Tournament raises funds for Africa

Irish men’s soccer team hosts ‘Lose the Shoes’ games to help Grassroot program

By LAURA MYERS
News Writer

No shoes? No problem. This weekend Notre Dame will host a school to host Lose the Shoes, a 3-
on-3 barefoot soccer tournament to benefit Grassroot Soccer.

The tournament — organized by the Irish men’s soccer coach Bobby Clark and MBA student Luke Scullion — will feature 32 teams of three players each. The teams will play soccer Saturday afternoon on South Field, and the championship will be played Sunday during halftime of Notre Dame’s game against Cincinnati.

“We want to get it started this year, and hopefully do it every year,” Scullion said. “Like Bookstore Basketball, we want to make it part of Notre Dame tradition.”

Each participant must donate at least $10, though more donations are welcome.

Prizes will be awarded to the winning team as well as to the team that raises the most money and to the team that scores the most points in a single game. Scullion said the prizes are not set but may include basketball tickets and Grassroot gear.

Scullion said other fundraisers will be held.

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GRC launches poster campaign

Week-long effort to raise awareness of eating disorders, help improve students’ self esteem

By MEGAN HEMLER
News Writer

Notre Dame students may soon be seeing their friends, classmates and themselves in a whole new way. The Gender Issues Committee of student government is launching the “Love Thyself, Love Yourself” poster campaign, which is co-sponsored by the Counseling Center, the Gender Relations Center (GRC), Feminists Voice and the Snite Museum.

The campaign posters feature pictures of body parts of anonymous volunteers that are accompanied by phrases emphasizing what their bodies can do other than just their appearance.

“With the publicity surrounding the ‘Thin’ exhibit at the Snite, we wanted to circulate examples of positive body image,” Rhyn Grant, co-director of the Gender Issues Committee, said.

Most advertising is not truly representative of the average human.

Grant also said that the goal of the campaign is to disassociate emotions with physical appearance, and reclaim the body as a tool that does amazing things.

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Australia program students injured

Observer Staff Report

Two Notre Dame students studying abroad in an Australia program were injured while rock climbing, according to Bill Kirk, associate vice president for Residence Life.

Kirk said he cannot comment further on the injuries without permission from the families of the students.

The Office of International Studies, Student Affairs and the host university in Australia have been corre-
The meaning of life

Taking up the torch from my illustrious forebears, I will now endeavor to set forth a theory of the meaning of life. Unlike them, however, I will reach my conclusion in only four hundred words, proving my superior intellect and defying the strictures of this column.

First hypothesis: life is for yourself. Model: a single, free-floating point, Epicurus and his follower Lucretius were proponents of the doctrine that the goal of life is to seek pleasure and to avoid pain. Seeking pleasure does not necessarily mean having drinking, stuffing your face with McDonald's, and smacking your lips every night; Lucretius admirably held knowledge to be the highest pleasure. Nevertheless, theory fails because it makes for a very cold, lonely life.

Second hypothesis: life is for you and your soul mate. Model: two points attached by a line. Belief currently in vogue in certain circles of Hollywood and among writers of books about teenage vampires. Respectable and much cozier than the first theory, but many brains (Ovid, Augustine, Dante, Shakespeare, among others) have pointed out the folly of this path. Theory fails because two hopelessly lovers become cut off from everyone and everything else, leading to disaster.

Third hypothesis: life is for everyone. Model: triangle. Belief that love most extend to all humans as well as God, Christian writers such as St. Bonaventure and St. Anselm reasoned that three is the smallest number of persons possible for a God who loves us. A one-person God would be wrapped up in itself. A two-person God would be wrapped up in its love between the two. When a third person is added, the love is opened up to extend out, touching everything into everything. Evidence: a three-sided figure is the simplest polygon that can contain any area, i.e., that can encompass anything else. Furthermore, the number three is built fundamentally into the fabric of the universe by means of circles, historically considered the most perfect and divine of all shapes. Pi equals three (the three persons of God) plus an infinite decimal tail (the endless overflow of love from those three persons). Pi also sounds like pie (pizza or otherwise), a circular and arguably perfect food that can contain any other food as a topping and still taste amazing.

And so without further ado, here is the answer for which you have been painstakingly yearning. The meaning of life is: pi.

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Question of the Day: What is your dream car?

Matt Madonia  
Sophomore  
Dillon  
"Bullitt's green Mustang fastback."

Katie Buetow  
Sophomore  
Lewis  
"An orange Lamborghini convertible."

Jessica Riese  
Senior  
McGinn  
"A yellow '76 Camaro that transforms into Bumblebee."

Andy Spangler  
Senior  
O'Neil  
"It's not about the car, it's about the man behind the wheel."

Tom Haunert  
Senior  
Duncan  
"Anything with a blonde in the passenger seat."

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

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In Brief

Free seasonal flu shots will be provided for students, faculty and staff, as well as retirees and their spouses. Shots can be obtained in the Stephan Center today. Current Notre Dame ID cards as well as short sleeves are required. Shots will be given from 1 p.m. to 8 p.m.

A seminar entitled "Oxidation and Reactivity of Transient Medical Surfaces" will be held in 129 DeBartolo Hall. The seminar will be held at 3:30 p.m. today.

The College of Science will be having Mass today at 5 p.m. Mass will be held in 101 Jordan Hall of Science.

A meeting will be held for the Entrepreneurship Society. The meeting is entitled "Be Like a Champion," and will be held at 7 p.m. in 155 DeBartolo Hall today.

A lecture entitled "What Difference Does It Make?" will be held at 7 p.m. at Saint Mary's College in the Stapleton Lounge in LeMans Hall today. A reading of the works of Alicia Dinsker will be held in the Hammes Bookstore at 7:30 p.m. today.

The Catholic Culture Literature Series lecture "Close to Catholic: A Celebration of Kindred Spirits" will be held at 8 p.m. in 155 DeBartolo Hall today.

To submit information to be included in this section of The Observer, e-mail detailed information about an event to observer@nd.edu.
Rickey dies at 95 in his Minn. home

By NIKKI TAYLOR

George Rickey died at his home in Saint Paul, Minn., on July 17, 2002, at the age of 95. As seems appropriate for a "kinetic" sculptor, an artist whose work moves in motion, no less than forged steel, his previous sculptures, "Ladder," "Six Crawling Machines," metal structure, construction techniques and hardware that he would later put to a far less lethal use in his artistic contrivances.

According to Charles R. Loving, director of the Snite Museum of Art, who arranged for George Rickey's archive, "the promised gift of 20 George Rickey sculptures from the artist's estate at his death, as well as the future gift of his entire business and scholarly archives to the Notre Dame Snite Museum of Art, is a coup for Notre Dame because of Rickey's international standing as a major modern artist."

In gratitude for these gifts and in appreciation of that standing, the Snite Museum will host a symposium Sept. 25 and 26 called "Oblique," "Gyratory Approaches," that will bring together artists and art scholars for discussion of Rickey's sculpture in general and George Rickey in particular, and it will include major addresses by Nan Rosenthal, former senior consultant for modern and contemporary art at the Metropolitan Museum of Art and author of a biography of George Rickey, and Mary Miss, an artist whose work merges sculpture, architecture and landscape design. Concurrently, two other celebrations of Rickey's artwork will be held. The Community Foundation of St. Joseph County will install five Rickey sculptures of the same size in downtown South Bend for a year, beginning Sept. 26.

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ACE program leader for Catholic service

In 1994, Rev. Timothy R. Scully, S.C., and Rev. Sean D. McGraw, C.S.C., founded Notre Dame's Alliance for Catholic Education (ACE) to respond to the urgent need for talented teachers and administrators in under-resourced Catholic schools, which continue to offer high quality educational opportunities to low-income families across the nation.

Since its inception, ACE has grown into an organization composed of a handful of Catholic school educators to a movement that has commissioned 1,200 teachers and more than 125 administrators to serve Catholic education in the United States. ACE actively supports Catholic schools to ensure that they remain vibrant signs of hope.

Today, ACE encompasses several initiatives aimed at strengthening the networks, which function as hopeful solutions for more than 2 million children. Passionate and generous college and university graduates join ACE Service Through Teaching, a two-year post-graduate service program in its 16th year of preparing teachers to serve in needy Catholic schools. ACE annually places some 175

Students Government Association

SGA discusses visibility

Plans are made to get the word out about the organization to students

St. Mary's Student Government Association (SGA) Board members decided to make themselves more transparent and visible to the student body at their meeting Monday night.

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By CATLIN O'BRIEN and Off-Campus Coordinator Lauren Theiss

"I heard people complaining that we are an all women's school and we don't have a gynecologist readily available to students. One day a week isn't very acceptable." Ravasio said. "I just thought there was a need on campus for gynecologists."

Currently students can make appointments to see the gynecologist between the hours of 9-11 a.m. on Tuesday mornings, Ravasio said. Since doctors come to Saint Mary's on their time off from their regular offices it might be difficult to get additional times.

"The Women's Health Center is ready to make themselves available to help students. They offer STD testing now as well as setting up a booth in the dining hall every Thursday to answer questions on everything from the gynecologist to strip threat, Ravasio said.

"I think the whole idea is to get the word out," Ravasio said.

Saint Mary's Women's Issues Commissioner Mia Ravasio, is working with the Women's Health Center to possibly have additional times when students can see doctors, specifically gynecologists.

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throughout the afternoon, including a heading tournament and a shoot-out in which students go against a goalie.

Grassroot is an organization that raises AIDS awareness in Africa through children's soccer programs. Founded in 2002 by Tommy Clark and his brother, Clark, the program has already spread to 14 countries in Africa and two in Latin America.

Tommy Clark said he felt the need to start the organization after playing professional soccer in Africa and seeing the effect AIDS had on the community. "People were playing with a death hanging over them," he said. "I wanted to do something about it." Scullion, who played for the professional soccer team in England before a broken leg cut his career short, spent his summer interning with Grassroot in Africa. "We went out to the villages, worked with the local teams, held tournaments," he said. "I spoke with some of the coaches, who said if they didn't have these tournaments the kids would be out on the streets, and we wouldn't know what they were up to." Scullion said these tournaments also served as a way to teach kids about rules while playing soccer. For example, children would have to answer a question about the disease before shooting a goal. "It gave kids someone to talk to. Over there there's a bit of a stigma, they just try to hide it up, sweep it under the rug. This opens up the lines of communication." Luke Scullion founder of Grassroot

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The Shoes was started in 2006 by Zak Kaufman, then a student at Dartmouth, as a way to spread awareness about Grassroot to colleges and high schools. It has already held tournaments in 80 schools and has raised more than $150,000.

"All I did was give a little talk at Dartmouth and Zak Kaufman was one of the young people in the crowd who wanted to do something," Tommy Clark said. "His idea was to engage people who like playing soccer, it was a way to gather people." An e-mail will be sent to students today with instructions on how to sign up; spots are limited because of the small number of teams. "Maybe next year everybody will be talking about it and want to get involved so we could have more teams," Scullion said.

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**Arrests**

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people, including an NDSP officer, outside of the Stadium. One underage person was also issued a summons for intoxication but was released to an adult.

Johnson said one person was transported from the Stadium to St. Joseph County Hospital "for possible alcohol overdose."

Johnson said police are also investigating an incident that occurred at the Fisher Graduate Studies' graduation early Saturday morning. "A student reported to NDSP that an unknown person or persons entered an apartment bedroom while the student was away between 1 a.m. and 4 a.m. and e-mail sent to the Notre Dame student body said, "Entry to the apartment appeared forced by removing a screen and opening an unlocked window." According to the e-mail, "valuable property" was stolen from the apartment.

Johnson would not elaborate on the incident, although he said NDSP does not currently have any suspects. At the Nevada game two weeks earlier, only one man was arrested outside of the Stadium, while four people were issued summons "for alcohol violations including underage drinking and sale of alcohol without a permit."

Johnson said Johnson said a total of three people, including two inside of the Stadium, were transported by ambulance from the public safety office to a local hospital for possible alcohol overdose.

One man inside the Stadium was arrested for an alcohol violation, while 27 were removed from the Sept. 5 game.

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a renewed sense of confidence," Grant said. "We hope that for those who view the posters, the confidence is contagious."

There are a number of resources on campus for those struggling with eating disorders or other issues related to body image. The University Counseling Center in St. Liam Hall can be reached by phone at 574-631-7336, and the GRC in LaFortune Student Center at 574-631-9340.

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**Business**

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home football weekends. When they were able to rent it for five football games in the first year of owning the house, it dawned on the three friends that they had a real business opportunity. "There was a big risk. People thought we were crazy for going into real estate in South Bend."

Curnes said, "We had a lot to learn. There are a lot of real estate rules but we pooled all of our savings."

Now, the company owns and rents 30 properties — some to students living off-campus for the year and some to football fans for a weekend.

"That's part of entrepreneurship," he said. "You have to be willing to take a risk." Curnes said the company aims to buy one house every two months, usually at St. Joseph County tax sales. He said they have bought houses for as little as $8,000.

The company follows the city's zoning laws, and the student houses aren't clustered together to avoid problems in the neighborhood, Curnes said. "We rehab them to make them look nicer. We put in new kitchens, new floors," he said. "We can teach students how to do it. This is a very realistic business you can get into with relatively low amounts of money."

Curnes said the company started an intern program this summer to give Notre Dame students a chance to get some real estate experience.

"We feel a strong obligation to help out students," he said. "We got so much out of our experience at Notre Dame." Sophomore Stephen Shin worked as an intern at Rent Like a Champion this summer, and he said the internship offered hands-on experience buying and rehabbing buildings.

"For students interested in real estate, you don't always get an experience like this," he said. "They took the interns to tax sales and we really learned a lot about real estate development."

Curnes said the company is trying to approach the business of renting houses in a different way. He said they struck up a partnership with the Entrepreneurship Society on campus to help educate as many students as possible about starting a business. Although Curnes lives in Chicago — Rent Like a Champion is a side business — the South Bend company allows him to return to the area every few weeks.

"For students like us," he said. "We love Notre Dame and this is a fun, interactive thing we can do with the students."

Streit said he thinks the Entrepreneurship Society will learn a lot from Curnes and his colleagues.

"Everybody kind of dreams of starting their own business and we think they can really help us out," he said.

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China takes the environmental lead

U.N. chief says China is poised to become front-runner in global warming initiatives

Associated Press

UNITED NATIONS

China’s ambition to grow quickly but cleanly soon may vault it to “front-runner” status — far ahead of the United States — in taking on global warming, the U.N. climate chief said Monday.

China could steal the show by unveiling new plans Tuesday at a U.N. conference in Copenhagen, the top summit of 100 world leaders. India has also signaled that it wants to be an “active player” on climate change.

“China and India have announced very ambitious national climate change plans. In the case of China, so ambitious that it could well become the front-runner in the fight to address climate change,” U.N. climate chief Yvo de Boer told The Associated Press Monday.

“The big question mark is the U.S.”

The development would mark a dramatic turnaround. The United States, under former President George W. Bush’s administration, long cited inaction by China and India as the reason for needing mandatory cuts in greenhouse gases.

Tuesday’s meeting is intended to rally momentum for crafting a global climate impact at Copenhagen, Denmark, in December. Bush rejected the Kyoto Protocol for cutting global emissions of warming gases based on its impact on the United States, economy and exclusion of major developing nations like China and India, both major polluters.

So, the director of China’s climate change department, packed with global-acid approach to make Copenhagen a success.

“China takes the threat of climate change very seriously and fully recognizes the urgency to take actions,” he said, glanced by top climate negotiators in India and Denmark at a news conference on Monday. “China will continue to play certainly an active and constructive role.”

Jairam Ramesh, India’s environment minister, said his nation was also committed to reaching a global climate accord.

“India wants a deal at Copenhagen. And India is prepared to be an active player in working towards an agreement... it is in our interests because we are very climate-vulnerable,” Ramesh said.

Todd Stern, the top U.S. climate envoy, said the Obama administration also is moving “full speed ahead” toward helping craft a deal.

But with Congress moving slowly on a measure to curb emissions, the United States could soon find itself with little influence when 120 countries convene in Copenhagen.

China and the U.S. together account for about 40 percent of all world’s emissions of carbon dioxide, methane and other industrial warming gases.

At Tuesday’s summit, Chinese President Hu Jintao is expected to lay out new plans that focus on extending China’s energy-saving programs rather than committing to a cap on its greenhouse gases, at least not until the fast-growing nation reaches a higher level of development.

Experts say they expect as a first step that China will announce targets for reducing the “intensity” of its carbon pollution — not shrinking emissions overall, but reducing the carbon it emits per unit of economic growth.

For the past four years China has been cutting energy intensity and could include a new carbon intensity goal in a five-year plan for development until 2015. China already has said it is seeking to use 15 percent of its energy from renewable sources by 2020.

A key point of dispute remains whether developing countries would agree to be legally bound to a Copenhagen accord. The House of Representatives passed a climate bill this summer that would set the first mandatory limits on greenhouse gases and impose trade penalties on countries that don’t cap their emissions. Factories, power plants and other sources would be required to cut emissions by about 80 percent by 2050.

But action in the Senate has been delayed as lawmakers weigh moving forward with overbuilding the healthcare system.

-AP

India

Earthquake kills at least 11 in Bhutan

Associated Press

GAUHATI, India — A 6.3-magnitude earthquake shook the remote mountain nation of Bhutan on Monday, killing at least 11 people, including an ancient monastery and forcing hundreds to flee, officials said. At least 15 people were also injured.

The afternoon earthquake was initially reported to be 4.9 miles deep near the northeastern Assam state, but it was centered in an eastern region of the tiny nation of Bhutan.

Much of Bhutan, a Himalayan nation sandwiched between India and China, is sparsely populated, reachable only by walking paths and without electricity or telephones.

“We’re trying to piece together information to assess the damage,” Ugen Tenzing, the country’s director of disaster management said from Thimphu, Bhutan’s capital.

He said at least seven people were killed when their houses collapsed in the eastern districts of Mungkur and Trashigang, and rescuers were searching for survivors under the debris of other buildings. Most buildings in that region are small and made up of mud brick and stone.

Four Indian highway workers were also killed in Bhutan’s Samdrup Jongkar district, near the border with India, when the road they were working on collapsed, Tenzing said, adding that at least 15 people had been injured across the earthquake zone.

In the Trashigang district, more than 200 Buddhist monks and 100 local officials were forced to flee an ancient monastery when it was left damaged by the quake. For centuries, much of Bhutan was governed from fortified monasteries, and today many of those buildings are also used as government offices.

The U.S. Geological Survey reported the quake’s magnitude as 6.3 and said it was centered about 80 miles (125 kilometers) north of Guwahati and 115 miles (180 kilometers) east of Thimphu at a depth of 4.5 miles (7.2 kilometers).
**Prosecution will not retry convict**

**Decision comes after man spends 26 years in prison for mother’s stabbings in 1983**

Associated Press

Los Angeles — Prosecutors will not retry a man whose murder conviction was overturned two decades ago after he was freed on Aug. 13 and stated the lawsuits after a lower court judge tossed out his convictions.

Lisker, 44, said he was shocked and speechless when Deputy District Attorney Pat Dixon moved to dismiss the charges.

"I had a feeling, but you can’t go on that. You have to stay on the side of caution and assume that they’ll take this thing to the highest court of the land," Lisker said. "Justice and truth finally won out today for me."...
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and to provide the caliber of condominium sales in areas offshore drilling that was initially proposed in identified areas for drilling in the Beaufort and Chukchi seas.

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He criticized when it became obvious the tower was sinking 16 inches, while the attached garages sank less than half that amount. Ocean Tower is seeking $1.9 million in damages from two engineering firms.

"Unfortunately, multiple engineering studies have led us to the conclusion that it is not economically feasible to complete the building and to provide the caliber of condominium tower that we intended to build," a prepared Monday statement from Ocean Tower LP said.

New Univision president embodies future

MIAMI — When Cesar Conde walks into a room, his youthful looks and earnest countenance have at times led people to confuse the trim executive with an intern. But as the company that owns Univision, the largest Spanish-language media empire in the U.S., refocuses on building news, sports and entertainment networks, English or Spanish.

Conde, who takes over Oct. 1, is the Miami-born son of Peruvian and Cuban immigrants who came to the U.S. with "absolutely nothing except for the spare change and the clothes they had on their back," according to their son. He is also a Harvard graduate with an MBA from the University of Pennsylvania, embodying not only the immigrant dream but also the network's future — including second- and third-generation Hispanics drawn to the network because of cultural, as well as language ties.

It is his Gen X ability to move from talk of political empowerment to market statistics to the company's latest reality TV offerings that makes Conde such a force in shaping the future of one of the nation's fastest growing networks.

Former Secretary of State Gen. Colin L. Powell, whom Conde served as a White House Fellow from 2002 to 2003, said he quickly noticed something special about the young businessman.

"It was clear to me that he had great potential," Powell said in an e-mail to The Associated Press. "I believe a person's early accomplishments are an important signal of their future success, and Cesar has had many of them. His sense of purpose and maturity allow him to lead by bringing out the best in those around him despite his young age."

Univision, and Spanish-language media in general, has long embraced advocacy journalism providing a "we're on your side" ethos for its audience, but Conde is part of a new leadership looking to expand the tradition.
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Terror suspect faces charges for possession

Wendy Aiello (eye-EHL-oh) says he was cited because he was the owner of the boat where the marijuana was found during a safety inspection. She says the marijuana belonged to one of Folsom's friends who was a guest on the boat. A pretrial conference in the marijuana case is scheduled for Oct. 13. Folsom's client, 24-year-old Najibullah Zazi (nah-jee-

ZAH'-zee), faces drug charges of lying to the government in a matter involving terrorism. He has denied being involved in a terrorist plot.

**State of California, forcing emergency officials to evacuate homes along a seven-mile stretch of road. Flooding in more than 20 counties in western North Carolina closed roads, delayed school and forced evacuations.**

The forecast held little good news for Georgia: Another round of storms was expected to move in from Tuesday from the west.

**Keeping the Wolf from the Door: Remembering El Salvador's Martyrs in America, the University and the Church**

Michael E. Lee
Fordham University

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**Dept. of Justice commits to stop violence, gangs**

The Justice Department's renewed attention to issues that have plagued Indian country

for decades has brought hope in Navajo Nation President Joe Shirley Jr. and several New Mexico pueblos.

"Every time there's an election, new leadership comes in and that new leadership sometimes doesn't know what's going on out there in Native America," Shirley said. "They have to get educated, and I think that's what these work sessions are about. The more they know, the better position they're in to help."

On the sprawling Navajo Nation, which spans parts of Arizona, New Mexico and Utah, Shirley said gangs are running rampant and alcoholism and alienation have led to domestic violence, drunken driving and other crimes.

"The crime rate is high on Navajo land. We've done everything we can ourselves to address those issues, but we need more help," he said.

Some help came Monday with Perrelli announcing more than $92 million in federal grants for public safety and criminal justice initiatives on the Navajo Nation and at several New Mexico pueblos.

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DENVER — The attorney for a Colorado man suspect-

ed of being involved in an alleged terror plot faces a marijuana possession charge in northern Colorado, but he says the drugs in question weren't his.

Court records show Arthur Folsom, 37, was cited in June in Larimer County with possession of less than 1 ounce of marijuana, a petty offense that typically carries a fine of no more than $100 if convicted but no jail time. Folsom's spokeswoman

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Fla. man accused of killing wife, kids

**Husband detained in Haiti after being named person of interest in murder case**

Associated Press

**TAMPA, Fla. — A Florida woman slain along with her five relatives was ordered released on regular abuse from her husband but seemed overwhelmed by his behavior and the care of her children, officials told The Associated Press on Tuesday.**

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Yancey was arrested by Belize police on Tuesday after he was charged with murder.

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**FYI, there are no deputies who have called Mesac Damas a person of interest in the slayings. The 33-year-old took a flight to Haiti from Miami International Airport on Friday, a day before police found the bodies.**

Mesac Damas told the Associated Press at a police station where he was being held in Fort-Au-Prince that he had fled the country and was returned to his native Caribbean nation “to say goodbye to my family.”

He was going to turn myself in. Yancey has got my stuff there for everything,” Damas said as police led him from a gray vehicle he was interrogated in a jail cell.

He did not respond when asked if he had spoken to his wife.

Just days before he left the country, a Department of Children and Families caseworker assigned to the family had made a home visit to the apartment and noted in a report that the children, ages 11 months to 12, were being harmed and neglected.

Mesac Damas told detectives that he was going to turn himself in.

**“It might be hard for you to understand, but at this time we really feel gratitude, even to Mr. Courtney,” said Cammy Wilberger, the mother of the teenager.**

**Corvallis, Ore. — Five years after college student Brooke Wilberger disappeared, a man arrested in her abduction pleaded guilty to murder and pointed police to the spot near the rugged Oregon coast where he had dumped her body.**

Courtney’s sister told investigators Courtney began using drugs at age 11, developed an interest in Satanism by the age of 15, and once had to be hit over the head with a club to prevent him from raping her.

He served time in jail in Oregon for a 1991 sex abuse conviction in Washington County, where he grew up.

Courtney grew up in the Portland area before moving to Alaska, Florida and New Mexico, working at times as a fisherman, mechanic and janitor.

He eventually married and settled in Rio Rancho, N.M., an Albuquerque suburb.

Co-part of the plea deal, Courtney will be returned to New Mexico to serve the remainder of his 18-year sentence there before being returned to Oregon to serve the life sentence.

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The abortion issue has reduced the health care debate to contention. Let’s try to put it in focus.

When Congressman Joe Wilson (R-SC) shouted "You lie!" to President Barack Obama on Oct. 30, he directed his address to Congress, that his health care reform "provides us with a shovel to help an unemployed illegal immigrant," Obama responded that his "affordability" claim was not true. Wilson later apologized to the president after leaking legal paperwork, the session passing but he realigned himself with his accusation. In the very next sentence of his speech, however, the president lent credibility to Wilson's accusation by claiming that "under our plan, no federal dollars will be used to fund abortions." Ambassador Professor Hattley Arkes fairly described that statement as "a confused lie." www.catholicĺfe.org, Sept. 15. Let’s evaluate it by looking at the main health care bill, H.R. 3200, which Obama has endorsed.

The Capt’s Amendment to H.R. 3200, approved by the House Energy and Commerce Committee by a 30-28 vote, states that federal health insurance option shall provide coverage for... for abortions for which the expenditure of Federal funds appropriated for the Department of Health and Human Services is permitted. That limitation is the Hyde Amendment, a rider to the annual Labor/Health and Human Services Appropriation, which prohibits use of those funds to pay for abortions except to save the life of the mother or where the pregnancy is the result of rape or incest. The Hyde Amendment, however, is not itself a restriction on the use funds under H.R. 3200 which itself appropriates the funds for its own operation. The Capt’s Amendment further states that "Nothing in this Act shall be construed as providing the public health insurance option from providing for or prohibiting coverage of... for abortions for which the expenditure of Federal funds appropriated for the Department of Health and Human Services is not permitted." That refers to elective abortions. "Nothing in this Act shall be construed as..." The Hyde Amendment, therefore, is not a restriction on any federal dollars used for fund abortions, that is, either evidence of an inconceivable ignorance of what is in H.R. 3200 and similar bills or it is knowingly false, that is, to borrow the words of Congressman Joe Wilson: "The Capt’s Amendment is a fraud.

The nation’s Catholic bishops, including the President Cardinal Justin Rigali and Bishop William Murphy of Rockefeller Center, New York, view health care "as a basic right" and "have long supported health care reform that respects human life and dignity from conception to natural death; provides access to quality health care for all, with a special concern for immigrants and the poor; preserves pluralism, with respect to rights of conscience; and restores costs of care through mandatory coverage of birth fraud from conception to infancy. The bishops rightly insist that pay- ment for abortion must be excluded from any health care benefit. It would be a mistake, however, to conclude that merely excluding abortion coverage would make the proposed reform "acceptable. Other problems are involved. One is the definition of abortion. Many pro- and non-pro abortifacients can operate as abortifacients. The "morning after pill," which can cause abortion, is sold over-the-counter as an "emergency contraceptive." A prohibition of funding for "abortions" would not prevent funding of such abortifacients "contraceptives." On another point, Congress, in Section 1719, page 766, which provides funding for "home visits by trained nurses to families with a first-time pregnant woman, or a child under 2 years of age," who is eligible for medical assis- tance under the program of the state that home visits is that "they are effective" in "limiting premature maternal and child health and pregnancy planning effects of increasing birth intervals between pregnancies." A federal framework, therefore, would come into a low-income home to improve "pregnancy outcomes," one of which could be abortion, and "to increase birth intervals between pregnancies." By the time the bureaucrats get through writing the regulations for this, it could operate as a covert version of the nation’s "one-child policy." A joint statement, "Principles of Catholic Social Teaching and Health Care Reform," the National Catholic Bishops, Archbishop Joseph F. Naumann and Bishop Robert W. Finn, analyzed both the inadequacies and strengths of our current health care system. Significantly, they emphasized that the principle of subsidiarity requires that "health care ought to be determined at the lowest level rather than at the higher strata of society... The writings of recent Popes have warned that the neglect of subsidiarity can lead to an excessive centralization of human services, which is sometimes tantamount to the concentrated abuse of the natural law of the family. The Church has never been to suggest a government socialization of medical services. Rather, the Church has asserted the rights of every individual to access to health care, said Naumann and Finn. "Does not necessarily suppose an obligation on the part of the government to provide it. 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No laughing matter

Dear "Toolman,

Thank you for providing your comedic enthusiasm to the Notre Dame community via our Observer comic strip. Yes, I realize the point of a comic strip is to make fun of groups of people. However there is one thing that is socially unacceptable to mock: women and their weight. If you haven't seen the Notre Dame already, there are images full of women who struggle with their body image because media, society, and peers have convinced them that they need to look like a "certain way." Unfortunately, these women have taken their body images to an extreme. But women with eating disorders are not the only ones who struggle with their appearance; women on this campus and worldwide also have issues with their weight. A size 0 is not attainable for every shape and frame. Nor can you expect every woman to have the body of a Victoria's Secret model. You may have been "joking" but your senseless comments affect many of us. Please watch what you ridicule.

Erica Severson
juniors
Lewis Hall
Sept. 21

Know thine enemy

I myself was not altogether pleased by the arguments put forward by Mr. Damian in his earlier letter ("The sexist church," Sept. 16). Although he shares my belief that women cannot be ordained, he incorrectly states that arguments cited as "nature" or "the Church" would be effective in an increasingly secular environment such as Notre Dame.

There are two separate currents of popular thinking which meet under the shade cast by this question. The first is that no one but oneself is the authority over oneself. It is individualism gone wrong. We, as a society, perpetuate the myth that we can go our own way absent any serious inquiry as to the quality of that final state. If one by some miracle does inquire, radical individualism would dictate such inquiry be limited to the realm of ones experiences. "No one else can tell me how to be happy." The second current, related to the first, is that we all have "rights" which undermine any authority's attempt to direct our lives. While in many cases, these rights have helped liberate an oppressed minority, these rights have also given rise to another myth: that we can do whatever we want because we have a right to. Want something? Make up a right. In this line of thinking, many opponents of Mr. Damian's original letter have expressed their desire for lifestyles not available for every shape and frame.

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Priesthood 101

In response to Malcolm Phean's letter ("Bless me Father, for I have questioned," Sept. 13), I fail to see the Church's answer.

From the Catechism of the Catholic Church, paragraph 1577: "Only a baptized man (vir) validly receives sacred ordination." The Lord Jesus chose men (vir) to form the college of the [12] apostles, and the apostles did the same when they chose collaborators to succeed them in their ministry. The college of bishops, with whom the priests are united in the priesthood, makes the college of the twelve an ever-present active reality until Christ's return. The Church recognizes herself to be bound by this choice made by the Lord himself. For this reason the ordination of women is not possible.

The Church cannot make women priests because Christ instituted a male priesthood. It is a doctrinal issue and it cannot change. Neither Pope Benedict XVI nor University President Emeritus Fr. Theodore Hesburgh can create a female priesthood.

Doug Carver
senior
Keenan Hall
Sept. 21

A true American hero

I was disappointed this past week to find that The Observer omitted the newsworthy passing of not just an American icon, but a world hero: Norman Borlaug. Borlaug, a scientist and humanitarian from Cresco, Iowa, put his Midwest farming background to good use and focused on feeding the hungry people of the world. He helped develop new forms of wheat that enabled famine-ravaged countries like Mexico and India to feed their own populations and eventually produce enough to export food to other nations. His contributions are widely credited with helping save millions of lives. ("Forgotten Benefactor of Humanity," 1997).

He founded the World Food Prize, which recognizes individuals and groups that help to eradicate famine and hunger around the world. Among his many accomplishments, he was awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom, a Congressional Gold Medal and a Nobel Peace Prize. Borlaug joins six others, including the likes of Mother Theresa, Nelson Mandela, and Martin Luther King Jr., as the only people to have been awarded each of these distinctions.

It is incredible to think that, while many people dream of being doctors, police officers, firefighters, or other professionals, in hopes of saving or impacting lives, that Norman Borlaug did just that, and more. Perhaps the World Food Prize website characterized his contributions best by recalling him as, "the man who saved more lives than any other person who has ever lived."

John Whitmy
sophomore
off campus
Sept. 21

U-Wire

American PC goes overboard

Old Western films were always my dad's favorites, but never mine. More and more though, I find myself watching them for a reason that took until now to materialize. I find it amazing that those old films can be showing the same ground we live on today. America has become a powerhouse in the world with its booming, metropolitan cities, filled with some of today's best and brightest people. Sure, problems plague us like any other country. But overall, I would say our country is in a good state on the surface. But that's on the surface. What is happening in the people of this country? Forget about the economy. Forget about immigration issues. Forget about the rising price of your cappuccino. The quandary is one that is developing, day-by-day, inside of all of us.

Here it is: You're too damn sensitive. Now, don't take this wrong way. When your mom says, "It's good that you're sensitive," she's right. It's nice to have emotions. I wish I did. Also, don't think I want to disregard any humanity issues such as racism or women's rights are issues that one should be sensitive about.

I'm talking about the everyday, little things that people — you and I included — get pissed about. Someone bumps into you. The bus is crowded. They were out of your favorite muffin at the store. Someone's daemon can bring down the whole lot of us. Just because they feel that gay is being joked about, they may watch what you ridicule. Thine enemy.

Chris Nelson
Indiana University
The Indiana Daily Student

Daniel Amiri
alumna class of 2009
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This is space.

That you didn't fill.

Write in a Letter to the Editor

This column first ran in the Sept. 21 edition of The Indiana Daily Student, the daily newspaper serving Indiana University.

The views expressed in this column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.
By COURTNEY ECKERLE
Scene Writer

The new NBC comedy "Community," starring comedian Joel McHale ("The Soup") is surprisingly funny, considering the ideals it has pitted itself against. At first glance it looks like the latest installment of "The Office" spin-offs, especially since it premiered right after the show on NBC's exclusive comedy powerhouse Thursday nights (also featuring a weekly edition of "30 Rock" and "Parks and Recreation" and "30 Rock" when it starts up in October) on second glance... it still kind of looks like that. The surprising part is that it is not a bad thing — a group of quirky misfits who are thrown into a boring environment, stir in some serious dialogue and awkwardness and voila, comedy fiesta.

"Community" centers around smooth-talking (he makes a tear jerking argument that begins, "We're the only species on Earth that observes Shark Week."). Joel McHale is Jeff, who has essentially been sentenced to community college if he ever wants his license back. While trying to seduce a Spanish classmate, he accidentally forms a study group of the school's strangest, where the culture clash archetype works it's magic for this show. Characters that hail from the uptight girl, the washed-up jock, the sassy black woman, the smart unattractive girl, the kid who can't control anything he's saying and the guy who is all-too-in control of what he's saying.

With " Arrested Development" I am the Barack Obama of this group! "Community" also catches several references that are meant to embrace a middle aged demographic with some hilarious "Breakfast Club" and "Dirty Dancing" lines. There are severalcut stars of this stellar ensemble, aside from lead Joel McHale who seamlessly makes the leap from stand up to prime time, and they are John Oliver and Danny Pudi. "The Daily Show" fans will recognize mock correspondent Oliver, who has a small role as a friend of McHale's character Jeff, a professor at the college, small role as a friend of McHale's character Jeff, a professor at the college, describes as a "spineless British twit," and he is totally right — that is, until he is comically wrong. Pudi's lanky, loveable Abed has probably twice the dialogue of the other characters and delivers it all with such dead pan sincerity and innocence that his constant chatter becomes hardly noticeable.

The "Community" pilot didn't totally dazzle, but truly talented comedies rarely do introduce a whole talented cast in a half-hour show, especially with so much expectation. This quirky combination of all of comedy's favorites has a chance to keep us interested in them yet, but is definitely one to keep an eye on and ear to. Look for comedy favorite Ken Jeong ("The Hangover," "Knocked Up") in upcoming episodes.

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Question: How similar is your character to yourself? Joel McHale: Well, you know, with any — with any acting role you have to kind of go, 'how do I relate to this person' and how do I make this thing and how do I not say this. I mean how do I — how do I communicate, who this person is on screen. And so I — boy, how is he similar to me? I guess he — this guy — I mean similar to me in that I did everything I could not to, you know, work hard in school because I was much more interested in acting and trying to do that. And I always felt like I was kind of putting in — you know, just kind of clocking time at school until I could get out and do something, you know, and perform.

But that's not the greatest parallel. I mean my — this guy is — he starts off very selfish. I hopefully am not that way. And he cheats and he lies to get what he wants. And I don't really have not done a lot of that. But I've — I have — I have cheated in a math class or two. But — Right. I was so bad. I literally had to take a math class in college that was for no credit. It was literally just to get into college while I was already in college. And they were like just — they basically were like, look, you're going to pass. You just don't ever take math again, you moron. So, you know, it's fun to play a guy who has kind of — he kind of — he's kind of reckless in how he approached life in that he just kind of did what he wanted to do. And people kind of let him get by with it. And this is the first time that he actually has to do work. And it's a change in his world completely.

Q: How do you think people who are actually in community college are going to view the "Community" depiction of their schools?

JM: I personally think this show will show, that is that this I hope, and in it's success, you know, "The Office" has done for people who, you know, in the workplace that this will do for what, you know, the six million people that go to community college. And so I kind of see that the backdrop of school is the same way like a bar is a backdrop for "Cheers" and the Korean War was a backdrop for "MASH". So, you know, in no way is this show going to, you know — it's not like going to be a show about making fun of community college in any way. But my character will definitely lash out about it because he doesn't want to be there and this group of misfits, this study group that he's in, slowly kind of shows him that, you know, you can be a human being.

Q: How do you see "Community" fitting into the line up of the other NBC Thursday night shows?

JM: I mean from the nature of, you know, what it is it's a character-driven show that, you know, takes place at people, who, you know, in the workplace that this will do for what, you know, the six million people that go to community college. And so I kind of see that the backdrop of school is the same way like a bar is a backdrop for "Cheers" and the Korean War was a backdrop for "MASH". So, you know, in no way is this show going to, you know — it's not like going to be a show about making fun of community college in any way. But my character will definitely lash out about it because he doesn't want to be there and this group of misfits, this study group that he's in, slowly kind of shows him that, you know, you can be a human being.

Q: What does it feel like to have this great cast and crew behind you right out of the gate?

JM: Oh it's crazy. It's, you know, it's a dream come true. It's something I never imagined. It's — you know, I feel like, you know, I can really phone in my performances because everyone else is amazing. And no, but, you know, it's really is ideal because Dan Harmon is such an incredible writer. The Russo brothers who did "Arrested Development" and they're directing most of the episodes. And then you've got this cast of, you know, from Chevy Chase to John Oliver to Ken Jeong to Jim Rash to everyone in, you know, everybody. I mean it's really ideal. And I can't, you know, it's one of those things where it's like yeah, it's awesome and I'm so excited. That's kind of like I can't believe it.

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"COMMUNITY": Shows Promise

"Community"

Directed by: Joe and Anthony Russo
Starring: Joel McHale, John Oliver,

Photo courtesy of http://www.upcoming.com/Community
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By ALEXANDRA KIPLAPTOP
Assistant Scene Editor

Pearl Jam is once considered to be the most popular American rock 'n' roll band of the decade. Back in the late '90s, the Seattle-based band was well known as the quintessential grunge band and part of a complex called the Seattle Sound. Many of his sides, "Jeremy," "Daughter" and "Better Man," the grunge surfers rose to critical and commercial success writing rock 'n' roll anthems that dealt with the heavy issues as physical abuse of children with learning disabilities, teenage suicide and abusive relationships.

The alternative rock band quickly grew uncomfortable with the fame that came along with commercial success and shied away from the spotlight but continued to make exceptional records and took on an overwhelming sense of political responsibility.

Today, Pearl Jam is still well respected, however culturally irrelevant they have become, as one of the few bands with a good raw sound and minimal electronification. The band's current emphasis on starting a family in healthy relationships, Vaughn warned, would bring their ideas and perspectives rather than just being a series of scenes or circumstances that you are buying into. So that family and pro-staying together. That family. I wanted to make fun and have a little bit of fun with the concept of new age, always having fun with the concept of new age, always having

view with "Rolling Stone" magazine's obsession with the band, and I think that's going to be easier now. There's no doubt that Vedder and company take carpenter's agents to the next level with the new LP.

The album gets rolling right off the bat with opener, "Senna's Song," a three-minute track that kicks off with roving guitarists, pounding drums and loud vocal in which Vedder belts out the lyrics, "I'm sick of pretending to be a hero..."

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Vaughn's new come-up, "Made," "Wedding Crashers" and "Break-Up." He seemed to express confidence in the talent of his costars when he said "It's good to be funny. But when you can be an actor and be believable with stuff... in our comedy there's not a lot of stuff coming out... in our comedy there's not a lot of stuff coming out..."

This is a reminder song to me, to stop thinking. "Just Breathe" is a much slower number than the first few fast moving punk-sounding tracks. The folk-pop ballad tells of relationship issues and has been a central figure in portraying the band. We all know the story of the first films I did, was a special experience for me there. And playing a role that was moving me to go. So that when things go awry as they do, you hope that you're investing in the character and not just being a series of scenes or sketches.

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Braves smash three homers in rout of Mets

Cardinals continue run towards NL Central title; Blue Jays down Orioles in front of nearly record low crowd

Cardinals first baseman Albert Pujols is tagged out at the plate by Astros catcher Humberto Quintero during the seventh inning of St. Louis’ 7-3 win over Houston Monday.

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St. Louis, 7-3

Marla DeSartora homered twice at Minute Maid Park for the second time this season and the St. Louis Cardinals beat the Astros on Monday night, a few hours after Houston fired manager Cecil Cooper.

Lowe allowed three runs and six hits, and helped himself at the plate with his sixth career two-hit game. Kenshin Kawakami pitched four innings of one-hit ball for his first career save.

Lowe left his previous start Wednesday against the Mets after two innings because of a blister on his right ring finger. The right-hander reached the 15-win mark for the fourth time in his career and first since he went 16-8 for the Dodgers in 2006.

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San Francisco 49ers top draft pick Michael Crabtree speaks at a news conference on Apr. 26 in Santa Clara, Calif. The New York Jets have been sued for tampering charges regarding Crabtree.

49ers filed tampering charges over Crabtree

Associated Press

SANTA CLARA, Calif. — The 49ers have filed tampering charges against the New York Jets regarding top San Francisco draft pick Michael Crabtree, Jets coach Rex Ryan confirmed Monday.

"My understanding is they filed charges with the league," Ryan said. "I'm saying my response is it's not true. I mean, it's not accurate. It's not true, but, hey, we'll let the league figure this out."

When asked Monday if his team filed charges, 49ers coach Mike Singletary said it's a situation "the league is going to handle internally."

"I'm not going to get into that. We'll let that play out, the process," Singletary said. "I'm not even going to go there. We'll let the league handle that and go from there."

The 22-year-old Crabtree, selected No. 10 overall by the Niners in April's draft, is the last draft pick not signed. The wide receiver is seeking money comparable to higher picks and hasn't accepted the 49ers' offer for approximately five years and $20 million, with a reported $16 million guaranteed.

The Jets, in need of a wide receiver is seeking the 20-year-old Crabtree, who was the fourth receiver taken in the draft.

While Crabtree falls further behind each passing day — former 49ers great Jerry Rice questioned Sunday what kind of impact Crabtree would have if he did finally show up — Singletary isn't ready to say he's better off without the Texas Tech star in San Francisco's run-oriented offense.

"I would never say that... We need every football player that can help us win that's supposed to be here, here," Singletary said. "I think he's a talented guy. Hopefully it works out that he gets here. If he doesn't, I feel comfortable with what we have."

Kevin Kolb to start if McNabb cannot for Eagles

PHILADELPHIA — Kevin Kolb will make his second straight start for the Philadelphia Eagles if Donovan McNabb can't play against Kansas City.

Coach Andy Reid isn't sure whether Jeff Garcia or Michael Vick would be the backup quarterback in that scenario. Vick is eligible to play for the first time after serving a two-game suspension as the final league penalty for his role in running a dogfighting ring.

"Is he 100 percent back and ready to play a whole game? I can't tell you that. I don't think so, and I don't plan on putting him in that position right now," Reid said.

McNabb missed Sunday's 48-22 loss to New Orleans with a cracked rib. Kolb made his first NFL start, throwing for 391 yards, two touchdowns and three interceptions. Garcia, signed last week as insurance, was the backup.

In Brief

NASCAR evaluation of Mayfield

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — NASCAR asked a federal judge Monday to order a mental and physical examination on suspended driver Jeremy Mayfield to determine if he has a substance-abuse problem and/or hyperactivity disorder.

The filing in U.S. District Court includes three affidavits and one deposition from four different people who claim to have witnessed Mayfield using methamphetamines multiple times since 1999.

The deposition is from former brother-in-law David Keith, who testified he witnessed Mayfield snort methamphetamine in his house, garage and car from 1998 through 2000. The deposition was taken Aug. 7, 2008.

Mayfield is seeking reinstatement into NASCAR and Mayfield in attendance, and Keith testified the drivers' drug use escalated to daily usage.

Around the Nation
Cooper fired with 13 games to go

Associated Press

HOUSTON — The Houston Astros fired manager Cecil Cooper on Monday, with 13 games left in another disappointing season. Third-base coach Dave Clark was named interim manager. The Astros were 27-49 heading into Monday’s home game against St. Louis.

General manager Ed Wade said the change couldn’t wait until the end of the season. He added that more changes could be coming for a franchise just four years removed from its only World Series appearance.

“We’re talking with evaluating all aspects of our situation,” Wade said. “At the end of the day, we’re going to try to address those off-field issues that exist. We’re not walking away from it. The issue we have to address here, in the short term, was the managerial issue and that’s why we moved forward today.”

The 59-year-old Cooper was hired on Aug. 27, 2007, to replace Phil Garner. Houston went 171-176 under Cooper, who was the bench coach under Garner between 2000-07.

Cooper became the fourth manager to get fired this season, all of them in the National League. Arizona dismissed Bob Melvin on May 7, Colorado replaced Clint Hurdle on May 29 and Washington fired Manny Acta on July 13.

Wade said Clark will be considered a candidate during the search for a new manager. Cooper did not answer calls to his cell phone and his voicemail was full.

Wade, owner Drayton McLane and president of baseball operations Tal Smith met with Cooper in his office Monday to tell him he was fired.

“In the course of the meeting, he could not be blamed for all the Astros’ shortcomings in 2009. A number of offseason moves fizzled and All-Star first baseman Lance Berkman and pitching ace Roy Oswalt were subpar seasons.

“It doesn’t mean you know that your performance, that you’re responsible for somebody else’s job security,” Berkman said. “Say what you want, we didn’t feel it was down on the field. The players have to take the full responsibility. Cooper never threw a pitch or batted with runners in scoring position.”

McLane pointed out that the Astros’ payroll — almost $103 million — is among the highest in baseball and that he thought the assembled roster was capable of having a better season.

“We felt, at the time, and with the investment we made, that there was the potential to have a winning team here,” McLane said. “We love to have different things occur with the players we selected. It’s just a very complicated process. It’s not easy to say the manager, the coaches or the players or management was blamed. It all weaves together.”

Cooper’s initial contract ran through the 2009 season and the Astros picked up his option for 2010. Houston won 86 games in 2008, a 13-game turnaround from 2007. But this season, the Astros are almost guaranteed their second losing record in a row and only the third since 1991.

Wade said the extension was the right decision at the time, but “things changed” as the season unraveled.

“You don’t have control over a lot of things that changed,” Wade said. “We felt, at the time, that exercising the option sent the right message to our club, our city and fans. We viewed our overall situation at that point.”

Cooper was a first-time major league manager and the first black manager in Astros history. He played 13 years with the Milwaukee Brewers and his hiring as Houston’s manager got national attention because of his Mexican heritage.

Cooper scored only 15 runs during their latest losing streak. The Astros are 28-46 away from Minute Maid Park this season and the problems went beyond Cooper.

Oswalt (8-6, .4 ERA) has been hampered by back and hip pain most of the season and won’t pitch again in 2009. His ERA is a career high and his win total a career low.

Cooper is hitting .270 with 22 home runs and 73 RBIs, but he came into the season with a career average of .302 and had reached 100 RBIs in the past three seasons.

The Astros hoped Russ Ortiz and Mike Hampton would bolster the pitching staff, but Ortiz was released on July 30 and Hampton’s season was cut short by more injuries.

Houston is 311-323 since winning the NL in 2005, when Berkman feels the franchise has been heading in the wrong direction.

“We haven’t been able to the play­offs in four years and it seems like we’ve been on a gradual downward spiral,” he said. “You can’t just point to one thing. I think there are several factors involved in that. But, if there was an environment for sweep­ ing change or reform, this would be it.”

Clark will become a major-league manager for the first AFC Wild Card game. He managed the Astros’ Triple-A affiliate in Round Rock in 2007, his first season as Houston’s third-base coach.

The main thing is to finish the season on a strong note, bring the best in these players and go back to that winning-type attitude, Clark said.

Turner says San Diego needs work

SD — Whether he’s trying to deflect criticism of his play-calling or addressing his kind of pre-emptive strike, coach Norv Turner has a mes­sage for the fans: the San Diego Chargers aren’t us as outside­observers would believe.

Turner said he believes he has a good handle on where the Chargers are after two games — a close call against the Oakland Raiders in the season opener and a 31-26 home-opening loss to the Baltimore Ravens on Sunday.

“I don’t think right now we’re as good as you’d cover us think or expect us to do. I don’t think we’re as good as we’d want to be,” Turner said Monday at the start of his weekly news conference. “But I believe we’re better than we were the first week, we’re done a lot of things. We’ve got to get better. We’ve got a lot of good things. They let some things get away from us. I’ve got to do a better job.”

“We’ve got to play better, and that’s going to be our approach here,” Turner said.

Philip Rivers, who threw for a career-high 436 yards, agreed with the coach.

“I guess it kind of seems that the expectation outside of building that building is that we should never lose a game, we should score every single time in the red zone, we should never punt,” Rivers said. “I don’t think there’s anything realistic.

“We aren’t as good as we want to be or that we can be,” Rivers said. “You can look at that negatively or positively. On the positive side, if we’re peaking at Week 2, sitting at 1-1, and we’re still here climbing the mountain and had a tough early in the season, just took a team that was in the AFC championship to the wire and had the opportunity to win. There’s nothing to hang our jerseys. There’s nothing to tell our kids, do these things, to correct that, we didn’t do so well. Our mindset is still the right one.”

Fans boomed when Turner announced his goal on field on goal against the Baltimore Ravens 10 with to go before halftime during their latest losing streak.

Turner said he knows the Chargers can get a play off in 2010 if they get things going, and time being tipped and batted up in the air and inter­cepted; a ball being completely short,” Turner said. “We didn’t have a timeout. I was more comfortable taking the three points.”

No one more than me would have liked to throw a touchdown pass down in that situation, but I also felt that at that time we had to regroup because we weren’t handling some of the things they were doing. San Diego got to the Ravens’ 5-2, 1- and 10-yard lines, and
**NBA**

Marion excited to play with Kidd

Associated Press

DALLAS — Shawn Marion had it easy when he broke into the NBA. All he had to do was grab rebounds for Jason Kidd to start fast breaks, then hustle to the other rim to try finishing off those quick scoring chances.

It's been eight years since they were last together in Phoenix and a lot has changed. Marion has gone from rookie to All-Star to journeyman, while Kidd has gone from All-Star in his prime to elder statesman polishing off a Hall of Fame resume.

Now they’re teammates again, reunited as part of a new Dallas Mavericks lineup built around versatile 30-somethings seeking to be a better defensive team than last year.

"There's a lot has changed. Marion has gone from rookie to All-Star to journeyman, while Kidd has gone from All-Star in his prime to elder statesman polishing off a Hall of Fame resume." Marion said. "You will see it," Marion said.

Kidd, Marion and fellow newcomers Drew Gooden, Tim Thomas and Quinton Ross were introduced on their new home court Monday as part of a news conference/fan event that also included the unveiling of a new video board.

"It's been eight years since they were last together in Phoenix and a lot has changed. Marion has gone from rookie to All-Star to journeyman, while Kidd has gone from All-Star in his prime to elder statesman polishing off a Hall of Fame resume." Marion said. "I've definitely learned the game and I'm going to help everyone around me. That's what it boils down to."

"I'm a better basketball player than I was before," Marion said. "I've learned a lot."

"Regardless of what I'm doing, what the situation is, I'm a better basketball player than I was before," Marion said. "I've definitely learned the game and I'm going to help everyone around me. That's what it boils down to."

Marion and Howard will trade off as the shooting guard and small forward, perhaps every possession. If they can mesh with each other and with Kidd, defenses will have a harder time loading up to stop Nowitzki.

"Everybody's got to get the chemistry right," Marion said. "That's the most important thing, getting a feel for each other and learning to have fun playing with each other."

Training camp starts Monday, but being on center court with his teammates had Marion ready to play. "This is the most important thing, getting a feel for each other and learning to have fun playing with each other."

**NFL**

League says game will not be moved

Associated Press

MINNEAPOLIS — The NFL said Monday it will not swap sites for this season’s Packers-Vikings games in case the base-ball playoffs got in the way at the Metrodome.

Green Bay plays at Minnesota on Monday night, Oct. 5, pitting Brett Favre against his old team in front of a national TV audience.

Meanwhile, the Minnesota Twins trail Detroit by three games in the American League Central with 13 games left to play. If the two teams finish tied for first place, the Twins will host a tiebreaker game if they beat the Tigers in the overall season series. Minnesota leads 9-5, with four games remaining in Detroit next week.

The Twins and White Sox needed a 163rd game to decide the division last year, a game that was played in Chicago. Major League Baseball typically schedules tiebreaker games for the Monday right after the regular season because playoff series begin that week.

NFL spokesman Dan Masonson said the Packers-Vikings game next month will not be moved, however. Green Bay later hosts Minnesota on Nov. 1.

There is no swap under consideration," Masonson said in an e-mail to The Associated Press. "We are closely monitoring the situation."

Potential conflicts like this are nothing new for the Twins, who have shared the Metrodome with the Vikings since 1982 and will move to their own ballpark next spring.

"It would certainly be a fitting way to end our time in the Metrodome," Twins president Dave St. Peter said of the potential handoff.

Until this fall, the University of Minnesota also played football at the dome, forcing the Twins into plenty of 11 a.m. game times over the years. In 2004, a game was haled in the 11th inning during a September pennant drive because crews needed time to convert the field for football later that night.

St. Peter said he wasn’t worried about this season, though. "There’s a long way to go before that’s going to be a reality. That’s the first thing I’d say," St. Peter said. "I suspect it’ll sort itself out over the next week or so."

"We’re more concerned about getting home-field advantage than what day the tiebreaker game would be played on."
Jets’ defense turning heads early

Associated Press

FLORHAM PARK, N.J. — The New York Jets’ stifling defense has made the end zone unfami-
liar territory for opposing offens­es.

Two games down, and no touchdowns allowed. The Jets can’t possibly remain this
talking. aggressive defense has
can’t possibly remain this
down Houston 24-7 - the
already caused fits for two high­
iar territory for opposing offens­
time since 1993 that New

The Jets didn’t allow an offensive touch­
to apply the pressure as a
rusher in

The Entrepreneurship

The fact is, Rex Ryan’s big­
taking, aggressive defense has

Two games down, and no

It’s definitely exciting when

it," said Darrelle Revis, who

The NFL

The Seahawks are preparing to
play without Matt Hasselbeck on
Sunday against the Chicago
Bears, though the three-time
Pro Bowl quarterback is hop­
ing to start despite a broken
rib.

Seattle coach Jim Mora con­
irmed Monday that Hasselbeck has a fractured rib
from a hard hit in the back by
49ers linebacker Patrick Willis while the quarterback dove for the
goal line in the first
half of San Francisco’s 23-10
win on Sunday.

Asked if he had to plan to face
the Bears without Hasselbeck, Mora said, “Right
now, we’ll probably do that
unless we get word otherwise.”

Mora did say Hasselbeck “seems to be doing a bit better
today.”

Backup Seneca Wallace, who
started eight games last season when Hasselbeck was out with a
bulging disk in his back, would
make his 13th career start if Hasselbeck can’t go.

Wallace completed 15 of 23
passes for 127 yards with a
touchdown and interception
while finishing Sunday’s loss.

Hasselbeck, who turns 34 on
Friday, said the fracture is on
the back of a top rib and that
the pain is near the shoulder.
He said he broke a rib once
before while with the Seattle Seahawks and played the next
game. He didn’t specify when.

“I have definitely felt worse, I
have definitely gotten up on a
Monday and felt worse,”
Hasselbeck said Monday in an
empty locker room, standing
stiffly with his hands on his
hips.

“I am absolutely hoping to play... I think it’s one of things
you just got to suck it up.”

Hasselbeck struggled toward
the sideline after Willis’ hit,
making it look as if he was
loopy. He said he was light­
headed because he couldn’t
breathe. He took a trainer’s
dvice to go to the ground
before leaving the field, while
Wallace scrambled to enter the
game.

An X-ray at the stadium was
negative. The Seahawks then
had him rushed to Stanford
Medical Center, because they
feared blood in his urine or
internal injuries such as a
damaged lung. He underwent an
electrocardiogram test and
a CT scan. The scan showed
the fractured rib.

“Never had to go to the hos­
pital during a game. That was
different,” he said.

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Weis continued from page 24
the end of the game. Instead, it
took a late interception by sen-
or safety Kyle McCarthy to hold off a potential game-win-
ning drive for Michigan State.
You get the
ball with a little
less than five
minutes, some-
where in that
mark right
there. The
intent is to try to
use it all up," Weis said. "We
put ourselves in the same posi-
tion that we did the previ-
ous week. But the dif-
fERENCE
between one
week and the
next week was somebody
making a play."
That play — McCarthy’s third
interception in as many games
— may have been the biggest
for Notre Dame in the early por-
tion of this season. In fact,
it may have been the difference
between a 2-1 record and a 1-2
mark for the Irish.
"If it weren’t for Kyle
McCarthy and sometimes
Harrison Smith, as well,
they’ve saved us on a number
of occasions," Weis said.
"Obviously, the play at the end
of the game, nothing was more
critical than that one."
Still, there exists some con-
cern about the defense’s play
against a Michigan State
defense that wasn’t supposed
to dominate by any means, par-
tic ula r l y
through the air
yet the
Spartans threw
for more than
300 yards.
"I think the first thing we have to do bet-
ter on defense, to be perfectly
honest with you, is be better fun-
damentally," Weis said.
"There’s just too
many easy
yards, too many
easy yards that we’re giving up
that we have to make those
yards tougher."
How the Irish will do that
remains to be seen.
"I’m not saying cut down or
simply, but I think you got to be
able to hang your hat on
something that’s working on a
regular basis," Weis said.

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NBA
Replacement refs don’t
worry Hornets’ Paul

Associated Press

Because of his size, many
teams will always try to be
physical with Chris Paul.

"The All-Star guard isn’t
worried about play getting out
of hand if his games are being
called by replacement officials.

"No, no," Paul said Monday. "I
don’t worry about replacement
referees. End of the day, you’re
reeffing the game."

The NBA and its referees
union have failed to reach
agreement on a new contract
and the league announced last
week it will begin training
replacement
officials. Without
a new deal soon,
replacements
will be used
when preseason
play opens Oct.
1.
The league
hasn’t begun a
season without
its regular refer-
ences since 1993.

"They probably won’t know
us as well and we won’t know
them on a first-name basis like
we do the regular referees, but
you’ve got to play the game," Paul
said.

The 6-foot Paul is one of the
NBA’s shortest players, but his
size has never stopped him.

"He’s a kids’ kid — he doesn’t
have to stop them, either."
Paul was at the NBA Store
reading and signing copies of
his new book, "Long Shot: Never
Too Small to Dream Big," a chil-
dren’s book Paul wrote about
overcoming his height to try out
and make a team as a younger
growing up in North Carolina.

Paul said he has faced skep-
ticism throughout his career, and
hopes the book teaches children
how to deal with it.

"I don’t worry about
replacement referees. End of
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reeffing the game."

Chris Paul
Hornets guard

"The book is about basketball,
but it’s a bigger story than that," Paul said. "It may be in the
work force, it may be anywhere
that you want to succeed,
there’s going to be people that
doubt you and think that you
can’t do it. But if you believe in
yourself and things like that, the
sky’s the limit."

It has been for Paul, who went
on to become Rookie of the
Year, a two-time All-Star and a
member of the gold medal-win-
There was even some question
if he would make that team
because of his size, since coach
Mike Krzyzewski wanted his back-
court to have
players who
could deal with
the bigger
and more physical international
guards.

Paul’s New
Orleans Hornets
struggled at the
end of last season because of
injuries and were quickly elimi-
nated from the playoffs. They
made a big trade over the sum-
mer, dealing starting center
Tyson Chandler to Charlotte for
Emeka Okafor.

Chandler had his best offen-
sive seasons in New Orleans,
where Paul often set him up for
easy dunks with alley-oop pass-
es. Paul said he won’t have the
same relationship with Okafor
—but doesn’t want one.

"Tyson’s a totally different
player from Emeka. Emeka’s a
totally different type. They
play two totally different style
games," Paul said. "I don’t want
Emeka to come in and try to be
Tyson. And I think starting from
day one in training camp, me
and Emeka have the opportuni-
ty to start our own thing."
add better net skills, the ability to counter well with his slice backhand, placing more up in the court and the ability to use the width of the court into his comfort zone in order to handle the load at No. 1."

Junior Dan Stahl also proved vital for the Irish last season moving up to play No. 3 singles and also spent some time in the ITA rankings during last sea­son. Bayliss also noted his success last year while at the No. 3 position, and notes that Stahl is good at taking the ball early but needs to work on taking advantage of his opportunities to come in and finish off the point.

The most likely candidate it seems to take the No. 1 position this season is junior Stephen Havens, who played in the sec­ond slot for the Irish last sea­son. Havens also joins Watt in the ITA rankings this season debut­ing at No. 98. "Last year Stephen Havens at times played like that player, but he needs to demonstrate the match-to-match consistency that was missing a year ago," Bayliss said. "Certainly he has the ball-striking ability to win at the top. Adding a stronger pres­ence at the net will give him a chance to see just how good he can be.

When comparing last season’s No. 1 Helgeson to Havens, Bayliss said what proved key for Helgeson was his ability to bounce back after some tough losses. Helgeson lost at least 10 dual matches last season and with the tough schedule the Irish face, the No. 1 for the Irish this year will also face a tough chal­lenge. "The results you will be able to achieve will be based on your ability to respond to adversity," Bayliss said. "Stephen has added some new weapons to his arsenal — a better slice back­hand, more punch on the volley, better variety on his serve. Now the challenge is to see how he integrates them into his overall scheme, how quickly he reads opportunities to come forward and how well he assesses situa­tions."

While the Irish don’t have a clear cut No. 1, they will work towards finding that person when they next take the court on Oct. 9 in Cambridge, Mass., at the Harvard Invitational.

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of field goal range.

As time ran down in the first half, Spiwak marched Sorin down the field, turning several broken pass plays into long scrambles, a skill he used throughout the game.

"I did a lot of running in high school," Spiwak said. "I have a thumb injury which affects my passing, so I took that into account. We were lucky on a couple big plays.

On one of those big plays came at the end of the drive, as Spiwak hit the freshman Robinson on a 10-yard touchdown pass to sortin up 1-0.

"We locked in the air safety and threw it up," Spiwak said. "[Robinson] is a big guy and I knew he would make a play."

Sorin closed out the victory with a strong defensive effort in the second half. The Otters employed a "bend but don't break" mentality, giving up a few first downs but preventing big plays. This enabled them to control the second half and route the victory despite the noted absence of highlights-relishing playmakers Jon Beckerle (family wedding) and Robby Sullivan (personal reasons).

"We know that in this league, big play will win," Spiwak said. "We let up some little ones but in the end we were fine."

Knott, 7, Duncan 0

Knott senior quarterback Aiden Fitzgerald's first-half touchdown pass to fellow senior Matthew Bruggeman during Knott's 7-0 win over Duncan.

The two defenses dominated the game, with both teams forcing multiple turnovers on downs. Knott's high-pressure defense, led by senior Terry Mahoney, forced several big hits, making hard things hard on the Highlanders and starting freshmman quarterback Chris Palmquist all game long.

"Our defense really picked us up today," said Fitzgerald. "It's great to start out with a shutout."

The defense, along with Fitzgerald's 10-yard pass to the move ball for the majority of the game. Knott held a sizable edge in total yards by the end of the game, but only converted on one of four third-down opportunities.

"We executed pretty well at times, but we had a couple mis­cues," said Fitzgerald.

The miscues, a fourth quarter fumble on the goal line and a missed 35-yard field goal a quar­ter earlier, kept Duncan within striking distance.

After the fumble on the goal line, Duncan was left with one last possession to try and tie the game. The drive held promise as Duncan with an athletic 20-yard catch over the middle by sophomore Dillon, completed a 10-yard pass to junior Adam Zuobel. A 10-yard sack of Palmquist two plays later forced a fourth-and­long. Duncan's quarterback then some sacks for the Kangaroos, including one which effectively ended Knott's final drive. The defensive secondary also came in big late in the game, with both teams forcing turnover after turnover.

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Carroll 7, St. Edward's 6

A blocked extra point separ­ated Carroll and St. Edward's in a defensive battle Sunday as the Vermin were victorious, 7-6.

Carroll scored in the second quarter on a quarterback sneak by junior Brian Vail. The score was set up by a clutch 15-yard catch by freshman Bo Brinkman at the one-yard line. The play gave momentum back to the Vermin and a 3-0 lead for Vail.

The offensive line gave me a chance to work and the guys had some nice plays," Vail said of the drive.

The Gentlemen struck first, reaching the end zone through a pass early in the second quar­ter. The extra point was blocked by Ed's defensive line, and that play created the difference in the final score.

"We did a lot of running in high school," Spiwak said. "We were happy with our pass inheritance."

"I think the team played pretty well. It was kind of sloppy, but we did some good things for our first game," senior­quarterback Dan Deveny said.

In the first half, Morrissey com­pletely shut down the Alumni offense, forcing them from obtaining any first downs all half. Both Morrissey's passing and running game looked strong, with Deveny running and throw­ ing for 152 yards.

Near the end of the first half, Morrissey moved the ball down the field and scored their second touchdown with two minutes left in the first half with a run by Deveny.

The second half began with Alumni in possession, but after a sack and two incomplete passes, the drive was forced to punt. An interception gave Alumni the ball back, but a bad snap quickly returned possession to Morrissey.

After failing to convert to a first down and punting, Alumni regained possession. With less than seven minutes left in the fourth quarter, Morrissey senior Tolomeo intercepted the ball and returned it to the seven-yard line.

Deveny soon ran the ball into the end zone for Morrissey's third and final touchdown.

"By the end of the game we were pretty tired, but we hung in there and secured a nice win," Vail said. "Our defensive sec­ondary was especially tough today, suffocating their passing attack."

With their first game under their belt, the Vermin now look to improve for their next chal­lenge. "We thought we actually played well and we have a lot of talent," said Fitzgerald. "We just need to get on the same page and perfect our plays in this practice this week."

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Dillon 23, O'Neill 0

Dillon routed O'Neill 23-0 in a game featuring different offen­sive styles and expectations.

The Big Red dominated every aspect of the game as it blended hard-hitting, opportunistic defense with an overpowering running attack that was just too much for the Mob to handle.

"Our defense and offensive line really set the tone for the day," said junior captain Jordan Smith. "Our defense did the set the tone on just the third play of the game. Freshman linebacker Dan Balcarcel intercepted Mob freshman quarterback Chris Delillo."

The Big Red defense continued to harass O'Neill's offense the rest of the day, not allowing a first down through the first three quarters and forcing four pun­tions.

Along with the Big Red's out­standing defensive performance, it's important to note that O'Neill was Dillon's offensive line. They cap­i­tulated to the Mob's mistakes by controlling the line of scrimmage and creating holes for running back Charlie Carroll.

"We were an extremely mature unit," senior Eric Herbert, and freshman Terry Howard, Smith scored two touchdowns in the game.

"Our offensive line was the key for us," said senior captain Mike McGeever and Bob Burkett. "It was a completely new offense and defense. Everybody on this team works hard. Most guys play both ways. No matter what, we're going to come ready to play in two weeks against Keenan."

Dillon plays Keenan this week, while O'Neill has an bye week before encountering the Knights.

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Happy Birthday: You may not be happy with the way things have been going, but only you can make changes that will bring you peace of mind. Look at all the negative people around you, but don't let them affect you. Your attitudes and reactions are within your control. You may not be able to change the things that are bothering you. Your reactions to them will be different.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): You need to be in a position to avoid any assumption. The more energy you have, the more successful you will be. You need to be sure to make the most of the energy you have. You must be careful not to do anything that will stunt your progress.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21): Someone will be waiting for you to make a mistake. Expect confusion to be a part of your life, but it can be 如果 you are patient and do not rush things. It's your input that will make the difference.

CANCER (June 22-July 22): Take care of your personal life and make some time that is just for you. The longer you keep things hidden, the harder it will be to tell them about it. downloadable quickref.pdf can be enhanced with a series of your own screens.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): You've got a new opportunity or someone who may try to take advantage of your personal energy. Explore different cultures, hobbies and philosophies. People will be friendly to you, and a member of the family.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Offering your time or services will open up opportunities to expand what you do. You'll always be there to help others. And, you can always use others to help you.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): There are changes going on in back rooms that could leave you in an awkward position if you hadn't made a plan to step in the next step. Look at your options now or the next million will be too late.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You're on the move, and a natural activity or event will help you put a better portion of your own things aside to your family, culture or organization. A connection with someone who has similar interests could help in creating something you've been trying to get off the ground.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You've got caught in a plan if you make promises with your children. Take time away from your family and expand your circle, ask others for help. Things that were wrong before are not the same, ask others for help. Things that were wrong before are not the same.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): You can't yourself anything you can't afford if you can't get off the ground. By doing your homework before you apply for financial aid, you'll have a better understanding of what you're working with in your future.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Don't you feel as if you've or someone who knows you know about it. Visit a friend or find out other advice that will help you. Don't keep your new ideas a secret. Someone will be waiting for you to make a mistake. Expect confusion to be a part of your life, but it can be...If you make promises with your children. Take time away from your family and expand your circle, ask others for help. Things that were wrong before are not the same, ask others. Things that were wrong before are not the same.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): You can use your personal relationships or professionally. You'll find yourself helping others, but the most important thing will be yourself and your family. Someone will be waiting for you to make a mistake. Expect confusion to be a part of your life, but it can be...

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MEN'S INTERAL FOOTBALL

Week 1: Domination

Four shutouts posted in six season openers

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Sorin 14, Fisher 0
Sorin rode two big plays to a 14-0 victory over Fisher in a game that saw both teams struggle to build strong drives.

Fisher looked poised to score the first touchdown of the game in the beginning of the second quarter, driving to the Sorin 20 yard line. However, a tipped ball thrown by junior quarterback Grant Erickson was intercepted by senior defensive back Rob Gadle, giving Sorin their first and only takeaway of the game.

Sorin turned the interception into points two plays later when freshman quarterback Ted Spinelli hit senior wide receiver Jeremy Bruck on an 80-yard touchdown pass.

"We've got a couple young studs on this team. We're lucky they let the old guys play," Bruck said. "The quarterback put the ball right where it needed to be."

Fisher appeared to have answered on a 30-yard touchdown pass from Erickson to senior wide receiver Pat McIlough on the following drive. However, the play was called back due to offensive pass interference after McIlough made contact with the defending Bruck, a call that drew the ire of Fisher's sideline.

"I was definitely interfered with," Bruck said. "If there's a flag on the field, there's a foul on the play. He can me over."

Fisher's drive stalled after the penalty as the workmanlike Ryan Robinson and lightning-quick Matt Gamber combined to draw the ire of Fisher's sideline.

"They're playing a lot of ball," Fisher's coach said. "They're extremely physical and they're a team coming off a win so they're going to be focused."

Penalties still a concern after narrow victory

By MATT GAMBER
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The dust has settled after Notre Dame's nearly heart-attack inducing victory over Michigan State Saturday, but coach Charlie Weis said Sunday there are still a few things the Irish need to clean up before this week's contest at Purdue.

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SMC VOLLEYBALL

Belles try to get back on track against MIAA's Olivet

By CHRIS MICHALSKI
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Saint Mary's will return to the court after a weeklong break looking to turn the tide from a tough stretch that has seen the Belles drop three of their last four matches, with each loss coming in a five-set battle.

"It is very vital that we start to turn things around," junior Andrea Sasgen, the Belles' captain, said. "We need to focus on continuing to cut down on errors and play our game."

Saint Mary's (4-5, 1-3 MIAA) will challenge conference foe Olivet, a team coming off a three set loss to Hope College last week. As she has all season, Sasgen will rely on her three seniors — Lorna Slupczynski, Lianna Rohr and Kathleen Mills — to lead a team looking to return to form after a solid season-opening showing at the Capital University Tournament in Columbus, Ohio.

"This year means a lot to our seniors," Sasgen said. "They work very hard every day in practice and get set examples for the underclassmen.

One underclassman that is turning heads on the coaching staff is freshman outside hitter Stephanie Bodien, whose 88 kills are second to Slupczynski's 141.

"Stephanie has really come on strong," Sasgen said. "If you watch her play she does not look or act as a freshman."

Junior Andrea Sasgen, the Belles' captain, said. "They're consistent performances, averaging 8.6 assists per game."

Tonight's home contest begins at 7 p.m. at the Angela Athletic Center.

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MEN'S TENNIS

Team looks to fill No. 1 slot

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Notre Dame may not have a clear-cut No. 1 player to replace the graduated first-set sensation, but the Irish have enjoyed early season success with a balanced lineup full of improved players.

Junior captain Tyler Davis was the latest to impress with three singles victories at the Illinois Invitational over the weekend, and the lineup as a whole performed well in both singles and doubles.

Sophomore Casey Watt has shown steady improvement after posting a 25-8 singles record last season, and he debuted at No. 90 in the ITA preseason rankings.

"Casey Watt had an outstanding record for us, but at a lower lineup slot," Irish coach Bobby Baylis said. "He will need to

FOOTBALL

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"And it's not just the defense. Offensive penalties could have killed Notre Dame Saturday, and the Irish can't afford to continue to take 10- and 15-yard infractions on such a regular basis, Weis said.

"Two holding penalties didn't bother me nearly as much as the false start, a line of scrimmage penalty at home, which you should never have, and the late hit at the end of the game," Weis said. "They're the type of things that happen in the game that frustrate you more than something that happens during the game."

The late hit call on senior right tackle Sam Young was especially troublesome, as it nearly kept Notre Dame from advancing the ball as it tried to run out the clock late in the game.

"Fortunately, Golden [Tate] goes and bails us out of that one," Weis said of the junior receiver's reception that went for a crucial first down. "When you're trying to stress running out the clock at the end of the game, finishing out of the game, you can't have a penalty like that."

Though the Irish did pick up a few big first downs late in the fourth quarter, they still weren't able to bury the Spartans and hold the ball until