ND opens school year with annual mass, picnic

University President advises students to recognize need for community, reflection and prayer in homily of opening mass

Students share unusual summers

RecSports offers free week of fitness classes

Students interested in enrolling in RecSports fitness classes this semester can take advantage of the "Try It! You'll Like It!" trial period, in which all fitness classes are available for free until August 30. Fitness and Instructional Program Coordinator Shellee Dodd-Bell said: "This way, they can determine if the class is really the right one for them before they spend the money," Dodd-Bell said. "The participant has the opportunity to check out different instructors, time slots and different classes to see what will work best for their schedule and their fitness needs."

RecSports offers wide variety of fitness classes, including aerobic classes like Cardio Boot Camp, muscle toning classes like Body Sculpt and mind and body classes like Pilates and Yoga, Dodd-Bell said.

Graduate student Anne McGinness, who tried a yoga class Tuesday and is planning...
INSIDE COLUMN

Welcome, freshmen

Congratulations, freshmen. You've shown up. It may not sound like much, but, as they say, showing up is half the battle — and it can mean the world. Just ask any of the hundreds of students who attended Kevin Healey's memorial mass at the Basilica last May.

Kevin was a fellow man of Sorin College. He was one of those people I have ever known," his rector, Fr. Jim King, called him. He lost his two and a half-year battle with cancer last spring, after spending nearly full years shuffling back and forth from his home in Cleveland for treatment to his home here at Notre Dame. He fought harder than any of us could imagine, and as the priest at his funeral said, he was a true Fighting Irishman.

Kevin loved Notre Dame, and it was clear on that May Sunday in the Basilica that even if not everyone on campus knew him, the people of Notre Dame loved Kevin, too.

There were plenty of excuses not to give up an hour of time on that beautiful Sunday, the last study day before finals week. Everyone had papers to write and cramming to do, but as Fr. King told us in an email after the mass, "One of the things about ND is that people here realize there are times when it is important to show up, and they rise to the occasion even if it's not very convenient."

The hour I spent in the Basilica that day reconfirmed for me the true nature of the Notre Dame family. The hundreds of students who showed up to celebrate the short life of someone they hardly knew — and, yet, in so many ways, did know as a brother in Notre Dame — that's the real Notre Dame.

I thought a lot about Kevin and that memorial mass this summer, especially in the wake of last spring's controversy surrounding the University's decision to allow President's Bash: OKtaNan to break at commencement. People across campus and around the country led the protests that delayed Notre Dame had lost its way as a Catholic institution, and to hear some of the best, it's clear that our Notre Dame family was being torn apart from the inside out.

But what makes Notre Dame special — what makes Notre Dame the Notre Dame we all love, and has for the last 165 years — is the students. Students like the ones who showed up at Kevin Healey's mass, filling the Basilica on a day normally reserved for all-nighters in the library. Students, I hope, like you will turn out to be.

You've shown up, freshmen. Continue to do so, whether it be for tailgates or for mass, at dorm parties or in DeBartolo. Whatever it is, do it, because it's part of who we are.

No matter what anyone says, you — we — are the real Notre Dame.

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

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Questions of the Day:

"No. Your classmates will then have lofty expectations for the rest of the semester which will go unfulfilled."

"No because it's easier for my prof to notice I fell asleep."

"Only if you're trying to hide your true identity."

"Yes, make a good impression on the people who have forgotten what you look like."

"Yes, to bedazzle and bamboozle freshmen girls."

"Absolutely, since the semester progresses you get grosser and grosser."

Have an idea for Question of the Day? E-mail observer.questions@gmail.com

IN BRIEF

ReeSports will be sponsor a "Try It, You'll Like It" trial period of all of its fitness classes this week at various campus fitness locations. Registration for the classes begins Thursday at 7:30 a.m.

Shakespeare at Notre Dame presents "The Twelfth Night" tonight at 7:30 p.m. at DeBartolo Mainstage Theatre. Tickets cost between $12 and $35.

The film "Moon" will be shown Thursday at 6:30 p.m. at the Browning Cinema at The DeBartolo Performing Arts Center. Tickets are available online at the performingarts.nd.edu, or by calling Ticket Office at 574-631-2800.

ReeSports will conduct a Swim Lesson Assessment on Friday from 6:00 until 8:00 p.m. at the Rockne pool. Make-up assessments are scheduled for Wednesday, September 2 from 6:00 until 8:00 p.m.

The film "Summer Hours" will be shown on Friday at 6:30 p.m. in the Browning Cinema at The DeBartolo Performing Arts Center. Tickets are available online at performingarts.nd.edu or by calling 574-631-2800.

Notre Dame Women's Volleyball will play Denver on Friday at 7:00 p.m. at the Joyce Center Fieldhouse. For ticket information, call 574-631-7365.

Notre Dame Women's Soccer will play against Loyola-Chicago on Friday at 7:30 p.m. at the Joyce Center Fieldhouse. For ticket information, call 574-631-7365.

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German Lego giraffe repeated stolen

BROOKLYN — Visitors to a tourist attraction in Berlin have been making off with an unusual souvenir — the 30 cm long tail of a Lego giraffe. The Lego tail belongs to a popular souvenir, "It's a popular souvenir," a spokeswoman for the center said Tuesday. "It's been stolen four times now..."

African agency gives Simpsons a cultural twist

LUANDA — An Angolan advertising agency has given Homer Simpson and his family an African makeover, raising eyebrows among fans of one of America's most cherished sitcoms. The Simpsons, broadcast in more than 90 countries, have always been portrayed as a white family, but now they are being shown in Africa.

Larry Tenbrink of Mount Vernon was watching TV when he heard his chickens "carrying on" late Sunday. He figured the problem was the opposum that had already killed more than a dozen of his chickens over the past few months.

Information compiled from the Associated Press.
SMC appoints program director

By MEGAN LONEY
News Writer

Saint Mary's administration and student body welcomed Diane M. Fox, the new Director of Student Success at the College, to her position in June after a nationwide search to fill the post.

Although new to the College, Fox is not unfamiliar with the area or to working with students. She worked at Holy Cross College as the Director of Advising for five years and as the Director of the school's College Success Program. Fox worked at Saint Joseph's High School in South Bend as an English teacher and also served as the Communications Coordinator, according to a press release from the College.

Fox has a message for students: "Diane really understands the quality Holy Cross educational experience we provide and will only enhance our students' lives with the resources and talents she offers," Dr. Patricia Fleming, senior vice president and dean of faculty, said in a July press release.

Fortunately for Fox, she does not have to choose between teaching and advising students; both aspects of her work experience are part of her job. As the director, she has the responsibility of teaching academic strategies courses as well as advising all students in the Student Success Program.

Fox feels that she is adapting well to Saint Mary's. "I am enjoying my new environment at Saint Mary's College so very much," Fox said. "As a woman, I appreciate the opportunity to empower the young women of Saint Mary's College. I have also found SMC administrators, staff and faculty to be impressive. I have been kindly and warmly welcomed, and I am truly inspired by the genuine care and commitment they feel to and for the young women we serve. I am very blessed and grateful to be here."

The Office of Student Success, which falls under the Division of Academic Affairs and is designed for first-year students as a means of support during a transition time that can often be difficult. The program focuses on empowering, motivation and the development of key skills strategies needed to succeed in a college environment.

There are currently 33 students accepted to the Student Success Program. Although Fox's primary focus is first-year students, she and the program can prove helpful for all Saint Mary's students.

"While the successful transition of my first-year students is my major focus, another of my responsibilities is to be available to other students who may want to take advantage of the resources of the Office for Student Success," Fox said. "In fact, I welcome the opportunity to do so."

Fox is conducting eight workshops this semester in the Academic Resource Center room, located across from room 103 in Madeleva Hall. These workshops, which are open to all students, will address various topics including time management, the learning process, combating forgetfulness, reading, note-taking, studying and testing skills, all of which benefit students' academic efforts, Fox said.

All of the workshops will be offered from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. The first of these will take place on Tuesday, Sept. 1, and will focus on the learning process and forgetting. Students are welcome to bring their lunches to all of the workshops, but pizza will be available for the first one.

For more information about the Office of Student Success and the workshops, students may visit Diane Fox in her office located in the Academic Resource Center, in room 103 in Madeleva Hall, or contact her by e-mail or phone.

Fox has a message for students as the semester begins: "Get off to a good start. Realize that pursuing an education is why you are here, so make it a priority and act accordingly, now and throughout the semester." Fox said.

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NDSP investigates attempted burglary

Observer Staff Report

Notre Dame Security Police (NDSP) are investigating an attempted burglary after two Notre Dame students reported a man wearing only a blue t-shirt entered their dorm room about 4:30 a.m. Monday morning in a female residence hall.

The students told NDSP they woke up to find the man rifling through a closet in the room, which had been unlocked, according to an NDSP e-mail.

Police said the man left the room without incident and did not take anything.

The man was described as white and college-aged.

Hesburgh Library Quad. Obelisks of Blues, a jazz band comprised of Notre Dame theology professors, graduates and graduate students provided musical entertainment for the steps of the OIT building. In addition to music, the audience was entertained by balloon artists, stilt walkers and various other performers.

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Back to life, back to reality

Students return from study abroad, experience reverse culture shock

By JOSEPH MCMAHON
Associate News Editor

After spending their last semester studying at the foothills of the Andes Mountains, haggling through pristine Alpine villages and hiking through pristine Alpine meadows, Notre Dame students return home to find campus relatively unchanged after experiencing a new world.

"Culturally, it was different. I had grown up in Athens before, but actually living there is quite different than just visiting and dealing with the tourist aspects," said senior Kathleen Zink, who spent her last semester in Athens, Ohio.

"Just seeing trash on the streets, because Notre Dame is such a pristine campus, was a surprise to be treated like that," Zink said. "I just had limo service every day, and I thought that was nice.""It was a lot of shock coming back, but I didn't feel like I needed to be treated like a princess," Zink said.

Senior Colleen Fleshman, who was in Innsbruck, Austria, for a year, said, "There were so many extra responsibilities abroad, so it was a surprise to come back for her self or even sometimes a large group of people, but added that things are much different when you don't have those responsibilities. It also led to her being treated as an adult and helped her with the overall experience.

"It was a surprise to be treated like that because once you are in Notre Dame, you are always taken care of," said senior Nicholas Dan, who also studied in the same city.

"I was really happy to come back. But as the summer progressed I really started to miss Greece and things like walking outside of my apartment and seeing a stray dog," Fleshman echoes Zink's sentiment. She added that she was quickly able to assimilate into life in Athens home, though it did not stop her from missing Europe.

"At first, it was less culture shock than just shock at how familiar everything was," said Dan. "I didn't realize how similar it felt like I had never been away."

"Senior Nicholas Dan, who also participated in the Innsbruck program, said everyday things in America such as driving, needed to be reintegrated into his everyday life after returning home. Greece had been at times like the dining hall on campus and no longer having to cook every meal did make some things simpler."

"There's a definite culture shock, because you don't drive when you're abroad and you have to drive everywhere here," he said. "Additionally, when you come back to campus, you have the dining hall, which makes preparing food a lot easier."

Students elect to study abroad for a variety of reasons, both academic and social. Gotebski said that her program allowed her to experience a new culture while also learning a foreign language.

"We had intensive Spanish classes which really helped in developing our Spanish once we got to the University after the pre-program," she said.

The Chile program, which is integrated with a missionary program, allows students to see not only the country's major cities, but also its rural areas. "It was a good chance cultural- ly to see a part of the country that none of us as well as I used to," Gotebski said. "We had limited computer access, if any, and some of the houses didn't have bathrooms, so we had to get used to stuff like that."

"Zink said that being in Athens also helped her make new friends from other schools, and that being in a foreign country helped her gain a better perspective on things.

"At Notre Dame we're always kind of kept in a bubble. Our program specifically was not just Notre Dame students, but we had students from other universities," she said. "It was quite different to have a real different group of people who don't just see just into the Notre Dame scene."

"It was good, however, that learning a new language often proved difficult, and communication with people who didn't speak English was frustrating. Nonetheless, she said that it helped instill her with greater confidence.

"The language barrier was a lot," she said. "We were required to take Greek, but just trying to shop for eggs was really difficult because you cannot communi cate with the person that you are trying to buy from. It was a really harrowing experience, but it was also good because now I don't have any problems going off campus or asking someone for directions because I had to."

"Gotebski said that going to Chile helped her find friends from Notre Dame that she never would have met on campus."

"You kind of force yourself as a freshman in a bubble, pretty much only being friends with the people in your dorm," she said. "I think going abroad exposes you to an entirely different group of people. I know our program is very long because if we were at Notre Dame none of us would have been able to experience it with our friends because we just have such different interests."

Some Notre Dame students also participated in summer programs, which involve spending five to six weeks in select cities around the world. Junior Zach Schmidt studied in Paris, and while he enjoyed his time there, he said he wished the program had lasted longer.

"It was just enough time to see the sights and to get more than you would from just a normal vacation," he said. "With five weeks you just begin to become immersed in the culture, and so more time would allow you to become a true resident rather than a visitor."

"Dan, who also studied in the Notre Dame Paris program in the winter of 2007, was going to Innsbruck, said that he recommended going abroad for a longer period of time.

"I have gone abroad twice now," he said. "Going to Paris for five weeks was interesting and a good learning experience, but it is nothing of being a glorified tourist, whereas being in Innsbruck for the whole semester really got me into the culture of the area I was living in."

By TESS CIVANTOS
News Writer

Students were greeted by the sound of music and smells of free food samples as they con verged to pick up their football ticket booklets Tuesday.

The Community Relations Committee of Student Government, along with the City of South Bend, set up stands of local restaurants and businesses on the east side of the football stadium in its one-day Off-Campus Fair.

The event, which is a part of Student Government's efforts to foster community relations, also sought to simply entertain students while they waited in line for tickets.

Student Body President Gary Schmidt said that the fair, which Student Government has held in the past, was a success this year and saw a large turnout.

"It was great because students don't have to just awkwardly stand in line," Schmidt said.

He added that it was perhaps such a success this year because of Tuesday's agreeable weather.

Off-campus fair keeps students entertained

The fair featured nine Michiana vendors including Chick-Fil-A and Best Buy.

Kim Hauffeure of Salon Rouge in Mishawaka handed out hair cut coupons and free gifts to condition samples to a line of students outside the stadium.

"It's great to be here," Hauffeure said. "We love to support Notre Dame.

The fair was also an opportunity for area business to gain a reach with a DJ service called High Velocity, which played music during the four-hour event.

Although the fair only took place yesterday, students may continue to pick up their football booklets during the rest of the week.

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Bosnia residents call for school reform

STOLAC — It’s shortly after noon, and teenagers who were taught their capital is Zagreb, in neighboring Croatia, are reading and writing for an hour. When their classroom door opens, hundreds of children will be filed with children who have learned that their capital is Sarajevo, Bosnia.

Fourteen years after Bosnia’s 1992-95 war, young people are about to start their last year in high school. Some children say the Balkan nation’s school system is incapable of recapturing its glory days. For decades, 58-year-old Edward M. Kennedy, the liberal lion of the Kennedy political family, the eulogist of a clan shattered again and again by tragedy.

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JAPAN: "We’ve lost the irreplaceable center of our family and joyous light in our lives," the statement said. "We thank everyone who gave him the care he needed to live through this last year, and everyone who stood with him for so many years in his tireless march for progress toward justice, fairness and opportunity for all." Kennedy was elected to the Senate in 1962, when his brother John F. Kennedy was president, and he served longer than all but two senators in history. Over the decades, he put his imprint on every major piece of legislation to clear the Congress.

He was diagnosed with a cancer-therapy resistant tumor. He was 77.

National news

School to open in New York Harbor

NEW YORK — In 1790, the state of New York set aside Governors Island, off the tip of Manhattan, for the benefit of education. For more than two centuries, however, it was in military hands, guarding the country’s most important coast. Soon, the original terms of that grant will at least be honored and a new building that a public school devoted to New York Harbor itself will be the first non-military tenant to occupy the site in nearly 200 years.

It’s been a decade since Murray Fisher first approached the non-Assembly New York Harbor School, and six years since it opened in what were supposed to be short-term quarters in land­marks, said Natalie Gates, a Fish­er­a said his father's legacy was built largely in the Senate.

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to sign up, said that she wouldn’t have signed up if there hadn’t been a trial period.
“T probably wouldn’t have signed up for it otherwise because I had a bad experience at Last semester where I wasn’t motivated by the teacher and I ended up not signing up,” she said. “I think it’s essential to have the trial period.”
McGinness is more enthusiastic about the class she took Tuesday. “I really enjoyed it,” McGinness said of her trial class. “It was a perfect mix between being a good introduction class where you ease into things and doing things that are also challenging to you at the same time. It made me think, oh wow, I really do need to take this class,” she said.
Dodd-Bell said the trial classes are generally very popular. “The trial classes are always at capacity, so I always recommend people get there early,” Dodd-Bell said.
Instructor Judy Conway agreed and said her Monday night Body Sculpt class was more crowded than her regular classes during the semester. She said it was also more laid back and relaxed. “I think what’s really nice about it is it groups all types of people,” Conway said. “It’s fun because you get to meet a lot of people and are people of all abilities come... in a fun, open environment. It’s very open and inviting,” she said.
The trial period, which RecSports has conducted since Fall 2007, not only benefits the students, but also RecSports, Dodd-Bell said. “For RecSports, this helps us to get people into the right classes and cut back on the number of refunds given,” Dodd-Bell said.
The classes are offered throughout the week at different time slots. Although the general fitness schedule hasn’t changed, RecSports is now offering more classes like Prenatal Yoga and fencing this year.
Dodd-Bell said.
Dodd-Bell said the fitness classes are always in high demand, with Yoga and Pilates being the most popular.
“However, we do keep track of participation and class waiting lists to try to accommodate as many people as we safely can. Student interested in taking RecSports classes can begin signing up August 27 at 7:30 a.m. using the online registration system, RecRegister. Master credit cards are accepted, Dodd-Bell said.
If students want to pay with cash or check, they can come to the Rolfs Sports Recreation Center Front Desk, she said.
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throughout Japan with his 18-year-old brother who studied abroad in the central city of Nagoya, Japan last spring, Paulius has family living in the country and said that he tries to visit as much as possible.
“Since I was little we always visited,” Paulius said. “I learned to speak the language partly through my visits.”
Paulius and his brother bought train passes in the United States and were able to use the bullet train to travel to the cities of Nagoya, Sukkanaka and Nagasaki, as well as the Kuroshio Islands.
Paulius said that in light of the economic recession, he noticed that a number of his friends were unable to find part-time work or an internship. Traveling eliminated the need to pursue one of the highly sought-after jobs.
Senior Helen Syski also pursued her love of language with a summer vacation. Syski studied with the American Councils Foundation in Moscow, Russia for two months this summer.
“IT was even better than I had expected,” Syski said. “I knew it would be exciting. This program was well-organized and fun.”
Syski received funding from the Nanovic Institute as well as the Russian Department for her program. Although not quite fluent yet, Syski, a Russian major, admits that the experience helped her to become conversational in Russian.
Other students additionally pursued summer opportunities that incorporated their major subjekt. Junior Amy Dunbar who majors in architecture, traveled to Accra, Ghana to volunteer for Construct LLC, an architecture firm.
“I wanted to incorporate service and architecture,” Dunbar said.
Dunbar will leave the U.S. again next month to study in Rome, Italy for the academic year.
Other students took advantage of summer programs offered through the University’s Center for Social Concerns (CSC). The CSC offers popular programs like the Summer Service Learning Program (SSLP) and the International Summer Service Learning Program (ISSLP). SSLP and ISSLP programs put students at the service of impoverished or non-industrialized communities in need. Both 8-week programs offer students a stipend as well as three theology credits.
Junior Kaitlyn Kiger participated in an ISSLP in Mbour, Senegal this summer, working in an orphanage with one other Notre Dame student and several other international volunteers. Kiger and the other volunteers were responsible for playing with and feeding over 200 Senegalese children.
Kiger said that she always wanted to pursue this kind of opportunity.
“I have always wanted to spend my summer in a developing country,” she said.
Junior Katie Dufner was also able to work with children at an SSLP in the Bronx, New York. Dufner taught reading to fourth through seventh grade girls at the Rosedale Achievement Center.
Both highly competitive SSLP programs are funded by various Notre Dame Alumni Clubs, the James F. Andrews Scholarship Fund and other donors. The application deadline is in early November.
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But his clients didn't know he had sold them a nonexistent foreign currency fund, created false account information and used their money for personal expenses, investigators say.

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Women increasingly come to power in world of crime

Associated Press

NAPLES — They go by such nicknames as “Fat Cat” and “Tomboy.” Their shimmering presence doesn’t scare them into the streets, guns blazing. They rule their crime family’s business afloat.

Godmothers are rising in the ranks of the Camorra, the Naples' area crime syndicate.

"They are either widows (of mob bosses) or wives of husbands who have been in prison. They hold the reins," said Castaldi.

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In one of the most lurid episodes, in 2002, two carloads of women from rival Camorra clans lurched through the streets of Lauro, near Naples, first trading insults, and then machine-gun fire and pistol shots until two grandmothers and a 3-year-old girl were dead. The root of the blood feud was turned on by a murder of a clan boss' cousin.

Some of the Camorra “godmothers” rank right up there with the men in commanding positions in the mafia, authorities say.

"A m o n g the more than 100 women involved in organized-crime activities in the Naples area, [are] the raising of women from rival clans as 'sons' or 'daughters' to the organization," said Concetta Licciardi, one of the most famous women in the clan. "It's a way to keep them under control," said Licciardi.

"Signora Licciardi is a true 'godmother,'" said Castaldi. "She was the sister of a boss, and at a young age was able to run the business without making decisions, she was right at their level."

Authorities are now investigating whether one of those decisions was an order to execute a woman suspected of being a rival. "She's in charge of household spending, the raising of children," Castaldi said.

These skills can translate into setting the interest rates for death threats or doing out weekly payments to neighborhood kids to watch out for potential rivals. "They are as cocky as the men," said Castaldi. "Now the women are at the level."

Still, "they require stronger ties with potential male rival clans. They’re very determined, very good at=all- plying pressure," said Castaldi. "And there is a bit of jealousy from the men, Maruccia said in a telephone interview.

"The Camorra woman follows the model of the 'madrina' (godmother)," said Gen. Gaetano Maruccia, the top Carabinieri (military police) in the Naples area.

"Women have long played a role in Italy's organized crime, and increasingly take on the role of their crime family's matriarch," said Castaldi.

In January 2009, an unidentified woman was held back by Carabinieri police outside their police station after a relative clan member was arrested, in Naples, Italy. The 51-year-old woman was freed on bail pending trial on charges of conspiracy to commit murder.

In 2002, the man who had ordered a hit on her husband, said. "She’s in control of the family’s business," said Castaldi.

In 1992, Castaldi was arrested and tricked by police into admitting to a murder. She was later freed, but has been involved in organized crime ever since, the prosecutor said.

"People are talking about a 'powers of persuasion,'" said Castaldi in an interview. "Banking promises of cash, she is believed to have convinced some Camorra mobsters who were contemplating becoming turncoats to stay loyal to the clan, the professor said.

For generations, when such mobsters were arrested, mothers and wives would descend on the streets, throwing insults and sometimes punch at police arresting their men. But as investigators increasingly target women across Italy, Camorra figures, bandits have been snapping up strong Camorra woman has deep ties in Naples in the Sicilian Mafia but is in a family in the Camorra, said one of the clan.men.

"She's a m a l c o n o n a , " said Castaldi. "I know women are the ones who pass on the orders of the clan chief. She becomes the continuity between inside the prison and the outside world, enhancing her prestige."

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When worlds collide

In my four days back at Notre Dame, I have witnessed this incredible natural phenomenon occurring all over town. I’ve seen it in the bushes south of campus, at the Tucker, and the apartments on the east side. It’s been more stunning than the Perseid meteor shower. It can only truly be described as worlds colliding.

Worlds colliding. Epis is a senior class 2000 kids strong, discovering a thousand new connections between all of its friends. It’s discovering how small Notre Dame really becomes each progressive year you stay here.

What do I mean by worlds? I am talking about the friends that you make out of necessity your freshman year: the roommates, the kids next door, Fresh-O staff. Another world is your dorm friends, the kids you get close to through freshman year as you navigate all the dorm parties and try and find out where the swim house actually is. Then it becomes the kids from your major: the ones you have every single class with for about four semesters before you actually start talking and hanging out. After that it is the kids with whom you studied abroad in London, Rome, Uganda, Chile and Toledo. Finally, it’s your neighbors off campus. These kids you come to know through complete chance, the only real connection being that the apartment manager threw you next to each other.

So you have all of these worlds, all of these groups of friends. Some of them overlap a bit, others not at all. And then, boom. You head to a party with some of your dorm friends. It is being hosted by a kid you worked with at the dining hall, but you heard about it from one of your good travel buddies from London last semester. After you get there, a dozen kids walk in who you didn’t even know knew the host, but actually turn out to be really good friends with the next door neighbor whom the host just met. It becomes incredibly complex, but equally exciting.

This whole endeavor, keeping up with all the connections underlying all of these social events, is intense, but also brings out some nostalgia for the last couple of years. Being forced to think back about why you know someone, and where you met, helps to recall all sorts of memories from your college experience and think about all the things that have led you to senior year. For us seniors, it’s good to think back, and keep on forging great relationships.

As for sophomores, juniors and especially freshmen out there, I have to say only this: Don’t limit yourself to any one group at Notre Dame. For freshmen, this means coming to know all of the kids in your dorm and making good friends. The dorm system works out for a reason: It provides a great slice of the Notre Dame experience that is accessible from day one. However, take this slice, and keep finding more. Find a job and get to know your coworkers. You may never get to know them well, but it’s great to work on finding new connections and friendly faces on campus. Join a club and get to meet other interesting people from other corners of campus.

For sophomores, Study abroad if you can. It’s a great way to make lasting friendships with people who you will get to know really well. Be sure to get out and know the kids in your major classes. They can share the pain of looking for internships and jobs and at the very least give you someone with whom to commiserate.

As for the juniors: It is still not too late. Get off campus and get some new neighbors. Meet people that live in your building or on your block. It is amazing how fast you can become friends with someone just because they live next door.

As long as you keep on moving out, meeting new people and sharing new experiences, Notre Dame will just keep on getting smaller and cozier. And as for us seniors, let’s get out and enjoy all the friendships we’ve worked at for the last three years. I’ll see you all Thursday at Ferv.

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U.S. writer

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"I will not allow yesterday’s success to pull me into today’s complacency, for this is the great foundation of success." 

Og Mandino
U.S. writer
Pay-for-performance scheme the downfall of academia?

Students fear conforming, not conforming

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It wasn’t so long ago that even some who desperately wanted to go to school couldn’t. Prejudices against individuals of certain genders, races and financial situations dictated the precious opportunity of schooling. Things certainly have changed.

Now kids have to work harder to attend school, because they are in highly popular pay-performance programs popping up all over the country. American students have gone from appreciation of education to an expectation of our ‘authentic’ self.

Programs range from encouraging student attendance to mandatory tutoring and stressing good performance on standardized test, like the SATs. They target a wide variety of schools but primarily focus on low-income inner-city areas with predominately minority populations.

One idea is to pay students a monetary award for their good work and thereby create good habits to create successful college students.

It’s hard to find fault in the theory. Other than the possibility that in doing so we are advising students who will expect to be paid for every effort they make, there aren’t many negatives. Money in students’ pockets perhaps does not explicitly designate a student is the best. There are even those who say it doesn’t matter if it’s the right thing to do, it is.

According to a New York City program, Rewarding Achievement, or REACH, which pays students up to $1,000 for high scorers on AP exams, the opportunity to increase their number of college-bound Latino college students is worth the trouble.

It’s a different type of scholarship, said Edward Bogdanski, executive director of REACH. "The global nature of economic complexities means something to our young people to be committed to the study of public policy, or the skills to compete and participate in an economy that is totally different than yesterday."

That fact is that these program’s proponents believe money is the only way to promote that commitment. And so, they are right. The REACH program in New York City, two years ago. According to Rodriguez, in 2007, those schools increased enrollment into AP courses by 25 percent, going from 2,483 students in 2005, to 3,563 in 2009. In addition, 1,385 of those students passed the AP exams—an increase of 20 percent from 2007, said Rodriguez. More dramatically, the number of black and Latino students who passed increased 31 percent.

"It’s only an experiment, but we think the trend is going to improve," Rodriguez said. "Kids taking AP courses have to put in the work, and so that’s why these financial incentives are not a giveaway. We are focusing kids on something that is important to them in a way that means something to them—500 bucks means something to them. It’s worth the experiment."

What exactly happened to people wanting to learn for the pure value of gaining knowledge? These programs are functioning successfully on the basis that money will motivate, and as such, they have no evidence of how long this theory will last or what the long-term consequences will be. Better yet, what will happen when these students go to college and have to perform just for grades, just for the degree or just for the ambition of achieving a future career?

Unfortunately, cash incentives are working, and because they are, school districts all over the nation are jumping on the pay-for-performance bandwagon. Kids are being taught that monetary awards should be attached to everything they do, homework, tests, grades, attendance, learning, creating and achieving. Soon, nothing will be accomplished without a reward being offered. This could ultimately be the downfall of academia, but desperate times call for desperate measures. Hopefully, kids will continue to learn for the love of knowledge, and not just learn enough to pass the test and say, "Show me the money."

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Univ of Utah
By MAIJA GUSTIN
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When "District 9" made the cover of "Entertainment Weekly" a few weeks ago, the title was: 'Why District 9 Will Blow Your Mind.' The movie hadn't even come out yet, reviews were barely starting to trickle in and the entertainment giant presumptuously named it the must-see movie of the summer. And they were on the money. "District 9," the first feature film from director Neill Blomkamp, wasn't even supposed to be made. One Peter Jackson, famed for turning "The Lord of the Rings" into cinematic gold, watched a short film by Blomkamp, "Alive in Jo'Burg." Jackson hired him to direct a film adaptation of the video game "Halo." Production was moving along well until the studio backers pulled the plug over reported budget concerns. But, rather than waste Blomkamp's talent, Jackson turned the project into a full-length adaptation of "Jo'Burg," in this case, is short for Johannesburg.

"Jo'Burg," in this case, was apartheid coming to a close. It certainly had an effect on him, because "District 9" — about a group of marooned aliens in Johannesburg forced to live in a ghetto called District Nine — is seething with undertones of racism and prejudice. It's a science-fiction blockbuster with the budget of a romantic comedy and a message that is strong but never preachy.

The premise is this: The aforementioned aliens, called by the derogatory name "prawns," are stuck in Johannesburg. Twenty years ago their ship stalled over the South African city, making for some beautiful landscape shots. They've been stuck there ever since. The South Africans hate them and have forced them to live in District Nine, a makeshift ghetto. They live in shacks and scrounge for food, specifically cat food. But even in their vindictive humans.

This realism is further enhanced by wonderful cinematography. The first 30 minutes of the film are shot in a documentary style, complete with interviews and handheld camera work. The rest of the movie is shot on grainy film that creates a realistic grittiness. The film ends up feeling like an expose rather than a piece of fiction. The overall effect is mesmerizing. The ending is poignant and bittersweet. It also sets up for a new inevitable sequel.

"District 9" is beautifully crafted and full of scenic settings and intense action, but the story is what's earning rave reviews across the country. The movie acts as social commentary about South Africa's history with racism and of aliens and weapons of mass destruction, it feels completely real and authentic. The prawns are beautifully crafted, using both a costumed actor and special effects, and seem totally foreign yet oddly human. They become sympathetic characters because they seem at times more human than the government's mishandling of delicate situations. "District 9" creates an alien flick for a post-9/11 world both paranoid and searching for a solution to the world's problems, and, cliché as it may seem, is still a story of love and friendship. It seems certain now that, along with a sequel, Neill Blomkamp has amazing things up his sleeve and an exciting future in film.

District 9
Produced by: Peter Jackson
Directed by: Neill Blomkamp
This summer I had the distinct pleasure of making my Hajj to Woodstock, N.Y., expecting some sort of Disney World for the kids who grew up in the wrong generation. I was not completely let down. Instead of themed rides, there were themed head shops, and instead of carts with funnel cake, there were overpriced restaurants that bragged on local and organic food. I did find that there were those lost souls I was searching for. Teenagers and young adults singing along to the music blaring from the shops, young children as excited as their 30-something old parents to see tie-dye and deep yellow textiles. That Woodstock is not only enjoyed by the baby boomer generation did.

This is easily done with the reissue of the "Woodstock: Music from the Original Soundtrack" and the new box set called "Woodstock: 40 Years On Back to Yasgur's Farm," it consists of six discs with 77 songs, 38 of which were previously unreleased. The album is not for the fair-weather 1960s music lover, but has already sold-out twice on Amazon.com. The set is produced by Rhino and costs a $79.98 plus shipping, but there is a free T-shirt if you buy it from the Rhino site.

When broken down, six discs for around $80 is not unreasonable, but for only $41.99 you can purchase the entire documentary itself, now on a DVD with a director's cut and bonus features. Unless you have exhausted the soundtrack, yearn to see the film and cannot wait for "Taking Woodstock" to come out, the price and the limited availability of the box set is not worth it. "Woodstock: Music from the Original Soundtrack" is a reissue of the original soundtrack from the documentary plus more previously unreleased tracks. The album includes performances by John R. Sebastian, Canned Heat, Richie Havens, Country Joe and the Fish, Joe Cocker, Santana, Ten Years After, Jefferson Airplane, Manassas, Butterfield Blues Band, Jimi Hendrix, Crosby, Stills, Nash and Young, The Who, Joan Banz, Sha-Na-Na and Arlo Guthrie. The distinctiveness of the album is that it is not a compilation of the artists' studio-produced songs, but actual recordings of the music performed at Woodstock. It is as historically valuable as recorded speeches, but as aesthetically pleasing as music can get.

Because these are live performances, there is a freedom in what the artists performed. Joe Cocker was able to cover the Beatles' "With a Little Help from My Friends," Jimi Hendrix revolutionized the "Star Spangled Banner," The Who performed a song from their rock opera "Tommy" on a page from a young covered "Wooden Ships" by Jefferson Airplane, even though Jefferson Airplane performed in the festival also. The album also features stage announcements and "crowd chants" and an announcement from Max Yasgur himself, the man who owned the farm on which the festival took place, setting the music to a background of the crowd and entire experience itself.

The music performed at Woodstock may seem inaccessible because it is not current, or whimsical because it can never be reproduced or the artists' music styles evolve, so it is imperative to take the music as: folksy protest and music as is: folksy protest and rock 'n roll in the rain.

The boxes played at Woodstock were not thematically restrained to the late 1960s — songs about love, peace, post-apocalyptic worlds, riding your car out to the country for a weekend and wishing for change can be enjoyed by any generation.

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PIPPINGTON — Andrew McCutchen made up for a deficit of seven runs in the ninth inning by hitting a game-ending two-run homer off closer Brian Lidge Tuesday night.

The Pirates beat the Philadelphia Phillies 6-4 on John Lidge’s blown save.

In a game in which both classifications were four along for the season, the Pirates tied it against Lidge (0-6) on singles by Luis Cruz and pinch-hitter Brandon Inge, who doubled and right fielder Jayson Werth ‘s error for misplaying Mosas’ hit. McCutchen then won it by hitting Lidge’s pitch into the sea to end the ninth run of the eighteenth run.

The Phillies lost for only the second time in nine games despite two homers by Jimmy Rollins. However, they did see a two-run shot by McCutchen, who left for a two-run shot and Ryan Doumit added a solo drive for the Pirates against Joe Blanton.

Lidge allowed all three to all three batters he faced to blow his ninth save in 33 attempts, the most in the majors. Matt Capps (3-7) won it for the Pirates despite being roughed up in the ninth for the second time in as many games against the Phillies, giving up two runs.

After Carlos Ruiz and pinch-hitter Shane Victorino on back-to-back doubles, McCutchen looked ready to end it at the top of the ninth, but Shane Victorino hit a line drive that was deflected by a Pirate and scored on a sacrifice fly. Seattle’s Ichiro Suzuki.

Capps (10-7) earned his 10th save in 12 games below.

Rays shortstop Jason Bartlett grounded out with two outs to tie it at 3 in the top of the ninth, Shane Victorino hit a line drive that was deflected by a Pirate and scored on a sacrifice fly. Seattle’s Ichiro Suzuki.

Shields (8-10), who had lost four of five starts, allowed two runs and six hits in five innings. The last time the Pirates defeated the Pirates in the seventh inning.

Despite McCutcheon’s misplug, the Pirates won their seventh victory in nine games since losing 12 of 13.

The Phillies, cheered on by a sizable number in the crowd of 17,586, got three runs in the fifth and five in the ninth against the Pirates during last season. The Pirates had also won eight of their 10 on the road.

One of McCutcheon’s four home runs and two home runs of the Pirates in the fifth came in the second inning of the 2-1 lead. The Pirates hit a two-run double and a two-run double.


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After being examined by Mets medical director Dr. David Altchek, Mets ace Johan Santana will miss the remainder of the 2009 season due to surgery for his throwing arm. Santana became the 12th Mets player on the DL.

Mets' Santana out for the season

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Johan Santana needs surgery for bone chips in his left elbow and the star pitcher is out for the season, the latest blow to a New York Mets team battered by injuries.

The team said their 30-year-old ace is expected to be OK for spring training next year, though it is uncertain whether he'll be able to return from surgery.

Santana said on a conference call that he plans to be back with a career-high 137.5 million, six-year contract. Instead, he will have arthroscopic surgery.

Santana said that had the Mets been in the middle of a pennant race, rather than lagging well below .500, he would've tried to keep pitching.

"I didn't want to shut it down," he said. That said, "you don't want to go out there and blow it and make it worse."

Santana went 13-9 with a 3.13 ERA in 25 starts in his second year with the Mets. Strong at the start of the season, his numbers had dropped noticeably since June — he was 7-2 with a 3.77 ERA and averaged nearly 12 strikeouts per nine innings before then but was 6-7 with a 4.02 ERA and averaged 5.9 strikeouts after.

Manager Jerry Manuel said Santana complained of elbow soreness after his last outing, and the team decided to shut him down. Santana said his recovery time between starts was mostly affect-

IN BRIEF

Injured

Cowboys employees file lawsuits

DALLAS — Two Dallas Cowboys employees seriously injured in the collapse of the team's indoor practice facility filed lawsuits Tuesday against the company that designed the structure and others linked to its construction and repair.

Scoouting assistant Rich Behm and special teams coach Joe DeCamillis filed lawsuits against Summit Structures LLC and others involved in building and repairing the steel and fabric facility. The $88,000-square-foot structure collapsed in a wind storm May 2 while a practice for recently drafted players was being conducted inside.

Behm, who was paralyzed from the waist down, and DeCamillis, who suffered a broken vertebrae, seek unspecified damages in the suits, which contain similar language but were filed in separate Dallas courts.

NFL files bid to keep Coyotes in Arizona

PHOENIX — The NFL has filed a bid in U.S. Bankruptcy Court to purchase the Phoenix Coyotes and keep the team in Arizona.

Deputy NHL commissioner Bill Daly said in a news release Tuesday that the league took the action "to maximize the likelihood that the club ultimately will be sold to an acceptable purchaser who is committed to operating the franchise in Glendale." Daly said the franchise was offering to buy the team, which is scheduled to be sold at auction on Sept. 10.

The release did not say how much the league was offering to buy the team, and that he expected Thomas' debut to be at Ohio State instead.

Garcia said the school is examining how to get out of the North Carolina matchup but told The Associated Press that FIU remains committed to playing in the tournament.

MLB unhappy, Thomas' opener could be at UNC

MIAMI — It sounds like a made-for-TV matchup — biah Thomas making his coaching debut for FIU in the opening game of the season at defending national champion North Carolina. That's what was listed on the Tar Heels' schedule for Nov. 9, released Tuesday by the Atlantic Coast Conference.

But that's not the case. It's not the game FIU wanted — and it's a game the Golden Panthers aren't interested in playing.

FIU athletic director Pete Garcia lashed out against the matchup Tuesday, saying he felt the Golden Panthers were "bullied" by organizers of the Coaches vs. Cancer tournament and that he expected Thomas' debut to be at Ohio State instead.
Mets’ reliever Wagner heading off to Red Sox

Associated Press

BOSTON — Billy Wagner is on his way to the Boston Red Sox, leaving the New York Mets after the trade bitterness of a pennant race as a setup man for All-Star closer Jonathan Papelbon.

After a few days of back-and-forth talks about Wagner’s future, the depleted Mets traded the left-handed reliever to the Red Sox on Tuesday for two players to be named. It’s been a long time since Wagner was one of the players headed to New York, as first reported by the Boston Globe. Since he’s on the 40-man roster, he’d have to clear waivers first to be part of the trade.

The AL wild-card leaders had claimed Wagner on waivers, and the teams worked out a deal that persuaded Wagner to waive his no-trade clause. Wagner’s main motivation, according to agent Bean Stringfellow, was his “overwhelming desire to pitch in a pennant race.”

“He woke up and decided he wanted to join a team in the middle of a pennant race to have a chance to pitch in October and to have a chance to get a ring, which he’s never done,” Red Sox general manager Theo Epstein said.

“There were some ups and downs and turns in the decision, but in the end he told us he woke up today and really wanted to win the World Series, and came here for a chance at it,” Epstein said.

Boston agreed not to pick up Wagner’s $8 million option for next season, Stringfellow said, in an e-mail to The Associated Press.

“I’m happy for him to get an opportunity with a team that seems headed to the postseason,” Mets manager Jerry Manuel said. “He should do well.”

Wagner ranks sixth all-time with 385 career saves, and wants to finish out his career as a closer. He’s not likely to get that chance this year with Boston; then again, he hasn’t gotten to pitch in the World Series, either.

“He wanted to be part of a pennant race,” Mets general manager Omar Minaya said on a conference call. “We were able to get a couple of prospects for him. We felt it was the right thing to do.”

Had Wagner rejected the deal, the Mets would have had to pay him $3.5 million left on his contract.

Wagner has pitched two scoreless innings since recently returning from major surgery on his left elbow last September. He had lost his role as the Mets’ closer after their offseason acquisition of Francisco Rodriguez.

Epstein said they would not use Wagner in back-to-back games.

“Well, we think he can be a factor,” Epstein said. “We’re realistic,” Epstein said. “He’s less than a year away from Tommy John surgery.”

Wagner’s contract includes a $1 million buyout for next season. If his option is declined, he can become a free agent in the offseason and sign with any team.

Wagner has said he would like to pass John Franco (424) for the most saves by a left-handed pitcher.

Following a quicker-than-expected return from surgery and rehab, Wagner returned to the injury-ravaged Mets on Tuesday night. Wagner struck out two in a perfect inning against Atlanta, with his fastball reaching 96 mph.

Wagner stuck out two more in a hitless eighth inning Monday against first-place Philadelphia.

Rangers’ Davis promoted

Associated Press

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Marshall practicing with Bronco offense

Associated Press

DENVER — Brandon Marshall may be back in the mix offensively at practice but it remains unclear whether the Broncos’ disgruntled wideout will make his preseason debut in Denver’s game Sunday against Chicago.

Denver coach Josh McDaniels held Marshall out of the Seattle exhibition, duties last week, imitating the quarterback’s role with Peyton and Eli Manning.

Coach McDaniels was cut short about an hour and a half into the latest depth chart, which was closed to the media, was released by the team, Marshall, who like Vick, suffered a knee injury has left the Broncos with questions in their running game, although Ryan Williams and David Wilson are two of the most heralded recruits in school history.

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Thunder faces up to first-degree murder
faces a mandate from a September conviction. He counts.

OMAHA, Neb. — Former Nebraska running back Thunder Collins was convicted Monday of first-degree murder and other charges stemming from a September 2008 shooting in Omaha that left one man dead and another seriously wounded.

The Douglas County jury also found the former Cornhuskers player guilty of attempted second-degree murder, felony assault and two weapons counts.

The 29-year-old faces a mandatory sentence of life in prison for the first-degree murder conviction. He faces up to 170 years on the other counts, said Deputy County Attorney John Alagaban. Sentencing is set for Nov. 12.

As Collins left the courtroom, he yelled at the jury of six men and six women, "Are you happy? Are you happy? You know I didn't kill anyone."

He later told reporters in a jailhouse interview that he thinks he was convicted because he was a well known figure in the community.

"If I was just any other Joe Blow, I feel I would have beat this case," he said.

Collins was arrested last September within a day of an Omaha shooting that left 17-year-old Timothy Thomas dead and another California man, Marshall Turner, seriously wounded.

Prosecutors said the shooting stemmed from a botched drug deal in which Collins masterminded a plan to rob the men.

Collins' attorney, Steve Lefler, argued that prosecution witnesses were lying, and said Collins would appeal.

Alagaban said he believes justice was served.

"It's an appropriate, just verdict, especially for a victim who was killed and executed basically on a garage floor," he said.

Collins played for the Cornhuskers from 2000-02. He quit the team midterm that fall saying he couldn't afford to keep playing and needed to focus on taking care of a younger brother, whom he moved from Los Angeles to Nebraska to protect him from gangs. His decision to leave followed a four-game suspension for an undisclosed NCAA rules violation.

He also had a brief stint in 2003 with the Montreal Alouettes of the Canadian Football League. Originally from Los Angeles, Collins was a junior college All-American in 1998 who was touted by recruiting analysts as the next in a long line of great Nebraska running backs.

But Collins never lived up to his hype. His best season was in 2001, when he played in 12 games, ran for 647 yards and five touchdowns and caught 19 passes for 189 yards. Collins has had several brushes with the law, including in 2006, when he was sentenced to 10 days in jail after he pleaded no contest to obstructing an Omaha police officer. Witnesses said Collins had been involved in a shooting, and police found marijuana in his pocket.

In 2003, he was acquitted of assault and burglary charges in Corvallis, Ore., that stemmed from accusations about an alleged confrontation with an ex-girlfriend and an Oregon State football player.

In 2002, Collins pleaded guilty to disturbing the peace in Lincoln. That was part of an agreement with prosecutors to drop two assault charges connected to alleged fights with the same woman in Lincoln. Great Nebraska running backs, like (then) Terrell Burton, 21, has pleaded not guilty to first-degree murder and other charges in the slaying and is scheduled to stand trial in October.

Owens continues to stand along the Buffalo sidelines

Associated Press

ORCHARD PARK, N.Y. — Terrell Owens isn't ready to play, and the Buffalo Bills offense has another concern after running back Fred Jackson aggravated a left thumb injury in practice Tuesday.

Coach Dick Jauron ruled out Owens from playing in Buffalo's preseason game at Pittsburgh on Saturday because the receiver is still not fully recovered from a sprained toe. Owens spent 10 minutes working out on his own in practice, the first time he's been on the practice field since taking part in individual drills on Aug. 17.

Owens, who will miss his third preseason game, still hasn't been through a full practice since jamming his foot during the Bills starting offense's one and only series against Tennessee in the Hall of Fame game on Aug. 9.

Jauron said Owens indicated after the workout that it was the best he's felt since getting hurt.

Wearing a blue shirt and shorts, Owens went through a regimen of running and stretching drills. He showed no sign of a limp and was able to push off both feet.

Another encouraging sign was how Owens was able to stand and watch the rest of practice, something the player hasn't previously been able to do after experiencing discomfort in his toe.

Owens declined to talk to reporters as he left the field with about 15 minutes left in practice.

Jauron considered it too early to say whether Owens might be able to play in the preseason finale against Detroit on Sept. 3. Jackson's status is uncertain as the player was having tests after being hurt during a team drill near the end of the two-hour practice.

The injury is potentially troublesome because Jackson is slated as the team's starter while Marshawn Lynch serves a three-game NFL suspension to open the regular season.

The Bills added insurance this offseason by signing eight-year NFL veteran Dominique Rhodes in free agency. He's followed on the depth chart by Xavier Omon, who had brief playing time as a rookie last year.

Jackson was hurt during a running play, when he took a pitch to the left. He was hit as he burst through the line of scrimmage, fumbled the ball and fell to the ground in pain.

With several teammates and trainers looking on, Jackson eventually got up and was holding out his left hand while being escorted to the training facility. Jackson's hand already was heavily taped around the wrist and thumb.

Owens in New York

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Terrell Owens is in New York to see how his left thumb responds to treatment after he aggravated the injury in a practice Tuesday.

Owens didn't practice Wednesday, and the Buffalo Bills weren't sure when he'd be available.

Tight end. Javarris James was also ruled out by coach Dick Jauron, who said the knee injury he suffered in practice Tuesday was "not a big deal." James was hurt after making a catch and landing on his knee.

On Wednesday, Jauron and defensive coordinator George Edwards both said the Bills would have to get production from other running backs after running back Fred Jackson hurt his left thumb.

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Tight end Scott Chandler has been making a case to become the starting tight end in place of Daniel Fells, who has left the team midseason saying he couldn't afford to keep playing.

Chandler has had an impressive training camp and preseason, catching 19 passes for 245 yards and two touchdowns in the team's last three games.

The Bills also didn't practice, and Jauron said running back Marshawn Lynch, who is serving a three-game NFL suspension for an off-field incident, would continue to work out on his own.
**MLB**

**Rangers hold off Yankees in 9th**

Associated Press  

NEW YORK — Rookie shortstop Elvis Andrus turned Melky Cabrera's liner into a game-ending double play and the Texas Rangers held off the New York Yankees 10-9 on Tuesday night.

Michael Young and Nelson Cruz homered for the Rangers, who scored seven two-out runs off Joba Chamberlain to overcome an early four-run deficit. They took a 10-5 lead into the ninth before New York started storming back against Texas bullpen.

Jason Grilli allowed a leadoff single and a walk before he was relieved by closer Frank Francisco. Alex Rodriguez walked, Hideki Matsui lined a RBI single and slow-footed Jorge Posada knocked in a run with a rare fielded single.

Robinson Cano's two-run single cut it to 10-9 and left runners at first and second with nobody out. But Nick Swisher popped up a foul bunt attempt for the first out and Cabrera hit a low liner to shortstop that Andrus caught on the fly.

The Rangers went on to win in six innings with a fastball that consistently registered in the high 90s (mph). Coming off a 7-3 road trip, New York dropped to 41-19 at the new Yankee Stadium, still the best home mark in the major leagues.

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**Padres blow lead, then win in 12th**

Associated Press  

ATLANTA — Mat Latos, David Eckstein and the San Diego Padres stopped the Atlanta Braves from improving their playoff hopes.

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type players in our lineup," Kubinski said. "A high school state champi-
on, Sandman entered his freshman year with a nagging back injury that kept him out of the line-up at the beginning of the season. Upon his return, though, Sandman posted top-25 finishes in his first three matches, including a second place finish at the Bollower Invitational. He ended the season with a 73.40 stroke average, the highest ever for an Irish freshman. Sandman also played a cru-
cial role in Notre Dame's Big East Championship, finishing 20th overall and sinking a birdie putt to seal the victory over Louisville in a sudden death playoff.

Sandman's sophomore sea-
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tent, recording a 73.91 stroke average and having his score count in 33 of 34 rounds, the best on the team. He finished 16th at the Big East Tournament and was named to the all-Big East Conference team.

In that same season, Fortner played well in his first year. He participated in 10 tournaments, the most of any freshman that season. Along with his solid tourn-
ament performances, Fortner was one of two freshmen to shoot a hole-in-one for the Irish that season, doing so with senior Carl Santos-
Ocampo in back-to-back tour-
naments. He finished the sea-
son with a 24th-place finish in the Big East tournament.

Coming into his junior year as the top golfer for the Irish, Sandman did not disappoint, recording a 73.39 stroke average, the sixth best in school history. In addition to once again being named to the all-Big East Conference team with a seventh place fin-
ish at the Big East Tournament, he was also selected for the PING All-
Midwest region team and was named the Notre Dame Monogram Club MVP. Sandman finished his junior year by individually qualifying for the NCAA regional tourn-
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bling their knees with curve-
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MLB

Greinke fans Royals' record 15 in 6-2 win

Associated Press

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Zack Greinke struck out a team-
record 15 in eight overpower-
ing innings and got some rare so-
tensive support, helping the Kansas City Royals end a five-
game losing streak with a 6-2

win over the Cleveland Indians on Tuesday night.

Greinke (12-8) passed his career high with 15 strikeouts in the first six innings, then broke Mark Guhman's 21-
year-old team record of 14 by
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ed with how we came out in the 1st inning. It was much better after halftime,” Irish coach Randy Waldrum told The Observer. “With the two goals, we give Wisconsin credit, they battled hard and their keeper made some really good saves in the 1st half to keep them in the game.”
Before the Badgers could catch their breath, junior midfielder Rosie Mingle followed up with a laser shot just outside the box to give Irish a 2-0 lead and keep to give the Irish a commanding two-goal lead.
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Becoming the final shot of the game, Weis said, “The team can see some interchangeability of all of our line­backers.”
Senior punter Eric Maust has earned a scholarship, Weis said, as well as the starting strongside linebacker.

“Tulowitzki gives Rockies 5-4 win”
Associated Press
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ACROSS
1 It's found in chambers
2 Moves quickly
3 If it was dropped in the '60s
4 Just watch TV
5 Historic San Francisco theater, with "her"
6 Make checks payable to:
7 Completeness of form and mail it today to receive The Observer in your home.

DOWN
1 Envelope (Borry Humphries character)
2 Olympic boxing gold medalist of 1964
3 Its may be down at the heel
4 In "Jesus Christ Superstar"
5 Just watch TV, in the theater, with... (Four Words)
6 To tempt (or!) or be involved with someone who does.
7 Israeli leader?
8 Handy
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11 It
12 Trampled (on)
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17 Nitrous oxide
18 Share
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22 "Arabian Nights" character
23 "Scorpio" (Munich-August 9): Chicago's
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24 "Superstar"
25 Scand. land
26 Certain finish
27 Run out of gas,
28 Bouncers check
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64 Escape
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Horoscope

EUGENIA LAST

CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY: And Twitty, 42; Blue Underwood, 45; Billy Ray Cyrus, 54; Blake, 54, Narnia.

Happy Birthday! You should be planning to put a lot of your own ideas and plans into play today. It's action that will best be in your favor. Changes in your current position or the way things are going can be expected. If someone doesn't lay up to your expectations, it's time to move on and to adjust yourself with someone who does. Your numbers are 7, 13, 22, 28, 39, 38

ABRIS (March 21-April 19): Changes good for you and are not being given the informed tone you require to make a proper decision. Do not get overly perturbed and ask your next question. You need to know what's going on.***

TARLEA (April 20-May 20): Do not be looked at as a potential solution for help. Focus on your better self. Not contradictory. A favorable scenario occurs will lend to a better situation.***

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Your savvy approach to everything today will be proof enough that you know how to handle others and accomplish your goals. An emotional subset that arises because you are a collegial mate and large secure and not cause possible: if possible.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): You can make a difference to the people around you if you offer help and support. A change occurring your way will be like a breakout and happy surprise. Assert your plea to discover what you want and need in your life.***

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Think before you act decisions that might upset someone you love. Focus on what everyone around you wants before you make a decision that can change the schedules of those who love you. A partnership may be on shaky ground.***

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Use your experience and your ability to find the truth about what is actually happening versus logical or financial fact that many influence you both.

Your horoscopes will come by email.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Don't step out of what is expected of you in order to alter. You have everything planned for advancement. With an annual twist in the way you see and do things, you should be well on your way to sanctions.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Let your emotions lead you and you will concide someone who is more to your taste. You can make some very original changes to your current plans and surprise everyone with your move. Love is in the air.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Honor, family and the right to have accomplished your goals to be protected. A change in the coming days is a surprise that is, as long as you know what sort of choices you will, you can alter the consequences of no past decisions.***

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Tie up some of the details that are holding back a project or plan you are trying to get off the ground. There is an announcement opportunity as you and others are facing more of the details and then the one that can lead up.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Do not deviate from your plan because someone is changing your goal. This is not the time to go into your imagination or get involved with someone who is the least work model. You need to stay your family and friends to get past mistrust.

PISCES (Feb. 19-Mar. 20): The biggest thing is moving on. It will benefit you in the near run. You know how to deal with certain things and the way you discuss your options and make your plan for the future. A passionate connection will lead to a better understanding.

Birthday Baby: You are intense, detached, determined and always looking for a way to help others. You do vary your own beliefs.

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Jumbles: PROBE BUXOM RACIAL BROOD

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FOOTBALL

Freshman kicker wins starting spot in opener

By BILL BRINK
Sports Writer

The Irish have a lot of talented freshmen on this year's team — as proof, a freshman kicker who has cemented a starting spot.

Nick Tausch will be the field goal kicker and kickoff man, Irish coach Charlie Weis said Monday. He replaces junior Brandon Walker.

Weis said the Irish have tracked every competitive kick during training camp and that Tausch won "rather significantly."

He also said Tausch's kicks hang high, making them tough to block on field goals and give the kick coverage ample time to get down the field on kickoffs.

Freshman kicker Nick Tausch warms up at practice last Friday. Irish coach Charlie Weis recently announced Tausch had won the starting job over incumbent junior Brandon Walker.

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SMC SOCCER

Ronayne, Duffy give Belles senior leaders

By KATELYN GRABAREK
Sports Writer

Senior Bridget Ronayne will lead a large group of returning starters for the Belles this season. They look to improve on last season's 2-13-1 record that saw them finish with a 1-3-8 record in the MIAA.

"Bridget is a very mature player on the field," head coach Ryan Crabbe said. "She is a great leader and her teammates respect her. Her success playing in the back for us comes from her ability to read the game and make good decisions under pressure. She is very good at minimizing mistakes which is key as a defender."

The defense that Ronayne has been such an integral part of has only allowed one goal or fewer in 24 games in her three previous seasons.

In 2007 Ronayne started every game for the Belles, recording five points for the Belles in those games while capturing the team's top spot in crabbie's first season. Fellow senior Patty Duffy will look to help Ronayne on defense for the Belles in her second full season as the goalkeeper.

Duffy only appeared in one game for the Belles in 2007 playing 76 minutes, while also making five saves for the Belles.

However, in 2008, Duffy was a little disappointment.

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ND WOMEN'S SOCCER

Henderson leads offense

By ALEX BARKER
Sports Writer

After an outstanding freshman campaign that helped the Irish advance to the national championship game, sophomore forward Melissa Henderson is wasting no time picking up right where she left off.

After a disappointing first half played in part by wet conditions, Henderson netted the team's first goal of the season shortly into the second half of a 3-0 victory over Wisconsin last Friday at Alumni Field.

The goal gives the reigning Big East Rookie of the Year a remarkable 18 career goals in her first 28 collegiate games.

"I was a little disappointment.

Sophomore forward Melissa Henderson receives a pass in a 5-0 win over Cincinnati on Nov. 8 at Alumni Field.

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MEN'S SOCCER

Impressive Irish take out No. 9 Northwestern 1-0 in opener

By JARED JEDICK
Sports Writer

The Irish capped off an undefeated exhibition season with a 1-0 win over No. 9 Northwestern on Monday, propelling Notre Dame into the regular season on a winning note.

The Irish, No. 12 in the NSCAA National Rankings defeated Northern Illinois twice in a day-night double-header the week before, 2-1 and 3-0.

Sparking the Irish against Northwestern was a goal from junior forward Steven Perry with 22:06 left in the first half. Junior midfielder Josh Thiermann set up Perry beyond the Northwestern defense and Perry chipped the ball over Northwestern goalkeeper Drew Kudler and into the netting.

"It was a great goal for Steven Perry," Irish head coach Bobby Clark said. "I thought he looked very steady in the first half along with Josh Thiermann."

The goal came eight minutes after senior forward Tamba Samba missed a low shot from beyond the box that ricocheted off the left post.

The Irish controlled possession early in both halves, but began to slack off in the later moments.

"I felt we were very good at the first two-thirds of each half," Clark said. "But the final third of each half I felt whichever group we had in got tired."

The Irish continued to apply pressure in the second half, missing another good scoring opportunity when senior forward Bright Dike's shot went wide after a string of passes from junior midfielder Greg Klazura and freshman midfielder Dillon Powers.

The Irish fired 13 shots at the Northwestern goal in the Wildcat eight, but Notre Dame lost the corner kick battle 2-1.

"We had some terrible stuff at times," Clark said. "When we played simply and we all just connected I was very happy. We have the potential to be a good group."

The Irish managed a double-header sweep against Northern Illinois in a series of matches meant to gain experience for the players.

The first match, which the Irish won 2-1, showcased the younger players on the team, while the later 3-0 victory featured Notre Dame's more seasoned veterans.

"It was great to have nearly everyone on the roster play at least a half today," Clark said. "You want everyone to get time on the field and we were able to do that. It was especially nice to get a look at the freshmen."

In the latter match, the Irish were led by two goals from Dike and one from senior midfielder Michael Thomas. The Irish dominated most of the time of possession.

"We really controlled possession in the second game," Clark said. "I'd say we controlled the ball 70 percent of the time."

The ball control allowed the Irish to dominate every phase of the game.

Notre Dame will open the regular season Saturday against Michigan on Sunday, Sept. 1.

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Veteran duo leads deep team

By ERIC PRISTER
Sports Writer

Irish coach Jim Kubinski needs to make a decision that any coach would love to make — who is the top golfer on the Irish squad? Senior Doug Fortner and fifth-year senior Josh Sandman both enter the 2009-10 season looking to be the No. 1 on an Irish team who looks to be much improved this season.

"Given the experience Fortner gained last season playing No. 1 in our lineup and with the return of Sandman, a fifth-year senior, I feel we'll have two No. 1 men," Kubinski said.

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The Center for Social Concerns has partnerships with over 60 local social service and advocacy organizations. Numerous opportunities exist to contribute your time and talents.

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**Time(s):** Daytime
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**Placements:** Up to 15
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kidgnmreli@bigglobal.net

**BIG BROTHERS BIG SISTERS OF ST. JOSEPH COUNTY, INC.**

**FOCUS:** One-to-one child mentoring for school-aged children in St. Joseph County **SERVICE ACTIVITIES:** Spend time with a child weekly to bi-monthly off campus.

**Days:** Any
**Time(s):** Afternoon, late afternoon, evening (M-F) and (S-S)
**Requirements:** Car, 18+, background check, one year
**Placements:** 30+
**Contact:** Deborah Ewron
(574) 232-9558
bde@bigglobal.net

**BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB OF ST. JOSEPH COUNTY**

**FOCUS:** Provide youth development programs for school-aged youth in an after school environment **SERVICE ACTIVITIES:** Serve as mentors, group leaders, and coaches to the kids. Specialized service projects available in development office.

**Days:** Weekdays(M-F)
**Time(s):** Daytime
**Requirements:** Car, 18+, background check
**Placements:** 30+
**Contact:** Arlene Cramer
(574) 232-2048
jcramer@bigglobal.org
www.bigglobal.org

**BROADWAY CHRISTIAN ENGLISH LMC**

**FOCUS:** We are a church that offers a ministry of peace, justice, and hospitality to those who often stand outside of social norms. **SERVICE ACTIVITIES:** Students may work in the food pantry, volunteer in our morning outreach programs, help guests with computer skills, or use their vocational skills in the work of the church.

**Days:** Any
**Time(s):** Morning (M-F) and (S-S)
**Requirements:** Car, Spanish-speaking skills, background check
**Placements:** Up to 15
**Contact:** Jo Fisher
(574) 234-3111, Ext. 33
jfisher@ccfwsb.org
www.ccfwsb.org

**CAMP MILLHOUSE**

**FOCUS:** To build self-esteem and independence and enrich the lives of persons with special needs through the unique outdoor activities and natural settings that Camp Millhouse provides **SERVICE ACTIVITIES:** Student volunteers can help work with campers during our weeks of summer camps. They can also help with mailings, yard work and other service projects.

**Days:** Any
**Time(s):** Morning, afternoon, late afternoon, evening (M-F) and (S-S)
**Requirements:** Car
**Placements:** Up to 30
**Contact:** Jan Savedor
(574) 233-2202
campmillhouse@aol.com
www.campmillhouse.org

**CASAPROGRAM OF ST. JOSEPH COUNTY**

**FOCUS:** The focus of the CASA Program of St. Joseph County is to recruit, screen, train, supervise, and support volunteers who advocate for abused and neglected children. **SERVICE ACTIVITIES:** Volunteers are screened and are appointed for a minimum of two years, and are supervised by the court to advocate for children who come into the court system primarily as a result of alleged physical, sexual, emotional abuse and/or neglect.

**Days:** Weekdays (M-F)
**Time(s):** US citizen, 21+, background check, 3 references, drug screening, 18 months
**Placements:** 30+
**Contact:** Brenda Matuszkiewicz
(574) 235-5372
bmate@centerforhospice.org
www.sjccasa.org

**CATHOLIC CHARITIES**

**FOCUS:** Catholic Charities celebrates the spirit of Jesus and fosters personal dignity by serving the needs of our neighbors. **SERVICE ACTIVITIES:** A wide array of opportunities are available, including assistance with the Food Pantry, the Immigration department, Counseling, Adoption and Pregnancy, Senior Aides, and RSVP. Also: the GED program, Citizenship and ESL classes, budgeting class, and business skills review.

**Days:** Weekdays (M-F)
**Time(s):** Any
**Requirements:** Car, Spanish-speaking skills, background check
**Placements:** Up to 15
**Contact:** Jo Fisher
(574) 234-3111, Ext. 33
jfisher@ccfwsb.org
www.ccfwsb.org

**CATHOLIC WORKER HOUSE**

**FOCUS:** We seek to practice the "works of mercy" by offering hospitality to folks on the streets of South Bend. **SERVICE ACTIVITIES:** We need help preparing dinner, processing donated vegetables, cooking, and cleaning.

**Days:** (M-S)
**Time(s):** Late afternoon, evening (M-SA), vegetable pick-up and processing 1:30-4:00 p.m. (TH)
**Placements:** Up to 30
**Contact:** Margaret Pfeil
(574) 631-9378
mmglib@stjoe-redcross.org
southbendcatholicworker.org

**CENTER FOR HOSPICE AND PALLIATIVE CARE, INC.**

**FOCUS:** To improve the quality of living for persons facing the end of their lives **SERVICE ACTIVITIES:** Assist staff in caring for up to seven patients in our Hospice House inpatient facility, i.e., personal care, transferring, preparing meals, answering call lights, and much more.

**Days:** Weekdays (M-F)
**Time(s):** Any
**Requirements:** Car, 18+, US Citizen, background check, TB test, six nights of training, one year commitment, valid driver’s license, current auto insurance, confidentiality, OSHA, health statement from physician showing proof of non-comunicable disease.
**Placements:** Up to 15
**Contact:** Jackie Boytont
(574) 243-3100
boytont@centerforhospice.org
www.centerforhospice.org

**CENTER FOR THE HOMELESS**

**FOCUS:** Our focus is on life changing services and programs for our 200+ guests (men, women, and children) to assist them as they work to break the cycle of homelessness. **SERVICE ACTIVITIES:** Student volunteers assist in almost all programs and services we offer, including adult basic education, our work-place readiness program, front desk, and administrative assistance.

**Days:** Any
**Time(s):** Morning, afternoon, late afternoon, evening (M-F) and (S-S)
**Requirements:** One semester, able to commit to a regular weekly schedule.
**Placements:** 30+
**Contact:** Dr. Peter Lombardo
(574) 282-8700, Ext. 344
plombardo@chf.net
www.chf.net

For more information visit: socialconcerns.nd.edu

**KEY**

- $ Federal Work Study site
- ( ) On Bus Route
- Preferred method of contact is bold.
FOCUS: To provide out-of-home respite care for individuals with special needs

SERVICE ACTIVITIES: Interact with our guests, cook meals, play games, and read

DAYS: Any

TIME(S): Afternoon, late afternoon, (M-F), morning, afternoon (S-S)

REQUIREMENTS: Can, one semester

PLACEMENTS: Up to 5

CONTACT: Brenda Emmert
(574) 281-5423
chiarahome@att.net
chiarahome@espite.org

CHILDREN’S DISPENSARY, INC.

FOCUS: To provide social educational and recreational-based programs for children with special needs

SERVICE ACTIVITIES: Mentor children with social and cognitive impairments and assist them in various educational and recreational activities

DAYS: Any

TIME(S): Morning, afternoon, late afternoon, evening (M-F) (S-S)

REQUIREMENTS: Background check

PLACEMENTS: Up to 30

CONTACT: April Kwiatkowski
(574) 234-1169
info@childrensdispensary.org
www.childrensdispensary.org

CORVILLA, INC.

FOCUS: To provide homes and care for people with developmental disabilities

SERVICE ACTIVITIES: Help with social outings, parties, and organize several unique fundraising activities

DAYS: Any

TIME(S): Afternoon, late afternoon, evening (M-F), afternoon, late afternoon (S-S)

PLACEMENTS: Up to 30

CONTACT: Diana M. Dolce
(574) 289-9779
dolce@corvillainc.org
www.corvillainc.org

DISMAS HOUSE OF SOUTH BEND

FOCUS: The mission of Dismas is to facilitate the reconciliation of former Prisoners with society and former Prisoners through development of a supportive community

SERVICE ACTIVITIES: Students can select from a wide range of activities: prepare an evening meal and dine with residents, be a GED or computer tutor, mentor a new student, plan a group activity, help maintain agency web site, prepare a brochure or newsletter, data entry, answer phones, etc. Other opportunities include residency at the house, service-learning through internships or class work and off-campus work study positions.

DAYS: Weekdays (M-F)

TIME(S): Morning, afternoon, late afternoon, evening

REQUIREMENTS: 18+

PLACEMENTS: Up to 30+

CONTACT: Maria Kaczmarski
(514) 233-8522
mariak@lasallecouncil.org
www.dismassouthbend.org

EL CAMINITO, INC.

FOCUS: El Caminito, Inc. promotes the educational, social, and economic success of culturally diverse children and families by providing quality programs and services to those in need.

SERVICE ACTIVITIES: Volunteers work directly in the classrooms with children, reading, playing and helping with special projects. Volunteers may also help with babysitting during parent meetings and with support activities such as gardening, spring and fall cleanups, painting, and office support.

DAYS: Weekdays (M-F)

TIME(S): 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

REQUIREMENTS: Background check, TB test, Spanish-speaking skills are a plus

PLACEMENTS: Up to 15

CONTACT: Susen Enamorado
(574) 232-1024
cmicapi5@bgsglobal.net

FOOD BANK OF NORTHERN INDIANA

FOCUS: To work in partnership with the community to feed the hungry, increase awareness of the effects of hunger, and to lead local efforts to end hunger.

SERVICE ACTIVITIES: Sorting food from food drives, packing orders, food pantry. Note that this bank acquires, warehouses and distributes food to member agencies. A food pantry provides food directly to those who are hungry at no cost.

DAYS: Weekdays (M-F)

TIME(S): Daytime

REQUIREMENTS: 18+

PLACEMENTS: Up to 15

CONTACT: Lisa A. Jaworski
(574) 232-9986
ljaworski@foodindiana.org
www.foodindiana.org

FOREVER LEARNING INSTITUTE

FOCUS: Education of older adults

SERVICE ACTIVITIES: Data entry, class assistants

DAYS: Weekdays (M-F)

TIME(S): Morning, afternoon

REQUIREMENTS: One semester

PLACEMENTS: Up to 5

CONTACT: Joan Lanigan
(574) 282-1901
jlanigan@comcast.net
www.foreverlearninginstitute.org

FREEDOM 22 FOUNDATION

FOCUS: To support families, connect volunteers, and build community in Mifflin County

SERVICE ACTIVITIES: Coach middle school students in language arts competition

DAYS: Weekdays (M-F)

TIME(S): Morning, afternoon

PLACEMENTS: Up to 15

CONTACT: Barbara Asher
(574) 532-6657
barbie@freedom22.org

HANNIBAL’S HOUSE

FOCUS: Christian Maternity home for unwed mothers

SERVICE ACTIVITIES: Light administrative work, cleaning, yard work, light cooking, childcare, fundraising activities, fun night for girls, giving a baby shower, speaking on a pertinent topic, first Saturday in December is needed for a holiday event

DAYS: Any

TIME(S): Morning, afternoon, late afternoon, evening (M-F) (S-S)

REQUIREMENTS: If student volunteers will work directly with clients, then a two hour training session is required. If volunteering for other positions, no training is needed.

PLACEMENTS: 30+

CONTACT: Karen DeLuceray
(574) 254-5309
karehouse@hannahmichiana.com
www.hannahmaternity.org

HARBOR LIGHT HOUSPCE

FOCUS: Harbor Light Hospice is a philosophy of care that assists patients, families and friends during the final stages of a terminal illness.

SERVICE ACTIVITIES: Volunteers can provide 1:1 visits to patients, help family members with household chores, or help in the Harbor Light Hospice office.

DAYS: Any

TIME(S): Morning, afternoon, late afternoon, evening (M-F) (S-S)

REQUIREMENTS: TB test, one semester

PLACEMENTS: 30+

CONTACT: Judy Cometeno
(800) 662-8989
judy@hlsln.org
www.harbortlighthospice.com

HEALTHWEINN SPECIALIZED CARE

FOCUS: To enhance the quality of lives of the geriatric, terminal, head injured, dementia, and Alzheimer populations

SERVICE ACTIVITIES: Entertain and share life experiences with residents; teach a language; help with special events; transfer residents to Mass and Wesley; help with Bingo; teach an art class. We are adding a new program for Notre Dame students this year adopting a grandparent. The program requires visiting the adopted grandparent on a weekly basis for an hour.

DAYS: Any

TIME(S): Morning, afternoon, late afternoon, evening (M-W-F) morning, afternoon, late afternoon (Th-S) (S-S)

REQUIREMENTS: Completed application, TB test (done on-site, no cost to student)

PLACEMENTS: 30+

CONTACT: Karen Martindale
(574) 272-0100, Ext. 288
kmartindale@thehealthwin.org

HOME MANAGEMENT RESOURCES

FOCUS: We help people to improve the quality of their personal and family lives through our Home Management Seminar and personal mentoring.

SERVICE ACTIVITIES: Students conduct six month and two year follow-up surveys with our graduates; marketing studies, business plans, home visits and bailouts with clients; visit local social service agencies and organizations; create spreadsheet overview of client data.

DAYS: Weekdays (M-F)

TIME(S): Daytime

REQUIREMENTS: 18+, one semester placement

PLACEMENTS: Up to 5

CONTACT: Geoffrey M. DeLee
(574) 233-3486
info@hmrresources.org
www.hmrresources.org

HOPE MINISTRIES

FOCUS: Hope Ministries supports men, women, and children who are homeless through a variety of Christ-centered programs and services

SERVICE ACTIVITIES: Student volunteers are needed to assist case managers with resident services, events planning, receptionist positions, and administrative assistance.

DAYS: Weekdays (M-F)

TIME(S): Daytime

REQUIREMENTS: 18+, background check, one semester

PLACEMENTS: Up to 15

CONTACT: Beth Morlock
(231) 235-4150, Ext. 223
bmorlock@hopehosp.org
www.hopehosp.org

INDIANA LEGAL SERVICES, INC. (ILS)

FOCUS: ILS is a poverty law clinic funded to help low-income people in civil cases.

SERVICE ACTIVITIES: Conduct initial interviews with potential clients and summarize the case into written narratives for attorney review

DAYS: Weekdays (M-F)

TIME(S): Morning, afternoon

REQUIREMENTS: 50+, one semester, excellent writing skills, good interpersonal skills, attention to detail, ability to maintain confidentiality

PLACEMENTS: Up to 5

CONTACT: Heath Mezosi
(574) 234-8121
heather.mezosi@ils.org
www.indianajustice.org

LA CASA DE AMISTAD, INC.

FOCUS: We are a youth and community center that provides educational, cultural, and advocacy services.

SERVICE ACTIVITIES: We offer after-school programs, GED, ESL, computer, and citizenship classes, and youth development programs.

DAYS: Weekdays (M-F)

TIME(S): Morning, late afternoon

REQUIREMENTS: Car, one semester, Spanish-speaking

PLACEMENTS: Up to 15

CONTACT: Rebecca Ruvalcaba
(574) 232-2120
beckruvalc@ymca.com
www.lacasadelamistad.org

LASALLE COUNCIL, B.O.Y SCOUTS OF AMERICA

FOCUS: The focus of the LaSalle Council is to develop character, leadership, and physical and mental fitness in the young men and women in our area.

SERVICE ACTIVITIES: As a student volunteer you will be teaching life skills to the students of the surrounding school districts.

DAYS: Weekdays (M-F)

TIME(S): Morning, late afternoon

REQUIREMENTS: Car, Spanish-speaking skills, 18+, background check, one semester

PLACEMENTS: Up to 15

CONTACT: Arne Landsverk
(574) 289-0337
alandsverk@lasallecouncil.org
www.lasallecouncil.org

LIFE TREATMENT CENTERS, INC.

FOCUS: To strengthen our community through impacting the lives of those men and women affected with drug, alcohol, or gambling addiction

SERVICE ACTIVITIES: Front desk coordinator, residential housing aides, de toxification, landscaping, special projects coordinator, treatment aide specialist

DAYS: Any

TIME(S): Morning, afternoon, late afternoon, evening (M-F) (S-S)

REQUIREMENTS: Car, 19+, 6 month, background check, one semester

PLACEMENTS: Up to 15

CONTACT: Julia Shapiro-Newhill
(574) 233-5433, Ext. 235
julias@lifetreatmentcenters.org
www.lifetreatmentcenters.org

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MILTON ADULT DAY SERVICES

FOCUS: Milton is a therapeutic activities-based program that serves adults who need supervision during the day. Many participants have Alzheimer’s disease or dementia.

SERVICE ACTIVITIES: Student volunteers assist in all activities and work one-on-one with clients or small groups of clients for mental or physical exercises. Students are supervised by an activity therapy coordinator and work alongside staff.

DAYS: Weekdays
TIME(S): Morning, afternoon, late afternoon (M-F)
REQUIREMENTS: TB test, one semester
PLACEMENTS: Up to 15
CONTACT: Sheila Varda
(574) 234-2666
sheila_varda@bgsuglobal.net
www.miltonAD.org

LITTLE FLOWER CATHOLIC CHURCH

FOCUS: Little Flower Catholic Church is the closest parish to campus. We pledge to seek and promote justice, peace, and the preservation and revitalization of the neighborhood.

SERVICE ACTIVITIES: Morning, afternoon, late afternoon (M-F)
REQUIREMENTS: Background check, tutor commitment is minimum of six months
PLACEMENTS: Up to 5
CONTACT: Paula Lambro
(574) 235-6229
directory@stjoereads.org
www.stjoereads.org

LITTLE FLOWER CATHOLIC CHURCH

FOCUS: Little Flower Catholic Church is the closest parish to campus. We pledge to seek and promote justice, peace, and the preservation and revitalization of the neighborhood.

SERVICE ACTIVITIES: Morning, afternoon, late afternoon (M-F)
REQUIREMENTS: Background check, tutor commitment is minimum of six months
PLACEMENTS: Up to 5
CONTACT: Paula Lambro
(574) 235-6229
directory@stjoereads.org
www.stjoereads.org

LOGAN COMMUNITY RESOURCES

FOCUS: LOGAN is committed to supporting people with disabilities in achieving their desired quality of life.

SERVICE ACTIVITIES: Person Directed Planning is the philosophy guiding LOGAN Services. We offer a range of services to meet the needs and interests of individuals.

DAYS: Any
TIME(S): Morning, afternoon, late afternoon, evening (M-F), afternoon, evening (S-S)
REQUIREMENTS: Car
PLACEMENTS: Up to 15
CONTACT: Ann Lagomarcine
(574) 289-4831
annl@logancenter.org
www.logancenter.org

MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

FOCUS: Our mantra is to provide an exceptional experience for every patient.

SERVICE ACTIVITIES: College students escort and transport patients. Students can also work with children in our Pediatric department, under the guidance of Child Life therapists.

DAYS: Any
TIME(S): Morning, afternoon, late afternoon, evening (M-F), afternoon, evening (S-S)
REQUIREMENTS: Car
PLACEMENTS: Up to 15
CONTACT: Colleen Sweeney
(574) 647-2809
cswenny@memorialhob.org
www.qualitylife4u.org

REAL SERVICES, INC.

FOCUS: The ultimate objective of REAL Services is to assist in establishing a community in which the older adults we serve can maintain their independence to the maximum degree possible and find meaning and satisfaction throughout their lives.

SERVICE ACTIVITIES: Volunteers serve our clients in many different ways, including Meals on Wheels, yard work projects, painting, and friendship visiting.

DAYS: Weekdays (M-F)
TIME(S): Late afternoon, evening
REQUIREMENTS: Car, background check
PLACEMENTS: Up to 15
CONTACT: Dee Pondermak
(574) 284-7150
dpustamak@realservices.org
www.realservices.org

RENS OF LIFE, INC.

FOCUS: RENS of Life provides equal assimilated activities and therapies to children and adults with special needs.

SERVICE ACTIVITIES: During the lessons, volunteers act as safety manager, instructors’ aids and cheerleaders, and helping the riders perform their riding skills. Some volunteers help feed the horses.

DAYS: Any
TIME(S): Morning, afternoon, late afternoon, evening (M-F), morning (M-F) noon
REQUIREMENTS: Car, one semester
PLACEMENTS: Up to 30
CONTACT: Christine Flowers
(574) 232-9853
ovnserrock@yahoo.com
www.rensoflife.org

ROBINSON COMMUNITY LEARNING CENTER

FOCUS: The Robinson Community Learning Center facilitates community and Notre Dame partners that strengthen the Northeast Neighborhood of South Bend through relationship building and educational opportunities.

SERVICE ACTIVITIES: The Robinson Community Learning Center provides: one-on-one tutoring with Notre Dame students for local children in the South Bend area; the violence prevention program Take Ten; and the South Bend Community Church which provides a community-based alternative to prosecution of youth offenders.

DAYS: Weekdays (M-F)
TIME(S): Morning, afternoon, evening
REQUIREMENTS: Background check
PLACEMENTS: 30+
CONTACT: Christy Burgess
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christyburgess@indy.edu
rcld.ind.edu

RONDALD McDONALD HOUSE CHARITIES

FOCUS: Providing a "home away from home" for families with hospitalized children

SERVICE ACTIVITIES: Currently looking for interns in a variety of fields, such as marketing, business, and social services. Students are needed as volunteers in the Ronald McDonald Family Room for three hour shifts from 9:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m. daily.

DAYS: Any
TIME(S): Morning, afternoon, evening (M-F), evening (S-S)
REQUIREMENTS: Car, one semester internship
PLACEMENTS: Up to 15
CONTACT: Laura Baker
(574) 234-6000
dc.hammond@browarmstrong.org
www.ronaldmcnally.org

SAINT JOSEPH REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER (SJRM)

FOCUS: Full line acute care hospital

SERVICE ACTIVITIES: Volunteer advocate in Emergency Department (people with major only); read to small children in waiting room of Family Clinic as part of Read program, other opportunities in inpatient pediatrics therapy and in the pharmacy.

DAYS: Weekdays (M-F)
TIME(S): Morning, afternoon, evening
REQUIREMENTS: Car, background check, TB test, one semester
PLACEMENTS: 30+
CONTACT: Denise Bercich, CAVS
(574) 237-7242
dbercich@sjrmc.com
sjrmc.com

SAINT JOSEPH REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER (SJRM) OUTREACH

FOCUS: Health care for the underserved in our community

SERVICE ACTIVITIES: Students, once trained, are able to room patients, provide clerical assistance, stock exam rooms, and in some cases to treat new patients.

DAYS: Weekdays (M-F)
TIME(S): Morning, afternoon, late afternoon, evening (M-F), morning (M-F) noon
REQUIREMENTS: Car, background check, TB test, Required to attend two out of three reflections per semester in order to be maintained as an "active" volunteer.
PLACEMENTS: Up to 30
CONTACT: Michelle Peters
(574) 239-5299
petersm@sjrmc.com
sjrmc.com

ST. MARGARET’S HOUSE

FOCUS: St. Margaret’s House is a day center for women struggling with economic poverty.

SERVICE ACTIVITIES: Students can help with the reception desk, orienting new guests to SMS, and helping with lunch preparation. This is an all-women facility.

DAYS: Weekdays (M-F)
TIME(S): Morning, afternoon
REQUIREMENTS: Female, 18+, one semester, Spanish-speaking skills are helpful, not essential
PLACEMENTS: Up to 30
CONTACT: Patricia Marvel
(574) 234-7795
stmagareths@browarmstrong.org
www.stmargarethouse.org

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY OF ST. JOSEPH COUNTY INC.

FOCUS: The St. Vincent de Paul Society of St. Joseph County is a Catholic lay organization that offers real support such as food, clothing and household necessities as well as emotional and spiritual support through one-on-one interactions with those who are suffering.

SERVICE ACTIVITIES: Volunteers can work in any of five areas: food pantry, assistance office, Thrift Store operations, conference services or non-profit administration.

DAYS: Weekdays (M-F)
TIME(S): Morning, afternoon
REQUIREMENTS: Car, one semester
PLACEMENTS: Up to 15
CONTACT: Laura Baker
(574) 234-6000
dc.hammond@browarmstrong.org
www.ronaldmcnally.org

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SISTERS OF THE HOLY CROSS

FOCUS: To provide a strong network of volunteer involvement working one-on-one with elderly sisters.

SERVICE ACTIVITIES: Assist with reading, writing, listening, games, musical projects, etc.

REQUIREMENTS: Spanish-speaking, 18+, background check, one semester.

PLACEMENTS: Up to 15

CONTACT: Lee Ann Moore
(574) 284-5678
lmoore@sbcglobal.net
www.sisters.org

SOUTH BEND COMMUNITY SCHOOL CORPORATION ADULT EDUCATION

FOCUS: Provide instructional services to adults in various subject matter areas.

SERVICE ACTIVITIES: Provide tutoring to students in Grades 2-12 in various subjects.

REQUIREMENTS: Car, 18+, last semester, commitment to 3-4 times per week for tutoring.

PLACEMENTS: Up to 15

CONTACT: Bill Barna
(574) 283-8149
wbarna@sbcsc.k12.in.us

SOUTH BEND COMMUNITY SCHOOL CORPORATION BILINGUAL SERVICES

FOCUS: Provide instructional services to Grades K-12 in English language learners.

SERVICE ACTIVITIES: Provide tutoring to students in Grades 2-12 in various subject matter.

REQUIREMENTS: Car, 18+, background check, one semester.

PLACEMENTS: Up to 30

CONTACT: Connie Moore
(574) 283-8182
ccmoore@sbcsc.k12.in.us
www.sbcsc.k12.in.us

SOUTH BEND JUVENILE CORRECTIONAL FACILITY

FOCUS: We are a medium to very high security juvenile correctional facility for males between the ages of 12 and 18.

SERVICE ACTIVITIES: We need volunteers to tutor and mentor boys. Our religious services are also done by volunteers.

REQUIREMENTS: Irish, Spanish-speaking skills helpful.

PLACEMENTS: 30+

CONTACT: Linda Williams
(574) 232-8808, Ext. 350
bwilliams@sbcsc.k12.in.gov
www.in.gov/idoc/2651.htm

STONE SOUP COMMUNITY

FOCUS: Our mission is to willingly listen to individuals and families in crisis. We work with people to solve immediate problems, assess long term needs and resources and accompany them as they move toward self-sufficiency.

SERVICE ACTIVITIES: Students work one-on-one with low-income clients who come in with immediate crisis needs. Students use their creative problem-solving skills and make a difference in the lives of those struggling for life's basic needs. It is an opportunity for students to gain experience in case management in the field of social work within a non-profit agency setting.

REQUIREMENTS: Spanish-speaking, 18+, background check, one semester.

PLACEMENTS: Up to 5

CONTACT: Bonnie Strycker
(574) 282-2397
bstrycker@bscbglobal.net

SUNSHINE CLUBHOUSE

FOCUS: The Sunshine Clubhouse provides psychosocial rehabilitation for persons with a history of mental illness.

SERVICE ACTIVITIES: We can especially utilize volunteers in wellness, education, and basic computer training on Saturdays and some evenings.

REQUIREMENTS: Car, 18+, background check, one semester.

PLACEMENTS: Up to 5

CONTACT: Paul Curry
(574) 283-3225
paust@sunsineclubhouse.com
www.sunshineclubhouse.com

TAKEN

FOCUS: A conflict resolution education curriculum that teaches youth to respond to conflict nonviolently.

SERVICE ACTIVITIES: Student volunteers are trained to work in teams to go to local schools once per week and implement our curriculum. Students plan and teach the lessons to all grades of children.

REQUIREMENTS: Car, 18+, background check, one semester.

PLACEMENTS: Up to 5

CONTACT: Linda Baichle
(574) 233-3491
lbachle@ywcajc.org
ywcajc.org

YWCA OF ST. JOSEPH COUNTY

FOCUS: The YWCA of St. Joseph County is the leading advocate for women and children in our community providing domestic violence emergency shelter and services, sexual assault recovery services, chemical dependency treatment, and economic and self-sufficiency programs.

SERVICE ACTIVITIES: We help fund-raisers, read to children, work in the shelter office, or provide donations through third-party fund raisers. They can also be trained to be court monitors for protective order court, feuding and misdemeanor.

REQUIREMENTS: Car, 18+, background check, one semester.

PLACEMENTS: Up to 5

CONTACT: Linda Baichle
(574) 233-3491
lbachle@ywcajc.org
ywcajc.org

UNUM RELIGIOUS COMMUNITY OF ST. JOSEPH COUNTY

FOCUS: We are a consortium of over 125 faith communities joined in an interfaith partnership to build bridges of understanding, work for constructive change, and help those in crisis with basic needs.

SERVICE ACTIVITIES: Case management with clients, volunteer support services for our programs

REQUIREMENTS: Car, 18+, background check

PLACEMENTS: Up to 5

CONTACT: Dr. Bill Wassner
(574) 232-2397
wjaswaner@عرف.org
unrcjp.org

WOMEN'S CARE CENTER

FOCUS: To help women choose life for their unborn babies, have healthy pregnancies and to become better parents.

SERVICE ACTIVITIES: Volunteer counseling, assisting clients, answering phone, greeting clients, and writing thank you notes

REQUIREMENTS: Car, 18+, background check, one evening.

PLACEMENTS: Up to 15

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Take a Course in the Local Community

The Community-Based Learning Coordinators (CBLCs) who work with the Center for Social Concerns are a valuable resource to students and faculty. The CBLCs are available to help students find placements in their agencies that meet both the needs of the community-based organization and the student. They are aware of the importance of finding ways to connect the students’ lived experiences with their academic work. In addition, they are committed to making reflection and analysis a part of the students’ experience in their organizations.

For a complete list of community-based course opportunities, in all colleges and schools, visit socialconcerns.nd.edu.