College of A&L sells own course packets
Professors seek alternatives to limit costs for course materials using electronic reserves

By CLAIRE REISING
News Writer

Students can buy Arts and Letters course packets this semester directly through the College of Arts and Letters in DeNou Hall, though professors may still sell packets through the Humes Bookstore.

Some professors are also trying to help students save money by placing materials online on e-reserves, as an alternative to selling hard copy packets.

Last semester, the College’s decision to consolidate course packet distribution by selling all packets through the Bookstore met with dissatisfaction by students who found the packets significantly more expensive than previous semesters.

Robert Becht, director of Finance and Administration for the College of Arts and Letters, said that with the new arrangement, the College of Arts and Letter’s copy organization Design, Copy and Logistic (DCL) Services can sell course packets itself and still allow students to buy them at one location and pay with their student accounts. Instead of selling course packets at multiple locations throughout campus, all of DCL Service’s packets are now sold in a Decio Hall conference room.

“We made the decision to bring the retail sales back to our [operations], and it made it happen soon,” said Marc Poklinkowski, general manager of food services at Dining Hall. Food Services has no plans to discontinue allowing bags in the dining halls. It is impossible to monitor everyone in dining halls, since South Dining Hall Food Services has no plans to discontinue allowing bags in the dining halls. It is impossible to monitor everyone in dining halls, since South Dining Hall Food Services has no plans to discontinue allowing bags in the dining halls.

It’s not everyday that students walk out of South Dining Hall carrying long wooden tables and chairs back to their dorm rooms, but when the loss of Honey, who was described as “a little person,” 2006. Spes Unica Hall is Latin for “for our only hope” and refers to the cross of Jesus Christ. It is the motto of both Saint Mary’s and the College’s founding order, the Congregation of Holy Cross.

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The ground was broken on this 65,000-square-foot building in the fall of 2006. Spes Unica will house 13 of the 20 academic departments at Saint Mary’s, as well as the Center for Academic Innovation, the Center for Spirituality and the Center for Women’s
QUESTION OF THE DAY: IF YOU COULD GO ANYWHERE IN THE WORLD, WHERE WOULD IT BE?

Sarah Patten
senior McCandless

"Wherever they'd give me a job."

Andrew Deck
senior Stanford

"Kelley's Island, Ohio, just because."

Jay Samito
senior Stanford

"Groom Lake, Nevada, because the truth is out there."

Katie Szweka
senior Opus

"Europe, before the ice caps melt and it's underwater."

John Gorski
senior Stanford

"Hawaii – but not the parts inside the volcano."

Sophomore Clothey Mabee works on her 3-D relief for her 3-D Foundations class in Riley Hall of Art. This is only one of many Studio Art classes offered each semester. Students can also study photography, drawing, painting, watercolor and ceramics.

IN BRIEF

Prints from the Sante Museum of Art's collection that focus on artistic subjects from the 17th century will be displayed today from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. The exhibit, "Rembrandt and the Art of Printmaking in Holland," will highlight the golden age of Dutch art.

The Winter Career Fair and Diversity Reception will be held Wednesday at the Joyce Center. The Diversity Reception will be held from 12 to 2:30 p.m. The Career Fair will be held from 4 to 8 p.m. Further information can be found online at the Career Center Web site. The SugarTone Brass Band, New York's premier New Orleans-style brass band, will perform Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. in the Leighton Concert Hall of the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center.

Women's basketball will play Providence on Wednesday at 7 p.m. at the Joyce Center arena.

The film "In July" will be shown at 7 p.m. and again at 10 p.m. Thursday in the Browning Cinema in the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center. Tickets will cost $3 for students, $5 for faculty and staff, and $6 for general admission.

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Men's hockey will play the U.S. Under-18 Team Friday at 7:35 p.m. at the Joyce Center ice rink in an exhibition.

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Symposium applies Aquinas to Iraq war

By SARAH MAYER
News Writer

At the 11th-annual Saint Mary's symposium on Saint Thomas Aquinas on Monday, Timothy Renick, a theologian from Georgia State University, spoke about lessons Aquinas might teach about the current war in Iraq.

The College holds a symposium each year on Jan. 28, the feast day of Aquinas, to honor excellent teaching. Aquinas, a 13th-century Dominican, was a scholar who taught theology and wrote the famous work Summa Theologica.

Renick opened by speaking about the current situation in Iraq.

"On May 1, 2003, President George W. Bush walked off the U.S.S. Abraham Lincoln with a banner behind him that read Mission Accomplished and stated how major combat operations in Iraq have stopped," he said.

Renick then cited several statistics. In March and April of 2003, 138 Americans were killed. Since then, 3,854 have died. He said that, according to the Washington Post, 665,000 Iraqi civilians have been killed in the war as of last week.

After giving background on Iraq, Renick incorporated the teachings of Aquinas. According to Aquinas, "War is only to be entered as last resort."

Renick said Aquinas would only approve of a war with cold hard evidence that it is just and necessary.

"According to George W. Bush, the United States had enough history and facts to believe that [Saddam] Hussein posed a great danger to the United States," Renick said. "He continued to say that Bush insisted Hussein was harboring chemical warfare and keeping him on the loose was a risk the United States just could not take."

But, Renick said, Aquinas would have taken issue with this as a justification for war.

"According to Saint Thomas Aquinas, just speculation that the weapons were in his possession were not enough," he said.

Renick brought up the fact that since that Thomas Aquinas lived in the Holy Roman Empire, he was constantly surrounded by the Crusades.

"If Aquinas has not left a historical teaching on Christian versus Christian war with any evidence of opposing it, then we can conclude that there was sufficient evidence for the fighting," Renick said.

He concluded that Aquinas would only approve of warfare in the "rarest of circumstances" and would still find it risky.

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Revue tickets snapped up

By BECKY HOGAN
News Writer

All free tickets for this year's Keenan Revue were distributed in 20 minutes, said Revue director John Siegel.

"There were a bunch of people [in line] to get tickets early. It was really good to see that people were so interested in the show based on past year's shows," Siegel said.

The Keenan Revue, now in its 32nd year, is a long-standing hall event that has notoriously poked fun at various aspects of campus life. It will run this Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

"When our producer Peter Vigna and I talked about what we wanted for the show, we [realized] that we were more like caretakers for the Revue than we are making our own show," Siegel to go. "The Revue is a big tradition for our dorm, and so it's the job of the producer and the director to organize everything and get it off the ground."

Free tickets for the annual comedy show were distributed at the Joyce Athletic and Convocation Center starting at 4 p.m. on Thursday. Students eager to get tickets started lining up around 2 p.m., Siegel said. Sales also went to see that Saint Mary's beginning at 2 p.m. on Thursday.

Although all three performances of the Keenan Revue sold out, tickets to Thursday and Saturday performances were the first to go. The remaining Friday tickets were gone within the twenty minutes.

Revue sales for the past two years have boasted selling out in around twenty minutes or less, Siegel said.

There were about 1,300 tickets available for each night of the show.

Keenan Hall advertised for the show using posters around residence halls, classroom buildings and dining halls as well as on Saint Mary's College.

According to Siegel, everyone who waited in line was able to get tickets to the Revue.

"We were glad that we sold out of tickets and that we didn't have to turn any around," he said.

In addition to tickets given out last Thursday, Keenan residents also receive four tickets they can distribute to their own discretion. Additional tickets are reserved for faculty members.

This year's Keenan Revue, titled The Office of the Living Revue, takes its inspiration from horror films.

"The two-hour show will be performed at the O'Laughlin Auditorium at Saint Mary's. The Revue has been performed at an O'Laughlin for the past 30 years because it is the best venue for the size of audience that the Revue attracts," Siegel said. Other venues on Notre Dame's campus are either too large or too small, he said.

"There will be a lot of dancing, Harry Potter stuff, zombies, and some poking fun at the scriptures," Siegel said. "We also have some synthesizers which we are very excited about."

All skits for the show are created and performed by Keenan residents and were finalized last Sunday. The show includes about 90 Keenanites including performers, dancers, and people working behind the scenes.

"Our choreographer, Mark Weber, has gotten adventurous with the numbers this year," Siegel said. "A couple of them are more complex numbers than usual. And the skits are really strong. This could be one of our best Revues ever."

Keenan residents are preparing for the show for the next three days at Saint Mary's to get the acts ready for Thursday night.

Sieg suggested he is very enthusiastic about this year's Revue.

"Since the show is a movie-themed, I would say this is the 'Empire Strikes Back' of Keenan Revues, instead of the 'Phantom Menace,' " Siegel said. "It should be a very good show this year. We are very excited about it."

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Honey
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Honey was euthanized because her age had caught up to her. It was a lot of pain.
"She couldn't stand or walk," Gaughan said.
Freshman Minh Nguyen said he sometimes accompanied Gaughan as he took Honey outdoors.
"Honey's almost like a part of the family," Nguyen said. "It's hard to explain."
"I don't feel right," Gaughan said. "Every day brought an enjoyable experience with Honey."
"I'd be out walking and I'd let her hunt," he said. "Everyone on the main quad would stop and laugh at her intensity," he said.
Freshman Colin McNamara was deeply saddened to hear the news.
"Sure, my eyes welled up," he said. "She loved that dog."
Freshman Franco Zarama doesn't have a dog at home, but he said he will miss Honey.
"Sometimes we sometimes can get busy down here," he said. "Having a dog made it all seem more real, more intimi­date. She made me feel more at home."
Andrew Deck, a senior in mechanical engineering, said he had kept dog biscuits in his room where he lived on Stanford's first floor.
"Honey would come by and I'd give her treats," he said.
"I heard that a few friends that didn't know about her would see the biscuits in his room," he said. "They asked some awkward questions about my dietary habits," he said.
Satire recalled Honey's special fondness for squirrels.
"Even though she was pretty old, she was pretty spry," she said. "Honey's ears would perk up and she would just take off," he said. "That always amazed me."
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Packets
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more logistical sense to create one point for the students to come to," Bect said.
Last semester, DCL Services produced course packets and sold them through the Bookstore to make shopping more convenient, he said.
"The rationale for switching to the Bookstore was that the students could purchase the text books and course packets all at the same time and so they could purchase the course packets through their student accounts," Bect said. "It was a cooperative venture through the entire campus."
For some students, however, the disadvantage of higher prices for course packets at the Bookstore outweighed any additional convenience. In a survey conducted by the Student Senate last October, more than 67 percent of stu­dents said they were very dissatisfied with the course packet system last semester.
According to Fig. 1,Seni­or Stephen Banti, the College of Arts and Letters was receptive to student and faculty concerns with course packet prices.
"Within the [college of] Arts & Letters, they took it very seriously and encouraged DCL services to stop selling in the Bookstore," Bant said.
This semester, while DCL Services has stopped selling though the Bookstore, faculty still have the option to produce their course packets through Tichenor Custom Publishing Services and sell through the Bookstore, Bect said.
Students may find, however, that Bookstore prices are not as high as they were last semester.
Instructor Kendzel, director of Administrative Services for the University, said the Bookstore changed its policy of pricing course packets in order to make them more affordable for students.
While the industry normally marks up copyright costs and pro­duction fees, the Bookstore has agreed to stop marking up copyright costs.
"The Bookstore has been very willing to work with the students and instructors," Skendzel said. "Students should have seen a price re­duction because of that."
Some profes­sors have allowed stu­dents to avoid buying course packet for the use of the Lib­rary's elec­tronic reserves (e-reserves) or Concourse.
Anthropology professor Susan Blum said she uses e-reserves because she believes course packets are too expensive. "I'm not will­ing to use course packets at all anymore because of how exorbitant they've become for students," Blum said.
Blum said that in addition to saving stu­dents the price of a course packet, e­ reserves give professors more room in planning what read­ing material to use for a course.
"It's more convenient since it's flexible, and we can add things as we go," Blum said.
Instructors in the College of Arts and Letters are not the only ones who consider alternatives to Bookstore packet services. Last semes­ter, accountancy professor Jim Fuehrmeyer tried placing everything he did for his course online using PowerPoint slides on Concourse. He found, how­ever, that despite the lower price of the electronic option, most students preferred to save time by buying the course packet.
"There's a cost to me for everything I do," Fuehrmeyer said. "What's the cost of my time? When should you better use the time that goes to copying and printing PowerPoint presenta­tions?"
Graduate student Joe McKenna, who is in Fuehrmeyer's course, said having a printed course packet made it more convenient for him to finish his work.
"It was just so much easier to buy it and have it set up for you," he said.
However, 50 percent of the students that the Senate sur­veyed said they would support using e-reserves as "a primary means of access to course material," and 18 percent were neutral about the issue. Bant said he feels that saving money is more important than the conveniences of the printed course packet.
"Although it might be inconvenient for some, it's more inconvenient for people to pay $30 to $100 to buy a course packet that you could find online," he said.
Instructor Christina DePouw, who uses e-reserves in her Education, Schooling and Society classes, said that although e-reserves can save money and are environmentally friendly, professors should decide what works best for them.
"I think it depends on the class," she said. "I think it's up to the professor to decide."
Bect said the choice to use e-reserves or a printed course packet is a "pedagogical deci­sion" and the faculty will be able to choose what to do.
"Our primary business is to support the faculty and the College," he said. "If that requires us to help support faculty in making the adoption of e-reserves, that's what they want as a teaching tool, then we do provide scan­ning capabilities."
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Bush delivers State of the Union

President addresses economic concerns, urges bipartisan cooperation

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Bush, focusing on growing recession fears as wars went before Congress with his final State of the Union address Monday, said Monday that Americans are troubled about their economic future and future lawmakers should urgently approve a $150 billion rescue plan.

In Iraq, always a main topic of his annual addresses to Congress, Bush said last year’s troop buildup is succeeding after five years of a long and costly war that has claimed the lives of 3,940 members of the U.S. military. "Al-Qaida is on the run in Iraq and this enemy will be defeated," Bush said.

With his approval rating near its all-time low of 60 percent, 15% under a year in his presidency, Bush lacked the political clout to push both ideas before a hostile, Democratic-led Congress.

Offering modest plans, Bush proposed a $100 million "grants for kids" program to help poor children in struggling public schools pay for the cost of attending a private school or a better public school outside their district.

The White House urged lawmakers, particularly in the Senate, to resist any temptation to enlarge the economic stimulus plan that he and House leaders agreed on last week. "At kitchen tables across our country, there is concern about our economic future," the president said. "For long time Americans can be confident about our country's growth."

Excerpts of his prepared text were released ahead of his nomination by Clinton.

On two issues that were center stage in the State of the Union address past — Social Security and immigration — Bush passed the buck back to Congress, which had ignored the president's earlier proposals, contending that entitlement spending is "growing faster than we can afford," he said. "I ask members of Congress to offer proposals and come up with a bipartisan solution to save these vital programs for our children and grandchildren."

A major challenge for Bush in his address to Congress was simply being heard when many Americans already are looking beyond him to the next president.

Bush's speech came hours before Florida's presidential primary election and just eight days before Super Tuesday when voters in more than 20 states go to the polls on the biggest day of the primary campaign. Republicans running for president rarely mention Bush, preferring to focus on conservative hero Ronald Reagan instead.

Bush will turn from Monday's speech and plunge into politics, raising money for Republicans from Wednesday through Friday at events in California, Nevada, Colorado and Missouri, sandwiched around other appearances to tout themes from his speech.

As for the Democrats, presidential candidate Hillary Rodham Clinton said, "Tonight is a red-letter night in American history. It is the last time George Bush will give the State of the Union. Next year it will be a Democratic president giving it.”

Bush, calling for bipartisan cooperation in Congress, said, "Let us show them that Republicans and Democrats can compete for votes and cooperate for results at the same time."

In Iraq, he said, U.S. advertising and rising public support for the war, which has sprung up as the cost of attending a private school or a better public school outside their district.

Sen. Ted Kennedy backs Obama in race


Kennedy, a Democrat from Massachusetts, is widely considered a political force in the Senate and has been a major fundraiser for Obama. His endorsement is likely to give Obama a boost in the race for the Democratic nomination.

Kennedy, who is running for re-election in the state, has been a vocal supporter of Obama's candidacy. He has spoken at several Obama campaign events and has been a key fundraiser for the campaign.

Kennedy's endorsement comes as Obama is facing increasing criticism from rivals in the Democratic primary, particularly from Hillary Clinton, who has overtaken Obama in recent polls.

Obama has been criticized for his support for the war in Iraq, his record on health care and his ties to Wall Street executives.

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Kennedy's endorsement is also seen as a significant endorsement for Obama in a state that has been important in past presidential elections. Massachusetts has been a key state in recent elections, often deciding the outcome in close races.

The state has been a battleground in recent elections, with both parties investing heavily in the state. Obama has been particularly active in the state, holding several campaign events and launching a campaign office in Boston.

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Mormon leader dies at 97
Believers mourn the death of Church of Latter-day Saints's president

Associated Press

SALT LAKE CITY

Thousands of believers were mourning Monday following the death of Gordon B. Hinckley, the humble head of the Mormon church who added millions of new members and labored for decades to burnish the faith’s image as a world religion. An announcement of his successor was not expected for days.

Hinckley, 90, president of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, died Sunday of complications arising from a stroke. The Grace Cathedral in San Francisco was sold to the group in 1973.

Hinckley became by far his church’s most traveled leader in history. The number of Mormons outside the United States surpassed that of American Mormons for the first time since the church, the most successful faith born in the United States, was founded in 1830.

Hinckley worked to show that his faith was far removed from its peculiar and polygamous roots. Still, during his tenure, the Roman Catholic Church, Southern Baptist Convention and United Methodist Church were the three largest U.S. denominations — each declared that Mormon doctrines depart from mainstream Christianity.

“Who better knows us, the better they will understand us,” Hinckley said in an interview with The Associated Press in late 2005. “We’re a little different. We don’t smoke. We don’t drink. We do things in a little different way. That’s not disfavorable. I believe that’s to our credit.”

Bright Brigham Young University students mourn death of Mormon Church president, Gordon B. Hinckley, Monday on campus.

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In Brief

Iran’s gasoline black market thrives

BANADAR ABRAS, Iran—Each day, the boulvard in this port city derisively dubbed “OPEC Street” is lined with dozens of vendors selling plastik jugs of black-market gasoline to desperate drivers who haggle over the price of a tankful.

Iran is the world’s fourth-largest producer of oil. But its government imposed credit crisis that have roiled financial mar­

The Commerce Department reported Monday that sales of new homes dropped by 26.4 per­

cent last year to 774,000.

The long-simmering slump in housing is raising concerns that the weakness could be severe enough to push the country into a full-blown recession. In an effort to avoid that, the Fed cut interest rates last week by the largest amount in more than two decades with a further cut expected on Wednesday when the Fed completes a two-day meeting. The bad news on housing actually gave a lift to Wall Street with investors believ­

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French trader causes billions in losses

PARIS — Societe Generale said Sunday that a trader who routed all its controls to net $7.3 billion — more than the bank’s market worth — on European markets hacked computers and "combined several fraudulent meth­
ods" to cover his tracks, causing billions in losses.

The bank said the trader, Jerome Kerviel, did not appear to have profited personally from the transactions and seemingly worked alone — a version reiterated Sunday by Jean-Pierre Mustier, chief executive of the bank’s corporate department, which includes its investment banking arm.

But, in a conference call with reporters, Mustier added that any guarantees to you 100 percent that there was no complicity.

Kerviel’s lawyer said the accusations of wrongdoing against his client were being used to hide bad investments by the bank related to subprime mort­
gages in the United States.

"He didn’t steal anything, take any­
thing, he didn’t take any profit for him­
self," the lawyer, Christian Charriere­ Bouzard, said. The Associated Press by tele­
phone. "The suspicion on Kerviel allows the considerable losses that the bank cannot buy back," officials said Kerviel was cooperating with police, who held him for a second time to time problems with this trader’s portfolio Monday to close at 12,383.89. Days earlier to avoid that, the Fed cut interest rates last week by the largest amount in more than two decades with a further cut expected on Wednesday when the Fed completes a two-day meeting. The bad news on housing actually gave a lift to Wall Street with investors believ­
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Years ago, use of racial preferences was justified mainly as social justice—blacks and Hispanics tend to be disadvantaged, and if those groups want to white to whites, and thus should get a hand in admissions or hiring. Fair enough. As someone who grew up without car or phone, I strongly agree that lower-class applicants, no matter their color, should get a break. But not all blacks and Hispanics are disadvantaged. In fact, when they marry and form stable families, they move into the middle class as well as everyone else. Moreover, not all whites are privileged. Far from it. So in giving preferential treatment to blacks and Hispanics, it often happens that schools or employers discriminate in favor of someone who’s enjoyed more advantages, and against someone who’s had fewer.

The simple, obvious solution would be to favor those applicants who can actually show some degree of hardship in their backgrounds, instead of trying to sift it from their races. Too sensible? In any case, the justification today for racial preferences seems to be the nebulous concept of “diversity.” Schools in particular, the argument goes, have an interest in creating a student body with the broadest possible variety of students.

I am not denying that schools may have such an interest, though I think that interest isn’t nearly so critical as many people today argue. But then, I think the main purpose of a university is intellectual in nature, whereas a large part of the educational establishment considers it to be social, even sociological. Sure, college can be a place where students learn to deal with people unlike themselves—if they spent their first eighteen years in solitary confinement.

But what is real diversity, as it relates to an institution like Notre Dame? Is it merely a wide range of melanin levels? Consider a silly analogy. One basket holds red grapes, green grapes, purple grapes and yellow grapes. The other contains red meat, red wine, kidney beans and beets. Which basket is more “diverse”? Or a more timely example—the two political parties’ fields of presidential candidates. One party has a half-Asian, a half-Mexican and a half-black, woman, but from what I can tell, they all agree on pretty much everything. The Republican field is all white men, but they’re all over the spectrum on many issues. So which is really more diverse?

When I enrolled in the graduate program at St. John’s College, one of the first things I noticed about the place was how weird the undergraduates were. Sometimes it seemed every day was Halloween. Though St. John’s is just a fraction of the size of Notre Dame, it’s got a much wider variety of characters.

There are pothead stoners, wannabe goths, faddish preppies, no-kidding Marxists, adorable nerds, troubled Specialists, al Qaeda sympathizers, and skinheads would all make Notre Dame more diverse; that doesn’t mean they should stop doing so. Naturally, not all diversity is good. Pedestrians, all-Queens sympathizers, and skinheads would all make Notre Dame more diverse; that doesn’t mean they should be tolerated. I, myself, wish the whole school were pre-lilie, but we’re lucky if the whole C.S.C. is. Good or bad, “diversity” is no excuse to discriminate by skin color. Notre Dame should stop doing so.

Greg Yatauro
Dome and Dome

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Campus comments:
What is your favorite video game?

I don't have a favorite because I never play video games. I know a table tennis (Ping) when it came not because it was simple. The new ones are too complicated.

Greg McCowan
Marine Geology Class of ’86

I like Conquest, because my dad works for Oury. We have bags. Also my house is infested by cockroaches.

Paul McClure
Politics Class of ’86

Although it’s not actually a video game, I was at the reception of US-IBM Hackey. It is great to see the bowler-b岂 naim the Russians.

Eddy Limos
Architecture Class of ’86

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

―O Lord, help me to be pure, but not Saint Augustine
Catholic theologian
LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

An insult to muffindom

Brothers and sisters, we have all noticed a dramatic drop in Letters to the Editor this semester. There are many suspicions — the tameness of the comics, a lack of humorous misogynistic remarks, the sanctity of the muffin. I have one relic from ancient times — a true mammoth muffin measuring in at a towering 8.7 cm. The insult to muffindom I snagged at lunch today tips the scales at a puny 6.3 cm.

Notre Dame: we can do better. The silent majority must remain silent no longer—rise up, and protest the desecration of the beloved institution that is the South Dining Hall muffin. The issue boils down to one simple question: would you rather have more or less muffin in your muffin?

John Greil
Freshman
Keough Hall
Jan. 28

Truth, lies and politicians

I was impressed to see that Andrew Nesi could muster up some righteous indignation over the fact that politicians lie. Of course, his brilliant exposé on the matter simply shocked me. Politicians are not entirely truthful? Can I still believe that Bill Clinton did not have sex with that woman? That W is a uniter, not a divider? That Richard Nixon is not a crook? That George Bush the Elder would not raise taxes? That Thomas Jefferson would not expand governmental powers? What a shame that, given the impressive record of truthfulness in American presidents, today’s candidates refuse to uphold this tradition.

Unfortunately, I believe that Mr. Nesi forgot two examples of political dishonesty in this year’s campaign from his preferred candidates. In an act that I am sure was completely accidental, Mr. Nesi forgot to mention that Barack Obama’s claims of bi-partisanship don’t stand up to the light of his voting record.

He also forgot that John McCain has lied about never receiving pork for his state. In truth, every single one of the candidates has lied at least once. It’s a part of the process, and it will continue to be so until Americans learn to appreciate disappointing truths.

Perhaps, instead of focusing on campaign promises, we should focus on a candidate’s voting record or gubernatorial achievements. It would be wise to base any presumptions on what a candidate would do in office off his or Hillary’s deeds instead of their words.

Candidates lie, it’s the way they all play the game. Don’t vote for the candidate who can delude you the most into thinking they are an honest and upright individual. Vote for the person that has best acted out your own beliefs on government in their political careers, whether that individual is named Clinton, Obama, Romney, McCain, Huckabee or O.J. Simpson.

Will Giappone
Sophomore
Fisher Hall
Jan. 28

Response to racist letters

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However, I do ask you to see the so-called “reasoning” behind racism, to see how competent writing can still be laced with terribly fallacious arguments, to confirm your beliefs that racism is irrational and abhorrent.

The man from North Dakota wants attention and change. Let’s give the problem some attention. Let’s make some change in the direction of equality.

David Cristostomo
Sophomore
Keough Hall
Jan. 28

EDITORIAL CARTOON

MY FELLOW AMERICANS, THE CHECK IS IN THE MAIL...
In the events of "One More Day," Marvel made the decision to end the 20-year marriage between Peter Parker and Mary Jane Watson. Through various machinations, Peter and MJ struck a deal with the demonic character Mephisto to have their marriage erased from history in order to save the life of Peter's dying Aunt May.

While fans met the decision to end the marriage with almost universal disgust, the poorly conceived story and its ill-timed angrier fans even more. Nevertheless, sales of the popular wall crawler's series have never been higher.

"Brand New Day" is the name of the first story arc following the demise of Peter and MJ's marriage. Longtime fans will notice many changes to the continuity that had been constructed over the last 20 years. Peter is back in living with his Aunt May, web shooters make their return, Harry Osborn (one of the various Green Goblins) is back from the dead and Peter has not revealed his secret identity to the world. How these developments affect Spider-Man's cross-continuity with other characters in the Marvel Universe has not been revealed at this time; however, "Brand New Day" strives to build upon the Spider-Man legacy in a story that feels like many of the classic Spider-Man stories from the 1960s and 70s.

Brand New Day follows a Peter Parker who has given up his role of Spider-Man. He has resorted to borrowing money from his pal Harry Osborn to get by. Only when Peter's financial burdens become too much does he don the popular red and blue spandex.

"Brand New Day" is almost as if Marvel is saying the last 20 years of plot development simply did not happen. The decision to basically reset the comic's continuity leads to a more simplified story, which has undoubtedly attracted many new readers.

However, Marvel must be careful not to isolate long-time fans of the series, because the surge in sales is atypical and simply will not continue unless Marvel strives to put out top quality story telling.

To be completely honest, I was expecting much more from "Brand New Day," considering all the media hype it received. The story itself was functional, but was hampered by the fact that it felt so familiar as compared to the previous installments of the classic comic.

The decision to ship the title three times a month helped "Brand New Day" because there simply was not enough going on if it stayed a monthly title. I will reserve final judgment of this new status quo to see if writers can continue to deliver solid story telling of everyone's favorite wall crawler.

The views expressed in Scene and Heard are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.

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By DAMON JASON
Scene Writer

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The Whigs played on was well-deserved recognition for this emotive and bluesy rock trio, who came out with their second album, "Mission Control." The Whigs — all in their twenties and hailing from Athens, Georgia — released their self-financed and independent album "Give 'Em All A Big Fat Lip" in 2005. The band quickly gained many fans who found The Whigs' early-Nineties rock vibe refreshing in the current rock scene. The Whigs look like they could be buddies of acoustic singer-songwriter Jack Johnson, but they rock with the energy of guitar-heavy, jam-band groups such as Gov't Mule and The Band.


Rolling Stone magazine declared the three-piece "the best unsigned band in America" a few years ago. Now that The Whigs are signed, they've used their new resources well on "Mission Control," giving more resonance and subtlety to their sound on songs like "Production City" and "Sleep Sunshine." "Mission Control" was produced by Bob Schnapf, best known for his work with the late Elliott Smith. Although The Whigs play much harder and louder than Smith ever did, Schnapf manages to keep the band's songwriting as the album's center of focus. It enables the lyrics to be more than just an addendum to all of the cool sonic happenings in the back of each track.

"Mission Control" is the best track on the album, combining energetic horns with the sounds of the acoustic slide guitar, the steel guitar and the tack piano. The influences are wide-ranging, from Sufjan Stevens to Bruce Hornsby to the Falsetto period of Bruce Springsteen. And it all sounds darkly delightful.

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Another highlight of the album is the richly composed, almost Pearl Jam-meets-David Bowie and recent American "Boy With a Hats" acoustic song, "I Got Ideas." The final track, "Mission Control," is an ethereal evocation of the sound of early David Bowie and recent material by Foo Fighters. Think "Space Oddity" meets "Everlong." Lead singer Parker Gispert told NPR he thinks of the sound of "Mission Control" as "space blue.

That's a pretty apt description. The music is not as esoteric and colorful as Bowie but does have the urgency and alternative-rock vibe of Pearl Jam albums like "Yield" and "Vs.

Keep an eye out for The Whigs on their upcoming tour, since many of the tracks on "Mission Control," are just begging to be let loose live by this young Southern rock band.

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Iron and Wine
"The Shepherd's Dog"

By JAMES COSTA
Scene Writer

In a marked change from its first few albums, Sam Beam's band Iron and Wine has moved away from the hushed-folk song concept to a far more developed sound. In their latest, "The Shepherd's Dog," the band utilizes a strong percussion element to augment intricate arrangements of vocals and instruments. Iron and Wine began as a one-man affair. Beam, who recorded bedtime songs for his son. Since then, Beam has added members and instruments to the band, with the program seen clearly on the EP "Woman King" and 2005's full band record "In the Reins," which was a collaboration with Calexico.

The band received some recognition in 2004 after the film "Garden State" came out to theaters. The film, starring Natalie Portman, featured the song "Such Great Heights," a cover of the Postal Service song by the same name. Ever conscious of the band's simple origins, Beam began this album in a similar fashion. In "Pagan Angel and a Borrowed Car," the recording is rough until the arrangement kicks in and a full instrumental sound takes over. Rattling along, the song pulls in the sounds of the acoustic slide guitar, the steel guitar and the tack piano.

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Another highlight of the album is the richly composed, almost Pearl Jam-sounding, "White Tooth Man." The song pours along in a dramatic, ominous manner, which contrasts with the eerie and mischievous "Boy with a Cinem." As noted, the album is different from Iron and Wine's previous offerings. It takes a few more listens to appreciate the extent of Beam's latest effort.

Each song stands alone as an individual journey into the swirling emotions and ideas of the singer, which takes a bit of time to appreciate in its entirety. The final track, "Flightless Bird, American Mouth," delivers a restrained end to a record that feels held in uncomfortable suspension for the preceding eleven tracks.

With a chilling use of Beam's emotive voice, the song moves toward its final verse, asking "Have I found you? / Flightless bird, brown hair bleeding / Or lost you? / American mouth / Big bill, stuck going down." In a tragic-cally uplifting tone, the vocals bleed to silence as the music fades slowly behind, letting the record resolve itself into a quiet, if slightly wounded finish.

There isn't a bad song on the disc, with each one offering a unique perspective into the mind of Beam and his talented collaborators as they bring us deep into the heart of the shepherd's dog.

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Kristi Ryan, bamboo hardwoods. Wi-Fi. approx. $1,350.

Paul had 23 points, 17 assists and nine rebounds, and the New Orleans Hornets ran away with their ninth straight win, 117-93 over the Denver Nuggets on Monday night.

Down the stretch, the crowd repeatedly chanted "MVP, MVP". Perhaps local fans are figuring out they don't need visits from players like Allen Iverson to bring them out to the games. They have a star of their own, not to mention one of the best teams in the NBA right now.

Other candidates include center Tyson Chandler and forward David West, as Paul was quick to mention when asked what he thought of the MVP chants.

"I think people are thinking exactly right," Paul said. "D-West and Tyson might be MVPs, too."

Even in a game featuring Iverson, recently elected an All-Star starter, Paul was the best player on the court, as the Wizards had only scored 23, but had only three assists and got little help other than from Kenyon Martin, who scored 18. Hornets coach Byron Scott said he would be "shocked" if Iverson wasn't invited to the All-Star game, but Paul insisted he has other short-term goals.

"The only thing that's on my mind right now, to tell you the truth, is to get my coach in the All-Star game," Paul said. "I'm looking at the standings all day, every day, right now. I think that would be the greatest feeling for me if Scotty could coach in that game."

That will happen if the Hornets (32-12) remain in the surprising perch atop the powerful Western Conference until Feb. 3.

"I am not ready to jump on their bandwagon, but they're pretty good and I'm not sure what their weaknesses they have," Nuggets coach George Karl said. "Chris Paul is a great point guard. He can go anywhere he wants to go. They have size, they have shooters, they play as a team, they have a good bench. One can argue that have an All-Star player at four positions."

Monday's match-up also featured a pair of centers vying for a reserve spot in the All-Star game in Chandler and Denver's Marcus Camby.

In this game, there was no comparison. Chandler finished with 10 points and 16 rebounds. Camby was a non-factor for most of the first three quarters. He didn't score until he made a free throw with 1:52 to go in the third period. He finished with three points and five rebounds. "I definitely feel like I should be in the All-Star game," Chandler said. "I've worked hard all year. I've helped my team win basketball games and I really feel like that's what the All-Star game is all about. You should be rewarded for good basketball and winning the coaches seem to like in my favor."

The second-best center in the game was Hornets reserve Melvin Ely, who had 16 points and nine rebounds in 21 minutes.

Peja Stojakovic hit four 3-pointers and finished with 19 points for New Orleans, and Jannero Pargo added 13 points.

Newly selected All-Star Carmelo Anthony missed his fourth straight game with a sprained left ankle, as the undermanned Nuggets struggled to keep pace.

New Orleans built a 20-point lead in the first half and maintained that margin through most of the second half.

Iverson's driving layups on cue as the Nuggets were able to close Denver a glimmer of hope, cutting the score down to 91-76 early in the fourth quarter.

But with Paul running the offense, the Hornets quickly sealed it with a 12-0 run that started when Paul set up Ely for a three-pointer. It continued when Paul tossed an alley-oop on a breakaway to West's dunk.

New Orleans ended up shooting 51 percent for the game and outscored Denver 52-33.

Jazz 97, Spurs 91

The Utah Jazz were ready to push back this time against the San Antonio Spurs.

The Jazz, who were dominated by the Spurs in the Western Conference Finals last spring, never trailed Monday night and held off the defending NBA champions.

The game was full of collisions, hard fouls and some verbal exchanges and the Jazz countered everything the Spurs had.

Williams had 11 points and 14 assists and Carlos Boozer and Andre Miller each scored 23 points each for Utah, which won its fifth straight and improved to 10-2 in January.

The Spurs committed 20 turnovers and were just 13-38 from the field in the second half.

I think our team is playing better because that's what happens when you play better defensively," Utah coach Jerry Sloan said. "It's a lot of work to play defense.

Tim Duncan had 26 points and 11 rebounds, but was the only San Antonio starter to score more than five points. Williams motivated him.

Tony Parker and held him to five points and three assists.

"They were better," said Manu Ginobili, who led the Spurs with 29 points. "We turned the ball over way too much. Twenty times against the Jazz is really hard to over.

The Spurs finished with 11 assists, three fewer than Williams. Boozer had seven assists and Krilowich added four steals for the Jazz, who played a much rougher game than they did in the one-sided playoff series.

Mavericks 103, Grizzlies 83

The Dallas Mavericks started one of their toughest road trips of the season with an easy victory.

With three games looming against Eastern Conference division leaders, Josh Howard hit his first eight shots on the way to 26 points and Dallas shot 54 percent in a victory over the lowly Memphis Grizzlies on Monday night.

"Every team is a great team, especially on its home turf," Howard said. Who was 10-of-17 from the floor and had to take (the Grizzlies seriously. It's a great start, but we've got three more to go.

The Mavericks still have to play Boston, Detroit and Orlando on a four-game trip before returning home Feb. 6 against Milwaukee.

Playing on Memphis' home floor really isn't that tough for the Mavericks. Dallas has won 13 straight over the Grizzlies, including a sweep of Memphis in the opening round of the 2006 playoffs. The Mavericks have never lost at the FedExForum, which opened in 2004. The Grizzlies' last home victory over Dallas was Feb. 17, 2004, in their previous home, The Pyramid.

Dirk Nowitzki added 20 points and 11 rebounds, and Jason Terry finished with 14 points for the Mavericks, who won their fourth straight and 12th in the last 14. Erick Dampier contributed 11 points and 12 rebounds.

The Mavericks were without starting guard Devin Harris and forward Terry, both of their top reserves, who sat out with injuries.

We pride ourselves whenever we have a man down, banning together and really putting together some great efforts," Terry said.
Roger Clemens practices with trainer Brian McNamee during spring training last February. According to the Mitchell report, McNamee injected Clemens with steroids and human growth hormone.

Clemens' agent refutes Mitchell Report

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Roger Clemens' agent released an 18,000-word statistical report Monday to rebut allegations the pitcher's career rebounded about the time he was accused of using performance-enhancing drugs.

"Clemens' longevity was due to his ability to adjust his style of pitching as he got older, incorporating his very effective split-finger fastball to offset the decrease in the speed of his regular fastball caused by aging," said the report, created by Randy Hendricks and two associates at his firm.

Clemens' former trainer, Brian McNamee, claimed in last month's Mitchell Report on drugs in baseball that he injected the pitcher with steroids and human growth hormone at least 16 times in 1998, 2000 and 2001. Clemens vehemently denies the allegations, and Clemens and McNamee are among five witnesses scheduled to testify before a House committee on Feb. 13. Clemens also has sued McNamee for defamation.

Hendricks' report, which includes 38 charts, in some ways resembles a salary arbitration case. One of the charts shows Clemens' ERA was lower than the league average in all but two of his 23 major league seasons. The report also compares variations in Clemens' career with those of Randy Johnson, Curt Schilling and Nolan Ryan, and maintains slump offers can be correlated with injuries.

"Of the six years that feature Clemens' best ERA marks, two occurred in Boston, after he had been in the major leagues for several years, two occurred in his two years in Toronto; and two occurred after he switched leagues and pitched for the Houston Astros," the report said.

Clemens went 43-39 in his last four seasons with the Red Sox, and when the pitcher left Boston's general manager at the time, Dan Duquette, said Clemens was in the "twilight" of his career. Clemens was 192-111 with the Red Sox and won three Cy Young Awards and an MVP, then went 162-73 with Toronto, the New York Yankees and Houston, winning four Cy Youngs.

"Clemens was far from being in the 'twilight of his career' or 'washed up' in 1996, as some have speculated," the report said. 'During the 1996 season Clemens ranked first in strikeouts in the American League and tied his own record by striking out 20 batters in Detroit on Sept. 18, 1996. In addition, he ranked sixth in the AL in ERA, second in the AL in hits per nine innings, and fifth in innings pitched. This performance cannot be reasonably categorized as a 'twilight.'"

"I'd like to thank my parents — my dad for taking the fire out of the elbows and my mom for teaching me how to talk trash," he said.

In Brief

Ryan to return as Ravens defensive coordinator

OWINGS MILLS, Md. — Rex Ryan would have preferred to be a head coach. Instead, he got the second-best thing: His old job, a new title and more responsibility.

Ryan was hired as the assistant head coach/defensive coordinator of the Baltimore Ravens on Monday. The hire was made by new head coach John Harbaugh, who prevailed over Ryan in the team's quest to find a replacement for Brian Billick.

The 45-year-old Ryan and the rest of the coaching staff were fired with Billick after the season. Ryan was one of six people to be interviewed for the head coaching vacancy in Baltimore, and he interviewed with the Atlanta Falcons and Miami Dolphins.

No one offered him a job, so Ryan returned for a 10th season with the Ravens, the fourth as defensive coordinator.

Mariners may trade prospect for Bedard

SEATTLE — The Seattle Mariners have asked top prospect Adam Jones to leave his Venezuelan Winter League team and return to the U.S., amid reports he's headed to Baltimore as part of a trade for pitcher Erik Bedard.

Mariners spokesman Tim Heavy confirmed Sunday night the team had requested the return of Jones, who was expected to be one of Seattle's starting outfielders when the season begins.

"We did ask Adam to come back from Venezuela," Heavy said, declining to give a reason for the request.

That confirmation followed Sunday's Seattle Times report that Mariners general manager Bill Bavasi was mak­ ing moves to clear space for Bedard. The Times, citing comments obtained from a Venezuelan newspaper the deal with Bavasi and was going to Baltimore on Monday for a physical.

Tour de France champion donates bikes to N.M. kids

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. — Johan Bruyneel and some members of cycling team Astana gave bicycles to 25 New Mexico children.

Bruyneel and his team, including Tour de France champion Alberto Contador and USA national road champion Levi Leipheimer, are in Albuquerque for two weeks of high-altitude training. It's the first time Astana has held a training camp in the United States.

Bruyneel spent part of the after­noon shaking hands and giving out Trek bikes of all colors and sizes as part of a new program with Bernalillo County dubbed "Johan's Kids."

Charles Ovis, a local training camp representative, said Bruyneel wanted to get involved with the community and the bike giveaway was a perfect way to encourage local children to start pedaling.
**MLB**

Knoblauch agrees to meet Congress

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Chuck Knoblauch is heading to Capitol Hill.

Knoblauch, a four-time All-Star who played with Roger Clemens on the New York Yankees, agreed Monday to speak to a House committee investigating drug use in baseball after initially failing to respond to an invitation to testify.

His silence prompted the House Oversight and Government Reform Committee to issue a subpoena last week, but federal marshals were not able to trawl down Knoblauch right away.

The 1991 AL Rookie of the Year eventually did make contact, and his twirp-postponed meeting with committee staff for a deposition or transcribed interview will be Friday.

That session is preparation for the panel’s hearing Feb. 13, when Knoblauch is among five scheduled witnesses, including Clemens and his former personal trainer, Brian McNamee.

Also scheduled to testify are Andy Pettitte, a former teammate and workout partner of Clemens’ who also trained with McNamee, and ex-New York Mets clubhouse employee Kirk Radomski.

“We are pleased that Mr. Knoblauch has agreed to voluntarily participate in a transcribed interview or deposition with the committee. As a result, the committee is withdrawing the subpoena,” Oversight committee chairman Henry Waxman and ranking Republican Tom Davis said in a statement.

Members of both majority and minority staffs declined to comment Monday when asked for details on Knoblauch’s about-face. A lawyer identified by a committee staffer as Knoblauch’s representative did not immediately return requests for comment made via telephone and e-mail.

Pettitte is slated to be the first Feb. 13 witness to appear for a deposition or transcribed interview, with his session scheduled for Wednesday. Clemens is to follow on Feb. 5, with McNamee on Feb. 7. Radomski’s meeting with committee staff, originally scheduled for Feb. 1, then announced as “to be determined,” is now listed on the committee’s Web site for Feb. 12 — the day before the hearing.

Representatives of baseball’s players and owners, meanwhile, plan to meet later this week to discuss recommendations George Mitchell made in his report on baseball’s steroids era, some of which are subject to collective bargaining.

Letters sent by Waxman and House to Clemens, Pettitte and Knoblauch on Jan. 16, requesting their appearances both at the hearing and a pre-hearing meeting, said: “The committee asks that you provide testimony about allegations in Senator George Mitchell’s report — that you and other Major League Baseball players used performance-enhancing drugs during your professional baseball career.”

The Mitchell Report, released last month, included McNamee’s allegations that he injected Clemens with steroids in 1998 while they were with Toronto, and with steroids and human growth hormone in 2000 and 2001 while with New York.

Clemens, a seven-time Cy Young Award winner, has repeatedly denied the accusations.

Pettitte acknowledged performance-enhancing use twice while the pitcher was recoverying from an injury.

**NFL**

No threats for Super Sunday

Authorities have no specific security concerns for Super Bowl XLIII

Associated Press

PHOENIX — The police and federal government are monitoring the Super Bowl as they’re not aware of any specific threat to the event.

A Super Bowl committee official, John Lewis said Monday that authorities have found only what he called a "fairly routine" threat level and that they are not aware of any single-day sporting event in the country, but that they’re being proactive.

"Should anything develop, we’ll react to it," he said.

The FBI released a security threat assessment for the Super Bowl earlier this month saying the event will have a "low" security presence.

"Everything in the United States is included as a possibility, but there has been no credible threat to the Super Bowl," said an FBI spokesman.

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DETROIT — Brandon Inge is angry the Detroit Tigers acquired Miguel Cabrera to replace him at third base.

Inge asked the Tigers to trade him after they made the deal at the winter meetings nearly two months ago, but Detroit hasn’t accommodated him.

"They’re still trying to trade me, but I need to get ready for spring training with the Tigers," Inge said Monday, speaking for the first time since the trade.

"People have said or written, ‘Take your $6 million and be happy sitting on the bench.’ But money doesn’t make me happy — playing baseball does," Inge said.

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Inge agreed to a $24 million, four-year contract last winter. After talking to team president Dave Dombrowski on Monday, Inge said he is ready to move on and begrudgingly accept his role as a utility player.

"The only reason I’m bitter, mad and frustrated is that I’m probably not going to play as much as I have in the past," he said.

Inge played 469 games at third base the past three seasons. The 30-year-old Inge plans to work out with Detroit’s pitchers and catchers beginning Feb. 15 in Lakeland, Fla., where he will get reacquainted with catching, a position he played for 104 games during the 2003 season.

Inge has a shot to be Ivan Rodriguez’s primary backup because Vance Wilson has not recovered from elbow surgery that kept him off the field all of last year.

The versatile Inge also has major league experience at all three outfield positions. He played shortstop and pitched in college at Virginia Commonwealth.

"I’ll play him everywhere but as a pitcher," Tigers manager Jim Leyland said. "I talked to Ingy today and we both agreed that after we discuss his situation during the first or second day of spring training, we’re not going to talk about it anymore and we’re going to make the best of it."

Inge hit .236 with 14 homers and 71 RBIs in 151 games last year, when he had 18 errors and probably twice as many spectacular plays on defense.

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Cabrera’s batting average last season in Florida was .320 and he hit 34 homers with 119 RBIs.

In five seasons with the Marlins, the four-time All-Star batted .273 with 138 home runs and 523 RBIs.

Detroit traded for Cabrera and starting pitcher Dontrelle Willis in early December, dealing six players, including two highly rated prospects: left-hander Andrew Miller and outfielder Cameron Maybin.

Inge, one of the most accessible athletes in Detroit, kept his thoughts to himself for weeks and recently was criticized for it.

"I owe everything to my fans, but it wouldn’t have done me or the Tigers any good to say, ‘I don’t know what’s going to happen,’ or for me to bash anybody about losing my job," Inge said.

Tigers third baseman Brandon Inge secures a high bouncer during a Sept. 14, 2007 game in Minneapolis.

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Judge lengths restraining order

Cleveland — Coach Romeo Crennel has agreed to extension in a two-year contract extension with the Browns, his agent said Monday night.

The Browns, the league's oldest franchise, had two years remaining on the five-year contract agreed to with the Browns in 2005. His agent, Joe Linta, said the sides have agreed in principle on the extension but that it has not yet been signed.

Crennel began the 2007 season on the hot seat after going just 10-22 in his first two seasons. However, Crennel, who won three Super Bowl rings as New England's defensive coordinator before coming to Cleveland in 1999, has the club just missing making the AFC playoffs.

The extension is not surprising. Last month, general manager Phil Savage said the Browns intended to reward Crennel for leading the team around after years of disarray.

"He really deserves an extension," rookie tackle Joe Thomas said. "He did a great job this year. It seems like his plan is kind of taking hold, what he has been talking about when he first got hired.

"It will be nice for him to finally feel the heat from everybody.

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Patriots wide receiver Randy Moss jokes around with teammates Monday at the Patriots' locker room in New England.
**Volleyball defeats MSU in five games**

**Special to The Observer**

Notre Dame won its first match of the season at the House of Noise" against rival Michigan State 3-2 on Saturday.

Fueled by high-powered hitters in middle blocker Tim Draxler and setter Mikhail Goldberg, the Irish offense was going on all cylinders in the first set and raced out to a 25-17 lead.\n
As the two teams traded a verbal lashing by their coach, the Spartans came out for the second set with intensity. An early run by Michigan State left the Irish in a hole for the majority of the game. Despite superb defense by outside hitter Alex Lewis, the Irish were unable to keep up with the Spartans for the rest of the game.

"It's a hole for the majority of the game," said head coach Pete Johnson. "We went back to serve. Following Alex's high kill, we had an opportunity to win that set, but Michigan State was just one point away from winning another set. We were unable to keep our momentum as Michigan State had four kills in a row to advance to the third set, 21-17.

"The Spartans were able to put us away with an outside hitter Alex Lewis, also contributed to the Irish surge to win the third set, 22-26.

Almost the entire draw consisted of ranked scholarship teams and teams just outside the top-20. Notre Dame's draw featured 12 of the top 20 ranked teams, including No. 1 Wichita State, No. 7 Texas, No. 8 Cal and No. 1 Florida State. Sioux Valley State and South Dakota State.

Thirteen of the top-20 women's teams in the country ventured to South Bend, including No. 2 Lindenwood, No. 3 Wichita State, No. 5 McKendree, No. 6 Potosi, No. 7 Penn State, No. 10 Robert Morris and No. 11 Martin Methodist.

The tournament switched venues when the Irish moved to the Chippewa Bowl.

**Skiing**

Notre Dame took to the slopes again this weekend, in the MSCA divisional qualifier at Crystal Mountain, finishing in 12th place overall.

The Irish matched up against Grand Valley State Mountain, Michigan State, Western Michigan, Central Michigan and Ferris State to be able to clack back and close the season. The Irish took one-point lead but needed a little more to create a larger one.

"We are able to play big races on our skis, and they have a small gap in the middle of the field that we are able to close," said Irish head coach Bill Belichick.

On Sunday, Sharbrough finished third in the giant slalom, while Shaw finished in seventh, Dacey in ninth and Coover finished 11th.\n
"Murnane again took third in women's giant slalom, while Voelker placed seventh, Merdy in 10th and Keedy finished 15th."\n
Freshman Nick Detrempe rebounded from a nasty fall in Wednesday's slalom to take one of the top finishes on the day. Senator Shawn Short took fourth overall.

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**Equestrian**

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against UConn was enough to inspire despair in anyone. It wasn’t that Notre Dame fell hopelessly to the top-ranked team in the nation; its defensive play at times was offensive showed signs of life. The Irish managed 64 points against a team that entered Sunday’s game allowing only 46 points per game. It was what makes the loss even more frustrat­ ing.

After Notre Dame got over the shell-shock of watching Huskies junior forward Maya Moore drain four 3-pointers, a jumper and a foul shot in the first five minutes, it got together and fought back. Petry and sophomore center Melissa D’Amico both hit jumpers to tie the score at 21 with 11:12 remaining in the first half.

With less than six minutes remaining in the second half, the Irish philosophy of UConn on four straight possessions. Barlow, Peters, senior guard Charel Allen and Schrader hit jump shots in response to Connecticut’s offensive thrusts.

Granted, UConn led 20 at this point, but at least the Irish battled an offensive surge there, but it wasn’t consistent.

Notre Dame shot 33 per­ cent from the floor and scored only 16 of its 64 points in the paint. That’s a courtesy of a complete reversal from the offense that dropped trips on George Washington last week.

The difference lies in Notre Dame’s ability to get inside. Throughout the game, but especially in the second half, Notre Dame would fire its shots, taking pull-up jumpers on 16-of-24 attempts — rather than setting them up for an off­ defense or hastily driving the lane. It’s difficult to establish into a wall of defense if the Irish couldn’t push the possessions it did set up, at times forcing bad passes and attempting shots too quickly.

Five minutes into the second half, down 13 points, Allen drove the length of the floor and fired an off-bal­ lisp’s attempts an off-balance shot dur­ ing Notre Dame’s 83-64 loss to No. 3 Connecticut Sunday.

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first time I did it, so that made it even better. The goal in men’s basketball is to consistently improve. So I think our team is doing a great job getting better.

But Irish coach Tim Welsh said Bulfin’s great development hasn’t come without more than just talent.

“I told him he’s a diver with a great work ethic that focuses on the team. “He is reaching a peak at exactly the right time. He earns his success and prac­

ices very hard every day. He’s got a great spirit about him and he loves to dive. You can see it when he competes,” Welsh said. “We’re very proud of the success he’s had. And hopefully it will continue for the next couple of months.”

The Irish and Bulfin ended the reg­ ular season in v i t o r i o s fashion, but there is still work to be done with the BIG East champi­ onships just three weeks away.

“We’re starting to really focus on some fundamentals right now,” Bulfin said. “It’s important that we are doing the little things right. Next week we will start to big it on the boards again.”

After careful work and preparation, Bulfin and his teammates will head into the BIG East meet with a 4-6 record, looking to reclaim the title that they won in 2005 and 2006.

The BIG East competition is going to be tough this year, but I think Notre Dame has a great shot at winning it,” Bulfin said. “As a diving team everyone is performing great, and I don’t think it is too far a stretch to think that we could put six guys in the finals this year.”

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do that, that’s when we’re at our best.”

Notre Dame sits at 4-2 in the BIG East, good enough for second place, and has winnable games coming up against Providence and DePaul. Luckily for the Irish, both games are at home, a plus in the chaotic BIG East, which has already seen 14 of 16 teams lose at least three confer­ ence games.

“If you’re a fan, this is unbelievable following the Big East,” Brey said.

“If you’re one of the 16 BIG East coaches, we should have our heads checked for our sanity because this thing is hard to predict.”

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Horoscope

CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY: Lexis Reno, 25; Jason Priestley, 38; Bruce Jenner, 38; John Travolta, 53; Jordan Belfort, 53.

Happy Birthday! Don't let your emotions hold you back when you have so much going for you this year. Don't sit idle when there's so much to do. Select what's important and move full steam ahead. You numbers are 3, 6, 10, 13, 17, 20, 25.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): You need to get away from it all. A place you can relax and ponder over what you want to do in order. Don't let reality change your plans or around you all at work. If so, is it is on set. 3 stars

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Someone may be fulfilling obligations. Don't give it to a charity or cause you know much. Stick to what you know and reframe from overwhelming. A 5-star in the works. 4 stars

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): The power, especially when dealing with colleagues and family. Gemini will be acting high and saying something you'll regret in evident. Places may be on birthdays, greetings and getting along with others. 2 stars

CANCER (June 21-July 22): You've got so much going for you, so don't want it. It's so interesting that you can't. You should be discovering new things that you can turn into a profitable venture. 3 stars

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): You should be concentrating on financial matters, closing deals and finalizing settlements, environments or even finding the top prices. Your calls will come the people who need to do their part. 3 stars

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Things may be up in the air today, especially where partnerships and personal matters come into play. Your personal goals but don't do what you are doing will be

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Take a bold stance, stick to your plans and present a offer. You may not grab everyone's attention but the people who you are doing will be

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 22): Take a bold stance, stick to your plans and present a offer. You may not grab everyone's attention but the people who you are doing will be

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21): Don't even think about spouting off or causing a ruckus. You are better off taking a wait and soon approach and keeping your thoughts to yourself. 2 stars

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Things are moving around you. The deal that appears to be taking so long to play out are now likely to go forward, allowing you the freedom to move on. 4 stars

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19): Be very careful how you do things. Someone may try to engender or engender your mind. 3 stars

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Emotions will be the key to handle. Don't let them overseen what you do to professionally or academically. A partner or someone you like may argue with you or be so disoriented in the absence that will influence you. 3 stars

Birthday Note: You are strong, passionate and have an active mind and imagination. You are adventurous and tend to live on the edge.

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TODAY
**Men's Basketball**

1-2-2 punch

Defensive switch helped Notre Dame beat 'Nova

By CHRIS HINE
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With a week to prepare for Villanova after struggling to put points on the board against Georgetown, coach Mike Brey decided something needed to change if Notre Dame was going to be successful on the road.

"When you have a week to work on things after a tough loss, and I've been in this a while, and you want to maybe adjust some things, but then you're careful that you don't over-coach and change too many things and screw your team up," Brey said. "But I thought we needed some kind of change before we went on the road again."

In looking at how his Irish matched up with the Wildcats, Brey decided the change he needed to make was on the defensive end of the floor, leaving Notre Dame's offensive game mostly intact.

For most of its 90-80 win Saturday, Notre Dame played a 1-2-2 zone, a departure from the 2-3 zone and man-to-man the Irish normally play. Offensively, the Irish were able to take advantage of Villanova's lack of height and play their inside-out game, getting sophomore forward Louderback going.

Irish guards Kyle McAlarney, right, and Tory Jackson, center, double team Wildcats guard Scottie Reynolds during the second half of Notre Dame's 90-80 win over Villanova on Saturday.

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**ND Women's Tennis**

Ciobanu poised with racket

By LORENZO REYES
Sports Writer

Last March, then-No. 2 Notre Dame was on the verge of being upset by No. 23 Duke — until Australian Ciobanu upended Blue Devil senior Tory Zawacki.

"That's when I knew we had a special player in Cosmina," Irish coach Jay Louderback said.

The Irish were winning 3-1 early in the match, but struggled and lost the next two to the Blue Devils. After her match was tied 3-3 in the final set, Ciobanu, now a sophomore, stepped up and won her match — and captured the victory for Notre Dame.

"Duke was a top team, and she played against a very experienced and talented senior," Louderback said. "On top of that, she had the pressure of the whole match riding on her, and was able to pull out a win."

Ciobanu had shown promise as early as October of her

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**Men's Swimming**

Diver makes a splash in team record books

Bulfin won four state titles in high school

By ELLYN MICHALAK and
CHRIS DOYEN
Sports Writers

Junior diver Michael Bulfin is a natural-born diver, but he didn't begin exercising his talent until the age of 13.

"I got into diving through a friend who was on the local club team. I visited the coach one day and jumped off some platforms and decided I could get used to it," Bulfin said.

Shortly after learning of his innate ability to dive, Bulfin attended St. Aquinas High School in Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. The team won four state championships with Bulfin on the roster and has sent three swimmers to the Olympics in recent years. During his four years at St. Aquinas, he set every school diving record.

His decision to attend Notre Dame was influenced by his family background, academics and the chance to be under the instruction of Notre Dame diving coach Caiming Xie.

"My dad graduated from here, and my sister attended here as well," Bulfin said. "Academically it is a privilege to attend here. That, coupled with the fact that Caiming Xie is an Olympic gold medalist and is one of the most distinguished coaches in the world, made it hard to pass up."

Bulfin has made the most of his opportunities at Notre Dame by setting and then again breaking the school record in the 3-meter dive (393.97) in consecutive weeks, a record which was previously held by Irish diver Andy Maggio, who graduated in 2003. Bulfin's family was there to see the diver achieve success.

"It was great breaking those records," Bulfin said. "My parents were at the meet the first time and it was really special."