ELECTION 2008

Student groups debate platforms

Representatives from Notre Dame political clubs discuss merits of presidential candidates

By KAITLYNN RIELY
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There was no debate Friday afternoon between Sen. John McCain, Sen. Barack Obama and former congressman Bob Barr. There was no face off between Gov. Sarah Palin and Sen. Joe Biden and Wayne Allyn Root.

Instead, members of the Notre Dame College Republicans, Democrats and Libertarians acted as surrogates for their candidates and argued in favor of their platforms, taking questions first from a moderator and then from an audience.

Junior Christine Romero, the co-chair of ND Votes '08, a campaign run by the Center for Social Concerns, posed questions to the three teams of two and then later allowed the audience to ask questions of their own.


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Lyons hosts annual Mara Fox Run

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About 250 runners participated in Lyons Hall’s annual Mara Fox run Saturday, marking the 15th anniversary of the death of the Lyons Hall freshman who was hit and killed by a drunk driver in 1993, run organizers Jean Caminiti and Katie Sample said.

The run was successful and had more participants this year than last year, Caminiti said.

“We couldn’t have asked for more beautiful weather and we had such a great turnout,” Caminiti said.

The run raised a little over $3,000 through the $15 dollar registration fee and some personal donations, Sample said. While some of the money will pay for the T-shirts that were given to participants, most of the funds will go toward a scholarship fund to help a Notre Dame student study abroad in Toledo, Spain, she said.

The scholarship fund was started in Fox’s name the first year after she died, Caminiti said.

Bags tournament benefits children’s groups

By KATIE KOHLER
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In order to raise money for the fast-growing Big Brothers Big Sisters Club of Notre Dame and Saint Mary’s, senior Charlie Cummings hosted, organized and orchestrated the first annual Bags for Kids 2008 on Saturday.

More than 40 teams of two participated in the bag tossing tournament, which raised more than $300, which the University will match, bringing the grand total to $600.

Cummings organized the event because he knew how much the club benefits the children of South Bend through mentoring.

“We wanted to raise awareness about Big Brothers Big Sisters. The club currently has a waiting list of children in South Bend that want to be matched up with Notre Dame students — especially boys — so we were hoping that the tournament would spark some interest in the club and lead some students to sign up to be ‘Bigs,’” Cummings said.

While the event was...
INSIDE COLUMN
Paris’ new BFFs

For me, MTV’s new show Paris Hilton’s My New BFF is a mini-soap, because it succeeds in combining two of my guilty pleasures: trashy reality television and Paris Hilton. I’m a big fan of any kind of “realiti­ty show,” and I smile at the lower bottom. Parental Control, just unrelenting at the scenic-clad, pitchfork-wielding man on Hell date, and sing along to YouTube videos of Paula Abdul’s slacker from American Idol.

There’s just something about watching other people do embarrassing things that amuses me to no end, and Paris Hilton is always judging you.

The husband, 42-year-old Moeun Sarim, has taken the house in Cambodia’s capital, Phnom Penh. She said they ended their marriage last month. “He brought his relatives and put the house in half,” she said, adding that she now owns the other half that is still standing. The house is made from a tile roof and propped up on wooden pillars, a typical style for a Cambodian country home.

Blind Belgian man drives car at 192 miles per hour

The documentary film “The Price of Sugar” will be shown on Wednesday, Oct. 15, at 7 p.m. in the Carey Auditorium of the Hesburgh Library. The event is free and open to the public and is sponsored by the Class of 2009 Council Class.

To submit information to be included in this section of The Observer, e-mail detailed information about an event to obsnews@nd.edu.
**Gulu Walk raises funds for Uganda**

**Africa Faith and Justice Network, IUSB host event to aid refugees**

By EMMA DRISCOLL

News Writer

As part of an international effort to draw attention to the plight of people in northern Uganda between the Government of Uganda and the Lord's Resistance Army (LRA), the Africa Faith and Justice Network and the Student Government of Indiana University South Bend sponsored the Gulu Walk Sunday.

"The Gulu Walk is to raise awareness and to raise money for those who are suffering in northern Uganda," President of the Africa Faith and Justice Network Sean Gaffney said.

As many as 40,000 children in Uganda would walk from their villages to Gulu and another urban location in order to make money and to reduce the chances of being abducted by the Lord's Resistance Army, according to the Gulu Walk Web site.

"We walk to be symbolically in solidarity with those children who were forced to run for cover every day," Gaffney said.

Although the night community has stopped, according to the Gulu Walk Web site, Gaffney said that there are 500,000 or another 20 million people in camps who have been displaced by the war.

GuluWalk is an interna­
tional campaign of Athletes for Africa, registered Canadian charity, and is coordinated in the United States through a partnership with Resolve Uganda, according to the Gulu Walk Web site.

GuluWalk partners with War Child Canada, Canadian Physicians for Aid & Relief, AMREF Health Africa, and the Justice and Reconciliation Project and distributes them through donations collected at the end of the walk.

IUSB and Notre Dame's GuluWalk earned money through pre-fundraising and through donations collected on the campus to raise money.

A final total of funds raised in Sunday's walk was not available yesterday, but Gaffney said T-shirts will still be sold.

Last year, the GuluWalk raised four thousand dollars, Gaffney said.

The GuluWalk started on the campus of IUSB and par­
ticipants walked along the streets of South Bend and made it to IUSB for a clos­
ing ceremony.

"We think it's a good show of community support to do it in South Bend rather than on Notre Dame's campus," Gaffney said.

Gaffney estimated that about one hundred people took part in the walk and said there was "definitely a mix" of students and members of the South Bend community who walked.

"It was good that there were so many students who made it out this time," Gaffney said. "Notre Dame students probably made up the majority, but there were IUSB students and community members as well."

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**Debate**

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The debate, held in the LaFortune Student Center ballroom, lasted an hour but the discussion continued another 20 minutes afterwards. As part of the discussion, the candidates for the upcoming election for Student Body President made their case.

"If we don't work with other nations on the issue, we're going to see the supply of fresh water great reduced," he said.

"College libraries," contin­
dent Ben Linskey said the issue is today that is of concern.

"Liberalism is lead­
ed in a direction that just is not sustainable for the future," he said.

"Government policies are head­
ed in a direction that is not sustainable for the future," he said.

"We have to have the judg­ment," he said. "We have to have the judgment.

U.S. citizens should start withdrawing troops from Iraq in a "responsible and sustainable way," he said.

The best way to promote peace there is through a peace­
ful foreign policy," he said, which includes trading with the country.

The debate grew rowdy as the discussion turned to health care.

"We have the best health care in the world," said.

"The people who come to our country, they are the people who come to our country for the health care for everyone, just for children.

"We need to have the health care for everyone," he said.

"Many people come to this country for the health care for everyone, just for children.

"Our citizens should be able to combine a fundraiser for a great cause with a Bags tournament, which is proba­
ably my favorite game," he said. "I was also proud of my peers at Notre Dame. Saint Mary's who showed once again that we students are always willing to come together to support those in need.

Matt Weiser and Jim Herron were the winners of the tour­
ament, even though the real winners were the kids, Cummings said.

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Russia test-launches missiles

MOSCOW — President Dmitry Medvedev watched a missile soar from Russia's rain-soaked northern forests toward a target thousands of kilometers away on Sunday, capping a weekend of launches reminiscent of the Cold War and adding to the Mideast's shadow of nuclear might.

Prominent coverage of the tests on state-controlled television aimed to boost the bookish Medvedev's credentials as command­er-in-chief in the eyes of the Russian population.

On Sunday, Medvedev saw what officials said was the successful test-firing of a 21-year-old Topol intercontinental ballistic missile. The missile hit its target thousands of kilometers to the east on the Kamchatka Peninsula, Medvedev told services.

"Respected comrades ... you have fulfilled your task and I congratulate you," Medvedev, dressed in a dark bomber jacket, told servicemen in blue uniforms in a clearing near the Plesetsk launch facility.

Suicide bombers strike in Baghdad

BAGHDAD — Suicide car bombs struck twice Sunday in the northern city of Mosul, killing at least eight people and wounding dozens of others, U.S. and Iraqi officials said. A car bomb killed seven other people in Baghdad.

Two Iraqi soldiers were killed by car bombs in separate attacks Sunday in the capital's Yarmouk district, police said.

Also Sunday, the Russian military announced new security measures to protect Christians in Mosul and other areas, as part of a对他们 by Sunni religious extremists.

The series of attacks shows the ongoing security challenge in Iraq as the U.S. shifts responsibilities to this country's own soldiers and police following the sharp decline in violence since last year.

NATIONAL NEWS

Nat'l debt clock runs out of digits

NEW YORK — A watched clock never moves — unless it's the National Debt Clock.

In New York City, a counter is moving so much that it recently ran out of digits to display the ballooning figure $10,150,603,734,728, or roughly $10.2 trillion, as of Saturday afternoon.

The clock was put up by the late real estate developer Jody Weis (pronounced "wee") in 1980 when the U.S. government's debt was a mere $2.7 trillion, and was eventually taken off during the 1990s when the debt decreased.

It will be replaced in 2009 with a new clock, said Jordan Barowitz, a spokesman for the Durst Organization.

Chief says he supports police force

CHICAGO — Chicago's police superintendent is denying a news report that officers in his command are working the streets less aggressively out of fear of being second-guessed by him.

Jody Weis (pronounced "wee") told reporters Saturday that despite what some people may say, he sees officers as being well-supported by their superiors and highly motivated.

According to statistics provided by police and an internal document obtained by the Associated Press, serious crime is up but arrests are down in Chicago. Officers are also seizing fewer guns and frisking gang members less often than they did before Weis arrived.

LEGAL NEWS

Legal aid nonprofit closing its doors

FORT WAYNE — A nonprofit legal aid agency for low-income residents in Fort Wayne is closing because of shrinking resources.

Legal Services of Maumee Valley plans to stop operations by the end of the year.

The agency has existed since the 1960s to provide free or low-cost legal assistance to those with little money. But the group has had to fight over dwindling resources in recent years, and says it will provide advice-only assistance until the end of November.

Pakistani tribesmen battle militants

ISLAMABAD, Pakistan — Pakistani tribesmen are raising armies to battle al-Qaeda and Taliban militants close to the Afghan border — a movement encouraged by the military and hailed as a sign of offensive militancy.

The often ramshackle forces lend force to the campaign in the lawless and mountainous frontier region, but analysts question their effectiveness against a well-armed, well-trained and increasingly brutal insurgency.

The extremists are increasingly targeting the military, an indication they believe them to be a threat.

On Sunday, two tribesmen were killed during an army-backed offensive against insurgents in the Sajir tribal region. Government official Hafiz Khan said helicopter gunships shelled militants' bunkers, killing at least 10 people. Fifteen more suspected militants were killed in separate clashes, he said.

On Friday, a suicide bomber killed more than 50 tribesman gathering to form an army. Eight pro-government tribesmen have been beheaded in recent days. By encouraging the private armies, or "lashkar," the government is exploiting local resentment against foreign and Pakistani extremists in the area, considered a likely hiding place for Osama bin Laden and other al-Qaeda leaders.

"These Talibn call themselves Muslims, but they have been involved in all kinds of crimes," said Malik Mobsheen Habib, a leader of the Salar tribe, one of the largest of at least five tribes who have formed lashkars in recent weeks. "We want them out of our area.

Habib claims up to 15,000 men in his lashkar. Similar figures have been given by other leaders of private armies but those claims could not be independently verified. Analysts caution tribesmen are likely exaggerating, perhaps by as much as 50 percent.

The lashkars have drawn comparisons with government-backed milita in Iraq — the so-called awakening councils — that have been credited with beating back the insurgency there.

Camps highlight foes' old associates

As election draws near, campaigns try to prove guilt by association

Associated Press

SPRINGFIELD, Ill. — Legendary "scary man" in the presidential campaign's waning days, John McCain and Barack Obama are introducing voters to a new cast of characters.

McCain would like people to know about a former 1960s radical supporter and government insider — both with links to his Democratic opponent.

And Obama is raising the Republican candidate's connections to high-profile financiers and loan executive and a supporter of right-wing death penalty.

Each candidate is trying to plant the idea that his oppo­nent must be guilty of some­thing if he has connections to such unsavory characters.

Both candidates are guilty of stretching the facts, at times, to suit their association.

A closer look at the relationships being mentioned in cam­paign videos, ads and e-mails:

• William Ayers: Four years ago, Ayers was a target of the Weather Underground, a radical group that claimed responsibility for a series of bombings, including nonfatal explosions at the Pentagon and U.S. Capitol. He was a fugitive for years with his wife, fellow radical Bernadine Dohrn. But after Ayers surrendered in 1989, the charges against him were dropped because of pros­ecutorial misconduct.

• Charles Keating Jr.: Keating was a real estate developer and former congressman who was investigated for using his clout with state gov­ernment to squeeze kickbacks out of firms wanting to do busi­ness with the state.

• Antonio "Tony" Rezko: Rezko was a key supporter and donor throughout Obama's political career. Obama esti­mates Rezko raised $250,000 for his various campaigns, though not for his presidential bid.

Keating eventually went to prison, and McCain received a mild rebuke from the Senate ethics committee. McCain repaid $112,000 to the U.S. Treasury and reimbursed Keating for the trips. He later said attending two meetings with bank regulators on behalf of Keating was the "worst mis­take of my life" and that it had made him more sensitive to the need for government reform.

• In September, Obama told a group of donors that Rezko was a key supporter and donor throughout Obama's political career. Obama estimates Rezko raised $250,000 for his various campaigns, though not for his presidential bid.

The two were friends who talked frequently about politics and occasionally dined out together with their wives.

Rezko was convicted this summer on federal charges of using his clout with state gov­ernment to squeeze kickbacks out of firms wanting to do busi­ness with the state. The charges do not involve Obama.

Obama now appears to be coop­erating with a federal probe of corruption in the Illinois gov­ernment.

Obama consulted Rezko, a real estate developer, before buying a home in 2005. Rezko ended up buying a vacant lot next door and then selling some of the land to him. But Rezko did not help Obama for his house, and the sell­ers say Obama got no special treatment.

Former Lincoln Savings & Loan chief Charles Keating Jr. smiles during a news confer­ence at the Los Angeles Federal Courthouse in April 1999.
Fox
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"[Mara Fox's] dream was to study abroad in Toledo," Sample said.

After Notre Dame, Fox wanted to be a psychiatrist in a Spanish speaking country, but on November 13, 1993, she was hit by a drunk driver when she was walking back to campus, Sample said.

"It was a Notre Dame law student that hit her on Douglas Road, when she was walking back from Steak and Shake," she said. Sample said Mara Fox's family comes to campus every year for the run.

"They were really happy with how things turned out this year," she said.

The race included a 5K run that started at Lyons Hall and ended in front of South Dining Hall and a 1-mile walk around Saint Mary's Lake, Caminiti said. Afterwards, the runners were served with bagels from Panera Bread, which "were a big hit," she said.

Caminiti said the top male, junior Michael Wrapp, won a cash prize, a bucket of candy and a pair of crocs. The top female, sophomore Laura Lindsey, received a gift certificate to a hair salon as well as crocs and a bucket of candy.

Caminiti and Sample said they have been working since the summer to put together the race. They enlisted about 40 volunteers from Lyons Hall to help sign up runners, design the T-shirts, put together the e-mail lists and publicize the event.

"Everything ran so smoothly," Caminiti said.

The week preceding the race, Lyons Hall worked closely with Pillars — a student group on campus run through the Office of Drug and Alcohol education — to raise awareness about drunk driving, Sample said.

"We had an event every day leading up to the run," she said.

The events included an information session with a golf cart that simulated that feeling of drunk driving and posters with statistics about drunk driving were set up outside of O'Shaughnessy Hall and DeBartolo Hall.

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scored a 200-800 point scale and the analytical writing section is scored on a 0-6 point scale. Scores are valid for five years from the time the student takes the test.

Research also shows students under the age of 23 score earn a higher average score than any other age group.

"What we are suggesting is that students consider taking the GRE if they do know what they want to do after graduation. We have information that shows that individuals under the age of 23 tend to do better because they are in the middle of using academic skills that they would use in graduate school and on the GRE." Dawn Placentino, associate director in the GRE program at Education Testing Services (ETS), a non-profit research and standardized testing organization, said.

People under the age of 23 earned an average score of 484 on the verbal portion of the test and 547 on the quantitative part on the test, ETS data showed. The scores dropped noticeably for people in the 23-35 year old age group. In 2006, the 23-25 year old group scored an average of 477 on the verbal section and 556 on the quantitative section.

"What we see is generally individuals that are under the age of 23 do better than older student and the differences are significant on the quantitative measure," Placentino said.

The quantitative section measures a student's abilities in arithmetic, algebra, geometry probability and statistics.

"The gift does not have college level math on it, so you can think that the younger a person is, the closer they are to their high school courses," Placentino said. "As people get farther away from high school, they will need to do a review to refresh their skills."

Research done by the council of Graduate Studies showed there were a total of 1,698,445 graduate students enrolled in the United States in 2007. In addition to the three percent annual increase in graduate enrollment over the last 10 years, the data conducted by Council of Graduate Studies showed there was a four percent yearly enrollment increase among international students.

"There is published data that shows that the higher degree that you have the more money you make," Placentino said.

Senior Elizabeth Nye took the GRE in order to gain a master's degree in education through ACE. She also plans on using the scores in a few years to earn a master's degree in psychology.

"I took the GRE because I am planning on pursuing a graduate degree in psychology eventually down the road," she said.

"I also am interested in doing ACE. I like that it's a combined program where you can provide service to children and get a masters in education. I am hoping to combine my degrees in education and psychology in order to develop programs for our educational programs."

Because ETS encourages students to take the GRE, they offer free preparation for all who register to take the test. The GRE makes available free test prep material for everyone who registers for the general test because it's important that a person be prepared and know what kind of questions are on the test.

"Being prepared and understanding what they are going to be tested on is very important," Placentino said.

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MARKET RECAP

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Lawmakers push bank stock purchase

Associated Press

WASHINGTON - Treasury Secretary Henry Paulson fielded questions from lawmakers Monday about a plan to buy bank stock, seeking their approval to soon start using government funds to save the ailing financial sector.

The bill before the House would allow the Treasury Department to purchase $700 billion in bank stock and use that as collateral to lend money to banks, and to purchase assets directly from banks, as opposed to loaning money to them.


William J. Cadiolo, a spokesman for the Senate Banking Committee, said the panel would likely take up the legislation this week.

The stock purchase plan is part of a broader financial rescue package that House and Senate leaders are working on to boost consumer and business confidence and keep the economy from plunging deeper into recession.


Lawmakers are expected to vote on the legislation next week, with the goal of passing it by the middle of next month.


The legislation would also include other provisions, such as stricter oversight of financial firms that are given stock.


I'm concerned that the stock purchase plan is no substitute for real reform, said House Majority Whip James E. Sensenbrenner, a Wisconsin Republican. "The administration is not addressing the core problems that led to this crisis, and the stock purchase plan is not about helping the American people, it's about helping Wall Street.


For now, the focus is on trying to stave off a financial panic that could snowball into a full-blown depression, which would be catastrophic for the economy.


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Venn model

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Community building, common council-style

Last Friday (Oct. 10), The Observer ran an article entitled "University addresses community relations," from which you could easily have drawn the conclusion that all Notre Dame students — on and off-campus ones — are irresponsible, lawless hooligans. Students' self-control, according to some residents, Community Council members and even the chief of police, is inverse-ly proportional to the performance of the football team. Judging from statements like "there's no mention of the contributing factor of alcohol — and how that contributes to danger" or "you cannot walk down the street at 2:30 in the morning, sloppy drunk, singing and expect to be safe," the article may as well have reported that, according to those interviewed, the real public safety problem is people who are drunk. If they happen to get robbed or assault-ed, well, they were being irresponsible in the first place, they basically deserved it. The chief of police even stated that "we will not turn our backs on the citizens that live here [year-round]" — which, I guess, suggests that policing the entire city necessitates a choice between ignoring either Notre Dame students or permanent residents. Between these kinds of attitudes and the dredging up of a few high-profile incidents, it seems that South Bend's community leaders are in high dudge-on about student behavior, so much so that they are expressing the sort of sentiments that probably wouldn't fly if they were targeting anyone other than college students.

Obviously, any town that boasts a university will have problems with its students; town-gown relations, especially concerning students' extracurricular activities, have been a problem for as long as there have been universities. And certainly Notre Dame students bear responsibility for following local noise ordinances and other laws, as well as representing Notre Dame to the community as a whole.

But there is also no excuse for the sort of rhetorical bluster that unfairly singles out Notre Dame students as irrational, antisocial and a major threat to public order and safety on par with those who are actually committing crimes. Yes, there are a few parties hosted and attended by Domers that result in noise violations and underage drinking (which, on the whole, have been fewer this year than in previous years). But I'm willing to bet that the majority of the crimes appearing on the September Safety Stats have little, if anything, to do with Notre Dame par­ticipants, unless they happened to have been victims rather than perpetrators. And the city of South Bend — which already boasts a crime rate about twice the national average — and community as a whole.

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Athletic director leaves SMC

Saint Mary's College lost an outstanding role model this fall — athletic director Lynn Kuntz. The college has been transformed by her position, but it is a move that should not go unnoticed.

Kuntz retired on Oct. 7 after 30 years in her role as athletic director of Saint Mary's College, and the College and student body were fortunate to benefit from her experience and leadership. Kuntz knew what it was like to be an athlete. Lynn was a four-year All-American in water polo at Slippery Rock University (SRU) from 1976-80, as well as an All-American on the SRU swim team. She was a member of the United States Women's National Water Polo Team from 1976-88, serving as captain for six years. She was selected to the All-World Team in 1978.

Kuntz relocated, to Bend with her family in 1984, and in 1984 was appointed assistant coach of the university's men's water polo team. Lynn was named head coach of the Bucknell University men's water polo team in 1986, making her the first woman to serve as the head coach of any NCAA men's team sport. In 1987, her first year on the job, she was named Eastern Men's Water Polo League Coach of the Year, and in 1990-91 she was named Eastern Women's water polo team until 1990. Lynn served as the women's swimming coach from 1981-94 and the women's swimming and diving coach from 1994-98.

Lynn also served as a coach on the national level, an assistant coach of the U.S. national water polo team from 1990-92, and coach of the women's national water polo team at the 1992 World Championships in Perth, Australia. Lynn was among the first group of women to be inducted into the National Water Polo Hall of Fame and the first woman inducted into the Collegiate Water Polo Hall of Fame. She was inducted into the Slippery Rock University Hall of Fame in 1991. She currently serves on the U.S. Water Polo Inc. Board of Directors.

Lynn relocated to South Bend with her family in 1998. Fortunately for acceptance in her position as the head athletic director. The student body, particularly the athletes and workers in Athletic Administration, did see in Lynn Kachmarik, the accomplished athlete and coach. We met a woman who was dedicated to advancing athletics at Saint Mary's College. She established the Varsity Club, Midnight Madness, Saint Mary's cheerleading program, and reinstated the Saint Mary's College Athletic Hall of Fame. She brought the Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Conference 2000 swim championships to Saint Mary's home pool — Notre Dame's Rolfs Aquatics Center.

A year ago she encouraged students to assume leadership roles in the College and community through the Student Athlete Advisory Council, recruited established coaches and impressive student-athletes. The list is endless. Lynn was a leader at Saint Mary's, continuously seeking new ways to involve the student body in athletics and fostering a sense of pride in Saint Mary's athletes. She did this mainly by example, inviting us into her home and sharing her family, spending time with the athletes and coaches, listening to the students' concerns and putting words, thoughts and ideas into action. Many of us learned through Lynn that Saint Mary's is not some set type adorned with smiles and pearls; she is a real woman, one to whom humanity works to balance family, career and self.

Lynn is not a superwoman. She is a real woman, one who shows us that success is not easy, but it is possible if you work at it. From a school that prides itself on producing strong women leaders, we — the alumnae of Saint Mary's College — are proud to have had such a leader in our midst and in our hearts. As she gave the Saint Mary's students the attention, professionalism and warmth that she dedicated to her other quite noteworthy endeavors, each of us (reader, Lynn).

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Who has the ‘Right to Life’?

It's that time of year again. The sight of rows of simple white crosses and pink and blue flags greets me as I walk down South Quad. Yet again, I am moved to feel guilty, as I am of pro-choice ideology. But then, I look at the captions and quotes dispersed among the crosses — they all have to do with abortion — and I remember why I feel the way I do. The bantering between the pro-life/pro-choice issue has always baffle me. It always seems to center around the morality of abortion, when, if anyone really cared to dissect the issue, they'd see that the real issue at stake has nothing to do with abortion per se. It has to do with whether a woman has the right to have domain over her own body and the right to do with it as she chooses. The pro-choice view point dictates that it is her body, not the government, says its name.

Naturally, most opposing issues have opposing views: pro- welfare vs. anti-welfare, death penalty vs. life in prison. However, if you really look at both issues, pro-choice and pro-life viewpoints don't necessarily contradict each other. I've always found it interesting that pro-choice activists get labeled as "anti-life" or "pro-abortion." There is nothing to suggest that the term "anti-life" is a fair or accurate label. In fact, if you truly believe that if you asked most pro-choice activists, they would say that abortion is a tragedy for all parties involved and not ideal. We're not "pro-abortion," we're "pro-the-woman's-choice-to-have-an-abortion-if-she-chooses-to." We all know what the mission of Right to Life Respect Life Week is to get the message out to the student body that we should respect all the lives of an unborn fetus and allow it to live a full, healthy life. But what about the right of would-be mothers to live that same full, healthy life? Is she expected to give up her rights over her own body the second she becomes pregnant? As a pro-choice idealist, I say that she is entitled to act as she sees fit. If that entails abortion, while it is a regrettable situation, I accept it because in the end, it is her body ... and therefore her choice and right.

Abortion is a terrible predicament to experience. For me, it was a very difficult choice. I do not advocate it, but I do believe that it is not the real issue at stake. It is the rights of the mother that are at risk... however you feel, it's clear that this is not the real issue at stake. It is the rights of the mother that are at risk. I, personally, hope that I will never have to be in a situation where it is a choice I will have to make. However, if that day ever comes, my hope is that the government will still allow me to make my own choice.

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Keep dinner discussions clean

At a meal in South Dining Hall yesterday evening with a good friend, the topic of the election came up. My friend and I sat on opposite sides of the aisle. Our conversation started congenially enough, but quickly dissolved into accusatory but innocuous debate and the occasional profanity-laden tirade. It was entertaining. But it was not the kind of straight to the point argument I like to engage in.

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Fashion on the Net:
style and fashion blogs from around the web

By MICHELLE FORDICE
Assistant Scene Writer

Fashion. It’s more than just clothes. It’s about mixing imagination, art, practicality, and humor into a new expression. Of course, sometimes between classes and the temptation to lounge around in sweatpants, it is easy to lose track of the fashion world on a college campus, so here are some of the best places you can find on the internet to re-inspire yourself.

THE SARTORIALIST.
www.thesartorialist.com

The Sartorialist was one of the first well known fashion blogs and has become an influence in the fashion world itself, as illustrated by its selection as one of "The Times" top 100 Design Influencers and author's Scott Schuman's increasing presence in major fashion publications. The Sartorialist, a New York street fashion blog with stunning photography, is beautiful in its simplicity. Photographs are laid out on a plain white background and are at most accompanied by brief, but revealing, commentary. Schuman seeks out the chic on the streets and never fails to find it. He is also very aware of the fact that fashion is not limited to perfectly proportioned girls. Many of his subjects are older and not flawlessly figured, and yet just as striking. This undeniable beauty in the day to day makes the blog a real treat.

ICONIC MAGAZINE
www.iconique.com

Iconiqe is a striking online fashion magazine with beautiful presentation. Covering fashion, beauty and design, Iconiqe blends music, excellent photography and graphic design to create visual feasts for the fashion forward. Their virtual catwalk is great for those of us who can't get there. The Les Arts Digitales section is neat because it reminds us of the connection between graphic design and fashion. While most of its content isn't what anyone would actually wear or do with their makeup, the imagination it captures is inspiring. The magazine is about to be revamped, so we'll have to wait and see if it can get even better.

GO FUG YOURSELF
gofugyourself.celebuzz.com

Go Fug Yourself is one of those secret pleasures. The blog reports the biggest fashion blunders of the celebrities who are supposed to be our fashion inspiration (if only because they have the money to buy the things we can't). Yes, it is catty, but in an entertaining way. The writers are witty and absolutely hilarious. And they do admit it when their worst perpetrators get it right, occasionally including a "Well Played" article that praises their successes. Still, the best moments are when they capture the truly insane outfits some celebrities have put together. If you ever need a laugh, this is a great place to stop by.

LOOKBOOK
www.lookbook.nu

Lookbook is unique because it gives control of its content to its viewers, kind of like a Facebook for the world's fashionistas. Members post pictures of their best outfits and rate the outfits of other members. Like street fashion blogs, Lookbook is great because of its accessibility; the outfits are all made to be worn, not paraded across a runway or left hanging in store windows. Also, because all of the members are your average person, the outfits are within the average price range. Many of the pieces come from thrift stores, but it is the creativity of the wearer that turns them into statements.

STREET PEEPER
www.streetpeeper.com

Street Peeper is an excellent street fashion blog, covering over 23 cities, from Amsterdam to Zurich. Snapping pictures of anyone they think is making a statement, the ten photographers of Street Peeper leave it up to their viewers to decide what they think about the day to day ensembles of people on the streets, giving no other commentary than a list of the brands their spur-of-the-moment-model in wearing. One of the most intriguing things Street Peeper allows you to see is the fashion of different cities laid out side by side; each location has its own character, flair, and trends. Of course the best part about Street Peeper is that, like all street fashion blogs, these are the fashions of real people, making them much more accessible than anything you would find on a runway. In that way it is almost more inspiring then the highest fashion.

LOOKBOOK.nu

Fashion 156
www.fashion156.com

Fashion 156 is both an on-line fashion magazine and an excellent fashion blog. The blog is one of the best because of its diversity. It covers everything from high fashion, to rising designers, to bargain hunting. The writers cover London Fashion week as well as they do the latest fads and their own personal inclinations. The magazine features new London designers and is mostly of a high fashion bent. It is fun to see what these designers are producing. Even better, Fashion 156 is one of the most frequently updated online fashion magazines to be found, releasing a new issue every 12 days. One of the best sections is "Must Have," which features their favorite items for men and women laid out side by side.

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Irish fall to 0-2 on road after North Carolina uses turnovers to mount fourth quarter comeback in Chapel Hill

By CHRIS HINE
Editor-in-Chief

CHAPEL HILL, N.C. — The clock bit zero before Notre Dame quarterback Jimmy Clausen could deliver a ball inside the 10-yard line. North Carolina players rushed the field. But Charlie Weis had thought there was still time left on the clock.

"I don't know. Replay officials said there were two seconds left — but they also said Notre Dame didn't have the ball anymore. North Carolina did, giving the Tar Heels a 29-24 victory Saturday over the defending Irish."

"I'm not saying this to be disre­spectful, but that team in that locker room today, it was the first time in a long time where I've looked in their faces against a good opponent and it was a team that really feels bad," Irish coach Charlie Weis said. "And the reason they really feel bad is because they're starting to get it. It's not the same team that everyone saw at the beginning of the year. This team is starting to get it." The officials initially said freshman receiver Michael Floyd was down before he let go of a fourth-down reception at the 7-yard line. North Carolina defensive back Jordan Hemby scooped it up. After review, the officials gave the ball back to the Tar Heels.

"The guys upstairs don't know about when the whistle is blown, so they didn't know, whether the play is blown dead or not blown dead," Weis said. "It's a bitter end, but it is what it is."

Notre Dame had entered fourth quarter with a 24-22 lead, but North Carolina quarterback Cameron Sexton (18-for-32, 201 yards) ran for a 4-yard touchdown just a few seconds into the quarter to give the Tar Heels a 29-24 lead. The score capped a seven-play, 42-yard drive for North Carolina that was set up by a Clausen fumble that was recovered by Tar Heels defensive lineman Aleric Mullins.

Clausen set another career high for yards in a game, throwing for 383 yards on 31-for-48 passing with two touchdowns, but he also turned the ball over three times. Clausen threw his first interception on Notre Dame's first play of the third quarter on a pass intended for tight end Kyle Rudolph. But Tar Heels linebacker Dizian Sturdivant intercepted the pass and took it 32 yards for a touchdown in favor of the Irish.

"Despite the x's and o's, you need an inspirational play, something good to happen," North Carolina coach Butch Davis said. "That interception just electrified the whole football team, kind of got our mojo going again."

Notre Dame responded with an 11-play, 72-yard drive, aided by a roughing the passer penalty, to regain its eight-point lead. On that drive, Clausen went 4-for-7 for 44 yards.

"I put the ball in his hands again," Weis said. "And he drives us right down the field and scores ... which out of the whole game, probably showed the most moxie of anything."

North Carolina countered with a long drive of its own, going 69 yards on 13 plays. On the drive, North Carolina faced a third-and-18 in its own 34, but Sexton found receiver Hakeem Nicks, who finished with nine catches and 141 yards, for 19 yards to keep the drive going. The Tar Heels scored eight plays later on a 1-yard run by tailback Ryan Houston to cut Notre Dame's lead to 22-22 with 5:14 left to play in the third quarter.

In the first half, Notre Dame had limited trouble moving the ball. Using a five-wide receiver set the entire time it was on the field in its first drive, Notre Dame went 82 yards on 11 plays for its first touchdown. Clausen was 2-for-9 on the drive, and converted two third downs, including a 19-yard, third-and-10 completion to wide receiver Golden Tate in the end zone. Tate finished with five catches for 121 yards. One of those catches came on Notre Dame's next touchdown on a pass that seemed to be a sure interception for North Carolina.

On second-and-9 from the 39, Clausen seemed to overthrow Tate deep down the sidelines. North Carolina cornerbarket Kendric Burney had his eyes fixed skyward, and his body positioned to make the interception. Tate came flying in, jumped and snatched the ball before Burney could get it for a 47-yard catch. Three plays later, Clausen found Floy for a 7-yard touchdown to give Notre Dame a 17-6 lead.

"I think I just had some divine intervention on that one," Tate said.

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Irish sophomore quarterback Jimmy Clausen walks off the field after Notre Dame's 29-24 loss at North Carolina on Saturday. North Carolina 29, Notre Dame 24

player of the game
Hakeem Nicks
Tar Heels wide receiver

stat of the game
5
Turnovers by Notre Dame, its highest number of the season.

play of the game
Michael Floyd's fumble on the game's final play
Floyd caught the ball at the UNC 7 yardline but was ruled to have fumbled, ending the game.

quote of the game
"Too many mistakes. Too many mistakes to be able to win a big game like this."
Jimmy Clausen
Irish quarterback
Irish freshman wide receiver, right, is wrapped up by a pair of North Carolina defenders after what turned out to be the final play of Saturday’s game. After video review, Floyd was ruled to have fumbled the ball.

Time to play the waiting game

"That’s all we were thinking about,” Clausen said. “I just wanted one more chance to help this team win.”

Again, the video board just showed that damned revolving helmet.

The referee trotted back out, only this time, the hope of victory was gone — Floyd was not down when he let go of the ball. North Carolina had the ball and the victory, a victory the Irish thought was going to be theirs.

Play can give hope and replay can take hope away — but not all of it.

With that game, and that gutsy drive, the Irish gave their fans hope for the future. Notre Dame’s last two wins were nice, but games the Irish should have easily won.

This one was more of a question mark — facing a ranked opponent, on the road, especially after Notre Dame’s dismal showing in its first road game, a 23-7 loss at Michigan State.

And Notre Dame was up to the challenge.

Clausen didn’t have a good second half, throwing a pick-six, another interception and fumbling, but he nearly fed Notre Dame a comeback win and threw for 383 yards.

Michael Floyd may be kicking himself over that last play, but he didn’t cost Notre Dame the game and he’s one of the top freshmen in the country right now with a brilliant collegiate career lined up.

And the defense may have allowed the go-ahead score, but did get a key stop in the fourth quarter to give the offense a chance.

Notre Dame has a bright, BCS-filled future ahead of itself.

All that’s left to do is wait.

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**Young WR’s continue to impress**

By Deirdre Krasula

IRISH INSIDER

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Tourneus kill Notre Dame’s chances

By Chris Hine

Editor-in-Chief

CHAPEL HILL, N.C. — The outcome might have been different for Notre Dame had the Irish not committed five turnovers on Saturday. Irish coach Charlie Weis said turnovers were No. 2 on his list of things to accomplish in Saturday's game.

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**First quarter**

Notre Dame 7, North Carolina 0
Jimmy Clausen 10 pass to Golden Tate (Walker kick) with 1:29 remaining. Drive: 10 plays, 82 yards, 3:29 elapsed

**Second quarter**

Notre Dame 10, North Carolina 3
Brandon Walker 47-yard field goal with 4:12 remaining. Drive: 8 plays, 54 yards, 2:51 elapsed

**Third quarter**

Notre Dame 17, North Carolina 9
Barth 42-yard field goal with 9:09 remaining. Drive: 7 plays, 42 yards, 4:33 elapsed

**Fourth quarter**

Notre Dame 17, North Carolina 16
Carter 22- yard field goal (Walker kick) with 4:45 remaining. Drive: 7 plays, 42 yards, 3:18 elapsed

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Notre Dame entered Saturday's contest with a plus-5 turnover margin on the year — 20th in the country. The Irish left dead even after giving the ball away five times, including one interception for a touchdown and a fumble on the game's final play. The offense was productive from the opening drive, when Jimmy Clausen led the Irish on an 11-play, 82-yard touchdown drive that finished with a 19-yard touchdown pass to Golden Tate. After field goals made it 10-6 Irish, Clausen led Notre Dame to its second 80-plus yard drive, this time using eight plays and finding Michael Floyd from seven yards out. But Notre Dame gave away almost all its 17-9 halftime lead when Clausen's first second-half was picked and taken to the house. After James Aldridge capped another long Irish touchdown drive, the Heels but answered but failed on their two-point try, making it 24-22 Notre Dame. North Carolina closed the scoring on the first play of the fourth quarter, when Cameron Sexton plunged in from four yards out. The Irish drove inside the Heels' 10 with seconds to play but couldn't punch it in.

Clockwise from top, David Grimes tries to gain extra yardage after a catch; Armando Allen finds a seam after breaking a tackle at the line; Golden Tate outmuscles a North Carolina defender for a big play; Michael Floyd finds himself in space after one of his six receptions; North Carolina receiver Hakeem Nicks avoids two Irish defenders.
Post-Apocalyptic

"Blindness" disappoints

By JIM MCGUIRE
Scene Writer

What would happen if the world was struck with an inexplicable pandemic of blindness, and the "infected" were quarantined and left to their own increasingly feral devices? That is the question, "Blindness," the new film by Fernando Meirelles ("The Constant Gardner"), explores with some degree of success. The film aims to be an artful commentary on the fragility of society and how our basic instincts can corrupt with little provocation. What we see instead is a grim post-apocalyptic tale that drifts into a fog - much like the milky white haze that the afflicted see in the film - without providing much substance.

The film begins with scenes of hectic, urban traffic and a man in a white sports car at a red light who inexplicably goes blind. The man and the onlookers who help him and steal his car are at a loss to rationalize the situation; but even the man's eye doctor (Mark Ruffalo) is befuddled by the situation. There is nothing physically wrong with the man's eyes, and yet he is completely blind. Over the next day, a number of people who came into contact with the man in some way including the man who stole his car, a prostitute, a bartender, and even the doctor find themselves suffering from the same inexplicable "white sickness.

The government, about whose totalitarian measures the film thankfully doesn't concern, orders a quarantine of the recently blinded, and the doctor and his wife (Julianne Moore), who can still see but wants to stay with her husband, are taken to a converted mental hospital with the rest of the supposedly infected.

There, the newly blind are cut off from the outside world and forced to elect ward representatives and run their own affairs. The overcrowded conditions, lack of aid, and general malaise of the people leads to the hospital becoming squalid, dirty, and increasingly feral devices? That is the man's eyes, and yet he is blind.

The last twenty minutes might remind viewers of any number of bleak, post-apocalyptic urban tales (e.g., "28 Days Later," "I Am Legend," heck, even "Wall-E") once vibrant city streets filled with garbage and rejected survivors wandering aimlessly to toonal, art-house music.

There is a bit of hope at the end of "Blindness," but after all the nihilistic behavior in the preceding hour and a half, viewers can't help asking, "what is the point?"

"Blindness," along with the original novel by Jose Saramago, has the distinct honor of being condemned by the National Federation for the Blind for the deprived and unrealistic portrait it gives of blind people, and it is easy to see why.

The one character in the film that was born legally blind is as deprived as anyone else, helping the King of Ward Three round up the other patients' valuables and women for consumption. Julianne Moore as the doctor's wife finally decides to help asking, "what is the point?"

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NFL

Cardinals shock Cowboys in overtime thriller

Associated Press

GLendale, Ariz. — Two little-known players brought an abrupt end to a day of confusion, comeback and clutch performances in the desert.

Sean Morey blocked Matt McAlhuri's punt and Monty Beisel scooped up the ball and scored from 5 yards to give the Arizona Cardinals a 34-24 overtime victory over the Dallas Cowboys. It was the first time in NFL history that a blocked punt for a touchdown ended a game in overtime.

Morey rushed untouched off the left side of the Dallas line to block the kick. Beisel, a backup linebacker, picked up the ball about the 20 and bowled over the goal line.

McAlhurri was hurt on the play and had to be carted off the field in the din of a crowd that included the usual large portion of Dallas fans.

The stunning play by two of Arizona's most unlikely heroes brought a conclusion to a game that began with a 53-yard kickoff return by the Cardinals' J.J. Arrington followed by many moments of confusion, controversy and clutch performances.

Dallas (4-1) scored 20 points in the final 2 minutes of regulation, sending the game into overtime when Nick Folk's 52-yard field goal barely cleared the crossbar as the second to last play of the game.

Folk was in field-goal range only because a 5-yard offside penalty was called against Arizona linebacker Travis LaRoy as he tried to downfield. The penalty moved the ball from the 40 to the 35.

That was just one of the weird moments in Arizona's sixth straight home victory.

Arizona (4-2) scored 17 consecutive points, including a pair of touchdown passes by Kurt Warner, to go up 24-24 on Neil Rackers' 41-yard field goal with 3:17 left in regulation.

Tony Romo, who threw three touchdown passes but fumbled twice, connected with Marioni Barber on a 70-yard scoring play that cut it to 24-21 with 2 minutes left.

Dallas' defense held, and the Cowboys got the ball at their 32. Romo connected with Patrick Clayton on a 30-yard play to the Arizona 35, where the Dallas quarterback spiked the ball with 4 seconds to play to stop the clock.

LaRoy was downfield, and was called offside.

Officials, who had a difficult day all around, huddled for several minutes and even reviewed the play before Folk's game-tying kick.

The Cowboys scored the last time they had the ball in the first half and their first possession of the second to take a 14-7 lead.

Before the blocked punt, Arizona's biggest play of the game came the next time the Cardinals had it and it was third-and-17 on their 33.

Warner was tipped at the line of scrimmage, but the intended receiver, rookie tight end J.J. Tughtower, still caught it. Tighttower powered forward to the first down, and the Cardinals went on for the tying score.

Larry Fitzgerald's leaping catch between defenders on a 30-yard play led Warner to 11-yard touchdown pass to Steve Breaston that put Arizona ahead 21-14 with 10:44 left in regulation.

A disputed call resulted in a 14-point swing late in the first half. Arizona appeared to go up 14-0 late in the first half when Durrell Dockett slammed into Romo in the Dallas end zone and the ball came loose. Anthony Smith recovered for the Cardinals, but the Cowboys challenged it and won. It was an incomplete pass.

Romo went on to score the tying touchdown. Romo threw over the middle to a wide-open tight end Jason Witten on a 25-yard scoring play and it was 7-7 only 59 seconds before the break.

Rams 19, Redskins 17

The St. Louis Rams seemed almost certain to stick it to 0-5 Dallas and continued their comeback.

The Rams (4-2) kicked a 49-yard field goal on the last play of the second quarter to send the two-touchdown underdog into a victory.

"I kind of, like, blank. I don't want to cry or laugh," Rams linebacker Plus Tiomakora said. "It's different, but a good different."

A lot of emotions? Darn right.

There was plenty of the bizarre in a game that ended the franchise's eight-game losing streak over two seasons and helped put Steve Smith in the record books. He hurdled two years ago before the bye, firmly in the rearview mirror.

But the Rams (1-4), being the Bears, nearly botched it from there.

Marc Bulger hit Donnie Avery for a 43-yard gain on third-and-13 to move into field-goal territory.

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With his team trying to kill the clock to set up for the easy kick, Rams fullback Leon Hill said something to an official that prompted a yellow flag.

Brown, who was already 3-for-3 in the game, no longer had a chip shot to win it.

"I was just kind of angry," Brown said.

Incongruit claimed he doesn't know what he said to provoke the official, and Haslett also tried to plead his player's name.

"If you're going to call a penalty on a guy who swears — if he did swear — then there's going to be a lot of flags flying out there," Haslett said.

"There (4-2) was playing as a huge favorite for the first time under coach Mike Zorn, and it showed. Portis said the Redskins overlooked the Rams, who were supposed to be the first of three easy wins in the soft part of the schedule.

Falcons 22, Bears 20

Jason Elam stood on the sideline with head bowed, figuring he had just cost the Atlanta Falcons a win.

Elam missed a 32-yard field goal late in the game, equaling his career long, and was iced before the try. He said he was nervous. When he fumbled and, by rule, it was an incomplete pass.

"I'm just really disappointed with the kicking today," Elam said. "I turned around, and he did it again."

Elam said rookie kicker Matt Ryan, "But I think this one trumps them all."

How wild?

In the last 8 minutes, there was a goal-line stand by the Falcons, an 45-yard kick right return by Atlanta's Jerous Norwood, Elam's first missed field goal in 31 attempts, a gutsy drive by the Bears that culminated with Kyle Orton's touchdown pass to Rashied Davis with 11 seconds remaining and, finally, Elam's winning kick after Brian took back another long.

Where?

That's one of the most exciting games I've ever been in," first-year Atlanta coach Mike Smith said.

"There were a lot of ebbs and flows.

The Falcons erupted in a play-off like celebration near the middle of the field. Smith lifted Ryan in the air. Elam was swarmed on.

Then, the Rams earned a chance to win.

Thompson downed the ball on the 1 yard and the Rams couldn't recover the ball with his fifth field goal of the game, equaling his career mark.

He also connected from 29, 46, 43 yards.

Elam said what was supposed to be a rebuilding year, Atlanta 4-2 already has matched its win total from a forgettable 2007 season. Suddenly, the play-offs don't appear out of the question.

"I think this is going to do great things for our confidence and chemistry," Elam said. "Hopefully we can do something pretty special down the stretch."

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**Bengals' Palmer to Mets' doctor about injury**

East Rutherford, N.J. — Cincinnati Bengals quarterback Carson Palmer will have his ailing elbow examined by a New York Mets team doctor.

Palmer said after the Bengals lost 26-14 to the New York Jets on Sunday that he would remain in New York to be examined by Dr. David Altchek. Palmer was designated as the third quarterback for the game behind Ryan Fitzpatrick and Palmer's brother Jordan, the second game this season he has missed with the elbow injury.

"I'll play whenever they give me clearance," said Palmer, who injured his elbow against the New York Giants three weeks ago, missed a game against the Browns, then played against Dallas last week. He said he had been told that his injury is the kind common to baseball pitchers, one reason he decided to consult Altchek.

**The 2007 Boston Marathon champnoted the lead in the 240th mile and was all alone as he crossed the finish line for his first major marathon victory. Manford clocked in at 2:07.37 in his first major marathon, with fellow Kenyan Timothy Cheruiyot third at 2:11.39. It was a good day for Russia's Lidia Grigoryeva, too. The 2007 Boston Marathon champion breezed to her second major victory, clocking in at 2:27.17 and finishing more than two minutes ahead of runner-up Alevtina Biktimirova of Russia (2:29.32).

The field featured 33,033 runners, with $100,000 going to the winners. Georgia loses starting tackle Vance to knee injury

Athens, Ga. — Georgia must find a new starting left tackle. Again.

Vance Vance will need reconstruction surgery and miss the rest of the season, coach Mark Richt said Sunday. The successor in Vance will be the team's fourth first-string left tackle since the preseason.

Georgia lost left tackle Tiron Sturdivant to a season-ending knee injury before the first game. Kianto Tripp moved up as the starter in the first three games before moving to tight end. Vance, a sophomore, made his third start before hurting his right knee in the second quarter of No. 10 Georgia's 26-14 win over Tennessee on Saturday.

Vance, a junior, was the only upperclassman among the five starting offensive linemen.
Ballesteros ready to take on tumor

Associated Press

MADRID, Spain — After a career full of miraculous shots — including one from a parking lot during his first British Open win — Spanish golfer Ballesteros was preparing for another big challenge of his life Sunday after announcing he has a brain tumor.

The 51-year-old Ballesteros was due to undergo a biopsy Tuesday before doctors determine how to proceed.

"Throughout my career I have been among the best at overcoming challenges on the golf course," said the five-time major winner in a statement released by Madrid's La Paz hospital.

"Now I want to be confronting the hardest challenge of my life, with all my strength, counting on all of you who are sending me encouraging messages."

Ballesteros said he was admitted to the hospital Monday after briefly losing consciousness.

"I have been unable to inform my three children personally and their mother. I can now communicate to you the illness I am suffering from," Ballesteros said.

"After an in-depth check up which has been carried out on me in the La Paz Hospital they have detected a brain tumor."

Ballesteros did not give any more details on the size or degree of the growth or whether the tumor was benign or malignant.

"I have always shown my solidarity with those people who face illness, including those whose (illnesses) are much worse than mine," said Ballesteros, who was also admitted to a hospital last year when doctors discovered an irregular heartbeat.

"Now my wish is to ask for reassurance towards my family and especially my children. We will keep you informed."

The swashbuckling Spaniard was well known for being able to manufacture a shot from just about anywhere. In a feat that earned him the title "Car Park Champion" at the 1979 British Open, the Pedrena native found the green from a parking lot next to the 16th fairway at Royal Lytham & St. Annes before sinking a long putter and winning the match.

During that final round, Ballesteros fired a 64 in his deliver only nine times and hit the fairway 20.

Jose Maria Olazabal, who visited Ballesteros after play at the Madrid Masters on Sunday, said that his former Ryder Cup partner appeared in good physical shape.

"I saw Seve looking very well. We were speaking for quite a little while," Olazabal said.

Sunday's win in the 36th European Tour was the first for Ballesteros since 1998. However, Ballesteros, who won two European Tour titles and the Masters twice before retiring last year due to a long history of back pain. He has since focused mostly on golf course design.

"He was one of the most talented, charismatic players whose illness has been seen," said D.A. Weil, Jr., who was with the European Tour during that final round.

"I have had a great tug on my heart, had a great short game, great creativity... He's truly one of the greatest players that I've seen in the history of golf."

Ballesteros PGA golfer

"Now I want to be confronting the hardest challenge of my life, with all my strength, counting on all of you who are sending me encouraging messages."

Seve Ballesteros

PGA golfer

After dropping consecutive conference matches for the second time this season, Saint Mary's had the chance to make a statement against some of the MIAA's best and worst.

The Belles (14-7, 7-5 MIAA) avenged an early-season loss against Alma and swept Olivet at an MIAA mini-tournament. The Belles claimed a tough, four-set victory (25-21, 20-25, 25-23, 25-20) over the Scots (17-8, 9-3 MIAA), while disposing of the Comets (4-18, 0-11 MIAA) in straight sets (25-23, 25-19, 25-21).

Saint Mary's coach Julie Schroeder-Blek praised the fortitude of her team, which has struggled offensively in recent matches.

"Our approach to this weekend was... to keep going forward and finish strong," she said. "I have been incredibly proud of my team for how well they have responded to teams that have defeated us, Adrian and Alma [for example], and turning around to defeat them in the second match."

The Belles began play Saturday at 1 p.m. against Alma, who defeated Saint Mary's in a four-set match earlier this month. While the Belles burst out of the gate with a 283 attacking percentage, the earlier match was far from over.

Saint Mary's middle blocker Andrea Sagen follows through on a spike last year against Hope.

The Belles were down 2-1 for most of the match. But Saint Mary's defense fueled the offense, successfully with 14 kills, while the Scots delivered only 12. Freshman setter Dani Brink totaled 33 assists for the match while adding four service aces. Saint Mary's posted 9.5 blocks beside 83 digs to keep the Scots in check.

"The Alma win came at a great time for us," Schroeder-Blek said. "We had just come off back to back conference losses, and my team just responded so well [to the earlier losses]."

In the 3 p.m. match, the Belles dropped woreful Olivet for the second time this season, adding another three-set victory to their earlier win. In what is becoming a template for success, the Saint Mary's defense fueled the win, while the offense posted a pedestrian. 167 attacking percentage. Sagen's aid again led the Belles offensively with 14 kills, while Rose added 20 digs. Brink tallied 12 assists, while Herrmann finished with 9, a service ace, and 1.5 blocks.

Saint Mary's hosts conference-opponent Calvin Tuesday evening at the Belles' Angela Athletic Facility in Notre Dame, Ind. The 7:00 p.m. match will give Saint Mary's an opportunity to avenge a brutal, three-set loss to the Knights three weeks ago.

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Junior Patty Duffy played all 90 minutes in goal for the Belles recording six saves in the match.

Saint Mary's lost 1-9-1 on the season and 0-4 in MAAC conference play. The Belles have four conference matches remaining before the MAAC tournament in November.

Next, the Belles will take on a Trine University squad that is also winless this season in four conference matches. Kickoff is scheduled for Wednesday at 4 p.m.

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**NFL**

**Pack snap losing skid vs. Seattle**

Associated Press

SEATTLE — Aaron Rodgers turned his sprained shoulder into a lesson for any passer this season when the Green Bay Packers completed their season-turnaround with a 27-17 victory over the Seattle Seahawks on Sunday. Rodgers again ignored the NFL's 'Offer valid Monday.'

The first-year quarterback showed he's ready to lead his team to the Super Bowl with a strong second half effort that gave the Packers (6-11) the NFC North lead.

"Hopefully it shows my teammates that I will put my body on the line for them and I care about them a lot," Rodgers said, recalling he's played with a shy smile after he was 21-for-30 with 299 yards, a touchdown and a Tim Frye tackle Rocky Bernard said.

Rodgers said, recalling he's played with a sprained shoulder and a calf injury. Seattle looked incept while gaining just 177 yards on offense and skidding to 1-4, the equal of the St. Louis Rams at the bottom of the NFC West that Seattle has ruled the last four seasons.

"It's been a while since it's been like this. It's just a slow," Rodgers said. "We didn't give up, we just started slow."

Notre Dame appeared to rally back from a second-set loss, and with the score tied at 17, scored eight of the next 11 points and led the match at one set apiece. Poor starts doomed the Irish in the third and fourth sets, though, falling behind 6-1 in both.

"When you're playing against a team and it's going back and forth, you can't give up five points in a row and expect that you're still going to be in there," Notre Dame coach Debbie Brown said.

Brown said. "We didn't really come out flat, we just started slow."

Notre Dame rallied in the third set, tying the game at 19 before falling 25-23. The Irish also came back in the fourth set, cutting the Pittsburg lead to 22-22. In total, the Pittsburg Mountaineers 2-13, 25-23, 25-17 to earn the 600th win in program history.

Freshman Kristen Dealy had 12 kills and Kaasilin added 11 more as the Irish made sure the match was never in doubt.

Notre Dame is now tied with Georgetown, Cincinnati and Louisville for third in the conference.

Brown said that, despite the loss to the Panthers, the Irish were open to their conference title aspirations.

"It's no different then where we were before," she said. "We feel like we need to win every game."

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Dame’s 29-24 loss away from the rest of the team Saturday.
Quarterback Jimmy Clausen watches the final minutes of Notre Dame’s 29-24 loss away from the rest of the team Saturday.

The Irish got off to a fast start against the Wildcats, scoring twice in the first eight minutes to take a quick lead. But Villanova clawed back and eventually scored an equalizing goal with just nine minutes remaining in the contest.

Waldrum said he was disappointed that his team surrendered its lead.

“I was a little disappointed that we missed a chance to really put the game away,” he said. “I think unconsciously we relaxed and quit really pushing.”

But Augustin kept the Irish unbeaten when she took a bouncing pass from senior defender Eilee Weber and volleyed it into the left side of the net.

“It was a great goal,” Waldrum said. “The pass was coming from left to right in the air and it bounced a couple times. Rose took it on a bounce from about 12 yards out and really hit it into the other side of the goal.”

Against Georgetown on Friday, Notre Dame got important contributions from several underclassmen. Freshmen Melissa Henderson and Courtney Barch each scored a goal as the Irish notched a 3-1 win.

“Both of them had a really good game against Georgetown,” Waldrum said.

“They were both a little beaten up so we didn’t use them as much as I would have liked [Sunday]. I think that hurt us against Villanova.”

Waldrum said he was pleased with his team’s ability to bounce back after playing poorly during the second half against Villanova.

“One thing I’m really happy about is our response when we get into a little bit of a hole and our ability to dig out of it,” he said.

Note:
• Senior forward Kerri Flaherty had a big week-end for Notre Dame, chipping in two goals and extending her goal-scoring streak to eight games.

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Sophomore Stephen Havens also earned a singles and doubles win.

Havens again came up with big wins in singles and doubles again on Saturday defeating players from Ball State in singles and a Michigan State doubles team in round two. Havens teamed with Watt in a 6-1 win in round one of the doubles matches on Saturday.

Davis and Anderson combined for three wins and one loss also on Saturday. Both Davis and Anderson earned a singles win, and teamed up to beat a Michigan State doubles team in round two.

Johnson and Tan again teamed up for two wins in both doubles rounds on Saturday, and each earned a singles win.

The duo beat teams from Harvard and Michigan State in the doubles rounds.

Stahl defeated Alex Forger of Michigan State.

Junior Takashi Yoshii also added a singles win, and Santiago Montoya added a doubles win with Callaghan in round one.

Havens finished with a 1-1 record on Sunday in the final round losing his singles match to Sasha Ermakov of Harvard and teaming with Watt to defeat a doubles team from Western Michigan.

Watt also earned a singles win over another Harvard player on day three. Stahl earned another win for the Irish at singles defeating Eduardo Pavia of Ball State.

David Anderson, Johnson and Callaghan all fell in singles to players from Western Michigan.

Watt earned a victory over Pablo Olivez of Western Michigan. Davis and Fitzgerald also earned singles victories on day three.

Tan and Anderson, and Stahl and Callaghan all earned doubles wins on Sunday.

The Irish will now compete in the Midwest Regionals which open on October 16.

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VIEW FROM AFAR

Quarterback Jimmy Clausen watches the final minutes of Notre Dame's 29-24 loss away from the rest of the team Saturday.
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endured a 0-39 stretch, Jackson said.
"That's kind of deja vu a little bit," he said. "We had a few guys out of the lineup, which hurt our depth compared to a real good Denver team." Notably sophomore center Ree Ryan, who was banged up and missed the contest. Jackson is hopeful Ryan will be available for this weekend's home games against Sacred Heart.

"We have one more weekend to tinker with things before we get to our CCHA schedule," Jackson said. "But we have to be prepared for a team that's going to give us their 'X' game in Sacred Heart. They're coming here to beat us, and they're not going to let us have our way."

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West

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its ability," Kubinski said. "We've seen it in all sports. Yet, often, the same team comes out a week later and gets back to showing good habits and performs to its capabilities. We're counting on that this week. We know we lost out at home but feel we can rebound with a solid effort this week."

Frustration and hope in equal measure have marked Notre Dame's season thus far. The Irish began their campaign with a tenth-place finish at the USF Olympic Intercollegiate, but the real story was the emergence of the team's young players. Sophomores Tyler Hock, Jeff Hock, Alan-Lee lead Notre Dame in scoring, while highly touted Carlos Santos-Ocampo and Dave Donahue who debuted the service to register his fifth goal of the season.

The Panthers lead was short lived. After the own-goal, the Irish settled down and began to possess the ball and control the game. The first breakthrough came in the 23rd minute when midfielder Michael Thomas fed defender Matt Blesker who beat Pittsburgh keeper Jordan Marks for his first goal of the season.

Notre Dame continued pressing the rest of the half dominating everywhere but the scoreboard as the teams would enter the locker rooms at halftime.

“We talked a lot about patience even before the game,” Clark said. “That was our theme. We said you have to be patient because they're well-organized in the back. They sit a lot of guys, and try to counter and play for set pieces.”

Clark's players heard the message loud and clear. After outshooting Pitt 9-4 in the first half, Notre Dame picked up the pressure right where it left off before the intermission, and the end result would be a flurry of goals that's becoming somewhat common place for this team's potent offense.

The go-ahead goal came in the 58th minute when junior midfielder Justin Morrow crossed the ball finding classmates Dave Donahue who deposited the service to register his fifth goal of the season.

Senior forward Bright Duke continued his personal scoring streak putting the game away in the 80th minute with a rocket shot from inside the box. Duke has now scored in six consecutive games, and he leads the team with nine goals and 21 points.

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Big East

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minute when Irish defender Jack Traynor deflects a cross into his own net.

The game started a little bit slack at the beginning of the game," Irish coach Bobby Clark said. "I really don't know why that would be. Full marks to Pittsburgh. They really out worked us at first, and that forced us into putting an own goal away."

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NFC

Jets come off bye week with win

Associated Press

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — Brett Favre and the New York Jets were far from flashy on offense, and they didn't need to be against the winless Cincinnati Bengals.

The Jets scored two touchdowns, including a 1-yarder late in the game, and continued to pass from Favre for a score to lead the Jets to a 26-14 win Sunday.

"It wasn't our best performance on offense, but it was a win," Favre said. "We did some good things. . . . Thomas Jones, he had one of those days."

The Jets (3-2) improved to 3-0 at home immediately following a bye under coach Eric Mangini, but this one was far from easy. With New York holding a tentative 20-14 lead, the Jets needed a 10-play, 41-yard drive by Favre that ate up the clock to seal the victory over the Bengals (0-6).

"I don't believe in ugly wins," Favre said. "I believe in a win. That one felt as good as any win I've been a part of in my life."

Ryan Fitzpatrick couldn't match going for the Bengals in place of an ailing Carson Palmer. He was 20-of-33 for 251 yards and 1 touchdown while being 2-of-3 for the third time since 2000.

"O-and-anthing stings," linebacker Dhani Jones said. "We want to get out there and taste out of our mouths. 0- and 6 is not a position anybody wants to be in."

The Bengals gained just 43 yards rushing on 21 carries with Fitzpatrick's 23 leading the way.

"Everyone will say that with a backup in there, we need to run the ball better. We will," said Fitzpatrick, making his second start in three games with Palmer resting a sore right elbow. "It was a struggle there at the end there to get back to the drawing board and figure out what we're doing.

Despite their struggles, the Bengals were still in it late. They played the Jets even on Thursday when they traveled to Cincinnati. Jones took a 1-yard rumble into the end zone with 2:22 left and the 2-point try fell incomplete to make it a 12-point game.

But, coming off a six touchdown performance in a 56-15 victory over Arizona, wasn't nearly as explosive in this one. He finished 25-for-33 for 309 yards — throwing mostly short passes — a touchdown and two interceptions.

"I'm not here for stats," Favre said. "I'm here for wins."

Jones finished with 17 carries for 89 yards and his first career three-TD game for the Jets, with their navy and gold throwback New York Titans uniforms for the second straight game.

"Last game," Favre said, "we threw the ball around with a lot of points and today wasn't that exact same situation."

"We went off," he said. "It was a little bit of grinding it out a little more. The good thing is we're able to do both."

Cincinnati took a 7-0 lead on the third play of the game against a smorgasbord, when Antwan Odom sacked Favre and forced a fumble. Chiaokhong Fu picked it up and ran 15 yards into the end zone with 11:04 left.

The Jets led 12-0 late in the game and didn't last long as New York tied it with a 2-yard touchdown reception by Jones.

"The whole point is to be out there and play the best on our hands," said Jones, who had two TDs all last season. "It always feels good to get touchdowns, get into the end zone and contribute to the team winning."
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Finding ways to win

Overtime necessary for win over Villanova

By FRAN TOLAN
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Notre Dame keeps finding new ways to win. A week after securing its first comeback win of the season, the No. 1 Irish picked up a 3-2 overtime victory at Villanova Sunday. The win capped a weekend in which Notre Dame also took down No. 17/16 Georgetown on the road.

"The wins were good for us because those are two places that haven’t been easy places for us to play," Irish coach Randy Waldrum said. "And those two teams - Villanova and Georgetown - weren’t easy teams for us over the years.

Sophomore forward Rose Augustin netted the game-winning goal two minutes into overtime to give Notre Dame its first overtime win since last season. Llew Bayliss said.

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HOCKEY

Third period collapse allows Denver to take season opener

By MATT GAMBER
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Things snowballed out of control on the ice in the third period Saturday night for No. 4 Notre Dame, as host No. 6 Denver scored three goals in four minutes to break a 1-1 tie and skate to a 5-2 season-opening victory.

"Once that third period got going, it all just kind of came down on us," Irish coach Jeff Jackson said. "I’m not sure our guys were as ready for it. (Denver) elevated their game and we didn’t, and we have to learn from that.

Irish freshman right wing Billy Maday scored on his first career shot to give Notre Dame a 1-0 lead just 3 minutes into the game. He became the first Irish player to do that since 2006 grad Tim Wallace did it in 2002.

Two minutes later, Denver’s Tyler Ruegsegger evened the score with a power play goal - the first of two special teams tallies for the Pioneers. Denver had five man-up advantages in the first period alone.

"I thought we played a great first period, and if anything hurt us, it was taking some unnecessary penalties," Jackson said. "We killed off some penalties early in the game, and that kind of wore down some of our top players [for later]."

After 30 minutes of scoreless hockey, Denver freshman Luke Salazar capitalized on a three-on-two chance to put his team up 2-1. Two minutes later, Salazar struck again, this time on a rebound for the Pioneers second power play goal of the night.

"Fatigue was a little bit of a factor - killing off so many penalties early, the elevation ... it was a number of things," Jackson said. "We have to capitalize on our chances. We hit a couple crossbars and goalposts, and we have to get our confidence and put the puck in the net again. I think that will come."

Irish senior center Justin White put home a rebound with under a minute to play to close the scoring. Junior center Kevin Deeth assisted on both Notre Dame goals.

The Irish were dominated in special teams, as Notre Dame didn’t score on any of its eight chances but the Pioneers converted 3-9. The power play struggles brought back memories of last December, when the Irish

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MEN’S GOLF

West-coast trip awaits Irish

By MICHAEL BLASCO
Sports Writer

After a disappointing start to the season, Notre Dame is looking to get its season back on track.

The Irish head to La Quinta, Calif., next week, their third west-coast trip this season, to compete in the Prestige at PGA WEST Intercollegiate. Sixteen teams will play three rounds over Monday and Tuesday at the par 72, 7,156-yard Greg Norman Course during the tournament, co-hosted by Stanford and UC Davis.

Despite rough early going for Notre Dame, Irish coach Jim Kubinski is confident that his team will bounce back.

"Sometimes things start to go one way and, regardless of effort or attitude or preparation, a team just doesn’t play to see WEST/page 17

MEN’S TENNIS

Squad played host for Tom Fallon Invitational

By KATELYN GRABAREK
Sports Writer

Notre Dame opened the 22nd annual Tom Fallon Invitational on Friday while hosting Harvard, Wisconsin, Michigan State, Western Michigan and Ball State.

"The Tom Fallon is a hidden-dual tournament," Irish coach Bobby Bayliss said. "One in which each team plays its line-up as it might in a dual match, but there is no team scoring due to NCAA rules that would necessitate that each day of play would count as one of the team’s 25 playing dates rather than as one event."

The Irish earned 13 singles wins in day one of the tournament. Sophomore Dan Stahl earned two wins in singles and a win in doubles on Friday, defeating Harvard and Michigan State players in singles and teaming with fonw sophomore Tyler Davis to beat Michigan States doubles team.

Davis also earned two singles wins in day one over two Harvard players.

"After Roat, last year’s lettermen Stahl, David Anderson, Stephen Havens, and Tyler Davis have been pretty good," Bayliss said. "With Matt Johnson looking like he can join them and Sean Tan much improved in doubles."

Freshmen Casey Watt and Niall Fitzgerald combined for three singles wins on day one. Sophomore Sean Tan, and David Anderson combined for four wins also on Friday.

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