May's Commencement to be held in Stadium

By JOSEPH MCMAHON

University President Fr. John Jenkins announced the University Commencement Ceremony will be moved this year from the Joyce Center arena to the Notre Dame Stadium in an e-mail to the student body yesterday.

Allowing all the family members of graduates to attend commencement was the primary motivating factor for moving the ceremony, Jenkins said.

"The University Commencement Ceremony represents an important milestone in the lives of all members of the Notre Dame family," he said. "Rather than limit the number of tickets available, forcing families to choose which grandparents and siblings can attend, we want to welcome everyone to share in this proud moment."

Jenkins said the only alternative was to reduce guest seating, which he called "an unacceptable course of action."

The reduction in seating was caused by this year's renovations to the Joyce Center and the addition of the Purcell Pavilion, which Jenkins said reduces the size of the arena by about 2,000 seats.

"Rather than offer each graduate only two guest tickets for the University Commencement Ceremony, Notre Dame Stadium provides the opportunity to remove limits on guest attendance," he said.

Jenkins said this year will also be the first time the University holds undergraduate "diploma ceremonies" in each college "so that each graduate hears his or her name called and receives a diploma and well-deserved recognition on stage."

However, holding the ceremony outdoors runs the risk of having bad weather interfere with Commencement. Jenkins said Commencement will proceed "rain or shine" and "only severe weather [would] move it indoors."

Senior Nicholas Dan said he is glad his entire family will be able to attend the ceremony, but he hopes the weather doesn't ruin the event.

"I am looking forward to the Commencement in the Stadium," he said. "I am glad that I will be able to have my whole family attend and as long as it doesn't rain, I think it will be a much better arrangement."

Schmidt delivers State of Student Union address

By SARAH MERVOSH

Student body president Grant Schmidt delivered his first State of the Student Union address to the Student Senate during its meeting Wednesday, identifying off-campus safety as a top priority and urging students to be proactive against crime.

Schmidt commended the new developments on and around campus, but cautioned that safety could become an issue with more reasons for students to leave campus.

"Half of what we want at Notre Dame is to of course become immersed in all that Notre Dame has to offer, but also, go out into the city of South Bend," he said.

"Over 80 percent of our student body volunteers in those Notre Dame student plays on World Cup team

By IRENA ZAJICKOVA

Irish freshman midfielder Dillon Powers recently got the chance of a lifetime when he traveled to Greece and Egypt while playing for the United States Under-20 Men's World Cup soccer team.

Powers, who will playing midfield for the Fighting Irish soccer team this year, has been traveling for soccer his whole life. He played for the Under-15 National Team, the Andromeda Soccer Club, the Under-18 National Team and was named the Gatorade National Boys Soccer Player of the Year during his senior year at Plano

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Not Swift Enough

Inside Column

It makes me laugh that when Tim Brown or Rocket Ismail or Danny come back to Notre Dame no one bats an eye, but bring one 19-year-old singer on campus and the place shuts down.

But I can’t judge.

Once I got the text I went out to look for her too.

Because who’s not a Taylor Swift fan? For a long time, I wasn’t. I didn’t see the hype.

“Love Story?”

Comparing Shakespeare to 17th-century pop music isn’t a very persuasive argument. Juliet and Hester Prynne don’t belong in the same sentence.

I just missed her the end has a 50-50 chance of lasting until her next album comes out.

If it’s trying to be quiet because his mama don’t know, why are they slamming screen doors? And “Take me back to the main building.” I love fighting. Let’s relive that. Sign me up.

But then I drove across the country with my friend Danny, a T-Swift fanatic, and once we got to Nebraska we had listened to every song on our iPods. So back came Taylor. Around Iowa I could tolerate it. By Grand Junction, Colo. I was hooked.

Then I saw “Thug Story.” her rap video with T-Pain. That hammered it home. A beautiful blonde gangster who makes them all look like sheep. Should I jump on the golf cart? Propose?

“Do you have a picture of me?!”

Of course people’s lives don’t play out like they’re from Golden Tate. I was quickly overshadowed by the horde of T-Pain. That hammered it home. A beautiful blonde gangster who makes them all look like sheep. Should I jump on the golf cart? Propose?

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Once... I was hooked.

The College of Science is hosting a lecture on “Exploding Stars and the Accelerating Cosmos: Einstein’s Blunder Undone” Friday at 7 p.m. in the LaFortune Ballroom. There will be food free from 8 p.m. until midnight.

In Brief

“King Lear” will be showing in the Browning Cinema of the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center today at 7 p.m. as part of the Nanovic Institute for European Studies’ Shakespeare Film Series. Tickets are $3 for students and can be purchased online or at the Ticket Office.

The Orestes Brownson Council will present a lecture on “God, Country, Notre Dame” examining the roots of the Catholic university in the American Republican Friday at 7:30 p.m. in 131 DeBartolo Hall.

The Notre Dame Men’s Hockey team will play Alabama-Huntsville Friday at 7:35 p.m. at the Joyce Center Ice Rink. Ticket information is available at 631-7356.

The 121st Annual Sorin College Talent Show will take place on Friday at 8 p.m. in front of Sorin Hall. The event is free. To submit information to be included in this section of The Observer, e-mail detailed information about an event to observerquestions@gmail.com.
Team competes in NASCAR program

By CASEY KENNY
News Writer

New to Notre Dame this year is the Kinetics: Marketing in Motion case-study program which offers students the chance to tackle the challenges faced by NASCAR's sponsors and marketing professionals.

Ricky Gonzalez, a junior marketing major and captain of the new team, is excited by the hands-on learning experience.

"We are one of six universities competing in this program and it is a great opportunity," he said. "We are given case studies by NASCAR to work on throughout the semester, culminating in a large case study and presentation at the end of October."

The four-member Notre Dame team hopes to be among the top three teams chosen to receive an all expense paid trip to Florida in November for the final case study to a panel of NASCAR judges.

"We are very excited about our team's performance. We work with all aspects of marketing, communications and advertising and hope to make it to that stage where we can make our presentation face-to-face with NASCAR representatives in Florida," Gonzalez said.

In its second year, NASCAR Kinetics attracts students from a variety of majors.

"I got involved in the program because I am really interested in both sports and marketing so a sports marketing competition was the perfect outlet for me," said Kate Heifele, a sophomore majoring in marketing and journalism.

Team member, Nathan Durkes, a senior business and theology double major at Holy Cross College, was drawn to the overall objective of the program.

"I have always been a fan of NASCAR in the automotive business world and, by extension, the world of motorsports. When I heard about the NASCAR Kinetics studies, I knew that it would be a fantastic opportunity to apply the skills that I have been learning over the last few years and to collaborate with other top students," Durkes said.

Others welcome the opportunity to work as a team on the case studies, which focus on real business challenges faced by NASCAR's marketing employees and sponsors every day.

John Crewder, a senior economics and computer applications major, said, "I got involved with the program through Golfrish, and applied because I felt that Notre Dame students could provide a competitive insight in marketing that NASCAR is looking for. They stress a lot of the same qualities ND fans do, such as fan commitment — once a fan always a fan. It's a great exercise in teamwork, and I am loving it so far."

Throughout the semester, the team has been working on case studies and presenting them via phone conferences to NASCAR representatives.

"It's exciting to receive our case projects from NASCAR and know that when we send them our ideas, they are really reviewing and listening to them, so our hard work actually makes a difference versus just being a grade in a classroom," Heifele said.

On Oct. 15 at 6 p.m. in the Eck Center Auditorium, NASCAR executives and the Notre Dame N A S C A R Kinetics will present a panel discussion about the program.

"This is an ideal way for students to learn about careers and opportunities within the sports industries, and the everyday racing fan will also appreciate getting a rare look at the inner workings of NASCAR," Durkes said.

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Theology on Fire examines health care

By CAITLIN HOUSELEY
Sports Writer

Church teachings should inform the health care debate Sr. Geraldine Hoyer, general treasurer of the Congregation of the Sisters of the Holy Cross, said during Saint Mary's College Theology on Fire series on Wednesday.

"Health care is a form of making God present in people's lives," Hoyer said. "When people are ill, they are vulnerable, and when people are vulnerable, it is imperative for them to meet God."

Noting that health care providers should make Jesus known to their patients, Hoyer said, "You don't just want to take care of a person's broken leg, and not their broken heart."

Hoyer said Catholicism has had a role in health care, reaching far back into history. She said monasteries provided health care long before hospitals were established. More recently, she added, teachers and sisters of the Holy Cross from Saint Mary's College have volunteered as nurses in the Navy.

Linking healthcare to today, Hoyer said one in six people who enter a hospital are cared for in a Catholic hospital. Hoyer narrowed today's debate to a couple of topics — delivery and access to health care and who funds health insurance.

She said 47 to 50 million people in the United States do not have health insurance.

According to Hoyer, since many people have not had access to preventative care, they do not go to the hospital until their conditions become critical. By then, she said, providing care will cost more than it would have if preventative options were available.

She said the Catholic Church holds that healthcare is a right, not a commodity.

Hoyer said The Catholic Health Association has six principles underlying their position on health care:

- The common dignity, concern for the poor and vulnerable, justice, the common good, stewardship and quality.

The principle of the common good is the realization that the health and well being of the individual is largely dependent on the health and well being of the community, she said. Also, she said pluralism is the encouragement of both the public and private sectors to become involved in health care.

Hoyer explained how these principles could translate into a health care system. She said health care should be affordable for everyone, oriented toward prevention, fairly accessible and designed for quality.

Brooke Druktenis, a senior Saint Mary's nursing student, said it is important to stress healthcare for all at all ages.

She said her focus was on "preventative care instead of intervention care for the here and now." She said she has a moral responsibility to express our views on healthcare, Hoyer said.

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SMC receives grant from U.S. Justice Department

By AYA LEE
News Writer

Saint Mary's College received a three-year, $299,893 grant from the U.S. Department of Justice's Office on Violence Against Women in time for October's Domestic Violence Awareness Month to create an on-campus program educating students about sexual violence.

"At Saint Mary's College, we educate our students to make a difference in the world," said Karen Johnson, Vice President for Student Affairs. "Our expectation is this on-campus program will serve as a model for other colleges, women's or otherwise."

Although Saint Mary's College crime statistics are "very low," according to a College press release, the program aims to create an on-campus program for campus security, to provide the campus with disciplinary boards for appropriate training, to provide the College community with increased educational opportunities, to enhance the victim services available to Saint Mary's College students and to enhance the security on campus.

In addition to cooperating with numerous offices on campus, Saint Mary's College will also coordinate with organization from outside the Saint Joseph County Prosecutor's Office, the prosecutor's Special Victims Unit and the Saint Joseph County Police Department, the press release said.

According to the press release, the project aims to achieve seven goals: To create a Saint Mary's College Coordinated Community Response Team, to establish a mandatory education program for incoming students, to enhance the College's training program for campus security, to provide the campus with disciplinary boards for appropriate training, to provide the College community with increased educational opportunities, to enhance the victim services available to Saint Mary's College students and to enhance the security on campus.

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Although the scheduled classes are already filled, interested women can contact S Shibata through NDSP to receive advance notice about the next class offering.

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NDSP offers self-defense class

By LAURA McCrystal
News Writer

Notre Dame Security Police (NDSP) began offering monthly classes focused on personal defense aimed at rape prevention in fall semester, as part of the nation-wide Rape Aggression Defense program, NDSP crime prevention officer Keri Shibata said.

"The goal was [to offer a class] every other month but because there was so much interest we've done it every month," Shibata said. "And then the rest of the class is focused on physical techniques of self-defense."

The classes focus on repetitions of the techniques to make them instinctive, Shibata said. One course was offered in September, and the first session of the October class began on Monday evening.

Shibata said the class planned for November will be held on Tuesday and Thursday evenings, and is already filled.

"We're just trying to mix the scheduling up so people can take it with the varying schedules," she said. A minimum of 12 participants is required to hold a class, and there is a maximum of 20 women in each class.

HAD classes were offered previously by request for groups of women, such as dorms or student groups, a few times a year. The classes are not otherwise scheduled because there was not enough interest to justify the cost, Shibata said.

But this year, NDSP got new instructors for the RAD program and began to schedule classes open to all female students, faculty and staff.

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The course is 12 hours and is usually broken into three, four-hour sessions. The first two classes offered this semester have been on Monday and Wednesday evenings for two weeks.

The course is mostly focused on awareness and prevention," she said. "And then the rest of the class is focused on physical techniques of self-defense."

Many classes have increased, Shibata said awareness about crime in the Notre Dame and South Bend area has risen.

"In the last couple years there's been a lot of awareness and attention on crime in the area," she said. "This attention may have contributed to the interest in the RAD class this year, Shibata said.

NDSP also has received positive feedback from participants and hopes to continue to expand RAD classes, she said.

"People have been very positive and felt like they've learned a lot," Shibata said. "One good thing about RAD is there's a come back and practice clause."

With this clause, past participants can attend a RAD class offered anywhere in the country to refresh and practice their skills.

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Argentinian astronomer dies
BUENOS AIRES — Pedro Elias Zadunaisky, an Argentinian astronomer and mathematician whose calculations helped determine the orbit of Saturn's outermost moon, Phoebe, as well as Halley's Comet, died Wednesday. He was 91.

Zadunaisky was a pioneer in celestial mechanics, applying mathematical models to determine how gravity and other forces affect the orbits of other objects in the solar system. Zadunaisky, a Nebraska native who lived in Nebraska, died in Nebraska.

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STUDENT SENATE
Semaphore

Student Senate unanimously approved the topic for student government's presentation to the Board of Trustees, which will take place next Thursday. Student government will present on the issue of off-campus safety.

The goal of the presentation is to inform the Board of Trustees about how off-campus safety concerns are affecting Notre Dame students, and to ask for help with an issue that is threatening the scope student government's resources.

Student body vice president Cynthia Weber said she plans to tell the Board that off-campus safety is an issue for students and to show the Board members research on possible long-term and short-term solutions.

Student body president Grant Schmidt, Weber and chief of staff Ryan Brellenthin will represent student government in the meeting next week.

Move

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Senior Don Whiteley agreed, adding that soon to be his last year of college, he will be very active in the move to Commencement, but it will be pretty rough if rains, he said.

Commencement will be held in the morning on the third Saturday in May, while the undergraduate diploma ceremonies will be held later in each college and school in the afternoon," Jenkins said.

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Senior High School in 2009. Powers got the chance to play in the Under-20 World Cup when the team was invited to take part in a tournament. He saw him play for the Under-18 National Team. He was given a tryout and was chosen to go on a training camp in Cyprus, Greece, where they played two scrimmage games, one versus Trinidad and Tobago and one versus Australia, both of which they won.

After Cyprus came a trip to Cairo, Egypt, for the opening rounds of the World Cup. Powers' team played games vs. Cameroon, Germany and Korea. Since the travel team they beat was Cameroon, they did not advance to the next round.

"We ended up not advancing and it was a disappointing experience for us and a good experience for me because I can still learn from it," Powers said.

Powers said he would be eligible to play again during the next World Cup, so he is glad he has another chance to play on the international stage.

"Being on the world stage can be a little overwhelming, so it was good to experience that," Powers said.

Powers said he gained knowledge about where the United States is in relation to the world's top soccer teams.

"The U.S. has a long way to go in terms of catching up with the rest of the soccer nations," Powers said. "We're still in the developing stage of soccer."

Of all the places he has visited, he said his favorite was Portugal. He also enjoyed seeing his former team's favorite place would probably be Portugal. Powers said. "It was just a really nice environment and it was so nice, you should smell it," he said.

In addition to catching up on school and part of his freshman soccer season at Notre Dame. He said his professors were fairly understanding about the situation.

"I think three weeks, it was pretty tough. I had to make sure my professors were on my side and if they'd work with me," Powers said. "It was a little tough. I ended up working pretty good.

"The program was not yet approved, he said. "We must continue to work towards solutions to decrease the programs off campus," he said. "There is an exam giving every solution that we come up with of course has its consequences.

Schmidt said student government will continue to look into suggestions, such as surveilling and an increased police force in student areas. Federal and local grants could also be used to help support additional officers who would travel by foot or bike in areas of South Bend.

Schmidt said student government will continue to look to Notre Dame Security Police for support while also considering expanding their presence off campus.

Schmidt, student body vice president Cynthia Weber and chief of staff Ryan Brellenthin will present to the Board of Trustees about off-campus safety next Thursday.

Schmidt called for students to be proactive in order to lower crime.

"We absolutely must be aware of our surroundings. We must lock our doors. We must utilize services such as "call the police if you're concerned. Keep valuable items out of sight," he said.

"I know some people in time and out time, but we must be the leaders who work towards preventing these problems," Schmidt said.

Schmidt congratulated the student body and the University for the progress made and encouraged them to continue increasing safety.

"Let's harness the progress that we have made so far and continue to create welcoming and safe environments for students and community members," he said.

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at ticketing at Saint Mary's College.

Powers still have the option to buy tickets at the box office either in person or by phone Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tickets can also be purchased at the door one hour prior to the start of the show.

Selleck said she hopes the online system will streamline the process. "Typically we have a large walk-up," she said. "In addition, many of the students, adding the performance will arrive only 10 minutes prior to curtail, which causes us to be very swamped. My hope is that students will utilize the online system to purchase and print their tickets in advance, in turn will allow multiple lines at the box office prior to the show." Feedback so far has been positive, Selleck said.

Powers said she received a lot of personal feedback yet, she said. "I've heard from a few people today. The system is very easy to use and liked."

"The box office is ready for use, and the art center has already sold several tickets online."

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Google Inc. is revising an agreement with authors' lawyers to gain digital rights to millions of out-of-print books like the rare, centuries-old Bible thatCourtesy Mitchell is examining, above.

Regulators do not place ban on shipments

"Enforcement of inadequate regulations still produces inadequate safety. We still stand behind our call for a temporary ban until new regulations are adopted and enforced," said John Prater, the union's president.

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Marijuana advocates are gathering signatures to get marijuana legalized in California, the first in the nation to legalize marijuana. This action would allow people to smoke pot within the state's borders and open the sale of joints into all-purpose pot stores, thanks to a first-of-its-kind ballot measure that would legalize marijuana up to 5 feet-by-5 feet in size. The proposal would allow anyone to grow a plot of marijuana and employ a grower to help. The marijuana advocates also want federal law enforcement to get off the issue. Nothing can stop federal drug agents from making marijuana arrests. The federal law against marijuana is made at the state level, not in the president's vocabulary. Federal law enforcement agencies do not want to lose any more of their funding, so they do not support the idea of allowing people to smoke pot where it is legal. The most conservative of the states have to follow federal law. Nothing can stop federal drug agents from making marijuana arrests, even if California legalizes pot, they say. However, the U.S. government cannot pass a law requiring local and state police, sheriff's departments or state narcotics enforcers to enforce federal law.

Marijuana is illegal in 48 states, including California. The state's legions of narcotics officers, they say, do not care about the federal law and DEA will continue to attack large-scale drug trafficking organizations at every level. A spokewoman for the DEA said the pair made more than $20 million from their marijuana sales in less than two years. Marijuana activists painted the DEA's actions as an attack on the principle of states' rights. The DEA said the pair made more than $20 million from their marijuana sales in less than two years. The DEA's actions were not about protecting the community, but about make work for the DEA's agents. The DEA said the pair made more than $20 million from their marijuana sales in less than two years. But the DEA could not be held accountable for their actions.

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As a Viewpoint columnist I often find myself compelled to address serious issues that other people shy away from. It's like my job. Do I get paid to do this job? I am not even sure, I think I just do it because I like for people to hear my opinions on things. But this isn't necessarily important. Issues are important. So without further ado I plan to talk about an issue. Read on and think for yourself about this issue.

Often in the busy 24-hour news cycle stories of real importance to real people go unreported. I am writing to call attention to a crusade that has not received its fair share of media attention in The Observer, this crusade, of course, is the fight for five dollar footlongs at the Lafortune Subway. Nobody seems to be willing to speak up about this. I have taken it upon myself to write a public protest.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Solidarity through chastity

At Notre Dame, we are not a monolith. Those who are not Catholic teaching, when all is said and done. Meanwhile, this man has to say? Mullen: Have you ever masturbated? Have you or any of your friends engaged in any sort of premarital sexual activity? I believe it is your responsibility to thrive and grow morally and spiritually while University feels that sensitivity training ses-

dive against members of the Notre Dame community who are openly gay. How does that fit in with the

Do not hallucinate.

Thursday, October 8, 2009

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I was excited to read Melanie Fritz’s letter (“Clause needs updating,” Oct. 6) regarding Notre Dame’s non-discrimination clause and its impact on sexual orientation. It is not certain that the only one not to be homogeneous in one’s views or beliefs. However, Notre Dame’s failure to include sexual orientation in its non-discrimination clause is only the tip of the iceberg. Although the Core Council hon-

Appalled

Living with integrity

I would like to respond to a letter called “Call to st. gaia,” written by the Knott Hall resident, Nicholas Schroeder, which I read, to my dismay, in the Oct. 7 Observer. Schroeder believes that Notre Dame would no longer “have the right to distinguish or separate themselves from the Catholic Church’s teaching on the non-discrimination clause be modified to include sexual orientation along its proscriptions. As a proud, openly gay member of this University, at which hundreds of gay and lesbian students enroll, enriching this community with their unique perspectives, their hopes and dreams, my initial reaction was one of anger. Confusion was the emotion of the hour shortly after, however, when I realized that this letter offered little in the way of sensible content. The most alarming implication of this letter is that somehow the admissions process should be affected in any way by a person’s sexual orientation merits not a single word to refute; it’s just like a troll commenting on a Youtube video to get a rise out of people. It is offensive to me to think that there is no idea that gays and lesbians should attempt to suppress or hide their sexual orient-

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By KAITLYN CONWAY
Scene Writer

This fall, the Paseo Pallota Fine Music Company (PEMCo.) is putting on a production of "Company," by Stephen Sondheim, musical. The show is a series of vignettes about Robert, a man who does not want to commit to marriage but is surrounded by married friends, and how they all struggle with what they really want from life. The show progresses through moments he has with his friends and three girl-friends, all tied into the central event of his 35th birthday. As Sondheim describes it, the characters in the musical are "middle-class people with middle-class problems."

"Company" first premiered on Broadway in April 1970 and ran for 690 performances until January 1972. The original cast was composed of Dean Jones (Robert), Barbara Barrie (Sarah), Charles Stritch (Harry), George Gee (David), Beth Howland (Amy), Steve Elmore (Paul), Elaine Stritch (Joanne), Charles Brasswell (Larry), Pamela Myers (Marta), Donna McKechnie (Kathy) and Susan Browning (April). Jones withdrew shortly after opening night, due to his ongoing divorce proceedings, and was replaced by Larry Kert (famous for his role as Tony in the original cast of "West Side Story"). He was nominated for a Tony Award for his performance as Robert. Several of the original cast (Kerr, Stritch, Frank, Waters and McKechnie) reprised their roles for the London run of the show (1972). The original cast of 20 producers. The show's production of the show was immensely popular, and earned a great deal of critical acclaim. It won Tony Awards for Best Musical, Best Book of a Musical, Best Original Score, Best Lyrics, Best Scenic Design and Best Direction of a Musical. Browning received the Theatre World Award for her role as April, one of Robert's girl-friends. The original production also received several Drama Desk Awards: Outstanding Book of a Musical, Outstanding Lyrics, Outstanding Music, Outstanding Set Design and Outstanding Director.

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Today, the show is still running from Brazil at the Villa-Lobos Theater in Rio De Janeiro. PEMCo.'s last spring production of "Company" last spring was produced by Larry Kert (famous for his role as Tony in the original cast of "Company"). In 1995, the show's London revival opened, running for 246 performances before closing on July 1, 2007. The 1995 revival received a few Tony Award nominations but did not win any of them. In 2007, it won the Tony Award for Best Revival of a Musical. The 2006 revival also received the Drama Desk Award for Best Revival of a Musical. In 2008, a filmed version of the show was aired on PBS. It was also released on DVD.

Though the show is only 39 years old, it has already had a long and colorful running history. Its message is something that members of the audience can grasp, as they watch the characters struggle with relationships and what they want out of life. There can be no doubt that PEMCo. will continue to bring the power of this musical to life here at Notre Dame.

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By JORDAN GAMBLE
Scene Writer

After the huge success of "The Producers" last spring — every performance sold out — Paseo Pallota Fine Music Company (PEMCo.) is scaling down for their full production with Steven Sondheim's "Company" this weekend at Washington Hall.

The music is less showy, the stage is simpler and there are only 14 people in the cast ("The Producers" gloriously exaggerated all of these). It's also not exactly a happy-go-lucky romp.

"I would definitely say it's different than any show PEMCo.'s ever done before. If you look at all the shows we've done before, it's not particularly happy musical. It's dramatic, I think one of the most acting-intensive shows we've ever done," said senior Kelly Rice, one of the show's producers.

Senior Nick Brandt plays Robert. Nick Brandt, a middle-aged, middle-class character, is trying to make sense of the relationships in his life. "Company" is not a typical musical with a linear storyline — it is instead a series of vignettes tied together by Robert's 35th birthday party. The scenes are actually memories, presented out of order, with the people and events likely skewed by the main character's memory. That means Brandt must play a "real-time," reflective Robert as well as the Robert within the memory—sometimes both in the same scene.

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"With any Sondheim musical, the music can seem at times a little contrived, almost," Wurzelbacher said in an e-mail to The Observer. "It's really something that I have to grapple with before I can even begin to teach it to the cast ... It's exciting, though, because it always keeps you on your toes."

Director Brian R. Devane (Brentwood, a junior), said that the challenging material and light requirements (five weeks) made this a more difficult production than most. He said Wurzelbacher had worked together before in Farley Hall Players' spring 2009 production of "Assassins," another Sondheim musical. Before any parts were cast for "Company," the two laid out a plan for a musical that would make the best use of their cramped schedule.

"Because we had such a limited amount of time, we tried to be as efficient as possible. I would do some work and I would send other people what I didn't need to do in the music. And then it's really kind of fun because when we do come together in the later weeks it's kind of a show-and-tell thing," he said.

Short on money, sleep and sometimes even rehearsal space, the cast somehow managed to pull together a difficult show in about five weeks rather than the three-month stretch for PEMCo.'s winter show, win. Devane stresses that with a student-run production, it's important to find a balance between putting together a good show and having fun. "People do this in college usually because it's something they did in high school and they loved it and it's something they want to keep doing as, you know, a break from the stressful class schedule. For this show, we had to be so tight in terms of scheduling ... Every rehearsal has been so packed ... but it really coming together. The cast has really come together in a good way, they've all bonded and have inside jokes," said Devane.

That spirit of camaraderie has kept the student-run PEMCo. growing and evolving for 13 years. Performances are Oct. 8, 9 and 10 at 7:30 p.m. in Washington Hall. Tickets are $6 for students and $8 for everyone else, available at LaFortune Box Office.

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"Company," 7:30 p.m., Washington Hall
This weekend’s Pasquarilla East Music Company (PEMCo.) presents its full production, "Company." In its more than 10 years as a group on campus, PEMCo. has set the bar very high for itself, producing high quality musicals at least once a year. This year is no exception with its production of "Company." With music and lyrics by Stephen Sondheim, this show depicts the 35th birthday of a man, Bobby, who is surrounded by married couples but cannot make a commitment. Considered one of the first musicals to address more adult issues, "Company" promises to be an excellent production. All should consider going out and supporting these talented members of our community in their most recent endeavor.

By LESLIE SHUMATE
Scene Writer
"Fame" certainly won’t live forever and I doubt you’ll remember its name. The remake of the 1980 film may share the same name as the original, but it lacks the originality and edge of its predecessor. In a pop culture inundated with storylines and characters as effectively as the original film, "Fame" follows the trials and triumphs of a handful of students at the New York City High School for the Performing Arts. Musicians, singers, dancers and actors all compete to succeed in the highly competitive school, with some advancing further than others. The talented teenagers face pressure from parents and teachers, rocky relationships, and the bitter reality of show business. Such struggles may spur self-doubt and unsuccessful suicide attempts, but, lucky for us, they are not enough to prevent an inspirational musical number at graduation.

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To make matters worse, the plot line is weak and the film makes it nearly impossible to provide any sort of continuity from one scene to the next. In one scene, the audience witnesses a tender heart-to-heart between an angry, guarded student and his compassionate teacher, and in the next, this student appears with his friends and seems very happy. The plot is very ambiguous and such a vague plot, it is difficult to invest in the characters and care about the successes and failures. When one character is accepted into a prestigious dance company, the audience is too distracted trying to remember her name to really care. And when another character is told he will never have a dancing career, his distress is undermined by the fact that he has not been onscreen since one of the first scenes of the film.

Even with spontaneous lunchroom jam sessions, drunken rap performances and secret singing careers, "Fame" proves to be a disappointingly predictable coming-of-age film. From the opening credits, one knows that the students will learn to believe in themselves and never give up on their dreams. Unfortunately, this story has been told too many times already and there is nothing about "Fame" that sets it apart from its predecessors.

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"Susicion," 3 p.m., Browning Cinema
"Susicion" is the latest Hitchcock film in a searing series of "Celebrating Hitchcock," which is being hosted by DPAC this year. In centers on a handsome man, Johnny Aysgarth, who is known to be a chronic gambler and swindler. He meets a young woman, Lina McLaidlaw, on a train and before long they are married. Lina becomes suspicious of her new husband and his true nature when a close family friend is found dead. Starring Cary Grant and Joan Fontaine, "Suspicion" is the first film Hitchcock both produced and directed. As with all of Hitchcock’s work, "Suspicion" promises to be an intriguing and thrilling cinematic experience.

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Dan Cummins, 10 p.m., Legends
Dan Cummins comes to Legends. This Friday night, be sure to check out the latest in a slew of comedians SUB has worked to bring to campus. Cummins is considered an up-and-comer on the comedy scene, making his television debut shortly after a year ago on Comedy Central. His humor is described as having a "left-center" with many jokes relating to his quirky childhood in a small town in Idaho. On his MySpace, Cummins describes himself as "Stand Up Comic for people who don’t like Stand Up Comedy. Slam! Chop! Pow!" Hopefully his show will be equally enjoyable for those that like standup comedy as well.

Thao with the Get Down Stay Down, 10 p.m., Legends
Thao with the Get Down Stay Down is a San Francisco based alternative-folk-rock group. Founded in 2003 by lead singer Thao Nguyen and drummer Willis Thompson, the band has been touring and recording for over six years. The band also includes bassist Adam Thompson (no relation to Willis) and Frank Stewart on lead guitar. As a group they toured this summer with acts including Xiu Xiu and Bilo Kiley. Nguyen still performs and tours by herself on occasion. She will be touring her solo act with the Hotel Cafe Tour this fall. Thao with the Get Down Stay Down plans to release their newest album on Oct. 13th.

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Winless Browns trade reciever Edwards to Jets

Wideout being involved in violent league conduct policy; New York gives up Stuckey, Trusnik and two draft picks

Associated Press

The Jets dealt wide receiver Chad Staley, linebackers Jason Trusnik and two undrafted players in return for Edwards, who has 10 receptions for 139 yards but was shut out for the first time in his career in the winless Browns 23-20 overtime loss to Cincinnati on Sunday.

"I believe coming here to a team that's doing well, with a new way of doing things, that's not twice a year in Baltimore, and a different matchup that's not a nightmare," Edwards said. "It's free, it's fast, I can catch pretty passes that's thrown to him." No, Ryan said. "But, he's going to catch enough of them and he's going to make a lot of difference.

"He's a couple of years remaining on his contract, but the Jets had no immediate plans to sign him to a new deal during this season.

"I don't want to be a distraction," all I want to do is catch football. They have a machine moving in the right direction," Crabtree said, smiling. "It's a lot of relief off my shoulders.

"We're confident with the player on the field and off the field," he said.

As the second major trade the Jets have made with the Browns and Mangini. On the first day of the draft in April, the Jets acquired the fifth overall pick from Cleveland — using it to select Sanchez — in exchange for New York's second-rounder (No. 52), defensive end Kenyon Coleman, safety Abram Elam and quarterback Brett Ruff.
Lee pitches Phillies to Game 1 win

Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA — Cliff Lee pitched like an ace instead of a postseason rookie. Lee dominated the Colorado Rockies, tossing a six-hitter, and the Philadelphia Phillies began their World Series title defense with a 5-1 victory in their playoff opener Wednesday.

Raul Ibanez had two hits and two RBIs, and Ryan Howard and Jayson Werth drove in runs with key extra-base hits off 15- game winner Ubaldo Jimenez.

Lee, the reigning AL Cy Young Award winner, struck out five and had no walks in his first career playoff start. He retired 16 straight batters at one point until Garrett Atkins hit a wind-blowing double in the seventh. Lee lost his shiutout when Troy Tulowitzki doubled in a run with two outs in the ninth.

Game 2 of the best-of-five NL division series is set for Thursday with Cole Hamels, last year’s World Series and NLCS MVP, on the mound for the Phillies against Colorado’s Aaron Cook.

Some questioned manager Charlie Manuel’s decision to give Lee the ball over the playoff-test ed Hamels for the first game. But Lee made his manager look brilliant with a masterful performance.

On a day when swirling winds made flyballs an adventure, Lee ignored the elements and shut down the NL’s second-highest scoring offense. Avoiding the adventures that come with the Phillies bullpen, Lee mixed a deceptive fastball with off-speed pitches, had pinpoint accuracy and threw 113 pitches.

The hard-throwing Jimenez was equally impressive against the league’s No. 1-scoring offense for four innings, but ran out of gas in the fifth. He got chased with no outs in the sixth after allowing nine hits and five runs in five-plus innings.

A sellout crowd of 45,425—the largest in the six-year history of Citizens Bank Park—rocked the ballpark, waving their white-and-red “Fightin’ Phils” rally towels. The Phillies were 7-0 at home last October and set a franchise attendance record this season.

Worth, one of five All-Stars in Philadelphia’s lineup, got it started with a walk in the fifth. He scored when Ibanez ripped a double into the right-field corner. Ibanez’s hit fired up the raucous crowd, which screamed “Raaauuuuuuu!”

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Tebow's status to be game-time decision, says Meyer

Florida coach Urban Meyer said Wednesday that his medical staff told him to prepare as if there is a chance the injured Heisman Trophy-winner quarterback will play Saturday night in Baton Rouge.

"Is it an advantage, no telling," Meyer said. "I’m not worried about that right now. We’re game-planning as if there’s a chance Tim could play. There’s a chance he won’t play. That’s going to be pretty much the response until the foot hits the ball down there.

Tebow practiced Tuesday for the first time since suffering the first concussion of his career Sept. 26 against Kentucky. He was hospitalized overnight, and there has been much speculation about whether he should return against the Tigers.

Mark Sanchez fined $5,000 for hit, apologizes to Ilinia

STILLWATER, Okla. — New York Jets rookie quarterback Mark Sanchez says he has been fined $5,000 by the NFL for his low block on New Orleans linebacker Jonathan Vilma last weekend.

During Darren Sharper’s 99-yard interception return for a touchdown Sunday, Sanchez dived at the legs of Vilma, who was blocking on the play. Sanchez was assessed a 15-yard personal foul penalty for the hit.

Vilma took exception to the block, saying after the game the league should fine Sanchez.

Sanchez said Wednesday that he called Vilma on Tuesday and apologized.

"I said, ‘Hey, dude, I don’t know what I was doing.’ Sanchez said. He said the former Jets linebacker told him, “No problem at all. I understand.”

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Stillwater, Okla. — All-America wide receiver Dez Bryant has been ruled ineligible by Oklahoma State, four days before the 15th-ranked Cowboys’ first Big 12 game.

The university announced Wednesday that Bryant “failed to openhly disclose to the NCAA the full details of his interaction with a former NFL player not affiliated with OSU,” Oklahoma State (3-1) said it had already asked the NCAA to reinstate Bryant for the violation of bylaw 10.16d, which prohibits players from knowingly providing false information to the NCAA regarding a possible rules violation.

“I made a mistake by not being entirely truthful when meeting with the NCAA,” Bryant said in a statement released by the university. “I sincerely regret my mistake and apologize to my teammates, coaches, OSU fans and the NCAA.”

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Indians narrowing coaching choices
Cleveland seeking head coach after firing Eric Wedge; hope to have job filled by end of playoffs

Associated Press

CLEVELAND — General manager Theo Epstein is narrowing his search for the next Cleveland Indians manager. Epstein said Wednesday he is getting closer to a list of “eight to 10” candidates to replace Eric Wedge, who was fired last week. He hopes to have a new manager by the end of the World Series, but that timetable could be delayed if a leading candidate is on a team currently in the playoffs.

Boston pitching coach John Farrell, who served as Indians farm director before taking the Red Sox job after the 2006 season, is among names mentioned as a possible successor.

"They’re not talking to any teams for permission to talk to their employees," Shapiro said. "But the names are all out in the public."

Farrell made calls to specific guys, but are not limited just to those guys who have some prior experience, Shapiro said. "We’re being open-minded of all things make good leaders and we have a list of criteria."

He stressed that good communication skills — with the team and the public — along with the ability to handle the media staff and use it are at the top of his list.

"There’s always the usual leadership attributes — being smart, tough, professional and passionate," Shapiro said. "The new man will also have to understand our situation, be able to develop young players and make good utilization of the bullpen."

Cleveland won the AL Central in 2007, but poor relief pitching was a big reason for a .500 record in 2008. Shapiro has been cited as a contender this year, the Indians fell to injuries and more bloopers than not. Shapiro traded several of his stars for prospects and finished 47-95, a franchise-worst record in 18 years.

Shapiro and assistant general manager Chris Antonetti have had numerous phone talks with current and past players, coaches and managers, front office personnel and others from clubs as well media members to get background on candidates. Shapiro said his initial list was close to 30 names and others may be added according to circumstances.

"There are three or four guys who were not on our radar screen that we will now talk to," Shapiro said.

Though financial constraints have slowed Cleveland from signing certain free-agent players, Shapiro said money likely would not be an issue. Former managers such as Bobby Valentine, Buck Showalter and Bob Brenly likely would demand more lucrative contracts than inexperienced candidates.

Shapiro said at least one manager from the Indians’ minor league system is on his cutdown list. It could be Torrey Lovullo of their Triple-A team at Columbus; Mike Sarbaugh, who guided Double-A affiliate Akron to an Eastern League title; or former Cleveland third baseman Travis Fryman, who led Mahoning Valley past the past two years. Fans calling Cleveland radio shows say former Indians catcher Sandy Alomar Jr., now a New York Mets coach, would be a good choice. Others say bring back shortstop Omar Vizquel as player-coach — pointing out that the only time Cleveland has won the World Series, they were led by a Hall of Famer in such a role. Tris Speaker did it in 1920 and Lou Boudreau in 1948.

Still others are talking up Mike Hargrove, who managed Cleveland to five straight AL Central titles in 1995-99 and two trips to the World Series.

Being a popular former Indians player or manager doesn’t carry additional weight with Shapiro.

"We’re not looking for short-term popularity, but for a guy who can come in here and win," Shapiro said. "We’re looking to have the right guy in place."

NFL

Manning’s injury status uncertain
Undated Giant’s quarterback left previous game with heel pain

Associated Press

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — While his painful heel injury is improving, Eli Manning is not guaranteeing he will quarterback the New York Giants this weekend against the Oakland Raiders.

Manning, who has started the last 82 games, was held out of practice Wednesday so he can get treatment on his plantar fascia, a band of connective tissue that runs along the bottom of the foot and inserts into the heel. "If I feel like I can go out and play at a high level and help the team and do everything I can do, and they don’t have to limit the game plan or say you can’t do this or that, I’ll go out there and play," Manning said. "I’m not going to do anything that will put myself in harm for making this worse down the road."

Manning admitted his heel bothered him occasionally the last few weeks. However, he never had pain like he felt in the fourth quarter Sunday when he set up two touchdowns against Kansas City and literally had to hop to be considered without majorleague experience.

"We’re not looking for short-term popularity, but for a guy who can come in here and win," Shapiro said. "We’re looking to have the right guy in place."

Manning had the most basic treatment Wednesday: electric stimulation and ice. He also was fitted for an orthotic for his shoe. He watched videotapes of the Raiders’ defense, went over this week’s game plan, planned to watch tape of practice, discuss it with his receivers and then go over his notes.

His biggest concern though was his heel, which he said is improving. Manning said he felt less pain on Monday and Tuesday and that he was moving around better. He said he was in no pain while talking in front of his locker.

He has asked the team’s medical staff whether playing this weekend might make his injury worse. They said him just don’t know. "As an athlete you know when something is bothering you and when something is going to get worse or not, I’ll make that decision," Manning said.

Now wait and see is the way Manning described his plans for both practice the rest of this week and the game. "I feel like I have been practicing well and playing good football and been in a rhythm for the last couple of weeks," Manning said. "You don’t want to go out there when you are injured and you can’t do everything you want to do and move the way you want, and all the sudden you got bad habits and bad mechanics and you’re throwing the ball differently."

Manning said he would like to practice some time this week, but noted he could play without practicing.

When Manning hurt the A-C joint in his right shoulder early in the 2007 season, he missed practice on Wednesday and Thursday and took only half the snaps on Friday before starting against Green Bay.

"I was probably more worried about my shoulder than this," Manning said. "It was my throwing shoulder and I couldn’t even throw when I hurt that. I couldn’t throw the ball 10 yards. I know I can throw the ball now, it’s the moving around and all the other things I have to take care of."

Giants coach Tom Coughlin said Manning doesn’t need to practice to play.

"He will know everything," Coughlin said. "While he is in here today, he will have a [video] machine in front of him. His tape will be played back as good as or maybe more than a normal week. Yeah, he will study hard."

Veteran David Carr, the No. 1 overall pick in the 2002 draft, would replace Manning if he could not play. He has 79 career starts, but none since 2006 with Carolina.

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Eagles’ McNabb to start against Buccaneers

Quarterback ready to play following bye week after missing two games with a broken rib; Kolb returns to backup role

Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA — Donovan McNabb is ready to pull on the No. 5 gameday jersey, when Philadelphia plays the Tampa Bay Buccaneers on Sunday, his first action since breaking his rib in the season opener. McNabb still feels some discomfort and needs a protective jacket to absorb punishing hits.

"You’re talking about one of the all-time greats playing quarterback," coach Andy Reid said Wednesday. "Somebody who has been here a long time and when it’s all said and done will be one of the all-time greatest to play that position. It’s always good to get that kind of a player back in there."

This time, McNabb will have Michael Vick to help out.

McNabb hasn’t played since he took a hard shot in the end zone after a rushing turnover Kansas City in his two starts.

"I don’t think I’ll be going through this deal for weeks," he said. "In due time, it will heal up and get back to 100 percent. As far as right now, it’s something you battle with and continue to grind, but it’s nothing that will restrict me in any way."

Kevin Kolb, who threw for 327 yards against Kansas City and 391 against New Orleans in his two starts, returns to his backup role. He was the first quarterback in NFL history to throw for 300-plus yards in his first two starts.

Kolb really did play well," McNabb said. "The offense really rallied around him. Guys stepped up and made plays for him. That’s what you want."

Kolb threw for all those yards even with the Eagles breaking out variations of the wildcat. Westbrook and wide receivers DeSean Jackson and Jeremy Maclin have all had turns at QB in Philadelphia’s wildcard formation. Vick has been the team’s primary wildcat weapon and was the quarterback for 10 plays in Philadelphia’s 34-14 win over Kansas City in Week 3. Vick will continue to be worked into the offense, even with McNabb back. Vick was substituted the first two games this year.

McNabb endorsed Vick’s signing, but complained during a preseason game that the Jets’ use of Vick and the wildcat formation disrupted the offense. He insisted on Wednesday he was fine with the offense if it helped them win.

"The fun thing about it is we haven’t even touched the surface of what we will do with it," McNabb said. "It’s something that’s going to benefit us and put pressure on defenses."

Reid said he had no set number of plays that he wanted to include Vick in. "The once-dazzling and dynamic quarterback for the Atlanta Falcons is shaking off the rust after a two-year layoff and appears closer to his old self." Vick said on Wednesday he has not talked to Reid about how they’ll be paired and used to their full potential.

"I think it will be pretty much the same six, seven plays per game, go out and make the plays positive plays," Vick said. "Help the team, not hurt the team, which is my motto right now. If I only get five or six plays per the rest of the season, then I’m content with that, but like I said, my objective is to win."
Rookie linebacker dies inexplicably

Former Iraq war veteran Fein cut by Ravens after pre-season; death appears to be accidental

Associated Press

SEATTLE — Tony Fein, an Iraq war veteran and NFL rookie linebacker who played with the Baltimore Ravens during the pre-season, has died of unexplained causes after collapsing at a friend's house in what his agent said appears to be "an accidental situation."

Fein, 27, an undrafted rookie free agent from Mississippi, was lying face down and unconscious, vomiting and barely breathing when medics arrived at a house outside Port Orchard on the Kitsap Peninsula before 9 a.m. PDT Tuesday, said Mike Wernet, a battalion chief and medical officer with South Kitsap Fire & Rescue.

The relics were performing a breathing tube down Fein's throat after he stopped breathing and administered medication, but he went into cardiac arrest during the drive to Harrison Medical Center in Bremerton, across Puget Sound from Seattle, and was pronounced dead at the hospital at 9:48 a.m. PDT Tuesday, Wernet told The Associated Press.

A man and woman who were guests at the house said a friend who was staying with the Fein's sons at the time of the accident called them after they awoke to find him unresponsive and vomiting.

"They didn't really give us a lot of information about what had happened the night before," a person familiar with the case, who spoke on condition they were upset, Wernet said. "They didn't indicate anything out of the ordinary."

There were no obvious wounds or signs of alcohol or other drug abuse, and no indications of head trauma, Wernet said.

Kitsap County sheriff's Deputy Scott E. Wilson said a detective was assigned to the case Wednesday because the death seems "unusual."

"We don't have any indication of anything suspicious... or foul play," Wilson said.

Fein's agent, Milton D. Hobbs, a lawyer in Oxford, Miss., said he was told of medical condition or previous severe illness in Fein.

"As I understand it, it was an accidental situation," Hobbs said. "As far as I understand it from family members, there's nothing to indicate that he intended to hurt himself."

An autopsy won't be conducted until Monday and no report will be issued before all toxicology and other tests are complete, likely in six to eight weeks, said Allen G. Gerdes, Kitsap County chief deputy coroner.

Fein, a native of Port Orchard, was released by the Ravens in their last major round of roster cuts on Sept. 5.

"Tony Fein was a really good teammate, a tremendous American, a tremendous young man... just a really good person," Ravens coach John Harbaugh said.

Hobbs said he last spoke with Fein on Friday and since the death had talked with the Fein's sister, mother and some friends. He would not discuss the possible cause of death.

"He was working out and we were discussing football opportunities. That was still his goal," Hobbs said. "We talked about Canada."

Some Canadian Football League teams had expressed interest in Fein before he joined the Ravens and there had been no contacts since he was cut, the agent said.

Fein was arrested on Aug. 23 and charged with misdemeanor assault on a police officer after an incident at a restaurant at Baltimore's Inner Harbor in which the officer reportedly mistook his cellular telephone for a handgun. A trial was scheduled Wednesday, but prosecutors notified Fein's attorney last Thursday that they planned to dismiss the case because of conflicting witness accounts, state's attorney spokeswoman Marty Burns said.

Fein played quarterback for South Kitsap High School before graduating in 2008. At age 19 he enlisted in the Army and spent two years in Iraq as a 19 Delta reconnaissance scout.

He later enrolled at Scottsdale, Ariz., Community College, became one of the nation's top junior college recruits and played for Ole Miss in 2007 and 2008. In two seasons at Ole Miss, he had 136 tackles (27 solo) in 24 games, according to the school's Web site.

"A humble young man," Baltimore line-blogger Bay Lewis said. "Our hearts definitely go out to his family because it's such a tragedy for a man to be that young and go through the things he's been through."

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Masoli could still start for Ducks

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Associated Press

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Coyotes shut Thursday, Bryzgalov’s 24 saves, Prucha’s goal lead Phoenix over Pittsburgh

PITTSBURGH — The Stanley Cup champion Pittsburgh Penguins’ first bad game of the season was more than that. It was Coyote ugly.

Peer Prucha was knocked off his skates in front of the net but still pushed the puck into the net while down on a Penguins player’s back in the second period, and the Phoenix Coyotes took advantage of nine power plays to beat Pittsburgh 3-0 on Wednesday night.

Ilya Bryzgalov made 24 saves, only a handful of them difficult, and Petr Prucha took advantage of his first two oppo­nents 9-3.

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Pittsburgh tried but failed to start a season 3-0 for the first time since 2000 when they had support from Brent Johnson. He made 22 saves in his first start for the Stanley Cup champions, and hardly could be blamed for one of the Penguins’ worst efforts under coach Dan Bylsma.

“I don’t think our guys went into the game with a lackadali­enalty,” Bylsma said. “I don’t think they weren’t focused on playing. When you don’t exe­cute, you’re not paying attention to details, and your brain’s not focused on what’s coming at you and making the right play.

The Penguins were constantly a step behind the play, drawing unnecessary penalties while allowing Phoenix to grab the early momentum and never give it up. Pittsburgh drew the first three penalties, and Jovanovski took advantage of Evgeni Malkin’s double-minor high­sticking penalty to beat Johnson with a hard wrist shot from the right circle off Shane Doan’s cross-ice pass at 9:07 of the first.

“We had a lot of penalties in first period, and some guys weren’t able to get out there and get into it,” Crosby said. “As a whole, we didn’t play well no matter what they did, whether they were aggressive or tried to close things up. It still comes down to what we do, and we didn’t do a whole lot.”

Bryzgalov didn’t have to make highlight saves until stoppin Ruslan Fedotenko’s shot off a rebound in the final minute of the second period. Seconds before that, Malkin was open at the side of the net but fumbled the puck and couldn’t get a shot off.

Not much was expected this season from the Coyotes, who are in financial limbs with the franchise’s future unsettled. Dave Tippett replaced Recipes Grotzky as coach late in training camp, yet the Coyotes have outscored their first two oppo­nents 9-3.

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Sabhathia gives up one, strikes out eight in outing; Jeter, Rodriguez drive in runs for N.Y.

NEW YORK — Derek Jeter got a big hit, just as he did in October past at the famous old ballpark across the street. CC Sabathia joined in the postsea­son fun. Even Alex Rodriguez broke out of his playoff rut.

It was like old times in the first postseason game at the new Yankee Stadium, with New York beating these tired Minnesota Twins 7-2. An error-filled start, a power play for New York, a couple of skilledNo one was对照着图1的文本生成了图2的文本，那么按照这种模式，图1的文本经过同样的处理后应该是什么样子？
Team fights breast cancer

By MEAGHAN VESELIK
Spokes Worker

The Irish are fighting for a cause that is close to all of us. The team will host a "Dig Pink" match Sunday against Louisville to raise breast cancer awareness and benefit the Side-Out Foundation, the Secret Sisters Society of South Bend.

"Dig Pink is a reminder that something that has affected so many people," Irish coach Debbie Brown said. "We want the team has had someone in their lives affected by this disease. It is an important cause that's close to all of us, especially since it affects women so prominently."

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PRESIDENTS CUP

U.S. favorites as competition begins

By captain Chris McGaffigan
SAN FRANCISCO — Ernie Els said. "And we can just go years ago in Australia. It has Associated Press gone home with the gold trophy. Its only victory came 11 Presidents Cup days in building a five-point motion. He played with Woods that was a step up from his year, going against Tim and Lee Westwood the first Ishikawa, the youngest player that has affected so many people," Irish coach Debbie Brown said. "We want the team has had someone in their lives affected by this disease. It is an important cause that's close to all of us, especially since it affects women so prominently."

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Championships in Pacific Palisades, Calif. Regele, senior Kali Kriisk, ranked No. 15 in preseason doubles rankings, will play in the tournament. The two form a new No. 1 doubles team for the Irish, and Louderback said playing together this early will benefit them.

"It is great for them to get exposure since they haven't played together against the top doubles teams," he said. "It is good exposure for them to get that good competition early.

Frilling will open the singles tournament Thursday against No. 13 Reka Zsilinszka of Duke. Last season, Frilling beat the Blue Devil 6-4, 6-2, when the teams met in a dual meet in March.

Frilling and Kriisk will begin the doubles competition facing the No. 7 duo from Tennessee, senior Caitlin Horwischer and sophomore Natalie Pliskova. Horwischer and Pliskova knocked Frilling and then-senior Kelsey Tefft out of the NCAA Singles Championship last spring.

"By playing a NCAA semifinal team right off the bat, it'll be good," said Kriisk. "You have to be the first to do it to have a shot at competing against them.

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the half, with senior goalie Andrew Quinn making a save on the only shot on goal by either team, made by Marquette's Robb Ryan. When the squads came out of the locker room after halftime, the Irish were a different team.
Senior forward Tamba Samba recorded his first goal of the year in the 48th minute to give Notre Dame a 1-0 advantage. "I think that really settled it," Clark said. "Then we scored a beautiful goal." That came six minutes later, when senior forward Bright Dike scored his seventh of the year. "It was a very nice interception by (senior midfielder) Michael Thomas initially, then (sophomore midfielder) Brenden King swung a very delicate curving cross ball and Dike glanced it over the goalkeeper," Clark said. "It was a good goal, very pretty." The Irish made a total of 11 shots in the second half, compared to just four in the first. Golden Eagle goalie Matt Pyzdrowski outdifted himself with five saves in that second period, without which the game may have become a blowout.
"After the goals it was really just a matter of running out the game," Clark said. "We did have some more chances to really put it away, but the two goals were good enough." The game was Notre Dame's fourth shutout of the season. In fact, the Irish have yet to allow more than two scores in a game.
"I thought the defense was solid," Clark said. "Who I thought did really well was (senior midfielder) Justin Morrow. He was dangerous and caused a lot of problems to Marquette." Wednesday's defensive effort was aided by the return of sophomore defender Aaron Maund, who had been away at the Under-20 World Cup in Egypt. Despite having just landed in the States on Monday morning, Maund played all 90 minutes for the Irish. Freshman midfielder Dillon Powers, also returning from the U-20 World Cup, played 20 minutes. "Considering they just got back from Egypt on Monday it was good to get them some playing time," Clark said. "They did well.
This type of win is becoming all too familiar for the Irish. In 11 games this season, the Irish have scored a total of 21 goals. Just four of those have come in the first period, while 17 have come in the second.
The Irish have 93 total shots in the second half, compared with 62 in the first. They have allowed opponents just 48 shots in the second half. It works — so far — and Clark said he isn't too worried about fixing it. "It's a tough travel week for us," he said. "We won't really have time for practice between now and Providence. It's more trying to get the boys to recover." Notre Dame will travel to Rhode Island Saturday to take on the Friars. That game is scheduled to start at 1 p.m.
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Weasels

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who has had remarkable suc­
cess in her first season at the
position.
"She's really hit her stride," Curley said.
"I keep telling the girls to watch for such a
strong Weasels team, Badin will reevaluate its
staying, he said.
"Practice is back to funda­
mental," senior captain Kellen
Daniels said. "We're trying to
cause turnovers with our defense, and I think we will have
collegiate offense.
"I've been playing quarterbacking
by sophomore Carlis Fernandez,
stayed competitive through
two consecutive
turnovers. We've been issues.
"This is fired up and
hungry to end a game victori­
ously for the first time this sea­
terback and captain
of the challenges of
having a team that's comprised of mostly underclass­
mates, getting them to realize
how serious this team is and
what the Cavanaugh Chaos is all about," Mahon said.
The wireless Lions (0-2) are
hungry to end a game victori­
ously for the first time this sea­
son.
"Every eager for a win," Connell said.
Lyons will look to senior quarterback Marie Petnuch to step in
for the injured Connell tonight.
"We have complete confi­
dence in [Petnuch's] ability to lead us to a win," Connell said.
Petnuch will face a Chaos (1-2) team looking to turn the season around after a
for a playoff run.
"We are very aware we need to win out (to reach the playoffs)," Mahon said. "There is a lot of pressure on us,
but I think we are going to make it happen.
"The Chaos look to shut down Lyons and the team looks to build on the
strong performance of senior linebacker Ezinne Nwokoye, and junior defensive
back Sara Harker.
"Everyone is fired up and
eager to show everyone we are
a force to be reckoned with," Mahon said.
"The Chaos and the Lions will
meet tonight at Riehle Field at
9 p.m.

Ryan vs. Pangborn
The newly-christened
Wildcats of Ryan will look to
live up to their new nickname
when they challenge Pangborn
tonight.
In its inaugural year as a
division, Pangborn comes into
the season with a 15-0 record
to compete with the Wildcats.
Ryan senior quarterback Ryan
Petnuch, who has had remarkable suc­
exts month.
"I'm ready for a win, ready to get out
there and compete," Petnuch said.
Bardin will try for a long­
square off tonight, both teams
will look to put in the win counts behind them after
their progressive losses.
Due to a disproportionate
amount of underclassmen on
both squads, team chemistry
and the game experience have
been issues.
"Because we have a lot of your
playmakers, we have been
working on developing team
chemistry," senior captain
Walkinhalter and captain Claire
Connell said. "It is hard to get
a team to buy in when
offense and defense in
order to play to our full poten­
tial.

Cavanaugh senior captain
Josie McMahon expressed a
similar sentiment.
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having a team that's comprised of mostly underclass­
mates is getting them to realize
how serious this team is and
what the Cavanaugh Chaos is all about," McMahon said.

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injury was, he knew what it
meant for him.
"I knew it was time for me
to step up," he said. "And
that's what I've been trying
to do the last couple of games.
"I'm very excited about playing
two games against unbeaten
Pangborn this week. We know
we've got our hands full, but
we want to go out there and
make a statement.
"I'm really hit her
up," Mahon said.

Evans said.

Unfortunately, one of the
most memorable plays
involving Evans so far this
season was one he didn't
make, missing a third down
box.
"The last couple of games I've
gone out there confident,
relaxed. When you relax it's
easier.
In addition to calming
down, Evans really felt his
increased playing time has also
helped his development.
"The first time I got in the
Nevada game, I was kind of
shaking," Evans said. "But
the last couple of games I've
gone out there confident,
relaxed. When you relax it's
easier.

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Freshman wide receiver Shaqueilla Evans makes a catch during practice on Aug. 21. Evans had a career high four catches and 34 yards against Washington on Saturday.

Evans said that he has
almost become like a coach
to him.
"Even though he's been
injured, he's been helping me
a lot," Evans said. "Just pick­
ing me up when I'm down,
helping me line up, and run
crunch routes.
"Weiss said multiple times
that after Floyd was lost for
the season, it would take
more than just one receiver
to take his place. Senior
Melvin Bush, junior Duvall Karama, sophomores
Deion Walker and John Goodman, as well as Evans, would all
have to step up their games.
Each receiver brings some­
ting different to the
table.
"I just feel like I open up
the offense more with my
speed," Evans said.
Unfortunately, one of the
most memorable plays
involving Evans so far this
season was one he didn't
make, missing a third down
pass in an out route from
junior quarterback Jimmy
Clausen late against
Michigan. It looked like
Evans didn't get his head
around in time to look for
the ball, and a catch likely
would have sealed an Irish win.
Evans, though, said that he
took the mistake as a learn­
ing experience.
"We don't like to blame it
on anybody," he said. "But as a freshman I learned that
on third down in a crucial game
like that, you've just got to
break the route off a little
early, especially when they
have all those people in the box.
He added that, since then,
he has been breaking his
times on early routes on third
down, as evidenced by a
couple of key catches against
Washington.
While every Notre Dame
player undoubtedly wants to
beat USC next week, Evans has
a motivation beyond sim­
ply school pride. A native of
Inglewood, Calif., he had
originally committed to the
Trojans before switching to
Notre Dame after his official
visit to South Bend. Even though he almost ended up
on the other sidelines, Evans
said there's no love lost for
Pete Carroll's squad.
"It's the hometown team,
and I just want to beat
them," Evans said. "I want to beat USC.

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PHOTO "FINISH"

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PHOTO "FINISH"
Huffer, Brophy lead team to fourth place tie in Windy City

By ERIC PRISTER
Sports Writer

In a talented field that included seven teams ranked in the top 25, the Irish were able to post a 13-over par 301 in the final round Tuesday to finish in a tie for fourth place with host Northwestern in the Windy City Collegiate Championship. Coming into the tournament ranked No. 70 in the NCAA, the Irish were looking to make a statement against top competition, and were able to do so, moving up 23 spots in the rankings.

"We really proved ourselves," Irish coach Susan Holt said. "I told them going in that they weren't the 70th-ranked team in the country, and they knew that, but they were the ones that had to do something about it and they were the only ones who could change it."

The Irish started out strong on the first day of the tournament, shooting a 292 which put them in a tie for third with Northwestern. Notre Dame held strong in the final two rounds, but ended up sliding into fourth, still an impressive finish considering the quality of the competition.

Sophomore Becca Huffer paced the Irish, shooting even par for the tournament, good enough for a fifth-place finish, the highest individual finish of her career. After starting the tournament with a quadruple bogey on the first hole on her way to a two-over 74 in the first round, Huffer was able to rebound, shooting a two-under 70 in the second round and a team-best 72 in the final round to lead the Irish.

"(Huffer) is just a solid player," Holt said. "She really stepped up and responded." Just behind Huffer was senior Annie Brophy, whose first round 69 was the team-best for the tournament and helped her finish in a tie for sixth place overall. Brophy and Huffer have been consistent all year for the Irish, leading the team in stroke average and average finish and are the only two golfers on the Notre Dame squad to shoot at or below par so far this year.

"(Brophy) and (Huffer) really stepped it up and played great," Holt said. "They had a really good feel, and their solid play just gives us that extra confidence we need."

Also scoring in the last round were freshmen Katie Conway and So-Hyun Park, who finished in a tie for 35th place and 62nd place, respectively.

"It was a good solid team performance," Holt said. "They went out and did what they had to do." Purdue dominated the tournament throughout, shooting a nine-under 279 in the first round on their way to a 14-

ND Women's Tennis

Irish open season at Fall Invite

By DOUGLAS FARMER
Sports Writer

After playing each other for the past month, the Irish will finally see some outside competition this weekend as two members of the team head to California while the rest of the team plays in the Wildcat Fall Invitational at Northwestern.

"We have been practicing for a month now, playing each other," Irish coach Jay Louderback said. "It is time to get out and play some other teams and see some other types of games."

Ranked at No. 20 in the preseason polls, Sophomore Kristy Frilling will compete in the singles tournament at the Riviera/ITA All-American Championship.

"We're really good feel, and their solid..."