ease the stress that fans still feel after a close call at Michigan State.

The Irish didn’t play their best game against Purdue, but they played well enough to win. Well enough to win isn’t always enough, though. As long as humans are running the polls, a blowout or two is always going to be necessary.

Sorry, Stanford.

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Speed ball

The no-huddle offense has been crucial for Brady Quinn and the Irish this season, allowing fast transitions and keeping defenses off-balance.

By BOB GRIFFIN / Sports Writer

Iris head coach Charlie Weis arrived at Notre Dame with a playbook as thick as an encyclopedia, four golf-ball sized rings and an instruction that a no-huddle system wouldn’t be the same without Joe Montana.

Modern football was his recognition that a no-huddle offense — an instrument of his success in New England and something that’s already been a catalyst in the past two seasons in South Bend.

So far in 2006, Notre Dame has used the no-huddle, or huddle-up, as a way of catching defenses off guard and allowing Irish quarterback Brady Quinn to settle down and develop a connection with his receivers.

Separate from the two-minute offense, which is also a no-huddle set but has the added immediacy of driving down field at the end of half, Notre Dame moves quickly to the line of scrimmage in these formations where Quinn reads the defense and the team works off a limited playbook.

Offensive tackle Ryan Harris described Notre Dame’s no-huddle offense as both a slower version of the two-minute offense and a different form of the no-huddle offense simply down to execution.

“You just want to make sure you’re on the same page with the rest of the team so there’s no one hanging out, just hung out to dry, unsure of what the caller is, unsure of what the play is,” Quinn said in his press conference Wednesday.

Sam Wyche, Jim Kelly and the history of the no-huddle

Weis has not used the no-huddle offense, but at the same time, its implementation hasn’t quite caught up with the forward pass. In fact, it quite existed since the advent of the two-minute offense, which is also a no-huddle system.

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Coming down to execution

Weis’ no-huddle works effectively for similar reasons to the K-Gun. The Irish coach understands the importance of simplifying the playbook and relying more on other factors to create an imbalance in the offense’s favor.

“It’s not about points,” Weis said. “It’s having a quarterback who understands the plays, getting the protection set right, and being able to run it fast. It’s a sense of urgency because what you’ve done is simplified so the defenses can do something where you’re going to get a lot less looks when you’re not huddling up.”

A lot of that pressure rests on Quinn’s shoulders. As the quarterback, he is the play-caller, and Quinn effectively becomes the main factor in making the no-huddle work. He has to be responsible for understanding coverages — just like he would read a regular shotgun formation, and understand that no matter what happens on a play, you’ve got to get back on the next one because they’re going fast.

Samarzija, who has been the focus of defensive attempts to limit his effect on the field for much of the season, said it’s important to have a smart, veteran group that understands how to work in quick-set offenses. Notre Dame starts seven seniors on offense who are familiar with Weis’ no-huddle.

“We lost some older guys that have done it before,” Samardzija said. “I think that’s something that takes practice and takes time to master, and when you get on the one page like our offense is a lot of the time in the two-minute, quick-run offenses work.”

K-Gun to Q-Gun?

But regardless of the team’s efficiency running both the no-huddle and the two-minute drill, without a quarterback like Quinn who has distinguished himself as one of the smartest in the game — the offense can’t run as smoothly.

At the end of the day, it’s the quarterback who is responsible for running the offense, delivering the passes and developing communication outside of the huddle.

Indiana Colts quarterback Peyton Manning is an example of an NFL signal caller that currently runs the no-huddle effectively, often calling audibles until the last second at the line of scrimmage.

But on the college level, Quinn isn’t far behind. And his teammates, like offensive tackle Ryan Harris, have the utmost confidence in him.

“[Quinn’s] the best in the country,” Harris said emphatically Tuesday after practice. “Best in the country.”

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by the numbers

Consecutive games, dating back to 2005, Stanford has gone without a win. This includes a 38-31 loss to Notre Dame last season.

5 Consecutive games Stanford has lost at Notre Dame Stadium. Notre Dame has also won the last four games of the series.

186 Yards Darice Walker gained last season against the Cardinal. He had a crucial two-point conversion to make the final score 30-31.

Walker’s rank on Notre Dame’s all-time career rushing list. He’s also fifth among current players in tackles per game with 22.0.

8 Touchdowns the Cardinal has scored this season. Two are rushing scores, and six came on passes from quarterback Trent Edwards.

K-Gun to Q-Gun?
The Irish looked ready for Purdue and were able to have a balanced offense. The defense still gave up too many big plays, but Wells and his staff seemed to adjust well in the second half. The playing was solid, and the special teams fake field goal will keep opponents guessing.

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last season, Edwards completed over 63 percent of his passes. But Quinn has proven that he's one of the game's best signal callers after a stellar junior year. This season, he's struggled at times, but this game is the perfect opportunity for Quinn to start building up some gaudy stats.  

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Ryan Ndukwe is PASSING

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Fowler won their meeting last November, and the FINAL SCORE: Notre Dame 62

against Stanford 2-5

Last season’s game at Stanford was too close for comfort, and a first for Cardinal team nearly came between the Irish and the BCS. This season the Cardinal needs a win and needs it badly to get the season back on track. Harris usually knows how to motivate his teams.

Zbikowski knows how it feels to return punts for touchdowns, if the Irish can stay focused and force some punts, he might only have the chance to get that feeling again. Stanford will also be forced to prepare for Wells’ different trick plays on special teams.

Mark Bradford WR

Notre Dame’s special teams have been up and down, but played well against Purdue. Weis has run a fake punt and a fake field goal, gaining two touchdowns. David Grimes has a long kick return of 46 yards and Zbikowski’s longest punt return is 25 yards.

Jason Evans averages 22.6 yards on kickoff punts, he hasn’t been it good either - the defensive line, Stanford has been holding Notre Dame back from nationally. The biggest move for the Cardinal.

An injury-depleted Stanford passing attack should be no match for the Irish secondary, but Notre Dame has proven it will be dangerous, and a few of those young players for rushing the line backers and the secondary will need to be consistend in pass coverage.

Kimble isn’t likely to be 100 percent if he plays, although Totty Glenn is averaging nearly five yards per carry. The Irish defense should be able to easily contain any rushing attempts by the Cardinal. With strong play from the defensive line, Stanford will struggle to gain yards.

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Notre Dame is playing before its home crowd against an opponent who is statistically inferior in every category. This is not only a must-win. A loss would be a meldown of epic proportions for Notre Dame. The team will stay focused and perform like one of the nation’s best.

Irish experts

Ken Fowler
Sports Editor

What’s been holding Notre Dame back from having a really big game? After last season, expectations exploded, and Quinn passing for five touchdowns goes practically unneeded. It’s time to make the jump to the next level, and the Irish can make that happen against Stanford. The most important statement, however, will be containing Stanford’s running game and controlling the line of scrimmage. Notre Dame can’t lose this one, and it doesn’t come close.

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Sizing up the Irish and Cardinal

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Stanford's front seven has proved to be vulnerable against every running back it has faced. In fact, Stanford has given up 282.80 yards per game on the ground - the most in the nation. If the Cardinal can slow down Darius Walker, they can focus on Brady Quinn and the Irish air attack, which will play to its defensive strength. The key for Stanford will be containing the outside runs, where Walker excels. If it can do that, Stanford could have a chance to hang in the game with the explosive Irish offense.
Brockington confident after first start last weekend

With Thomas out, senior linebacker nearly intercepted a pass against Purdue, recorded three tackles

By KEN FOWLER
Sports Editor

Notre Dame senior linebacker Joe Brockington made his first start last Saturday against Purdue. He just might make his second against Stanford.

With starting outside linebacker Travis Thomas "iffy" for Saturday's game as he recovers from a rib injury suffered against Michigan State, Weis said he is considering keeping Thomas off the field for a second straight week, saying that decision might be easier to make after Brockington's performance against Purdue.

"I thought Joe was fairly solid," Weis said. "He certainly wasn't the reason that [Purdue] had production. He was part of the reason, now, mind you. I think it wasn't like they exploit­ed Joe."

Brockington had one solo tackle and two assists against Purdue. After nearly fumbling a pass tipped by Irish defensive tackle Chris Frome in the first half, Brockington added one pass deflection in the fourth quarter, a play on which he had a chance for an interception until the slippery ball fell out of his hand to the ground.

"It was pretty horrible.," Brockington said. "It wasn't like they exploit­ed me."

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"I was definitely excited, but I think I was prepared going into the week," he said. The preparation paid off. Weis said Brockington's outcome from the big plays the Notre Dame defense surrendered to Purdue was a positive, especially for a first-time starter.

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Stanford offense looks for spark against ND

Cardinal confident despite losing streak

By MIKE GILLOON
Sports Writer

It doesn't look pretty on paper. Because when sizing Stanford's seven-game losing streak against Notre Dame's Brady Quinn-led offense, it looks like the Irish are ready to unleash a flurry of points on the Cardinal. That may be true — if Notre Dame can meet national experts' blowout predictions of a blowout — but Stanford is still hungry to show the Irish the meaning of the word "comeback.

Brockington, who has played with and against some of the Cardinal's best since his first start last September, said he is considering keeping Thomas off the field for a second straight week, saying that decision might be easier to make after Brockington's performance against Purdue.

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Stanford quarterback Curtis Painter stroked through the Irish defensive backfield for two touchdowns and 398 yards but statistics that Zbikowski wants to walk away from Saturday night.

"Stanford's going to come out and try to prove a point that [it] can play," Zbikowski said. "We've got to be ready to go."

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