Forum urges decisive action on sustainability

Panelists discuss U.S. energy situation

By JOHN TIERNEN
News Writer

The United States has the responsibility to do something to make its energy situation more sustainable, panelists at the Notre Dame Forum on Sustainable Energy said Wednesday.

“We’re stuck right now and we’re really not doing anything,” General Electric chairman and CEO Jeff Immelt said. “And as everybody in this room knows, to do something you have to do something.”

The discussion of what exactly must be done to improve America’s energy situation ranged from individuals taking small personal steps to governments working to develop an energy policy. Each panelist echoed Immelt’s theme that action is a necessity.

Each panelist echoed Immelt’s point that this is a major goal for the University of Notre Dame. In response to the concerns of students who live off campus or have been victims of crimes, representatives from the South Bend Police Department (SBPD) and the Notre Dame Security Police (NDSP) met with students Tuesday night in the Dooley Room of LaFortune to offer tips to help students protect themselves.

Panels Majora Carter, founder of Sustainable South Bronx, GE CEO Jeff Immelt, MIT physics professor Ernest Moniz and Colorado Gov. Bill Ritter Jr. discuss sustainability issues Wednesday at the forum.

NDSP, SBPD offer safety tips to off-campus students

Representatives from police departments advise students to follow instincts, trust judgements in confrontations

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Only a handful of students attended the session held by SBPD Crime Prevention Specialist Cpl. Patrick Hechlinski and NDSP Crime Prevention Officer Keri Ke Shibata.

“...I think you need to run, [then] run,” Shibata said. Shibata said that most of the crimes that have been happening to students off campus are “crimes of opportunity,” meaning assaults, laconies, robberies and burglaries that are not always premeditated.

“People may see a person that they think is vulnerable, so they take advantage,” Shibata said. “As individuals, we can reduce opportunity.”

Individuals can take steps to ensure their own safety. “Individuals can do more to protect themselves than police can,” Shibata said.

“We really depend on you guys to be our eyes and ears, to let us know when something is going on somewhere...to protect yourselves and each other,” Shibata said.

SMC starts Weight Watchers program

The program lasts for 17 weeks, with breaks for academic year recesses, so they will meet until the end of February,” Gasior said.

DeCleen said that other students had contacted her about the program, and that students, staff and professors hope to do just that.

Gasior worked with Saint Mary’s Director of Women’s Health Catherine DeCleen to start an “At Work” program.
INSIDE COLUMN

Down on the farm

When asked about their favorite restaurant, most people will respond with a list somewhere really fancy, bi somewhere only the "locals" would know, or el Bruno's, if the person asked is on the Observer staff. My favorite restaurant does not fit into any of those categories. You can have your Italian bistros, your fancy steakhouses, your greasy spoon grub. For me, I'll take the fine home style cuisine of Bob Evans.

If you've talked to me more than once, you know the extent of my love/hate relationship with Bob's. Oh, I like to call it. I will admit, I've worked there for three years, and a 20 percent discount certainly informs my affection for the place. Aside from a manager who hates Notre Dame and a bad ankle from my Show for Crops, my employment was probably the best first job a 16-year-old could get.

The majority of people our age assume Bob Evans is strictly for travelers, families, or members of the geriatric population. False. They also assume Bob Evans is only for breakfast. Also false. I tried to throw in a little The Office homage there, in honor of tonight's season premiere. Yay!

What Bob Evans has is everything. And it is for everyone.

With 196 locations in the great state of Ohio, or roughly one store for every 25,000 residents, Bob Evans has been a part of my extremely fortunate life for a long time. Many of you have never been there. Well, it's time to discover a Midwest treasure.

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Don't forget to tip your waitress — 20 percent or more — because I can guarantee you'll be getting service with a smile. Basically, Bob Evans kicks every other restaurant in the loading dock.

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Philosophy prof talks love

O'Connor dissects human love in 'Ancient Wisdom, Modern Love'

Associated Press

The English novelist and theologian Charles Williams offered what he called a "maxim" for any love affair: "Play and pray; but on the whole do not pray when you are playing and do not play when you are praying." We cannot yet manage such simultaneities.

It's difficult not to share this exasperation when trying to think seriously and carefully about something as disorderly and turbulent as whatever it is that goes on between lovers.

So David O'Connor, associate professor of philosophy at Notre Dame, certainly has work cut out for him. Three afternoons a week, in a fluorescent-lit Nieuwland Hall classroom, he stands before some 200 students enrolled in Philosophy 20214-01, a prayer invoking the enlightenment of the Holy Spirit, and begins to speak about passion- and turbulent as whatever it is that goes on between lovers.

Does it Mean "What Does It Mean to 'Vote Catholic'?" will take place next Wednesday at 8 p.m. in the Student Center Lounge. Political science professor Amy Cavinder will speak.

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"If you keep your property out of sight, it is a lot less likely to be victimized," Shibata said.

"You can keep the victim out of sight... you're a lot less likely to be victimized," Shibata said.

"It's not simply a poll," said Seribner, who composed the meeting.

"We're going to have block parties around South Bend in order to discuss student safety," Shibata said.

"It's easy to grab a cookie on the go and not even notice," said Gari. "You might as well be pitifully low on the totem pole in order to get your voice heard."
Ten killed in Finnish school shooting

KUVAJOKI, Finland — Police released details Wednesday about the victims of a school massacre in western Finland, saying eight old gunman.

The 22-year-old gunman held fire ten times over half an hour before being killed by police at the school where his parents taught. The gunman was a student at the school, living just across the street from it.

A 15-year-old boy told police that the gunman shot his mother in the head.

The National Bureau of Investigation said all the victims died in a single shot. They were students at the school, mostly kindergartens, and were killed in a single attack.

Georgian schools cancel classes

TBILISI, Georgia — Before Georgia’s war with Russia, the parents of Salome Lomadze, a lively 3-year-old with curly hair, were planning to walk her up street to school every morning, starting this month.

But Salome is one of 50,000 Georgian children, government officials say, who won’t be attending classes this fall because their schools — mostly kindergartens — now shelter tens of thousands of people who fled fighting.

Adroa, Russia’s crushing defeat of Georgia’s military in August severely damaged relations between Moscow and the West. In Georgia, a struggling Caucasian Mountains village, 4,000 people created a slow-motion humanitarian crisis, with repercussions far beyond the former battlegrounds.

Obama wants to keep planned debate

NEW YORK — The economic crisis and raw politics threatened to derail the first presidential debate as John McCain challenged Barack Obama to delay the Friday forum and join forces to help Washington fix the financial mess.

Obama rebuffed his GOP rival, saying the next president needs to “deal with more than one thing at a time.”

The White House rivals maneuvered to claim the leadership role in resolving the economic downturn that has overshadowed their campaign six weeks before Election Day. Obama said he would meet Wednesday at the White House while consulting with bailout negotiators and Treasury Secretary Henry Paulson. McCain said he would attend other campaign events to return to Washington and work for a bipartisan solution.

Stroke sufferers benefit from medicine

LOS ANGELES — Stroke sufferers can still benefit from clot-busting medicine even if they receive it an hour or so beyond the current three-hour window after symptoms start, an important new study suggests.

The finding could potentially extend treatment to thousands more people each year and prevent many from being left disabled. However, it does not change advice that stroke victims seek treatment to thousands more people each day at regulations he points out.

Obama rival to accept changes almost daily

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Bush: Fast action to save markets

President invites McCain, Obama, congressional leaders to White House meeting

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metric tons of carbon dioxide equivalent.
The University's construction projects have increased energy consumption.
Mark Kempf, director of Utilities at Notre Dame typically uses more energy than what's considered normal.
"We are generally considered to be higher users of energy per square foot than our peers," he said.

For example, the University consumes nearly 153,000 megawatt hours in one year, enough electricity to power 15,000 residential homes, according to data from the Utilities Department.
The University has been collecting data from all areas on campus. For example, Notre Dame's utilities consumed nearly 900 million gallons of water in the 2007-2008 academic year, according to the same data.

Facilities Operations data show that within the last six months the University community threw away nearly 2,200 tons of non-recyclable waste, which primarily went to the Landfill.

Facilities Operations reports using 89.9 million feet of toilet paper per year, OIT reports that there are 25,000 phosphoryl each day (ranging from computers to handheld devices) connected to Notre Dame's network, and Food Services reports having thrown away millions of tons of food waste from meal trays in one year.

Notre Dame's Office of Sustainability is using these numbers to focus its efforts.

Mazurek said his office has identified seven "core areas" to work on: higher heating and cooling issues; energy, water reduction, design and construction, procurement, transportation, food services and water.

Sustainability will continue to compile baseline data like the carbon footprint that will help to quantify the University's environmental impact. That data will help give a better sense of "where the University stands," Mazurek said.

Energy generation and use

While higher than usual energy consumption is cause for concern, Kempf said Notre Dame's methods of on-campus energy generation are relatively efficient and environmentally friendly.

In fiscal year 2007, the University power plant generated approximately 52 percent of the electricity used on campus using a process called co-generation, Kempf said.
"This process begins with the removal of steam from the first heat exchanger and is then used to drive ... generators to produce electricity," he said. The exhaust steam is used to heat campus hot water or produce chilled water in summer. Coal, oil and natural gas fuel the generation process.

This process has a cycle efficiency of nearly 60 percent, Kempf said, whereas typical generation methods have cycle efficiencies of approximately 30 percent.

Just this week, O'Hara said, a second compactor that was previously used for non-recyclable waste was converted to handle recyclables. He expects other compactors to follow suit as recycling continues to grow.

Starting with a student-led initiative in the 1990s, recycling processes on campus now use single-stream recycling, meaning that recyclables need not be separated.

O'Hara said the University made the switch to single-stream after Waste Management, the contractor that handles waste disposal, was able to accommodate the single stream process.

After personally visiting the recycling center outside Chicago, O'Hara said he was impressed with the machines used to separate recyclables.

He said this assured him that the University had done properly sorted and recycled and the majority of waste should and could be recycled.
"The bottom line is, if you're in doubt, recycle it," O'Hara said.

Assessing the total impact, setting strategic targets

In addition to the data collected on waste, water and energy, the Office of Sustainability is gathering and processing data from the other core areas of procurement, design and construction, transportation, and food services.

After compiling a credible set of baseline data, Mazurek said the Office of Sustainability will develop a set of quantifiable performance targets to work towards.

Mazurek said he is committed to "getting people on board" with the sustainability goals he sets.

"Not being sustainable is not an option," Mazurek said.

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In Brief

Spending bill includes budget, aid
WASHINGTON — The House passed a $630 billion-plus spending bill Wednesday that wraps together a record Pentagon disaster relief spending bill but its standing with the govern­ment disaster victims, and increased health care funding for veterans returning from Iraq and Afghanistan.

The House, responding to growing public demand for more domestic energy, voted Wednesday to end a quarter-century ban on oil and natural gas drilling off the Atlantic and Pacific coasts. The legislation, which senators are expected to approve and send President Bush for his signature, is flying under the White House over offshore drilling a central part of his cam­paign for more domestic energy, voted Wednesday to end a quarter-century ban on oil and natural gas drilling off the Atlantic and Pacific coasts. The legislation, which senators are expected to approve and send President Bush for his signature, is flying under the White House, though coastal states long have worried that offshore drilling might cause spills, soil Ñships and threaten their tourist businesses.

Republican presidential nominee John McCain has made expanded offshore drilling a central part of his campaign, arguing that access to an estimated 18 billion barrels of oil in the off-limits Outer Continental Shelf is essential if the country is to become more energy independent. McCain’s Democratic presidential rival, Barack Obama, also has endorsed limited expansion of offshore drilling, but only as part of a broader energy package that boosts use of alternative energy sources and increases efficiency.

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The cost of inaction is what we face when we fail to act.

The action that the panelists urged will involve all of society.

"We need to solve something this big, we’re going to have to work together," Immelt said. We must solve the problems of the energy crisis requires effort, it is possible, he said.

"Sustainability is a solvable problem. There’s no reason to think that the problem is impossible," Immelt said.

But solving the problems must be accomplished by working through a system, Massachusetts Institute of Technology psychology professor Ernest Moniz said.

"We’ll have to make a very complex system — I don’t mean technologically — I mean politically functional," he said. "We’re sitting here watching ... a train wreck instead of taking action."

Colorado Gov. Bill Ritter Jr., who created the "New Energy Economy" in Colorado, endorses a program he calls the 5 Ks to bring about energy reform. America needs an energy policy that can help us achieve energy security, environmental security, economic security, education and equity, so that "we don’t build our energy policy on the backs of the poor," he said.

Majora Carter, the founder of Sustainable South Bronx, has devoted her career to working on the impact of energy policy on the poor.

"The current environmental crisis has been felt in the photos of our cities for decades," she said. "Whatever economic progress we’ve experienced has come on the back of our nation’s poor."

Building industrial infrastructure was the solution in areas inhabited mostly by the poor causes the poor to be more likely to develop health conditions such as asthma or mental disabilities. It also leads the poor to be more likely to wind up in jail, Carter said.

But organizations like Sustainable South Bronx have the potential to get the poor involved in shaping up their communities, which leads them to feel more hopeful about their role in society, Carter said.

"If you know that you have nothing to offer or anything to gain by being a part of a community, it’s going to happen," she said.

Once former convicts become greener and founding member of Green, they “become alive to the world again.”

"They know that they have traveled from societal burden to environmental heroes," she said.

In her opening remarks, Carter connected the mission of environmental justice to the civil rights movement of the 1960s. What Martin Luther King Jr. “saw in his dream” was a future that was green for us all, my friends,” Carter said.

Much like the civil rights movement of the 1960s, the new movement for sustainable energy is about challenging America, she said.

"You and I are going to change America together," Carter said.

I think you need leadership to engage the public, Immelt said.

"I think you need leadership to the current presidential campaign."

"We need leadership," he said. "The next president has to say clearly what he believes. And there can’t be cavemen."

Senior Lauraes Long, president and co-founding member of Green, echoed the need for leadership in energy teams. "Get out and vote, she advised students.

Long also encouraged students to take a leadership role at the grassroots level.

"Talk to somebody who wasn’t here! about the issues of sustainable energy and their impact on the future," she said.

It’s time for America to step up on the energy issue, Carter said.

"We’re tired of building tribut­ties to all of our collective failures and don’t we want to hold our officials accountable to what’s possible and hopefully?" she asked.

The current absence of an energy policy is an American failure, Immelt said, and this failure has consequences.

"The worst of all is we have no energy policy, no call to arms and that people are afraid," he said. "People have a lot to be afraid about."

What the country needs is for a leader to step up and provide an energy policy, Immelt said. "Right now we have a vacuum and that makes people afraid," he said.

But the energy policy that Immelt suggested would not limit development to certain technologies.

"Let freedom reigns," he said. "I wouldn’t specify. Then the entrepreneurial capital will do its things we’ve never seen before."

Americans can solve this problem," Carter said.

"It’s not like this is the first time America has gone through a crisis, guys," she said, referencing World War II. "We need to call on the great resources we have, including the American people, and expect them to rise to the challenge and the occasion."

For Americans to take action, Ritter said we need to view energy use as something that has an impact.

"We need to think about it in terms of scarcity," he said. "We need to make a case to the people of this country that we have something at stake."

Ritter said he thinks the younger generations need to take ownership of the energy problem. He said one night he woke up and thought, "My children aren’t thinking about climate change right now, they’re out clubbing."

"This is your problem and it’s my problem," he said. "You need to understand you’re part of the solution too."

The energy problem is something that transcend individuals’ backgrounds. While Carter spoke about the issue very emotionally, Immelt said that the closest he ever came to spending time outdoors was on the golf course.

Ritter was a prosecutor running for governor when he realized that "the state of Colorado was doing something we should be doing," he said.

"We stood by and watched." He decided to make energy reform a central component of his campaign, and has found that "people were yearning for this to happen," he told The Observer after the forum.

No matter what perspective the panelists brought to the energy issue, however, they agreed that the issue should be a personal one for students.

"It’s your world," Moste said.

Immelt said students cannot bring any perspective to the energy issue unless they are able to see that their action is necessary.

"Think about this in terms of what’s in your heart and what’s in your head," he said. "If you study what’s going on, you have to conclude that this is what’s important." 

Notre Dame’s Energy Use Forum moderator Anne T. McPhail, the chief-environ­mental affairs correspondent for NBC News (NBC News is a division of NBCUniversal, which is a sub­sidiary of Immelt’s General Electric) announced at the conclu­sion of the forum that Notre Dame, which received a D- in sustainability two years ago, received a B- in the same study released today. The University’s students received an A for their involvement in the forum.

"It’s a great acknowledgement of what we’ve done," Long said about the grade after the forum. "But we’re doing a helluva lot more than that. We don’t think we need to use report cards to evaluate our programs."

Executive Vice President John Affleck-Graves said the analysis for the grade is flawed. He said that of the nine areas graded, Notre Dame received poor marks in "shareholder engagement" and "enforcement transparency." He explained he did not think these two areas should be included, because, "to me, that’s not an environmental issue."

Affleck-Graves praised the students who have taken leadership on energy issues on campus. "They should be an inspiration to everybody," he said.

Aaron Striter contributed to this report.

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Residents return to Galveston after hurricane

Texans return to island after two weeks to find no drinking water, scarce electricity, no medical care or sewer service

Associated Press

GALVESTON — Ten days after Hurricane Ike, this devastated beach town reopened to residents Wednesday with stern warnings about what still lurks on the island — rotting cattle carcasses, snakes and swarms of mosquitoes — and what isn’t: drinking water, reliable electricity, medical care or sewer service.

After spending hours in traffic that backed up for 10 miles, some residents found their homes in ruins.

“I wasn’t prepared for this,” taxi driver Patricia Davis said as she waited away mosquitoes and surveyed the remains of her apartment, which had its entrance blocked by collapsed walls, wrecked furniture and soaked clothing.

City officials hoped most of the 45,000 residents who fled before the Sept. 13 storm would stay away until more repairs could be made.

“We didn’t promise paradise when you came back here. We’ve got a lot of work to do,” City Manager Steve LeBlanc said Wednesday.

The city has limited drinking water, few working sewers, limited electricity and minimal medical facilities. Officials extended the disaster declaration for 90 days.

What Galveston does have is ripening in the tropical heat: Rotting food in piles of debris where houses once stood, millions of mosquitoes and an abundance of snakes. The carcasses of cattle that drowned during the storm are too badly decomposed to be moved; they’ll rot in the fields just outside the city limits.

People were warned not to return without tetanus shots — or rat hair.

“Being here today kind of gives me some closure,” said Anita Arredondo, who found a pile of rubble where her two-story home once stood. “I have not been sleeping well. worried about what we could save and what we couldn’t.”

Ken Holman said he wished city leaders had allowed residents to return sooner because it might have allowed him to save more of his mother’s belongings from the house she lived in for 56 years. The home was inundated by 4 feet of water.

“Just the fact it took us this long to get in here, that kind of hurts,” he said.

The city has opened a shelter for 100 newly homeless residents, and officials hoped to set up more shelters on the mainland for residents whose homes are uninhabitable, LeBlanc said.

The city and the Federal Emergency Management Agency are considering a plan to allow residents to live in FEMA trailers in their driveways or near their houses during repairs. But LeBlanc noted he would want all trailers removed from the island before the start of the 2009 hurricane season.

But progress was slow: The island’s three electrical inspectors and two plumbing inspectors were ordered to inspect every flooded property before allowing residents to turn on the gas or flip an electrical switch. LeBlanc asked other cities to send more inspectors.

“It’s not a healthy and safe place to be at this time,” said Mark Guidry, county health director.

At Ruby Holman’s house, where water lines stained the walls four feet above the floor, daughters Sharon and Ann wore bright yellow gloves and white masks as they carried away buckets of debris, including prized books.

The carpet inside Holman’s home was so soggy, it soaked through everyone’s shoes. The air inside the house was so choked with mold and mildew, a visit could only last a few minutes at a time.

Diane and Eddie Howard found that one of their homes, which they had bought only three weeks ago, was destroyed by fire after the storm.

The other home, which they are trying to sell, was flooded by 8 feet of water, ruining the first floor but sparing many of their personal belongings on the second and third floors.

“I’ve been through all kinds of hurricanes,” said Eddie Howard, who was born on the island 77 years ago. “This is the worst one.”

At least 62 deaths, 27 of them in Texas, were blamed on the Category 2 hurricane and its remnants. The body of a woman who apparently drowned was discovered in a debris field north of Galveston.

Nearly 50 residents are still missing, LeBlanc said. Roughly 45,000 of the city’s 57,000 residents fled Galveston Island, about 50 miles southeast of Houston, along with hundreds of thousands more from other sections of the Texas coast.

Residents of the island’s most severely damaged area, on the island’s west end, were allowed to visit their homes but not permitted to stay.

Gov. Rick Perry toured damaged areas Wednesday and announced a U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development rental assistance program to help hurricane victims.

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Russia emerges in nuclear program dispute

Associated Press

NEW YORK — The U.S. has found an emboldened Russia wielding enormous leverage at a critical stage in disputes over the Iranian and North Korean nuclear programs, a once-promising partnership with Moscow in doubt.

After a month of bitter exchanges over Russia's war with Georgia, Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice came face-to-face Wednesday with Russian Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov and discovered Moscow's cooperation in Iran and North Korea may no longer be a sure thing.

The atmosphere was awkward, but not chilly, for the highest-level contact between the two nations since Russia invaded Georgia in August in a dispute over a separatist border region, according to a senior U.S. official who was present.

"There was not shouting, table pounding or histrionics," said Daniel Fried, the top American diplomat for Europe. But neither Rice nor Lavrov were able to agree on anything beyond general statements of support for the Iran and North Korea efforts.

"This was a polite, thorough exchange of views where the disagreements were quite clear," Fried told reporters. Rice outlined the U.S. position on Russia's war with Georgia while Lavrov repeated Moscow's defense of its military action, he said.

Fried said the United States was unconvinced by Lavrov's arguments and that problems Russia is facing because of its invasion of Georgia "cannot just be wished away."

Speaking to reporters after the meeting, Lavrov said it was not "rocky," adding that both sides had agreed to be pragmatic regarding issues that divided them, such as the brief conflict over Georgia in August.

"We agreed that we must not make this situation a rock on which everything else would hit," Lavrov told an audience at the Council on Foreign Relations.

While Rice did not expect to sway Lavrov on Georgia, she was seeking Russia's support on Iran and North Korea less than a week after she raised the stakes by publicly denouncing Russia's growing authoritarianism and aggression.

With Iran nearing the ability to arm a nuclear warhead and North Korea moving to restart a disabled atomic reactor, the United States needs Russia more than ever in the international efforts to eliminate the threats.

But Russia on Tuesday scuttled high-level talks on imposing new sanctions on Iran that had been set for Thursday between the foreign ministers of the five permanent members of the U.N. Security Council and Germany. Even sanctions opponent China had agreed to the meeting.

U.S. officials, including Rice, have sought to downplay the move, saying the time wasn't right for the session. But they had previously said such a gathering would be useful and necessary to get fourth U.N. Security Council sanctions resolution on Iran.

At their meeting, Rice and Lavrov "agreed that there would come a time for another P5-plus-one foreign ministers meeting" but did not say when that might be, according to Fried who used the formal name for the group.
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It ain’t even being observer

Its official. Being “green” is a full- fledged cultural movement. How can I proclaim this with such uncompro­ ming certainty? Time. Warner Cable Channel 1226: Planet Green. The move­ ment has its own official cable channel (regular and HD). The channel features all kinds of “green” programming, showing hip, cool peo­ ple doing hip and cool projects. From Emirr Lagasse’s organic cooking show to Tommy Lee and Chris “Ludacris” Bridges eco-tour face off, the channel really does make being green look so fresh and stylish. The crowning achievement, however, is “Alter Eco.” Adrian Grenier, of Entourage fame, introduces a few of his friends who are building a fully green house in L.A. They then spend the majority of the show helping other high-end designers “green up” the operation. To their credit, the folks on this show are green machines; they do everything possible to make everything some form of “all-natural” or “environmentally friendly.” Popularizing the movement in this way, through television programs and pop culture trends, paints “green­ ness” as requiring us to drop our way of life to reach eco-friendly nirvana. This is not only inefficient, and a waste of resources — but fairly disheartening to those who feel they are making an effort to do their part.

The truth is, it is easier being green. While there are three primary channels through which action can be taken (comsumerism, government and markets), an average person really only has full control over the first: personal, personal use. Today, however, even taking control over your personal envi­ ronment changes the scale of things. Thousands of new products line the shelves advertising how each is better for the environment than its competi­ tor. There are detergents that are chemical-free, paper that is 50 percent recycled, and cars that advertise they can travel a million miles per gallon. Recently, Terrachoice, an environ­ mentally friendly marketing firm, released a report entitled “The Six Sins of Greenwashing.” In it, they concluded that 99.9 percent of consumer products bearing an environmental/green mar­ keing claim were false or misleading. This isn’t very reassuring to those hop­ ing to save the world one bottle of $8 organic/chemical-free/none/toxic/made of wholesome grain laundry detergent at a time.

My advice: Take all of that, throw it out the window and stick to the basics. Rather, work on and fine-tune your basics. These are the practices that have been espoused by bland public service announcements since you were five years old. Unfortunately, in the flood of personal household solar pan­ els and gutter rain barrels, their rela­ tive importance seems to have dimin­ ished. So to remind us all, here is the short list.

1. Recycle your cans and paper. Currently, paper makes up a full one third of solid waste generated. Over 55 percent of paper is still dumped into landfills rather than recycled. On cam­ pus, with bins in all classroom build­ ings and in each dorm, there is no rea­ son any paper should end up in the trash can. Additionally, only one in four people actually recycle the cans. So that means about eight cans out of a case of Natty. I know this one is harder, but do your best to save the cans and recycle them.

2. Be conscious of your main energy use. Be sure you are using energy efficiently. My advice: Take all of that, throw it out the window and stick to the basics. Actually, the best way to immediately reduce your energy use is to simply unplugging your electronic devices whenever you aren’t using them. Only five percent of energy wasted is avesome charger actually charges the phone.

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Do you ever have recurring nightmares? Some situation you fear that you may not even think about in the midst of busy days, but that rears up again with your unconscious brain letting its guard down in your sleep? Even now, nearly 20 years after the last exam of my educational career, periodically I still have a dream in which I show up for a final only to realize that I somehow neglected to attend the class most of the semester, and am therefore spectacularly unprepared, guaranteed to reveal my stupidity to the professor in a most dramatic fashion.

Many people, even those whom society would consider highly educated, respected and successful in their fields, confess to dreams of this variety. A change of scenery to a feared or coveted situation to be a fraud, clothed in the appearance of power and respectability. They should occur in the early evening and not interfere with class preparation. The Administration is setting a bad example to students and faculty by timing these fora during lecture periods. Perhaps the Administration is too self-righteous and confident to realize that drunk driving is the leading cause of death for half of all drunk driving fatalities. The Administration is setting a bad example to students and faculty by timing these fora during lecture periods. Perhaps the Administration is too self-righteous and confident to realize that drunk driving is the leading cause of death for half of all drunk driving fatalities.

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Ani DiFranco is Back with RED LETTER YEAR

By ANALISE LIBPARI New Editor

Ani DiFranco is back. Granted, she hasn’t really gone anywhere — her new release, “Red Letter Year,” is her most recent release on her independent label — Righteous Babe Records — and her 18th studio album in as many years. Still, “Red Letter Year” is DiFranco’s first studio album in as many years, and for those who are new to her music, it will come as a surprise.

The title track, “Red Letter Year,” opens the album and has a somewhat minor tone. DiFranco opens strong with powerful vocals, a slight electronic edge to the guitar and an effective use of piano. The song nods wryly to the sense of renewal with lines like, “They didn’t mention how much shit was gonna change around here.” Later, she sings, “when you wake up sick as a dog/With dull eyes and really bad hair...and the water is rising/And it’s coming in everywhere/Just remember you were there/You were always there.” She plays with sound sensibilities here, incorporating different effects into the recording. The track also ends on an unexpected note of guitar with shades of orchestration. “Alla This,” the second track, reasserts DiFranco’s feminist ideals. “I will not stand immersed in this ultraviolet curse/It won’t let you make a fool of me/It will keep my mind and body free.” It’s clear with “Alla This” that DiFranco’s songs are deeply rooted in social justice issues.

Time will tell as to the impact of motherhood on DiFranco’s style and sensibility, but any earth mother tendencies feel well incorporated into her style on this album. The album, including help from the Rebirth Brass Band (particularly on the album’s final track, the delightful “Red Letter Year Reprise”), C.C. Adcock and pedal steel player Richard Comeaux. Napolitano has also produced for artists like the Squirrel Nut Zippers and Joseph Arthur.

Morissette, have taken a few leaves from the Ani DiFranco book of songwriting. The song’s “stick-it-to-the-man” feel is empowering, especially in light of DiFranco’s new motherhood.

For a new listener, DiFranco’s vocal style might seem off-putting. Her vocals, like “Red Letter Year’s” itself, have a funny habit of growing on you with additional listens. Tracks like “Round A Pole” are surprisingly better the second or third time around.

Other solid songs include “The Atom,” with its use of the Indian sitar in the background; “Present Infant,” with its sweet mom-daughter themes; “Landing Gear,” with its catchy beat and cascading guitars; and “Red Letter Year Reprise,” an unexpected six minutes of Nola flair to close the album. “Red Letter Year” will be released in stores on September 30.

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Red Letter Year

Label: Righteous Babe
Recommended Tracks: “Emancipated Minor,” “Red Letter Year,” “Alla This” and “Landing Gear”
By MICHELLE FORDICE
Assistant Scene Editor

Not everyone is going to agree with me on this one, but tuna is delicious. Despite the problems having to do with overfishing, an issue that sadly and inevitably affects nearly all of the fish we consume and the research being done concerning mercury levels (though it does seem that consuming tuna in moderation, as long as it is done in moderation, as with all things), I can’t stop myself from eating it. So this week’s recipes are a tribute to the versatility and easily accessible tuna.

This week’s recipes:

**Tuna and Edamame Casserole**

1. Fill a pasta bowl with short pasta, such as fusili (shell), or farfalle (bow tie), or fusili (corkscrew). Top it with one of the dining hall’s Alfredo sauces. (Go ahead and try something slightly to your taste! If you’re left too, such as South’s Ranchero Alfredo sauce. It will give it a different taste, but a good one. You are looking for a creamy sauce.)
2. Add edamame (Boiled soy beans, for those of you who are unfamiliar. If you aren’t a fan, feel free to substitute with a vegetable like peas.), mushrooms, and a cheese you like that matches with your pasta sauce (cheddar is pretty reliable) from the salad bar.
3. Mix ingredients together.
4. Heat it all in the microwave for about 45 seconds to soften the mushrooms, melt the cheese and get it all nice and hot.
5. Enjoy! This tuna casserole, of course, doesn’t get the creamy sauce from baking, but you’ll still get to enjoy the same melted inside. Serve it with some good bread.

**Tuna and Cream Cheese Bagel**

1. Fill a bowl with tuna from the salad bar.
2. Spread cream cheese onto a bagel.
3. Toast a bagel.
4. Spread cream cheese onto both sides of the bagel.
5. Squeeze the lemon into the tuna, add a dash of pepper and mix.
6. Top one side of bagel with lettuce, tomato, cheese and tuna. Close it off with the other bagel.
7. If you like, stick in the microwave for a few seconds to heat it all up.

Quick Tip: The dining hall provides a pretty good tuna salad all set to go. Make yourself a quick salad with spinach, red onion, cheese and olives, top it all off with a mound of tuna and you’re set to go. Or give in and go for the good old tuna sandwich – tuna, tomato, lettuce, cheese and whatever other condiments you enjoy (I like Dijon mustard.)

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**Weekend Events Calendar**

**Thursday:** “Mountaintop Removal” (2007), Brownning Cinema, DPAC

If you’re one of the hundreds of students to participate in one of the University’s Appalachian seminars each fall or spring break, then it’s likely that you’re familiar with the coal-mining process of mountaintop removal. If you haven’t gone on a CSC seminar, maybe if you have, or even if the Forum got you interested in learning more, visit the Browning Cinema tonight for the latest film in the ND Forum Films series on sustainability, “Mountaintop Removal.” Directed by Michael O’Connell, this documentary examines in human terms the relationship between the right or left too, such as conchiglie (shell), or fusili (corkscrew), or South’s Ranchero Alfredo sauce. It will give it a different taste, but a good one. You are looking for a creamy sauce.)
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**Friday:** Dennis Stroughmatt & Creole Stomp at Football Fridays Block Party — 120 Block S. Michigan Street

Dennis Stroughmatt & Creole Stomp is a nationally known band famous for their Louisiana-style music. Their blend of French, Creole, Cajun, Blues and Zydeco style music is heading north to South Bend for the latest in the series of Football Friday block parties being held downtown.

The bandleader, Dennis Stroughmatt, is a Francophone and an expert on French Creole music and culture, often traveling to give seminars and workshops on the French presence in North America. If you’re looking for a night of spirited New Orleans soul, look no further. Tickets are $5 per person, and two-for-one tickets will be sold from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. Friday night. Students can purchase tickets at the College Football Hall of Fame and the South Bend Marriott Hotel.

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**Saturday:** Images from the Era of the French Revolution: Snite Museum of Art

If you’ve got some free time before Saturday’s football game, or if you’re looking for some high art entertainment away from the gridiron, visit the Snite Museum of Art this Saturday.

The Museum is currently featuring an exhibit called "Images from the Era of the French Revolution," a collection of French drawings and paintings that rose out of the turbulent years of the Revolution and the Terror.

The exhibit is inspired by a collaborative conference to be held in the Annenberg Auditorium in October, "New Paradigms for Revolutionary Studies: French-American Colloquium.

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**Sunday:** Mighty Clouds of Joy — Visiting Artist Series; Lentghton Concert Hall

With almost 50 years of experience singing gospel music, and over 30 albums to their name, Mighty Clouds of Joy are legendary for their high praise and religious worship repertoire. Give way to the faith and understanding of the group’s members, whose love for their craft is obvious. "Folks find something in gospel that they don’t find in any other kind of music," Joe Loganhead says about the Mighty Clouds of Joy, told the DPAC Web site. "They know Christ is real — even though they’re never seen Him, because they can feel His presence in gospel music." The latest in the DPAC’s series of Visiting Artists, Mighty Clouds of Joy will perform at 7:30 p.m. on Sunday. Tickets for students cost a mere $5, a solid discount given the $40 price tag for general admission.

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**Dining Hall Dish**

The dining hall only serves it every once in awhile, but make it yourself and you can have it any night you like, and even have the option of putting in some new flavors that you wouldn’t expect.

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Tuna and Cream Cheese Bagel

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1. Fill a bowl with tuna from the salad bar.
2. Pick up lettuce, tomato, slice of cheese (provolone or cheddar both work well) and a lemon wedge.
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Ryan endorses manager for '09 after Rangers' win

Drew returns to lineup for first time since Aug. 17; Red Sox get late run to beat Indians, keep pace with Rays

Associated Press

ARLINGTON, Texas — For Nolan Ryan, it has been a long rookie season as president of the Texas Rangers.

Hired in February to revitalize a team that has won a playoff series, the Hall of Fame pitcher has spent the season evaluating the entire organization and trying to determine what changes need to be made.

But after the home finale Wednesday, a 14-4 victory over the Oakland Athletics, Ryan said he doesn’t anticipate changing managers. Ryan expects Ron Washington to return next season along with general manager Jon Daniels.

"In my mind, they’re going to be back. I have no reason to think differently," Ryan said in a hastily gathered postseason meeting. "I don’t anticipate a change."

Ryan also stuck with Washington after Texas got off to the worst start in team history, 7-16 in April. The team responded by winning seven straight series and got to six games over .500 in early August. Before a slumping finish that ensured the Rangers (77-82) would have their eighth losing record in nine seasons.

"Ron has done a good job. I think he kept the ballclub playing for him under bad conditions in April, and I think he’s played hard for him all year," Ryan said. "With a young club, that’s the thing that you look for, if the team quits on a manager. And this team didn’t do that."

A 12-29 stretch that ended with Monday night’s loss to Oakland ensured a losing record. Texas lost all-Star second baseman Ian Kinsler and outfielder David Murphy to season-ending injuries during that time.

For the home finale, Ian Blaue appeared in his fourth straight game and Matt Harrison (9-31) struck out seven in six innings to become the first Texas rookie left­-hander to win nine games.

"It wasn’t anything that I anticipated," Washington said about his future. "I’ve always had my focus on the field, trying to make sure we can keep this team focused. We didn’t win record-wise, but we dealt with a lot this year."

Harrison was one of seven pitchers who made their major league debut this season with Texas, which used a club-record 55 players (30 pitchers).

While Harrison was a bright spot, Ryan said the emphasis during the offseason has to be pitching — the Rangers had a majors-worst 5-4 ERA. But he doesn’t expect the team to be in the big-spending sweepstakes for expected free agents like CC Sabathia and Ben Sheets.

The only AL starters with more victories than Harrison since he made his major league debut July 8 are Cleveland’s Cliff Lee (10-1) and Toronto’s A.J. Burnett (10). Blaue’s three-run homer, his 13th, erased a 1-0 deficit in the fourth and put Texas ahead to stay. After Blaue was hit by a pitch to start the sixth, Nelson Cruz homered for the next pitch to chase Dana Eveland (9-9).

Travis Mettalphom and Michael Young went 4-4 for 4-4 with a walk for Texas, which has a 3-51 game lead over Oakland for second place in the AL West with three games left for both teams.

After missing 91 games this season because of injuries and playing only 58 games last year, Blaue isn’t certain of returning with the Rangers. The club has a $6.2 million option for 2009, or a $250,000 buyout, on the two­-time All-Star third baseman who switched to first because of shoulder problems.

But Blaue is showing he can still hit, going 17-for-37 over the last 10 games. He has a streak of six consecutive games with an extra-base hit, a run scored and an RBI.

Blaue’s return came off left­-hander Eveland, who didn’t allow another homer to a left­-handed hitter in his 29 starts this season.

"I got into trouble with the home run. I gave up some hits on some pitches I thought were pretty good. I can’t make a mistake against this league," said Eveland, 6-foot-8, 260-pound blonde.

Texas pitcher Matt Harrison throws a pitch during the Rangers’ 14-4 win over Oakland Wednesday. Harrison threw six innings giving up two runs and striking out seven.

"They can swing the bats," said Eveland, donning a platinum blonde wig and female police officer’s outfit.

The costume was part of the hazing of 17 Oakland As, who were dressed in female costumes for the trip from Texas to the West Coast.

The last batter Eveland faced was Cruz, whose 422-foot homer to left-center made it 7-2 with no outs in the sixth. Texas added six more runs against two relievers, including an RBI single by Blaue and Josh Hamilton’s two-run double that snapped his 15-game drought without an RBI and upped his season total to 126.

Jack Cust hit his 32nd home run, a solo shot, and had his 192nd strikeout, seventh of the major league record set last season by Philadelphia’s Ryan Howard.

Darin Barney hit his 15th home run and scored twice for the As.

Red Sox left fielder J.D. Drew runs to first base during Boston’s 5-4 win over Cleveland Wednesday.

Red Sox right fielder J.D. Drew returns to first base during Boston’s 5-4 win over Cleveland Wednesday.
**Women's Soccer Top 25**

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**NFL**

Giants wide receiver Plaxico Burress extends for a first down while being forced out by Redskims safety LaRon Landry during New York's win on Sept. 4. Burress will sit out the Giants' next game against Seattle.

**Burrss suspended for 1 game**

Associated Press

**EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J.** — A yearlong ankle injury could not keep Plaxico Burress out of the New York Giants' lineup last season. The lack of a telephone call this week apparently is going to cost him a game and more than $235,000.

Less than a month after handing the man who caught the winning pass in the Super Bowl a new $35 million contract, the Giants on Wednesday suspended Burress for a game for missing a prac-

cise and not calling to explain his absence.

Burress' agent insisted the nine-year veteran had an undisclosed family emergency on Monday and will appeal the ban to the NFL Players Association.

"We have had success here because of the team concept," Giants coach Tom Coughlin said in dis-

cussing the suspension, which was handed down during a bye week for the Giants (3-0). "And the team concept means basi-
cally that everyone is accountable and responsi-

ble and that we don't let the other guys down. And that is what we are trying to do."

As part of the suspen-

sion, Burress will not be allowed to practice until after the Oct. 5 game against the Seattle Seahawks. That means he will miss two weekly pay-

checks, totaling $235,294.12 of his $2 mil-

lion annual base salary.

The Giants refused to say why Burress was sus-

pended, but agent Drew Rosenhaus claimed Burress had a family emergency that has now been resolved.

Rosenhaus said Burress spoke with Giants director of player development Charles Way on Monday evening, but he added there was "miscommuni-

cation" between the player and the team.

When asked specifically why Burress did not tele-

tphone the team or answer repeated telephone calls Monday to discuss the absence, Rosenhaus avoid-

ed answering the question. Burress has had other problems with the Giants since signing as a free agent in 2005. He was benched for the opening quarter against San Diego early in 2005 for being late for a meeting. He said his wife was pregnant and he went with her for a test. Coughlin and general manager Jerry Reese informed Burress of the suspension Wednesday morning before the team held practice.

**IN BRIEF**

**Sore shoulder sidelines Pettitte for season**

TORTONO, N.Y. — New York Yankees pitcher Andy Pettitte is done for the season because of a sore left shoulder.

"It's giving me a little trouble," Pettitte said. "I've thrown enough innings. There's not any sense in going out and continuing to kill myself too, to push myself through anything."

Pettitte had an MRI exam on his shoulder earlier this month, revealing no major damage. He won his last start on Sunday night, beating Baltimore in the final game at Yankee Stadium.

The 36-year-old Pettitte went 14-14 in 33 starts and threw 204 innings. His 4.54 ERA was his highest since 1999, when it was 4.70.

New York was eliminated from postseason contention Tuesday night when Boston beat Cleveland 5-4.

**Tigers reliever Jones announces retirement**

DETROIT — Tigers reliever Todd Jones is retiring, he announced in his own column in the Sporting News.

"So this is it," he wrote in the late-

est issue of the magazine. "If you're a Tigers fan, I'll never stress you out again. If you're not a Tigers fan, you'll never have me as your ace in the hole, convinced I'll blow a lead against your team."

The 40-year-old Jones went on the disabled list in late July with an injured right shoulder. He was acti-

vated for one game in mid-August, gave up five unearned runs, and went back on the DL.

Jones was 4-1 with 18 saves in 21 chances this year and a 4.97 ERA.

Jones has 319 career saves with Detroit, Houston, Minnesota, Colorado, Boston, Cincinnati, Philadelphia and Florida. He's 14th on the all-time list and his 235 saves for Detroit are a team record.

**Packers Harris has "serious" spleen injury**

GREEN BAY, Wis. — Cornerback Al Harris has a "serious" spleen injury that requires a cautious approach, but he hasn't been ruled out for the rest of the season, Packers coach Mike McCarthy said Wednesday.

"I'm hopeful he'll be back," McCarthy said. "The time frame just hasn't been established."

Harris was injured in the first quarter of Green Bay's loss to the Dallas Cowboys on Sunday night. The injury is believed to be a rupt-

ured spleen, which sidelined them Tampa Bay quarterback Chris Simms for the rest of the season in 2006.

Harris, one of the Packers' top defensive players, won't be able to do any significant physical activity for at least a week and will not play in Sunday's game at Tampa Bay. Harris led left Sunday night's game in the first quarter after he collided with Packers linebacker A.J. Hawk.
Lions fire President Millen

Associated Press

ALLEN PARK, Mich. — Matt Millen insisted he would stick with the tough job of turning the Detroit Lions into a winner instead of returning to the broadcast booth to make easy money. So the Lions got rid of him. Finally.

The Lions fired Millen seven-plus years after the acclaimed TV analyst and Super Bowl-winning linebacker took over as team president for one of the NFL’s mediocre franchises and made it the worst.

"I have relieved Matt Millen of his duties effective immediately," Lions owner William Clay Ford said in a statement Wednesday afternoon.

Messages seeking comment were left on Millen’s cell phone.

Millen’s teams won a league-low 31 games since he took over in 2001, but his boss refused to get rid of him until now.

Bill Ford, son of the team owner’s son in 1964, the Lions have won their first seven years. The Lions last won a playoffs game in 1991 and lost the NFC championship game. They are 2-3 this season.

"Finally," Ford told reporters.

"It’s the happiest day of my life."

Millen said when Millen was hired. "I’ve been pretty much stuck on dead center for quite a few years," William Clay Ford said when Millen was hired. "Matt offers us an opportunity to move ahead."

Coach Rod Marinelli will be left with the task of salvaging something from the final 11 games of the season. But be and the players haven’t inspired much confidence with an NFC-worst 10-25 record since 2006. Ultimately, the Lions are left with Millen’s mess that led to a pitiful era that compares only to Tampa Bay’s 12 straight double-digit loss seasons from 1983-94.

This offseason was productive and the practices were great, Millen and Marinelli insisted, but that didn’t make a difference on Sundays.

The Lions are winless, and 1-0 dating to last season. The latest loss at San Francisco dropped Marinelli to 2-15 on the road and dropped the Lions to 8-60 as visitors with Millen in charge.

The former Penn State stand- out was an NFL linebacker from 1980-91 with the Raiders, San Francisco 49ers and Washington Redskins. He won the Super Bowl four times.

FoxSports.com was the first to report Millen’s departure.

Lions fans have been calling for Team President/CEO Matt Millen to be fired for several years, including at the Dec. 16, 2005 "Millen Man March" in Detroit.

Associated Press

"I can’t finish something that I started. That bugs me. I’ve got to get this finished."

"This gray hair shows how much I care. Look at me. I look like Kato Kring.

"The Lions’ front office will now be led by executive vice president Tom Lewand, who will report to the owner on business issues, and new general manager Martin Mayhew, who will report to the owner on football matters."

"These decisions are for the duration of the 2008 season," Ford’s statement said. "Once the season is over, we will undergo a thorough and comprehensive evaluation of our entire football operation and put together a plan that we believe will transform this team into a winner."

William Clay Ford also has been the target of criticism because since his first full season in 1964, the Lions have won only one playoff game. He has hired and retained people to lead the franchise, such as Fluss Thomas and Millen, who weren’t able to build a consistent winner.

In a rare interview late in the 2003 season, the owner said he hadn’t considered firing Millen.

"I want him. I don’t need any more reason than that," he said.

The tipping point might have been public comments made by the owner’s son. Lions vice chairman Bill Ford said Millen should leave the team, and the Ford Motor Co. executive chairman said if he had the authority, he would make moves.

"I think the fans deserve better," Bill Ford told reporters. "And if it were in my authority, which it’s not, I’ll make some significant changes."

His father finally agreed that Millen had to go.

Drivers of vehicles whizzing past the Allen Park facility beeped their horns and gleefully yelled out about the end of the Millen era.

Eddie Gates drove through the team’s parking lot in his mini-van as his girlfriend, Sue Stanton, held a sign, "Millen Must Go To Get a Super Bowl," out the window.

"I’ve been a season-ticket holder for 28 years and because they fired Matt Millen, I’m going to renew," said Gates. "This is the happiest day of my life."

"I’m willing to stake my reputation on Matt’s success," Bill Ford said after Millen was introduced at a news conference in January 2001.

Millen was the team’s first general manager since Thomas left in 1989. The Lions allowed their coaches — Wayne Fontes, Bobby Ross and Gary Moeller — to run the football operation after Thomas resigned.

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Omens abounding as baseball playoffs near

Associated Press

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Olympic Gymnastics

Chinese investigation to include 2000 squad

Associated Press

China's gold medal gymnasts aren't the only ones whose ages are getting a closer look.

The investigation into the eligibility of the Chinese women's team in Beijing has been expanded to include the 2000 squad, which won the bronze medal in Sydney. The Associated Press was raising questions about whether Yang Yun and Dong Fangxiao, in particular, were old enough to compete.

"If we had a look at all the articles that came before, during and after the games, there were always rumors about the ages of China's athletes in Sydney," Andre Gueisbuhler, secretary general of the International Gymnastics Federation, told The Associated Press on Wednesday.

"We did not have another choice," he said. "If we want to remain credible, then we have to look into things."

No other Chinese teams are being investigated, Gueisbuhler said.

"At this moment in time, we just have concerns about 2000 and 2008," he added.

The investigation is ongoing, a month after the Beijing Games ended, and is believed to be complete for when it will be finished.

"It’s a work in progress," said Emmanuelle Moreau, spokeswoman for the International Gymnastics Federation.

"The work is not finished yet. The file remains open for all the years."

A number of gymnasts have been contacted. The Chinese government has already verified that all the gymnasts were old enough to compete, and that all of its gymnasts were old enough, and they had not cheated.

"If they do not have enough, they will not be able to compete," Gueisbuhler said.

But Chinese officials insisted Wednesday's report was unvalid — that all of its gymnasts were old enough, and they had not cheated, as each of the gymnasts was old enough. The FIG and IOC hopes the two London-based teams will be able to review the gymnastics files.

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between this year and years past is that her confidence is extremely high right now, she's playing that way and I think she's got the confidence of the team and she's been strong in every-thing she's been able to do," assistant coach Dawn Greathouse said.

The junior has turned her game from being strictly a shot stopper to an all-around keeper. And her consistency as an all-around keeper has proven itself as the season has progressed helping the Irish maintain a perfect 8-0 record.

"It's really just being consistent on the little things and then a little bit more able to pull out the big game winning save, and I think she's been able to do that and she has done that," Greathouse said. "And when you're able to do those things it really radiates to the entire team and it sets a tone and a mentality and I think that has a lot to do with how well the team has done overall when you have that kind of confidence in your goalkeeper, you just play that much stronger, and I think our defense as a whole feeds off that mentality."

And Lysander knows she's gotten better with time.

"Every aspect of my game has gotten better but has gotten sharper," she said. "Handling definitely was a big thing, just catching the ball cleanly and coming out on crosses, and just being a presence in the box."

But Lysander says points out she's had help in front of her. The Irish defense, led by senior captain Carrie Dew, has kept opponents' shots on goal to a minimum. In their 3-1 win over Penn State, the Irish allowed only four shots on goal, and Lysander came up with three saves.

"The defense is absolutely amazing, they make my job a million times easier than it should be," Lysander said. "They don't even let shots get off." But Lysander says Desires credit for all the saves she has made — ones where she's come off the line to turn the game around.

"She's been able to pull out some great saves and be consistent, and that's all we ever ask of our keepers." Dawn Greathouse Irish assistant coach

"I don't think any team so far this year has been able to handle her," Clark said.

"Now he just needs to go and find his goals." Indeed. Four goals in seven games is hardly a goal-scoring drought, but what the Irish really need from Dike will be goals in the key moments. With 2.6 goals per game so far this season, Notre Dame has proven it can score against middle-of-the-road teams. When Connecticut, Maryland or Wake Forest come calling, though, the Irish attack will be put to the test. Dike is the player most likely to break through.

"The extent to which he does so will play a large part in how far Notre Dame goes this season." The views expressed in this column are those of The Observer and not necessarily those of The Observer.

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into the box. Additionally, Notre Dame's balanced scoring attack has tended to dry up and become imbalanced against the stiffest competition. Last season, in their six games against top-20 teams, the Irish scored only seven goals — well below their season-average of 1.5 goals per game. One player, graduated star Joseph Lapira, scored five of those seven goals.

And that brings us back to Dike.

The Irish hope to improve upon the past two seasons and reach the program's first-ever Final Four, they need Dike to be a game-changing presence and the motor that runs their offense. The teams competing with Notre Dame for those Final Four births will all be well-organized and extremely talented defensively. Often, breaking through those defenses depends on a moment of individual brilliance — moments that Dike can provide.

The Irish failed to score in both of their games this year against top-ten opponents — a scoreless draw with No. 4 St. John's and a 3-0 season-opening loss No. 9 Akron — yet it was Dike that looked most dangerous in each contest. Dike led the team in shots in both games, and Clark went as far as to single out Dike's performance as one of the lone bright spots against the Zips.

"I don't think any team so far this year has been able to handle him," Clark said.

Senior forward Bright Dike delivers a header during Notre Dame's 4-2 home victory over Marquette on Sept. 11.

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**Cycling**

Lance looking to prove he's clean

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Lance Armstrong is chasing an eighth Tour de France title and an elusive feat: persuading everyone he's clean.

As Armstrong reunites with his ex-friend and Astana team director Johan Bruyneel, the man behind his yellow jersey, he's also adding a new member to his support group; Anti-doping expert Don Catlin has been hired to test Armstrong anymore, anywhere — and to post the results online for the world to see.

"I think it's the first time an athlete can actually be totally validated on the chance he's successful," Armstrong said Wednesday. "In my opinion, Don Catlin is beyond reproach." Armstrong revealed details of his comeback two weeks after saying he would end a three-year retirement. He'll ride for Astana and will compete in the Tour Down Under in Adelaide, Australia, in January.

The setting was the Clinton Global Initiative, the annual meeting of former President Bill Clinton's foundation. Armstrong held a news conference to talk cycling after announcing a new worldwide campaign to fight cancer before an audience of political and corporate leaders.

As he described his 2009 Tour plans, the 37-year-old Armstrong sometimes made it sound as though this was more a publicity move to raise awareness about the fight against cancer than a legitimate shot at winning an eighth title.

"I think we're sure we'll have success with the movement, because we need it," he said in an interview with The Associated Press, "but I'm not sure I'll be the fastest cyclist in the world."

Astana was banned from this year's Tour because of past doping violations. But Pat McQuaid, the leader of cycling's governing body, said he believed the team would be allowed to return in 2009.

The Astana Group, which owns the company that organizes the Tour, has confirmed in writing to UCI that Astana is on its list of teams "that they say are guaranteed to ride in the Tour de France in 2009 and 2010," he told the AP.

Tour director Christian Prudhomme didn't respond to messages.

The makeup of the 2009 Astana team is unclear. Alberto Contador, the 2007 Tour de France champ, suggested in AS newspaper last week that the two elite riders couldn't coexist on the same team.

In a statement released by Astana on Wednesday, Contador was conciliatory but did not commit to remaining on the team.

"Right now people are looking to make up controversy, but honestly I have no ill will towards Lance," he said. "I identify with his passion for the sport. He has certainly been a role model for me and others throughout the world, and I imagine leaving him on Team Astana will only motivate me further."

Contador, signed with Astana through 2010, won the Spanish Vuelta on Sunday. Combined with his 2008 Giro d'Italia title, he became just the fifth cyclist to win the three highest-regarded Tours.

"I think there's room for all of us on that team," Armstrong said.

Another Astana rider, American Levi Leipheimer, is a former Armstrong teammate with U.S. Postal Service.

"He will make everyone on the team better, and that is a good thing," Leipheimer said from the cycling world championships in Varese, Italy.

Armstrong also hopes to improve the next generation of cyclists, starting an under-23 team that will include 18-year-old Taylor Phinney, the son of 1984 Olympic medalists Connie Carpenter-Phinney and Davis Phinney, finished seventh at the Beijing Games in the individual pursuit. Axel Merckx, son of cycling great Eddy Merckx, will lead the development team.

Armstrong, the greatest rider of his generation, is counting on Catlin to help cement his legacy. Catlin will be paid by Astana, but McQuaid had no problem with that.

"I would have every faith that the results that he will find will be correct and transparent," McQuaid said in a telephone interview. "He wouldn't suffer fools, and he wouldn't be a man that would be involved in anything unethical or incorrect."

Catlin oversaw testing for anabolic agents at the 1996 Atlanta Olympics and ran the country's first anti-doping lab at UCLA for 25 years. He now runs Anti-Doping Research, a nonprofit organization he founded to research performance-enhancing drugs, uncover new drugs being used illegally and develop tests to detect them.

Armstrong said he didn't know what kinds of tests Catlin would use.

Catlin did not immediately return messages and e-mails left by The Associated Press.

"I think this will be the most advanced anti-doping program in the world," Armstrong said.

"I'm going to talk about it today, beyond today. I'm not going to tell you how clean I am, and I'm not going to intimate how dirty the others are.

"I'm going to ride my bike, I'm going to spread this message (about the fight against cancer) around the world, and Don Catlin can tell you if I'm clean or not."

Kazakh Cycling Federation deputy chief Nikolai Proskurin said Armstrong agreed to ride for the Kazakhstan-based team for free the first year and has signed up to take part in five races. Armstrong wouldn't rule out competing beyond 2009, but for now that's all he's committed to.

His goals for his charitable work are clearer. Armstrong plans to hold a global summit on cancer in Paris after the Tour. He hopes to draw nearly a dozen world leaders, including the next U.S. president. His schedule in the months leading up to the Tour will be influenced by the campaign to expand his foundation's fight against cancer to underserved parts of the world.
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Ryder Cup casts shadow over FedEx Cup finale

Associated Press

ATLANTA — Chad Campbell tipped over a small bucket of balls Wednesday and hit 3-irons across the pond on the practice green at East Lake, none quite as true as the one he struck five days ago at Valhalla that earned a crucial point in the Ryder Cup.

Campbell, the last player to qualify for the 30-man field at the Tour Championship, will be the first to see off Thursday. He'll understand if his game doesn't arrive until sometime later in the week.

"It's going to take a few days," he said. "I think once the tournament gets going, I'll be good to go. But everybody is a little bit worn out. There are some guys here who are fresh. I just don't think you can name any of them who were at the Ryder Cup."

Ten Americans who were spraying each other with champagne on Sunday are trying to remind themselves that this, too, is a big week. The Tour Championship features a $7 million purse, and for many players, their final PGA Tour event of the year.

The only two missing at East Lake from the U.S. team are J.B. Holmes and Boo Weekley. Sergio Garcia is the only Ryder Cup player from Europe who qualified for the Tour Championship.

"It is different," said Hunter Mahan, who made his Ryder Cup debut going unbeaten in five matches. "It's weird going through that and then having to come to such a big event like this. We get a couple days to kind of fall back to earth and just get back to the grind a little bit, so it should be good. It may take a round or two to actually get back into the flow of playing tournament golf again."

The Ryder Cup is only one component that has taken the sizzle out of the FedEx Cup finale.

A new points system during the PGA Tour Playoffs brought the kind of volatility the tour wanted, but it knocked out several players that otherwise would have had a right to be at East Lake.

Padraig Harrington missed the cut in his first two playoff events, and for that he becomes the first PGA Tour member to win two majors in one year and still not qualify for the Tour Championship. Arriving missing is Adam Scott and Geoff Ogilvy, along with the Weekley, who might be the most popular man in golf these days for his antics and shaming during the Ryder Cup.

For the drama over who wins the FedEx Cup and the $10 million prize?

They could have started engraving Vijay Singh's name on the trophy two weeks ago. He won the final two playoff events, and now only has to complete four rounds at East Lake to capture the FedEx Cup. Rivering stuff.

"It's nice to know that all you need to do is finish the round," Singh said. "It's been kind of strange in a way that your friends and your family and your trainer keep saying, 'Don't over exercise. We'll have to just keep it nice and easy this week.' Gets in your head a little bit."

It's hard to blame the tour for someone as talented as Singh winning two straight tournaments, just as Tiger Woods won two straight events last year to take the drama out of the final week.

"Honestly, if you look back and think about it, every system could have provided a very exciting finish," Jim Furyk said. "You just had a player — Tiger Woods goes out and wins twice and finishes second. You had a player that separated himself. This year, even though the system was totally different, it could have provided a really exciting finish. It did not."

Furyk at least is motivated by trying to pick up his first victory of the year, a goal that applies to 15 other players in the field, such as Steve Stricker, Ben Curtis, Mahan, Campbell and Trevor Immelman.

Even someone like Singh, who won the Tour Championship in 2002, wants to finish off the season with another win.

"This is a big event for us," he said. "Two years ago, three years ago, this was one of the major events on tour That's the way I still look at it."

But his comment was telling.

Is the Tour Championship no longer one of the big events on the PGA Tour? It sure doesn't seem like one now, with one guy assured of the FedEx Cup simply by showing up, a field that includes first-timers Kevin Sutherland and Ken Duke, and a bunch of Americans suffering from Ryder Cup hangover.

What once was considered golf's version of the All-Star game has all the atmosphere of a corporate outing.

And just imagine if the Americans had lost the Ryder Cup.

Two years ago, a World Golf Championship was held in London a week after the Ryder Cup. Furyk recalls being angry about losing, and after taking a day off, getting back to work to fix what was wrong.

"Any time I've had a close call or lost in a playoff, it's usually about a day or two and then I get back to work," he said. "After you have a big win on tour, it's a little bit of a hangover the next week, and emotionally, it's tough to get up and get ready."

The tour brought this problem on itself, and for that, 10 Americans are thankful.

Remember, the Tour Championship was supposed to be the week before the Ryder Cup, but PGA Tour commissioner Tim Finchem agreed to move it back two weeks so the Americans (and some Europeans) would have a little bit of time for the event that doesn't pay a dime.

Finchem said he expects a good week and big crowd, and it helps this Sunday round will be played early, so as not to conflict with the NBC broadcast of Notre Dame football.

Thankfully, Georgia plays Alabama on Saturday night.

In the meantime, he said changes to the FedEx Cup appear imminent.

"We've got to have a climactic finish," Finchem said. "It's going to build to a finish."

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doesn't look to be a factor against Badin.

"Farley's win was very impres­sive on Sunday," Bul·ling captain
and quarterback Katie Rose. "But we're looking
to prevent big plays from their
offense and senior safety Kelsey
Young will play a big part in
doing that.

Rose is also very confident in
the Bullying's wide receiver
 corps.

"We have great receivers in
Carla Brown, Izzy Cooney, and
Courtney Raines," she said.

Despite both Fernandez and
Cooney being freshman, Rose
expects them to be an integral
part of the passing game and
continue to have an impact
throughout the season.
Fernandez caught a touchdown
pass in Bullying's 6-6 tie with
Brown-Phillips in their previous
game.

With their last game ending in
a stalemate, Hackney was eager
to finally put a game in the win
column.

"After the tie on Sunday, we're
looking to go out and get our first
win of the season," she said.

Walsh vs. Pangborn

Both Pangborn and Walsh will be
looking to rebound from
shutout losses when the two meet
again at 9.

Both teams are young and their
inexperience played a key role in
each team's respective losses last
week.

Pangborn lost 14-0 to Welsh
Family, but the coaches seem
pleased with the effort, especially
on the defensive side of the ball.
Middle linebacker Andrea
Rupdale led the defensive push,
slowing the vaunted Welsh
Family offense.

"The defense was solid and
carried us last week," Phocons
coach Ryan Bell said. "Welsh
Family has one of the best offen­s
es in the league and we were
able to contain them."

He also mentioned that while
defensive coordinator Mike Perry
was pleased with results of last
week's game, he wants to see
more emotion.

"Perry is looking to create a
Sergio Brown, "Crush me up" type
of intensity on the defensive side
of the ball," Bell said.

Despite the defensive effort, the
Phocons failed to score any points,
making the offense this week's
prime focus.

"We have been working on get­
ing the offense on the same
page," Bell said. "We have to be
able to take advantage of the
opportunities we are given."  

Like their opponents, the Wild
Women will be looking to put last
week's loss behind them.

Walsh lost to Farley 26-0 but
showed encouraging signs on the
offensive side of the ball. Despite
failing to score, sophomore quar­
terback Amy Longnecker was
able to move the ball down the
field and find the open receiver
effectively. Longnecker and the
rest of the offense will work on
completing their drives and find­ing
big plays from up on the
corps.

The Wild Women also hope to
see improvement in their fresh­
man athletes, many of whom got
their first game experience in the
loss last weekend. With some
game experience the Wild Women
hope to look more aggressive and
physical on the field.

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Kaelin

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well in each and every match,
as opposed to having flashes
here and there.

"I think I need to play a little
bit more consistently," she said.
"I've had some really good
matches and also some match­
es where I didn't play up to my
potential."

Kaelin also pointed out that
the message of consistency
translates to her team's play as
well. The Irish have shown that
they can play with anyone in
the country, like when they took
No. 4 California to five sets. But
they also have let a few match­
es get away, such as Sunday,
when they allowed Western
Michigan to come back and win
after being down by two sets.

"I think that in sports, we've
played some really good vol­
leyball," Kaelin said. "I think we
just need to work on our
consistency."

Consistency will be crucial as
Kaelin and the Irish hope to
improve on last season, which
she considered to be largely
unsuccessful. The Irish
finished with a final record of
15-13 and fell to Louisville in
the second round of the Big
East tournament.

"I think last year we see us
somewhat of a disappointment
because we didn't reach the
goals that we had set," Kaelin
said. "But I feel that it's also like
a learning experience. We don't
want to be there again.

Kaelin said she
used last sea­son's shortcomings
as motivation during the
spring and sum­mer months to
make sure that this year had a
different outcome.

"In the summer we really hit
the weight room hard," she said.

Now, Kaelin is focused on just
e one thing on her mind: making
Notre Dame a dominant force
in the Big East.

"Going into the Big East this
weekend," she said. "One of our
big goals is to go undefeated in
the Big East."

The graphic design major
knows exactly what she has
to do to get the Irish to that goal.

"I think I need to have strong
hitting performances every time
I go on the court," she said.

"Also, I need to play pretty
good defense, especially on the
front row, doing some good block­ing.

"We're going to show that
Notre Dame is a force in the Big
East."

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**Women's Interhall**

**Lewis to open with Welsh Fam; Farley looking to dominate**

By **CHRIS WYNKOOP**, **RYAN O'KEEFE**, and **MATT WILSEY**

Sports Writers

As Irish Family looks to build off a solid performance, Lewis is eager to prove what it can do when the teams collide tonight at 7 p.m. at McKeever Fields.

The Whitwinds are coming off a 1-0 victory over Pangborn Sunday. Welsh Fam captain Jenni Gargula attributed the win to both a sizzling defense and a proficient passing game.

"We were solid on both sides of the ball," Gargula said. "On offense, both our touchdowns were through the air, and all our receivers contributed." Gargula said she believes the attitude of the team is also an important factor.

"We are confident going into every game," she said. "Regardless of who we're playing, we think we can go out and win." The Whitwinds will face a Lewis team that also has great confidence in its passing attack but has not yet played a game.

"Going into the season, I would say that our passing will be our biggest asset on offense," Chicks captain Katie Sushinsky said. "We are returning our quarterback and many of our receivers from last year, and they have great chemistry." Sushinsky said the team has been practicing very hard for this game on both sides of the ball and on special teams.

"We believe, with the experience we've gained this year, we can go out and dominate," Farley said.

"We've had several practices this week, doing a lot of scrimmaging and finalizing our playbook," Sushinsky said. "We're definitely ready." The prospect of facing a dangerous team in Welsh Fam does not seem to be fazing Sushinsky or the Chicks.

"We're not afraid of Welsh Fam," she said. "We're going to do what we need to do to go to the Stoudium." Farley vs. Badin

Farley will try to maintain its undefeated record tonight when it takes on Badin tonight at 8 p.m.

"We have a really strong team," Farley said. "But we're primed for a strong season, but we have some big games coming up." see **UNBEATEN**/page 26

**Men's Soccer Commentary**

**Irish may have Bright future**

By **ALEX BARKER**

Sports Writer

In seven games so far this season, senior forward Bright Dike has scored four goals — not bad for someone who didn't play a minute last season.

But Notre Dame will need more from Dike this year. As Irish coach Bobby Clark has said many times, it takes a complete squad to win, especially after the big loss in the first game.

"You can't push him around, so that causes defenders a lot of problems," Clark said. Although Dike is tied for the team lead in goals, the Irish offense has been a pleasantly balanced attack so far this season with a variety of players making goals and receiving assists.

Midfielders Darrin Tavarez and Michael Thomas share the team lead in goals with Dike at four, and eight players have found their way onto the score sheet.

"It's like running into a brick wall," Irish coach Bobby Clark said of Dike. "You can't push him around, but you have to make sure you're in the right place at the right time."

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**SMC Golf**

**Belles fall just short of first in MIAA Jamboree**

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Saint Mary's placed two golfers in the top four overall but took second by two strokes to Olivet in Wednesday's second-place finish at the MIAA Jamboree at Thorpapple Pointe Golf Club in Grand Rapids, Mich.

Sophomore Rosie O'Connor shot a 78 to tie for first in the individual standings. Freshman Jackie Dill posted a career-best 80 to claim a fourth-place finish overall. Senior Perry Hamma recorded the Belles' third-best score with an 86.

Saint Mary's was once again plagued by its inability to post top-quality rounds from its fourth and fifth golfers. Freshman Natalie Matuszak, who has been the team's anchor, is ready so far this season, battled through a tough day to card an 87. Fellow freshman Christine Brown rounded out the Belles' top four with a 90.

With one Jamboree and a two-round championship yet to be played, the Belles find themselves with 41-stroke deficit behind reigning champion Olivet.

The Belles will compete in the fourth MIAA Jamboree, hosted by Adrian College Sept. 30, before playing for the MIAA Championship Oct. 10.

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