ND community eyes Congressional races

Negative campaigning,
Iraq spark voter activity

By EILEEN DUFFY
Assistant News Editor

Doodling the mud flying between candidates, voters nationwide head to the polls today to potentially return majority power to the Democrats in Congress.

Notre Dame students, meanwhile, are anticipating the results from their home states — as well as from the local contest in Indiana's Second Congressional District between incumbent Chris Chocola and two-time Notre Dame alumn Joe Donnelly.

Nearly everyone agrees there's one issue looming highest in voters' minds: the war in Iraq.

"It's pretty obvious that it's Iraq, and the general discomfort of many Americans with the continual drone of bad news they get about the war, that seems to be an overriding issue as we go into today," Jenkins said.

In anticipation of today's midterm elections, political advertisements have flooded the media airwaves in recent weeks — and included in the blitz are the re-election campaign efforts of six Notre Dame alumni and four Saint Mary's College alumni.

When polls close today, Indiana could potentially be represented in three of its nine Congressional districts by Notre Dame graduates. Democrats Peter Visclosky and Joe Donnelly are competing for the right to represent the constituents of the 1st and 2nd districts, respectively. Donnelly, who was defeated by incumbent opponent Chris Chocola

Police eject 28 at football game, make one arrest

By KATE ANTONACCI
News Editor

Police ejected 28 people arrested one person and brought another to the hospital during Notre Dame's football game against North Carolina for intoxication or alcohol-related violations.

Despite the noticeable increase in the amount of marshmallows thrown in the student section at halftime, Associate Director of Notre Dame Security/Policc Phil Johnson said his office did not receive any phone calls about the marshmallow-throwing.

When asked about reports of students being injured or sent to the hospital, Johnson said he did "not have any information about it."

"We've tried to check students as they come in to try to look for marshmallows, but you know, students find ways to get them in," said Bob Zerr, Director of Risk Management and Safety, who said he knew of one student who was injured by marshmallows at the football game.

Zerr said he had no responsibility in checking students for marshmallows, but that Risk Management works in conjunction with article. Fair Trade coffee eliminates the middle men — like millers, exporters and importers — and allows farmers to sell their beans directly to the roasters.

In an effort to encourage discussion and reflection in the Notre Dame community on the message of Pope Benedict XVI's First encyclical, "God is Love" University President Father John Jenkins has established a new committee made up of students, faculty and staff.

The committee is specifically addressing coffee from the perspective of social accountability, Prenkowskisaid, explaining that there are many methods of assuring a socially responsible

In an effort to encourage discussion and reflection on Pope Benedict's "God is Love" Encyclical, MacCormack and the objectives and goals of the committee are "very much at the moment in the making."

Jenkins asked MacCormack to chair the committee earlier this semester, MacCormack said she knew Jenkins "had been thinking about how [the Notre Dame community] can reflect on what is, after all, a very important document."

"I hope the committee will get together at our first meeting, get to know each other, and that people will have had time to think about some ideas concerning the Pontificate's document," MacCormack said.
Absent absentee ballot

Yesterday, I received a letter from Linda Stender, a Congressional candidate from New Jersey, thanking me for requesting an absentee ballot for her campaign.

The county clerk system of what I have considered until this moment the best state in the union, has failed me. I requested my ballot about a month ago, and they did not deliver. I will not be able to vote for Stender, or "Stender the Spendier," according to the opposing campaign's advertisements today.

Granted, I haven't been following the New Jersey races as closely as I should have.

I don't quite know what Congressman Mike Ferguson's people are accusing Stender of spending. The pamphlet that came with her letter tells me she will stand up for the Bush Administration.

So, I think that means Ferguson likes Bush. Do I like Bush? I'm not the most politically-minded individual. Living out here in Indiana has very much removed me from the extremely accusatory and most likely untrue campaign commercials that interrupt more important things. Like the already too short episodes of The Office or my afternoon relaxation sessions spent cooking with the Barefoot Contessa. Yet, I still feel like I'm missing out on something important.

I know voting is one of the essential rights that most Americans often take for granted.

But that's really not what's bothering me. I feel as if I'm letting people down. Stender's secretary's computer addressed that letter to me personally.

Actually, after reading it again, I realize I wouldn't have voted for her anyway. But now poor Ferguson, who isn't accused of doing anything that rhymes with his name, won't get my vote.

I'm not trying to turn this into the lecture about how a single vote can make a difference, but what if mine would have?

Now that this right, that's only been mine for a short eight months, is being denied due to an inequitable filing system or too slow mail, I can't help but question why some of the millions of Americans who have the power to vote don't.

I know the elections are being pushed on us from all directions - TV, on posters, even on Facebook - but I think you should rock it today and share your opinions with everyone, even if they are as indifferent as mine, just because you can.

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INSIDE COLUMN

OFFBEAT

60 million Chinese are considered obese

BEIJING - Rising affluence has made about 60 million Chinese equal to the population of France - obese, state media said on Monday. Xinhua News Agency quoted Pan Bellet, a deputy director with the government-affiliated State Food and Nutrition Consultant Committee, as saying that worsening diets had led to health problems, including obesity.

"An increasing number of Chinese are eating more fat and junk food but less grains and vegetables, leading to a high number of cases of high blood pressure and diabetes," Pan was quoted as telling a conference on food consumption and health in Beijing.

On a widening wealth gap meant that the increase in the number of obese people came as 24 million people in China still live in abject poverty and suffer malnutrition.

Imelda Marcos to launch gems collection

MANILA, Philippines - Imelda Marcos - notorious for her extensive shoe collection and eye-popping jewels accrued under her husband's dictatorship - is launching a jewelry collection using castoffs from her wardrobe and, she claims, flea market finds.

Marcos, known for her shopping trips to ritzy shops in New York while the country wallowed in poverty, says she made the pieces from her old accessories and clothes, mixed with newly bought stones and other materials.

Information compiled from the Associated Press.

QUESTION OF THE DAY:

What would be your ideal dorm room pet and why?

Cassidy Russell

Kehau Meyer

Paul Aleman

Cathy Davis

Faustin Weber

Christina Sensabaugh

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"A mummy."

"A big snake that you could accidentally lose all the time."

"A marmot."

"A shark riding on an elephant's back just trampling and eating everything in its path."

"Maneuprisoq that finally someone will take me serial."

"A wobmat. It's small, furry and cuddly."

Panelists from around the world speak at a panel discussion as part of "Strategic Peace Building: The State of the Art," which took place Nov. 5-7 in the Hesburgh Center Auditorium.

IN BRIEF

The French film "Ma Vie en Rose" will be shown in 116 DeBartolo today at 7:30 p.m. as part of the Gender Studies Program's "Body and Soul: Gender, Religion and Identity" film series.

A lecture on "Diary of a Country Priest," written by Georges Bernanos, will be given by philosophy professor Ralph McNerney tonight at 8 in 155 DeBartolo.

Thomas Beardon, professor of agricultural economics at Michigan State University, will give the lecture "The Supermarket Revolution in Developing Countries: Development Implications" Wednesday at 12:30 p.m. in room C-103 of the Hesburgh Center.

African Acoustics will take place Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. in the Leighton Concert Hall in the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center. The event will be a showcase of African acoustic music featuring three African performers: Habib Koité, Vusi Mahlasela and Dobet Gnahore. Tickets are $36 for the general public, $30 for faculty/staff/bennessee and $15 for students.

The lecture "Midterm Election Day Analysis: What Happened & What Now?" will be given at 7 p.m. Thursday in the Center for Social Concerns classroom. Faculty will be presenting and members of campus political parties will be present to respond.

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

Dining Hall will stay open longer

By LIZ HARTER

In response to athletes' complaints about the Noble Family Dining Hall's 7 p.m. closing time, Saint Mary's Board of Governance (BOG) announced Monday that the dining hall will extend its dinner hours by 30 minutes.

"Starting tonight the dining hall will be open until 7:30 p.m. (Monday through Thursday)," said student services commissioner Kelly Maas.

Though the posted hours for dinner were 4:30 to 7 p.m., some of the food stations had stopped serving food before 7 p.m. and would often take the food away. That left athletes, who didn't arrive at the dining hall until 6:45, with limited food options.

Now, there will be one food station open after 7 p.m. and that station will rotate throughout the week. In addition, the salad bar, the deli bar and the cereal station will be open for the extra half-hour.

"Barry (Bowles, head of campus food service provider Sodexo) talked with [college athletic director] Lynn Karchmarik about athletes' concerns on [dining hall] closing time," Maas said.

Members also discussed the upcoming "12 Days of Christmas event," sponsored by the senior board.

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"said political science professor, Perl Arnold.

Mike McKenna, who coordinated a Notre Dame "Rock the Vote" campaign that registered about 350 voters and delivered absentee ballots to 300 more, thinks such discontent runs the political gamut.

"So many Americans, whether Democrat, Republican, Independent or Libertarian, are unsatisfied with the current situation in Iraq," he said. "And the fact is that in recent months, the death toll is higher than when we first went to Iraq — it's increasing."

Likening an election campaign to a wrestling match, Arnold said Democrats and Republicans define issues in their own ways.

"Republicans would have it that this is a very good economy. They would like that story to be the one voters pay attention to," he said. "Democrats would like to respond and say middle-class incomes haven't grown significantly."

"In some sense," he said, "you can think of it as a battle over whose definition gets more attention from voters."

Despite the many issues — from Iraq to the economy to immigration — American Studies professor Jack Colwell says the election comes down to President George W. Bush. "Voters are determining the direction of the country," said Colwell, who writes a political column for the South Bend Tribune. "Should Bush have a Congress that would support him, or a Democratic House?"

Freshman Kristofer Trujillo is one of the voters who has that determining power, but he's not voting this year — obtaining an Illinois absentee ballot requires in-person registration, which he didn't have the opportunity to do. There's another aspect of the election that's bothering him: the rampant negative campaigning.

"It turns you off from trying to care about the issues when all you hear is a person explaining why another's bad rather than formulating a plan for themselves, and explaining what they can provide for the community," he said.

But the experts concur that negative advertising is a necessary evil. "It's negative ads that have impact and bring about change," Colwell said.

"That's why they're used nationwide," he continued.

"Negative ads can occasionally sour voters from going to the polls at all, Arnold said, they carry information that can occasionally prove seriously detrimental to candidates like Harold Ford, Tennessee's Democratic candidate for the Senate. A recent ad questioning Ford's morals depicted an attractive white woman asking Ford to "Call me." "It's very nasty, but it's doing something: it's reminding voters in a southern state that this Democratic nominee is black. That works in favor of white Republicans," Arnold said. "Harold Ford had been running a very good race, what had been a very tight race. After that [ad] he's fallen about 12 points behind. I don't think it's just the ad, but it's part of the effect that's led to his falling behind."

As Notre Dame College Democrats Vice President Josh Kempf knows, there are ads that stick. On behalf of Chocola, Kempf and other College Republicans have been canvassing and working at a phone bank where threatening posters of potential Senate Majority Leader Nancy Pelosi and motivational Bush quotes line the walls. When Chocola calls undecided voters, he asks them to recall negative ads they've seen, Kempf said. Then he asks them to recall positive ones — and they seldom can, Kempf said.

"Chocola says, 'See? That's what you notice. That's what you remember.' Kempf said, 'I don't think anybody likes them, but that's a fact.'"

Helen Adesosun, Notre Dame College Democrats co-president, said the College Democrats have been active in canvassing and phoning for Donnelly's campaign, especially since the National College Democrats identified the 2006 election as momentous.

"In more than a decade, there's never been a greater sweeping change than the one that could take place today," she said.

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Echo Information Session
at Legends Restaurant
Wednesday, November 8
8:00-10:00pm

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in the election two years ago, is a double alumnus of Notre Dame. He completed his undergraduate education in 1977 and his law degree in 1981. His race against Chocola for a seat in the House has garnered national media attention as one of the key districts that will determine which party has control of the House. On Nov. 3, the Associated Press reported that of 400 likely voters, 50 percent said they favored Donnelly while 47 percent favored Chocola.

Vicslosky is a Notre Dame Law School graduate and has represented the 1st district since 1984. Republican candidate Mark Souder is running for his third term re-election in the 3rd district. Souder — who received his MBA from Notre Dame in 1974 — also served as a representative for the 4th district from 1995 until 2002.

Other Republican candidates from Notre Dame seeking re-election are Michael Ferguson, Peter King and Dan Lungren. Ferguson completed his undergraduate work at Notre Dame, earning his bachelor's degree in political science. He has served as the representative for New Jersey's 7th district since 1990.

King is a 1968 graduate of the Notre Dame Law School, and is a current member of the University's Law Association board of directors. He represents the 3rd district of New York and is seeking to enter into his ninth term of office.

On the opposite coast, Lungren — who graduated with honors in English in 1968 — is running for re-election in the 3rd district of California. Lungren has also formerly held the positions of Representative for California's 34th district and served as the state's Attorney General.

All of the four former Saint Mary's students up for re-election have made history as females in their political careers.

"I'm impressed, but not surprised, that four women who were educated at [Saint Mary's] are United States lawmakers," said College spokeswoman Melanie McDonald. "That's what this College does so well, it educates women to develop their talents and make a difference in the world." Eddie Bernice Johnson received her nursing certificate from the College in 1955 and is one of two nurses in the United States House of Representatives. Johnson currently represents the 30th district of Texas — a position she has held since 1992 — and is the first female and first African American Representative for the Dallas area.

Fellow Democratic representative Donna Christensen is the first female physician in the history of Congress. Christensen graduated from the College in 1966.

A representative of the Virgin Islands since 1996, Christensen is the first woman to represent an offshore territory and is the first female delegate from the Islands. Republican Anne Meagher Northup — currently up for re-election as representative for Kentucky's 3rd district — is a 1970 graduate with degrees in economics and business. When she was elected for the first time in 1996, Northup became the first female to serve in Congress for Kentucky since 1926, according to a 2004 Observer article.

The fourth former Saint Mary's student in the election is the current representative for Guam, Democrat Madeleine Zelen Bordallo. When she was first elected in 2002, Bordallo became the first woman to represent Guam in the House. According to McDonald, Bordallo studied in the nursing program at the College before it became a degree program.

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Italian court convicts Egyptian man

MILAN, Italy — An Egyptian man who is one of the chief suspects in the 2004 Madrid train bombings was sentenced to 10 years in jail by an Italian court on Monday.

The court in Milan convicted Rabeei Osman Sayed Ahmed, 35, and a co-defendant, Yahiya Ragheb, 23, of subversive association aimed at international terrorism, a charge introduced in Italy after the attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon. The younger man was sentenced to five years. Prosecutors Maurizio Romanelli had sought a 14-year sentence for Ahmed, who was accused of having ties with the terror cell that carried out the March 11, 2004 bombings on the Madrid commuter rail system that killed 191 people and of trying to indoctrinate the younger man with a radical form of Islam after arriving in Italy in December 2003.

Romanelli identified Ragheb as a would-be suicide bomber, and demanded a seven-year sentence.

Kyrgyz president makes concessions

BISHKEK, Kyrgyzstan — The Kyrgyz president warned Monday in a meeting with his top parliamentary foes that he would not make retreats in response to demands for an extraordinary Parliament session and voted on a new draft constitution that would reinstate jobs of the ousted dictator’s Baath party. But with no legal weight their move would carry since only a minority of 39 lawmakers was present.

There was no mention of an impeachment motion, which opposition legislators had earlier said they would demand at the session.

NATIONAL NEWS

Judge orders hearing on jurors

MONTGOMERY, Ala. — A federal judge on Monday scheduled a hearing to determine if jurors who convicted former Alabama Gov. Don Siegelman of corruption improperly considered information from the Internet or other outside sources.

U.S. District Judge Mark Fuller said in an order that he decided to call the Nov. 1, 2005 jury for a six-day hearing based on a juror’s testimony that he did extensive online research while deliberating.

The two defendants were convicted in June on bribery and conspiracy charges. Former Chief Justice Roy M. McElroy arranged $500,000 in contributions to Siegelman’s campaign for a statewide lottery in exchange for being appointed by Siegelman to a seat on an influential hospital regulatory board.

Crew works to contain 300-acre fire

RAITL, Calif. — A wind-driven wildfire scorched more than 300 acres of brush on Monday, torched an industrial yard and forced the evacuation of two schools, officials said.

The blaze 60 miles east of Los Angeles had threatened 100 homes earlier in the day, but firefighters corralled the fire enough to call off firefighting aircraft within several hours, fire officials said.

LOCAL NEWS

Right taxes make Tuesday significant

INDIANAPOLIS — Indiana voters will decide tight contested races Tuesday with control of the Indiana House and three of the nation’s most closely watched congressional districts at stake.

Election officials and political analysts expect those contests to contribute to a higher turnout than the 38 percent of registered voters cast ballots in Indiana about 30,000 people will man the state’s 5,000 precincts, with polls open from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. local time.

It will be the first general election in which most voters must show a photo ID issued by the state or federal government to cast ballots.

IRAQ

Draft law would reinstate jobs

Shiite-dominated government offers major concession to Saddam’s party

Associated Press

BAGHDAD — A day after Saddam Hussein was sentenced to hang, the Shiite-dominated government offered a major concession Monday to his Sunni backers that could see thousands of members of the ousted dictator’s Baath party reinstated in their jobs.

With a tight curve forming, holding down violence after Saddam’s guilty verdict and death sentence, the government reached out to disaffected Sunnis in hopes of enticing them away from the insurgency, which has killed tens of thousands of Iraqis and is responsible for the majority of U.S. casualties.

The U.S. military announced the deaths of five more American troops, two in a helicopter crash north of Baghdad and three in fighting west of the capital. The deaths raised to 18 the number of U.S. forces killed in the first six days of November. Reckless sectarian killings also persisted despite the extraordinary security precautions.

Fifty-nine bodies were discovered Sunday and Monday across Iraq, police said. But with no surge in violence, authorities suspected the executions in Baghdad and two restive Sunni provinces: Pedestrians were allowed to walk on the capital’s streets last Monday afternoon, and the international airport was to reopen Tuesday morning.

Around the country, jubilant Shiites celebrated the verdict while Sunni leaders held defiant counter-announcements. Iraq’s appeals court is expected to rule on an appeal by Saddam’s lawyers by the middle of January, the chief prosecutor said Monday, setting in motion a possible execution by mid-February. If the ruling is upheld, the Associated Press has learned that Iraq’s three-man presidential council is pledged to allow Saddam’s hanging to take place. The execution must be carried out within 30 days of the appeals court’s decision.

Sunday’s verdict and Monday’s opening to the Sunnis were seen as a welcome break for the United States, which had recently called for the Iraqi government to stop purging members of Saddam’s Baath party from their jobs. Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki, however, has balked at U.S. requests to set up an amnesty for insurgents.

Al-Maliki has been engaged in a public feud with U.S. Ambassador Zalmay Khalilzad since last month, when the prime minister disputed the envoy’s announcement that he had agreed to a timeline for progress in quelling violence and encouraging Sunnis to join the political process.

On Monday, there were indications Khalilzad was preparing to leave his post.

National Intelligence Director John Negroponte, during a visit to Baghdad on Friday, told al-Maliki that Khalilzad would leave about the first of the year and be replaced by Ryan Crocker, a senior career diplomat who is now ambassador to Pakistan according to two top aides to the Iraqi leader. They spoke on condition of anonymity because of the sensitivity of the information.

Officials scrub USS Intrepid exit

NEW YORK — It was a send-off of grand proportions: A police band sounded patriotic tunes, politicians pontificated, helicopters and escort vehicles honked.

From a pier, hundreds gathered to watch the USS Intrepid, a floating, multimillion-dollar aircraft carrier-turned-museum, be towed down the Hudson River to a New Jersey dock for a two-year, $60 million renovation.

"The people doing this are sending a thousand ships bigger than the Intrepid," Intrepid President Bill White said, confessing the mission would be a success. "A ship that survived five kamikaze attacks is going to make it five miles down river."

But the toots of salute were soon fol­lowed by a big jolt that signaled the beginning of the end for Monday’s journey of the USS Intrepid.

Five powerful tugboats strained like the Little Engine That Could to budge the behemoth, which lurched and inch­ed backward out of its berth. Its propellers got stuck in the mud. About an hour and only 15 feet later, the mud-churned Hudson resembled a frothy latte. The bountiful tide was sub­iding.

Intrepid officials whipped out their cell phones and Blackberries. Amid an air of tremendous letdown, the mission was scrubbed.

"We had the sun, the moon and the stars in alignment, and it was just a very disappointing day for us," White said.

Officials weren’t sure when or even whether they would try to move the Intrepid again or whether they might try instead to refurbish the ship in its Manhattan berth, White said. The next high tide is Dec. 6, but it will be about a foot lower than Monday’s, he said.

Jeffrey McAllister, the lead tugboat pilot, said his firm’s six tugs did every­thing they could, pulling the aircraft carrier with a combined 30,000-horse­power force.

"We had a lot of horsepower. The tide was right. The weather was right. But Mother Nature was against us," McAllister said.
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way of coffee growing and processing without needing to only serve Fair Trade coffee.

The University has had Fair Trade coffee available at select locations on campus for more than five years. The Huddlemart, Reckers and the Jordan Hall of Science serve Fair Trade coffee exclusively, and in 2003 Fair Trade was added to several campus venues like Waffield’s in O’Shaughnessy Hall and the Café Commons in the Mendoza College of Business, among others.

But that’s not good enough for Plamoottil and Amnesty International officials—who helped draft the Senate resolution.

“This is something we thought was very important to the student body and we wanted to help facilitate some progress on the situation,” Plamoottil said.

But Prentkowski believes advances can be made without selling Fair Trade coffee exclusively. He believes Food Services must strike a balance between the interests of the people it serves and its commitment to social responsibility.

NORTH AND SOUTH DINING HALLS, for example, offer Fair Trade coffee beside flavored coffees, which are not Fair Trade certified.

“The flavored coffees are extremely popular at this time,” Prentkowski said, “at the same time, our procurement staff is searching for socially responsible alternatives.”

Units that do not currently offer a socially responsible alternative will do so by the start of the next semester, he said.

Prentkowski explained that although the campus franchise operations are under University control, franchisees determine the menus and would thus not be required to make Fair Trade coffee available. At least 50 percent of the coffee offered through Food Services is Fair Trade-certified, and it is up to the student, Prentkowski said, to choose whether or not to purchase Fair Trade coffee.

In hopes of convincing more students to choose Fair Trade coffee, Amnesty International and the Student Senate are directing their efforts towards educating the Notre Dame community about the issue.

Amnesty International had been raising awareness about the issue through a series of posters. The club has also been in contact with Catholic Relief Services and the United Students for Fair Trade in hopes of “getting involved in a broader sense and seeing if we want to have events that are more publicized throughout the country,” said Amnesty International secretary Gary Njaski.

Plamoottil believes changing the minds of Notre Dame students can be as simple as disseminating information.

“I wouldn’t say students are uninterested,” she said, noting that students she’s spoken with have been receptive of the goals of the project.

The problem lies in the lack of awareness, she said.

“Not many students are aware of exactly what [Fair Trade] is,” Plamoottil said.

A little more money for a cup of Fair Trade coffee, Njaski said, can go a long way.

“You have the ability to pay a few more cents,” he said. “It’s about making a choice to do the right thing . . . that’s been a huge focus of our campaign — the fact that through your simple purchase every single day you can make a choice to live a moral life.”

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said the committee might establish a "student essay prize" and publish the winning essay in a campus publication.

Senior Patrick Knapp, who is a member of the committee, said he has already started to reflect on the Encyclical’s practical applications.

The most interesting aspect of "God is Love," Knapp said, is its "renewed exploration of Catholic political and social activism."

"It essentially says that social justice is the duty of the laity to carry out in the political sphere, but efforts should be made in the spirit of love and charity; there can be no social justice without love," he said.

Knapp said the Encyclical serves "as a sort of polite admonishment toward liberation theology, a school of thought that holds that we are called to arms, literally, to fight for social justice in the name of Christ. A crusade, if you will."

Pope Benedict presented his Encyclical on Christmas Day 2005, drawing heavily from the First Letter of John. He cited 1 John 4:16: "God is love, and he who abides in love abides in God, and God abides in him." In the introduction to "God is Love," Pope Benedict wrote that he wished to speak of the love which God lavishes upon us and which we in turn must share with others.

Jenkins’ message in the opening mass of the 2006-2007 academic year echoed the challenge presented in Pope Benedict’s encyclical.

Jenkins asked members of the Notre Dame community to reflect on whether they will use education, which he described as the greatest power in the world, "for ourselves or for others."

He prayed that the Holy Spirit would enable the Notre Dame community to "go forth in this academic year to discover, understand and express the truth, and to serve others in love — particularly those in greatest need."

Jenkins announced the members of his new committee last week. They include theology professors Lawrence Sullivan, Larry Cunningham and Virgilio Elizondo, history professor John McGreevy, political science professor John Boes, civil engineering and geological sciences professor Stephen Stillman, and philosophy professor Gretchen Reynolds Schille.

Also included will be film, television and theater professor Susan Ohmer, Law School professor Paula Carozza, Dean of the First Year of Studies, Hugh Page, Dean of the Mendoza College of Business, Carolyn Woo, Associate Vice President of Student Affairs, Ann Firth, Associate Vice President of News and Information Don Wycliff, student senators Danny Smith and Pat Knapp, student body president Lizzy Shappell, student Madeleine Ryland, Director of the Center for Social Concerns, Father Bill Linn, preprofessional studies professor Father James Foster, Director of Campus Ministry, Father Richard Warner, and Senior Executive Assistant in the Office of the President, Father Jim McDonald.

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Jonathan Klinger
Forward the Revolution

A time for choosing

In 1964, when conservative Republicanism was at its nadir, Ronald Reagan gave a speech in support of Republican presidential candidate Barry Goldwater, entitled, "A Time for Choosing." In that speech, Reagan said, "This is the issue of this election: Whether we believe in our capacity for self-gov­ernment or whether we abandon the American revolution and confess that a lit­tle intellectual elite in a far-distant capitol can plan our lives for us better than we can plan them ourselves."

Those words sparked Ronald Reagan’s political career and a revived conservative movement which helped him win the White House.

Today the people of Indiana’s Second District face that same issue in this election. At the time this column was written, recent polls placed Democrat Joe Donnelly and Republican Chris Chocola in a statistical dead heat, and today voters must decide whether the candidate they elect will create a gov­ernment that works for the intellectual elite or the people of Indiana.

Throughout his campaign, Donnelly has asserted that he is a pro-life mod­erate who would be an independent voice for Indiana. In fact, on his camp­aign website’s section on life issues, Donnelly claims, "In keeping with my personal faith and family values, I have consistently opposed abortion and will continue to do so in Congress." I will always vote according to my faith and my conscience on life issues."

I would like to think that Joe Donnelly is an honorable and honest man, so I will take him at his word. Unfortunately, this forces Donnelly to choose between his conscience and his path to the Senate, our current Democratic House Minority Leader, would likely be the Speaker of the House in the event of a Democratic takeover. Nancy Pelosi’s voting record, like those of most of the House Democratic leadership, has awarded her with a perfect 100 score from NARAL Pro-Choice America, and a stark zero from National Right to Life. In order for Joe Donnelly to "always vote according to [his] faith and [his] conscience on life issues," he would have to vote against his party for Speaker, which is so serious that it is akin to changing from one party to another.

If elected, Joe Donnelly would be forced to vote against his most cher­ished beliefs to install Democratic leaders in the House of Representatives who don’t trust Hoosier values, but pursue the agenda of that small intellectual elite identified by Ronald Reagan. Joe Donnelly’s Democratic House leadership would appoint Rep. Dennis Kucinich as chair­man of the House Government Reform Committee’s Subcommittee on National Security. If you haven’t heard, Dennis Kunich once said that “we cannot justify giving the Attorney General the ability to designate domestic terror groups,” and argued that the removal of the是最年轻的 regime in Afghanistan was unjustified.

If elected, Joe Donnelly would put in power Joe Donnelly’s Democratic House leadership which is consistent with the Indiana values he holds so dear.

In contrast to Chris’ Democratic predecessor Tim Roemer, who lived in Washington and rarely returned home, Representative Chocola returns here every weekend on the red-eye flight and spends his time helping seniors sign up for Medicare prescription drug benefits, building support for job development and listening to the con­cerns of the people he serves. The dif­ference is clear.

Regardless of the outcome, today will be a historic day in American politics. If we choose Joe Donnelly, our country will be in the hands of a small, intellectual elite. If we choose Chris Chocola, we can keep Reagan’s legacy alive through at least one seat in Congress and build a renewed majority which believes in our capacity for self-government. It’s your choice.

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VOTE LIBERTARIAN

Possibly he has the right to (or she) to defy the law. No one's rights have been violated - if he owns himself, he has the right to it. The Constitution means what it says. Vote for one of the only parties that has consistently stood against the war. (Do as P.J. O’ourke would: knock some sense into the silly fools. This election, vote for the party of peace, freedom and free markets: vote Libertarian."

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"I would like to add a female voice to the discussion concerning Plan B. In Andrew Rosatos' letter to the Editor ("Plan B destroys embryo in some cases.") Nov. 3), he writes that Plan B destroys an embryo if it achieves the destruction of a human embryo in those cases where it prevents its implantation. The word of the use of the word "destruction" is a bit strong. If Plan B were a pill full of microscopic men with machines and machines guns being transplanted directly to the uterus with the sole purpose of mutilating a fertilized egg, then "destruction" might be appropriate. But from my understanding, that is not the case.

Emergency contraceptives are to be used in case of emergency (what a concept). Consider the facts. Furthermore, aren't those also ways of preventing pregnancy? Plan B is the second choice to preventing pregnancies. If Plan B fails, it is none of the government's business. If Plan B were a pill that breaks or when you get your period, what do you think of not implanting, with or without the super-duper hormones?"

"The Irish spirit strong among graduate students"

I was disappointed and offended to learn the view that undergraduates seem to have of graduate students at Notre Dame. The following statement could not be more untrue. "The sense of identity that undergraduates derive from their place at the university is for the most part absent in graduate students who have stronger ties to others."

I attended a public undergraduate university and dreamt of one day being able to have the college experience I had missed. I sacrificed a lot of life to get into Notre Dame and have taken on almost $100,000 worth of loan to see my dreams through. I pay $500 a month in student loans and lived on campus last year. I purchased Father Hesburgh's book and got him to sign it for me. I have the "Here Come the Irish" video links on my phone, my signature, and my eyes in the sky. I have attended every Notre Dame game online from a hotel room in Georgia Tech, rented a bus to attend the Georgia game online from a hotel room in California,

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Questions of love and gender politics have been central aspects of the human condition from the time of the ancient Greeks until the modern era. These issues also lie at the core of Charles L. Mee’s play “Big Love,” the first mainstage production of the film, television and theater (FTT) department’s 2006-2007 season.

Based on Aeschylus’s “The Suppliant Women,” which is considered the earliest surviving play in Western drama, “Big Love” takes the ancient plot of its source material and updates it as an examination of modern gender politics, creating a theatrical hybrid of vaudeville and tragedy.

The play opens in turmoil, with 50 Greek brides flee by boat to an Italian in order to escape their forced marriages to their 50 cousins. The 50 sisters are represented by three: Lydia (Sarah Loveland), Thyona (Megan O’Donoghue) and Olympia (Tashi Thomas). After convincing the villa’s owner Piero (Luke Cieslewicz), his nephew Giuliano (Conor Woods) and grandmother Bolla (Meg Robenalt) to allow them to stay, their plans are abruptly thwarted by the arrival of the 50 grooms, led by Constantine (Drew McElligott), Nikos (Matt Goodrich) and Oed (Mike Amato). The two opposing sides find their strongest voices in the extreme positions of Thyona and Constantine.

Plans are hatched, emotions explode and an engaging dialogue on the inequalities of the human experience is present throughout the play. Mee blends the age-old battle of the sexes found in Aeschylus’s original text with various contemporary American themes, such as domestic abuse, date rape and gender inequality. Much of the play is taken up in an exhaustive and exhausting demonstration of just how deeply gender antinomies can grow and how horrifying the consequences can be when a balance is not found.

Directed by FTT faculty member Siri Scott, “Big Love” has been an exciting, yet difficult production for all involved. The performances are being held in the Philbin Studio Theater at the DeBartolo Center for the Performing Arts, as opposed to the Decio Mainstage. Senior Ashley Kelly, the production’s stage manager, emphasized the flexibility and creativity that the Philbin grants any production. It allows for “endless things in the space ... that wouldn’t be possible in the Decio,” Kelly said.

Kelly also noted the challenge that the space presents for the actors. “I think its more challenging for an actor,” Kelly said. “Because you get extremely close to the audience, whereas, as in the Decio you can’t even see them.”

The smaller space also places more emphasis on the singing area itself. The set design is simple and attractive, high-lighted by the lighting design of Notre Dame professor Richard Dreyer. The technical difficulties of the play, mainly attributed to the transitions between the varying tempos, are solved through the expert use of music and light throughout the play.

Sophomore crew member Caitlin Madden emphasized the use of the music and light in order to help the audience members follow along with the play. “You’ve got a whole bunch of different things trying to happen at once and in order to have the audience sit there and respond to these different emotions, you have to make sure that they can feel it,” Madden said.

The fifteen cast members all work together to pull off an exciting and energetic storyline. Although many of the members are veterans of the Notre Dame stage, there are also five fresh faces, making the production an unusual for a mainstage show. The lead actresses, Loveland, O’Donoghue and Thomas, do a skillful job of expressing the emotional distress and durees of the three sisters. Likewise, the three lead males, McElligott, Goodrich and Anderson, serve as ideal balances to all of the points brought up by the women.

The residents of the Italian villa, Cieslewicz, Woods and Robenalt, also do an outstanding job in their roles as outside observers of the central conflict. The cast is rounded out well by Eddie Velazquez, Stephanie Ellie Newsome, Ashley Fox, Huyen Nguyen, John Mallesoe and Joe Vittoria.

Kelly highlighted the struggles of working with such a large cast and crew. “It’s a pretty big cast, we have 15, which is borderline between medium and large. We also have a huge stage management team, comparatively,” she said. “We have myself, and then a stage manager and then two ASMs. And then we also have a director, an assistant director and a fight choreographer. So there are just a lot of people.”

Although “Big Love” is inspired by an ancient story, it impressively captures plenty of thought-provoking and inspiring themes, bringing light to modern issues regarding gender politics and relationships.

Loveland in particular notes the play’s subject matter and its pertinence to young people. “It talks a lot about gender politics and the role of relationships and of men and women. And we’re in that stage of our lives, and so are these characters,” Loveland said.

“Big Love” is an excellent production, due to both its outstanding script and the wonderful performances by both cast and crew. It is enjoyable not only as a performance piece, but also as a reflection on modernity’s approach to men, women and relationships.

“Big Love” will be performed in the Philbin Studio Theater of the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center beginning today at 7:30 p.m. and continuing until Nov. 17. For further information regarding admission and show times, visit the DPAC website, http://performingarts.nd.edu.
"Big Love," the latest mainstage production presented by the film, television and theater (FTT) department, features several Notre Dame seniors within its large cast. Those actors — Conor Woods, Drew McElligott, Mike Anderson and Sarah Loveland — see the production's message, director and unique staging as essential aspects of this latest production.

Erin McGinn: Why did you decide to get involved with this production of "Big Love"?

Conor Woods: Well, "Big Love" is a really challenging script in terms of it having a lot of movement. It's got a lot of monologues and it's not realistic in the sense of a Tennessee Williams play. It has a lot of abstract moments, and it's really an action dream. Almost every character has a moment where they tell their philosophy of life and what they think life and love (are) all about. And I really love the message of the play, which is that love trumps all.

McElligott: I am the egotistical jackass of the play (Constantine), with a soft side, of course. I am kind of the "manly man" — I represent everything macho, basically. About four lines into the show, everyone hates me, and then it's kind of my fight through the rest of the show to kind of turn (the audience) around on me, and convince them that I actually have a point — that the way I am serves a purpose, which is kind of a big challenge.

Anderson: My character is Oed, he's one of the brothers, cousins of the three girls, that they go to find them to marry them. Oed is kind of the sidekick of the brothers — he doesn't say much. He's quiet and he doesn't say anything unless it's important. He's more of the goofball out of the three brothers.

Loveland: I am playing Lydia, who is one of the sisters. I had a chance to work with her in a more professional stance.

Mike Anderson: Why were you auditioning, and I had Siiri Scott as a director in many of my classes. I've had experience with her before, and I wanted to be directed by her, which is one of the main reasons why I auditioned.

Sarah Loveland: It's always fun to do the departmental shows, and because it is so physical — that's why I was drawn to the play initially. And Siiri is a wonderful director.

Woods: Yeah, I play an openly gay character (Giuliano), which is always fun. And the character just really helps the three sisters — there are 30 sisters, but only three in the play — and just teaches them to be who they are, and in that sense it is a very socially-conscious play. It has a lot of messages. He's very flamboyant and he is just like, "that's the way I am, and that's the way it's going to be." I really thought that was such a great message, and to get to play someone who is that self-confident is really such a treat.

McElligott: I am a physical battle of wills with (the sisters). I represent everything from this reality to this stylized dream stage and back and forth a lot. I think it's a bit of a challenge to work on. This production actually has been very different from a lot of shows. In addition to FTT shows, I've done loads upon loads of student shows — I've done about 15 plays during my time at Notre Dame — and when you do an FTT show, you get to do a lot more technically-speaking. This will be the first time I get to rap­pel from the rafters, and I learned how to flip myself without hurting myself for this show, which was fun to learn.

Anderson: It's the most physical play that I've ever been in. Just some of the stuff that we do — it's draining. Even though it's a short play, I've had to do a lot of things that I've never done before. This one, it jumps around a lot. It's kind of weird [because] it goes from this reality to this stylized dream stage and back and forth a lot. I think that was different than most of the plays I've done usually, which were more straightforward.

And some of the stuff we're doing is a lot different, like rappelling down from the catwalks, which is pretty cool. A lot of music is involved in this play too, and usually there was me a ton of music in the shows that I've done in the past.

Loveland: Well, I was really excited to get started doing it because it's so physical. The whole time it's just been a bunch of surprises, and everything's been really exciting.

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Ovechkin helps Capitals come from behind

Washington wins after trailing by three

Associated Press
WASHINGTON Alex Ovechkin scored three second-period goals and the Capitals overcame an early three-goal deficit, and Chris Clark netted the winner in overtime, leading the Capitals to a 4-3 victory over the Ottawa Senators on Monday night.

Ovechkin scored a power-play goal with 2:44 left in the second period to lift the Capitals past the Senators, who had won their previous two meetings.

The Capitals scored three goals in the second period, including Ovechkin's third of the game, to erase a 3-0 deficit and record their second straight win.

The Capitals have now scored three or more goals in five of their last six games, and they have won six of their last seven meetings with the Senators.

Washington goalie Olaf Kolzig made 32 saves and the Capitals outshot the Senators 34-28.

The Capitals improved to 6-1-0-2 in their last nine games and are now 15-2-0-2 in their last 19 games.

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**NFL**

Seattle Seahawks quarterback Seneca Wallace scrambles out of trouble during the first half of Seattle's 16-0 victory over the Oakland Raiders Monday night. Wallace completed 18 of 30 passes for 176 yards and a touchdown.

Injury-riddled Seahawks beat Raiders

Associated Press

SEATTLE — Craig Terrill and the Seattle Seahawks delivered the kind of defensive performance they needed with Shaun Alexander and Matt Hasselbeck on the sideline with injuries.

Facing the Oakland Raiders on a stormy night sure helped the cause.

Terrill had three of Seattle's nine sacks and Seneca Wallace threw a touchdown pass to get his first win as an NFL starter, a 14-0 victory over the Raiders on Monday night.

The Seahawks (5-3) had lost three of four games since Alexander, last year's league MVP, was sidelined with a broken foot. Hasselbeck, a Pro Bowl quarterback last year, has missed two straight games with a sprained knee ligament, limiting Seattle's big-play ability.

But backups Wallace and Maurice Morris did enough to make up for those losses on this night. Wallace went 16-of-30 for 176 yards, including a 22-yard TD pass to Deion Branch in the first quarter, against the Raiders (2-6).

Morris ran for a career-high 138 yards on 39 carries as the Seahawks had a season-high 207 yards on the ground.

While the backups stepped up to help give the defending NFC champion Seahawks a one-game lead over St. Louis in the NFC West, it was the improvement on defense that was most notable.

Seattle had allowed at least 28 points in five successive games for the first time since its first five games in existence in 1976, and held the opposition scoreless in only one of the previous 17 quarters.

But the Seahawks had little trouble shutting down Oakland's last-ranked offense on a wet and windy night that made it difficult for the offenses. The Raiders gained only 185 yards and failed to score an offensive touchdown for the fifth time in eight games this season.

Andrew Walter was 16-of-35 for 166 yards and couldn't get the ball deep to Randy Moss against a defense that had been susceptible to the long pass.

Seattle sacked Walter five times in the first quarter, including on successive plays — the last two by Terrill. The Seahawks added four more in the game, raising Oakland's NFL worst total to 44 on the season.

The Raiders had won two straight after dropping the first five games of the season.

### Rangers hire Washington as new manager

ARLINGTON, Texas — Ron Washington has always been a popular coach with players, stressing communication and letting them be themselves.

Now he will get his chance as a manager with the Texas Rangers, who wanted and needed somebody with those characteristics.

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3-year-old Preakness winner Bernardini retires

LEXINGTON, Ky. — Bernardini has run his last race.

Two days after finishing second in the $5 million Breeders' Cup Classic, the 3-year-old colt was retired Monday and will stand at stud at Sheikh Mohammed's Darley farm.

Bernardini was the leading Horse of the Year contender entering the Classic at Churchill Downs off six straight victories, including the Preakness, the Travers and the Jockey Club Gold Cup.

Sent off as the even-money favorite in the Classic, Bernardini made a bold move around the turn to take the lead but was overtaken in the stretch by invador.

Bernardini is owned by Sheikh Mohammed, the ruler of Dubai Darley, one of the world's largest breeding operations, said on its Web site that Bernardini's stud fee is $100,000.

IN BRIEF

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Malkin captures player of the month honors

It took less than a month for Evgeni Malkin to garner his first NHL award.

Sure he was the rookie of the month for October, but it only took him one day of November to do something that hadn't been done in nearly a century.

The latest Pittsburgh Penguins phenom has taken the league by storm, capturing player of the month honors despite dressing for only five games.

On Wednesday, Malkin became the first player since the NHL started in 1917 to notch goals in his first six games.

His second goal in that win over Los Angeles was the difference in a 4-3 overtime victory.

"It's still a little bit difficult because I'm not used to playing on the wing. But I think it's going to take a little bit of time," said Malkin.

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Miller to miss at least four weeks

Sacramento center Brad Miller, right, defends during the Kings’ 89-88 win over the Bulls Nov. 3 in Chicago.

Associated Press

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — Kings center Brad Miller will miss at least four weeks with an injured left foot, adding the biggest problem yet to Sacramento’s early season woes.

The 7-foot Miller, a three-time All-Star, played for the U.S. national team at the world championships in Japan this summer.

He was diagnosed with a torn plantar fascia in his left foot Monday after the injury limited his playing time on the Kings’ road trip last week.

The ninth-year pro has averaged 6.0 points in the Kings’ first three games, going 8-for-28 from the field. An MRI yielded the result Sacramento feared after Miller was limited to 15 minutes in Saturday’s loss at Milwaukee.

Miller declined comment when he showed up in the Kings’ locker room 45 minutes before Monday’s game with Minnesota, using crutches and wearing an immobilizing boot on his foot.

Forwards Shareef Abdur-Rahim, Kenny Thomas and Maurice Taylor will team up to replace Miller for the Kings. The 6-9 Abdur-Rahim seemed confident in his ability to defend the NBA’s tallest players.

“It’s not like it’s something I haven’t done before,” Abdur-Rahim said.

“I’ll have to use the advantages I might have and just try to keep them off the glass,”

Coach Eric Musselman’s first season in Sacramento already has been scarred by injuries.

Guard Mike Bibby returned from a thumb injury two weeks earlier than expected to play in last week’s season opener.

Irish receiver Jeff Samardzija attempts to outrun North Carolina safety Kareem Taylor after catching a pass during Notre Dame’s 45-26 victory Saturday at Notre Dame Stadium.

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play we ran. I'd have all the time in the world."

On the ensuing Stanford possession, the Griffins encountered a third and short. They ran twice, once with fullback Rick Loesing and once with tackle Tregg Doersten, and were stuffed both times by the Mob defensive line, resulting in a turnover on downs.

Both defenses held strong until the first play of the fourth quarter, when Mob running back Braden Turner stretched the ball across the goal line for a one-yard touchdown run to stretch the lead to 12.

That score capped another 11-play drive that utilized short timing routes to take advantage of Stanford's loose defensive arrangement.

"The corners were playing off the ball seven to ten yards," Sorto said.

Turner finished with 10 carries for 34 yards and a touchdown, and fullback Mike Mattingly carried 10 times for 47 yards. The offensive line created plenty of holes to allow Turner and Mattingly to wreak havoc and keep drives alive.

Stanford still had a chance to get back in the game, but a dropped pass in the flat was ruled a fumble and O'Neill recovered. The Mob turned the ball over on downs, but left Stanford no time to do anything with the ball.

"The line was opening up holes, and we were taking advantage of it," Mattingly said.

Morrissey 27, Siegfried 10

In the second quarter Sunday, Morrissey quarterback Joe McBrayer unleashed an aerial assault on Siegfried, scoring three touchdowns to put the game out of reach in the Manor's semifinal win.

"The score was not really indicative of how Siegfried played today," Morrissey fullback Steve Klein said. "We've lost twice in the semis in the past four years, and I think that senior leadership was what put us over the top." Senior leadership may have been one of the contributing factors in the game, but Morrissey's passing game was what put it out of reach. McBrayer connected on 6-of-9 passes for 117 yards in the win.

McBrayer's first touchdown pass went to Carl Anderson, a play that capped a 10-play, 65-yard drive that successfully answered the Ramblers' 35-yard field goal in the first quarter. After forcing a three-and-out on the ensuing series, Morrissey went right back to the passing game. McBrayer hit wide out Dan Reimer over the middle, and the receiver turned it up field for a 41-yard touchdown.

Following another Rambler three-and-out, McBrayer again led an efficient two-minute drill culminating in a 26-yard touchdown pass to Reimer just before half.

"I think it was big to air it out before halftime, because at that point we were able to put our foot on their throat," Klein said. "We've definitely had a stronger passing game this year than in the past."

McBrayer would also convert several key third-down quarterback sneakaways throughout the contest, including a 4-yard touchdown in the third quarter to push the score to 27-3.

Morrissey turned to its traditional power-running attack in the second half, behind the three-pronged backfield of Klein (7 carries, 36 yards), Brian Piel (7 carries, 45 yards), and Nick Bencomo (10 carries, 65 yards).

Siegfried was able to muster a small rally late in the third quarter behind some strong running by fullback Marcus Young, who had 7 carries for 36 yards. The Ramblers quickly answered McBrayer's touchdown drive with a quick 5-play, 65-yard drive that ended with a 14-yard strike from quarterback Max Young to receiver Kevin Kelly.

Young struggled much of the day against a Morrissey line that seemed to get pressure early and often. He did, however, manage to complete 7-of-13 passes for 91 yards. But a costly interception to the Manseeters' Mike Fletcher on their first second-half possession effectively snuffed out any chance of a rally.

While the Griffins run ended for the seventh-seeded Ramblers, Morrissey will face off against O'Neill in Notre Dame Stadium Sunday, Nov. 19.

"I can't imagine what it's going to feel like," Klein said. "It's amazing."

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Nov. 15 match is still up in the air. Illinois-Chicago mores its games with Western Illinois with a record of 12-3-2 while Western Illinois is 15-7-0. The Leathernecks are coming off their third consecutive Mid-Conference Conference title after beating Missouri-Kansas City 2-0 in the title game. The Leathernecks have won five games in a row and seven of their last eight.

Illinois-Chicago fell to Loyola on penalty kicks in the semifinals of the Horizon League Conference tournament, but its resume includes a win over No. 8 Saint Louis, a team that tied Notre Dame 0-0 on Sept. 1. "We don't know much about Illinois-Chicago or Western Illinois this year," Clark said. "We'll know more after we watch their game, but they'll be good teams. There aren't any bad teams that make the tournament." If the Irish make it past their second round game, potential matchups with No. 5 seed Maryland or No. 4 Virginia await. Clark, however, will not be judging his opponents by their seeding. "Noying is what you've done in the past," Clark said. "It's what you do in the next five games that's important. A lot of things can happen from now on in." Contact Greg Arbogast at garborgas@nd.edu

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**Weeksels**

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Phox junior Katherine Petersen runs upfield during Pangborn's 20-7 win over Farley Sunday to advance to the championship.

Phoxes, 5-2-0, faced an uphill battle when Bescher touchdown answered an early Baron touchdown in the second half. But the Phoxes held on for the 14-7 win.

"The Phoxes respond quickly, adding six more points when Mooney dropped back and found another receiver open in the endzone. A quarterback sneak stretched the lead back to seven and put the Finest away. With just seconds remaining in the half, it looked like Farley would be down by a single score, but the Phoxes wanted to insure their lead. On the first play of the drive, Mooney launched a deep pass for the game's final score, putting the Phoxes up 20-7 and sealing the game. After such a high-powered first half, the two defenses came out strong after the break. Both defensive lines stuffed the opposing team's rushing attack and both secondaries provided excellent pass coverage. Farley did make one final charge toward the goal line deep in the fourth quarter, but Finest comeback hopes vanished when Baron's pass was intercepted on the 3-yard line.

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**Zeller**

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Irish machine this season.

"He's one of those guys who doesn't start for us, but even if he doesn't start he's going to be a finisher," Brey said. "I think he's going to finish a lot of games."

The Knights stuck with Notre Dame for the first few minutes and trailed only 12-10 with 15:22 left in the first half. Then the Irish switched to a full court press and went on a run to end the game, capped by a dunk by freshman guard Joe Harden at the buzzer.

Kurz suffered his injury on an elbow to the face from freshman forward Luke Harangody in practice. Irish coach Mike Brey said Kurz will return to practice Wednesday and is expected to play Friday in Notre Dame's regular-season opener against IPFW wearing a protective mask.

"Harangody's got two nose and given [sophomore point guard] Kyle McAlarney stitches," Brey said of the physical freshmen. "I think his quota for noses might be about twenty this season, but I told him to get the rest of them in the Big East."

Monday was the second straight game that Zeller has finished with four fouls. Foul trouble kept him out of most of the Rockhurst game, but he didn't get his fourth foul against Bellarmine until there were only four minutes left in the game.

"I didn't foul out so I'm not worried about it," Zeller said of the foul trouble. "I just need to adjust to how the refs are calling the game. I did a better job of that today than last week."

McAlarney was the third Irish player in double figures, scoring 11 points on 5-of-11 shooting (2-of-3 from 3-point range). The Irish then went on a 12-0 run over the next five minutes. "We said we were going to try to get up into their guards, and the first couple times with the full court, they panicked," Carter said. Carter scored 14 points on 5-of-11 shooting (2-of-4 from 3-point range). The senior guard also added five rebounds, two assists and one steal.

Notre Dame led 50-33 at halftime, but the Knights traded baskets with the Irish for most of the second half. With 3:22 left in the game, the teams had played to a 23-23 tie before the break.

In the second half we got a little lackadaisical because we were up so many points," Carter said.

The Irish then went on a 12-1 run to end the game, capped by a dunk by freshman guard Joe Harden at the buzzer.

Zeller said McAlarney was one of those guys who doesn't start for us. But even if he doesn't start he's going to be a finisher."

Mike Brey

Irish coach

**Undergraduate Research in Arts and Letters:**

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The purpose of this forum will be to provide students with information about sources of funding for undergraduate research. Six undergraduate recipients of these awards will speak about their experience of writing proposals, conducting their research, and seeing their projects to completion. Food will be provided.

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**Notes:**

- Irish guard Colin Falls scored just eight points on 2-of-3 shooting in 30 minutes. But Brey was not concerned with his senior's lack of attempts because of the way he played off the ball and how he contributed to the team's performance.

- Brey has toted Falls early this season for being one of the smartest players he's coached at Notre Dame given his grasp of the system.

- "I looked at the box score and said 'God, Falls only took three shots,'" Brey said. "He just kind of flowed and fit in."

- "Teams know about him as our returning guy, but if we can take what the D gives us and not force things, we'll like to have that."

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Happy birthday! Don't make this a year you sip your wheels, talk a big talk and produce little. Make things happen — don't just wait for them to fall in your lap. You have so much potential and the opportunities are apparent, so nothing will be one difficult once you begin the process. Your numbers are 7, 13, 27, 31, 43.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): You may see like you encounter today, but it will be the grand finale that will count. For me to yourself and by the rules. You will rise above the obstacles; stick to your beliefs.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): You will surprise everyone's expectations including your own. You will be in tune with the people you care about and love, and the development of your personal life will be aided. A trip will verify that you have found what's best for you.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): You may be eager to spend money, but your wisest investment will be real estate. This is not the day to lend or donate. Keep your money in a safe place or invest in something else.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Partnerships will be difficult for you to form four ordinary words. Your mind will be in tune with the people you care about and love, and the development of your personal life will be aided. A trip will verify that you have found what's best for you.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): The little bit of work you do today will pay off in the future. By entertaining others you will be pulled in two different directions.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Everything is changing. Keep yourself in the loop so you can take advantage of whatever opportunity opens up. Social events will bring you in contact with someone who can lead you in a productive direction.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): What you see today, especially if it's an emotional or personal level. You may get into trouble if you have anyone else other than yourself.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): More is happening than meets the eye. Be prepared to take advantage of a very promising proposal. Social events will take a surprising turn. Consider what you always wanted to do for a living and discover how you can make it happen.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): An effort to make your environment better will lead to other possibilities.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Review the first part of the year. A change in your personal life may continue for you.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Your mind will be in tune with the people you care about and love, and the development of your personal life will be aided. A trip will verify that you have found what's best for you.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Getting involved in a community event or with neighbors will help you have a better understanding of what can be accomplished. An effort to make your environment better will lead to other possibilities.

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INTERHALL PLAYOFFS

Headed to the House that Rock built

By BILL BRINK and COLIN REEMER

Playoff games are won in the trenches, and O'Neill dug his trenches deep.

Both lines manhandled their Griffin opponents during the Mob's 12-0 victory over Stanford on Sunday to advance to Notre Dame Stadium for the Interhall championship game Nov. 19.

O'Neill started strong, pounding together an 11-play, 65-yard drive that resulted in a five-yard touchdown pass from quarter­back Chris Stroh to receiver Alex Forte.

The scoring play was set up by a 34-yard completion from Stroh to receiver Nate Forte, who caught four balls for 94 yards, a 34-yard completion from Stroh to receiver Maureen Spring who was confident that any...

The Irish entered the NCAA Tournament with a record of 13-5-2 on the season, but they are coming off a loss in their last game - a 2-1 overtime defeat to Rutgers in the Big East quarter­finals. That game was played on

Men's Soccer

No. 12 Irish ready for postseason play

Irish seeded twelfth in NCAA Tournament

By GREG ARBOGAST

Twelve seems to be the number of the day for Notre Dame. The No. 12 Irish were given the No. 12 seed in the NCAA Tournament - a big difference from last year. We're just getting to...

Men's Basketball

Zeller shines in preseason win

By CHRIS KOHORE

Notre Dame jumped out to a 16-point lead early then coasted to an easy 85-57 win over Bellarmine Monday night at the Joyce Center in its second exhibition contest of the season.

"I think we did pretty well," Irish coach Russell Carter said. "We're moving, we're talking, and we're rebounding — that's a big difference from last year. We're just getting to the ball faster."

Irish guard Tony Jackson drives the lane past Bellarmine guard Matt Otte during Notre Dame's 85-57 win Monday.

rebounds, pass, make the free throws, and get his hands on stuff." Brey said Hillesland, who didn't play very much last year, will be a key cog in the...