Leaders address course packet costs

Citing student concern, senators want Hammes Bookstore to stop selling packets

By KAITLYNN BERLO Assistant News Editor

Recognizing student dissatisfaction with high course packet prices this semester, Student Senate unanimously passed a resolution Wednesday recommending course packets no longer be sold at the Hammes Notre Dame Bookstore but instead be sold at existing or future campus copy locations.

Course packets have been sold in the past at copy centers around campus, including shops in Decio and O’Shaughnessy Halls. This semester, all course packets were sold from the bookstore. Articles in Scholastic magazine and The Observer have reported student unhappiness with the price increase for course packets, a change which resulted from the bookstore’s markup for copyrights and profit.

Senate Academic Affairs chair Carol Hendrickson researched the issue for the past several weeks. She and Fisher senator Stephen Bant presented the results of an e-mail survey they conducted in a PowerPoint presentation to the Senate. The survey was e-mailed to a random sample of 800 students from all four classes, with 272 responding. Of the respondents, 67.5 percent said they were very dissatisfied with the price increase for course packets. Another 15.9 percent said they were somewhat dissatisfied with the cost. Responses were also charted omitting the freshmen response, since they could not compare the prices they paid for course packets this year with previous years.

Without freshmen input, the percentage of people very dissatisfied or somewhat dissatisfied with the cost of course packets this semester was 88.3 percent. The survey also asked students what they thought about the convenience of purchasing all books and course packets at the bookstore, rather than at copy centers around campus. Of the respondents, 34 percent said it was essential or very important to have the convenience of purchasing course packets in one location rather than many copy centers on campus. Thirty-four percent said it was somewhat important, and 32 percent said it was not important.

The Student Activities Office said student attendance at pep rallies is still strong, many upperclassmen have stopped going — saying they are too tired or discouraged about Notre Dame’s disappointing football season.

“We appreciate the student support and attendance and feel that it has been strong this year and consistent with previous seasons,” said Josh Herlo, director of athletic ticket operations.

Herlo also said the general public attendance, which includes alumni, was “really strong” at the three fall games.

“We have had lines that wrapped all the way around the stadium,” he said.

The Student Activities Office does not provide breakdowns of what class levels are best represented at pep rallies, said Peggy Hnatuk, director of Student Activities programming.

But some upperclassmen believe the pep rallies have lost their appeal.

Junior John Watkins said he hasn’t been to a pep rally “in a really long time.”

“It is always the same thing”

By JEFFREY McMILLAN News Writer

Gay/straight group continues to promote tolerance, inclusion

By JOSEPH MCMAHON News Writer

National Coming Out Day came and went last Thursday without the student activism that, in the past, marked the day with bright orange “Gay! Fine By Me!” T-shirts.

But Alliancend, the unrecognized gay-straight group that typically organizes events to raise awareness about homosexuality at Notre Dame, has plans in place for a demonstration after its fall break.

Alliancend co-president Alex Renfro estimates that Alliancend members encourage students to come out of the closet and talk about their identities on National Coming Out Day in Oct. 2005.

By DAN JACOBS News Writer

Over the past several years, student interest in Asian Studies has increased — pushing the University to expand its academic offerings in the subject.

Notre Dame’s connection to Asia began nearly 30 years ago, as University President Emeritus Father Theodore Hesburgh traveled there to create a stable interconnection and exchange with academics in China.

In 1996, eight faculty members founded the Center for Asian Studies on campus. Now in its 11th year, the Center is made up of more than 40 faculty and staff members with its own office. It now supports more than a dozen courses in many diverse fields of study.

The central mission of the Center is to promote and offer interdepartmental support for classes and research relating to Asian studies and Asian American studies.

Director of the Center for Asian Studies and Anthropology professor Susan Blum is excited for the opportunities that lie ahead.

“Asia, of course, has 60 percent of the world population so anyone who is attentive to world affairs is aware of the importance of Asia,” she said. Blum said this is an opportunity to expand the program’s presence on campus even more.
A lot to be thankful for

It's midterms week and I am holed up in the library. It's so late the junior has begun to sweep the floor in circles around me. As I look at the gleaming floors and start to appreciate the job this man is doing, thoughts of gratitude invade my mind; as well they should, because this student has a lot to be thankful for.

An odd thank you to the football team: For their first victory of the season over UCLA. Although I was miserable over the 0-5 start, no one could pay to give up the experience of rushing out of my dorm, along with what seemed like the rest of campus, to the inevitable gathering at Stonehenge. I didn't care that we were going berserk over a single win that was long past due, or that Jimmy Clausen didn't actually throw a touchdown. Now one could have dampened the feeling that night. Forget freshman or transfer orientation icebreakers, if you didn't feel a sense of community after that night, you have a screw loose.

A special shout-out and thank you to my roommates from Cavanaugh and Welsh Family who, just a month after moving them, surprised me on my birthday with my favorite present: A cookie cake. Without people like this, Notre Dame wouldn't be the tight-knit community that we all rely on in times of need and celebrate with in times of triumph. For these friendships, I am grateful, as well as the fact that my birthday candles didn't set off the Cavanaugh fire alarm.

Thank you to everyone's favorite president emeritus, Father Jenkins, for responding to my email, meeting with me, and telling me the most helpful thing I can say or think is, "Come Holy Spirit." I can only hope in my years at Notre Dame and beyond that the Spirit works through me half as much as it does through him, and that I have a footprint a fraction the size of his.

Last, though they are not physical, I am thankful for everything that I can give you. I'm thankful for my family and friends who have been there for me through the years, and will continue to be there for me. I am thankful for all of you who read the Observer, and support it. The Observer is not just an independent newspaper, but a community newspaper.

The views expressed in the Inside Column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.

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 INSIDE COLUMN

A lot to be thankful for

QUESTION OF THE DAY: AS A CHILD, WHAT DID YOU SAY YOU WANTED TO BE WHEN YOU Grew UP?

Andrew McKinley Jaime Amrhein Don Taynor Joe Serafin John Hennessey
junior Keenan junior Lewis junior Carroll sophomore Dillon junior Sorin

"A basketball player."
"A tree—I used to practice."
"A leaf—I still do."
"A hell of an engineer."
"A mailman."

Strudel Meisters, a German band from Michigan, played during Okdormerfest festivities at Legends. The event, which took place Wednesday, was co-sponsored by the Student Union Board and the Notre Dame German Club.

OFFBEAT

Dancing cockatoos loves a boy-band beat

SCHREUVILLE, Ind. — Snowball the cockatoo can't get enough of the Backstreet Boys. The 11-year-old medium sulfur-crested cockatoo lifts his legs, squawks and bobs his head, flashing his bright yellow crest to the beat of the boy band's "Everybody (Backstreet's Back)."

When Snowball was given to a bird rescue shelter a few months ago, the man included the CD and instructions to watch his reaction. Irene Schultz said she almost fainted at the sight.

"I'm thinking, 'What on Earth is this?' This is unreal," said Irene, who runs Bird Leaders Only Rescue with her husband, Chuck. The couple said they have been contacted by people from around the world who have watched Snowball on the video-sharing Web site YouTube.

NYC woman finds python in toilet

NEW YORK — There was no Halloween bodyguard in the closet for one Brooklyn woman—just a 7-foot-long python in her toilet. Nadia Brunacci was washing her hands in her bathroom before dawn Monday when she glanced back and saw the slithering serpent peeking out from her toilet, most of its body hidden in the pipes.


Brunacci slammed down the lid, put a heavy box on top of the toilet and began calling for help, which came from her landlord and firefighters. Plumbers had to tear apart the downstairs neighbor's pipes to capture the snake, she said. It's unclear how the snake made its way into the pipes.

Information compiled by the Associated Press.

IN BRIEF

Scholar Ann Chokravarty will speak about "Surrendering Consent: The Political Consequences of the Genocide Trials in Rwanda" today from 12:30-2 p.m. in the Hesburgh Center for International Studies.

First Year of Studies is sponsoring a monthly luncheon series featuring women at Notre Dame. October's speaker that will take place today from 12:30-1:30 p.m. in the Coleman-Morrisey Study Lounge and will feature Carolyn Woot and Marlin J. Giblin.

A letter-writing campaign to urge senators to support the DREAM Act will take place today at 5 p.m. in front of the Center for Social Concerns. Letters, stamps and pizza will be provided.

The film "American Idealist: The Story of Sargent Shriver" will be shown at the D'Artbello Performing Arts Center today at 7 and 11 p.m. as a part of the Solidarity Film Series. Tickets are $3 for students.

The Chief Executive Officer of OfficeMax, Sam Duncan, will speak Friday as a part of the Boardroom Insights Lecture Series at 10:45 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. in the Jordan Auditorium in the Mendoza College of Business.

The Competition Rocks and Elevator Pitch Competition as part of NASA/AMS training sessions will occur from 3-5 p.m. Friday in the Jordan Auditorium in the Mendoza College of Business.

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Prof. speaks on marriage

By LIZ HARTER
News Writer

A wedding is not the most important day in a person's life, a religious studies professor said during Wednesday's Theology on Fire discussion at Saint Mary's.

"You're the same person the day after your wedding, she said. society is different, but you're the same person and your husband is the same person."

Instead of focusing on the wedding, she said, society should begin to focus more on the vocation, and, more specifically, on the vocation of the single person.

Houck defined vocation as a calling, the path to heaven, God's will, and a direction. She specified that there are two different types of vocations: The universal vocation, which is the overall calling that all people have to live in the image of God, and the particular vocation, which relates to work that you do or the four life states of single life, marriage, vowed holy life and priesthood.

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A vocation does not have to be a permanent state, Houck said, and for many people, including herself, singleness was not permanent.

"Single life rocks," said Houck, who married a little more than a year ago. "Marriage, when you're with the right person and it's the right things — as far as I can tell — rocks."

One of the greatest capacities that human beings have is the idea of permanent commitment, she said.

"It's a tremendous thing and it's too bad that we don't have that for single people," Houck said. "Not that you want to commit yourself as a single person permanently because most people don't."

She added that the greatest gift a single person has is the time and ability to focus on their spirituality.

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SUB works to bring hit films to campus

By KATE McCLELLAND
News Writer

Recent rescheduling controversies for Student Union Board (SUB) weekend movie showings have not affected attendance, SUB officials said.

"We try to get movies that have been popular at the box office or that we personally have heard good reviews about," said Meghan Kelly, co-director of programming for SUB. "We like to bring them to students before they come out on DVD."

There was a problem, however, surrounding the showing of "Hairspray," which was originally scheduled to be shown during the first weekend in October. It has now been pushed back until the weekend after fall break.

Many students were excited about seeing the hit musical and planned to attend, but were disappointed when "1408" was shown instead. Ironically, it was the film's success that caused the delay.

"We felt really bad," Kelly said. "But there was really nothing we could do. The movies we are able to show depend on what movies are being released by the motion picture companies. The company that produced "Hairspray" [New Line Cinema] decided at the last minute not to release the picture to Swank [Motion Pictures] because it was still so successful in the theaters.

"We definitely try to get the best movies that we can, and to make them fun for people to go to," Kelly said.

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The resolution said, "However," the resolution reads, "the capability to charge to student accounts could be added to existing campus copy centers."

Sorin senator George Chamberlain commended Hendrickson and Bant for their work on the survey and the resolution. "I think it's really important for the student government to do important, meaningful things for the student body," he said.

Hendrickson and Bant will present the resolution to the Arts and Letters Course Packet Review Committee at its meeting today, on which they are student representatives. Hendrickson also plans to forward the resolution to Dan Skendzel, the director of administrative services of the office of vice president for business operations.

There will be giant posters reading, "We're glad you're here," Renfro said. "The University has to give us club status and it was sent to the first women on campus and now we're trying to give us club status of the closeted community here at Notre Dame." In the past, Alliance set up a giant closet outside South Dining Hall and encouraged students to "come out" about some aspect of themselves — whether as a multi-racial student, an artist or a non-homosexual, among others.

The University-sponsored voice for homosexual students on campus is the Core Council for Gay and Lesbian Students, a 12-member group of faculty, staff, administrators and students that advises Vice President of Student Affairs Father Mark Poorman about gay and lesbian student needs.

"Notre Dame's stance on giving us club status is that the Core Council already accomplishes what Alliance would do," said senior Stacey Williams, one of the group's co-presidents. "But many students, especially undergraduates, feel that there is not enough support for the gay and lesbian community here at Notre Dame."

Alliance has applied for and been denied club status each of the last two years. According to a March 22, 2003 article in The Observer, similar proposals have been denied nine times in the last 10 years, with no gay and lesbian student group successfully securing official status.

Still, the group plans to apply again this spring. "The University has to reach out to students instead of students reaching out to them," Renfro said. "The issues of the gay and lesbian community are often misunderstood at Notre Dame, and instead of being against us, the entire community should realize that we are just trying to create a more tolerant environment for all students at the University."

Alliance leaders have other events planned for the school year, all of which will attempt to build the spirit of tolerance on campus.

"This is an issue that has been very polarized in the community," said Williams. "We are just trying to bring people towards a common ground in order to foster a spirit of tolerance."
**INTERNATIONAL NEWS**

Turkey allows cross-border attack on Iraq

PARIS — Parliament authorized the government Wednesday to carry out a cross-border attack on Kurdistan rebels in northern Iraq, approving an offensive that would put Turkey at odds with the U.S. There was no sign of an imminent invasion.

Washington and Iraq have pressured Ankara to show restraint and Turkish leaders signaled that they would not initiate such an attack without order in the 60,000-troop, armor and attack helicopter-heavy operation that has largely escaped the chaos of the Iraq war.

The crisis along the Turkey-Iraq border, where 200,000 Kurds have taken refuge since the summer, has driven up oil prices along with tensions between Ankara and its NATO ally, the United States.

**Transportation strike hits France**

PARIS — French President Nicolas Sarkozy’s frontal test for five months in office comes at rush hour Thursday, with a strike disrupting flights, trains around Europe and stripping Paris of public transport — all because organizers said their union wanted more time to try to win some concessions.

The strikes, which began late Wednesday and were to last through Thursday, are meant to send a warning that deeper reforms may come at a cost.

Sarkozy is facing a number of challenges as the economy lags despite his pledges to invigorate it, and signs of discord arise within his party over President’s policies. His rocky marriage also is front-page news.

**LOCAL NEWS**

**Drug crimes threaten Texas border**

AUSTIN — Deteriorating security in Mexico and clashes between cartels will make this the deadliest year yet for that nation’s drug-related deaths, a report says.

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**Crisis in Middle East**

The Palestinian leadership is in disarray, and the prospects of a two-state solution in the Middle East appear dimming.

Israel is feverishly working to ensure that the Palestinians do not make difficult compromises that might weaken its case in the upcoming U.S. State Department conference on Middle East peacemaking.

Israel’s Prime Minister Ehud Olmert, left, shakes hands with U.S. Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice prior to their meeting at Olmert’s Jerusalem residence Wednesday.

**ISRAEL**

Israel pushes Israel-Palestine diplomacy

Two sides have vastly different expectations for U.S.-hosted Mideast conference

A senior Palestinian official said Abbas was disappointed by U.S. suggestions that he significantly scale back their demands for the joint statement to address Israeli concerns.

The Palestinians want the document to include at least a sentence or two on how to solve each of the issues of dispute, such as borders and Jerusalem, the official said.

Rice also asked whether the Palestinians were willing to drop a mention of Palestinian refugees, another key issue for the conference, the official said.

Rice did not address the Palestinian complaints, but Livni appeared annoyed when asked about them and said she would not stop to "play the blame game" or divulge sensitive information about negotiations over the document.

Livni did not address the issue of the 1967 borders but warned that excessive expectations that Palestinians might have if the document is detailed could lead to "frustration and violence."

Livni also appeared to suggest that the matter of Palestinian refugees could be resolved by them returning to the future of the Palestinian state, a position that has infuriated the Palestinian side in the past.

But she also reiterated Israel's commitment to a two-state solution and said the Jewish state would make difficult compromises if the Palestinians would, too. She said her negotiators team would have a second meeting with their Palestinian counterparts this week.

**Bush scolds Democratic Congress for inaction**

WASHINGTON — President Bush, weakened by record-low poll ratings, asserted he is still politically relevant and added that the Democratic-led Congress on Wednesday for having "lit the stereoscope for all the time that has gone by.

With his presidency in its final 15 months, his approval ratings at just 31 percent in the latest Associated Press-Ipsos poll and Democrats running Congress, Bush has little clout to push his own agenda through Congress. But by the same token, he can stop the Democrats' proposals with his veto since Congress has been unable so far to override his rejections of troop withdrawal deadlines in Iraq and expanded stem cell research. The House on Thursday is expected to fail to override his veto of an expansion of a popular children's health insurance program.

Bush said his veto pen was "one way to ensure that I am relevant; that's one way to show that I am in the process. And I intend to use the veto."
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talk. There are only so many words you
say, 'Go team gu,' before it gets
said.
Watkins said he thinks pep rallies "are more for
alumni to get back into the
feel of campus." As a fresh­
man, however, he attended pep
rallies regularly.
Attendance at pep rallies could also be threatened by the
Internet—the University has started air­
ing the rallies on the Notre Dame Athletics homepage.
Junior Kristen Brickley watched the Boston College
game pep rally from her dorm room on the live
Internet feed.
"I found out about it from a friend," she said.
The feel is easy to access, Brickley said.
"It is displayed right there in the center of the Notre Dame Athletics
homepage," she said. "All you have to do is hit play."
For some students, however, the idea of pep rallies is not
appealing.
"I'm not the type of fun to jump up and down and
scream my head off. I guess I'm just not that
peppy," junior Buck Andrews said.
Off-campus senior Colin Etherly also said he thinks
pep rallies are more for underclassmen.
"I went when I was younger and I had a good
time with it but now, for
me, they have just lost their
luster," he said.
Saint Mary's sophomore Kathleen Collins and junior
Laura Kleinschmidt, blame busy Fridays for not
attending the pep rallies.
"I just want to relax on a
Friday afternoon, look for­
ward to the game and save
my energy," Collins said.
"I don't go as much as I
did freshman and sopho­
more year because when
Friday comes, I am ready for
a break," Kleinschmidt said.
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selves bound to any religion has
risen in recent years by as much as 34
percent, according to one recent
national census, he said, including
many people of younger
generations.
The arrival of thousands of
immigrants to the country, McCarrig said, necessitates free­
dom of religion and ongoing
dialogue between different faiths.
"Fifteen percent of the Irish
population is comprised of foreign nationals," McCarrig said, and they practice religions ranging
from Islam to Judaism to Methodism.
Tolerance of different religions is widespread among the Irish,
McCarrig said, as the Irish people tend to remember the plight of
their ancestors who emigrated and endured racism when they
arrived in America.
One such religious group that
enjoys solidarity in Ireland is the
Orthodox Catholic Church, which
came from the eastern United
Kingdom and Russia.
Supporting the popularly held
belief that Ireland is a Catholic
nation, McCarrig said there are
roughly 3.7 million Catholics
among Ireland's 4.2 million total
people. Ninety-two percent of
these Catholics, he said, are Irish
nationals. Students of all faiths are
accepted into the Catholic schools that are common only in urban
Ireland.
The growth of other religions is also
evident in the education sys­
tem, McCarrig said. In the past year, Ireland has seen 20
new multireligious schools, five new
Muslim schools and only two new
Catholic schools.
"All faith groups seem to want
their own schools," he said.
Islam, the third-largest religion in
Ireland, has more believers than some Christian groups and has
grown fourfold in recent
years. All Selim, secretary of
the Islamic Cultural Centre of
Ireland, said Muslims in Ireland currently number around 40,000 and
have contributed greatly to its current interfaith dialogue.
Selim, an Egyptian native, said
Muslim migration has been wel­
come at various levels.
"Muslims in Ireland have not
been exposed to an extreme
count of racism," Selim said.
"There seems to be a huge
amount of commonalities between
Muslim immigrants and Irish
nationals. They share a sense of
family."
Emphasizing the belief of uni­
versal equality, Selim said people
cannot be divided into "we" and
"they" mentalities.
"We includes everyone who
lives in Ireland regardless of
religion," Selim said. "Muslim
presence in Ireland can be traced back to the 1950s with a
student influx making up a large
percentage of the Muslim popula­
tion."
African Pentecostals are erecting
eering new schools and churches for incoming
immigrants to Ireland, said Abel
Ugah, a Nigerian native of the University of East London.
"Most African immigrants came
to Ireland seeking asylum," Ugah said, adding that the next most
popular reason for migration are
study and work. The sudden
increase in Africans surprised the
Irish, Ugah said.
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"Irish people on the whole have been very accepting of African
migrants. It is a very complex relation­
ship," Ugah said.
Because Pentecostals do not
drink or swear, many saw them as
different from the Irish, but the
two groups have, he said, "created a
parallel social and cultural uni­
verse," where they peacefully
exist.
"The Pentecostal churches of
Africa give us a wise and visi­
tive. They provide solidarity and a
safe space [for immigrants]," Ugah said.
As part of the conference titled
"Race and Immigration in the
New Ireland," the panel, titled
"Religion in the New Ireland,
"took place in the McKenna Hall
auditorium and was moderated by
Notre Dame professor Patrick
Gallagher.
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**Market Recap**

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**Cell phones take on bigger role in Apple's future**

Apple CEO Steve Jobs talks about the new Apple operating system Leopard in San Francisco on Sept. 5. The iPhone will now work with third-party applications.

Apple had allowed developers to build applications that run on the iPhone's Safari Web browser but did not let programs work directly on the iPhone software platform, which could make them easier to create and make them work more smoothly.

Palm Inc. has always welcomed third-party developers to create applications for its handheld computers, or personal digital assistants. They have created hundreds of programs ranging from medical dictionaries to astrology predictions.

**THE Observer BUSINESS**

**In Brief**

Savers exceed federal deposit limits
NEW YORK — When the $2.5 billion NetBank was closed by federal regulators last month, some 1,500 of accounts in the online bank had balances that exceeded federal deposit insurance limits.

The owners of those accounts, with deposits totalling $2.09 million, won’t be able to get all their money because federal insurance may cover some, and they’ll share in the proceeds of the sale of the failed bank’s assets. Still, it could take time for the bank to be liquidated, and they may not get 100 percent of their money back.

In brief, savers don’t have that kind of risk.

The Federal Deposit Insurance Corp., which insures bank and savings bank deposits, and the National Credit Union Share Insurance Fund, which covers credit union accounts, make sure consumers get all of their money immediately if a bank fails — if savers abide by the deposit limits.

This is increasingly important as consumers’ accounts grow in size, especially those earmarked for retirement, and as financial institutions nationwide struggle amidst rising mortgage loan delinquencies and tighter credit markets that have made it harder for banks to raise cash.

SEC examining lender’s stock sales
WASHINGTON — The Securities and Exchange Commission is examining sales of company stock by the chief executive of Countrywide Financial Corp., the nation’s largest mortgage lender, a person familiar with the matter said Wednesday.

The informal SEC inquiry of stock sales by CEO Angelo Mozilo has been underway for a while, the person said, speaking on condition of anonymity because the probe has not been made public.

The inquiry was reported Wednesday afternoon on the Wall Street Journal’s Web site.

Mozilo sold some $310 million in Countrywide stock in the first half of the year through a pre-arranged 10b5-1 trading plan. These plans allow a company insider to set up a program in advance for such transactions and to proceed with them even if he or she comes into possession of material non-public information.

**iPhone to have third-party applications**

Jobs gives up controlling programs put on handsets by several; lawsuits filed prior to third-party update

Apple is struggling nationwide to find more of its customers will be challenging.

Apple is expected to announce a third-party developer community around the iPhone and to provide hundreds of new applications for its users. Jobs said in the posting.

It is easy to find many unofficial programs for the iPhone on the Internet. Users just had to take the risk of installing them, knowing that any damage to the iPhone stemming from user-created applications was not covered by Apple’s warranty.

“ commentator, said Erica Sadian, a Denver computer programmer. “I hope companies exactly as they say, full third-party development.

A Mac enthusiast and blogger — and a critic of Apple’s decision to require that the iPhone allow users to create applications to work on the iPhone — will ultimately help the company sell more iPhones and iPhone users have “unlocked” their handsets to work on other carrier networks. The Sept. 27 software update reportedly didn’t disable those phones.

It was not clear from Jobs’ statement whether the move was a response to the growing discontent among Apple’s iron grip over its portable gadgets.

Apple spokeswoman Natalie Kerris declined to say why Apple made the change, noting instead that Jobs said the process of opening the iPhone to third-party programs will take time.

Apple’s change does not affect the Cupertino-based company’s position on keeping the iPhone compatible only with AT&T’s network in the United States, Kerris said.

Two lawsuits were filed against Apple on Oct. 5, accusing the company of engaging in monopolistic behavior and unlawfully restricting consumer choice by preventing users from “unlocking” their iPhones.

The iPhone, which combines a cell phone with a multimedia and wireless Internet device, was released in late June amid a flurry of anticipation. More than 1 million iPhones have been sold.

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Thursday, October 18, 2007

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At the forefront of the Center's offerings is the supplementary major in Asian Studies or the minor in Asia and want to demonstrate a major or minor with a language in Asia, such as Chinese. Other students choose fields like Asian history or one of the many majors offered in the Center. Currently about 10 students are pursuing this supplementary major and it continues to grow rapidly. Many students choose to major or minor in Asian Studies because they have a broad knowledge of China, but do not have time in their schedule necessarily to have a major," Blum said. So "they can demonstrate their expertise and their knowledge and their commitment to Asia by having a minor or a supplementary major, so I'm expecting our numbers to increase substantially in the next few years."

Currently hundreds of students are taking Asian Studies and Asian-American Studies courses and Center members hope to see an even larger student presence in the near future. While many students take courses in Asian nations, such as China and Japan, the Center also engages in programs and opportunities as far away as those in Korea, India, Pakistan, China, Philippines, Vietnam, Indonesia or Malaysia.

Noble said the newly created position engages in studies of cultures and Asian-American Studies and "serves an Ancient Village in China and into the imagination." "That has been a powerful message to the students coming even to Notre Dame are talking about how they plan to learn at Notre Dame, said Noble.

The Center also supports programs outside of the classroom as well, sponsoring both undergraduate and graduate Asian Studies groups. Senior Jacqueline Collins, a Chinese major and a Theology minor, said she would like to see events that will increase student presence and opportunities for academic research. While looking forward into her sophomore year, she participated in a Center for Social Concerns program titled, "To Serve an Ancient Village in China: Historical Preservation, Religious Life, and Teaching English," partially funded by the Center.

"That service trip was arivival experience in my study of China," she said. "It gave me a behind-the-scenes glimpse at life in rural China - a quality of life that the government does not want foreigners looking into."
I'm guessing Mike Gyundy isn't a big fan of the GOP these days. Gyundy is the Oklahoma State football coach whose surprisingly outspoken tirade in defense of one of his players made him a YouTube sensation. In the rant, Gyundy expresses his disapproval of a columnist who had insulted the Cowgill's backup quarterback. He insists that the newspaper and columns about his issues with him and not the players, saying, “Come after me, I'm a man, I'm not a kid.”

The player Gyundy chose to defend is a college sophomore, meaning his status as a "kid" is somewhat in question. One wonders then what level of outrage Gyundy reached when right-wing columnist Keith Echols and bloggers began attacking 12-year-old Graeme Frost.

Graeme and his sister Gemma were seriously injured in a car accident. Graeme's father paid his sister's cranial fracture required extensive medical treatment and rehabilitation, which continues to this day. Both might not be alive today if their parents were not covered by the SCHIP healthcare program.

The SCHIP program is intended to cover healthcare costs for parents who earn too much for Medicaid but can not afford to buy health insurance. Graeme's father and mother combine to make less than $50,000 a year and cannot afford to purchase insurance.

In an effort to convince a reluctant President Bush not to veto a bill set to dramatically increase the funding for SCHIP, the Democrats turned to Graeme to give the party's weekly Radio Address. Since then, Graeme and his family have come under scathing attack, simply for utilizing a government program which saved them hundreds of thousands of dollars and their children's lives.

The Baltimore Sun chronicles how the Frosts have been targeted and repeatedly vitriolized labeling them too rich for government healthcare and implying that they are socialists for accepting Mr. Mark Steyn of the National Review refers to Graeme, a seventh-grader, as "fair game," maintaining a sense of righteousness as he attacks the political sensitivities of 12- and 13-year-olds who support a program which saved his life.

T.J. DiOrio of The Washington Post and others have extensively detailed the miscalculations and wrong assumptions which have led to what many liberals are calling the "swiftnapping" of Graeme and the Frosts, referring to the questionable campaign to smear Sen. John Kerry's record in Vietnam. DiOrio answers the criticism with a heartfelt appeal pointing out that the family does not pay for the private educations that Graeme and Gemma receive, as Graeme is on scholarship and Gemma's tuition is covered by SCHIP, as the school is designed to serve special needs. Referring to a blogger's claim that homes in the Frost neighborhood sold for over $400,000, House reveals that Graeme's father paid $55,000 for the familyhouse seven years ago.

Dipping fully into the intricate finances of the Frost family might be a fun little game for gotcha journalists and trigger-finger bloggers to play, but in the end it is really a meaningless gesture. Graeme’s and Gemma’s procedures have already been paid for, and the government has already determined that they qualify for SCHIP coverage. The debate about whether or not to extend the program, or how to stretch it, is in essence a policy that should matter.

The need to lower important legislative debate to the level of "if you don't vote my way, kids like this will die?" the statistics on children without healthcare in this wealthy nation are, or should be, staggering enough to make the Democrats argue. Harry Reid and Nancy Pelosi couldn’t rightly be criticized for using Graeme’s story in an effort to demonize their opposition in congress and the White House, so why aren’t they the ones being hounded?

One usually is in Washington, in hypocrisy. Or in this case, a fear of being charged with it. Those 12-year-olds of every stripe have come to define the character of a hard-working small-town, poor country mom – so because they can not criticize the practices of making personal policies. They do it on themselves.

Why should the estate tax be repealed? Because Farmer X is about to lose the family farm because he can’t pay off the taxes. Why should stem cell research be banned? Because we can possibly create more babies with them and give them to people. Never mind that there are plenty of orphanages waiting to be adopted, you wouldn’t want to search for a cure to a disease that could mean killing babies, would you? Just look at all these babies.

Each hill, no matter how well-intentioned, has effects that negatively impact the lives of certain citizens. A legislator has to weigh the balance, and cannot be haunted by the visages of people whose lives he has altered. It is the only way he or she can do the job right. Let’s leave the 12-year-olds to Little League, and have Congress debate on the issues.

John Everett is a senior English major. He is thought to be somewhere between 21 and 45 years of age. He is armed only with a sharp pen and is considered cantankerous. He often regards his whereabouts, please contact him whenever necessary.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Small jokes, big responses

If you ever had a sibling around your age, remember being like six years old on a long car trip, and you’d made goofy faces at him. But is there a better hacker than the brainstorming team at Microsoft? I don’t think so. The Seattle Post-Intelligencer ran a story about that and the reaction from the Microsoft hacking team was amusing. And of course, it would work, and about an hour into it you little sister or brother would get mad and either start crying or throw their juice box at you?

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Wednesday

Need a little post midterm, pre-break treat? Check out Jimmy Eat World's “Chase This Light,” originally released in November.

After a week of hiding in your room, the library or CoMi in complete silence, this album is just what the doctor ordered. It has enough noise to get you amped to rejoin the human race without incapacitating you from rock- shock.

Jimmy Eat World definitely got it with this album, harnessing the perfect amount of energy without their last release’s morose and frankly boring angst. The slimy anemic aspect of 2004’s "Futures" has disappeared from their sound, and they’ve returned to their melodic rock style. The growing of their last hit, "Pain,” is out, and their classic strength lies in hits like "The Middle," is back in.

"Chase This Light" is tailor-made to dance off to that Billy Milano you don’t need to get through your chemistry exam. After a week of stress-eating habits, this album is perfect to help you fit back into the designer jeans that don’t go quite past the highs anymore.

So make a new Jimmy Eat World playlist and head to the gym Tracks like "Let It Happen" and "Jumping Lucky" are perfect for a jog or two — or even three. The high power of this album is what makes it prime impromptu "dance gym" material for letting loose.

"Chase This Light's" hooks have a little bit for everyone: love and romance, loss, sweet crushes and even the occasional rant. Overall the lyrics tend to have a wise positivity, and the group seems to have discovered a great formula: smart lyrics coupled with unique vocals and an upbeat sound.

With the perfect combination, Jimmy Eat World has some hits on their hands. It won’t take long for these tracks to start showing appearances in shows like "The hills" and "The Real World." In fact, "Like She'll Always Be," "She’s Gone" and "Idiot" are perfect dynamic snapping and bouncing pace, is an ideal fit for shows like these — ones that need good music to make up for their lack of content.

More applicable to real life, "Chase This Light’s" tracks fit anyone’s personal soundtrack.

This light keeps listeners interested with varying tempo and emotion as it fluidly transitions from optimism to longing and mild anguish. The band doesn’t front-load the album by putting its best efforts only at the start, there are great songs throughout, and two of the best tracks, the title track and fan favorite "Here It Goes," help bring the album to a close.

Overall, "Chase This Light" is an excellent addition to Jimmy Eat World's collection. Definitely invest the $10 to purchase this album, because you won’t regret it.

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Jimmy Eat World

in rare form on "Chase This Light"

There’s no question I dread more in the world than, “So what kind of music do you like?”

That single question takes away any hope I have of looking “hip” or “down with it.” My answers are inevitably the Spice Girls, Mariah Carey and Broadway show tunes. After a brief, awkward pause filled with judgment, I add, “You know, I like the Beatles too. And Kanye.” Everyone likes Kanye.

I even got my own WVFI show sophomore year with the hope that I could diversify my musical tastes and be able to rambble off all the super hip and super unknown indie bands I listened to.

Instead, I relied on my co-host to choose the proper underground music, while I played a show tune of the week and talked about Britney Spears. We did re- enact scenes from "Waiter, Texas Ranger" and "The O.L.T." one time. Our five listeners enjoyed it.

But even though I hate being judged on my love for Christina Aguilera and Kelly Clarkson, I have a nasty habit of judging others on the television shows they watch. Just like some believe that musical tastes reveal everything about a person’s personality, I believe that television tastes tell me whether we’re going to be best friends, or whether you’re going to be that person I sometimes say "hi" to on the quad.

For example, if you tell me that you don’t have a lot of time for TV so the only shows you watch are "Grey’s Anatomy" and "Desperate Housewives," we’re probably not going to be "besies" off the bat. I’ll admit that I don’t watch these series myself. I try to watch "Grey’s" occasionally, but Meredith is too much of a floozy and I’m still freaked out by Izzy going all crazy during that whole Denny storyline.

So when Miss North Face 2007 tells me that she only watches "Grey’s" and "Desperian," my heart breaks and a single tear runs down my cheek.

"She doesn’t know what she’s missing," I say to myself, and I have her in place as she picks up her hot pink iPod and goes for a run around the lake.

But then there are those people who fill my soul with joy when they tell me they watch their favorite show is " Arrested Development." We’re instant friends, and we talk about "Bob Loblaw's Pet Shop" and "Mrs. Featherbottom that." Or if you tell me you absolutely love "The Office." Bonus points if it’s the BBC version, and double bonus points if you know all the words to "Free Love on the Free Love Freeway.

Then again, everyone watches NBC’s "The Office" now except for those unfortunate people who choose to watch "Grey’s" during that time slot, so my new test of instant friendship has expanded to shows such as "30 Rock" or "Friday Night Lights.

Maybe I have a special place in my heart for those undergrad shows that first with cancellation year in and year out. Everyone can quote from "The Office," but not everyone can sing along to Tracy Jordan’s "Halloween Bar Mitzvah" on "30 Rock" with me.

Impress the heck out of me, future friend.

But even if our television tastes don’t line up right away, I can still become friends with someone who watches "Private Practice." It just means we can’t have meaningless hour-long conversations about "Ugly Betty" and "How I Met Your Mother." Once I’m done judging you, I’ll be able to move on and see the rest of you. At least meet me halfway, though. If you watch even one episode of "Freaks and Geeks," I’ll probably fall in love with you.

Or we can just put in a Spice Girls album and have a dance party.

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Win or lose, no matter the score, come halftime of any Fighting Irish home game, a different war is waged in the student section of Notre Dame Stadium. As NBC’s camera crews cut away to the studio and provide detailed analysis of Notre Dame football at halftime, the senior portion of the Notre Dame student section turns into a maelstrom of marshmallows, as seniors engage in so-called “marshmallow fights.”

Or they used to, anyway, before the so-called “Marshmallow curtain” descended, suffocating the tradition and sucking the fun out of home games. In recent years stadium security has cracked down on students concealing the bite-sized treats on their persons, resulting in ejection from the stadium and the confiscation of the offending student’s ticket booklet, denying them admission to all subsequent home games.

What’s all the trouble over the delectable dollops of sugary goodness, you ask?

Well, the seemingly innocent shenanigans took a dark turn in recent years when security officials found foreign substances embedded within the mallows — items such as pennies and pebbles, designed for harm rather than for humor. These indiscretions caused the marshmallow fights to turn malicious, creating the current situation, in which possession of marshmallows is an offense resulting in the same punishment one would imagine for having a concealed firearm or other sort of weapon while trying to enter Notre Dame Stadium.

Another added impetus for the marshmallow lockdown was a series of complaints from NBC, officials to stadium security — they claimed that the offending concessionary projectiles were striking camera equipment. Well, perhaps the malicious pranksters were attempting to hit a televisionized “TV timeout” official, who sits on the field with his bright orange gloves and makes sure NBC milks every penny out of its airline commercial breaks.

Maybe they were thinking that, should they manage to knock the TV timeout guy of the game just as Irish safety Tom Zhikowski knocked UCLA quarterback Ben Olsen out of commission in ND’s lone win this year, perhaps we could have a game which, despite technically being just one hour of game time, regularly stretches into over four hours of real time. That’s four hours of standing, yes “shoulder to shoulder” as the student shirt reads, but more accurately: crammed like crayons in an all-green Crayola box, swaying and teetering as the intoxicated morons next to you threaten to pass out on you and almost passing out yourself after four hours of watching football.

The saddest part of this whole sordid affair is that now, more than ever, Notre Dame seniors need marshmallow fights to put the fun back in Notre Dame football. With an abysmal 1-6 start, anemic offense and perhaps worse, increasing apathy among the student section, seniors need a collective pick-me-up during home games.

For most of us (baring, of course, Architecture majors who retain a coveted spot in the student section. And it hasn’t been a pleasant last hurrah.

As the losses mount, we need something to reinvigorate the student section and to restore a sense of fun to our home games. We need to unleash some halftime havoc on friends and foes alike. There’s something cathartic about pasting a pal in the pate with a perfectly placed puff, even if the Irish are getting creamed on the field. Let the healing begin, or we’ll all pass out ourselves after four hours of watching football.

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Men's Tennis

Squad focuses on doubles in Parbhoo's absence

By KATELYN GRABAREK  
Sports Writer

Even though senior captain Serbia Parbhoo was away for the ITA All-American championships in Tulsa, Okla., last week, the men's tennis team is still practicing its doubles skills and learning to work as a team with others available for the ITA Midwest Championships soon.

Parbhoo, the lone Irish representative at the prestigious championships, fell in the opening and consolation rounds. While he was out, however, the team continued to hone its skills.

"We focused on doubles competition," assistant coach Ryan Sachire said. "We essentially developed four strong doubles teams that we will see throughout the season.

The first pair consists of Andrew Roth and Parbhoo. "Both is ready to play singles and doubles this weekend," Sachire said. "Overall we're pretty healthy minus a few nicks from practice this week. There shouldn't be any major setbacks, though the nicks turn into bigger problems.

The other team consists of juniors Brett Helgesson and Dashing Montoya. The Irish will be hard-pressed to find the fresh- men doubles duo of Tyler Davis and Stephen Havens. The other partner is a senior Matt Johnson and a partner named later.

"We focused on moving together, and producing a fluid game," Sachire said. "We also worked on team integration with our partners strengths and weaknesses. Movement is key play Dillon. We really want the guys to go, and communicate on court.

The doubles matches may only count for one of the total score in a team match, but both Sachire and head coach Bobby Bayliss know the importance of getting the point and have stressed it to the younger player.

"The upperclassmen know how important it is," Sachire said. "It sets the tone for the rest of the match. It can either open up or break a team because you play doubles first. It is hard to win four singles matches off of any team in the country, the doubles points is crucial." The team has come a long way this fall from its opening match in Chicago. There have been a few surprises, but both Stanford and Bayliss are pleased with the progress.

"There is a number of quality tennis players and good coaches," Sachire said. "Everyday the guys bring it and are in it together. They love their sport. Everyone is competing at a high level and really feed off of each other. Last year we had a lot of talent, but there was a clear break off from the top six to the rest of the team. This year we are all one team.

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Men's Interhall Football — Gold League

Battle of the Chapel matches unbeaten Stanford and Keenan

By ERIC PRISTER and JARED JEDICK  
Sports Writers

Dillon looks to gain some momentum going into the play-offs as it takes on archival Alumni tonight at 7:20 Riehle Field.

"We want to go into the play­offs as strong as we can," Dillon senior captain Alex Duff said. "Dillon will also look to improve its seed with a win.

"This game has to do with being the No. 8 or the No. 7 seed," Duff said. "Either way we have a tough opponent, but I think we can handle much rather be a lower seed.

The Dawgs come into tonight's game at 0-3, but a game against Dillon always gives them reason to come out and play.

"It's obvious right now that we have nothing to play for except pride," Alumni captain John Lazzara said. "What makes this game even bigger for us is it is against Dillon. When we play Dillon, it makes no difference whether we are 3-0 or 0-3.

Alumni will look to finish the season strong and begin preparation for next year. "All our younger guys are going to play a big role in this game," Lazzara said. "At the same time, the veterans are going to play a final shot on the field. Everyone's going to make a contribution, and if we can come away with a win, that's all I can ask for. Then Alumni can ride that into next weekend.

Duffy stressed the importance of keeping his team focused. "Last year we came into the Alumni game 0-3 and helped spoil their season. The roles are reversed this year and they are looking for some revenge," Duffy said. "It's a rivalry game and it's Interhall football. Anything can happen."

Keenan vs. Stanford

Gold League powerhouse Keenan and Stanford meet tonight at 8 in the Battle of the Chapel to decide who will finish the season undefeated.

"It is always good to beat Stanford. It's in fact, after coach put me into his office and told us to win," sophomore Keenan captain Brett llelgoson said.

The naming rights for the chapel shared by Keenan and Stanford are reversed this year and they are pleased with the results.

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Rust is a definite concer for the Knights, who have not played a game in a week and a half.

"We have been working on a lot of offensive line (play)," Burns said. "We do not want to change too much, and we want to be ready." Freshman Brian Castello, who Burns said has been playing very well, will call the sig­nals for Keenan.

"It's really getting used to the whole Interhall thing," Burns said. Leading the Knights' rushing attack in junior Alex Gonzalez, who is talented enough to play varsity ball, Burns said. The Knights have relied on their strong defense for much of this year, however, having only given up six points in the last five games.

Countering Keenan is an equally talented and potent Stanford (3-0) football team. The Griffs enter tonight's game on short rest after win­ning a sloppy game against a mediocre Kough team Sunday.

"It should not have been as close as it was. We made a lot of mistakes," senior captain Rob Hub said.

The Stanford defense has been just as strong as Keenan's, holding opponents scoreless until the fourth quar­ter against Kough.

The Griffs' defensive line, led by sophomore defensive tackle Rob Huguet, has been especially solid.

The Stanford offense has a good mix of new and old faces, including several explosive players at the skill positions, highlighted by junior quarter­back Brian Salvi and senior running back Treeg Duerson. "If we want to win this game, we are going to have to play a complete game," Huth said.

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NHL

Thrashers executive vice president and general manager Don Waddell speaks during a news conference Wednesday where he announced that head coach Bob Hartley was fired. Waddell will become interim head coach.

Associated Press ATLANTA — A six-game losing streak to start this season put Bob Hartley’s job in danger. A quick outster in last season’s playoffs did not help his cause. Hartley was fired Wednesday as coach of the Atlanta Thrashers, the only NHL team without a victory. General manager Don Waddell will coach the team until a replacement is found.

Waddell said the Thrashers were playing as if they have not recovered from losing four straight games to the New York Rangers in the first round of the playoffs last season.

"The emotions were so high last year going into the playoffs and we went out quickly and to be honest I don't know if we've recovered from that yet," Waddell said. "If you look we've lost 10 games in a row now, including the last four last year. That's where I believe a change has to be made."

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In Brief

Cabrera recovers to win Grand Slam of Golf TUCKER'S TOWN, Bermuda — U.S. Open champion Angel Cabrera overcame an atrocious start with a spectacular finish Wednesday to win the PGA Grand Slam of Golf, outlasting Padraig Harrington in a playoff.

Cabrera recovered from a triple bogey on the opening hole that put him five shots behind with a 72 on the par-5 18th. It was the first time Harrington, 2-0-0, had trailed all afternoon.

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MSG asks judge to reduce award in harassment case NEW YORK — Madison Square Garden and Knicks coach Isiah Thomas have asked a judge to reduce the $11.6 million in punitive damages a jury awarded the team’s controller after concluding she was sexually harassed and fired out of spite.

Anucha Browne Sanders was awarded the damages this month for unwanted affection toward her. It was the first time Harrington, 2-0-0, had trailed all afternoon.

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Derby winner Street Sense pre-entered for BC Classic NEW YORK — The top three Kentucky Derby and Breeders' Cup预entering Tangled, plus leading horse Street Sense, will meet again in the $5 million Breeders’ Cup Classic in a race that most likely will settle Horse of the Year.

"This is possibly the deepest Breeders’ Cup field if not the deepest we’ve ever had," Breeders’ Cup president Greg Avioli said Wednesday after nine horses were pre-entered for the 1.25-mile Classic at New York’s Monmouth Park on Oct. 27.

Add two other formidable 3-year-olds in Haskell Invitational winner Any Given Sunday and Goodwood Handicap winner Tangle, plus leading horse Street Sense, and it’s easy to see why most will agree with Avioli’s assessment.

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DENVER — Todd Helton and the Colorado Rockies returned to work Wednesday a carefree bunch.

They're going to the World Series, that's for sure. Whether they're headed to Jacobs Field or Fenway Park next week, that can wait.

The Rockies took a much-needed break after clinching their first NL pennant Monday night with their 21st win in 22 games. Helton said he spent his day off "basically sleeping."

"We didn't get home until 2 or 3 in the morning. It wasn't too easy to sleep," he said.

Helton said it's been such a whirlwind that he hasn't had time to savor what's ahead after a decade of disappointment in Denver.

"I don't even know if it's sunk in yet. It may take a little while longer," he said. "But I don't want to pinch myself. I don't want to wake up. It's a magical ride and I want to stay on it as long as possible."

The Rockies practiced for two hours in 50-degree, partly cloudy weather, their last workout until a simulated game Friday at Coors Field.

Colorado will start the World Series on the road this Wednesday, Cleveland leads Boston 3-1 in the AL championship series going into Game 5 Thursday night.

With a record eight days off, the Rockies had plenty of time to get ready. Last year, Detroit had six days' rest, then played poorly in losing the Series in five games to St. Louis.

"We already had six or seven people bring to my attention that the Tigers had a long layoff last year and didn't play very well," manager Clint Hurdle said.

Hurdle noted that seven of the 10 teams that had to wait five days or more before the Series actually won it all.

"So, if you look for good, you'll find good. If you look for bad, you'll find bad," Hurdle said. "We're of the opinion this is an opportunity, just like any other one we've had this season. We're going to meet it. It can provide some challenges, but it's going to provide some opportunities and we'll be ready to play."

The Rockies will play simulated games of between four and eight innings Thursday through Sunday. They'll have a regular workout Monday before flying to the AL champion's city.

"This is groundbreaking," Hurdle said. "The other option is we could have lost a couple more games, we could have gotten on a plane, we could have had another flight and that would have really cut down on all this down time."

"And maybe put us in a position where we would have had four months of down time," he said.

The Rockies decided against flying to Tucson and working out at their spring training complex in the Arizona desert. They chose the Rocky Mountains' cooler weather, sure, but also their own warm beds.

"Here's the big debate: Will the Rockies get off, or will they be making sure we keep our legs strong," the right fielder said. "We can go out there and practice and do sprints and stuff, but it's not like standing on your feet and playing through the 47-hour games we've been playing in the playoffs."

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Red Sox try to overcome odds against Indians

Beckett looks to continue postseason dominance, help Boston emulate 2003 Marlins comeback against Cubs

Associated Press

CLEVELAND — History gives Josh Beckett and the Red Sox a pretty good shot. They've come back from big postseason deficits.

Then again, they didn't do it against these Cleveland Indians.

Down 3-1 in the AL championship series, Beckett and Boston will try to save their season when they face C.C. Sabathia on Thursday when they face C.C. Sabathia on Thursday night. It's a rematch of the opener, the only game the Red Sox won.

"I don't think there's anyone in the league that we'd prefer to have on the mound for our team in this situation," Boston third baseman Mike Lowell said. "We can believe all we want, but we have to get hits off Sabathia and hold them down."

In 2004, the Red Sox ended an 86-year World Series championship drought with a four-game sweep of St. Louis. First, though, they had to overcome a 3-0 deficit in the ALCS against the New York Yankees.

The Red Sox became the first team to win a postseason series after losing the first three games.

"When you see something that's never been done before, you can believe in anything," first baseman Kevin Youkilis said. "For us, it's all about winning one game."

Only seven players from that World Series team, including David Ortiz and Manny Ramirez, are still with the Red Sox.

"One wasn't there also came back from a 3-1 LCS deficit," said Beckett, who started Florida's comeback in 2003 with a two-hit shutout against the Chicago Cubs in Game 5. He struck out 11 and walked one, a remarkable NLCS performance that was soon overshadowed.

Working on three days' rest, he pitched a World Series-clinching, five-hit shutout in Game 6 against the Yankees.

"It's kind of like a party in 2003," Beckett said. "It was fun. It was a bunch of young guys, and we were just out having fun.

The Marlins exceeded expectations that season. Anything less than a championship would be an emotional blow to the Red Sox and their passionate fans.

As is Rafael Betancourt cares. "With the confidence we have playing right now, we're going to do it in Thursday," said the former Boston farmhand, now a lights-out reliever for Cleveland. "We don't want to go back. We want to finish it here."

To do that, the Indians will have to break Beckett's postseason spell.

He won the first round opener over the Los Angeles Angels with a four-hit shutout. Then he outpitched Sabathia, who said he wasn't aggressive enough, in Game 1 of the LCS.

"Babe's back stiffened up on the chilly night. Red Sox pitching coach John Farrell said on Wednesday's off-day that Beckett is feeling fine and his back is not an issue.

"His bullpen (session) two days ago was as strong as others throughout the course of the season," Farrell said. "So there's no restrictions of any kind going into tomorrow."

After losing the opener 10-3, the Indians took the momentum with a 1-6 win in 11 innings at Fenway Park. They won the next two games in Cleveland behind their third and fourth starters, Jake Westbrook and Paul Byrd.

They scored seven runs in the 11th in Game 2, and another seven in the fifth of a 7-3 win in Game 4, four scoring on homers by Casey Blake and Jhonny Peralta.

"We just got hot at the right time," Sabathia said. "It doesn't matter how you play during the season. It matters how well you're playing right now."

The teams tied for baseball's best record, 96-66, and Boston won home-field advantage by winning the season series with Cleveland.

That means nothing to Indians manager Eric Wedge.

"It's not about where we play or who we play. It's about how we play," he said. "We'd love to do it here at home, but the heartbeat and the pace and the way we play. It needs to be the same we've been doing all year."

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BASEBALL

Korpi, Dupra shine in intra-squad series

Blue and Gold squads split first two games of annual 3-game set

By FRAN TOLON
Sports Writer

In the first game of Notre Dame's annual intra-squad Blue-Gold series Tuesday, senior left-hander Wade Korpi won the battle between the top two Irish starting pitchers, leading the Blue team to an 8-1 win over the Gold team.

Korpi struck out six in 4.2 innings of work, while allowing just four hits and holding the Gold team scoreless.

"Wade's been dominant all fall, like you saw today," Irish coach Fran Schrage said. "He did some work with [Irish pitching coach Sherrard Clinkscales] on his breaking ball and he's throwing that pitch for a strike."

Gold team junior right-hander David Phelps, Notre Dame's ace last season, took the loss while giving up five earned runs in 4.2 innings.

"I'm not worried about Phelps because he's pitched very well this fall," Schrage said. "I think he made a few bad 0-2 pitches today. But he's going to be a leader for the team in the spring."

The Blue team jumped on Phelps early when leadoff hitter Brett Lilley lined a single to right. The shortstop came around to score when the next batter, sophomore left fielder Ross Brezovsky and a running grab by sophomore center fielder Bill Warrender Korpi, meanwhile, almost lost his shutout in the first, but the Blue team displayed some stellar defense of its own.

The Gold leadoff batter, sophomore designated hitter Matt Gross, reached on an infield single. Gold sophomore second baseman Herman Petzold then tried to hunt Gross to second but reached on an error by Korpi. After Phelps errantly threw to first, the Gold team had runners on first and third with nobody out.

Brezovsky came up next and hit a fly ball into short center field. Blue junior center fielder A.J. Pollock made the catch. When Grosso tagged up and tried to score, Pollock cut down the runner at home.

Pollock, who started at third base for the Irish last season, then made a full-extension diving catch in right-center field to end the inning.

"A.J. is just a great athlete, and he's already a solid defensive outfilder," Schrage said. "We're going to use his speed to help us win some games."

At the plate, Pollock reached base in three of four plate appearances stole a base and added an RBI.

After the early scare, Korpi rolled through the Gold order, striking out 19 batters in his 4.2 innings.

"I was getting ahead of batters and that was the key," Korpi said. "I was throwing my fastball for strikes so I was also able to throw my off-speed pitches."

The Blue squad scored two runs in the third, fifth and seventh innings to put the game out of reach. Jeremy Barnes picked up an RBI in the third, with Pollock and Blue freshman first baseman Ty Adams driving in runs in the fifth.

Blue freshman catcher Cameron McConnell hit the first home run of the Blue-Gold series when he nailed a solo shot down the left field line in the sixth.

In the second game of the series, Gold won 3-1 behind strong pitching from Brian Dupra, who went 5.2 innings and allowed just one run while striking out three. Gross, Brezovsky and center fielder David Mills all scored for the Gold squad.

The third game in the Blue-Gold Series will be played today at 4:30 p.m. at Eck Stadium.

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BASKETBALL

Harangody to miss 3-6 weeks with injury

By CHRIS KHOREY
Sports Editor

Sophomore forward Luke Harangody will miss three to six weeks with a torn ligament in his right thumb, Irish coach Mike Brey announced in a statement Wednesday.

Harangody was injured in practice Monday, the statement said. "Owens evaluated him on Tuesday and determined the ligament was torn.

The statement said Harangody will be re-evaluated after three weeks."

"A timetable for his return has yet to be determined, but doctors and men's basketball trainer Skip Meyer will evaluate the situation in three weeks," it said.

At minimum, the sophomore will miss Notre Dame's first exhibition game against Saint Ambrose on Nov. 2. If Harangody is held out for a full six weeks, he will also miss the second exhibition game against Saint Edward's, as well as the opening game of the season against Monmouth and the team's trip to the Virgin Islands for the Paradise Jam tournament.

Harangody averaged 11.2 points and 6.2 rebounds per game last season. He also had seven double-doubles.

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Kobe back at practice, expected to play today

Associated Press

EL SEGUNDO, Calif. — Kobe Bryant returned to practice after sitting out the previous three days, and coach Phil Jackson said he expects the disgruntled Los Angeles Lakers’ star to play in an exhibition game Thursday night.

"Yeah, we’ll probably play him, get him out there," Jackson said after practice Wednesday. "He seemed all right, sure did."

The Lakers face Seattle in Bakersfield on Thursday night in the first of six exhibition games in nine days. They lost their first two exhibition games to Golden State last week in Honolulu.

Bryant hadn’t practiced since Saturday because of a sore knee. He didn’t speak with reporters Wednesday, but made his feelings clear a day earlier in his only formal interview since Lakers owner Jerry Buss stated he "would certainly listen" to trade offers for the two-time defending NBA scoring champion.

"One thing I said at training camp was that I didn’t want this to be a distraction," Bryant said Tuesday. "It’s our understanding not to bring up the situation and not talk about it. We just wanted to keep things quiet and go about our business. It kind of caught me off guard a little bit."

Bryant asked to be traded four months ago, then avoided speaking about the Lakers until the beginning of training camp Oct. 1, when he talked more positively, saying he was looking forward to the season. It seemed the parties had put negative feelings behind them before Buss made his comments to three beat writers last week.

Jackson said it was essentially business as usual Wednesday, although Bryant wasn’t involved in scrimmaging at the end of practice.

"He was extremely helpful with young players today, helping them with the offense," the coach said. "It was good — he was out there working, helping guys," teammate Kwame Brown said. "He was out there working, hopefully that means he’s going to play. We want him to play, we need him to play."

Brown said the Lakers haven’t been distracted by the fact that Bryant missed practice the previous three days and his apparent differences with management.

"We didn’t know what was going on. We thought it was his knees," Brown said. "Hopefully, they can handle that upstairs."

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Siegfried running back Marcus Young heads upfield in the Ramblers’ 26-6 win over Fisher Wednesday.

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coming out in the second half,” Zahm coach TJ Stouder said. “We were playing for pride on both sides of the ball.”

The Habit Bats (2-1-1) kept their season alive in a defensive battle.

The turning point came when Zahm made a defensive stand in the last five minutes. On the next play, Ossei-Anto’s run gave it the field position it needed. Following Ossei-Anto’s run, the Habit Bats were still 35 yards from the end zone, but came 30 yards closer when freshman Xavier Murphy caught a pass that put Zahm at first and goal on the 5-yard line.

On the next play, sophomore running back Brady Kane ran for the touchdown and provided all of the offense required. Kane had just switched to playing running back and started practicing halfway through the week.

Murphy converted the two-point attempt on an end-around. Senior Anto’s attempts to tie the game ended when Zahm forced a fumble, sealing the victory.

“We have lots of momentum after this game. We are real confident in our chances in the playoffs,” T.J. Stouder

Zahm coach

Hoosiers

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classmate Joseph Lapira. Lapira took a touch and then fired the ball low and to the left, beating goalkeeper Clay Cain for a 1-0 lead.

“I think I’m feeling a bit more comfortable,” Lapira said. “I’ve been coming on and off of injuries all year and hopefully I’m coming into it now.”

Lapira, who now has six goals on the season, scored two for the Irish for the second straight game. He also had two in a 3-3 tie with No. 1 Connecticut Saturday. Last year’s Hermann Trophy winner has struggled to produce offensively so far this year but seems to be hitting his stride as the postseason nears.

“He is doing exactly the same thing. He’s just putting them in the net now,” Clark said.

Lapira’s second goal tied the game at 2-2 with just under 17 minutes remaining.

Indiana had taken the lead only a few minutes earlier when Eric Alexander found Kevin Noschang on a transition play, and Noschang was able to sneak it under a diving Chris Cahill to give the Hoosiers a one-goal advantage. The senior forward leads the Hoosiers with five goals so far this season.

The lead vanished temporarily when Indiana sophomore Kevin Alston mis­played a ball in the box, allowing Lapira to put in his second of the game, but the Hoosiers answered quickly.

“We don’t pick up second balls, and their midfield really did a great job in picking up second balls,” Clark said. “I think that was the difference in the game today.”

The game winner, like Noschang’s goal, came after the Hoosiers won a free ball in transition. Noschang took over at midfield, and he and Neil Wilmarth sprinted down field with two Irish defenders. Both defenders collapsed on the ball, leaving Wilmarth wide open for an easy finish.

“That’s two games in a row we’ve given up three goals, so we need to look at ourselves,” Clark said.

Prior to the 3-3 tie with Connecticut, the Irish defense had surrendered three or more goals only once before this season in a 3-0 loss to Maryland Sept. 2.

Notre Dame will look to solidify its defense against Seton Hall Sunday in its final home game of the regular season.

“I think we’re very good at bouncing back from losses,” Lapira said. “I think we’ll come out on senior day and show why we’ve been here for four years kicking some rear end.”

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For the man who called Notre Dame football games from 1980-2005, his best chance might come soon.

Westwood One, Notre Dame's radio broadcast partner for 40 years, is in its exclusive deal with the Irish after this season. The two sides failed to come to terms on an agreement that would have extended the only national contract in college football.

"The Notre Dame relationship was a long and mutually beneficial relationship, but I would categorize it as a mature property with us depending on how one wanted to look at it," Westwood One CEO Peter Kosann said in an August conference call to discuss the company's earnings. "It was a low cash flow deal at best and, you ran argue, could be unprofitable if we had, quite frankly, agreed to their terms going forward.

So now, Notre Dame must look for a new radio partner.

In June, several media outlets reported Notre Dame was close to a deal with ISP Sports, but nothing has come of the rumored relationship. Associate Athletic Director John Heidler said the University is engaged in negotiations and would announce a deal once it is complete. Under the Westwood One contract, Notre Dame games have been broadcast in all 50 states and overseas. The contract also allowed for Roberts' departure without the University having a say in the decision. According to terms of the deal, Notre Dame allowed the radio distributor to choose the on-air personalities.

Westwood One replaced Roberts with Don Criqui, a Notre Dame graduate who works NFL games for the company and was the play-by-play man from 1974-76. And while companies may change, the provision that led to Roberts' departure is likely to remain. Heidler said Notre Dame wants to have "great faith" in its new radio partner to make content and business decisions in the best interest of both the school and the company.

That seems to indicate that if Roberts were to come back, it would be the result only of Notre Dame's new partner extending an invitation to him.

"If it wasn't for Notre Dame, I wouldn't have a career. Notre Dame made my career." — Tony Roberts

Former Notre Dame broadcaster

Roberts says he isn't trying to be greedy, but he firmly believes he will have another shot at the dessert. "I don't want a round pion, but if you can't pray and you don't have faith, they might as well dish out a hole and put you in the box," he said.

Before being replaced at Westwood One, the biggest criticism of Roberts had been that he didn't tell the down and distance or the score often enough. Roberts thinks that perception is, well, hogwash.

"I carry an egg timer with me that goes off about 1 minute and 45 seconds," he said with a hint of indignation, stressing that he always went through the details by the time the timer went off.

Even among those who had their complaints, Roberts was — and probably still is — a favorite for his emotional outbursts at dazzling plays.

"I'm Italian, we're supposed to be passionate," he said.

And he's still passionate about at least one thing: his belief that he still can call a football game.

"Whether Notre Dame's new radio partner, whoever that may be, believes the same thing that he does will shape his future.

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**MEN'S INTERHALL FOOTBALL — BLUE LEAGUE**

Fisher falls to Siegfried for first loss of season

Zahn blanks Sorin, 8-0, qualifies for playoffs after break

**By LAURA MYERS and PETE REISENAUER**

The tide turned on the undefeated Green Wave Wednesday when Siegfried defeated Fisher 26-6.

The Ramblers used their running game to great effect and took advantage of four Fisher turnovers.

On the Ramblers' first possession of the second quarter, Siegfried freshman quarterback Ali Frederick put the team near the goal line with a 53-yard pass and scored two plays later with a quarterback sneak on second-and-inches.

Now leading 6-0, the Ramblers quickly ended Fisher's next two possessions with turnovers. Siegfried returned the second one, a fumble, for a touchdown. "They won the turnover game tonight," Green Wave coach John Dusov said. "Whoever gets the turnovers is going to do well."

But the turnover game was not over. On Fisher's first possession, junior Tom Owens intercepted Green Wave junior quarterback Kevin Rabii's pass.

On the ensuing Siegfried possession, junior Marcus Young ran the ball five times for 41 yards and a touchdown, putting the Ramblers up 20-0.

"We did a good job running the ball tonight," Young said. "The turnovers put us in good position."

But the Ramblers still weren't done. On second-and-11, Rabii's pass was tipped into the arms of Siegfried junior Patrick McMaster for Rabii's third interception of the night. This turnover led to another touchdown, a 26-yard pass to sophomore Xavier Burton, a punter making his first offensive start of the season.

The win put the Ramblers at 3-0-1 for the season, giving them a solid position heading into the playoffs.

Fisher was able to score a touchdown late in the fourth quarter as senior Pat Golebski caught three passes for 35 yards, but it was too little, too late for the calmed Green Wave.

**Zahn 8, Sorin 0**

After being stifled all game, Thre-Over-Anto finally broke loose.

Zahn's junior running back broke a 65-yard run in the final two minutes to set up Zahn's only touchdown in an 8-0 win over Norin Wednesday.

"We had lots of momentum..." see ZAHM/page 20

**FOOTBALL ANALYSIS**

Old voice may come back soon

Roberts could be part of new ND radio deal

Almost a year and a half after Westwood One forced him out of the job he loved, Tony Roberts is praying to get back behind the microphone.

The Chicago native who grew up a fan of the Fighting Illini but made his name as the voice of the Fighting Irish said he hopes he can come back to Notre Dame's national football broadcasts.

"There has never been a day that I haven't thought about coming back to Notre Dame," Roberts said in a recent telephone interview. "It's like being in prison and waiting for your freedom. Right now..." see ROBERTS/page 22

**HOCKEY**

**National power visits JACC**

Irish open home series against No.5 Denver tonight

**By KYLE CASSILY**

There were no red practice jerseys at No. 11 Notre Dame's practice Wednesday to signify injured players who couldn't be touched, but banged-up players have presented the team with forming cohesive lines and defensive pairings already this season.

The Irish (11-11) play host to No. 5 Denver (12-0-0) tonight at the Joyce Center in the first matchup of a two-game series, less than a week after Notre Dame surrendered three third-period goals in a 4-1 loss to No. 13 Wisconsin. Irish coach Jeff Jackson said the vibe and chemistry of the lines in that game were out of whack, and the team will be hard-pressed to fix them until the return of injured sophomore center Dan Kissel.

"Where we put Danny Kissel is going to have a lot to do with everything up there, because before we started the season we were anticipating him to be a top two-line guy potentially," he said. "I don't think anything, until I find out where he fits in the puzzle, will be finalized."

One line, however, impressed Jackson — that of Irish captains Mark Van Guilder, freshman Ben Ryan and junior Garrett Beggan. They combined for four out of Notre Dame's five goals in the two-game loss to McFadden.

In an up-tempo game he expects out of them, and that the Fighting Irish will bring in the series this weekend.

"What do we have under our belt? Six practices? So it's really hard when you throw the team right into the mix without having a lot of preparation time," he said.

Irish goalie Jordan Pearce will start in net for the Irish tonight, Jackson said, after the junior... see PIONEERS/page 22