Residents unsure of party ordinance
South Bend neighbors frustrated with ND students, but question legislation's effectiveness

By JENN METZ and JOE McMAHON

One week before the public hearing of the Common Council's proposed party ordinance, a number of South Bend residents said there are indeed problems with rowdy student neighbors — though not ones the ordinance would necessarily solve. The ordinance would require residents of boarding houses — defined as homes where more than 25 people live — to apply for a permit to host gatherings at which more than 25 people would have access to alcohol. The ordinance, proposed this summer, will be discussed Sept. 17 at the South Bend City-County Building.

Some student renters — and their late night visitors — detract from the home lives of their neighbors when they mark each weekend by littering beer cans to the street or causing noise so loud it wakes neighborhood children, residents told The Observer Sunday.

John Whelan, who lives on Notre Dame Avenue, does not know if the proposed ordinance will be effective, but is glad the "real problem of out-of-control student behavior" is being addressed.

"Being a Notre Dame Avenue resident, the problem is real — drunk students urinating, defacing property and committing vandalism," he said.

That large parties are frequently followed by student transgressions ranging from the inconsiderate to the egregious.

By KATIE STAAK

All Saint Mary's students will now be able to take physical education classes free of charge.

In past years, students who were not taking the classes for academic credit would be required to pay a $50 fee at the beginning of each semester to participate.

The reason for the policy change is simply to encourage more students to take any of the six classes offered at the Angela Athletic Facility.

"I just felt that some of our students were having a hard time finding an extra $50 per semester and I did not want the fee to be in the way of anyone taking our fantastic education classes," said Lynn Karchmar, director of athletics at Saint Mary's.

Karchmar said there has been a noticeable influx in participation under the new policy.

"It is nice to see the women of Saint Mary's more physically and mentally healthy," she said.

Freshman Caitlin McCreight, who is taking the yoga class, likes the flexibility with the classes.

"I've only gone to one class so far, but because I'm not taking it for credit, I can go anytime I want and I like that," she said. "I've also tried Pilates. I'd definitely recommend trying some of these classes.

For some students, the appeal of the classes is not only fitness but also affordability.

"I like that the classes are free because at home, I had to pay $50 for each," freshman Claire Phalange said.

Classes are available on a first-come, first-serve basis, giving preference to those taking class for credit, followed by other students and faculty. They are offered Monday through Thursday and include spinning, personal fitness instruction, Pilates, 

By MARCELA BERRIOS

Former Interim Dean of the Graduate School Don Pope-Davis has replaced Jean Ann Linney as University vice president and associate provost.

Linney said she would leave the University after three years on the post to become the dean of the School of Social and Behavioral Sciences at the University of Alabama at Birmingham (UAB).

Pope-Davis replaced her on Aug. 15, the same day Linney took office in Birmingham.

In a news release, Provost Thomas Buril called Pope-Davis "an accomplished researcher, teacher and administrator with an unwavering commitment to Notre Dame's Catholic mission."

Despite Linney's short tenure at Notre Dame, Buril said, her contributions were numerous and will have a lasting impact.

"Jean Ann worked hard and effectively to oversee a broad array of academic and administrative areas, including the tenure and promotion procedures for faculty, new faculty orientation, the Notre Dame South Bend landlord Mark Kramer, left, speaks to student residents at a block party Sunday on Notre Dame Avenue.

Linney leaves for UAB
**INSIDE COLUMN**

**Why we'll beat Michigan**

I've lived and died with Notre Dame football since I was eight years old, and I'm not that upset with the rough start to this year’s football season.

Part of that is because the Irish are so young this year. With all the experience these guys are gaining, we'll be much better next year and the year after.

However, another part of my unhappiness--and the expected mood is the drawn season--another power college football pro--

It's the season I've always dreamed of, anyway.

Michigan is 0-2, with two losses arguably worse than either of the embarrassments Notre Dame has suffered. It lost in an historic upset to Frieden J-A Football State and then gave up an historic number of yards in a 37-7 loss to Oregon. Both games were at home.

I grew up in Michigan and more than 50 members of my high school class now go to school in Ann Arbor. Every time they win, I hear about it. Every time the Irish lose, I hear about it. God forbid the two happen on the same day.

But beating Michigan is about more than just ribbing from students and fans from that school. I hate The University of Michigan because it is everything that Notre Dame is not.

Notre Dame is private, small, welcoming and religious. Michigan is public, huge, bureaucratic and atheist. Notre Dame is focused on undergraduate education. Michigan is focused on faculty research. But the differences between the two schools is more than numbers and missions. There is a very different prevailing attitude on campuses--one that has a direct bearing on how the football teams will recover from their terrible starts.

At Notre Dame, students are loyal to each other—especially their classmates on the football team. They stay the end of every game, win or lose, to sing the Alma Mater, because, no matter what, we all still Love Thee Notre Dame.

Notre Dame is about overcoming adversity—whether it’s something silly like partials, something serious like gunshot holes outside Club 23, or something that’s a bit of football, like losing a football game.

At Michigan, the emphasis is on being the best. If something isn’t up to snuff, it’s quickly disregarded. This obviously leads to some impressive university accomplishments, but it also leads to things like a big four-year graduation rate and a student body that turns on its own football issues when they aren’t tough.

The difference can even be seen in the two schools’ fight songs. Students singing the Victory March pledge to “cheer her ever,” and the “loyal to Notre Dame” “though the odds be great or small.”

Those who sing The Victors cheer only the “leaders and best” and the “conquering hero.”

What attitude do you think better helps a team bounce down on its lack recover and start wining again?

The Irish are regrouping this week, with the help of a supportive student body. The Weebawes are infighting while boos rain down from their own crowd.

And that is why we’ll beat Michigan on Saturday.

The views expressed in the Inside Column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer. Contact Chris Khorey at chkhorey@nd.edu

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**QUESTION OF THE DAY:** What did you do after the Penn State game?

- Eric Hoffman, senior, St. Eds.
- Caillie Putta, freshman, Welsh Family
- Pat Mulhern, freshman, Morrissey
- Caillie Garvey, freshman, Welsh Family
- Tim Loftus, senior, off campus
- Christine Hedge, senior, McGinn

**Students congregate in the Grotto for the Junior Class Mass Sunday. Father Bob Dowd presided over the Mass. More than 100 students were present.**

**OFFBEAT**

Japanese man remains air guitar champion

OULU, Finland — A Japanese man out “played” challengers to win the Air Guitar World Championship for the second consecutive year at a contest in northern Finland.

Ocho Yosuke received the highest score from a panel of judges in the final late Friday at the Teatria rock club in Oulu, near the Arctic Circle.

Aside from the glory, he received a custom-made Flying Finn electric guitar worth $3,400. The talent on display was variable at best. The surprise of the qualifying round was Oulu native Hiltika “Gore Kitty” Suuvanto, who was twice before scored the lowest points ever. She managed to score the six points that have now achieved a perfect six from many of the judges.

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**IN BRIEF**

There will be an information session for students in the Meadza College of Business who are interested in studying abroad tonight at 5 in room 101 DeBartolo Hall. Dr. Gina Shropshire, undergraduate academic advisor, will present.

There will be a mixer training Tuesday at 8:30 in the Basilica of the Sacred Heart. This event is mandatory for all interested.

Campus ROTC units will do a demonstration to remember September 11 tomorrow at 7 a.m. The event will take place at the reflecting pool of the Hesburgh Library. Head basketball coach Mike Brey will speak, as well as the ROTC chaplain.

There will be a student mixer Tuesday evening at 6:30 for entrepreneurial-minded students at Legends.

The mixer will combine short speeches, information tables from the Girit Center for Entrepreneurial Studies, MBA club and the 4 Horsemen Club.

There will be a staged reading and premiere performance of "Ballade Nocturne" by playwright Gao Xingjian Wednesday at 3:45 p.m. in McKenna Hall. The event is free and open to the public.

The rosary will be said Wednesday night at 6:45 at the Grotto.

To submit information to be included in this section of The Observer, e-mail detailed information about an event to obsnews@nd.edu
Gondoli examines growth
Associate psychology professor focuses on child progression in study

Special to The Observer

To paraphrase a proverb, it may take a village to raise a child, but there's no guarantee that everyone in that village will see eye-to-eye on parenting, especially when it comes to adolescents. Just ask Dawn Gondoli, associate professor of psychology at Notre Dame.

In 2001, she received a grant from the National Institute of Mental Health to complete a five-year study of moms and their first-born children as the kids progressed from fourth to eighth grade. "A theme in the parenting literature is that parenting doesn't change much," she says. However, I believed that if one made use of more cutting-edge techniques... one might see fairly substantial patterns of change.

An area Gondoli planned to focus on was maternal knowledge - mothers' awareness of their children's activities, whereabouts, acquaintances and behaviors when not at home - which she says has been consistently associated with positive outcomes for kids and the parent-child relationship.

Around the same time, Swedish researchers began publishing studies indicating that firm parenting might not be the best way for moms to stay informed and that they should instead focus on building warm relationships with their children, a claim that caused some controversy.

"The Swedish folks say that control wasn't important for knowledge seemed to many like an attack on authoritative parenting, or a recommendation for permissiveness, something which American parenting researchers do not endorse," Gondoli says. It was in this climate that she and her team initiated their study. They started with 181 mother-child pairs, and 162 completed the full five years. Once a year, they would come to her lab, where they would fill out surveys separately and be videotaped together while discussing issues that recently had caused conflict between them.

Using advanced statistical methods, Gondoli found that maternal knowledge usually exhibited "a modest but significant decrease" as kids went through adolescence. She calls this a "normative" change that doesn't tend to have an adverse effect on mother or child.

"It is important to document just how knowledge may change during the transition to adolescence," she says, "and we seem to be the only researchers in the country and internationally who have data that can describe this over this particular period."

As for whether being strict maintains maternal knowledge, "Our results are actually more consistent with the Swedish researchers," Gondoli says. "We have found that mothers' warmth toward their children and the emotional cohesion and closeness of the mother-child relationship is a much more important predictor than is mothers' firm control."

But while her study doesn't make a strong case for strict parenting, Gondoli doesn't feel it points to a hands-off, "kids will-be-kids" approach, either. "This might reflect my training as an American parenting researcher, but I find it hard to dismiss control entirely," she says, noting that the way her team measured control was "a bit different than the one many of the recent researchers have used to measure the mother-child relationship in a much more important predictor than is mothers' firm control."

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Abroad students adjust to campus life at ND

By MADELINE BUCKLEY
News Writer

After spending a semester abroad, many students say they view Notre Dame differently - a change that requires readjusting to on-campus classes, housing situations and South Bend social life.

One of the biggest differences, returns say, is campus life. Senior Kaitlyn O'Leary spent the spring semester studying at John Cabot University in Rome.

"Living off campus this year helps because I was much more independent (in Rome)," she said. "I lived with five girls and cooked all of my meals. Dorm life would have been much harder to adjust to."

Senior Kim Crehan, who studied in Toledo, Spain and lived with a host family, also said living on campus would have been a difficult adjustment.

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 Museum, Notre Dame University Press, and a large number of other forums," Burris said in an e-mail.

 Her resume and work at Notre Dame made her a strong candidate for the UAB position, according to Funding Website Director Gregory waypoint. associate provost for undergraduate programs at UAB, said she conducted "a thorough national search and brought forward candidates who truly were excellent."

 Linney said she appreciates the importance of behavioral sciences in understanding the world's most difficult conflicts, and she said she is looking forward to working with the UAB faculty and students to produce more research on those disciplines.

 "UAB is a major research university, and the programs in the School of Social and Behavioral Sciences have the potential to make a significant difference in the world. I am excited to be a part of that," Linney said in a statement. "Many of the world's most difficult issues can be better understood with contributions from the disciplines within the School of Social and Behavioral Sciences."

 Burris praised Pope-Davis' contributions to the school's racial diversity and graduate programs, as well as his "willingness to serve in this critically important position."

 Pope-Davis was associate vice president of the Graduate School from 2004-06 and was acting dean during the 2006-07 academic year after Jeffrey Kantor stepped down in July 2006 to return to the classroom full-time.

 He has been coordinator of the University's Multicultural Research Institute since 2000, and last year he was also appointed chair of Notre Dame's Faculty Board on Athletics and its NCA faculty athletics representative.

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 yoga, yogalates and a "cardio combo" class. Each class is 50 minutes long.

 There is no pre-registration required, unless students are taking the class for credit.

 "Students are encouraged to dedicate themselves to a certain class weekly, so they can receive the best results from the workout," Kachmarik said.

 Kachmarik hopes to attract a wide variety of students by offering several different types of classes.

 "All of the classes are free, so it depends on what you like. There is something for everyone," she said.

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 gious is not surprising to resi­ dents of the high student-populated neighborhoods sur­ rounding the University.

 Notre Dame resident Janet Jessup's main complaint was the noise — particularly in the early hours of the morning, when her children are sleeping. Students walking back from late-night parties frequently cause enough noise to wake her family inside their house, she said.

 "I have kids who have to get up for school," she said.

 The members of the Phillips family, who live at 902 E. Washington Street, are some of the only non-students in their neighborhood, which is lined by houses rented to stu­ dents by landlord Mark Kramer.

 It is a neighborhood that gets rowdy.

 "Kramer has turned Washington Street into a party Mecca," James Phillips said.

 The family has lived in the house for 15 years and has long endured the noise and disruption from parties. They did not complain about their student neighbors, but rather the hundreds of other University — and high school — students who flock to the street each weekend.

 "It has turned my life and marriage into a pressure cook­ er," Heidi Phillips said. "Our life has been basically miserable.

 Students who choose to live off campus need to treat their new communities with respect, she said.

 "If you live in the neighborhood, you are expected to be a responsible citizen of the city," she said.

 James Phillips agreed. "Students feel they've bought the right to party," he said.

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out the semester include "El Norte," "From A Silk Gown," "Rebirth of A Nation" and "All the Invisible Children." Director Gregory Nava, DJ Spooky and director Katia Lund are expected to appear at the screenings.

The series organizers hope a positive dialogue will come out of these screenings, Jenkins said.

"Film will help," he said. "It's a good start."

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Pope

responsibility in a statement posted on the weather and relatively small crowds, ended a from the capital, Algiers. The bombing appeared timed to kill as many officers as possible, they were grouped together to raise the flag.

Al-Qaeda in Islamic North Africa claimed responsibility for a car bombing that killed 30 coast guard officers and another 48 civilians that ripped through a crowd waiting for the president. In Saturday's blast, explosives planted in a van ripped through barracks in the north-ern coastal town of Dellys, about 30 miles from the capital, Algiers. The bombing appeared timed to kill as many officers as possible, they were grouped together to raise the flag.

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"Bereft of huge thrones of adoring pilgrims such as the 1 million Brazilian who turned out to see the pope on Friday, the German-born pontiff appealed to far smaller gatherings of believers in much of the world," the Associated Press (AP) reported.

"In a farewell speech, he urged Austrians to "be the traditional values shaped by the Christian faith — to European institutions."

NATIONAL NEWS

Whale shot off Washington coast dies NEAH BAY — A gray whale shot off Washington state's north coast was harpooned and shot with a machine gun late Thursday, officials said. If convicted, he faces six months to three years in prison on each of the felony charges.

"We are happy we are going back to our country after seven long years in exile," he said. He expected Musharraf to invoke emergency powers to stop his supporters in Pakistan, but he said that only under-scored the need for him to return and fight to restore full democracy and the power of the judiciary.

"We are not scared of anything — prisoners and jails we have gone through all that," Sharif said. "We will not be deposed, we will not have a boarding pass to travel with him, and asked him to stay behind in Britain.

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Disorderly conduct under review

Senator will ask court Monday to rescind guilty plea in case

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Sen. Larry Craig, R-Idaho, said Friday that his court documents Monday asking to withdraw his guilty plea in a sex sting that seems likely to end his career, his attorney said.

Craig, 63, was arrested after a Florida police officer pleaded guilty in August to disorderly conduct following a sting operation in a men's bathroom at the Minneapolis airport.

He has said he regrets that decision, which he said he made without talking to an attorney. He said he was angry and pleaded guilty only to put the matter behind him.

Martin said he was not involved in discussions about Craig's future in the Senate. Craig originally announced he would resign at the end of the month, then he said he was reconsidering that decision.

His chief spokesman later said Craig had dropped virtually all notions of trying to finish his third term.

"My job is to get him back to where he was when his rights were taken away," Martin said.

Craig's congressional spokesman has said the only way Craig is likely to remain in the Senate is if a court moves quickly to overturn the conviction, something that is unlikely to happen before the end of the month.

But Judy Smith, a spokeswoman for Craig's legal team, said the lawyers are focused only on the Minnesota case, not political outcomes.

"Many Republicans have expressed confidence that he will resign. That would spare the party an ethics dilemma and the embarrassment of dealing with a colleague who has been stripéd of his committee leadership posts."

It also would negate the need for a Senate ethics committee investigation, which GOP leaders had requested.

If Craig succeeds in undoing his plea, he would likely try to have the charges dismissed to avoid an embarrassing trial.

A police report alleged that Craig had solicited sex from a male officer at the Minneapolis airport in June.

Associated Press

WANTED - Joseph Jones

NORTH WOOD - Joseph Jones marks his wife's death on two days each year.

For 31 years - the day she died of lung disease - Jones lays flowers at her grave in the North Wood Cemetery Sept. 11 - the day the World Trade Center was attacked - and he inhales the toxic dust cloud that enveloped lower Manhattan - Jones watches television at home, listening to the rescue workers, firefighters, parents and children who were killed to the attack.

For the first time on Tuesday, Jones is going to a small park southeast of ground zero, where he will stand for hours with those victims' families marking the sixth anniversary and hear the name of his wife, Felicia Dunn-Jones, who died just five months after the towers fell. He is not sure how he will feel.

"It's just a sense of sadness, really," he said. "It's just a sense of acknowledgment that her death was caused by the events happening that day."

The prosecution of Dunn-Jones, 44, for an alleged civil rights attorney, to New York.

Sept. 11 death.

A year that sharply focused on Sept.-11 illness - and the need to clean up ground zero - more than ever before.

The tragedy was painfully altered by the unearthing of some 18,000 lung disease claims that remains from streets and sewer lines around the trade center site, which officials acknowledged were missed the first year. Doctors published more studies establishing

Another 9/11 victim named

Long sickness still debated as 6th anniversary of attacks nears

Associated Press

Michael J. Hirsch wrote in May, "the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner has thus concluded that Mrs. Dunn-Jones' exposure to World Trade Center dust on 9/11/01 contributed to her death and has helped to raise a homicide.

It ruled not bring her husband money - he had already received over $2 million in a federal fund that compensated Sen. Sept. 11 victims. Jones just sought recognition that her death was caused by Sept. 11 to allow her name remain on the 9/11 anniversary ceremonies and etched on the Sept. 11 memorial.

"Feinberg said she was a victim of the terrorist attacks. If she was a victim of the terrorist attacks, her name should be on the list," said Jones, 55, although he added he understands why more people haven't wanted similar fights. "Sometimes people just don't want to get involved. It's hard enough losing somebody."

On Sept. 11, While Jones watched planes hit the towers, he was on the Staten Island Ferry terminal. Dunn-Jones tried to escape her office a block from the north tower. She put a piece of clothing over her face but couldn't keep the choking, white dust out of her lungs, Jones said.

"She developed just this crazy, persistent cough," mostly at night, Jones said.

She was diagnosed with asthma and kept working at the U.S. Department of Education.

She took a four-day field trip to update New York Medical Examiner. But Hirsch surprised many by adding Dunn-Jones' name to the official Sept. 11 list.

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"We are not about to abandon the men and women who helped lift our city back onto its feet during our greatest time of need," Mayor Bloomberg said at the time.

"We are not about to abandon the..." - Joseph Jones, widower

But if more research is needed, many thousands of people will have the charges dismissed to avoid an embarrassing trial. If Craig succeeds in undoing his plea, he would likely try to have the charges dismissed to avoid an embarrassing trial.

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Man shoots officers in domestic disturbance

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Associated Press

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Companies penalize at-risk workers

Unhealthy employees forced to shape up to avoid higher health insurance costs

NEW YORK — Gold prices are up NEW YORK — Gold prices are up as of midday Friday as investors sought a haven from sinking stock prices, a falling U.S. dollar and heightened world political risks. Wall Street slumped after the Labor Department reported payrolls dropped by an unexpected 4,000 in August — the first decline in four years and a shock for economists who projected the nation’s employers would add 110,000 jobs to the payrolls. The weakness bolstered the case for a cut in the Federal Reserve’s benchmark interest rate, and in turn undermined the U.S. dollar.

In Brief

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Nelnet forced to make budget cuts

OMAHA — Student loan company Nelnet Inc. said Thursday it will have to eliminate 400 jobs, including hundreds in Indianapolis, because of new lending rules before Congress that would cut back on federal subsidies for student aid.

The Lincoln-based company says it will close five small loan origination offices and significantly reduce its Indianapolis customer service operations from 320 people to about 55.

Nelnet plans to cut expenses by at least $25 million annually and the reductions announced Thursday represent more than 12 percent of the company’s 3,300 employees.

Nelnet Chairman and CEO Mike Dunlap said the company is changing its approach to the student loan business because of the changes Congress is expected to approve.

The company announced the cuts a day after House and Senate negotiators announced a proposal that will boost aid to college students by cutting roughly $20 billion in government subsidies to banks that issue student loans.

Small business owners back to school

NEW YORK — As the fall semester begins at colleges and universities across the country, thousands of small business owners will be among the students. Many people who own their own companies realize they need to learn more about finance, marketing and managing, and so they decide to squeeze courses into their already tight schedules.

Peter Figueredo, CEO of Northeastern University’s Small Business Development Center, had run the company for three years when he realized he needed to learn more about operating a business.

"I know the actual type of advertising and marketing we do extremely well," Figueredo said. "But how to manage people, set up infrastructure, finances, human resources was still something very new to me."

So in 2004, he began a three-year program on entrepreneurship at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Besides classroom learning that led to his being granted a certificate from MIT, he came away with a network of other small business owners who he still turns to when he needs help or advice.

Michael Cramer had taken plenty of undergraduate and graduate business courses, but realized after he’d founded Adagio Teas that he didn’t know enough about public relations. And he knew that "the best way to get people to get to know you is through media stories. I was never exposed to that side of the equation."

So Cramer, whose company is based in Clifton, N.J., took a course at Montclair State University. All of Adagio’s public relations is now done in-house, and the company has gotten itself mentioned in a number of very high-profile newspapers, magazines and Web sites.

Colleges and universities around the country — junior colleges as well as the big-name schools — are an ever-growing resource for company owners looking to further their business education. And with many schools catering to small business owners, there is a huge range of individual courses as well as certificate and degree programs available. And many schools offer flexible-attendance programs and online learning.
Saturday night, about a half hour before kick off in Happy Valley, I was talking via AIM to several grumpy Notre Dame study abroad students. At 5:30 a.m. Sunday morning in Fremantle, Australia, the whole group was getting ready for Game Day. Aussie style. Although they were only going to be able to listen to the game on the Internet, the Notre Dame Australia kids showed their true school spirit. Even after an unsuccessful home opener last weekend, fans from around the world joined together to support the Irish and give them another chance. After Saturday’s game, however, many Irish fans were upset, especially those who woke up at 5:30 a.m. to listen to the Irish lose. Complaints concerning the quarter­backs, the offensive line and the coaches are being echoed throughout the rest of the football season is in serious question.

Although others may disagree, winning football games is not the most important attribute of Our Lady’s University. Academic excellence, enduring tradition, and the Catholic spirit all contribute to making Notre Dame one of the top universities in the nation. The grotto, Touchdown Jesus, and the Golden Dome are just several of the many campus landmarks that make Notre Dame so unique. Debauched SYR’s, exhilarating Drummers’ Circles and world­renowned Bonkstrike Basketball are traditions that cannot be found anywhere else.

So while the rest of the football season may look grim, there are many other things around campus to get excited about, or at least make the football season a little more bearable.

Campus Concerts: This fall the Notre Dame concert schedule is jam­packed. After hearing OK Go and Lupe Fiasco last weekend, we still have the Framot and John McLaughlin to look forward to this year.

More Flex Points: Notre Dame food services decided to boost our ability to dine outside of the dining halls. If you are anything like me, in past years the previous Flex Point stipend had me dining hall­bound staring mid­November. But with $310 Flex Points, students will take advantage of Subway, Rockers and the Huddle Mart all semester long.

Domer Dollars in the Stadium: To ease one’s pain of watching the Irish on the field, the Notre Dame Stadium now proudly accepts Domer Dollars. When you cannot bear watching Jimmy Clausen get sacked one more time, head on down to the concessions, where a delicious Stadium hot dog or some tantalizing nachos are sure to soothe your aching Irish heart, or at least help prevent you from a massive hangover Sunday morning.

Katie Palminteri
A Ward to the Wise

Be true to your school

Campus Construction: Excitement and anticipation linger as we all anxiously await the completion of Duncan Hall and the new Law School building. The three­story male residence hall is sure to be a beautiful addition to West Quad, while the addition to the Law School is a great excuse for why you were five minutes late to class.

We all wish we could have the perfect football season, the perfect grades, the perfect boyfriend. Yet, as I have learned the hard way, that is not always a reality. Thankfully, at Notre Dame those things are not necessary to have fun and enjoy college life. And with the tradition and spirit of Notre Dame, Fans of the Fighting Irish will still come together to support their team. Tailgating will still go on (even more so now—continuing one hour and a half into game time). Roe’s will still have a two hour wait on Friday night, and the Notre Dame Australia students will still get up at the crack of dawn, huddle around a computer, and cheer on their beloved Irish while listening to them play. Regardless of the outcome of the 2007 football season, embrace all that Notre Dame has to offer, and, as the Beach boys so eloquently put it, be true to your school.

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Host family praises band members

We were honored to have two members of your amazing band as visitors to our home on the eve of the Penn State-Notre Dame game. The band performed for our local football game on Friday night. The halftime and post-game shows were amazing, but more enjoyable to me was seeing these spirited young men and women in the stands with our high school band.

After the game, we collected Patrick and David and took them to our home to sleep before going off to Happy Valley the next day. They were delightful young men and wonderful representatives of your school. Being far from "home" and in a competitive venue can’t be easy (nor was the long bus ride, complicated by an emergency on the Pennsylvania Turnpike), but these students were a joy to have. Thanks for sharing your band with us and with Allison.

Megan Hess
Dunscroft, PA
Sept. 7

Students encouraged to continue fight against ordinance

Take business elsewhere

As a 1995 grad, I’m finally shocked at the lengths South Bend is going to to show Notre Dame students how unwelcome their presence is. There are plenty of places to drink enough to end up in the hospital, other than Marion Street, St. Pete’s, etc. B Saturday night house parties is primarily harassment.

If the proposed ordinance is passed, I would like to see a follow-up PowerPoint presentation that breaks down the number of house parties busted under the ordinance that are hosted by Notre Dame students versus IUSB students — and those at random townies’ houses (like the crack-house that used to sit behind my house at Lafayette Square, with large “gatherings” of unruly people at all hours). I have a suggestion: How about, starting this weekend, for the rest of the football season, Notre Dame students make the three-mile trip north, and purchase all of their alcohol in Illinois. Same for the rest of you traveling alums. Buy your booze out of state, and let’s see how the impact of lost tax revenue and grocery/liquor business sits with South Bend.

Michael Casey
Alum
Class of 1995
Sept. 7

Demand answers

After reading Kaitlynn Riely’s article on the new proposed South Bend ordinance (“ND drinking habits under scrutiny,” Sept. 7), I am troubled by the reasoning that is behind the law.

For starters, Council member Kirsits probably aimed the Council with his present PowerPoint presentations, but his findings are, quite frankly, bunk. He showed statistics on visits to St. Joseph’s Medical Center without even proving that the patients were Notre Dame, Saint Mary’s, Holy Cross or IUSB students. Kirsits also used the hearsay testimony of various paramedics and hospital workers (none of whom he attached a name to) as further reasoning that Notre Dame students visit the area hospitals in droves due to excessive drinking habits. Ms. Riely quotes him as saying he “heard paramedics and hospital workers complain.” Now, I don’t know about the complete details of the goings-on in the South Bend City Council, but if a law is passed because a member “heard people complain” about something, then I fear not for the students, but for the city at large.

Mr. Kirsits provided data showing that in four months in 2005, 119 people were admitted to St. Joseph’s Medical Center with injuries. Assuming that Mr. Kirsits is using those four months because of Notre Dame football season, I’ll assume that the numbers drop off during the year. So, give-or-take, 300-350 people are admitted to St. Joseph’s per year with alcohol-related injuries. South Bend’s population is estimated at 107,789 people. Assuming the worst ratio, that means that 0.3 percent of the population of South Bend goes to St. Joseph’s with an alcohol injury. Given the testimony of Memorial Hospital officials, the numbers are not as high, but like Mr. Kirsits and Ms. Brubaker, I’ll just guess and assume numbers.

Say Memorial Hospital takes in the same amount of injuries, 600-720 people a weekend come to the health center with drinking-related injuries. That is paltry 0.6 percent.

I am even more amazed as an alumnus when I read the comments by Ms. Brubaker, a University official. Ms. Brubaker “estimates” on how many students a weekend come to the health center with drinking-related injuries. Why 10 students? Why not 20? 30? If the number, as Ms. Riely states, cannot be corroborated, is it even substantial? Why are drinking-related injuries not catalogued? Why state them as non-injuries? If the problem is as bad as Ms. Brubaker and Mr. Kirsits make it out to be, why not present their points with data instead of empty guesses and hearsay?

Notre Dame, Saint Mary’s, Holy Cross and IUSB students, you deserve better than this. Demand answers. Question your student government. Make sure that you don’t getcornered as the problem, when they can’t even prove it in the first place. The issue here is not with the student body. It is with the empty reasoning behind a law that is directly aimed at the Notre Dame campus. The Council is using assumption, baseless statistics and an inherent lack-of-proof that Notre Dame students have a clear effect on the health, safety and security on South Bend. Until students fight back at the Council, they will continue to push you around until you will be commuting to campus from Niles, Mishawaka and Elkhart. But their local town councils haven’t directed their fury at you yet, so they might not be a bad place to live.

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Sept. 7
By CORBIN HICKS  
staff writer

Despite a less-than-impressive familiarity with his critically acclaimed catalogue among some audience members, Lupe Fiasco was undoubtedly able to add a few new members to his fun club after his stellar performance for the No. 1 song on the Billboard charts today, "Touch the Sky." Lupe's expansive "Outside," sold 55,000 copies, putting him between performers such as "Gotha," "Cool" and "Daydreamin." He even chose to debut his new single, "Superstar," which sounds like a surefire hit.

While many at this unique and eclectic concert could only fathom the idea of putting a song title like "American Terrorist" - or to Lupe's vocalized wish that President George W. Bush fall down a flight of stairs - one must understand that with the current state of American affairs, these statements are hardly unexpected from any rap act.

Although most artists don't go so far as to pen a song referring to crooked police officers as "The Fig," a track that can actually be attributed to his hyphen, Lupe has taken a stand that listening to Lupe's full catalogue definitely puts these statements into a proper context. The complexity of Lupe's songs should keep them from being casually perceived on the way to other, more radio-friendly offerings. However, it is easy to see how limited exposed to these songs can lead listeners to a biased opinion against what Lupe stands for. Only by listening to the song in its entirety, breaking down the lyrics, and keeping an open mind can one truly appreciate what these songs stand for and what they represent.

These are not the views of an angry Muslim rapper aiming to get fans the skin of fans of country western music. Rather, Lupe is a frustrated American using his talents for songwriting to express his complaints in a timeless song format.

When fans of hip-hop music envision an entertaining concert, they should look at the film of Lupe Fiasco's performance at The Show as a blueprint to follow. The song choice was superb, and the energy level and passion for his material that he displayed could convert even casual fans into full-fledged followers.

Hopefully this passion will permeate the rest of the music industry, replacing the lackluster performers that fill the charts today.

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LUPE FIASCOS BRINGS TALENT CONTROVERSY TO THE SHOW

Another little-known fact about Lupe is his imperfect voice is the welcome voice are the welcome

by BOB COSTA

Aaron Lewis, the lead singer of the popular alternative metal group Staind, stopped by the Morris Performing Arts Center in downtown South Bend on Friday evening for a poignant, if simple, solo acoustic performance.

Lewis, 35, has been the lead vocalist and guitarist for the Massachusetts-based band since 1995. Staind's breakthrough 2001 album "Break the Cycle" spawned the hit singles "It's Been Awhile," "Outside," "Epiphany" and "Fade." The band's subsequent releases — "14 Shades of Grey" and "Chapter V" — both hit the No. 1 spot on the Billboard charts.

Lewis' current tour, "Have Guitar, Will Travel," with an emphasis on acoustic music and personal connection between audience and performer, is a much quieter affair than Staind's usually raucous live gigs in rock clubs and arenas.

He walked alone onto the Morris Center's expansive stage clad in simple black tee, rumpled blue jeans and a black hat pulled down over his furrowed brow. The lights were minimal, with only a spotlight shining on centerstage. The set's black background seemed more like PBB's "Charlie Rose" than a rock concert.

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AARON LEWIS OF STAIND GIVES SOULFUL ACoustic PERFORMANCE

Much like folk musicians, Lewis focuses on telling a story or sharing a feeling in his songs, stretching his imperfect voice between soulfully earnest and deeply troubled. Lewis' raw emotions easily hold the audience's rapt attention more than once during the show, especially on the recently penned "Mess" and "Everyday Changes.

Other highlights of the performance included another new song called "Anywhere But Here," which Lewis amusingly noted was written in a park and inspired by a man Lewis heard playing his mastery of double-time rhyming.

However, even though many of Lewis' songs seem depressed or nearly tragic, he is an artist who knows how to let an audience enjoy themselves.

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Irish offense fails to reach end zone in second straight blowout loss

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STATE COLLEGE, Penn. — For the second straight muggy Saturday, Notre Dame's offense was sluggish.
And for the second straight week, its defense wilted in the heat in the fourth quarter.
The Irish were competitive early, but couldn't move the ball consistently and fell to 0-2 with a 31-10 road loss to No. 14 Penn State (2-0-0)
"Obviously, on offense, we weren't doing enough to protect a defense that was, for three quarters, playing their butts off," Notre Dame coach Charlie Weis said.
The Irish mustered only 144 total yards — including zero net rushing yards — in the first quarter. They fell to 31-10 early, but couldn't move the ball with a combined nine sacks.
"We've been trying different things and trying different personnel groups, but the production just isn't there," Weis said. "Maybe we need to reduce what we do and try to find a few things we can hang our hat on and do them well."
Clausen completed 17-of-32 passes for 144 yards and an interception, with most of his attempts in the first half coming on short swing passes and screens.
"There were only a couple times the whole night that he wasn't looking in the right direction," Weis said. "... I'm not doing cartwheels, but I'm not displeased either."
Penn State, behind senior quarterback Anthony Morelli, had limited success on offense through 40 minutes but wore down the Irish defense late. The scene was reminiscent of a week ago, when Georgia Tech exploited a depleted Notre Dame and worked Irish defense in the second half en route to a 33-3 win.
Morelli finished the game 12-of-22 for 131 yards with a touchdown and a costly interception on the opening drive.
Irish sophomore cornerback Darris Ward intercepted a pass by Morelli and ran it back 73 yards to score the game's first touchdown and give Notre Dame its first lead of the year.
Nittany Lion running back Austin Scott fumbled at his own 46 on Penn State's next possession, but a false start penalty and a sack left Notre Dame with no points from the drive.
It was a missed opportunity the Irish would regret.

Penn State wide receiver Derrick Williams returned a punt 78 yards for a touchdown to tie the score with less than a minute remaining in the first quarter. Williams broke attempted tackles by Irish defensive backs Terrail Lambert and David Bruton, juked his way out of trouble and zigzagged downfield for the score.
"The other guys on the touchtown return did a great job," Williams said. "I had the easy part of just running ... I just tried to make something happen."
Seven minutes later, Morelli found wide receiver Jordan Norwood for a 10-yard touchdow score to put the Nittany Lions ahead 14-7. Norwood caught the ball at the 5 and dove into the end zone, giving Penn State a lead it would not relinquish.
The Lions fumbled in their own territory late in the half, but again the Irish couldn't take advantage.
Still, Weis said, Notre Dame was happy to go into intermission just one score down.
"After last week's performance, we wanted to make sure we went into the half with a chance to win the game," he said.
Penn State cornerbacks A.J. Wallace returned the second-half kickoff 68 yards, sending the Penn State crowd into a frenzy, but the Irish defense stiffened. Scott was stuffed on third-and-one at the Notre Dame 18, and the Lions had to settle for a field goal by Kevin Kelly.
Notre Dame would get back within a touchdown — thanks to its own special teams. Tom Zbikowski returned a punt 47 yards to the Penn State 7, but Notre Dame couldn't punch it in after two Clausen passes fell incomplete. Freshman Brandon Walker split the upfield to make the score 17-10.
Penn State answered right back, starting with the game's first big offensive play — a 51-yard pass from Morelli to wide receiver Chris Bell that pushed the ball down to the Irish 8. Scott scored two plays later on an Ambrose Wooden pass interference penalty on third down gave the Nittany Lions a new set of downs on the Irish 2.
After yet another three-and-out by Notre Dame, Penn State broke the game wide open with a 10-play, 62-yard drive on all rushes, capped by a five-yard touchdown run by Scott.
"If you don't start getting first downs and keeping your defense off the field, once you get to the fourth quarter, you start to wear down a little bit,” Weis said.
Penn State finished the game with 292 total yards of offense, including 164 on the ground. Scott led the rushing attack with 28 carries for 116 yards and two touchdowns.
Down 31-10 late in the game, the Irish offense switched to the no-huddle and looked briefly sharp, going 65 yards in nine plays, including a 33-yard pass from Clausen to sophomore Bobby Parris.
But Parris and freshman Donal Kamara dropped passes in the end zone, and Parris' drop resulted in an interception on fourth down. Even though the Irish didn't score, Weis said, the drive was important for Clausen's confidence.
"If you think about the grand scheme of things, you want the kid to leave with a decent taste in his mouth," he said. "At least he could leave the field at the end of game with those last couple drives, even though they didn't end up with points, feeling that he was doing better."
Notre Dame earned nine first downs and was 2-for-16 converting third downs Saturday. It opened the game with an 11-play, 48-yard drive, but sophomore Niall Whittaker missed a 50-yard field goal.

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Irish quarterback Jimmy Clausen is brought down by Nittany Lions linebackers Tyrell Sales, 46, and Sean Lee, 45, during Notre Dame's 31-10 loss to Penn State Saturday at Beaver Stadium. Notre Dame gained only 144 yards on offense during Clausen's first start.

player of the game
Dan Connor
The Lions middle linebacker wreaked havoc on Notre Dame's offense, accumulating 12 tackles — 2.5 for a loss — and a sack.

stat of the game
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Notre Dame's offensive touchdowns — the first time since 2002 the Irish offense did not score in the first two games.

play of the game
Austin Scott's 1-yard touchdown run
The run gave Penn State a 24-10 lead and put the game out of reach for Notre Dame.

quote of the game
"[Clausen] played a great game. He was calm for the most part. He looked like Brady Quinn out there." — Dan Connor, Nittany Lions linebacker
Irish freshman quarterback Jimmy Clausen, 7, drops back to pass while fifth-year running back Travis Thomas, 26, looks to pick up the blitz and sophomore guard Dan Wenger, 51, blocks.

Team just needs time to gel

It would be easy to write a column and slam coach Charlie Weis for another poor game plan or criticize the offensive line for another poor performance. It would be easy, and even cathartic, but it would be useless. Weis knows these past two games have not been his best coaching efforts, and the offensive line knows it did not play well. Notre Dame is 0-2 and fans are, to say the least, frustrated.

Still, there were some glimmers of hope defensively during Saturday’s game.

Notre Dame cornerbac Darrin Walls ran back an interception for a touchdown. Two plays later, the Irish recovered a fumble inside Penn State territory and gave fans hope that last week’s nightmare against Georgia Tech was long gone. But then reality set in — the reality that Notre Dame has a young, and mostly inexperienced, offense.

After the fumble, the Irish committed an illegal procedure penalty, followed by a 12-yard sack. Notre Dame had to punt despite starting the drive on Penn State’s 37.

Notre Dame’s inexperience showed at another critical time in the game.

In the third quarter, the Irish had an opportunity to cut Penn State’s lead to 17-14 following a Tom Zbikowski punt return to the 7-yard line. But Notre Dame settled for a field goal.

All game, the Irish offense struggled.

With no help from the other side of the ball, the defense wore down once again late in the game and allowed Penn State to put the game out of reach.

The Irish offensive line, which only returned two starters this season, had trouble creating room for the running backs, most of whom are young (Armando Allen, James Aldridge) or are not used to being the primary back (Travis Thomas). Without a solid running game, the Irish had to rely on the arm of a freshman quarterback, who had to throw to an inexperienced receiving corps that had trouble getting open downfield. It’s going to take some time for this team to gel every Saturday, but just how much time that will take is a mystery.

Every good team, regardless of age, has a moment where everything clicks. Things that were hard to do a week ago become second nature, and everybody on the team elevates the game to the next level. Those are the offense clicks under Charlie Weis’ system, the possibilities are endless.

In 2005, the offense clicked immediately, but that group had played together for a significant amount of time before Weis came to Notre Dame. They had already developed a solid chemistry from playing together and learning each other’s tendencies.

In order for this year’s team to click, Clausen has to develop a rapport with his receivers so that on every play, they are thinking the same thing. The offensive line has to trust each other and everybody will pick up their man. When that happens, Clausen will not have to worry so much about the pass rush. It will take a lot of effort, and a little luck, but it will happen.

The talent on offense is apparent. Nearly everybody that has played was once a highly touted recruit coming out of high school. But it takes more than talent to make a good football team. Teams need chemistry, that intangible quality that turns talent into a good football team. Right now, the Irish don’t have chemistry, but they will get it. They have a good coach and good players. They too are not too bad to click.

But don’t worry if the Irish never click. You can always blame the coach.

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Irish freshman quarterback Jimmy Clausen lays on the ground after getting sacked during Notre Dame’s 31-10 loss to Penn State Saturday.
Penalties sting Irish momentum

Team committed fouls in all three aspects of game

By JAY FITZPATRICK
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STATE COLLEGE, Penn. — After Notre Dame forced Penn State to punt from its own 14-yard-line, a fair catch by Tom Zbikowski gave the Notre Dame first-and-10 from its 44-yard-line with 2:35 remaining in the first quarter. The Irish had prime field position and momentum on their side.

Then came downs.

Fifth-year captain Travis Thomas was flagged for a personal foul on a tackle — a penalty Thomas got in a scuffle with Penn State wide receiver Jerome Hayes after the punt, forcing the Irish back to their own 29.

"They had a player on the ground, he came up swinging, I happened to be near him when he came up swinging. We were up 17-0 in Happy Valley, things aren’t going to go our way," Thomas said.

Before reviewing the replay, Irish coach Charlie Weis said that although he didn’t see exactly what happened, he was disappointed that Thomas committed the penalty.

"I did talk to Travis when he got off the field. ‘Look, you’re 50 yards away from the end zone. Why are we even in a position to get a penalty 50 yards away from the play,’ Weis said. ‘That’s not using very good sense in that situation.’"

The penalty was 14 of the 14 Irish committed against Penn State, giving the Nittany Lions 97 free yards in the 31-10 Penn State win. The Irish drew flags on offense, defense and special teams-scoring that penalty is more widespread than just one position.

"It seemed like any time you’re playing defense, you’re not soft, you’re very efficient offense yourself, any time you have the number of penalties in there, it just doesn’t bode well for any type of momentum," Weis said.

Irish corner back Ambrose Wooden was called for pass interference after reaching around Lions wide receiver Dave Butler, giving Penn State the ball at the Irish one-yard-line and a fresh set of downs.

The Irish committed crucial, drive-killing penalties on both sides of the ball on a day when either fueling the Lions’ fire or killing whatever momentum they could muster.

One key problem with penalties came from the offensive line, who as a corps committed four false starts and two holds.

Although Weis said the false starts could be in part attributed to the noise level at Beaver Stadium, he said most of the blame lies with a lack of concentration on Notre Dame’s part.

"We can never condone false starts. Penn State is a loud place to play, but false start penalties, line of scrimmage penalties — things that we can control — we don’t want," he said.

Junior guard Dan Wenger agreed.

"It’s just one guy that’s jumping off sides, if it’s everyone that has to realize the situation that we’re in," he said.

"We knew we were going to get a lot of noise, we knew the crowd was going to be crazy. We just have to be more focused and everything like that," Wenger also said that, while Penn State’s defense did do a lot to put pressure on the Irish line, the penalty problem lay more in Notre Dame’s inability than Penn State’s skill.

"We knew what they were going to bring. It’s not a matter of what they brought that caused us to hold, it’s a matter of us not executing, it’s a matter of us not doing fundamentals and technique and we’ve got to get back to that," he said.

Defensively, Notre Dame committed several drive-extending penalties.

The defense was flag-free for incidental facemask — one committed by middle linebacker Joe Brockington and one by defender and Morrice Richardson. Although the penalties were not serious enough to warrant a personal foul, both extended Penn State drives. Brockington’s followed a six-yard run from Lions tailback Austin Scott, giving Penn State a first down at Notre Dame’s 24-yard-line. Penn State took advantage of the free yardage with a touchdown and 14-7 lead.

But the offense is just as concerned about the calls as the defense.

"We have to go back and look at everything we did wrong and correct it," Wenger said. "It’s going to be tough, it’s going to be hard, but that’s what it’s going to take. That’s what we’re going to take to get us back on top."

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Big hopes, bigger fall

Notre Dame and freshman quarterback Jimmy Clausen started off with an impressive opening drive, taking the half 47 yards down the field before missing a long field goal. The Irish took an early 7-0 lead over No. 14 Penn State after cornerback Darrin Walls’ 73-yard interception return, but the Nittany Lions responded with a 10-yard touchdown pass to Jordan Norwood and a 78-yard punt return from Derrick Williams to regain the lead — one Penn State would not relinquish. The Lions defense continued to pressure Notre Dame all game, and the Irish were unable to regain the success of their first drive. Although Notre Dame’s defense continues to improve from last season, it could not hold off the relentless Penn State attack, giving up a late touchdown after being on the field the majority of the game to push the score to 31-10.
Brothers Solomon fails to deliver

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It's a shame that people with such great comedic talent can make such a humorless and boring film as "The Brothers Solomon." It's difficult to put the blame on any one person, but within the first 10 minutes of the slow-moving comedy, the audience knows it's in for a stinker.

Of course, there's only so much a person can do with the material that he or she is given. Will Forte ("Saturday Night Live") pens the script and also co-stars as Dean Solomon. Dean and his brother John (Will Arnett) resolve to give their father, Ed (Lee Majors), a grandson as Dean's birthday present. The two brothers (who happened to be home-schooled at the North Pole) aren't very lucky with the ladies, and they eventually settle on a surrogate — Janine (fellow "SNL" player Kristen Wiig).

Forte's script isn't all bad. The funny is there; we just never see it on the screen. Blame that on director Bob Odenkirk, who hasn't spearheaded any significant projects prior to "The Brothers Solomon." There are a few laugh-out-loud moments, but everything in between feels drawn-out, and many of the gags fall far short of being comedic.

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Between Odenkirk's direct...
New target Moss propels Patriots to victory

LaDainian Tomlinson helps Chargers take down Bears in season opener with rushing touchdown, TD pass to boot

Associated Press

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — Larry S Moss caught a long pass and stepped into the end zone, flashing the dominant playmaking ability that made him one of NFL’s most feared wide receivers.

Looks like it’s time for opposing defenses to get scared again.

Moss caught nine passes from Brady for 185 yards and a touchdown in his New England debut, leading the Patriots to a 3-14 victory over the New York Jets on Sunday. Ellis Hobbs also set an NFL record by taking the second-half kickoff 108 yards for a score.

“IT’S NERVOUS BEFORE THE GAME,” Moss said. “I didn’t know how much I was going to play or what might happen. I settled down after the first catch and the first hit. I don’t think I ever was more anxious or more nervous. I didn’t know how I would play.”

Neither did anyone else, including the Patriots.

Moss, acquired from Oakland in a draft-day deal, missed most of training camp with a bad string injury and it was unclear how much he would play, he would have with his new team, or if he’d even play against the Jets. In the end, Moss made all the difference.

“I’ve been playing long enough so that I’ve pretty much got down catching balls and making plays after I get them,” Moss said. “I’ve got that covered, but I’ve got to get my mind ready.”

Moss was prepared after two miserable years with the Raiders. A perennial Pro Bowl receiver with Minnesota, he appeared rejuvenated Sunday, showing no ill effects from the missed time in camp.

“He was a great player before he got to the Patriots,” Brady said. “Obviously, he’s still a great player.

Brady, who faced little pressure from the Jets, was 22-of-29 for 297 yards and three touchdowns, including a 5-yarder to BenjinWatson that was set up by catches of 22 and 31 yards by Moss. Brady continued his mastery of the Jets, improving to 7-0 against them at Giants Stadium, and 11-2 overall. Brady has thrown 17 touchdowns passes and only five interceptions in his 14 appearances against the Jets.

With many fans still returning to their seats from the halftime break, Hobbs caught Mike Nugent’s kickoff deep in the end zone and surprisingly ran it out. Hobbs made a few cuts to the left sideline and took off untouched into the end zone to give New England a 21-7 lead 14 seconds into the third quarter.

“When you start going, you can feel it opening up more and more,” Hobbs said. “You just want to head for that end zone. I always try to find that sixth or seventh gear, the gear they don’t even make.”

The play also tied the record for longest in NFL history, matching the 108-yard field goal return by Chicago’s Devin Hester last season against the Giants, and the Bears’ Nathan Vasher the previous season against San Francisco.

“That was tough to swallow,” Jets linebacker Jonathan Vilma said. “It was tough for us to give up that.”

Laveranues Coles had two touchdowns against the Bears, who had a scare in the third quarter when quarterback Chad Pennington hobbled to the sideline with a lower right leg injury. On second-and-12 from the Patriots 49, Pennington went back to throw and was hit hard by Jarvis Green. Pennington was slow to get up and was in obvious pain before standing up, then collapsing to the turf after taking a few steps. Pennington eventually hobbled on his left leg to the sideline.

“I’ve never had a lower leg injury before,” Pennington said. “I’m not going to lay there, I’ll tell you that.”

Pennington flung his helmet to the ground as he hopped over to the bench, where he was surrounded by trainers. Keilen Clemens replaced him, but Pennington came back to start the Jets’ next series with his right ankle heavily wrapped. He led the team on a scoring drive capped by Coles’ 1-yard touchdown catch.

Chargers 14, Bears 3

Maybe this wasn’t such a good Super Bowl matchup, after all.

At least not the way the Chicago Bears and San Diego Chargers looked on Sunday.

LaDainian Tomlinson and the Chargers finally took control of a sloppy season opener, with the reigning NFL MVP throwing for one touchdown and rushing for another in a win over the defending NFC champion Bears. It’s clear these two teams, each with high expectations, have some work to do.

The Bears, who topped the NFC last year at 13-3 before losing in the Super Bowl to Indianapolis, were nothing short of brutal with four turnovers. Two of them set up the game’s only two touchdowns.

The Chargers, an NFL-best 14-2 in 2006 before their playoff prafault against New England, had two turnovers and allowed three sacks.

Still, Norv Turner came away a

Patriots wide receiver Randy Moss reaches for yardage past Jets cornerback Darrelle Revis in a 38-14 victory Sunday.

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| National League Central | Milwaukee | 31-31 | .492 | 3-7 |
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| | Cincinnati | 31-38 | .455 | 3-7 |
| | Pittsburgh | 41-32 | .550 | 4-6 |

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**PGA Tour**

Tiger Woods tees off in the fifth hole at the BMW Championship at Cog Hill Golf & Country Club in Lemont, III. His victory Sunday helped him earn his 60th win on the PGA Tour.

Woods wins third FedEx Cup event

Associated Press

LEOMONT, Ill. — Playing next to Tiger Woods for two days was daunting enough.

It was when Steve Stricker watched him from 200 yards away on an elevated tee that he realized how tough it would be to beat him Sunday in the BMW Championship.

He arrived on the par-3 12th tee in time to see Woods, in his customary black pants and red shirt, rap a putt that traveled yards away on an elevated hill first set by Tiger Woods for two players to close with an 8-under 63 to make him ahead of us making the move up a tree and came up well short on the 12th, leading to a bogey no one could afford. He wound up with a 68 to finish alone in third, enough for him to move up to No. 2 in the FedEx Cup standings.

"There isn’t a lot you can do," Stricker said. "I would have had to shoot 63 today to beat him. When you see him ahead of you making the birdies and hearing the roars, you know that he’s on a roll and not making many mistakes. It’s tough.”

**IN BRIEF**

**Bills’ Kevin Everett has surgery for cervical spine injury**

NEW YORK — Baltimore Orioles outfielder Jay Gibbons received performance-enhancing steroids and human growth hormone after both substances were banned by baseball, SI.com reported Thursday.

Gibbons is the latest athlete to be linked to the Florida pharmacy under investigation for illegally distributing prescription medications.

Major League Baseball asked Friday to meet with St. Louis’ Rick Ankiel and Toronto’s Troy Glaus after two reports said they received performance-enhancing drugs from Signature Pharmacy several years ago.

Between October 2003 and July 2005, Gibbons got six shipments of Genotropin (a brand name for synthetic human growth hormone), two shipments of testosteron and two shipments of human chorionic gonadotropin (HCG), SI.com said.

**Franchitti wins PEAK Antifreeze Indy 300**

JOLIET, Ill. — Dario Franchitti topped off "a crazy season" with an unlikely victory Sunday at Chicagoland Speedway, winning his first IndyCar Series title in what might be his farewell to open-wheel racing.

The difference for the Scot in the PEAK Antifreeze Indy 300 was his ability to squeeze out half a lap more than Scott Dixon on their final load of fuel, with the New Zealander running out of ethanol while leading two turns from the end of the 200-lap race.

Franchitti, who nearly saw the chance of winning his first open-wheel title slip away with crashes in each of the four races leading up to the season finale, could hardly believe his good fortune after struggling with traffic and an ill-handling car most of the day.

"It’s been a crazy season," said Franchitti, who also won his first Indianapolis 500 in May.
**MEN’S TENNIS**

**Federer wins fourth straight U.S. Open title**

Swissman now within two championships of American legend Pete Sampras’ record for career major titles

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Roger Federer sure gave Novak Djokovic chasers, plenty of chances, to pull off a major upset in the U.S. Open final.

Federer knows how to win these things, while Djokovic is still learning, and that made the difference Sunday. Hardly at the top of his game, Federer came through, beating Djokovic 7-6 (4), 7-6 (2), 6-4 for his fourth consecutive U.S. Open championship and 12th Grand Slam title overall.

Federer is the first man since Bill Tilden in the 1920s to win the American Grand Slam four years running, and, still only 26 years old, he moved within two of Pete Sampras’ career record of 14 major titles.

"I think about it a lot now," Federer said of Sampras’ mark. "To come so close at my age is fantastic, and I hope to break it." How many Slams can he win? "I don’t know," Federer said. "I hope more than Pete."

This one was a close call. The 20-year-old Djokovic was in his first Slam final, yet he led 6-5 in each of the opening two sets. In the first, he held five set points. In the second, he held two.

Federer erased all of those, showing the craft and roid that have allowed him to hold the No. 1 ranking for the past 188 weeks, the longest run ever.

"My next book is going to be called, 'Seven Set Points,'" Djokovic said, flushing the same sort of humor he displayed when he did on-court impersonations of other players after his quarterfinal victory.

On a more serious note, the No. 3-seeded Djokovic said of Federer: "Once again, he showed he’s the best."

In Djokovic, Federer was facing the only man to beat him over the past three years, but that was in early August at Montreal, not early September at New York, and in a Grand Slam tuneup, not the real deal.

So, not just talented with a racket but prescient, too, Federer pretty much predicted what would transpire. Shortly before walking out for Sunday’s match, he said knowingly, "I’ll be interesting to see how he handles the final."

Sure was.

Afterward, Federer spoke about having enjoyed getting another shot at Djokovic.

"Now guys challenging me this is my biggest motivation out there," Federer said, "Seeing them challenging me, and then beating them in the finals."

In the end, about the only category Djokovic won on this day was "Most Intriguing Guests," with 2006 open champion Maria Sharapova — just a friend," he said — and actor Robert De Niro sharing a box with his parents in the stands.

Federer was dressed for an evening on the town — all in black, from headwrap and wristband to socks and shoes, from shirt to shorts with tuxedo-like satin stripes down the sides — and he finished things under the lights by breaking Djokovic in the last game with the help of a no-look, over-the-shoulder volley winner.

It’s the type of shot that has prompted plenty of people to call Federer the greatest to ever swing a racket.

Which is why, at the start, it was surprising that Federer was not the Federer everyone has to come to expect. When Federer double-faulted, then sprayed two forehands long, Djokovic broke to go up 6-5. Perhaps thinking they’d witness an upset, many in the over-capacity crowd of 25,230 got on their feet, clapping and screaming.

So, serving for the first set, Djokovic raced to a 40-love edge.

Three set points.

Three chances to take a one-set lead against Federer in the U.S. Open final.

And just like that, they vanished: Federer hit a cross-court forehand winner that caught a line, and Djokovic missed two backhands.

Then came two more set points that Federer erased. Then, in the tiebreaker, Djokovic made three backhand errors and two double-faults, including on the last point.

"He knows what it feels like to be in that kind of situation. He knows how to cope with the pressure," Djokovic said. "For me, this is something new."

It showed again later.

When Federer served while trailing 6-5 in the second set, Djokovic let two more set points go by the wayside. Again they went to a tiebreaker, and again Federer was better. When he ended it with a backhand pass. winner down the line — placing the ball through the one, tiny opening there was — Federer skipped toward the sideline, screamed and punched the air.

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**Swissman Roger Federer falls to the court in celebration after beating Serbian Novak Djokovic for his fourth straight U.S. Open title Sunday. The victory raised Federer’s mark to 12 Grand Slam titles.**

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Track and Field

Powell sets record for 100-meter dash

Jamaican bests his previous record mark

Associated Press

RIETI, Italy — Asafa Powell set another world record in the 100 meters, and suspects he can go even faster.

"The world's fastest man improved his record Sunday, winning a heat at the Rieti Grand Prix in 9.74 seconds despite easing at the end.

"This means that I can do even 9.68," Powell said. "I'm worried that time, I know it."

The record comes only two weeks after the Jamaican finished a disappointing third at the track and field world championships in Osaka, Japan.

"I made a couple of mistakes and I corrected them," said Powell, who lowered the mark by 0.03 seconds, running 9.77 three times. "That's what happens when I start to listen to the coach."

The heat, the second of two, was run with a strong tail wind, but it was below the maximum allowed by track and field’s governing body, making the record valid.

In the final, Powell won in 9.78 — with no tail wind. Michael Frater of Jamaica was second in 10.03, followed by Jaysuma Saidy Ndure of Norway in 10.10.

"Today I ran like I should have done at the worlds," Powell said. "At Osaka I was too tense, I was thinking about the race and the time I had to set. Instead here I was relaxed."

In the heat, Ndure was second to Powell in 10.07, and Kim Collins of St. Kitts and Nevis was third in 10.14.

After winning the final, Powell celebrated amid a crowd of photographers on the field of Raul Canobbio stadium, throwing a bouquet of flowers into the stands. He also ran a lap of honor, shaking hands with fans and signing autographs.

"Me and my coach have been working to getting myself back to normal," Powell said. "I came here today and I executed properly and did what I was supposed to do."

Powell is only the fourth non-American to hold the 100 world record. Since 1912, Donovan Bailey of Canada (1996), Armin Hary of West Germany (1960) and Percy Williams of Canada (1930) are the others.

Rieti is a fast track on which six middle-distance world records have been set. That was not lost on Powell, who was trying to bounce back from his disappointing performance at the Athens Olympics.

"It's a very fast track. I love this track. It's very bouncy," said Powell, who trains in Italy three months of the year. "Italy is a good place for me. It's my second home."

Powell first set the world record of 9.77 in June 2005 in Athens. One month later, Justin Gatlin matched the time in May 2006, but the American faces a suspension of up to eight years following a positive doping test for testosterone after the Rieti Relay. A month earlier. In June 2006, Powell again ran 9.77, and then did it a third time in August 2006.

But despite the fast times, Powell has struggled at major competitions, missing a medal at the 2004 Athens, Olympic. At the worlds, he finished behind gold medalist Tyson Gay and Derrick Atkins, running 9.96. The bronze was Powell's first major medal.

"That was a race I had to win and I didn't. Enough. I lost," Powell said. "The real Powell is the one from today, not the one in Osaka."

Powell had also been one of the favorites at the 2003 worlds, but he was disqualified in the heats for a false start. He missed the 2005 worlds because of a groin injury.

Michael Johnson, the world record holder at both 200 and 400 meters, criticized Powell during the worlds last month, saying the Jamaican is "not a great competitor." Johnson said Powell gave up in Osaka when he was overtaken by Gay in the final 40 meters.

"He's not a great competitor; you can see it in his eyes," Johnson wrote in his column for the BBC. "He can learn to be a great competitor, but first you have to admit that you're not." Powell should get another chance to race Gay next Sunday. Both are scheduled to compete at the Golden League's Memorial Van Damme meet in Brussels, Belgium.

Sally McLean of Australia won the women's 100 in 11.30, with Stephanie Drury of the United States second in 11.37.

Deborah Ferguson-McKensie of the Bahamas third in 11.38.

Several world champions also won, including Lauryn Williams of the United States in the women's 200, Janeth Jepkosgei of Kenya in the women's 800, Yarelis Savigne of Cuba in the women's triple jump and Irving Saladino of Panama in the men's long jump.
SMC GOLF

Belles finish in second

Senior Katie O’Brien shoots 76 to lead all players in the field

By CHRIS DOYEN
Sporst Writer

The St. Mary’s golf team got off to a good start in the 2007 MIAA season Saturday in its opening event, finishing second to Olivet in the first of three MIAA jamborees with a score of 345.

Senior captain Katie O’Brien led the team with a score of 76, which placed her one stroke behind the top finisher from their opponents.

"I was really disappointed with the team," said. "We had a lot of potential and we were ready to run. The course was a bit flat, and Saint Mary’s finished second to Olivet, placing 7th overall, the teams really seemed to struggle there.

Junior Perri Runna shot a 95 in round two, followed by Glynnis Liddle, who shot 91 and 95, respectively.

Before Saturday’s jamboree, head coach Kirk Liddle stressed the need for consistency in MIAA competition. With the tightly packed MIAA standings, Saint Mary’s cannot afford to have any bad days this season.

"I think waiting to race until this week was better physically and mentally for them," Schroeder-Biek said.

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SMC CROSS COUNTRY

Gray leads Saint Mary’s to seventh-place finish

By KATE ARNOLD
Sports Writer

In its second event of the season, Saint Mary’s finished seventh of six teams at the Aquinas Invitational, placing ahead of Lansing Community College and NAIA teams that we do not ever score against," she said.

The Belles’ times improved significantly from their first race. The course at the Aquinas Invitational is notoriously flat, and Saint Mary’s believes its hard throughout the week paid dividends. But the team was not satisfied with its times and hopes to continue improving.

“Toward the end race after the race. Some girls ran very well and some were slightly disappointed with their times,” Bauters said. “We ran in pace groups for the first two miles, which really seemed to help a number of the girls race better.”

Coming in first for the Belles was senior captain Megan Gray. With a time of 20:49, she took 32nd place overall.

Gray has many strengths. As a runner, she is patient to see results, and has tremendous drive and determination, Bauters said. “As a captain, she carries herself well and leads by example well. She has really taken a few freshmen under her guidance this year which has been beneficial."

In the opening match, the Belles’ team leaders stepped up again. Slupczynski had 15 kills and 10 digs while Hellmann added 11 kills and 14 digs in the win. Freshman middle blocker Andrea Sassen stepped up and shared service duties with senior Megan Biek.

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SMC VOLLEYBALL

Strong leadership creates 2 wins

By SAMANTHA LEONARD
Sports Writer

Saint Mary’s had a roller-coaster weekend, going 2-2 at the Hiram Invitational. The young Belles squad picked up some valuable experience in the busy tournament.

We experienced some good success this weekend. I felt that we finally started to gel as a team and that players were really working hard for their teammates," coach Julie Schroeder-Biek said. "I made some position changes, and after some initial adjustments, those players really stepped it up and excelled in those positions."

The tournament got underway Friday afternoon, when the Belles took on Texas Lutheran and fell 3-0 (30-22, 30-24, 30-21).

Sophomore outside hitter Lorna Slupczynski and junior middle blocker Kaela Hellmann had big games in the losing effort. Slupczynski had a team-high 10 kills in the opening match, while Hellmann contributed seven kills and 10 digs.

Saint Mary’s bounced back with a win over Thiel College later that night. Thiel put up a tough fight, but the Belles were able to pull out the victory in five games (29-31, 31-16, 17-15, 13-25, 17-15).

The Belles set a new tournament record of 14 game five wins.

"It’s really working hard for our seniors, especially impressive. The Belles started day two of the Hiram Invitational with a match against Geneva College. The team won the match in four games 3-1, 30-22, 25-20, 30-27, 20-22).

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Belles lose first of season

Hope outlasts Saint Mary’s in conference showdown Saturday

By CHRIS DOYEN
Sports Writer

Saint Mary’s suffered its first loss of the season Saturday in a 2-1 loss to Hope College.

The Belles broke through first on a goal by junior forward Lauren Hinton in the 37th minute. Freshman midfielder Julia Gragmann assisted on Hinton’s third goal of the season.

“We started a little bit sluggishly,” Belles coach Caryn MacKenzie said. “But we worked our way through that and started creating good chances and doing some fun stuff.”

The lead was short-lived. Less than one minute later, forward Suzi Knowles assisted on a goal by senior forward Julia Fischer. The goal came off of one of Hope’s seven corner kicks in the match.

The game remained tied until the 50th minute when Hope struck on a goal by Sonya Masghati, assisted by Emily Cook. Despite the 3-1 score, MacKenzie was pleased with the overall performance against an organized and well-coached Hope squad.

“The score doesn’t reflect how competitive the game was,” MacKenzie said. “It was a really well-played game by both teams. We were disappointed that we lost, but we did a lot of very good things.”

While the Belles were disappointed by the loss, MacKenzie is well aware of some of the benefits that can come from an early non-conference defeat.

“It’s good to lose early,” said MacKenzie. “You learn a lot more about yourself when you lose, and it gives us the opportunity to prepare for our conference matchups later in the year.”

The Belles will be back in action Wednesday at Saint Mary’s when they host Calvin, the 2006 MIAA champions.

The Belles record now stands at 3-1, while Hope improved to 2-2.

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Men and women both win in season opener

By JAY WADE
Sports Writer

The men’s and women’s teams both started their seasons by running away from the competition at the Crusader Invitational last Friday in Valparaiso, Ind.

The men, looking to build on their success from last year, showed no signs of slowing down, as they placed five runners in the top 15. The Irish finished 30 points ahead of the second place team, host Valparaiso, and Wisconsin-Milwaukee filled out the top three, finishing with 75 points.

Junior Chris Rodriguez was the top runner for the Irish, finishing first with a time of 19:31 for the 4k course. He was followed closely behind by teammate junior Kevin Veselik, who came in second overall with a time of 20:01, only 10 seconds off Rodriguez’s time.

The other runners for the Irish faced nearly as well, with Kevin McFadden (20:28), Mark Moore (20:30) and John Daly Jr. (20:36) finishing 10th, 11th, respectively.

With all five runners in the top 15, and only seconds apart from one another, the men’s team looked sharp and well prepared for the upcoming season.

The women’s team averaged last year’s heartbreaking one-point loss at the invitationals last Friday away from the competition this year. Western Michigan finished in second place, more than 20 points behind the Irish.

The leading runner for the Irish was Beth Traci, who completed the 4k course in just 19:01 to finish third. The Irish also managed to get three more runners into the top 10, with Abby Higgins (19:27), Emily Wixford (19:46) and Julie Opel (19:54), who finished sixth, seventh and ninth.

Both teams showed they would be contenders for the Big East title this season, and both teams hope to build on Friday’s strong performance and use it as momentum for the coming season.

Notre Dame’s next meet will be the National Catholic Championships, which the Irish will host in South Bend at 4:15 p.m. Friday.

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ND Cross-Country

Dame was freshman Katie Conway, who shot a six-over par (78) on the day, leaving her in a tie for 73rd.

The times for the second round begin today at 7:40 a.m. Notre Dame will look to build upon its record-setting day in an attempt to climb the leader board and begin the season with a tournament victory.

The Cougar Classic will finish Tuesday afternoon, giving the Irish less than a week to prepare for the Napa River Grill Cardinal Cup in Louisville, Ky.

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Clark said, “He played real well. I was concerned a lot of trouble, I thought that was a real positive.”

There still were negatives to come for Notre Dame, though, as John Lapira appeared to injure his quad muscle late in Friday night’s game against Northern Illinois junior defender Jack Traynor when he was sent off after receiving a second yellow card.

Although the personnel losses were heavy heading into Sunday’s game with Northern Illinois, Clark did not appear too worried about the short or long-term prospects for his team. “The injuries shouldn’t have any effect, and I don’t think it does,” Clark said. “This is an opportunity for the youngsters, and this is when you’re not in the lineup. I’m sure how Joe Lapira got his chance his freshman year, and the younger players can’t wait to take advantage of this.”

It would appear to be one of those youngsters who gave Notre Dame a chance to win Sunday afternoon against the Huskies. With the two teams tied at 1-1 entering the second overtime period, Donohue arrived first at a loose ball in Northern Illinois’ box where a vicious slide tackle from Illinois’ midfielder Chris Rufa took him down.

The referee pointed immediately to the penalty spot, but Martin’s kick sailed over the crossbar.

“They penal kirk would have been the icing on the cake because that would have been the game right there,” Clark said. “That’s a little bit what it hard. That’s what makes it seem like a loss because you had the game within your grasp.”

Despite missing the penalty kick, Martin was the primary reason Notre Dame didn’t lose the game. After receiving a pass 40 yards from the goal line by Galatia, he dribbled the ball inside and let rip from 35 yards out. Northern Illinois’ goalie Joe Zimka was helpless as Martin’s shot knocked over his head, dip­ping down into the back of the net.

The Huskies tied the game 11 minutes later when forward Ben Blackburn also slipped behind the Irish defense and finished low near post past an unnerving Cahill.

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EUGENIA LAST

CELEBRITIES BORN THIS DAY: Michelle Williams, 21; Henry Thomas, 37; Matthew Perry, 45; John Travolta, 56; Robert Downey Jr., 47; Hugh Grant, 47; Martin Short, 52; Arnold Schwarzenegger, 65; Bill Murray, 65. For details, see yesterday's column.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Love, romance, adventure and fun all are in the stars. Self-improvement, preparing and taking care of your personal needs will bring added confidence and rejuvenation. You may learn something that you acquired a seminar or-tradition. Stars will

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Everything is looking bright and you can finally take care of problems that have been plaguing you for some time. Use your problem-solving skills to the extreme.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Anger never solved anything. If you are creative, entertaining and use your Gemini charm, you will get much further ahead. Someone from your past may try to bring back into your life.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): You are in control, so don't hesitate to make a change that will benefit you. Information regarding a position or a product you want to purchase will be offered. Jump in at any chances that arise. 3 stars

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): You'll be hard to spot as you aren't afraid to ask for favors today. Someone will see your potential and offer you access regarding an opportunity you've been working for. Pros and games should be on your agenda. You'll be highly competitive. 3 stars

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Not everything will be made reality on your own. Opportunities will come, but you'll need a partner to make them work. Financial worry 3 stars

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Keep a tight lid on your plans and make a splash. It's the chance of a lifetime that will get your attention and will put you on a positive note. Love is in the air and travel and adventure can be years. 4 stars

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You'll be walking on the night, you'll be taking your time. As it comes to communications, don't promise what you can't deliver. Travel will be costly and you can expect delays. Leave in the car, choose wisely. 4 stars

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): You have to follow up, with plans. There is a chance that new friends or even a change of role will change that will benefit you. Making personal changes should all be up for grabs. Be sure to take an older friend's advice. 7 stars

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Do things that will help you prepare for the work ahead. If you participate in something that allows you to help others, you will be well-off with someone who has something to offer. Be sure to take it in the star, at least you know you are useful. 8 stars

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Someone may offer you something that isn't fair and will be fair as a friend. Do your homework before you put too much time and effort into something that isn't likely to fly. Focus on what you can do to make personal improvements. Avoid arguments with loved ones. 3 stars

Injured Irish come away with a win and a tie in tournament

By GREG ARBOGAST
Sports Writer

Due to a combination of injuries and cards, the Irish squad that took the field this weekend featured some new faces, but No. 8 Notre Dame managed a win over Rhode Island and a draw with Northern Illinois to finish in second place in the Mike Berticelli Memorial Tournament.

Already missing starting center midfielder Michael Thomas, who broke his jaw last weekend against UCLA, things went from bad to worse for the Irish on Friday night against Rhode Island.

Senior forward and 2006 Hermann Trophy winner Joseph Lapira pulled up grilling his hamstring while chasing down a long ball in the 51st minute.

Though Lapira would return to play about 30 minutes Sunday against Northern Illinois, the injury ended his night against Rhode Island. The Irish had no problem coping without him, cruising to a 3-0 victory.

The scoring started before Lapira's injury when sophomore Dave Donahue, starting in place of Thomas, notched his first goal in an Irish uniform. Senior Ryan Miller fed an overlapping Kyle Dagun down the right side.

Dagan's cross skipped through the Rhode Island box to an unmarked Donahue at the back post, who made no mistake sliding the ball into the Ram net for an early first-half strike.

Another new face made his way on to the scoring sheet when sophomore Justin Morrow tallied his first career goal to double Notre Dame's lead in the 57th minute. In for the injured Lapira, Morrow ran down an Alex Yoshinaga through ball, beat one defender on the end line and cut back towards the center of the box, firing past Ram goalie Chris Pennock.

"It was nice to see Morrow get his first goal in a Notre Dame uniform," Irish coach Bobby Clark said. "It's been a long time since we've seen him score.

It was time to make adjustments. The Irish played a 4-4-2 formation in the second half.

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ND WOMEN’S SOCCER

No. 5 Stanford takes down Irish with OT penalty kick

By BILL BRINK
Sports Writer

The Irish had a rough weekend on the West Coast, where they lost to Santa Clara 7-1 Friday and dropped their second game to No. 5 Stanford 2-1 in overtime Sunday to lower their record to 1-2-1.

Sophomore forward Kiki Rusco, senior midfielder

Bradyn Klein and senior forward

Megan Smoll had two goals apiece for Santa Clara.

The Broncos led 2-0 midway through the first half until sophomore forward Michele Weissenhofer scored an assist from junior forward Kerri Hanks in the 24th minute. Santa Clara managed to hang on and scored again and took a 3-1 lead into the half, when Irish coach Randy Waldrum felt it was

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ND VOLLEYBALL

Stasiuk reaches milestone

Senior gets 1,000th kill as team goes 2-1

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Senior captain Adrianna Stasiuk reached a milestone with her 1,000th kill this weekend, as the Irish took two of three matches at home.

Stasiuk had 14 kills and became the 11th player in Notre Dame history to obtain her 1,000th career kill in a 3-2 victory over Alabama Saturday night.

"It think it's a reflection of the team," Stasiuk said. "It just shows how well the passers and setters are and how well our team works together."

Without Lapira for the first time as the starting right side hitter, the Irish took a 3-0 game 1 lead.

Sophomore outside hitter Megan Fesl added 13 kills and 13 digs with two aces, Senior setter Ashley Tarusin had a game-high 25 assists while recording 15 digs.

The Cougars were led by the effort of freshman setter/outside hitter Cole Dawley, who amassed 15 kills. Senior defensive specialist Megan Parkerson tallied a team-high 18 digs.

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