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Past activism remembered, current efforts examined

Panel celebrates 40th anniversary of 'Notre Dame 10' protest

By MADELINE BUCKLEY
News Editor

Editor’s note: This is the third installment in a four-part series commemorating the 40th anniversary of the Notre Dame 10 and looking at student activism on campus today. The first two parts introduced the Notre Dame 10 and their protest efforts and examined University President Emeritus Fr. Theodore Hesburgh’s 15-minute rule.

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From left, Fr. Emmanuel Charles McCarthy, Mark Mahoney and John Eckernrode participate in a panel discussion Wednesday at Geddes Hall commemorating the ‘Notre Dame 10’ on their 40th anniversary.

ROTC holds Dixon Challenge

By MOLLY MADDEN
News Writer

Crawling under barbed wire, grenade training and responding to the fallout of a bomb all while carrying a 35 pound backpack — just an average backpack — just an average cadet participant, is designed to test the cadets’ knowledge of radio procedures. The challenge, while fun for many of the participants, is designed to test the cadets’ training.

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INSIDE COLUMN

Don’t judge a movie by its unicorn

As all of the dedicated readers of our classified section should know, “The Last Unicorn” is a great movie. A sports production editor quoted me as saying so in Monday’s paper because he thought my statement was ridiculous. The rest of the office agreed. They laughed as I tried to explain the movie and laughed some more at my feeble insistence of how awesome it is. They protested when I pulled up the opening song on YouTube. The told me not to give them any more ammunition to make fun of me about.

So obviously I had to write a column.

“The Last Unicorn” is an animated movie that was released in 1982. It centers on the legendary unicorn team that made the recent critically-acclaimed movie “Ponyo.” Its plot summary reads:

“A brave unicorn and a magician fight an evil king who is obsessed with attempting to capture the world’s unicorns. Who wouldn’t be curious after reading that? Plus, the magician is voiced by Alan Arkin, who 27 years later, is still awesome. The movie is a classic tale of good versus evil that introduces the moral conflict of choosing what is right over what is easy or safe. It shows children what it means to be self-sacrificing, and what you can accomplish if you believe. Its wacky characters include an evil king, a charming prince, a scary circus ringmaster and a band of idealistic magicians. Kids will love it for the characters, the music and the fantasy while adults can delve deeper into its meaning.

“The Last Unicorn” is great. What’s important about this, though, is that I made that judgment after seeing the movie many times. It made an impact on me as a child and my sister even owns it on DVD.

So, I should not be made fun of by people who had never even heard of the movie or the silly title. That’s the same as someone who has never read a Harry Potter book condemning me as a heathen for still wanting my Hogwarts letter. Want some justified reasons to make fun of me? I love Bob Evans. I love Christian rock music. Scrabble and craft shows. Grasshoppers scare the bejeezus out of me. I’m from Cleveland. I’m a woman.

Take your pick of any of those reasons, which you have had experience with and understand. I don’t mind taking jeers about any of those items, because they make me who I am (middle aged, apparently).

Just don’t judge a wonderful movie because of its unicorn.

The views expressed in the Inside Column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer. Contact Laura Myers at lmyers2@nd.edu

IN BRIEF

A performance of Dance: Flamenco Vivo will take place tonight at 7 p.m. at the Decio Mainstage Theater of the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center. Tickets can be purchased online at performernts.nd.edu.

The film “Still Walking” will be shown today at 6:30 p.m. at the Browning Cinema of the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center. Tickets can be purchased online at performernts.nd.edu.

The Notre Dame men’s soccer team will play Wisconsin-Green Bay today at 7:30 p.m. at Alumni Field. For ticket information, call 631-7356.

The Notre Dame men’s basketball team will play Long Beach State today at 7:30 p.m. at the Purcell Pavilion at the Joyce Center. For ticket information, call 631-7356.

The Higgins Labor Studies Program is hosting a workshop titled "Rethinking Race, Religion, and Resistance at Work in the Early 19th Century United States" Friday at noon in the Gaffneyhouse of Gedeons Hall.

The Notre Dame Energy Center is hosting a policy panel discussion Friday at 3 p.m. in 129 DeBartolo Hall as part of its Distinguished Lecture Series.

Alcoholics Anonymous is hosting an open meeting sponsored by the Alumni Association in Room 222 of the Hesburgh Library Saturday at 9:30 a.m.

To submit information to be included in this section of The Observer, e-mail detailed information about an event to observer@nd.edu.

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CORRECTIONS

We can correct our error.
The University looks for strong pastoral skills, education and experience when hiring rectors, Assistant Vice President of Student Affairs Sr. Sue Dunn said at the Student Senate meeting Wednesday.

Dunn attended the meeting to clarify the role of rectors after Senators discussed the relationship between rectors and students at their meeting last week.

“Living alongside students in the residence hall and accompanying them on their journey of faith, the rector counsels and advises, provides critical support, and when necessary, calls students to accountability,” Dunn said.

“We want somebody who has a minimum of a bachelor’s education and three to five years of experience in pastoral ministry education,” Dunn said. “Sometimes persons who do a combination of religious education, maybe function in a Catholic parish as a coordinator. They might have done spiritual direction counseling,” she said.

Dunn said the University does not have a preference for religious involvement of rectors. Currently, however, 67 percent of rectors are priests, brothers or sisters, her handout said.

Dunn said the University hopes rectors will stay several years once hired.

“Hopefully a person who is hired is able to have the stability within a hall, so hopefully a person understands that we would like them to stay at least through three plus years, for continuity for the sake of the hall community,” she said.

Hired rectors undergo training prior to the beginning of the school year, Dunn said.

“When a person is hired, a rector, she said, “They are on campus for several days and they get an overview of all things related to student life. In addition to that, then we go through the hall training. After that all hall training, they’re having weekly meetings.” Dunn said.

“They also have a weekly lunchen with one other member of senior staff to discuss how things are going.”

Rectors also continue to grow during their time at the position, she said.

“One of the things that we try to foster and value throughout the University is that we are all life long learners,” Dunn said. “So [rectors] attend different programs, different workshops.

There are opportunities after someone is hired to grow in skills, and then hopefully have ongoing conversations with their supervisors,” she said.

“Ongoing conversation to see what are strengths, what are things that could be improved or changed.”

The Hall Life Survey, which students are asked to fill out each year, also provides feedback for rectors from students in their dorms.

Dunn, who previously served as rector of Lyons Hall, said the survey was important to her.

“Personally, I took the hall evaluations really seriously,” she said. “At the beginning I was between one year and two years and I think there were some things that I changed.”

The role of a rector or rectorress is considered a full time position, Dunn said.

“Those are opportunities that we have ongoing conversations about, when necessary, calls and advises,” she said.

The final round of the Notre Dame Entrepreneurship Society’s Case Study Bowl took place Wednesday evening in Jordan Hall, with the student team Yellow Tail prevailing over the other two finalists to show its company — a wine brand — offered the best product and business plan.

The Case Study Bowl is the Entrepreneurship Society’s signature event, based on the Harvard Business School’s own case study program. The first round happened two weeks ago with six teams competing and the final round was tonight with the top three teams competing for the top prize, Director of Case Studies senior Kyle Fitzpatrick said.

The other two companies represented by tonight’s top teams were the clothing designer Rogue Status and the lingerie retailer Victoria’s Secret. Final rankings were equally based on both the judges’ scores and audience’s text-messaged reactions.

“We heard Yellow Tail was a good story and we started investigating it. The more we researched it the more we liked it,” freshman team member Will Streit said.

Each team, comprised of three to four members, were given 20 minutes to discuss its company’s history, its current operations, and an examination of strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats — known in the business world as a “SWOT” analysis.

Following each individual presentation, three University professors serving as judges assessed the performance of each group based on organization, presentation skills, stage presence and creativity.

Basically when we started as a club three years ago we were just a group of students who would get together and talk about cool companies,” Entrepreneurial Society President senior Michael Streit said. “So then we thought this is fun we have a small group here why don’t we take it to a bigger scale and make it into a competition.”

Sponsored by the Entrepreneurial Society of Notre Dame and Dorm Books, the Yellow Tail team won $1,000 with several audience members also winning prizes such as an iPod nano and Chipotle gift cards.

Yellow Tail teammates, freshmen from Alumni Hall, David Acton and Tate Kernen, discussed their victory.

“After working on it almost 20 hours, we wanted the $1,000 and we had fun with it,” Acton said. “So we figured we would reward all our friends if we won so we are going to splurge and probably give the money away as well as we could, but maybe next year.

Between hassling professors, judges, and teams to get them to come, getting SAO’s support, I couldn’t have done it without my team, Rina Ventrella, Chris Michalski, Tom Haylon, Andrew Rehagen, Christine Rueetzell and John Roach,” Fitzpatrick said.

Streit said he hopes the event will help generate even further interest in the Entrepreneurial Society.

“Most of this is about this kids are here in sandals and riding bicycles around,” Streit said. “We are having fun and studying business because we like studying business not because we like dressing up in suits. We are really just the laid-back business club.”

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Following her presentation, Chen said a short film depicting daily life in China. Another Asian country discussed was Myanmar, the country formerly known as Burma. Sophomore Shere Yee Phyne spoke generally about Myanmar, outlining the history and culture of the country. She contrasted her culture's respect for age with what she had experienced in the United States.

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Chen also discussed some of her own misunderstandings about her country. Phyne said that many people often confuse Myanmar as a part of China, when in fact it is an independent country.

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**WORLD & NATION**

**INTERNATIONAL NEWS**

European Union to pick president

BRUSSELS — The European Union is about to pick its very first president, a post conjured up after years of tortuous political machination to give the bloc a unified face on the world stage.

But what is emerging from the halls of power is that the end of the decade-long historic decision is confusion and cacophony.

There are still no official candidates, and yet more than half a dozen politicians are said to be in the running. Prospects range from the world-famous French president to a little-known figure named Herman Van Rompuy, the unassuming prime minister of Belgium.

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**UNITED KINGDOM**

British government unveils agenda

Queen Elizabeth II delivers her speech, which officially opens the new session of Parliament, in the House of Lords in London, Wednesday.

Associated Press

LONDON — Royal pageantry met hard-nosed electioneering Wednesday, as Queen Elizabeth II denounced the diamond-encrusted Imperial State Crown to announce the government’s plans for the next parliamentary session.

With just months to go until Britain must hold a national election, Prime Minister Gordon Brown is trying to woo voters with populist promises of new social programs and a clampdown on financial sector excess.

Brown must call an election to be held 60 days after polls suggest his Labour Party will lose that vote, returning the Conservatives to power after 13 years in opposition.

The queen’s speech, delivered at the ceremonial opening of Parliament, was one of the opening shots in an extended election campaign. It included promises of new laws to toughen banking regulation, restore public trust in government, cut public debt and preserve social services. As is customary, it was short on details.

“My government’s overriding priority is to ensure sustained growth to deliver a fair and prosperous society for the many, not the few,” said the 83-year-old monarch.

The government said it could simply buy TVs out of state or California stores, because people have the choice. It’s a matter of public support.

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Energy-efficiency standards placed on TVs

SACRAMENTO — California regulators adopted the nation’s first energy-efficiency standards for TVs Wednesday in hopes of reducing electricity use at a time when millions of American households are switching to power-hungry, wide-screen, flat-screen, high-definition sets.

The 5-0 vote by the California Energy Commission is just the latest effort by the state to secure its place in the forefront of the environmental movement.

California represents such a big consumer market that environmental groups hope the new standards will lead manufacturers to make energy-saving TVs for the rest of the nation, as California’s stringent fuel standards for cars and trucks forced automakers to produce more efficient models for all of the U.S. national fuel economy.

“Once again, California is leading the way, and we hope others will follow,” said Noah Horowitz, senior scientist at the Natural Resources Defense Council.

The commission estimates that TVs account for about 10 percent of a home’s electricity use. The fear is that energy use will rise as people buy bigger, more elaborate TVs, put more of them in their homes, and watch them longer.

The regulations requiring televisions to be more efficient will be phased in beginning in 2011. The standards will become even tougher in 2013, with only a quarter of all TVs currently on the market meeting the efficiency requirements.

“We have every confidence this industry will be able to meet the rule and then some,” Energy Commissioner Julia Levin said. “It will save consumers money. It will help to protect public health, and it will spark innovation.”

Some manufacturers warned that the regulations will cripple innovation, limit consumer choice and hurt California stores, because people could simply buy TVs out of state or online.

**LOCAL NEWS**

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**NATIONAL NEWS**

New Lutheran group to form

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“I know so many students involved in direct service that it keeps me socially conscious and that is what activist is,” she said. “And then there’s the kind of activism that critiques the structures that keep people needing to do direct service.”

“That kind of activism is less visible, but it’s better.”

Both types are crucial on a college campus, said Happy, who is involved in the Notre Dame Peace Fellowship (NDPF).

NDPF, which works on peace initiatives both globally and in South Bend, co-sponsored the Main Building on Nov. 18, 40th anniversary of the Vietnam War-related protest at Notre Dame in 1969 and the subsequent suspension of the Notre Dame 10. The 10 Notre Dame students were suspended for a year following the arrests of the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) and Dow Chemical Co.

We really questioned Notre Dame’s relationship with the CIA,” Happy said. This is a question that has been around for a long time. It’s something Notre Dame had to grapple with in 1969 and even before that.

Many student leaders agree that activism on campus today has changed since the 1960s but it is still prevalent, although maybe less noticeable.

“There’s a certain process you have to go through to hold a march or demonstration on campus that, I think, lowers the amount of campus activism,” sophomore Jackie Emmanuell, president of the Progressive Student Alliance (PSA), said.

According to du Lac, the student handbook, all demonstrations must be registered in writing with the associate vice president for Residence Life. The handbook also states that protests must be “peaceful and orderly” and not impede the freedom of the university community.

Emmanuel said one of the leading issues she sees on campus is the fight for the University to include sexual orientation in its non-discrimination clause — an ongoing effort by PSA.

The group most recently submitted a petition asking for the addition of the clause to University President Fr. John Jenkins last spring, but they were not successful.

“I think the students who are dedicated to this cause on campus put a lot of time and effort and heart into what they are doing, but it is still prevalent, although maybe less noticeable, but it’s here.”

“My parents,” Eckenrode said, “but on the other hand, it was an incredible part of my education at Notre Dame.”

That day, Mahoney said the students were protesting the actions of the CIA and Dow Chemical Co., but they were more concerned with the University’s attitude toward the recruiters.

“The challenge to human society is to figure out how to break dependence on scapegoating,” he said. “The significance of the time to now we were scapegoated.”

Eckenrode said he wanted to explore in coming back to campus the anniversary was how much has changed in the past 40 years.

He cited the founding of the Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies at the University as a sign of progress, but he said he still sees the same problems on campus and globally.

“I approach the current war in Iraq and Afghanistan with dismay,” he said. “This is a continuing conversation.”

Mahoney said the events of Nov. 18, 1969 are “like yesterday.”

“You don’t have time to postpone acting on your beliefs and values and your dreams. Time flies.”

Members of the Progressive Student Alliance present a petition to the President of the University to include sexual harassment in the non-discrimination clause last spring.

But Daly said she sees the activities of Notre Dame Right to Life as distinct from other student activism.

“I think the students here that are doing direct service, that is what we do as activists, but there is also the educative component,” she said. “The activism that we do with Right to Life is not the traditional form of activism.”

Daly said it has been 40 years since the Notre Dame 10 were suspended for the Dow-CIA protest, and while a lot has changed, Emmanuel said she still sees the same level of dedication to social justice in many students on campus.

And college campuses are ideal for exploring these issues, she said.

“In high school, we get some sense of what is going on in the world, but it is really not until college that through meeting new and different people, we start to work on problems that have been occurring in the world that we didn’t notice when you were younger,” she said. “There’s a lot of value in being on college campuses for open-mindedness.”

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But his experience shows the contrast between my college education at Notre Dame,” Eckenrode said.

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ranted the 40th anniversary of the suspension of the Notre Dame 10 — the 10 students punished for protesting on-campus recruitment by the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) and Dow Chemical Co., known for producing napalm, a chemical weapon used in the Vietnam War.

Eckenrode spoke along with Mark McCarthy, another of the 10, Carl S. Stagabrook, a member of the Notre Dame faculty in 1969 and Fr. James M. C h a r l e s McCarthy, also a faculty mem-

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NEW YORK — Danish Modern furniture, flat- screen TVs, Free Wi-Fi. You want fries with that?

A McDonald’s in midtown Manhattan became the first in the U.S. this fall to undergo a sleek, European-style makeover similar to what McDonald’s has done at thousands of outlets around the world, including France and the United Kingdom.

The eatery is outfitted with outlets for plugging in laptops, upholstered vinyl chairs instead of Fiberglass seats bolted to the floor, subdued lighting and employees whose all-black uniforms suggest a hip boutique.

“It’s like a lounge,” said Kimberly Burgess, one of many patrons who did a double take after entering the newly renovated restaurant in Manhattan’s Chelsea section. “It’s so different from all the other McDonald’s. It’s beautiful.”

A Franchise owner Paul Hendel said customers have settled down in a restaurant not known for patrons lingering over lunch.

“We’re becoming a more relevant type of a restaurant for the younger crowd,” he said. “They don’t feel rushed. They’re reading the newspaper, relaxed.”

A McDonald’s Corp. spokeswoman Danya Proud said that while thousands of the chain’s 14,000 restaurants have been updated over the last decade, the Chelsea location is the first “urban redesign” in the U.S. She said “we’ll continue to evaluate” whether more might follow.

Proud said the redesign was intended to give customers more of a reason to make McDonald’s a destination.

“People are using our restaurants differently today than they did 10, 20 years ago,” she said. “People are multitasking, doing more on a given day. You want to be able to open your laptop, log on and get some work done while you’re eating.”

Proud said the redesigned European restaurants — along with menu items geared toward the customer base in different countries — have been responsible for McDonald’s growth in Europe.

McDonald’s has experienced strong sales in the U.S. during the recession, though the chain said this week that its monthly U.S. sales growth edged down from October that its monthly U.S. sales growth edged down from October.

European sales were up 6.4 percent for the month.

McDonald’s does not release sales figures for individual restaurants.

The menu at the 186-seat Chelsea outlet is the same as any other McDonald’s. But the differences are stark. The walls are decorated with bold vertical stripes or with what looks like a zebra design but is actually French architect Philippe Avanzi’s magnified European-style noodle pattern. Tables are of different sizes to accommodate small groups or an informal business meeting — and Hendel said nearby workers have started meeting there.

There are reproductions of Danish designer Arne Jacobsen’s chairs including the Egg chair, a classic of mid-century functionality that would look right at home on “The Jetsons.”

When McDonald’s first hired Avanzi in 2006, he helped redesign its European outlets, Avanzi brought in Danish furniture producer Fritz Hansen to supply authentic Jacobsen chairs.

But Hansen, the sole licensed manufacturer of Jacobsen chairs, ended the partnership because McDonald’s was also buying unauthorized copies.

Proud said the chairs at the New York store are “modeled after” Jacobsen’s designs.

Darren Tristano, executive vice president of Technomic Inc., a Chicago-based food industry consulting group, said McDonald’s franchise owners have wide discretion in how they decorate their restaurants as long as brand elements like the golden arches are present.

IN BRIEF

Slot makers face low sales

ABC — Macau’s biggest slot machines have in a decade as they stretch their spending, a slot machine maker said Wednesday.

Nick Khan, Americas president for Aristocrat Technologies, said the four major slot makers combined sold fewer machines during the third quarter than during any period in the last 10 years.

“We’re certainly not predicting a significant improvement in 2010,” Khan said, citing consumers’ anxiety.

The players that are coming to the casinos need to be a lot more secure that their jobs are secure today, with regards to their employment and their income.’

Khan spoke on a panel Wednesday at the Global Gaming Expo, a four-day industry conference in Las Vegas where the biggest slot makers — including International Game Technology, Bally Technologies, Aristocrat and WMS Industries Inc. — and many others in the industry showcase new games and products for casinos.

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ABCD and CBS see higher ratings

NEW YORK — Country music helped ABC to its best ratings week in more than a year.

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ABC also did well with its “In the Spotlight” special in which Robin Roberts interviewed stars including Carrie Underwood and Tim McGraw.

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College holds fourth annual multi-cultural dance recital

By ALICIA SMITH
News Writer

With offerings of dancing, singing and food, students came together Tuesday to learn about different cultures during International Education Week at Saint Mary’s College.

“My Music and Dance Around The World” presented students with an assortment of performances from various cultures. This was the fourth year for the event. Saint Mary’s junior Jinqui Guan was the student representative for the event, and was responsible for much of the planning behind it.

“I have always been interested in music and dance. Personally, I dance and play piano,” Guan said. “So organizing the recital is something that interests me and can make me more involved in the arts. I helped with the planning for the event last year, so I felt that I had more experience this time.”

The event began with members of Saint Mary’s Chinese class singing “Welcome To Beijing.” Following the opening song, several students showcased their musical talents by playing instruments from other cultures.

Amira El-Serafi, a Fulbright exchange student taking classes at the College this year, presented two songs by a well-known musician in her home country Egypt.

Karum Salem, a sophomore at Holy Cross College, performed an original song entitled “Bridges.” Salem, a native of Iraq, played the song on the piano, and said he wrote the song because he believed music could bridge the gap between his home country and other nations.

Chen Chen, a sophomore at Saint Mary’s, presented a song on the guzheng, a classical Chinese instrument that is a cross between a dulcimer and a harp. Chen played “Liuyang River,” and said the song depicts beautiful scenery of a river.

Other students who played instruments were junior Emily Puscas on piano and first year Jin Yang on Erhu. Puscas played “Arabesque” and Yang played “Gallop of Horses.”

The recital also included a variety of traditional dances. Guan performed a traditional dance entitled “Plum Flower.” Guan said the dance was very symbolic to China. According to Guan, the dance stands for perseverance because “only this flower can stand the cold of winter.”

“Mostly, I want to share my culture. I performed a piece of Chinese classical dance called “Plum Flower” which has a very beautiful significance in China,” she said. “It is a symbol for purity and perseverance. I know most people in the audience have never seen a Chinese dance before. So participating in this kind of events is a very great way to introduce my culture to the audience.”

Another cultural dance performed was “Tuu Poe Tuu Poe,” which translates into the Burmese Water Festival dance. This dance was presented by sophomore Shwe Yee Phyoe and junior Ni La. Another symbolic dance, the Burmese Water Festival Dance represents washing away the sins from the past year and beginning fresh and clean. Phyoe said a tradition of the festival is to throw water over each other.

“By participating I hoped to share some of Pina Bausch’s ideas and a taste of her movement and the Tanztheatre (Dance Theatre) genre,” Fischer said. As a member and officer of the student group, TransPose, a dance collective group it was an opportunity to show what our group is capable of and demonstrate some interesting dance forms.”

The recital also included a variety of songs and arias. Junior Jessica Gorski performed “Verborgenheit,” a traditional German piece. The piece translates to “Seclusion.”

First year Erin Marks sang “Se Tu’ M’ami,” an ethnic song from Italy entitled “If You Love Me” in English. Other songs included “Con Que La Lavare?” or “With What Then May I Bathe?,” a Spanish song sang by junior Krystina Harcourt, “Lydia,” a French song performed by junior Anna Bax, “Adieu Notre Petite Table” or “Goodbye, Our Little Table,” a French song performed by senior Rachel Raska, and “Caro Nome” or “Dear Name” an Italian song sang by sophomore Ashley Biehl.

Many students enjoyed participating in the event.

“My favorite part is seeing audience enjoying the performance,” Guan said. “When I dance, I always think about how I can make everybody feel joyful, so I can pass the joy from my heart to the other people. So when I see audiences smiling, I am very happy.”

With many student participants and a large audience, the event seemed be a success.

“I think the recital went very well. It was very successful,” Guan said. “We had a lot of audience and the performers were really good. Some of them were professional. It was so great to see so many Saint Mary’s students having so much talent. Art is a bridge that can connect people of different cultures. This recital really reflects this point.”

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Armed Forces of Engineers launches floodgate project

Associated Press

HARVEY, La. — Mindful that the trauma of Hurricane Katrina drove many New Orleans residents out of the city, the Army Corps of Engineers is launching a $1.3 billion project designed to keep the next storm at bay.

The new flood protection is made possible by the feedback has been “phenomenal.”

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LITC-OCK — A police officer in a small Arkansas town used a stun gun on an unruly 10-year-old girl after she said her mother gave him permission to do so. Now the town’s mayor is calling for an investigation into whether the Taser use was appropriate.

According to a report by Officer Dustin Bradshaw, obtained Wednesday by The Associated Press, police were called to the Ozark home Nov. 1 because of a domestic disturbance. When he arrived, the girl was curled up on the floor, screaming, the report said.

Bradshaw’s report said the girl screamed, kicked and resisted any time her mother tried to get her in the shower before bed.

“She told me to tase her if I needed to,” Bradshaw wrote.

The child was “violently kicking and verbally combative” when Bradshaw tried to take her into custody, and she kicked him in the groin. So he did not “use the Taser to subdue the suspect to her back,” the report said.

The names of the girl and her mother were redacted in the report.

Ozark Mayor Vernon McDaniel said Wednesday that the girl wasn’t injured and is now at the Arkansas Youth Shelter in Cecil.

But McDaniel said he wants the Ozark Police Department to investigate the incident.

“People here feel like that he made a mistake in using a Taser, and maybe he did, but we will not know until we get an impartial investigation,” McDaniel said.

The state police declined his request Tuesday, saying it only gets involved with criminal investigations — if the officer in question was accused of misconduct or targeted in an internal investigation, for example — rather than matters of poli-

Kim Brunell, a spokes-

woman with the FBI in Little Rock, said her office neither confirms nor denies when it’s involved an investigation and declined to comment Wednesday on the case.

Police Chief Jim Nagle said no other officers had taken against Bradshaw. He said Tasers are a safe way to subdue people who are a danger to themselves or others.

“We didn’t use the Taser to punish the child — just to bring the child under control so she wouldn’t hurt herself or somebody else,” Nagle said.

If the officer tried to forcefully put the girl in handcuffs, he could have accidentally broken her arm or leg, Nagle said.

He said a touch of the stun gun — “less than a second” — stopped the girl from being unruly, and she was handcuffed.

“She got up immediately and they put her in the patrol car,” McDaniel said.

Noggle said the girl will face disorderly conduct charges as a juvenile in the incident.

The girl’s father, Anthony Medlock, told the Arkansas Democrat-Gazette that his daughter has emotional prob-

lems, but that she didn’t have a weapon and shouldn’t have been tasered.

“My daughter does not deserve to be tased and she treated like an animal,” said Medlock, who is divorced from the girl and does not have custody.

Laurel Tuttle, a spokesman for Taser, said it’s up to indi-

vidual law enforcement agen-

cies to decide when Taser use is appropriate.

In some cases, a Taser “pre-

vents the safer response to resistance compared with the alternatives such as fists, kicks, hand strikes, bean bags, chemical agents, or carrying weapons,” Tuttle said in a statement.

The police chief, who has been Tasered twice himself during training sessions, said his department has never had to tase a child or elderly per-

son before, but that in some instances, that could be neces-

sary to ensure safety.

“We don’t want to do things like this,” Nagle said. “This is something we have to do. We’re required to maintain order and keep the peace.”

Army Corps of Engineers launches floodgate project

Associated Press

In an Oct. 30 file photo, the West Closure Structure project in Harvey, La., is shown. When finished, the structure will close off navigation and drainage canals that turn into conduits for storm surge during hurricanes.

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She soon changed her mind. Gorman needed to move for-

ward. Giving in wasn’t giving up, she said. It was “getting it.”

So she shaved her head.

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al.”

Gorman’s new haircut was “a real turning point.” When she adopted it, her health improved. Then the idea for the book came.

“I was living in New Orleans over this illness and that’s not what it’s about. I was thinking about how to embrace it so you can move on,” Gorman said. “Sure I want to share my story, that life that I’m living and that I can improve and this is how you can do it.”

Gorman, who was diagnosis about writing, said recording her own story “came naturally.” She published and hit the shelves in August. Her book offers hope to those sitting in their child’s shoes years ago, as well as to those readers to embrace their ill-

ness rather than ignore it. And the book is “nice to be able to stand up straight and tall and proud and say if you work hard, listen to your body, and make dif-

ficult choices for your body, you can do anything you want,” she said.

After taking her self-imposed regimen, Gorman’s health has improved dramatically. She hasn’t had a flare-up since 2005, when she started her new treatments. With her career as an author, she’s also working on an online blog and is returning to her original self as a stronger and wiser than before, Gorman said.

In 2008, she and her hus-

band welcomed their first daughter, Deirdre. “I felt as if I was just as a mother, but as a fighter,” Gorman said. “I thought, ‘I’m doing this my way.”

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The controversy between free will and determinism continues to rage. In one way, this is unsurprising: The same controversy has raged, in one form or another, for two millennia, and it is clearly a question near to, if not at, the very center of our understanding of ourselves. In another way, however, that the controversy continues is deeply surprising. Since the rise of quantum physics, it has been clear that our world is fundamentally indeterministic — that nothing, including human action, is bound by determinate laws. It was the realization of Pythagoras — a realization later echoed by Galileo — that mathematics could be used to measure not just fields and buildings but also the motions of the planets and even music. It was a short step to suggest that mathematics could measure all things whatsoever — that the cosmos, for all of its appearance of irrationality, nonetheless obeys a more fundamental order. It was the realization of Bohr that Pythagoras — and the two millennia of scientists who followed him — were wrong: The irrationality is no less fundamental than the determinism. It is true — and, after all, it is not — but determinism is, in another way, how far we are from capturing the entirety of the world in which we live. It is because of determinism in investigating the causes of the phenomena that we experience. In seeking the causes of phenomena, however, we assume that there are causes to be found. We assume that the phenomena that we experience did not happen randomly but, rather, had to happen given some conditions more fundamental. The achievement of quantum physics is its ability to precisely measure and track this indeterminacy, nothing more. At the most fundamental level, matter is opaque to our understanding. Events not only are not but moreover cannot be predicted with precision. In this realization, one hears the echo of Neoplatonist laughter. At the scale of human action, of course, quantum-physical indeterminacy tends to average out, yielding the more or less deterministic world that we experience; it is a short step to suggest that human action is also more or less determined. This suggestion is tempting — and would be more tempting, were the social sciences capable of predicting human behavior with anything even remotely approaching precision. Of course, this is hardly fair, since the same charge could be leveled against meteorology — and few have ever been tempted to ascribe free will to the weather. This only strengthens the point, however: None of the sciences, for all of their progress, seem any closer to capturing the entirety of phenomena in deterministic laws — a goal that seems to move, paradoxically, farther and farther away with time. The truth, however, is that considerations like these are irrelevant: Indeterminism might be, in one sense, the conclusion of scientific investigation, but determinism is, in another sense, its first principle. Scientific investigation of the world seeks the causes of the phenomena that we experience. In seeking the causes of phenomena, however, we assume that there are causes to be found. We assume that the phenomena that we experience did not happen randomly but, rather, had to happen given some conditions more fundamental. And if we fail to find the cause of some phenomenon, we assume that it is our investigation — not determinism — that has failed. Kant would have called this a transcendental argument for determinism: it is an argument not that determinism is true — and, after all, it is not — but rather that we must assume the truth of determinism in investigating the world in which we live. It is because this point is insufficiently understood, I suspect, that the controversy between free will and determinism continues to rage. Indeed, the insistence upon free will is perhaps best understood as the acknowledgement that our scientific explanation of human behavior will always fall short — as will, for that matter, our scientific explanation of anything whatsoever. The acknowledgement that determinism fails is only possible if we can specify the determinate extent to which and in which determinism fails — which is exactly what quantum physics does. But it also guarantees that perfect determinism — a theory that captures the entirety of phenomena with perfect accuracy — lies at an infinite remove from us. The price for free will is that we live in a world that is, at its most fundamental level, incomprehensible to us. Our knowledge of the world, expressed as it must be in general terms, will always be an approximation — that is, a falsification — of a particularity that no general analysis could ever capture. Perfect determinism would be the theory simultaneously and paradoxically general and particular: it would come to us, as other words, God’s knowledge of himself. Which is to say, of course, that it would just be God — a self-determining being which is capable of understanding human ken. The gap between this ideally impossible theory and us is just the gap between the infinite and the finite — a gap that we cannot ever cross. Whether this renders our rationality tragic or merely absurd is, of course, a question for another time. Daniel John Sportello is in his second year of the Ph.D. program in philosophy. Listen to his radio show on WWFI every Sunday at 3 p.m. He can be contacted at dsp@nd.edu. 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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

What about the Notre Dame 88?

As we’ve all heard, this week marks the 40th anniversary of the Notre Dame 10. In 1969, Notre Dame’s property rights were used to arrest 10 students suspended under the “15-minute rule” after protesting Dow Chemical, the CIA and the Vietnam War. These students faced expulsion and arrest, but would not back down in standing up to defend their freedoms. As we remember this important event, I ask Notre Dame to also remember the modern-day Notre Dame 10. The 88 people arrested at Notre Dame during a pro-life demonstration last spring.

In the weeks leading up to President Obama’s commencement speech at Notre Dame last May, our campus became the site of pro-life demonstrations of the year. Thousands of pro-life advocates bocked to Notre Dame’s campus and strongly demonstrated against our decision to invite the pro-choice president to be honored at Notre Dame.

Among the 88 arrested were an elderly priest, several nuns, Norma McCorvey (Jane Roe of Roe v. Wade), Alan Keyes, Jane Brennan (author of Motherhood Interrupted), and[sic] and Pat Mitchell, a prominent participant in America’s pro-life movement. These brave people prayed the rosary, sang religious hymns and partook in other peaceful means of protest. All were arrested, handcuffed and hauled off to jail, where they spent time in custody. It was even more generously done immediately afterwards and, even worse than that, these people had to return to South Bend to plead “not guilty” and request jury trials.

Many, both Notre Dame students and others, were still facing jail time. While the St. Joseph County prosecutor is now in charge of the proceedings, Notre Dame students are still fighting for justice.

It is a shame that public arrests of pro-life demonstrators took place at Notre Dame. The gulf of those arrests at America’s premier Catholic university ought to be enough to prove that there is something wrong with whatever was inflicted on Notre Dame’s property rights.

As we remember the Notre Dame 10 this week, let us not forget the Notre Dame 88. We should respect all those who have the courage to speak out for Catholic morality, not prosecute them.

Mike Kelly

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Nov. 18

Terrorists are not Americans

American Civil Liberties are for Americans.
Terrorists who have committed acts of war against the United States should not be pro-

tected by our sacred rights. No American should have to be assigned to defend the likes of those evil men, and no city (especially the place of victimization) should have to waste precious time and resources trying to get proper justice served. In fact, it is disgusting.
Terrorists demote themselves to second class citizens the moment they carry out their plans. They had no respect for human life or human rights as a combatant, so why should we respect their Justice? In this case the United States should never have reached at delfra. 2@nd.edu

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Nov. 17

Lighten up

As a longtime fan of both humor and Mobile Party (not synonymous, but darn close) I fully support the Nov. 13 installment. Considering aforementioned observation, Mobile Party makes fun of anything and everything that most Notre Dame students consider humorous (or high-

level offensive). Given this standard, I find it ironically humorous that someone would choose the unfortunate ginger issue to take a stand on (“Ginger Pride,” Nov.

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Avatar: The Last Airbender

"Avatar: The Last Airbender," was a program on Nickelodeon from 2005 to 2008. It was about an "airbender" named Aang who is charged with saving the world from the Fire Nation through his mastery of all four elements — fire, water, air, and earth — which only he can accomplish due to his status as the Avatar. The show proved to be very popular with both young and more mature audiences, and it won multiple awards and critical respect. In early 2007, it was announced that M. Night Shyamalan had been hired to direct a live action version, the first work the director would be directing that he had not written.

Sex and the City

Perhaps one of the best TV-to-movie adaptations, the fabulous women of "Sex and the City" hit the big screen in the summer of 2008. In fact, the screen adaptation was so successful that Carrie, Samantha, Charlotte, and Miranda will return to movie theaters everywhere in the summer of 2010. Making near seamless transition from HBO television to cinema, the bright and glitzy big screen version of "Sex and the City" has all the crucial components of the great success. With the perfect ratio of romance, girl time, drama, comedy, high fashion and a trendy soundtrack, the women of "Sex and the City" go head-to-head with age and the longevity on the big and small screen.

Starzky & Hutch

Witty dialogue, brilliant action scenes and a bromance for the ages, "Starzky & Hutch," both the 1970s TV series and the 2004 movie adaptation, had it all. The show premiered in the late 70s, following the lives of Bay City cops David Starzky and Kenneth "Hutch" Hutchinson, two seemingly mismatched partners, and their adventures. The movie adaptation has all the same hilarious hijinks and even some of the same clothes. Not only that, it features four members of the Frat Pack: Ben Stiller, Owen Wilson, Will Ferrell and Vince Vaughn. Both versions are excellent for comic relief, and any diehard fan of the show would definitely get a kick out of the remade movie.

Firefly

Due to a rabid base of loyal fans the 2002 show "Firefly" was given a conclusion in the 2005 film "Serenity." In "Firefly," captain Mal Reynolds is the leader of ragtag bunch of renegade smugglers in a surprising setting that can only be described as a western, and even more surprising, it works ... flawlessly. With a trigger-happy mercenary, childish pilot, master mechanic, high-class prostitute, two ex-revolutionary officers, a priest with mysterious military connections, a wacked-out human weapon and sensitive doctor all on the same boat, it is a show filled with hilarious interaction and is just plain fun. Fellow fans I leave you with this, I am a browncoat.

Lizzy McGuire

Once there was a lovable blond teenage girl who had a television show on The Disney Channel, and her name was Hilary Duff, or Lizzy McGuire. Narrated by her cartoon alter-ego, Lizzy helped young kids everywhere hash out their angst and dilemmas of elementary and middle school life. Then one day, Lizzy graduated, not just from the middle school but also to the big screen. In this wild adventure, she left the bland setting of American suburbs and departed to Rome. Here she conquers her stage fright and also discovers that she has an Italian lookalike who’s a famous pop star. Add an international love interest and the complication of a friend who has always wanted to be a little bit more. With all the drama and cutey pop music that makes Disney television so addictive, this movie is a successful screen adaptation of the childhood favorite.

Star Trek

Joining the realm of wizards and vampires in pre-release fever, the announcement of a "Star Trek" franchise being revamped into a movie to be directed by "Heroes" creator J.J. Abrams had fans across all generations geeking out. It also brought much deserved attention to a new Captain James T. Kirk, played by Chris Pine, which more shallow-minded trekkies can be extremely pleased. The movie goes back to Kirk’s origin in the Federation, and the beginnings of his famous relationships with Spock, Uhura, Scotty, Sulu and McCoy. So much more than a new spin on an old story, Abrams brought a re-born franchise to the masses as an incarnation of "Star Trek" that fans can wish to live long and prosper.

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People always want more, especially of things they can’t have. They want more time, they want more freedom and they want more control. People always want more of things they can’t have.

Since the end of AD, many fans have hung on those pros and cons of Dean versus Jess and Lorelai, the union of Rory and Jess, and the fate of the Bluth family. They are interested in the future of anything that has to do with the premise of the series, and their interest is a lucrative venture, as it is clear that every- one is very interested in making the movie a reality. They are very excited about the possibility of a movie and they know that it will be a lucrative venture, as there has been a constant interest expressed since the show went off the air. Oh, and rumor has it that Kirk Cross is so excited, he blue himself.

As of now, the movie seems to be moving forward. Early predictions have a release date of 2011, but with no cemented script or production date it is hard to know. For all the anxious AD fans out there, one thing is certain: all the cast members are on board and it appears that every- one is very interested in making the movie a reality. They know that it will be a lucrative venture, as there has been a constant interest expressed since the show went off the air. Oh, and rumor has it that Kirk Cross is so excited, he blue himself.

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The Heat played without Udolu Haseem, who sat out after falling on his left shoulder in a loss to Oklahoma City the previous night. Then, Quentin Richardson sustained a lower back strain early in the third quarter and didn’t return, further cutting into Miami’s depth.

Wizards 108, Cavs 91
LeBron James was stymied throughout the stretch by DeShawn Stevenson. Antawn Jamison delivered 31 points and 10 rebounds in his seventh debut, and the Washington Wizards beat the Cleveland Cavaliers Wednesday night to end a six-game losing streak.

Wearing a white protective sleeve over his left arm, Jamison sidestepped him since October. Jamison looked in midseason form from the start, scoring 13 points in the first quarter. James finished with 34 points and nine assists, but he scored only six points in the fourth quarter while shooting 3 for 7. No other scoreboarded more than 10 points for Cleveland, which was without the injured Shaquille O’Neal and Anderson Varejao.

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Jones made a 3-pointer, and Tyler Hansbrough had a dunk on a breakaway to give the Pacers a 66-60 lead. But Butler and Andray Blatche combined for 11 points during a 16-2 run that put the Hawks up 95-78 with 6:55 to go. Much of that stretch came with James taking a breather on the sideline.

When he returned to the court, instead of leading a comeback, James became a spectator. He turned the ball over with an errant pass by Wade. Finally, with 1:01 remaining, Smith bulled his way inside and found two straight 30-point games, but he scored only six points in the fourth quarter while shooting 3 for 7. No one else scored more than 10 points for Cleveland, which was without the injured Shaquille O’Neal and Anderson Varejao.

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### NFL

**Owners don’t always set example**

Roger Goodell was hanging with the common folks last Sunday, enjoying the experience of an NFL game from end zone seats in Tennessee. It was, he would say later, a perfectly fine day to watch football. No drunks puking in the aisle next to him. No foul-mouthed fans screaming obscenities in his ear.

Just an elderly man prancing about. Flipping off Buffalo fans with both middle fingers while celebrating the Titans’ 41-17 victory over the Bills.

Worried about the trash in the stands ruining your game and setting a bad example for your children?

Make sure they don’t stray near the owner’s box. Apparently youthful exuberance got the better of Bud Adams. The calendar may say he’s 86, but Adams seems to take as much pleasure harassing his opponents as he did when he and his Houston Oilers won the first American Football League championship nearly a half century ago.

And he knows something about the extended middle finger. A lot of people in Houston gave it to him when he carterd his team off to Tennessee, leaving behind a mountain of taxpayer debt at the Astrodome.

Unfortunately for Adams, his in-your-face moment was captured by a fan on video. That led to an obligatory fine from Goodell, and an obligatory apology of sorts by way of a prepared statement.

That’s unusual only because most of the time owners only issue statements when they’re heading out of town with their team in the middle of the night or, as Redskins owner Dan Snyder did recently, explaining why it was a bad idea for fans to bring signs into the stadium calling him an idiot.

Out in Los Angeles, Frank and Jamie McCourt have been issuing all kinds of statements, thinking, perhaps, that fans really do care which one comes out of a divorce owning the Dodgers. They don’t, but they do care about the McCourts spending so much money on lawyers that they won’t have enough to sign free agent John Lackey.

Still, being an owner used to mean never having to explain yourself. If you’ve got enough money to own a team, other people can do it for you.

Mark Cuban has taken that step a bit further, only if he would never get anything done if he had to keep talking about every fine he’s collected or every insult he’s handed out. When the Dallas Mavericks owner feels the need to insult Kenyon Martin’s mother, he sends his regrets on his blog.

### IN BRIEF

**Magic joins LeBron in plan to retire Jordan’s No. 11**

NEW YORK — Magic Johnson would go along with LeBron James’ plan to have NBA players stop wearing No. 23.

James said last week he would change jersey numbers next season in honor of Michael Jordan, and said no other players should wear it, either.

Critics of his plan said other players before Jordan deserved the honor at least as much, with some using Johnson and Larry Bird as examples. But Johnson said if there was a decision to retire No. 23, he and Bird would “be the first ones to say it should happen.”

Speaking to a small group of reporters during a video conference, Johnson also praised Kareem Abdul-Jabbar for coming forward with news that he has leukemia, saying his former teammate would help in the fight against cancer.

**Brown’s Quinn fined by NFL for hit on Suggs**

Berea, Ohio — Cleveland Browns linebacker Ray Quinn has been fined by the NFL for his hit on Baltimore’s Terrell Suggs. After throwing an interception in Monday night’s 16-0 loss to the Ravens, Quinn dived at Suggs’ knees while trying to bring down cornerback Chris Carr, who had picked him off. Suggs had to leave the game and could miss significant playing time. The Ravens’ linebacker Ray Lewis accused Quinn of a cheap shot.

Quinn understands why the Ravens were mad and can appreciate them questioning his intentions.

“I can see why they’d be upset,” he said. “But again, he wasn’t even in my vision. I was trying to get to the ball. He cut across my face as I was already trying to jump down for the tackle.”

Quinn dropped his head and threw his body into Suggs’ right knee, thinking he would be able to bring down Carr.

**Selig discusses playoff schedule and instant replay**

CHICAGO — Baseball plans to cut down on off days during the postseason next year.

Commissioner Bud Selig said Wednesday he’s working on tightening up the 2010 playoff schedule so there will be fewer gaps between games.

Los Angeles Angels manager Mike Scioscia criticized the current playoff format after the Yankees and Angels played only eight times in 20 days going into Game 6 of the AL championship series.

Selig also said he would continue to discuss instant replay. It’s not expected to be a major topic when owners have a full meeting Thursday morning, even though there were several missed calls by umpires during the postseason.

In the past, Selig has resisted the idea of expanded video replay. To judge if home runs have cleared the fence or are fair or foul.

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Russell sacked as quarterback

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ALAMEDA, Calif. — The Oakland Raiders benched former No. 1 overall pick JaMarcus Russell on Wednesday after a poor start in his first starting job to journeyman Bruce Gradkowski for the foreseeable future.

Coach Tom Cable made the announcement of the change following practice as the Raiders (2-7) prepare to play the Cincinnati Bengals on Sunday. Cable said this was not a temporary move, that his plan is to stick with Gradkowski.

"I don't want to be like that," he said. "This is where we're headed and what we're going to do. He'll take this team and go with it."

Russell was not in the locker room during the media access period and was not available for comment after the decision was announced. Cable said Russell was disappointed by the decision but worked hard in practice Wednesday.

"As we all know, it's important to include him in everything so he knows what's going on with this football team," Cable said.

Cable had pulled Russell for ineffectiveness in two of the past three games as he grew more frustrated with Russell's inaccuracy and poor decision-making in his third season in the NFL.

The Raiders believed Russell would be the quarterback to turn the struggling franchise around when they drafted him No. 1 out of LSU in 2007 and eventually gave him a contract with about $31 million in guaranteed money. But his career has sputtered from the start.

He had a lengthy holdout as a rookie before finally suiting up for Russell with the first game of the season. He played briefly down the stretch before getting the starting job a year ago. Russell was inconsistent in his first full season as a starter, but showed some bright signs with a strong finish to the season that included wins over Houston and Tampa Bay.

Instead of having a breakthrough in his third season, Russell has regressed and has been booted regularly at home games. He has completed just 46.8 percent of his passes this season, with nine interceptions and five lost fumbles and the second worst passer rating in the league at 47.7.

Cable said he still believes in Russell's future even if all signs appear to be pointing to him becoming one of the more notable draft busts. Russell will be the No. 2 quarterback this week against the Bengals.

"This is in no way giving up on the guy," Cable said. "This is just trying to jump-start this team and really break it down and make a decision based on what gives us the best chance to win."

In 28 career games, Russell has completed 51.6 percent of his passes with 17 touchdowns, 21 interceptions and 14 lost fumbles for a passer rating of 65.5. He had started 25 of the past 26 games for Oakland, missing only one last year with an injury.

The Raiders used top 10 picks the past two seasons to surround Russell with speedy playmakers, drafting running back Darren McFadden and receiver Darius Heyward-Bey. But Oakland has been unable to generate a big-play offense, scoring just 80 points in the first nine games.

Russell has particularly struggled on the deep passes he was supposed to be proficient with because of his big arm. According to STATS LLC, Russell has completed just 2 of 34 passes that have gone more than 20 yards downfield for 85 yards, one touchdown and five interceptions.

"We've got guys open, and I think we're getting better in understanding what we're doing," Cable said. "We've got to put the ball in their hands and find a way to do that. I think this will give us an opportunity to do that."

This will be just the second start for Gradkowski since 2006. He started one game last year in Cleveland, going 2-fer-16 for 18 yards and two interceptions for a passer rating of 1.0 in a 31-0 loss to Pittsburgh. He started 10 games as a rookie for Tampa Bay in 2006, winning three of them.

Gradkowski is 17 for 30 for 163 yards and two interceptions as a backup in Oakland this season. He tried to lead comeback last week against Kansas City before he was pulled after the final move deflected off receiver Heyward-Bey’s hands and knees before being intercepted by Mike Brown around the 10-yard line to seal a 16-10 win for the Chiefs.

"I thought last week there were some good things and definitely some things to learn from," Gradkowski said before the decision was announced. "All we can do is keep working and get better."

Gradkowski got limited practice time with the last team for most of the season as the Raiders worked on developing Russell. He got a few more chances last week and now will get the bulk of the time with the first team. He expects that to be a big help this week against the Bengals.

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"I think as the season started to evolve guys found that sense of purpose to play baseball again and they played it at a very, very high level."

For his dept touch during a trying season, Scioscia was named the AL Manager of the Year award on Wednesday for the second time. Jim Tracy of Colorado was selected for the NL honor.

Tracy became the second manager to reach the award after taking over during the season, joining Jack McKeon for Florida. Less than an hour after the award was announced, the Rockies said Tracy had been rewarded with a three-year contract.

"What we've been talking about this afternoon, it's probably as flattering an experience as I've ever had in my career," Tracy said. "It was really a great thing to realize during the course of my many years in baseball, my career in athletics," Tracy said. "And obviously a new contract."

"But what is more intriguing for me is what is still out there for our ballpark," Jim Tracy Rockies coach

Mike Scioscia
Angels coach

NEW YORK — The Los Angeles Angels could have crumbled when pitcher Nick Adenhart died a car accident in April, overcome by waves of grief and sadness.

Mike Scioscia kept them moving forward.

"There wasn't one defining moment," he said. "I think as the season started to evolve guys found that sense of purpose to play baseball again and they played it at a very, very high level."

"I didn't say yes," Tracy recalled. "I asked for 60 minutes to think about it but he told me, 'I want you here. I want you to have some body down in here. I want you to manage that night.'" He added, "They told me just to see the team play hard."

"I didn't want to take care of that — and Bruce responded to his steady hand."

"I went 7-4-1 with a day in the way, extending the division race to the final weekend before splitting a doubleheader with the Wild Card."

"I want to do it for the fans in Colorado," Tracy said. "We want to do it for the fans in Colorado." He added, "I think we're getting better every day."

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**NCAA grad rates improve**

Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — College athletes are still setting records and dispelling myths — in the classroom.

But the latest NCAA President Myles Brand believes better years could be ahead.

The NCAA’s latest graduation numbers show nearly four out of five student-athletes earn their diploma on time, an all-time high, and four more years of study. Male athletes are still more likely to graduate than their female counterparts.

“Trends are positive,” Brand said at a news conference on Wednesday. “The truth is, we’re going through the process of changing the climate.”

Not everything is perfect. Women’s basketball and baseball still struggle to graduate, and football has the lowest graduation rate. But the overall numbers are moving in the right direction.

Owens noted that the numbers will continue to rise and change over the next few years. As the BCS Bowl Subdivision expands to 16 teams, the percentage of student-athletes graduating will increase.

Owens also said that the NCAA is committed to ensuring student-athletes have a good academic experience.

**NFC**

Fewell makes good impression on first day

Associated Press

BILLS COACH Perry Fewell made good on his promise on Wednesday to turn around the struggling Buffalo Bills, putting them back on track with his first full day as interim coach.

Fewell said he had no regrets about removing Tim Lewis as the Bills’ starting quarterback.

“Timmy’s a good guy to have around,” Fewell said. “But I made the decision because the team needed a new mindset of being physical.”

The Bills (3-6) travel to play at Jacksonville (5-4) on Sunday.

**NFL**

Pats won’t address 4th-down play

Associated Press

FOXBOROUGH, Mass. — Bill Belichick has heard enough about his fourth-down decision that failed. So has Tom Brady.

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Quinn’s return to field off to shaky beginning

Associated Press

BEREA, Ohio — Brady Quinn’s rebirth as Cleveland’s starting quarterback is already deeply troubled.

After one game, Quinn, who lost his job 10 quarters into the season and got it back five weeks later, inherited a historically bad offense with few playmakers and no direction or identity. In his return on Monday night, Quinn’s seventh career start ended with his sixth loss, a defeat that left him visibly shaken afterward.

He wasn’t upset about losing to Baltimore or his two interceptions, one of which was returned for a back-breaking touchdown. Quinn was distraught by his low hit on Terrell Suggs, a collision that injured the linebacker and led to accusations by Baltimore’s linebacker Ray Lewis that he took a cheap shot.

“That hurt Quinn. Still does. ‘I’m not going to lie to you,’ he said Wednesday. ‘Definitely, seeing someone who I’ve known off the field happen like that to him, yeah, it affects you. I’m never out there to do that. It’s tough to shake off, probably more than anything else in that game.’

Quinn was fined an undisclosed sum by the NFL for the infractions, which resulted in a 15-yard penalty. He apologized to Suggs and Lewis on Tuesday and they assured him there was no malice.

“They reached out to me and let me know that it wasn’t on purpose,” Quinn said. “It happened all so quick and he [Edwards] thought I was trying to go for the helmet. I’m definitely not trying to do that.”

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Cribbs, who did not practice on Wednesday because of a sore neck, said he spoke to Edwards and Lewis on Tuesday and they assured him there was no malice. “They reached out to me and let me know that it wasn’t on purpose,” Quinn said. “It happened all so quick and he [Edwards] thought I was trying to go for the helmet. I’m definitely not trying to do that.”

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On the final play of the game, Browns wide receiver Josh Cribbs was limped down by Ravens defensive end Dwan Edwards, who delivered a forearm blow under Cribbs’ chin. Cribbs was carted off the field and spent several hours in the hospital undergoing tests.

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“You have to weather and let us know, we’ll get him working. Obviously he’s an incredibly talented athlete. If he wants to try to play a little hit now, we’d be more than willing to pick him up.”

Browns nose tackle Shaun Rogers isn’t convinced that it could step into the NFL and be able to handle the pounding.

“I heard that comment,” Rogers said. “I have mixed emotions about that. A great athlete? Yes. A football player? No.”

Rogers also heard about James’ football skills. “He would love to have a target to throw to like James in the red zone. ‘That’d be great,’” Quinn said. “Tell him to suit up, he can step off the basketball court after not going through this year in and year out and just play football. From that standpoint, I just don’t think it’s possible. You have to weather and condition your body to take this punishment. So what if James had a year to train? Could he do it then?”

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NBA

Lebron plays football too?

Associated Press

BEREA, Ohio — If LeBron James truly believes he can help the Cleveland Browns, coach Eric Mangini has an orange helmet waiting for him.

“I think he should come on down,” Mangini said, smiling. “I know he’s pretty busy right now, but if he wants to give it a shot, he’s gifted. He’s competitive and tough. I’m sure whatever he applied himself to, he’d probably be good in baseball or soccer or swimming.”

The NBA superstar, who was an All-State wide receiver in high school, said Tuesday night that if he put the time and commitment into it, he could be a good football player. Mangini agreed, calling James “a freak athletically” and said the 6-foot-8, 260-pounder could be dangerous at tight end, wide receiver or even outside linebacker.

When the gist of Mangini’s comments was relayed to James, he smiled — but didn’t take the bait. “I had that I had to say, and that was it,” James said before his Cavaliers played at the Washington Wizards on Wednesday night.

Quarterback Brady Quinn also heard about James’ football fetish. He would love to have a target to throw to like James in the red zone. “That should be great,” Quinn said. “Tell him to suit up, he can step off the basketball court after not going through this year in and year out and just play football. From that standpoint, I just don’t think it’s possible. You have to weather and condition your body to take this punishment. So what if James had a year to train? Could he do it then?”

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Ryan cries in front of players after close loss

Associated Press

FLORHAM PARK, N.J. — Rex Ryan stepped to the podium and motioned for a staffer to hand him something.

“It’s a blue box of tissues, and I’ve got Kleenex, for obvious reasons.”

Ryan said Wednesday, fighting a grin. “The Jets have lost five of six after a 3-0 start, and take on AFC East-leading New England at Foxborough on Sunday. Ryan acknowledged that the team might not have the swagger it did earlier in the season, but the players appreciated Ryan showing his feelings.

“It’s more passion than it is anything else, so be it,” Ryan said. “I’m going to always be myself.”

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“It’s an emotional game and just that showed his passion,” offensive lineman Calvin Pace said. “If I was in that situation, I would’ve cried, too, man. I guess when you play a sport like this, sometimes it’s shocking to see a grown man express emotion.”

Left guard Alan Faneca said the moment built up quickly for him — and would have a team that the entire NFL feared. He says what’s on his mind, throwing caution to the wind. Even if it includes shedding some tears.

“I’ve coached 35 years, so I’ve probably covered most all the bases,” he said, pausing amid laughter. “I think I swore once, too.”

Add New England quarterback Tom Brady. “I can’t ever imagine coach Belichick doing that in front of us.”

While some have argued that the tears showed that Ryan cares deeply, others say it’s a sign of insecurity and weakness — that there’s no crying in football.

“My response is that a couple of four-letter words come to mind first,” Faneca said.

Right tackle Damien Woody said it really is much ado about nothing, and the players don’t care what others outside the facility think.

“You want to win for a coach like that,” Woody said. “Whatever the perception is outside is irrelevant. It means nothing. We know how Rex feels about this team and what he was saying. That’s the bottom line. If people outside of here have a misconception of what happened, then, hey, that’s on them.”

Many of the players were also disappointed that the scene got out to the public.

“To be honest with you, that should never have left the meeting,” Pace said. “What he said happens in-house needs to stay in-house. That being said, I’ve seen head coaches cry after wins and after losses. I think they want so much for us and there’s only so much they can do.”

When asked if he was surprised at how big a deal the story had become, Ryan said he needed to grab a tissue and smiled.

“It’s more passion than it is anything else,” he said. “It’s driven that way. I have a strong belief in myself and this football team. If that comes out, it comes out.”
Nowitzki’s 41 lifts Mavericks in OT

Associated Press

DALLAS — Dirk Nowitzki scored 11 of his season-high 41 points in overtime and the short-handed Dallas Mavericks held on to beat the injury-depleted San Antonio Spurs 99-94 on Wednesday night.

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Drew Gooden added 17 points and 11 rebounds before fouling out late in the fourth quarter to help Dallas extend its winning streak to four games.

Gooden, who finished last season with the Spurs before signing with the Mavericks on July 20, started at center with Erick Dampier out because of an unknown illness. Dallas was also without starters Josh Howard and Shawn Marion because of left ankle injuries.

Tim Duncan had 22 points and 14 rebounds for the Spurs, winless in four road games this season.

The Spurs were without starting guard Tony Parker, who aggravated his sprained left ankle in Saturday night’s loss to Oklahoma City. San Antonio also lost guard Manu Ginobili in the first quarter due to a strained left groin.

With the game tied at 80, Gooden was credited with a basket on a goaltending call against Antonio McDyess with 1:58 left in regulation to put Dallas ahead.

Duncan drove to the basket on the next possession and Gooden picked up his sixth foul. Duncan converted both free throws to knot the score at 82 with 31 seconds remaining.

Nowitzki’s tip-in 17 seconds later gave Dallas an 84-82 lead, but Duncan’s jump-hook with 2.3 seconds remaining drew San Antonio even.

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Dallas held 37-35 a lead at the break after a cold-shooting first half by both teams. San Antonio converted 13 of its 38 field goal attempts, while Dallas went 16 for 43.

The Mavericks carried a 63-59 lead into the fourth quarter, ending the third with six unanswered points capped by Tim Thomas’ follow with 32 seconds left. Gooden scored 11 and Nowitzki had nine in the third.
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to work into the game.

“We were hoping she could move into the post a little bit with her size,” McGraw said. “It gives us another big body in there and she is definitely capable of guarding people.” A point of emphasis after last week’s 27 turnovers against Arkansas Pine Bluff has been to limit those mistakes, according to McGraw, as she did not like the sloppy play she saw at home. McGraw said she hopes that the turnovers were a product of the team coming up home. McGraw said she hopes to limit those mistakes, accord-
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her personality as she races for
top performance. “I did not really put pressure
on myself to be in the top run-
ners; I just wanted to do my best for the team,” Rydberg said.

Rydberg has been running competitively since middle school with the encouragement of her parents who are both runners as well.

“Running is refreshing, it allows me to take a break from everything that usually makes me stressed, and at the same
time, it is also an exciting chal-
ange,” Rydberg said. “I get to find out how strong I can really be, and there is always an opportunity to become faster, stronger, and better.”

Rydberg and the rest of the Irish will be vying to show they are faster, stronger and better than the rest of the competitors. Nov. 23 as the team races towards its first national title.

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NCAA Football

LeFevour leads CMU over Ball State

Associated Press

MUNCIE, Ind. — Dan LeFevour threw four touchdown passes and ran for a fifth score and became the all-time leading passer in Mid-American Conference history as he led Central Michigan to a 35-3 victory over Ball State on Wednesday night. The senior quarterback ignored a steady rain to complete 25 of 38 passes for 344 yards and no interceptions before taking his first seat midway through the fourth quarter. He threw touchdown passes of 3 and 11 yards to tight end David Blackburn, 82 yards to Antonio Brown and 10 yards to Bryan Anderson. He also ran 1 yard for a 14-0 lead in the second quarter. LeFevour now has 12,000 yards passing, breaking the record of 11,903 established by Byron Leftwich of Marshall from 1999-2002. It means a lot,” LeFevour said. “There are a lot of great quarter-
backs who have played who have gotten to the level that I am at this level.”

Some of them did it in less than four years, so I’m kind of stealing it.” LeFevour, who completed 10 of his first 12 passes, was 14 of 17 for 210 yards in the first half. He also rushed for 20 yards and 22 yards in the half. He was perfect after interception, completing all 11 of his passes for 134 yards and two TDs. Anderson caught four passes for 43 yards, improving the longest active NCAA streak for receptions to 51 games. Central Michigan (9-2, 7-0) took a 21-3 lead at the half, and LeFevour’s second touchdown pass was big. It came two plays after the Cardinals (1-10, 1-5) had trimmed the deficit to 14-3 on a field goal by Ian McGarvey with 1:38 to play in the half. Two plays after the kickoff, LeFevour found Brown in the end zone for a 50-yard strike, and Wilson threw a big block, and LeFevour ran for a 21-3 lead 46 seconds before halftime. “We changed the game,” LeFevour said. “He’s a game-breaker. Our offense and defense were in sync. We were in con-
trol.” LeFevour threw his first TD pass to Anderson to open the scoring with 10:56 to play in the first period. Ball State then stopped the Chippewas on four straight plays from the 1-yard line, recovering a fumble on the fourth play, but BSU went three and out on its next possession. LeFevour directed the Chippewas 43 yards in six plays, racing in mostly untouched from a yard out for a 14-0 lead 6:32 before the half.

NCAA Basketball

James leads Texas in rout

AUSTIN, Texas — Damian James scored 18 points and No. 3 Texas continued to break in its talented group of fresh-
men with a 73-41 win over Western Carolina on Wednesday night. James, a senior, also grabbed seven rebounds, rolling three short of his 39th career double-
double for the Longhorns (2-0).

Gary Johnson, a junior for-
ward who played just 14 min-
utes in Texas’ season-opening win over Lamar, added 10 points and seven rebounds. Freshman point guard J'Covan Brown scored 10 points and had his first assists of the sea-
son, finishing with three assists against six turnovers. Harouna Toumboro scored 10 points to lead the Catamounts in double figures, Gordon Hayward had 14 points and 10 rebounds, and Butler powered Western Conference
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It was a tough game; Johnson's situation is, it’s almost not a fair fight.

Shelvin Mack’s 15 points led the Bulldogs in double figures, Gordon Hayward had 14 points and 10 rebounds, and Butler powered Western Conference North 67-54 on Wednesday night. It was the Wildcats’ first game since announcing Monday that Kevin Crable, the team’s leading scorer and rebounder the last three years, and Jeff Byun will miss the rest of the season with injuries.

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against St. Francis, who it defeated 95-72 Monday. Harangody scored 27 points and had nine rebounds in the game, and senior guard Ben Hansbrough scored 4-of-5 3-pointers and scored 18 points. However, St. Francis made 52 percent of their 3-point attempts something that was only attributed to the team’s ball handling coming in the second half.

”We’re just looking to have a good possession every time,” he said. As successful as they were shooting from downtown, St. Francis was even better — The Irish gave up plenty of buckets from 3-point range as well. St. Francis made 13-of-19 3-pointers, or 68 percent.

Still, the defense could use some improvement.

“We think there’s a lot of work to be done on the defensive end, just communication,” he said. “There can’t be any more breakdowns.”

Jackson said the perimeter defense relied heavily on the defense.

“The previous game we trusted each other and got out and defended the 3-point line,” he said. “We have to continue doing what we were doing in practice just challenging all shots.”

Junior forward Tim Abromaitis scored 17 points on 6-of-10 shooting off the bench, using his size to give the Irish a 4-0 edge dimension on offense.

“We try to move him around to create mismatches,” Jackson said. “With his size, he can go in a mismatch with a guard guarding him or a big man guarding him.”

The 49ers only lost one starter from last season and returned three starters who scored double-digit points per game. Guard Todd Campbell scored 11.4 points per game last season and will provide Harangody with a challenge in the paint.

Harangody faced a challenge in the paint against St. Francis, however, and made the best of it. He made eight of his 11 free throws in the game.

“I think when we saw they got a couple early fouls, and we saw they were physical in the post, anytime we go into the bonus, we might as well take advantage of it,” he said.

Sophomore forward Eugene Phelps didn’t start a game last year and averaged 3.7 points per game but scored 10 against Alabama. Anchorage during the 49ers’ 86-65 win Saturday. Sophomore guard Larry Anderson, who averaged 10.8 points per game last season, led the team with 18 against Alaska-Anchorage.

The 49ers defeated Pepperdine 67-58 Tuesday night. Larry Anderson scored 15 points in the second half to bring Long Beach State back from a two-point halftime deficit and Robinson had 15 rebounds.

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Fort Wayne and run a clinic for the kids and play in front of the Notre Dame fans there, it should be a great situation.”

But first things first — the Irish (5-5-2, 2-2-2-1 CHA) must deal with the red-hot Spartans (9-2-1, 6-1-1-0) on their home ice Thursday. Michigan State swept Michigan, the preseason favorite to win the CHA, in a home-and-home series last weekend.

“They’re playing with a lot of jam,” Jackson said. “Obviously after the kind of year they had last year, they’re certainly out to prove something. So far they have.”

The Spartans’ nine wins are the most in the country, and they hold two-a-point advantage over Miami in the conference standings.

“It’s a young team playing with a lot of energy,” Jackson said. “They’re doing much better than people anticipated, and a lot of that is to do with the fact that with youth comes enthusiasm.”

Notre Dame has struggled to score goals all season, and particularly at even strength. Last weekend’s home series against Northern Michigan was no different. The Irish lost 3-2 Friday night before stealing a much-needed point with a shootout win after Saturday’s game ended in a 2-2 tie.

Sophomore wing Billy Maday scored both Irish goals in Saturday’s game, and he also put home one of the two shootout tally.

Jackson said he hopes that will jumpstart Notre Dame’s leading scorer.

“Maybe that’s going to help him play with more confidence,” Jackson said. “I’m hoping that happens to a few other guys, and the sooner the better.”

The offense isn’t the only area with question marks for Notre Dame, however. Jackson still has not settled the goaltender position between freshman Mike Johnson and junior Brad Phillips, both of whom started one last weekend.

Jackson said he’s waiting until the team’s Thursday morning skate to finalize his plans in net for the weekend.

“We’ll continue to play two guys on and off here, at least for the time being,” Jackson said. “The goaltending issue is still up for debate, and I’m not opposed to going with two for the short-term, and potentially the long-term. It’s just going to depend if one of them steps up and separates himself.”

Tonight’s game in East Lansing, Mich., begins at 7:05 p.m., while the weekend’s contest will start at 4:05 p.m. at the Allen County War Memorial Coliseum in Fort Wayne.

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we would have gotten a first-round bye, but that’s where we are, a home round, and that is good.”

The Irish finished the season 25-7, doing a really strong job against the No. 12 Connecticut in the first game of the regular season before losing to No. 8 South Florida, No. 9 Louisville and No. 19 Michigan State.

John’s in a run to the Big East tournament finals. All three Big East tournament games came down to a penalty shootout, with the Irish winning the first two before falling to St. John’s in the championship match.

The Irish hope that this good competition and gritty play will translate into the NCAA tournament.

“We played a really strong schedule, there is no doubt about that. That will certainly help us.”

Bobby Clark

Irish coach

“Those memories still linger, and I think that will push the players to get prepared.”

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Squad welcomes LBSU for first ever meeting

*By BILL BRINK  Sport Writer*

Long Beach State finished 15-15 last season, but in Notre Dame's eyes, it has the potential to perform a little better than that.

"Long Beach State, they could be as good as or better than the Big East opponents this year," senior Irish forward Luke Harangody said.

Senior Irish guard Tory Jackson agreed that the 49ers (2-0), who come to the Joyce Center to face the Irish tonight, could present a challenge like the Irish would face in a conference game.

"It's going to be a great, great game, a Big East game for us really," Jackson said.

Notre Dame (2-0) put up a good offensive performance...

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**Irish travel to East Lansing for first road game of the season**

*By JARED JEDICK  Sport Writer*

No. 5 Notre Dame will travel to East Lansing, Mich., this evening to face No. 21 Michigan State in the Irish's first big road test of the year in a battle of size versus speed.

The Irish (1-0) face a stiff test, as the Spartans (1-1) boast a strong size advantage at almost every position.

"They are big," Irish coach Muffet McGraw said. "6-foot 9-inches is somebody we really have nobody to guard. It is going to be a challenge for us."

"Our strength is at the guard spot," McGraw said. "We are loaded with guards."

The Irish must counter Michigan State's size with speed and strong play from a lineup...

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**ND hosts first round match**

*By JARED JEDICK  Sport Writer*

The Irish will play host to Green Bay as they suit up for the first round of the NCAA tournament today at Alumni Stadium.

No. 19 Notre Dame (10-7-4) received an at-large bid after finishing the season with a string of wins and ties against strong opponents, good enough to grab a spot after falling late in the season that it possibly could be left out.

"We are where we thought we would be," Irish coach Bobby Clark said. "If we had won the Big East then maybe..."