Death threats raise issue of phone harassment

By MICHELLE KRUPA

"We realized that there would be a response, but we thought it would be done in a more mature manner."

Catherine Syner and Stacy Fuller in The Observer

"Students should definitely file a report," he said. "The best thing is to get a record of it on file — it's the best way to identify a suspect. If we can identify a suspect, we would certainly interview that person. If there is a problem, we will then forward it to Student Affairs or the St. Joseph County prosecutor's office."

He said that in his knowledge Fuller and Syner have not filed such a report, but students do so often, whether about threats or harassment.

"Harassment is usually a practical joke, while obscenity generally is sexual in nature. Threatening phone calls are pretty rare, but we get reports filed about all of these types," Hurley said.

Lori Maurer, assistant director of Residence Life, referred to page 53 of du lac, which explicitly states the University's policy about harassment.

"Any threat or harassment of another: Unwelcome phone calls, obscene or not, may constitute harassment," the manual reads.

Maurer said that students are always welcome to report any incidents to her office and that there are numerous options for victims of harassment.

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ND professor sues to build new prison

By ANNE MARIE MATTINGLY

Two Notre Dame students practice their moves on each other in preparation for the Bengal Bouts this spring.

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An oil spill caused by a leak in an offshore platform’s underwater pipeline has killed at least one bird but should be cleaned up within 72 hours, officials said.

The spill discovered Monday, a half-mile from the center of Point Arguello, was as low as 200 to 500 barrels of heavy crude oil.

Seawaves were calmed, and weather was favorable for cleanup for two days. Monday and about 180 barrels of oil were recovered, but later, five waves forced skimming vessels back to shore, authorities said.

Ships were expected to return to sea today. Darryl Walden, an official of Clean Ocean, a cleanup consortium, predicted all recoverable oil could be cleaned up in 72 hours.

John Paul II visits Brazil

Like a shepherd with a straying flock, Pope John Paul II arrives in Brazil on Thursday to preach to the world’s largest Roman Catholic nation, many of whose citizens are abandoning the Church. The pope will spend all four days in Brazil where he will pray at an international conference on the family and present his encyclical, the church’s social doctrine.

The heavy drinking at Notre Dame is in line with the all-too-common four-year transformation of cheerful freshmen with high ideals into the predictable dull, listless, lazy, cynical, and cowardly man parties with Natty Light, or tell you how much money you’ve lost, and think it puts substantial pressure on the Clinton White House to advance a meaningful reduction target.

**BP limits greenhouse gases**

British Petroleum will begin voluntarily measuring and seeking ways to limit the greenhouse gases it pumps into the air to help halt global warming. The decision increases BP’s market value within the oil industry on global warming, after its chief executive officer, John Browne, allied himself with environmentalists this spring.

Browne and BP’s program, which is as an example of an industry, agreed to participate in the joint venture of 150 countries hope to adopt a timetable and cutting emissions of gases blamed for global climate changes. "For too long this has been an issue on which we have not been present to accept responsibility," Browne said.

"The industry has the ability and the responsibility both to contribute to the debate—and to work to produce the public good, in our role as owners and suppliers of energy," the executive director, Fred Kruip, said. "It’s putting pressure on the situation, but that is what we all want: to make a constructive contribution to the solution."

The Environmental Defense Fund, which will help set and monitor the program, called BP’s step a "historic acceptance of responsibility for the overwhelming environmental problem of our time.”

The group’s executive director, Fred Kruip, said: "puts real pressure on the situation, but that is what we all want: to make a constructive contribution to the solution."

Boy dies on neighborhood sales trip

An 11-year-old boy who vanished while selling merchandise door to door to raise funds for his school was found dead in the woods near his home, authorities confirmed today. They said the body had been identified as that of Edward Werner, who was believed to be carrying $200 cash from his sales of holiday merchandise when he was last seen Sunday. Authorities using tracking dogs found the body of a boy Monday evening in a wooded area near his neighborhood.

The boy was raised by a single mother, who is said to have been a teacher who lived with her son in the area.

"We have not found any answers to the questions of why he decided to go out and why he left his home," police said. They added that he had taken his own life.

"This is a terrible, terrible event," the police said. "We hope that the community will be able to join us in mourning."
Cut to pieces...

A first year graduate student in sculpture explains this new outdoor sculpture to his beginning sculpture class. The new sculpture now graces South Quad, just outside Riley Hall and O'Shaugnessy.

■ SECURITY BEAT

Friday, Sept. 26
12:26 p.m. Security transported an off-campus student to the University Health Center for treatment of an illness.
4:20 p.m. A Welsh resident reported the theft of her bike from a Welsh bike rack. Her bike was locked at the time of the theft.
7:52 p.m. A Dillon resident was transported to St. Joseph Medical Center for treatment of an illness.

Saturday, Sept. 27
2:05 a.m. Security and the Notre Dame Fire Department responded to a small fire on a sidewalk north of Stanford Hall.
3:42 a.m. Security apprehended an O'Hara Grace resident inside Eck Baseball Stadium.
3:42 a.m. Security transported an off-campus student for driving while intoxicated.

Sunday, Sept. 28
6:57 p.m. An Alumni resident was transported to St. Joseph Medical Center for treatment of a sports injury.
7:40 p.m. Security arrested a Hills, Mich, resident for speeding on Juniper Road.
1:25 a.m. Security cited an off-campus student for operating a motor vehicle without a valid license.
5:45 a.m. A Dillon resident was transported to St. Joseph Medical Center for treatment of a sports injury.

Two Crows speaks about Miami culture

By P. COLLEEN NUGENT
Senior Saint Mary's News Editor

Last night, “Two Crows” told many stories from his experience as an Indian of the Miami Tribe. Students from Saint Mary’s gathered together in order to learn more about what a Native American’s life is like.

In addition to this week’s topic of living in a multicultural society, several speakers have come to Saint Mary’s to speak about the traditions their ethnicities partake in. Two Crows, the speaker, was originally named by his grandfather when he was a child. The name has remained ever since.

Among the differences between Western and Native American cultures are the nasal sounds the Miami people speak with, and the fact that many of them were educated by “the old ones,” said Two Crows.

Originally from Green Bay, Wisconsin, “the Miami Indians were forced to move when white man came to America,” remarked Two Crows. “They took over our lands...we were moved to the prairies, and after that, into lands surrounding the Great Lakes.”

“Attending this lecture tonight gave me the insight that I needed to further my education about the past generations,” said Junior Alisen Buysee.

Two Crows went on, saying that his people “have always held a deep love toward nature.” Creating musical instruments such as flutes, dancing and singing have been some of their rituals. Drum playing has also been of great significance to their culture.

For many years, the Miami Indians have been educated through the elders. Two Crows attended college himself, but stressed that he has kept his culture’s teachings as a major source of his lifestyle.

“I believe in learning my own language,” he stated, “just because my elders are unable to read or write does not make them stupid.”

His grandfather has been a major source of inspiration throughout his life. When he was younger, they would take many long walks into the forest together, where Two Crows would then learn much about his grandfather’s philosophy on life. “One needs to ask questions in life,” Two Crows said.

Children, as he mentioned, are easily influenced, and look up to those older than them as role models. “We are painting pictures in the lives of children through our every action,” Two Crows mentioned. “What we do children will carry on with them for the rest of their lives.”

According to Two Crows, television and working parents have a major effect on the way our children communicate with each other.

“Love is a treasure, and is the key to a religious belief. It takes us back from where we’re from,” he said. The issues of how our actions in society present us are easily influenced, and look up to those older than them as role models. “We are painting pictures in the lives of children through our every action,” Two Crows mentioned. “What we do children will carry on with them for the rest of their lives.”

Communication through nature and music has been a long lasting ritual for the Miami Tribe. Further, Two Crows urged that teaching children about the past generations is an important way of making them aware of the differences is a necessary component to life.

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"We will get Security involved and possibly put a trace on the phone and do an investigation," Maurer said.

With the technology of our phone system, there are many ways to find out who is doing the harassing," Maurer said.

The repercussions for this kind of action can range from probation to dismissal from the University, according to Maurer, depending on the severity and frequency of the incident.

"We view this very seriously. How the student felt, what the impact on his or her life was and how many calls were made will decide what the sanction will be," she said.

"It's important to let students know that these things will come back to you."

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are then entered into the system and receive the same mailings as other prospective students who are not multicultural, Nolan added, "The multicultural students don't want to be singled out, and that is why we don't treat them differently through the other mailings."

Nolan said that personalizing the admissions process is a definite goal.

"Building relationships with the prospective students is so important in the admissions process because this is how we can help the student, multicultural or not, to identify if they are a match with Saint Mary's," Nolan stated. Additionally, by personalizing their approach, Nolan believes that once the students get to campus to visit, they can feel like it is their home and family.

"We try to match up current multicultural students to call or meet with three particular prospective students," Nolan said. A current freshman at Saint Mary's, Maritzi Segura, said that the personal approach was one of the reasons she chose the school. "I chose SMC because I liked the all women's school setting, and the admission people were very nice, open and personal," Segura said.

She emphasized that even though Saint Mary's doesn't have the same amount of diversity as other schools, she feels comfortable here. "There were not many Hispanics at my high school so this is not new to me. However, I haven't felt any racism since I've been here," Segura said. Additional commitments to increasing the number of multicultural students at Saint Mary's have included being a sponsoring institution of the National Hispanic Institute and working with community centers in major metropolitan areas such as the Eerie House in Chicago to reach out to multicultural students. Also, the college has been able to reach Hispanic students specifically through the Leaders of a New Indiana program.

Through this program Saint Mary's has been able to work on getting into high school programs. This way, it can interact with students who might be considering college and get the students to consider Saint Mary's. "The LONI program feeds into the multicultural effort," Nolan said.

Karla Flores, a Saint Mary's and LONI student, feels that there is still room for an increase in diversity on campus. I feel there isn't enough diversity. There is a division among, between, and within the different races and ethnic groups," Flores said. However, Nolan reiterated that one of the goals of the school is to increase the number of multicultural students. "The college has made the commitment to increase the diversity of the student body. We have only scratched the surface," said Nolan.

October at the Alumni-Senior Club

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The Alumni-Senior Club now features a full menu of yummy food to meet all of your ingestion needs. EVERY Wednesday is All-U-Can-Eat Wing Night, and EVERY Thursday features a host of financially superior alternatives to meet your liquid intake needs. In addition, our courteous staff is unparalleled in both on-the-job performance and backgammon. Find the Ju-Ju Hound. Spot the Otter. Or glimpse the ever-popular felinus minus. These are the personalities of the Alumni-Senior Club. So come on out. You will not be disappointed.
DENVER

A potential juror said she initially believed Terry Nichols could be guilty of the Oklahoma City bombing because Timothy McVeigh was convicted, but she thought she could set aside such feelings and judge the matter fairly.

"I think initially I did have those feelings of possibly Terry Nichols being guilty, but I haven't heard anything, but I have no proof to back up my feelings," said the woman, a computer systems specialist.

To a question listed on a jury questionnaire filled out Sept. 17, the woman said she believed Nichols could be guilty.

"I answered them with my feelings at the moment," she said today as the selection process resumed.

The woman said she believed she could set aside her beliefs, saying it was possible her feelings when she wrote the questionnaire were "clouded by the financial distress I might have to entail" by serving on the jury.

On Monday, she had told U.S. District Judge Richard Match that her company would pay for only 10 days of jury duty. She said she and her husband had offered assistance, but she wasn't sure how she would manage.

The woman also said she believed it would be a waste of tax money to sentence a convicted offender to life in prison unless there were some benefit to society.

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They also say Nichols helped McVeigh stash the getaway car in Oklahoma City three days before the blast.

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Selecting 12 jurors and six alternates from a pool of 500 is expected to take two weeks to a month. Six potential panelists were quizzed on Monday.

Nichols is charged with murder, conspiracy and weapons-related counts. McVeigh was convicted of identical charges in June and sentenced to die.

Collins dairy farmer said: "If he's guilty like McVeigh, I feel he's caused enough damage and should be put to death.

What gets me the worst is there were so many children in it."

Nineteen children were among the 168 people killed in the blast on Apr. 19, 1995. Hundreds of others were injured.

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Alcohol overdose kills MIT freshman

By JON MARCUS
Associated Press Writer

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. — A freshman found unconscious, slurred vomit and empty liquor bottles at a Massachusetts Institute of Technology fraternity has died of an alcohol overdose.

Scott Krueger, 18, of Orchard Park, N.Y., died Monday after the fraternity pledge was discovered in his basement room at the Phi Gamma Delta house.

His parents said his blood-alcohol level had reached 0.41 percent — five times the legal limit in Massachusetts. Authorities say that means he consumed about 16 drinks. The medical examiner said Tuesday that Krueger died of an alcohol overdose.

"You'd think people here would be smarter than that. But in some cases, tragic things just happen," said John Fries, 18, a freshman.

It was at least the second such death at an American university this fall. In August, a pledge was found dead after a night of drinking.

A clean-cut three-letter athlete who graduated in the top 10 of the 325 students in his high school class, Krueger had attended a party at the fraternity earlier that night where he was paired off with a "big brother," and where alcohol was served, school officials said.

Police have begun a criminal investigation, and licensing authorities in Boston, where the fraternity is located, have charged it with serving alcohol to minors, allowing an overdose.

MIT has also suspended Phi Gamma Delta's social activities.

Students said Phi Gamma Delta promoted an image of itself as MIT's "Animal House" fraternity.

Several said they had been offered beer there during the freshman summer rush week, despite university regulations banning alcohol at the event.

MIT's other fraternities and their dormitory council have agreed to ban alcohol indefinitely, and the school is sending letters to students, holding seminars and asking resident advisers to counsel freshmen.

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By JON MARCUS
Associated Press Writer

NEW YORK — U.S. Catholic bishops are advising parents of gay children to put love and support for their sons and daughters before church doctrine that condemns homosexual activity.

In a groundbreaking pastoral letter, the bishops say homosexual orientation is not freely chosen and parents must not reject their gay children in a society full of rejection and discrimination.

"All in all, it is essential to recall one basic truth, God loves every person as a unique individual. Sexual identity helps to define the unique person we are," the bishops say. "God does not love someone any less simply because he or she is homosexual."

The document was approved by the Administrative Board of the National Conference of Catholic Bishops early in September and released Tuesday.

In the last two decades the Roman Catholic Church has stood firm, teaching that homosexuality is morally wrong.

In two high profile cases in the 1980s, the Vatican disciplined Seattle Archbishop Raymond Hunthausen for allowing a group of gay Catholics to meet at St. James Cathedral and revoked Charles Curran's license to teach theology because he had said homosexual acts are sometimes morally acceptable.

But the mounting turmoil and pain felt by Catholics torn between church teaching and love for their gay children prompted several bishops to request guidance from the bishops' Committee on Marriage and Family.

The committee began studying the conflict in 1992.

The culmination of their work five years later comes as gay teens remain at special risk of suicide and running away from home.

In their letter, the bishops describe parents who suffer guilt, shame and loneliness because their children are gay and report that "a shocking number" of homosexual youth are rejected by their families and end up on the streets.

The parental rejection, along with the other pressures faced by young gays and lesbians, is "dis traction, however, between homosexual orientation and sexual activity in the letter, the bishops urge parents to encourage their children to lead a chaste life and to challenge aspects of their children's lives they find objectionable.

Bishops also tell parents that church rules should not be enforced at the expense of their child.

"First, don't break off contact, don't reject your child," the bishops say. Instead, create an atmosphere in which a child would be willing to discuss his or her sexual orientation.

"This child, who has always been God's gift to you, may now be the cause of another gift: your family becoming more honest, respectful and supportive," the bishops said.

Bishops urge parents to "do everything possible to continue demonstrating love for your child." That includes remaining open to the possibility that even after counseling, a child may still be "struggling to ... accept a basic homosexual orientation."

The document also encourages trust relationships with others, who can help promote or support groups for parents of gay children and to let people know that "they are not alone in what they are willing to talk about homosexual issues."

"Generally, homosexual orientation is experienced as a gift, not as something freely chosen," the bishops said. "By itself, therefore, a homosexual orientation cannot be considered sinful, for morality pertains to acts, and not to dispositions or orientations."

"The basic hope here," said Bishop Thomas O'Brien of Phoenix, chairman of the Committee on Marriage and Family, is "to welcome homosexual children, regardless of their sexual orientation."

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Campaign-Finance Corrupts Whole Society

Thanks to the Senate Government Affairs Committee hearings, campaign-finance reform has been on the front-page of the past two months' news. However, the hearings have served primarily as a discourse on the constitutionality being decried.

While I thoroughly disagree with the basis of such arguments, attentiveness to the Constitution is important and commendable. But not when it comes at the expense of recognizing a startlingly obvious fact, the current system of campaign-finance, which sets no limits on spending or donations to the parties and rewards insinuations for succumbing to private special interests, represents a much larger problem in America. This problem, as expressed in a lecture here at Notre Dame 10 days ago by Sen. Joseph Lieberman, is the prowess of the Constitution and the politicians who are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.

The problems with campaign-finance go much deeper than the Constitution and much deeper than a few soliciting phone calls from the White House for money and the erosion of ethics, values, and good judgment in American civil society.

The problems with campaign-finance are those of the ipso facto Constitution and do not erode the values of the Founders. Centuries later it is that really the intent of large contributions and the donors of similar intent are morally acceptable? Do donors gain. This was crystallized two weeks ago by the testimony of international businessman Roger Tamraz before the Senate Government Affairs Committee.

Tamraz donated $300,000 to the Democratic Party in the 1996 election cycle (and similar amounts to Republicans in the past), gaining him invitations to a half-dozen White House social events and unparalleled leverage in business dealings. He testified that his sole motivation was access; for Tamraz, party affiliation is inconsequential — what counts is power. When asked whether or not he got his money worth, Tamraz exclaimed that at one time he would donate $600,000. He also revealed in his testimony that he has never voted in an election nor is he registered to vote. He ended his blunt testimony by stating, "Thank God we're a capitalist society and there's nothing wrong with running after money." There is something inherently disturbing about Tamraz's remarks. He essentially paid $300,000 to elevate his interests above that of others and the public good. Everything he did, however, was perfectly legal — he simply exercised his First Amendment rights to free speech. But is the way he expressed himself what is the way he themselves received him really morally acceptable? Do donors of similar intent and the politicians who court them really feel secure that their actions uphold the Constitution and do not erode the values of democracy and the stability of our supposed polity? It seems that in the heat of the debate over campaign-finance reform our lawmakers have failed to stand back and reflect on these rather fundamental questions. I firmly believe that our current system tramples over key principles such as unfettered access to the political process and "one-person, one-vote."
VIEWPOINT

Walk in the Love of Christ, Not in the Hate of Man

When the late Cardinal Joseph Bernardin initiated the Catholic Common Ground Project, one of his reasons was because of the "increasing polarization" within the Church. It cannot be denied that there has been a lot of this, especially in America. Perhaps if the term polarization was better explained, however, some of the phenomena might be understood and eliminated.

The best way to explain polarization is by example. A world where God can be understood whenever groups of Catholics converge — even on the Internet. There are e-mail discussion lists that are either a forum for "right wing" or "ultra conservative" Catholics, as well as lists which both welcome liberal souls. Evidences of polarization present itself when one group discusses the other, or Church teachings.

Views begin to become very hardened in recent times, as read on such lists. Many conservative Catholics believe that anyone who considers women's ordination as a future option is damned. The same holds for the topics of homosexuality, contraception, and so forth. These conservatives have not tolerance for liberal Catholics. Their view is the only one that is "correct" within the Church — in their own opinion — and anyone who does not agree with them is wrong.

Some liberals, on the other hand, have little tolerance for the views of the other. The latter's beliefs are seen as "old fashioned" or anti-quotidian. And should a conservative attempt to "enlighten" a liberal, there is sure to be a lively exchange, if not an outright argument.

These attitudes mean many Catholics wondering: whatever happened to Christianity?

Whatever happened to the example Jesus gave us of loving each individual as neighbor, as brother, as child of God? It shouldn't really matter if a person is a conservative or a liberal, or somewhere in between. Jesus loved the sinners and the righteous; he showed love for both the Samaritans, and refused to condemn the women caught in the act of adultery. Did He lead them to love the people despised by society, Christ loved them.

Add to this fact that not one of us knows what tomorrow will bring. We are all doomed, property, life, death — and we find no cause to push individual views over another. It is as if each person is a unique soul, and leads each one along a singular path to eternity. Judging others based on a personal interpretation of Church teachings is not fair, to say the least.

Growth in understanding of the various view-points within the broad spectrum of the Church may not solve all the problems we face today, but it may bring those who are "polarized" themselves a bit closer together in God's love. This understanding starts when individuals are grounded in sincere, loving prayer and strive to have an open mind — a open mind to the wonders of God and God's world. By understanding each other's own place and value in God's family, people are able to find value in others, regardless of their views.

Whatever value be in organizational skills, creativity, computer aptitude, or capacity to learn, by frank and honest dialogue even the most radical and creative of ideas and options may be realized. If we all follow the instructions of Jesus (Mark 9:42), the "good guy," who said "For if you have any questions call 250 words."

Love is Love, Gay or Straight

This letter is in reply to Charles Rice's editorial featured in Friday's issue of The Observer. I thought the letter was clear, articulate, and well-argued, but I disagree with his conclusion. He believes the University should not be involved in programs (or stay out of them) of those who are trying to start programs) to turn homosexuals away from their orientation. I feel that this would actually be in conflict with our mission to promote people knowing God on earth.

I cannot speak with the authority of a gay man on these issues, but I am sure that any group trying to help a friend close friend along her dif-ficult journey of coming out. What experience has taught me is that I am well versed in talking about "PC-ism" or politics, but about love. It is about loving whom you choose, and who chooses you. And who's to say that the stu-dents might not be ready, but who's to say that we won't be in the future. Notre Dame has the potential to be a "free-thinking" university. We should do all we can as an administration which rests on the University morals and says "Live by these rules," we'll never be able to grow.

Hey, Monk and Patty — if you don't want homosexuals at your University, just post a "check here if you're homosexual" section on the Notre Dame application. Otherwise, accept the fact that there are gay people at Notre Dame who are just as deserving of acceptance and the knowledge that their rights as human beings are guaranteed.

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Non-discrimination Clauses About Trust

I am in partial agreement with Kate Rowland's article "Are We Ready for Inclusion?" on page 29. I concur with this argument that there is probably the last campus where one would expect a fair and honest non-discrimination clause. However, this is, however, should not allow this issue the back-burner treatment which Rowland suggests.

Notre Dame is a university where intelligent people have a propensity toward ignorance. As a conservative Catholic university, Notre Dame has a high number of students who condemn homosexuals and others who are different from them. Rowland's observation of the "Fisher faggots" and "Zahn's gay" chants at the pep rallies are excellent examples of this.

An attitude present in my own life is equally indicative of the homophobic that exists here. As an editor for Scholastic Magazine, I have many responsibilities. A few weeks ago, the range of my responsibilities was expanded in an unusual direction. After endless cajolery from a very crafty editor-to-chief I was persuaded to post in the cover of the magazine's "Spirit of Inclusion" issue (Sept. 11) Yes, that's me wearing the "Gay Irish" shirt against the background of the Dome, and, nope, I'm NOT gay.

From the reaction the cover got, though, I might as well be gay.

Friends of mine from the magazine came to me the next day with stories of angry readers who hated me regardless of never having met me. One friend told me that he overheard someone remark, "I want to kick that faggot's ass." Nice guy. Well, sir, I'm not a "faggot," as you so tactfully put it. The very fact that I have to go to lengths to explain this to the people whenever they find out that it was me on the cover is evidence enough that there is an obsession with the issue of homosexuality on our campus.

In her article, however, Rowland suggests that the proper way to deal with this preoccupation is to ignore it — we're just not ready for change. Rowland used the parable of pet care "An eight-year-old asks his parents for a dog. His parents tell him that he must prove he is responsible enough to take care of it. A fine analogy, but do the conservative students have anything to get of pet if the parents are dog-haters in the first place. Well that's what our administration lets a bunch of dog-haters, soundbites and meanies. Big Brother is alive and well at Notre Dame.

It all adds up to a lack of trust. We should all be offended that the administration does not trust us enough to give us an all-encompassing non-discrimination clause. Admittedly, it may seem that the students might not be ready, but who's to say that we won't be in the future.

Notre Dame has the potential to be a "free-thinking" university. We should do all we can as an administration which rests on the University morals and says "Live by these rules," we'll never be able to grow.

Widespread Panic is Fun For All

I couldn't help but question many of the critiques Joel Cummins made about Widespread Panic's Sept. 19 concert (Sept. 25, Acendo). I was shocked when he called the concert simply "respectable." Many points raised in the review seemed contra-dictory.

The first of these comments was that John Bell's vocals "hauntingly resemble those of Dave Matthews." I heard a similar comment made about Bob Dylan and the Blues Traveler, citing that Popper was emulating Matthews. For both, I find this ironic since Blues Traveler and Widespread Panic had been touring for years before DMB originated. I'm not trying to discredit Matthews. I was a DMB fan well before the teeny-boppers joined the bandwagon. But down-playing Bell's "inventive" and "rhythmic flair" versus Matthews' "ridiculous. At the concerts I saw, Dave seemed aimed towards 15-19 year-olds while J.B. really let loose.

Cummins cited WSP as uncomfortable, lacking dynamic or "Big Brother" influence, and unable to keep attentive fans. I don't know where Cummins was, but nothing about the show was flat.

With five albums, an enormous following, and 15 years of exhaustive touring experience, I don't understand how a band with a reputation as one of the best jam-bands around could still lack so much in concert. However, I sensed late Joel Cummins' critique that he found what the "Widespread Experience" is. Perhaps it was the way the band lit up the crowd with a 20-minute percussion jam and the improv which enveloped the entire audience.

In addition, I brought some new-comers to the show and they loved it. It wasn't just the experienced fans who were "havin' a good time."

Dave Clark

Freshman, Keough Hall

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Rosh Hashanah. Rosh what? You know, Rosh Hashanah, one of the many Jewish holidays, the Jewish New Year. And no, you don’t get extra points for pronouncing the words right. Ever wonder what all the holidays were that appeared at the bottom of the dates on your calendar? Perhaps you never gave them much thought. Well, prepare to be enlightened about one of them. For those of you who can actually do more than just spell and pronounce the words Rosh Hashanah correctly, then pat yourself on the back.

First, when exactly is Rosh Hashanah? Three guesses: a) near Christmas b) tomorrow or c) on Halloween? If you picked answer “b” you are the big winner. This year it is Oct. 2 and 3, actually starting tonight. It marks the beginning of the Jewish New Year and is celebrated on the first and second days of the Jewish month of Tishrei. Unlike the big, loud and riotous festivals seen on television at midnight, Dec. 31 for the new Roman calendar, the Jewish New Year is a solemn festival.

In the Torah it is known as Yom Teruah or the Day of Blowing the Shofar (a ram’s horn) and in prayer it is referred to as Yom Hazzikoron, or the Day of Remembrance. The New Year Day is the Day of Judgment on which God will determine the future for everyone based on how people have been behaving. And according to tradition, the judgement is then written down.

It can be looked upon as the holiday of second chance, an opportunity for people to renew themselves and improve upon their past and strive to become better people.

Luckily for some sinners a bad judgement can be changed to a good one during the Ten Days of Penitence, the 10 days between the New Year, Rosh Hashanah and the Day of Atonement, Yom Kippur.

But repenting better be done soon and before the end of Yom Kippur because on this day everybody’s future is sealed. This belief is truly followed because on the night of Rosh Hashanah people greet each other saying “Leshanah Tovah Tikaselvu,” or “May you be inscribed for a good year.”

A traditional custom on Rosh Hashanah night is to have a regular holiday meal after the services. During the meal a person should take a piece of apple and dip it in honey and repeat “May it be Your will, Lord our God and God of our fathers, to bless us with a bountiful and sweet year.”

Before Rosh Hashanah comes along, how many people know that the month before is spent in preparation for it? This month is known as Elul which is used for the spiritual preparation for the season of Yomim Noraim, or the Days of Awe, which are Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur.

On the second day of Rosh Chodesh Elul, the Shofar is blown after morning services. It is the day when people begin to reflect upon their past and the coming year. This week before Rosh Hashanah is called Selichos. They are prayers for forgiveness and an era of grace.

The third day off of fasting — the High Holy Days are found in a bit of ceremony.

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Shabbat — The Sabbath every week from Friday evening to Saturday evening; one of the holiest days in the calendar.

October

Rosh Hashanah — The Jewish New Year; start of the Ten Days of Penitence

Simchat Torah — Rejoicing of the Law

December

Hanukkah — Feast of Lights; victory of the Maccabees and rededication of the Temple

March

Purim — Celebrates defeat of plot to destroy the Jews of Persia

April

Pesach — Passover; deliverance of the Jewish people from Egypt. The Seder service on the first two evenings recounts the story of the Exodus. The last two days of Pesach are also observed as full holy days.

May – June

Shavuot — Feast of Weeks; marks the giving of the Law (Torah) at Mount Sinai.
Sprurs anticipate Robinson's return

By CHIP BROWN

SAN ANTONIO

Sean Elliott remembers looking out from the San Antonio Spurs bench last season and seeing David Robinson in street clothes hunch­ed over in pain — his back ailing, his foot broken and a lost look on his face.

"I was one of the doubters," Elliott said. "I was real quiet about the way I saw him last year, at the end of the season. I would sit next to him on the bench, I thought I would play half the game this year and I thought he would play half the game last year, at the end of the season. I, at least had that guy's back."

So did Robinson, the All-Star center who was hurting the pain after a hernia just before the 1996 Olympics. He never fully treated the injury before last season and wound up missing 76 games, the big factor in the Spurs missing the bigged one

down year by a team in NBA history.

But after months of patiently cared strength and conditioning work, Robinson says he is in the best shape of his career, clean and free of any trouble, and was excited about his return to his old self.

Robinson said putting off surgery to repair the hernia until after the Olympics last year, obviously.

"The back problem persisted, after the surgery, especially after the surgery, Robinson said. "It got worse. When I was training camp last year, I couldn't run."

He was also told by doctors that his jumping mechanisms were poor, that he used his lower back and wasn't relying on his legs.

On the season, he did thousands of situps and leg lifts to strengthen his stomach and lower back and changed the way he jumps.

"I have no concern whatsoever when it comes to playing game game," said Robinson, adding that he won't pronounce himself totally fit until after the season starts and he's in free, night after night.

"Nothing compares to playing night and night-in-night-out, and that's why I don't say I'm 100 percent. But I feel for the first time, physically, probably in the best shape of my life."

Robinson, who has averaged 25.3 points, 11.7 rebounds and 3 assists and blocks a game over eight years and was the NBA's Most Valuable Player in 1995, said the injury made him realize he still loves the game.

"When you sit out, there's a couple things that can happen," he said. "You can realize you enjoy sitting on the bench and you realize that you really enjoy playing."

He said he has the same enthusi­asm for his season as he did his rookie year.

"I think it's the same experience," Elliott said. "We are all decorations around him."
By STEVEN WINE
Associated Press Writer

MIAMI

The first postseason game in Florida Marlins' history went down in the last pitch. Edgar Renteria's two-out, bases-loaded single in the bottom of the ninth inning gave Florida a 2-1 victory over the San Francisco Giants in the opening game of their best-of-5 NL division series Tuesday.

The score was tied at 1 when Jeff Conine, the only Marlins starter who has been with the team since its first game in 1993, began the ninth with a single against Julian Tavares. Charles Johnson was hit by a pitch attempting to bunt.

After Roberto Hernandez relieved Tavares, Craig Counsell advanced both runners with a two-strike sacrifice, and Jeff Bagwell, who had 43 homers and 135 RBIs, struck out swinging in the eighth with a runner at second. Maddux's 114-pitch complete game ensured the Braves didn't have to go to their shaky bullpen.

The A's scored a most unlikely run in the fifth. With two out, Tony Eusebio singled and stunned the Braves with the first stolen base of his major league career.

The slow-running catcher has gone 296 regular-season games without swiping a base. Renteria, who homered on a blooped hit just inside the foul line and turned on the speed to stretch it to a double.

Jones led and sprinted for third on a fly to medium right, sliding in just ahead of the throw from Derek Bell. Chipper Jones brought home another fly to left.

John Smoltz led off the second with a homer to right, giving the Braves a 2-0 lead. That would be their final hit of the day, but that was all they needed with Maddux on the mound - especially in a day game. He was 0-0-0 with a 1.94 ERA in daytime starts during the season.

Working on 10 days rest, the four-time Cy Young Award winner allowed more than one hit in only one inning and shut down the top three hitters in Houston's order. Craig Biggio and Jeff Bagwell were combined 0-for-12 with three strikeouts.

Bagwell, who hit seven homers during training camp, had 234 hits and 135 RBIs, struck out swinging in the eighth with a runner at second. Maddux's 114-pitch complete game ensured the Braves didn't have to go to their shaky bullpen.

The Giants slugged Barry Bonds went 1-for-4 with a double, raising his lifetime postseason average to .316. He flied out to end the top of the ninth.

The crowd of 42,167 was noisy but 3,500 shy of capacity, and there were several thousand empty seats when the game began.

The victory was welcome medicine for Florida's Jim Leyland, who managed his first playoff game in five years while battling with pneumonia.

"I don't feel well, but obviously I feel a lot better than I thought I would have if we had lost," Leyland said. "It was just a great, great playoff game."

Game 2 will be Wednesday, San Francisco manager Dusty Baker said, "but we're coming back with our best Wednesday."

"We're going to bounce back, like we've done all year," Mueller said. "This team is understanding. It doesn't take much to generate something positive. We keep fighting."

Brown, who no-hit the Giants in June, this time retired the first 14 batters and took a two-hitter into the seventh. Mueller, who hit seven home runs during the regular season, then pulled a 1-0 pitch into the second row of the right-field stands.

Johnson, who batted just .119 in his final 24 games of the regular season, hit a 2-2 pitch over the scoreboard.
Three straight blasts propel Yankees to win

By TOM WITHERS
Associated Press Writer

NEW YORK

That is why they’re the defending champions.

The New York Yankees, using some leftover magic from their 1996 World Series run, became the first team in postseason history to hit three consecutive home runs, rallying to beat the Cleveland Indians 8-6 Tuesday night in the opener of their AL playoff series.

Trailing Orel Hershiser 5-0 after the first inning and down 6-3 entering the sixth, New York got a game-tying, two-run shot by Tim Raines and solos by Derek Jeter and Paul O'Neill to stun the Indians and give a record crowd of 57,398 in Yankee Stadium a charge like it hadn’t felt since last October.

“We felt if we could hold them there, we’d have a chance,” Raines said. “Thank goodness we were able to get back in it. We always think we have a chance to come back and win.”

After an off-day on Wednesday, the best-of-five series resumes Thursday night with the Indians starting 21-10 “I’m just very fortunate that I have been able to get back and win,” he said. “I don’t think anybody did.”

Back and better than ever after missing most of last season because of a bulging disc that required surgery, Johnson will be on the mound for the Seattle Mariners against the Baltimore Orioles Wednesday night in Game 1 of their AL playoff series.

Johnson (20-4) will be opposed by Mike Mussina (15-8).

Johnson, 34, was told by doctors that he’d be able to come back from his back operation of Sept. 12, 1996. They just weren’t sure how far he’d come back.

And the 1995 AL Cy Young Award winner wasn’t sure if he believed them. Through his long months of rehabilitation, the uncertainty ate at him. The anxiety was overwhelming.

“I’m just very fortunate that I have been given a second chance so I can be out there pitching again,” he said. “I’ll never take anything for granted anymore. It’s a lonely feeling when you’re hurt.”

Johnson won his last two starts this season and is 3-7 against Baltimore in his career. He lost at Camden Yards 13-3 May 8 in a game where he allowed five earned runs in six innings. Then he lost again in Baltimore 4-3 Aug. 15.

In three starts against the Orioles, he allowed 12 earned runs in 19 innings, a 5.68 ERA.

Publicly, he shrugs at those statistics. Those who know him well and know how competitive he is whisper how much he wants to make amends and beat Baltimore.

Unlike ’95 when he was bone tired from pitching the Mariners into the ALCS, he is rested now and ready to face the Orioles twice if need be – Wednesday night and again in Game 4 or 5 in Baltimore. In order for the Mariners to beat the Orioles, they feel Johnson has to win Game 1.

“I don’t think Randy will need any motivation at all,” manager Lou Piniella said.

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Tragedy strikes BYU team

One football player killed, two injured

Associated Press

PROVO, Utah — Terrence Harvey, a corner­back for Brigham Young, was killed in a highway accident and two teammates were injured when their car tried to pass another vehicle and flipped several times.

Harvey, a 21­year­old sophomore from Las Vegas, was pronounced dead at Utah Valley Regional Medical Center following the accident on Interstate 15 near Provo about 9 p.m. Monday, the Utah Highway Patrol said.

“We are shocked and saddened by the loss of an outstanding young man who had such great promise,” BYU coach LaVell Edwards said.

“Our thoughts and prayers are with his family.”

Treated for minor injuries and released was junior defensive back Tony Fields, 20, also of Las Vegas.

Freshman defensive back N德rick Foreman, 17, of Los Angeles, was in fair condition and probably will have hand surgery today, said hospital spokesman Anton Garrity.

The three were traveling between 80 and 90 mph in a Nissan Pathfinder when Fields, the driver, attempted to pass on the right and lost control. The car rolled several times, ejecting Harvey, said a patrol dispatcher who asked not to be identified. The dispatcher said it is too early to determine if alcohol was involved.

Harvey transferred to BYU three weeks ago from Victor Valley Community College in Victorville, Calif.

He made his first appearance in the starting lineup Saturday at left cornerback in BYU’s 19­16 victory over SMU. Fields and Foreman also played in the game.

LaFontaine returns to ice for Rangers

Associated Press

I N Y. N Y. — After missing most of last year with complications from a concussion and haggling with the Buffalo Sabres about his return, Pat LaFontaine is just happy to be back on the ice.

“I’ve been fully recovered for seven months,” LaFontaine said Tuesday, at his first practice after being traded to the New York Rangers. “I was hoping to get back for the playoffs last year, but I’m just excited to be on the ice.”

LaFontaine has been cleared to play for more than a month by two of his own doctors, but Buffalo’s team physicians disagreed. He received clearance from the Rangers’ medical staff last week.

“My concern was if I got hit again would I have permanent damage,” LaFontaine said. “But the doctors told me that I am at no more risk than anyone who has had one concussion. There are a lot of players in that category.”

LaFontaine is expected to fill a void left at center when Mark Messier left the Rangers to sign with the Vancouver Canucks.

“One player can’t replace Mark Messier. His career speaks for itself,” LaFontaine said. “The only shoes I want to fill is my own.”

LaFontaine gives the Rangers a talented offensive center who went behind Wayne Gretzky.

“J ust nice to have him on the team, because now we have two offensive center men,” coach Colm Campbell said. “It makes it difficult for teams with one center to decide who to check.”

LaFontaine, 32, has been sidelined since Nov. 7 because of complications related to a concussion he sustained Oct. 17, when he took an elbow to the head from Pittsburgh’s Francois Leroux.

He played a few games after the injury, but left the lineup after experiencing dizziness, nausea and severe headaches that lasted for several months and threatened to end his career.

LaFontaine has 442 goals and 506 assists in 13-plus NHL seasons with the New York Islanders and Sabres.
Tiller, Purdue enjoy success

By HANK LOWENKRON
Associated Press Writer

INDIANAPOLIS

The schedule gives Purdue a bye this week, a time to heal and work to extend the Boilermakers' first three-game winning streak since 1984.

"A couple of years ago we settled on a routine, which really is no change of routine," coach Joe Tiller said Tuesday during his weekly teleconference.

Still, there is some variation in the schedule for the Boilermakers (3-1, 1-0 Big Ten) before they head to Minnesota for an Oct. 11 game. Tiller said the Boilermakers had their traditional film review of the last game on Sunday, instead of going out and having a light, short 45-minute workout they'll practice in full gear for about an hour and a half.

Tiller said the bye will mean he could go into the Minnesota game with nearly every player physically ready to play.

In his first season heading Purdue's football program, Tiller has already matched last season's victory total when the Boilermakers finished 3-8. The Boilermakers are hoping to produce the school's first winning football season on the field since 1984. They finished 4-5-2 in 1994, but were later awarded a forfeit victory over Michigan State.

The current winning streak began after a 36-22 loss to Toledo of the Mid-American Conference.

"I was not as disappointed in our squad after the first game as many of the other folks were," Tiller said. "The ability to come back and beat Notre Dame gave our team a tremendous lift ... it validated what we felt we were capable of accomplishing." Tiller said the team's current success, which includes a 21-9 victory over two-time defending Big Ten champion Northwestern, is pleasant but "not a huge surprise." He explained that "our team has some talent and sell them short is a huge mistake.

Tiller said he didn't arrive at Purdue with a five-year plan to rebuild a program which struggled for years.

"We tried not to emphasize what we don't have, but rather place emphasis on what we do have," he said. "What we do have is some good football players — maybe not as many as we wish — and they certainly have an ability to execute." The Boilermakers have executed well enough to average 451.3 yards per game on offense. The teams 274.8 yards per game passing leads the Big Ten.

The Boilermakers are averaging 176.5 yards rushing, led by Kendall Matthews who had a career-high 152 yards on 22 carries against Northwestern. Matthews is averaging 6.1 yards per carry this year. Tiller isn't planning on starting him against Minnesota next week.

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Stanford’s Willingham earns respect of players

By ALDA LEU
Feature Editor-Staff

Discipline. It’s the word you’ll hear over and over again in reference to Stanford football head coach Tyrone Willingham. It’s how he is; it’s what he brings to the team. But that’s an outsider’s perspective.

Ask his players, and they will talk about respect—the all-encompassing respect that he has for his players and that they have for him.

As an assistant coach and he will discuss Willingham’s “relentless pursuit of his goal” and his staunch work ethic. But ask Willingham himself and he will say, “Flexibility.”

Flexibility. As he is quick to point out, in addition to being football coach of a top-25 team and Rose Bowl contender, Willingham is a father too.

“I have children that are growing and changing, and I am very much a parent for 90-some young men,” he said.

Flexibility is the key to dealing with them.

“Being at Stanford,” Willingham said, “we have a different kind of young man, not to say any better, but treated a different kind of young man, and the way we bring a little differently—we bring a different kind of young man, not to say any better, but treating with them.

“I am very much a parent for 90-some young men,” he said. Flexibility is the key to dealing with them.

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His players agree that his influence has transcended the football field.

“It’s a lot like a father figure. He has great insight into common sense in life,” said sophomore wide receiver Ross Forman. "Everything that he teaches us about football can be applied to real life experiences. He teaches us that you are successful not only as Stanford football players; he really wants to see us succeed as individuals.”

Born and raised in North Carolina, Willingham’s biography reads like that of many successful coaches. His journey to Stanford has taken him through assistant coaching stints at Michigan State, his alma mater, Central Michigan, North Carolina State, Rice, Stanford and the Minnesota Vikings.

Steaming his list of credentials, it is the sunny California school that stands out both in location and student attitude. It is also the one that Willingham returned to as head coach in December 1994.

Since then, his accomplishments have continued to grow. In two short years as the Cardinal’s head coach, Willingham has led the team to two consecutive bowl appearances and is steadily progressing toward a third straight bowl berth. After his first season at Stanford’s helm, Willingham was voted 1995 Pacific 10 Conference Coach of the Year.

Every coach wants to win, but few want to do it like Willingham does. When he says that he wants to create a tradition of winning at Stanford, he isn’t just talking about statistics. To him, winning means "on the field, in the classroom and creating a social conscience.”

Willingham is the type of coach that makes an effort to talk to his players.

Willingham is the type of father that makes time for his family and goes to his daughter’s gymnastics meets, the type of interviewee that takes the time to ask the reporter about her life and academic career, the type of person who buys pizza for students sleeping out for basketball tickets.

He is “probably the hardest working college football coach in the nation,” said team assistant Kit Harris. "He’ll be watching tape at 11 p.m. on a Sunday night. No other coach does that.”

Willingham is quick to disagree, however, saying that 14-hour work days are generally the coaching norm. Also, he expects the same devotion from his players and staff.

"You can’t shortcut football and be successful—football is the greatest team sport, but the physical and mental demands are tremendous,” he said.

His players have learned through his example, living their lives with the same principles that he exemplifies.

Willingham has a theory about how to avoid problems. Experience has shown him three areas in which problems tend to occur, and he is quick to caution his players.

The first is the hour—most "accidents" happen after midnight. The second is substance—many cases drugs and/or alcohol are involved. And the third is location—restaurants and bars, in conjunction with areas one and two, lend themselves to trouble.

But he doesn’t need to set hard and fast rules. He only needs to create an environment of expectation and lead by example.

“Everybody on the team has so much respect for Coach,” Jones said. "When he walks into the room everyone is silent and all eyes are on him.”


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Stanford head coach Tyrone Willingham has led his team to a 3-1 start in hopes of a Rose Bowl berth. His discipline, hard work and flexibility have boosted the Cardinal to a 19th ranking in the AP poll.
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**WOMEN'S SOCCER**

**Hoosiers no match for Irish**

By ALLISON KRILLA

When you're hot you're hot. The Notre Dame women's soccer team blazed interstate rival Indiana, 8-0, last night at Bill Armstrong Stadium in Bloomington, the Irish were paced once again by standout freshman Erikson, who netted two goals for the second consecutive game, and Jen Grubb, who tallied three assists.

For the Irish, the victory marked the eighth-straight win over the Hoosiers, who fell to 7-3, and the 29th consecutive victory against Big Ten opponents, since dropping a 2-0 contest to Michigan State on Sept. 22, 1989. The eight goal margin of victory also marked the worst loss in Indiana women's soccer history.

"Our goal is really just to concentrate on our game," said Erikson before the contest with Indiana. "No matter who the opponent is, our objective is to play our best." Behind the smart play of Jenny Heft, Notre Dame (10-0-3) struck first, as Heft tapped in a cross from Kate Sobrero that slipped past the Indiana keeper into the open net at 7:55.

Anne Makinen's fifth goal in three games came at 14:10, and as usual, it was a blast from 20 yards out that found the lower left corner of the net, giving the Irish a 2-0 advantage.

Shannon Boxx added another long-range rocket at 24:06, taking a feed from Makinen and Grubb that found the upper corner of the net. To close out the first half scoring, Erikson took a dish from Jenny Streiffer and split the defense for her second goal at 43:27.

"Sometimes it's hard to get up for weaker teams," said Erikson. "That can be a disadvantage as you move toward the end of the season, because other teams may play a more difficult regular season or conference schedule. But as long as we focus on our goal, we'll be fine."

Opening the second half with a bang, Streiffer headed in a cross to the far post from Makinen, followed by a Holly Maunhei goal off a redirection out to the left wing by Monica Gonzalez at 73:37. Grubb fed Erikson at 81:12 for her second goal, and Gonzalez connected on an assist from Julie Maund to close out the scoring.

Goalkeeper LaKesia Bruce recorded her eighth shutout of the season, making just one save on the day. Notre Dame outshot Indiana 30 to 4 and earned eight corners.

Although the Irish displayed an all-around solid offensive attack, the freshmen once again showed they belong.

"Everybody's getting more comfortable," said Erikson. "Having made the adjustment to school has helped our play, it's one less thing to worry about."

Notre Dame will put its perfect 5-0 conference mark on the line, returning to action on Sunday, Oct. 5 for a 1 p.m. showdown with rival Boston College at Alumni Field.

Freshmen key to team improvement

By JOE CAVATO

Assistant Sports Editor

With the team's record at 1-3 and the challenge of traveling to Stanford looming this weekend, head coach Bob Davie is trying to focus on the positives and improving. The offense has struggled, but the unit will likely be healthier and is finally beginning to develop.

"I do think we're a better football team right now than we were last week at this time," Davie said. "We've made some progress. We've taken some small steps."

Some of those baby steps are in the offense beginning to come around and the development of some of the younger players.

"I think you'll see the balance in our offense will start to pay off," Davie said. "I think we're able to throw the football and we've got to be able to come back now and run the football."

There is a good chance freshman wide receiver Joey Gethroall, who has been sidelined since the Georgia Tech game, may be back for Saturday's contest against Stanford. Gethroall and some of his classmates have the potential to spark the Irish offense that is still in need of a game breaker.

"Young players, we're going to continue to try to play," Davie said. "I look at this freshman class with Tony Driver, Jabari Holloway, Gethroall, Grant Irwin, Anthony Bierman, Brock Williams, there are some players in this class."

The hard part with Harrey Levy is he really wants to play tailback, but we've got some tailbacks. He's good enough to be a wide receiver. 'I'd like to get him in the football game, he's an impressive player.'"

The offensive unit is also looking at running smoother. Penalties and poor execution have hampered the Irish from sustaining drives and reaching the end zone.

"I think it is critical that we eliminate penalties," Davie said. "I think our red-zone offense is something we have to continue to work on."

One of the concerns for the Irish has been the tight end and fullback slots. Dan D'Oleary, who did not see the field as a freshman last season was the starter but an injury to his ankle will keep him out of action this weekend. In his place will be true freshman Jabari Holloway.

"I think we need to continue to work to develop fullbacks, develop tight ends so that we're able to run the football," Davie said. "I think right now Ken Barry would be the best blocker and that's why he's playing. Goodspeed is obviously hurt but he's doing better than expected."

During this three game slide, much of the pressure has fallen on quarterback Ron Powlus, but Davie discussed the play of