Art and Letters launches game day lecture series

By JOE ACKERMAN
Sports Writer

Football fans can now get a bit of academic discussion to go with their bratwursts and beer on game days through the new game-day lecture series called "Live! With Regis and Kelly," launched by Arts and Letters.

"We thought we should reach out to the broader public," Roche said.

The Saturday Scholar lectures will take place on all six home-game Saturdays this fall in the Hesburgh Center Auditorium. Lectures will begin at 10 a.m. for games with a 1:30 p.m. kickoff and at 11 a.m. for games with a 2:30 p.m. start.

The series opens on Sept. 22 with an interactive performance by Actors from the London Stage, who call Notre Dame their American home.

Future lectures will span an array of topics such as psychology, theology, economics and Irish studies and will be given by University professors considered leaders in their fields.

"We're not going to have the lecture series that people will be receptive to," Roche said. "We thought we should reach out to the broader public."
Inside Column

Ode to Nicole Hogarty

When I arrived in South Bend a few short weeks ago, I had a friend with me—a friend from my hometown. Although we knew very little about our future roommates, we insisted that Nicole would be the stranger of the two, and she insisted the same. It was one of those bets that we both were secretly hoping that we wouldn’t win.

The first morning on campus declared the winner of that bet and set the tone for the year as my East Coast roommate fell face-first out of the top bunk while reaching to turn off her alarm.

After that experience, not a day has gone by when my roommate, Nicole Hogarty, has not made me laugh in some way at her expense. After falling out of the bed, Nicole no longer bothers reaching down to turn off the alarm; she sleeps through it. When I left for the weekend, Nicole’s alarm was blaring for 30 minutes. She did not wake up in the morning until the authorities came knocking on our door to see if a smoke alarm was going off.

During the first week of class alone, Nicole managed to oversleep three out of five days, on the rest of the year is promising. While it is possible that I could be irritated after sleeping through a class, Nicole casually sums this common event of her daily routine by simply stating, “I slept at a life.”

When she is not sleeping the day away, Nicole can be seen around campus living life in a big way. It’s nothing unusual to see her salsa dancing with her stuffed animals, rollerblading around campus in full-length spandex pants, or heading to the dining hall in gold shoes and diamond earrings. Just when I fear that I am nearing the brink of insanity, moments with Nicole reassure me that I am perfectly normal.

While I am quite content with smuggling bananas and cookies out the dining hall, Nicole has her sights set on the life-size poster of Tony Hawk. While most people would be irritated after encountering the previous spring. Nationally, employers expect to hire 19.7 percent fewer college graduates in 2001-02 than in 2000-01, according to the National Association of Colleges and Employers’ Job Outlook 2002 survey. Siddiqui said he was fortunate to find a job with IBM but felt his entrepreneurial skills in the program. Students learn finance, management and interpersonal skills in the program.

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

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GSU focuses on healthcare

By ANDREW THAGARD
News Writer

While most Saint Mary's and Notre Dame students headed home for the summer, it was business as usual for the Graduate Student Union. The GSU plans on holding or sponsoring summer social events, holding monthly council meetings and gearing up for the academic year.

This fall, recently elected GSU President Gabriela Burgos and vice president Kishori Deshpande intend to continue to fulfill their campaign promises. They plan to focus on improving health care services, the Graduate School and working with OIT and the Career Center.

"We need to find the optimum point where students are happy with the cost and benefits," Deshpande said. "That's a crucial point."

"They are really written succinctly, to the point," Deshpande said of the pamphlets. "They have been very receptive toward our requests."

Improving communication between the GSU, graduate students and the administration is especially important to Burgos and Deshpande. Their goal is to make graduate students more visible within the University community and make people more aware of the GSU. "Something they have accomplished in part through the creation of a publicity chairman."

"The main idea is to reach as many people as possible," Deshpande said. "They [the publicity/PR committee] have done a fabulous job."

This year, Burgos and Deshpande plan to increase awareness of the GSU through the creation of a corporate logo system. Their goal is to establish a consistent, instantly recognizable logo for GSU that can be used on postings, letterheads and T-shirts.

"The idea of the GSU logo is to help identify our organization," Burgos said. "We want to reflect professionalism."

The GSU plans to announce a corporate logo-designing contest this semester. While their long list of goals may seem daunting, Burgos and Deshpande are confident that they can tackle them and lead the GSU into another successful year, especially with University support and the dedication of graduate students.

"We are really fortunate as officers to have an excellent team," Burgos said. "I think it is really rewarding to see the results from the summer. This motivates us to work harder for graduate students. I think it's going well."

WHAT HAVE I GOTTEN MYSELF INTO?

Julia Libecap speaks with Sister Margie Lavonis about the the Sisters of the Holy Cross at the Saint Mary's Activity Fair Thursday.

Volunteers Needed

The Early Childhood Development Center located at Saint Mary's College and the University of Notre Dame is looking for volunteers who enjoy young children. If you would be interested in spending 2 hours per week reading to children and playing with children, please call. Kari at ECDC-SMC 284-4693 or Sue at ECDC-ND 631-3344 for more information. (Employment opportunities also available.)

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The center is scheduled to be completed in 2004 and will cost in excess of $50 million. The television personality said that chance. ... So I'm hoping that this stage will do that for some student.”

Prominent South Bend civic leader and philanthropist Judd Leighton is underwriting the center’s 900-seat concert hall, the Judd and Mary Lou Leighton Hall, in honor of his late wife. Notre Dame trustee and benefactor Arthur Decio surprised the center will contain the offices of the Department of Film, Television and Theatre, a 200-seat cinema theatre and a 100-seat organ and chorale hall.

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School year opens with blessings
By ANNE MAHONEY
News Writer

A Circle of Blessings will bring Saint Mary’s students together to pray at various campus locations and unite students spiritually.

Today’s ceremony will replace the procession to Notre Dame as the opening ceremony for the academic year at Saint Mary’s.

"Instead of an opening liturgy in a single location on campus, we want to include everyone on campus in a very active and visible way," said College President Marilou Elder.

The ceremony will begin at 11:15 a.m. in front of Holy Cross Hall. From there the group will process across the campus making various stops at which prayers will be read and songs will be sung. At each stop, more people are invited to join the group and continue the procession. The march will conclude at Le Mans Hall at 12:30 p.m.

The Administrative Council will address the group and offer a prayer commissioning the academic year.

Lunch will be provided following the ceremony.

"This is an opportunity to include all members of the Saint Mary’s community and reflect on who we are as a Catholic institution," said Linda Timm, vice president for Student Affairs.

The Full Circle of Blessings will continue on Sunday at the Masses celebrated in the chapels of LeMans, Holy Cross and Regina halls.

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NATIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

Iowa court strikes visitation law: The Iowa Supreme Court unanimously struck down a law Thursday that gave grandparents the right to spend time with their grandchildren, ruling it interfered with parental rights. "It exalts the socially desirable goal of grandparent-grandchild bonding over the constitutionally recognized right of parents to determine with whom their children will associate," the court said.

Anti-drug bid concerns groups: A coalition of civil rights and health groups expressed concern Thursday that President Bush’s choice to lead the nation’s fight against drugs would sacrifice prevention and rehabilitation programs in favor of punishing users. The Coalition for Compassionate Leadership on Drug Policy also criticized John Walters for denying that young black men are disproportionately jailed on drug charges and for opposing reforms to mandatory minimum sentencing requirements. The coalition does not endorse or oppose nominees, but individual members spoke harshly about Walters, promising serious opposition if he does not soften his views.

INDIANA NEWS BRIEFS

Rape victims offered free pill: Planned Parenthood of Greater Indiana will offer emergency contraception free to rape victims at its 38 clinics. Often referred to as the "morning-after" pill, the emergency contraception consists of two high doses of birth control pills. The first dose must be taken within 72 hours of unprotected sex, and the second 12 hours later. The process is 75 percent effective at preventing pregnancy if done properly, according to Planned Parenthood.

World News Briefs

Police shoot hostage-taker: Chinese police shot dead a security guard who stabbed his colleague and then held an 11-year-old boy hostage at knifepoint for six hours, an official newspaper said Thursday. A photo in the China Daily showed the boy, Wang Chuhun, grimacing as Cheng Zhixieng pressed a knife to his throat during the standoff Tuesday with police in the southern city of Shenzhen. The 29-year-old guard fled after stabilizing his colleague and at first grabbed a 6-year-old child as a hostage. But Wang, a fourth-grader at a Shenzhen school, pleaded with Cheng to take him instead, the newspaper said. "Witnesses marveled at the young boy's poise," it said.

Grand jury to review Condit claims

Attorneys Sterling Norris and Jim Robinson announce the filing of a lawsuit against Congressman Gary Condit on behalf of flight attendant Anne Marie Smith. Smith claims to have had a year-long affair with Condit and says he tried to have her sign a sworn affidavit that said they had not had a relationship.

ETHIOPIA

Justice Ministry bans women's group

ADDIS ABEBA

Ethiopia has banned a women's group that organized demonstrations to protest violence against women, a group member said Thursday. The Ethiopian Women Lawyers Association was told by the Justice Ministry it had violated the "ethical directives governing civic organizations," said Meaza Ashenafi, the group's executive director. The ministry informed the association Monday of the suspension of its license, four days after the action was reported in Ethiopia's state-run media. Meaza told The Associated Press. The group's bank account was frozen, Meaza said. Justice Ministry official Afewerk Glilay was quoted in the state media as saying the group has engaged "in activities outside the aims and functions of the association." "These activities were carried out under the guise of a civic organization," he said without elaborating. In February, the group organized a rare protest against domestic violence in which some 1,000 women marched to the office of Prime Minister Meles Zenawi and parliament to deliver petitions demanding more police protection and harsher sentences against offenders. The protest included a candlelight vigil. It was the first public act of its kind in the Horn of Africa nation, which has a long history of oppressive government. The association was set up in 1995 and has won a reputation for providing effective legal assistance, particularly for poor women who cannot afford the high cost of litigation. It has also been calling for amending Ethiopia's family laws and civil code to give women equal rights in such cases as divorce, inheritance and related issues. Faiza Mohamed of the New York-based international women's rights group, Equality Now, said her organization had written to the Ethiopian Justice Ministry and Ethiopian embassies in Washington and Nairobi, Kenya, to support the Ethiopian group.
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Notre Dame. No place, I've been all over the world. This is it. The vibrations around this campus, the spirits that linger here, the tradition, the mystique. It's got it all. I think it's the greatest place on earth,' Philbin said.

Philbin enjoyed his interactions with students, partially because he is envious of their ability to spend another year of their lives here. He also wondered if Notre Dame in 2001 would even accept him as a student because the University has transformed into a top-notch school.

He took his celebrity status on campus during the last two days in stride.

"It warms my heart. They're all cheering and yelling and asking for autographs and all that. It's a lot of fun and I don't mind it at all, posing for the pictures and doing all that. I enjoy it. I just remember what it was like for me and how it brings me back to the best years of my life, right here," said Philbin.

Philbin's program included clips with him feeding his duck at the lake—a favorite activity from his student days, a visit to the Grotto, a tour of the football locker room and the Stadium and a visit to his old room. At the end of the live program, the Notre Dame Band played the victory march.

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Television personality Regis Philbin prepares for a segment of his live show on Thursday morning outside of Sorin Hall. Philbin was on campus for the groundbreaking ceremony of the Marie P. DiBartolo Performing Arts Center.

Philbin spoke to a New York producer on a cell phone. "All you've gotta do is roll the pieces of tape. Can you guys do that back there? You guys are really screwing up back there, you know it?" Philbin said over a cell phone.

Throughout the entire morning, Philbin chided students for skipping class to come see him. After the first segment he told the crowd, "All right, you've been on camera, now go to school!" When some students left later, they yelled to Philbin, "Sorry, Regis, I've gotta go to class," and he responded "Yeah, I hope so."

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Wildfire forces evacuations

Associated Press

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — A growing wildfire west of Yosemite National Park forced people from their homes Thursday in nine small California communities and damaged an aqueduct, curtailing water supplies.

But elsewhere in the West, cooler temperatures and rain signaled the approaching end of the forest fire season. The nation's largest wildfire, burning 64,000 acres in and near Montana's Glacier National Park, was blanketed with thick fog and high humidity, following a steady rain that stopped the blaze in its tracks.

"This high humidity is doing us more good than the rain did...I've got a feeling the grass won't even burn today," fire information officer Bob McKinney said.

The National Interagency Fire Center reported 12 major fires Thursday. But the center set up at an elementary school in Murphys, Calif.

The wildfire destroyed part of an aqueduct that provides water to four communities — Angus, Vallecito, Douglas Flat and Murphys — leaving residents with an estimated two-day supply of water, officials said. They were advised to limit water use.

Retired nurse Marie Heinback was evacuated Wednesday afternoon from her home in Sunrise Point. "I was looking out of the window and saw smoke coming down the canyon," she said. "Then the fire department came by and gave me 10 minutes to pack a few things."

Twelve-year-old Hillary Schwartz hurriedly left her Forest Meadows home with her family under a glowing and red sky, and managed to grab some personal belongings and their pets — two dogs, a cat, a bird and a hamster.

timber about two miles from Hathaway Pines, a small community 25 miles northwest of Yosemite.

About 150 homes were evacuated and more were on alert for possible evacuation. At least 60 people spent the night at a shelter set up at an elementary school.

"It was a 4 in the morning, grab-the-dog-and-go type of thing," said Kelly Osborn, principal of Albert Michelson Elementary School in Murphys, Calif.

President Kim Dae-jung's engagement policy toward North Korea is the "best option," despite political turmoil that has weakened his mandate, a top minister said Wednesday.

Foreign Minister Han Seung-soo said the government would strive to insulate inter-Korean ties from political squabbling at home, especially ahead of local and presidential elections next year.

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The "sunshine" policy "is the best option that we can take," said Han, who becomes president of the U.N. General Assembly on Sept. 11. "If you ask skeptics what are the alternatives, they will not give you answers."

Han said North Korean leader Kim Jong Il's trip last month to Russia and a visit by Chinese President Jiang Zemin to Pyongyang this week will help the North edge out of its self-imposed isolation. Jiang urged North Korea to participate in a summit of Asia-Pacific leaders in Shanghai next month and to resume talks with South Korea, Chinese state media said.

The Koreas were divided at the end of World War II. Their border has been sealed since the 1950-53 Korean War.
Fatboy Slim wins 6 MTV video awards

NEW YORK

Fatboy Slim’s “Weapon of Choice” video was the big winner at Thursday’s MTV Video Music Awards, winning six of the nine awards for which it was nominated, but it was the sexy video "Lady Marmalade" that took home the year’s top trophy. "Lady Marmalade," the "Moulin Rouge"-inspired video, was a collaboration featuring Pink, Christina Aguilera, Mya and Lil’ Kim. It also received an award for best video from a film.

The night’s other big winner was 'N Sync, who nabbed four awards for their special-effects laden video, "Pop," including the viewers’ choice award. The "Weapon of Choice" clip by Fatboy Slim, a DJ, doesn’t even feature the artist; its star is actor Christopher Walken, dancing around an empty hotel lobby. Among the early awards it nabbed was for best direction, for Spike Jonze, and best choreography.

As always, however, the awards themselves tend to be an afterthought, upstaged by the evening’s biggest moments. Thursday was no exception, as ‘N Sync capped off a colorful rendition of "Pop" with the King of Pop himself, Michael Jackson. Jackson gyrated for only a few seconds to ‘N Sync’s hit, but received a standing ovation from the crowd.

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"Today is 64 days sober, and I’m proud of it," he said to applause. As the group made its way off the stage, Foxx held out a bottle to them. "You want some champagne, some champagne?" he joked before the stunned crowd. "It’s apple cider, apple cider! You can drink apple cider, can’t you?"

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Among the evening’s performers was Lopez, who sang her latest hit "I’m Real" with rapper Ja Rule during the show; Linkin Park, U2; Jay-Z and Elliott, who dedicated her performance to Aaliyah.

The night was not without its glitches: As U2 was about to present the award spotlighting emerging artists, someone had to be an afterthought, upstaged by the evening’s biggest moments. Thursday was no exception, as ‘N Sync capped off a colorful rendition of "Pop" with the King of Pop himself, Michael Jackson. Jackson gyrated for only a few seconds to ‘N Sync’s hit, but received a standing ovation from the crowd.

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Fatboy Slim, Spike Jonze and Metropolitan Opera House at Lincoln Center in New York City on Thursday.

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Feds ignorant on stem cells

Administration unaware of 64 cell lines' condition

Associated Press

WASHINGTON Health and Human Services Secretary Tommy Thompson said Thursday that President Bush did not know how many of the 64 existing stem cell lines were fully developed and ready for research when he decided to limit federal funds to these lines.

Thompson said the president's decision was made on moral grounds and would not have changed had Bush known that fewer than half of these cell colonies are fully developed today.

Thompson's comments came a day after he met with critics on Capitol Hill who argue that research may be hampered if there are not enough stem cells that qualify for the funds. Thompson acknowledged for the first time that just 24 or 25 of the 64 lines are fully developed, although the others still qualify for federal funding if an applicant seeks them.

Thompson said more lines will be developed by the time federal grants are issued next year. Even if not, there are enough lines now, Thompson said.

"Ninety percent of the researchers done on mice was done on five lines," he said in an extensive interview with The Associated Press in which he defended the administration's approach.

Each stem cell line comes from embryos created to fully develop, it can reproduce indefinitely, allowing hundreds of researchers to work with cells from a single line.

Scientists see great promise for treating disease because the cells can develop into any part of the body. It is controversial science because human embryos, typically those left over from fertility treatments, must be destroyed in the process.

By restricting federal funds to existing stem cell lines, Thompson said, "where the life-and-death decision has already been made." Bush made sure there was no federal support for the destruction of more embryos.

Thompson said that neither he nor Bush knew how many of the existing stem cell lines were fully developed when the president made his decision in August.

The decision by the president was made on ethical and moral grounds as much as it was on scientific grounds and it wasn't based upon the number," he said.

Before August, most experts believed there were a dozen or so embryonic stem cell lines in existence. While Bush was deliberating, Thompson quietly ordered the National Institutes of Health to do a full count. He gave that information to the president in pressing him to act.

Researchers were surprised — and skeptical — to hear Bush say there were more than 60 lines.

The count came after Bush's speech on Aug. 9, Thompson confirmed in a letter to reporters: "119 stem cell lines are currently in existence. Of these 60 stem cell lines are diverse and viable for research," he said.

Thompson said a day later that when he said there were 119 he did not know how many cell lines were in the early stages of development — when they may or may not become usable. He said he did not mean to imply that any of them were fully developed.

"Nobody has ever said there are 64 completely developed lines. Nobody has ever said there were 60 lines. I did not know what states they were in until recently and neither did NH." A few weeks later, the NIH released the list of laboratories with the stem cell lines. Interviews with researchers made it clear that there were many colonies in the earliest stages of development.

Thompson, who plans to appear at a second Senate hearing on stem cells next week, argues that valuable research can be done on less developed stem cell lines to determine how they grow.

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FBI agents raid Web business

Associated Press

DALLAS Federal agents continued searching the headquarters of an Internet company Thursday as part of an ongoing terrorism investigation, the FBI said.

Muslim leaders said researchers acted on scant evidence and anti-Muslim stereotypes.

InfoCom Corp., based in suburban Richardson, says it sells computer systems and Internet services to many large Islamic organizations in the United States and businesses in the Middle East.

The FBI said the search, which began Wednesday, was part of a two-year investigation by the North Texas Joint Terrorism Task Force.

FBI spokeswoman Lori Bailey said the investigation was not aimed at InfoCom's clients, but she declined to say why a search warrant was targeted the company.

She said more than 80 agents for the FBI and other federal agencies were searching computer files at the company's headquarters. Agents took boxes out of the building Wednesday and Thursday but did not say what was contained in them.

The search warrant was sealed by a federal magistrate, and the FBI did not elaborate on what evidence it sought.

Bailey denied any bias to the investigation.

"That is a criminal investigation, not a political investigation," she said. "We're hoping to find evidence of criminal activity."

InfoCom attorney Mark Enoch said the company had received no advance notice and was cooperating with the agents. "We cannot comment further on the investigation," he said.

The Internet service to the company's 300 employees was cut off by the agents, InfoCom's Internet operations manager said.

Displaced employees moved across the street to the headquarters of a client, the Holy Land Foundation for Relief and Development, a Muslim charity that supports Primonial activities.

"We have deep concerns that this once again is an attempt to rush to judgment and to marginalize the American Muslim community simply because ... many of them are immigrants," said Mahdi Bray, political adviser to the Washington-based Muslim Public Affairs Council. "There is a pattern of bias that often permeates all of these types of investigations."

The company has close ties to the Holy Land Foundation. Tahsas Elashi, a company vice president and son of the owner, Bayan Elashi, is chairman of the foundation, the Holy Land Foundation officials say they provide purely humanitarian aid to Palestinians in Israeli-occupied territories and to refugees in Lebanon and Jordan.

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Media reflects nation's internalism

This summer, I spent the less hectic days at sea turned into CNN and the daily TV news. Americans, including representatives and presidents, vacationing during the months of July through August and as a result summer tourism inevitably affects everything painfully slow season for reporters and anchor people.

Two stories dominated American news media this year. Each day reporters greeted America with the saga of the disappearance of Washington intern Chandra Levy and revelations of her alleged affair with Washington D.C. real estate tycoon Gary Condit. Shark attacks on the American coastline were also prominently featured on the 6 o'clock news and the programs on CNN.

At first both stories strongly grasped the attention of the American public. The search for Levy touched the collective nerve of the country as family and friends could not account for her disappearance and the questionable nature of her relationship with the representative for whom she worked evoked memories of the Monica Lewinsky scandal.

In the initial nationally reported story of a good scandal: disappearance, sex and possible murder. Each shark attack contains the elements of a great man-against-nature struggle: a vicious predator, fear and strengthened this national sentiment.

The President’s decisions to withdraw from the Kyoto treaty and to support coal as “alternative energy” are those of the author and not necessarily those of "The Observer.”

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With Thursday’s groundbreaking ceremony for the Marie P. DeBartolo Performing Arts Center, the Notre Dame administration has taken a large step to improve campus facilities for theatrical works and speakers. But with the largest planned venue in the center containing only 900 seats, that step is not large enough.

By committing more than $500 million to the project, the University is spending copious amounts of money on a building that will not meet current needs. Currently, the largest venue on campus is the 571-seat Washington Hall. While the new performing arts center will have five performance spaces, the capacity of its largest theater will increase only by 329 seats. Because the University prides itself on bringing high-profile speakers, including many presidential candidates to campus, the administration should have designed the new performing arts center with a venue that has a much greater seating capacity.

The new performing arts center will accommodate many of the theatrical works on campus, but lecture events often require more than 900 seats to meet demand. Members of Keenan Hall currently rent out the 1,300-seat O’Laughlin Auditorium at St. Mary’s for their annual Keenan Revue production. Even with the creation of the new performing arts center, Notre Dame will not have a large enough venue for its current audience or drastically cut ticket availability. Additionally, last year Notre Dame brought to campus such high-profile speakers as vice-presidential candidate Joseph Lieberman and political analyst Tim Russert. Hundreds of people were denied admission to both lectures due to seating capacity limitations. It is likely that both Lieberman and Russert could have had more than filled even a 900-seat auditorium.

The Observer enjoys a status which allows it to draw big-name visitors from all fields: political, religious, entertainment and academic. With a venue of more than 900, it could encourage future events as well as increase availability to a larger audience.

A current plan leaves that larger audience right where it is: without a seat.

Joanna Mikulski

Tuesday Voice on Friday

Would you or a friend encountered the date rape drug on campus? Please email viewpoint@nd.edu by Friday to report your answer.

Quote of the Day

"In the old days men had the rack, now they have the press." — Oscar Wilde

Author
Loving a hard job

"Beep! Beep! Beep!" rung the pagers. The dispatcher called, "Station 55 ambulance, medtech #91, 100 North High St., possibly cardiac arrest." I jumped into the ambulance as we sped off with lights and sirens blaring. It was the end of May 1999 and I had arrived at Good Fellowship Ambulance only 15 minutes before and I was already going on my first call. I was on my way to a possible cardiac arrest and I didn't even know CPR.

Fortunately the woman in question was not in cardiac arrest—an excited bystander misreported it. We took her to the hospital to get checked out since I have probably been on about 300 between. I have found that to be very true.

Steve Carroll
A Medical Perspective

Editors respond to rape coverage concerns

To our readers:

Responsibility does not mean popularity. When The Observer obtained information this week regarding an alleged rape and possible use of a date rape drug in Keough Hall, the decision to cover the incident was not a difficult one. The possibility that a student may have been raped under the influence of the date rape drug poses a security risk on campus, and we consider it our moral, ethical and professional responsibility to alert the campus when crime occurs.

So we reported it.

Because the security departments at Saint Mary's and Notre Dame have chosen to make only limited details about the two reports available to the public, Observer reporters were unable to obtain all the facts about the incident. As is frequently the case with ongoing crime investigations, all the facts are not known. However, the fact remains that on Friday night, two reports were filed with campus security departments, both indicating use of a date rape drug.

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Editor in Chief

Noreen Gillespie
Managing Editor

Kerry Smith
Assistant Managing Editor

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Irresponsible reporting has lasting consequences

According to the article by Myra McGriff in the Wednesday Observer, there is only an alleged rape at Keough Hall being investigated. If it is only being investigated at one time, why is there more than one report? Doesn't it make sense that the dates of the alleged rapes should be known? The Observer is publishing the dates of the alleged rape drug use in Keough Hall.

The Observer said the residents of these rooms are rascals, even connected to the alleged crime. In every headline, sentence and quote The Observer has taken care to make sure it is clear the crime is "alleged"—meaning that no parties have been charged or convicted. And reporters have given residents the opportunity to come forward and speak about their involvement, if any, in Friday night's events.

But the fact remains that Friday, there was a report filed at Saint Mary's Security that a student may have ingested a date rape drug while at a party in Keough Hall. The decision to print the room numbers reported in the secure log was made with students' safety in mind. If a date rape drug was circulating at that party, any student who attended is potentially at risk. If The Observer hid that information, the paper's coverage could only be judged in hindsight irresponsible.

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Katie Moor
graduate student
Sept. 5, 2001
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Mapping it out

Napleton was bored at work one day this summer and that is when he remembered an idea he had discussed with his friend Al Vitter earlier in the spring. He wanted to gather several friends together, rent a bus and go to Nebraska for the first football game of the 2001 season.

“At that point, we started looking into bus companies and getting a group rate at a hotel. After that it was all gravy,” said Napleton and Vitter got total responses were: everyone wanted to go.”

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Roadblocks and detours

Roger worked with Jon Anselmo, also junior in Keough Hall, and started planning the trip over the summer. Anselmo said he expects to pay between $200 and $400 for gas, making the total cost for each person in their RV about $100.

“A lot of Nebraska fans came out last year, and we just want to show them that we have the same fan support,” Anselmo said. “You only go through college once, and to make a road trip like this will be pretty cool.”

“I want to go to see us win big and get revenge for last year. I think it will be fun to drive down with all the guys. It will definitely be bonding time.”

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Revenge-hungry road trippers flood campus

By LAURA ROMPF
Scene Writer

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Good people of Notre Dame traveling to Nebraska, I must warn you of something about the state you will be visiting.

It seems Nebraskans, in an effort to eventually take over the world in honor of their idols Dale Earnhardt and Kid Rock, have spread themselves out over a wide territory in the middle of the United States. There, they form huge areas of land and surround them with lots of corn plants to hide their sinister activities.

Each of these “farms” has large, tank-like machines called “tractors” that slowly patrol Nebraska’s highways, looking for signs of buildings and automobiles that will signal the presence of their arch-enemy, “Civilization.”

The people of Nebraska, always suspicious of people from “Civilization,” cloak themselves in red on Saturdays during the fall. Their fiery attire is meant to signal Nebraskans when they are in the presence of their own people.

In an effort to sway the rest of the United States to turn their duels on the evils of “Civilization,” namely refrigerators and paved roads, Nebraskans invite teams from “Civilization” to compete against their Huskers in games of sport.

Despite the Nebraskans’ best efforts to persuade their visitors to assist them in conquering the world for country music and the WWF, people from “Civilization” generally find they prefer the comforts of their own society, including toilet paper and re-runs of The Golden Girls.

So, if you’re going to Nebraska, be on alert for people wishing to destroy “Civilization.” Resist any temptations to become one of them. Blast rap music and throw cell phones to keep the Nebraskans at bay. With any luck, you’ll come out fine.
Associated Press

West with a 9-5 victory over the previous fastest to 60, needed 142 runs to become just the fifth to do so. (60 in 1927), Roger Maris (61 in 1961) and Barry Bonds hit his 60th home run in the seventh. The smallest crowd was St. Louis at St. Louis on Sept. 27, 1984. Abreu hit his team-leading 27th homer out of Carl Pavano (6-4) in the first. Jim Ryun was banned for a leadoff single and advanced on first base runners Steve Sax (7) and Enrique Knoblauch, and Ryun homered over the right-field wall. Giants 5, Marlins 2

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Reds 5, Pirates 6

Ken Griffey Jr. hit a tiebreaking, two-run single in the seventh inning and the Cincinnati Reds overcame a five-run deficit to beat the struggling Pittsburgh Pirates.

Cincinnati kept the Pirates from winning their fourth consecutive game, which would have matched their first major league appearance since July 21, gave up an infield single to Todd Walker to open the ninth for his 25th save. Adam Dunn walked and Griffey scored both runners with a double down the left-field line. Pokey Reese added a sacrifice fly.

Jim Brower (7-9) earned the win with three innings of one-run relief. In 13 games, only Barry Bonds had a 5-0 lead after three innings, but could hold it. The rookie gave up five runs in the fourth, third of them unaired because of second baseman Warren Morris' fielding error.

Singlet singled to open the fourth and he went to third when Morris couldn't handle Sean Casey's grounder. Aaron Boone, Dmitri Young and Reese hit consecutive run-scoring singles, and Walker chased Williams with a two-run single.

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NHL
Canadiens captain Koivu to begin chemo treatment

MONTREAL

After getting over the shock of learning he had abdominal cancer, Montreal Canadiens captain Saku Koivu sought out some inspiration.

"He asked us to bring him a copy of Lance Armstrong's book when we go back to visit him later today," Canadiens defense-man Craig Rivet said Thursday after he and teammate Brian Savage visited Koivu in the hospital earlier in the day.

With surgery ruled out as an option, the 26-year-old Canadiens center will begin chemotherapy as soon as the type of cancer is determined, a process that could take up to two weeks.

Rivet and Savage said Koivu was in better spirits a day after he received his grim diagnosis.

"He seemed to be a lot more cheerful, but he's obviously scared," Savage said. "Just the unknown of what kind of cancer it is is pretty difficult for him right now."

Koivu's toughest moments came Wednesday, when he was advised that malignant cells had been found in his abdomen.

"It was kind of a shock for all of us in there," Rivet said. "We didn't get to spend a whole lot of time with him."

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"He seemed to be a lot more cheerful, but he's obviously scared," Savage said. "Now the best kind of lymphoma is Hodgkin's, and then another kind of lymphoma, he said, and now further biopsies and other testing is taking place to learn more about the illness.

We found malignant cells. They would basically fall into two broad categories," Mulder said. "One we're looking at would be in the field of lymphomas, which is cancer of the lymph system. The other would be a tumor in any other part of the abdominal cavity.

"We're hoping that this will be a kind of lymphoma," Mulder said. "Now the best kind of lymphomas is Hodgkin's, and then the worst kind is almost like an acute leukemia, associated with a medical condition. We're hoping he'll have the good kind."

Koivu's NHL career has been plagued with injuries. He missed 28 games last season with a knee injury that required surgery.

He had 17 goals and 30 assists in 44 games last season, and has 85 goals and 185 assists in 344 games in six seasons with Montreal.

Koivu has asked for privacy while the doctors decide on what to do.

"He was looking forward to the season, and now this," Mulder said, adding that he and Koivu had "philosophical" discussions on Monday. "He doesn't have an answer for him."

Mulder said it was too soon to talk about when he would play again.

"I'm not ruling out a return to play hockey, but don't ask for a time," Mulder said, mentioning how Armstrong came back from testicular cancer to win the Tour de France three straight times.

LITTLE LEAGUE WORLD SERIES
Almonte returns to school

Associated Press

NEW YORK

The 1.1 million children heading back to school this week included overage Little League Danny Almonte, who is attending eighth-grade bilingual classes at Public School 52 in the Bronx.

Danny, whose Rolando Paulino team was banned from Little League by officials in the Dominican Republic ruled that he was 14, showed up at school as promised on Thursday, said Board of Education spokeswoman Gail Marshall.

It was Danny's first day at an American school - although team officials originally said he attended school in the Bronx last year.

On Tuesday, officials in the Dominican Republic charged Danny's father with falsifying a birth certificate to make his son appear to be 12 when he actually was 14 and thus too old for Little League.

Felipe de Jesus Almonte will be arrested as soon as he sets foot in this country, said Victor Romero, a public records official in the Dominican Republic. The father is still in New York and faces three to five years in jail if convicted.

Also on Tuesday, school officials said Almonte had been finishing seventh grade in the Dominican Republic until June 15 - another reason he should not have qualified for Little League championships.

The New York team was stripped of its third-place finish in the World Series after Almonte's actual age was revealed last week. Little League also voided all of Almonte's records, including a perfect game.

In an interview with The New York Times, Danny's stepmother, Marisol Maria Inoa Sanchez de Almonte, logged the Dominican and U.S. government's forgiveness on behalf of her husband.

"We had to commit this little fraud to give this opportunity to this child," Inoa Sanchez said.

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WINTER OLYMPICS
Utah farmer busted for logo

Associated Press

SALT LAKE CITY

A farmer who pruned a cornfield maze into the shape of the interlocking Olympic rings is in trouble with Winter Games officials.

The cornstalks in Steve Ames' Farmington field stand in the shape of the five Olympic rings and feature the insignia.

The Salt Lake Organizing Committee's brand-protection department is telling Ames to either plow the corn under or alter the crop so it no longer looks like the Olympic logo.

Ames says he has an e-mail indicating that the sponsor, Nu Skin Enterprises, gave the OK for using the Olympic insignia.

But SLOC officials say no one can use the Olympic rings without paying a price - $10,000 by one account.

Anticipation: '01 - '02 CSC Vehicle Drivers

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

Session will be held at 6:30 p.m. in Room 124 at the CSC. (Bring driver's license)

Reminders:

A Anyone wishing to use a CSC vehicle must attend certification each year.

A Requests must have accurate times and name(s) of person(s) driving at group leader schedules various vehicles, they must inform coordinator (esc vans@nd.edu) as soon as possible of actual drivers.

A Direct questions to: cscvans@nd.edu

Vehicle runs begin Monday, September 3

Please note: * Coordinator is a part time position. E-mail will be checked on Sundays.
By KATIE McVOY
Assistant Sports Editor

The Saint Mary’s cross country team is looking to start off the season on the right foot as the Belles open their season at the Aquinas Invitational on Saturday.

"I think starting out, we’re looking to just see where we are because we have so many new freshmen," junior Whitney Ross said. "We had a really good turnout this year and we’re just trying to get together as a team."

The team has been on campus since Aug. 20 working on long runs, team unity and adapting to college courses. Despite the three weeks of training, Ross said this meet will be the first test for the team.

"This meet will start a ground basis for what we want to work on for the rest of the season." Whitney Ross junior

Thayer and Caitlin Gillen will also be adding their talent to the team. Thayer finished 51st for the Belles last season at the Aquinas Invitational. Gillen will be competing for the first time after sitting out last season due to injury.

Last year, the Belles finished in sixth place out of six teams including MIAA contender Calvin College. Thayer finished 50th; the highest place the Belles took home.

The Belles have run in the Aquinas Invitational for the past three years, so this course, which runs on flat ground, is old news to the veterans.

"It’s a lot more comforting to know what the course is like and how you can pace yourself," Ross said. But for the nearly 15 first-year runners, this will be their first college meet.

"With a lot of freshmen, it will be a big challenge," Ross said.

As far as strategy for this race goes, each woman on the team is going out to run for her best time. Pack running is not something the Belles are looking to do at this first meet.

"It’s pretty much run your best time," Ross said. "We know who we can run with, so in that sense run together.

The race will kick off at 4 p.m. on Saturday in Grand Rapids, Mich.

Returning sophomores Erin Androski, who struggled with mononucleosis during the 2000 cross country season and classmates Rachel Edress, who had a stress fracture earlier this year, will also return to competition at Valparaiso.

"I think the freshmen are ready for their first meet, but I don’t think a lot of them know what they’re getting into," said Irish head coach Joe Piane.

"This is a learning experience for freshmen who haven’t competed before," Piane said. "Our freshmen are in a position where they know they’re being counted on, what it’s like to line up and compete at the college level."

But even without his best runners, Connelly is focusing on competing. Notre Dame took first at the meet last year.

"We’re going out to win the meet," said Connelly. "But usually Jen [Handley] and Megan [Johnson] are out front, and this meet will help us to develop some depth. It puts some people in a position where they know they’re being counted on, what it’s like to line up and compete at the college level.

Though Notre Dame is favored to win again, Western Michigan and Wisconsin-Milwaukee are expected to have some good competition.

"This was my first college race when we ran it last year," said Johnson, who holds the school record in the 1,500-meters. "A group of five of us ran together, pushing each other along. Then we broke away from the pack, and left the other teams in the dust. It was a good way to meet your teammates and see what we had to offer."

"This meet is a matter of showing everyone you’ve worked for all summer," Johnson said.

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Belle freshmen to get taste of college competition

By KATIE McVOY
Associate Sports Editor

While most freshmen on the Saint Mary's campus will be having their first experience with college athletics watching the Notre Dame/Nebraska football game, the freshmen volleyball players will be out on the road getting a first-hand taste of college competition. Head coach Julie Schroeder-Biek will take her eight freshmen players to the Lake Michigan College to acclimate them to the college experience without the rest of the varsity team.

"I'm looking to get them confidence and experience," Schroeder-Biek said. "There have been a couple of positions that have had difficulty (with freshmen) seeing playing time."

Because Lake Michigan is a junior college, the results of tonight's game will not go on the Belles' season record. After losing senior middle-hitter Jolie LeBeau to an ankle injury during Wednesday night's game, Schroeder-Biek saw this as a perfect opportunity to try out some new players in that position.

"I will be doing some experimenting with the middle position," she said. "I have eight (freshmen) so they will be getting a lot of playing time."

In addition to trying out some new players at the middle position, playing without the rest of the varsity team will allow the first-year outside hitters to get some playing time. Thus far this season, the new outside hitters have been playing behind Angela Meyers, who leads the MIAA in defense, and Elizabeth Albert. Andre Bella and Angie Osmanski, both freshmen outside hitters, will have an opportunity to try play at the collegiate level. Although Osmanski hasn't had a chance to play at outside hitter, she has seen some college playing time already. She stepped in when LeBeau went down on Wednesday.

"[Osmanski] is a real versatile player," Schroeder-Biek said. "Angie consistently uses her jump serve and is very effective. Her true position is outside attacker, but I will also throw her in (at) middle."

Bridget Wakaruk has also already seen significant playing time, working as a main setter on the offense. Schroeder-Biek will also be trying Stacey Stark and Ellisse Rupright at middle hitter and experimenting with Jenny Wilkins and Michelle Gary as defensive specialists.

All seven players have already seen some court time this year.

"Five of these (women) actually play a very strong role," Schroeder-Biek said. "They come in (at) half-time either back row or front row."

However, there will be one woman tonight who has had no experience on the college court. Marguerite Ritchey, who dressed with the team for the first time Thursday night, will face competition for the first time tonight.

In preparation for tonight's game, the freshmen faced off in a scrimmage against the seniors on Thursday, a scrimmage that showed some real promise.

"I saw some leaders emerge, which I was hoping to see," Schroeder-Biek said. "I saw good communication."

Competition kicks off at 6:30 against Vincennes, followed by an 8 p.m. game against Terra and a 9:30 game against Lake Michigan.

Schroeder-Biek is counting on her team's mental focus to bring them through the evening's intense schedule.

"They're going to have to really pull it out mentally because physically they're going to be really tired," she said. "That's a lot of competition and basically everybody we play is going to be fresh."

After practicing Friday, the upperclassmen will travel to Lake Michigan with assistant coach Sue Ushela to support their teammates.

The Belles will play their next game as a full team on Tuesday at Olivet.

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SMC Golf

Belles begin MIAA season
By KATIE McVOY
Assistant Sports Editor

This weekend’s golf tourna­
ment could be a preview for the
MIAA championships. The
Belles will kick off their
league sea­
son just behind the
Mariners of Hope College.
Mary Claire Hathaway said. “We
definitely have a chance at the
MIAA championships. This will be our first tourna­
ment, turning in a low score of 82. But the young team
will have its work cut out for it.”

Allison is returning two of the
top five players that placed in the
top eight individual golfers in the
MIAA last season. Lindsey
Denmore and Stacey Chapman
will be leading the Britons in an
effort to reclaim the MIAA title.

Joining the Britons in the
quest will be the Flying
Dutch of Hope, who
placed last season just behind the
MIAA champions.

“We have to keep the fact
that we could take the champi­
onship in mind,” Hathaway
said. “But we also have to con­
centrate on the task at hand.”

“I think everyone is
excited to get into the season,” senior
Mary Claire Hathaway
said. “We think everyone is
excited to get into the season.”

This will be the fourth sea­
son that seniors
Hathaway and
Megan Kelder
will be playing on the
MIAA course.

The Belles finished in third
place last season as a freshman, was
named a second team all-
American for Division III freshmen.

With a young, strong team,
the Belles are
looking at forcing their efforts on
their short game.

“It doesn’t matter. It’s still a
bad call. He threw me out right away,” Posada said.

“When somebody is pushing you, when you’re mad at
him, I mean obviously you can’t do nothing to him, but
you don’t need to keep pushing.

Either way, even a player can’t be pushing an umpire, no
matter what. That’s why I got upset.”

Pekarek

“Things came out of
his mouth, too.”

Crew chief umpire Larry
Young said on Monday that
he wouldn’t suspend Posada.
The New York Yankee catcher
Posada said Tuesday it
didn’t matter that he mistook
Andy Fletcher for another
umpire during the
two-run-in-a
day because the umpire
pushed him first.

Posada

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Jorge Posada

Yankee’s catcher

Posada

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played them it was tough for us because we were playing some of the best teams in the country. I think we were a little intimidated at first but we came around and did a good job.”

In the loss to UCLA, Kim Fletcher and Jessica Kinder combined for six kills, eight digs and two aces to lead the Irish.

Fletcher earned the MVP honors last weekend as Notre Dame opened the season with a 3-0 mark at the home Shamrock Invitational. Teammate Malinda Goralski notched Big East Co-Player of the Week honors after recording a career-high 11 digs in Notre Dame’s four-game victory over Idaho Saturday night.

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“I think it works to our advantage in having played them last year because I don’t think it’s such a shock when you see them,” Brown said. “While they are very talented, I think there are some weaknesses that we can try to take advantage of.”

One adjustment the Irish must make to succeed against the Cornhuskers is acclimating themselves to the sold out Nebraska Coliseum. Last year Notre Dame’s all-time volleyball attendance record was set when the Cornhuskers visited South Bend the same weekend as the Notre Dame-Nebraska football game.

More than 3,000 fans — mostly wearing red — packed the Joyce Center that day. The same can be expected on Saturday as the game is already sold out.

“Usually during the rally it doesn’t get so loud that you can’t hear,” Brown said. “We don’t really anticipate that it would affect us that much. I think it just makes a more exciting atmosphere to play in. I think teams usually play better when there’s more people and there’s more excitement and there’s a band.”

Sunday’s contest pits the Irish against the Waves for the first time ever. Brown and her squad watched tapes of Pepperdine’s earlier games this season on Wednesday afternoon.

“We do know the personnel at Pepperdine and they are a very good team,” Brown said. “They’ve ranked 15th in the country this week. So we know that all three opponents are quality and they’re going to push us to be as good as we can be.”

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ND AFTER FIVE
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

7:00 p.m. Women’s Soccer: Indiana vs. ND, Alumni Field
7:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. Drop In Badminton, Rolfs
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7:00 p.m. Flipside Bowling Trip, Meet at Library Circle*
7:30 p.m. ND Women’s Soccer vs. Penn State, Alumni Field
8:00 p.m. 807 Mass, Lounge, Coleman Morse Center
9:00 p.m. Crafting Corner: Make your own dorm door mat, Dooley Room, LaFortune Student Center
8:30 p.m. - Midnight ND Express Pool Room open, free billiards, LaFortune Student Center
9:00 p.m. Loft Show: Matthew West in Concert, LaFortune Student Center Ballroom
10:30 p.m. SUB Movies: Pearl Harbor and Saving Private Ryan, DeBartolo 101 and 155*
11:00 p.m. Bingo, LaFortune Student Center Notre Dame Room

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8:30 p.m. - Midnight ND Express Pool Room open, free billiards, LaFortune Student Center
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Sophomore forward Amy Warner drives upfield against No. 25 Hartford in last weekend’s KeyBank Classic. The Irish face two unranked squads this weekend at home.

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of players back,” said Pruzinsky. “Hopefully more freshman and other people will play. [Coach Randy Waldrum] will switch it around a lot and use.”

The Irish will be without the services of freshman Mary Boland this weekend. She is out of the lineup indefinitely with a leg injury sustained in the closing minutes of last Friday’s Penn State game. Boland had seen considerable playing time early this season.

“Those players that work their hardest will stay on the field.”

Melissa Tancredi forward

Pruzinsky said the Irish have been concentrating on communication and organization on defense this week in practice.

“On the offensive end, the Irish failed to explode for any multi-goal binges last weekend, but was at the very least consistent against two quality programs.”

Pruzinsky explained that the offense has been perfecting their set plays and “combos.”

If history is any indication, the Irish should have no trouble dispatching both the Badgers and the Hoosiers. Notre Dame has beaten each team 10 times in a row. And, for good measure, throw in the Notre Dame’s 28-game home winning streak.

Whatever the outcome this weekend, the Irish lineup see many different faces.

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the National Soccer Coaches Association of America poll. This
marks the first time the team has held a top 25 spot in two years.
Clark does not want to let the ranking get in the way of his
team's concentration, however.
"Rankings don't mean anything when you're playing two quali­
ty teams like Furman and Clemson," Clark stated.
The Irish defense, which was superb in its shutout of Villanova,
will be tested once again Friday night by the high-powered
offense of the Furman Paladins.
Fresh off of a 7-0 defeat of Belmont, in which sophomore Scott
Hoch scored three goals and an assist, the Paladins should bring
a good challenge to the Notre Dame defense, which has yet to
give up a goal in its three regular-season and exhibition games.
"We've been training all week long to stay in defensive shape,""so­phomore co-captain Greg Martin said. "This will be a good test
for us, but if we play our best, I think we can compete with any
team in the country."
On Sunday, things should not get any easier as the Irish face
the Clemson Tigers.
Clemson has gotten off to a rough start this year, going 1-2, los­
ing both of the games in tight 2-1 matches. Even with the two
losses, the Tigers have outshot their opponents 52-31. Clemson
brings with them a stingy defense led by goalkeepers Doug
Warren and Patrick Fullerton and defenders Oguchi Onyewu and
Eric Lewis.
"To be honest, these are two games that we need to win that we
maybe aren't supposed to get," said Martin. "But if you want to
be one of the best teams in the country, you have to win some of
the games that on paper you might not be ready for."

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Irish to face three higher-ranked teams in Lincoln

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Irish meet Badgers, Hoosiers

**Men’s Soccer**

Notre Dame begins tough schedule at Furman Invite
He's Back
Irish have game film, Huskers have experience

By ANDREW SOUKUP
Associate Sports Editor

Is having experience without knowing the enemy better than knowing the enemy without having experience?

Saturday night, the question will be answered when No. 17 Notre Dame, a team that has yet to play its first game of the year, faces two-game winner No. 4 Nebraska.

"The fact that we haven't played a game, that we've had closed practices, maybe that gives us a slight advantage," said Irish head coach Bob Davie.

Right now, the biggest mystery is what the Irish are going to do at quarterback. While sophomore Matt LoVecchio is the starter, Davie has been ambiguous as to the role backups Carlyle Holiday and Jared Clark will play.

It's possible all three could see playing time; it's possible that only LoVecchio will play. Whatever his plan is, Davie isn't telling.

"I want to give our football team every advantage we can to win," he said. "We certainly have a plan right now. Our players know the plan. But I don't think it's in my best interests or the team's best interests to disclose that right now."

While Nebraska is virtually clueless about what Notre Dame plans to do at quarterback, the Irish know exactly what the Huskers offense revolves around: quarterback Eric Crouch. But knowing what Nebraska plans to do is one thing — stopping Crouch is another thing entirely.

"People are making comments about his passing abilities," Notre Dame linebacker Tyreo Harrison said. "I think he is the same Crouch that has given teams problems ever since he has been playing. I think he is definitely going to be at his best against us. We just need to be ready to stop him."

Crouch has been less than spectacular passing the ball, a possible boon for an inexperienced Notre Dame secondary that doesn't even have an established starter at one cornerback. While Shane Walton is firmly entrenched on one side of the field, Davie has said that Jason Jefferson and Clifford Jefferson will all see playing time at the other Irish corner.

Both teams have also worked extensively on special teams — something that kept Notre Dame in the game last year.

"What hurt us last year was special teams," Crouch said. "That has been our emphasis this week because we felt that we lost that part of the game last year."

"It's going to be hard to have the same statistics we have in special teams," Davie said. "It will probably be hard to have the same statistics with turnovers ... But the encouraging thing is our players realize that that's what it takes to win. These kids are excited about special teams."

But quarterbacks and special teams are secondary in Saturday's game. What everyone wants to know is if the Irish, who are 5-0 in season openers, are ready to stop Crouch.

"We have an advantage to see what we can do against Crouch," Davie said. "We know who the weapons are and you know that you have to be disciplined enough to take care of each responsibility. You know what you have to stop to win the game — that hasn't changed in forever."

But according to Crouch, the Huskers have the advantage because they've played in two games.

"I know that we've learned from going out there and seeing some difference looks in a game atmosphere," he said. "We know what it's like on the field. We are getting our timing down. Games are different from practice and scrimmages."

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Leading by example

Not even a shoulder injury could dim Irons' dedication to his teammates

By MIKE CONNOLLY

Grant Irons is rarely the last player on the field for practice. But shortly before a Fiesta bowl practice last December, Irons was getting ready for practice when he discovered his helmet was missing. He frantically searched his locker and every other place he might have left it but still couldn't find it.

"He was going crazy," linebacker Tyreo Harrison said. "He was about to lose his mind."

Irons doesn't remember being as hysterical as Harrison claims, but he was very concerned that he was going to miss practice because of his lost helmet.

"I thought I have misplaced it. Then I hear all these guesses and laughs around the locker room," Irons said. "I ended up being the last one out to the field because they hid my helmet."

Irons' dedication to practice and his teammates goes beyond most athletes. He stressed about being late for practice even when he was sidelined with an injury.

After he injured his shoulder against Nebraska last fall, Irons couldn't have taken it easy. He could have showed up for practice and stood on the sidelines in shorts and a T-shirt.

But that wouldn't be Grant Irons. Irons showed up for practice every day wearing his jersey, helmet and sometimes even shoulder pads.

"We tried to explain to him that it was OK to miss practice," Harrison said. "I guess he felt bad or that he'd done something wrong if he didn't come out there in pads. Sometimes he would come out there with shoulder pads on and he'd be like, 'You can't play man. There is no reason to do that.'"

Falling down

Irons' dedication to his teammates, his coaches and his school goes far beyond any cliché or rah-rah talk. When Irons says he enjoyed the strenuous rehabilitation for his shoulder and never felt sorry for himself, it's easy to believe him.

"I embraced the rehab," he said. "I looked forward to the rehab process. I just wanted to be back with my teammates, although I did have a longing to be with my teammates in spirit, his return to the field has been a long journey. He tore every ligament, every tendon and most of the tendons against Nebraska.

Irons, focused on the game and his team, said he didn't feel too much pain when he first injured his shoulder.

"With all the adrenaline and the excitement of the game, I really didn't feel it," Irons said. "I was so zoomed in, I blocked it out."

Tearing all the ligaments in his shoulder wasn't nearly as painful as the news he heard the next day.

"The real pain I experienced was the morning after when the doctors told me it was a season-ending injury," Irons said.

Even though he had to watch the rest of the game from the sidelines, he was still a leader.

"At the end of the game, he was at the front of student body leading the cheers for his exhausted but defeated teammates.

With his one good arm he waved for the students to scream even louder in appreciation for his teammates' efforts. He sat out spring practices after five clamps were surgically inserted into his shoulder but returned to full contact drills this summer feeling 100 percent. Nevertheless, he admits being a little tentative the first time his shoulder had to take a hit.

"There was some reluctance in the beginning but as began to play I realized everything had fully healed and back to normal," he said.

A coach's dream

Just after practice Monday evening, a tiny hand tag at Irons' belt. From nearly six-and-a-half feet in the air, Irons looked down at one of his small admiring fans.

"My football practice starts tomorrow," he said.

"That's great Skylar," Irons said with a smile on his face.

Irons' smile was only rivaled by Skylar, who asked Irons for just one more thing: "Kick Nebraska's butt for me."

Irons only laughed as the pint-sized football star ran back to his father.

But again, that's Grant Irons. He shows the same patience, enthusiasm and respect to everyone he encounters. "It shows what kind of a person he is," Davie said. "Every player in our football team respects Grant Irons and I'm sure everybody on this campus that's been around him feels the same way."

The two-time captain who graduated in May with a double degree in management information systems and business management is everything a coach could want, according to defensive coordinator Greg Mattison.

"He leads by example in the way he works," he said. "He's very consistent," he said. "He's there everyday with a great attitude trying to get better. To me that's what a captain does."

"Being out of action for an entire year was tough. I never want to be in that position again. In order for me to overcome that adversity, I had to adjust my attitude and embrace each opportunity," he said. "I had to change my mental outlook. I couldn't allow myself to look at the situation as negative. But instead as something positive."

"How he changed his mental outlook to be more positive is hard to understand," Mattison said. "Teammates and coaches have always known him to be extremely upbeat."

"He's just an bright, vibrant, happy guy," Mattison said. "It's kind of neat to always see a guy who comes out with a smile on his face always ready to go."

Ready to go

Irons' hard work and positive attitude has brought him full circle. Last year, he entered the Nebraska game as one of four senior captains ready to bring Notre Dame back to the top.

One year later, he travels to Nebraska as a first-year graduate assistant and one of four captains ready to bring Notre Dame back to the top. He teammates certainly welcome him back.

"Grant Irons on the practice field is a good thing however he is going to be there," Harrison said. "He is just a great guy to have around because of his enthusiasm and how much he wants to be there and how sincere he is. It's great to have him back out there in the huddle."

"He brings some much energy to the table," defensive end Anthony Weaver said. "I don't where he gets it from. Some people get tired on occasion but he is always going full speed. He just has a non-stop motor."

In Lincoln this Saturday, there are few certainties. No one knows if quarterback Matt LoVecchio will suffer a sophomore slump or how Arnaz Battle will perform as a wide receiver.

But there is one thing you can count on.

On every occasion, you can count on Grant Irons. Irons will be there, ready to go.

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The Fiesta Bowl loss put the pressure back on Davie’s shoulders, but he’s had three weeks to prepare for Nebraska. Davie’s holding his cards close to his chest—he’s determined not to let anyone know what game plan he plans to execute Saturday.

LaVeccio is the starter, but the Irish have two solid backups in Holiday and Clark. LaVeccio earned the starting job after he won seven straight games last year, but in the Fiesta Bowl—his first big-time game—he threw two interceptions.

The Irish get the boost of having the ball more. The Irish offense has one of the best backfields in the nation, but Jones, Howard and Fisher have been hampered by injury. The offensive line has also been troubled by injury. Milligan will be making his first career start at guard Saturday.

Solich has been under pressure to produce a national title ever since he took over for Osborne in 1998. While he’s been able to make adjustments to his own team, he hasn’t been able to see any film of Notre Dame yet.

It’s hard to tell how good Nebraska’s run defense is because they haven’t faced a running attack like Notre Dame’s. Last week, Nebraska held Troy State to minus-25 rushing yards. In all, the Husker defense only allowed 31 rushing yards.

While LoVecchio’s passing abilities are just average, he has shown he can avoid interceptions. The Irish get the edge because both coaches have underachieved according to their program’s expectations, the Irish have game film and can prepare for Nebraska’s offense. Solich doesn’t have that luxury.

This is a matchup of uncertainty. Notre Dame struggles with its good running defense, but until Saturday night, nobody knows which one is better.

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Headcoach
Bob Davie
fifth season at
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State: 30-19
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Roster

No.  Name            Pos.    Ht. Wt. YR
 1   Mark Clark      OL       6-5  300    JR
 2   Carlos Pierre-Antoine LB      6-3  200    FR
 3   Matt Mackney      OL       6-5  305    JR
 4   Arno Ball         DL       6-1  250    FR
 5   Justin Smith      LB       6-1  235    FR
 6   David Greene      DB       5-11 210    FR
 7   Brandon Coleman   DB       6-2  208    FR
 8   Tony Fisher       OL       6-3  300    JR
 9   Nick Setta        DL       5-11 225    FR
 10  Corey Mays        ILB      6-1  225    FR
 11  Ryan Gillis        OG       6-3  296    JR
 12  JW Jordan         C        6-1  275    SR
 13  Justin Tuck       OLB      6-5  215    FR
 14  Mike McNair       FB       6-0  237    SR
 15  Jeff Faine         C       6-3  306    JR
 16  Derek Curry       ILB      6-3  225    SO
 17  Mike Thomas       OLB      6-1  245    JR
 18  Mike Mews         FB       6-0  225    SO
 19  Grant Irons       DE       6-5  275    SR
 20  Brian Beidatsch   DL       6-4  265    FR
 21  Carlos Pierre-Antoine LB      6-3  200    FR
 22  Tony Fisher       OL       6-3  300    JR
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 25  Matt Mackney      OL       6-5  305    JR
 26  John Teasdale     OT       6-5  305    SR
 27  Brennan Curtin    OT       6-8  305    SO
 28  Tony Fisher       OL       6-3  300    JR
 29  Brian Beidatsch   DL       6-4  265    FR
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 32  Darrell Campbell  DT       6-4  296    JR
 33  John Teasdale     OT       6-5  305    SR
 34  Noah Amstatter     sports editor

Fighting Irish
Notre Dame

Record: 0-0
AP: No. 17
Coaches: No. 17

Coaching

Offense

Left End: 14 - Godsey, 70 - Molinaro
Left Tackle: 76 - Teasdale, 70 - Molinaro
Center: 52 - Faine
Right Tackle: 63 - Curtin, 70 - Molinaro
Right End: 70 - Lohr, 12 - Fisher

Quarterbacks

Ivanhoe: 10 - LoVecchio, 4 - Crouch
No. 1: 10 - LoVecchio, 4 - Crouch
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Guard

Left Guard: 28 - Donald, 61 - Tyler
Right Guard: 51 - Ryan, 51 - Tyler

Fullback

62 - Crouch, 12 - Fisher

Special Teams

Left Halfback: 20 - Dooley, 80 - Hays
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Defensive Line

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Linebackers

Middle Linebacker: 52 - Faine
Left Linebacker: 46 - Mays, 43 - Cooper
Right Linebacker: 47 - Carters, 42 - Cooper

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Right Corner: 92 - Smith, 14 - Booker

Safety

Left Safety: 25 - Huyke, 48 - Burrow
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Inside Linebackers

Left Inside: 49 - Rein holden, 46 - Mays
Right Inside: 42 - Cooper, 47 - Carters

IRISH RUSHING

IRISH PASSING

Notre Dame

COACHING

Head Coach: Bob Davie
Assistant Coaches: Pat Ryan, Jeff Faine

Signature Plays

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The Irish are hungry for some redemption after last year’s heartbreaker, but the Cornhuskers will be out to give their first real competition of the season a beating. The key to victory will be Notre Dame’s defensive ability to limit Crouch and Co. when they’re on the field.

**FINAL SCORE: Notre Dame 24 Nebraska 20**

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**2001 Schedule**

- Aug. 25: TCU - W
- Sept. 1: Troy State - W
- Sept. 8: Notre Dame
- Sept. 15: Rice
- Sept. 29: at Missouri
- Oct. 6: Iowa St.
- Oct. 13: at Baylor
- Oct. 20: Texas Tech
- Oct. 27: Oklahoma
- Nov. 3: at Kansas
- Nov. 10: Kansas St.
- Nov. 23: at Colorado

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**Special Teams**

- **Quartback:** Mike Connolly
- **Fullback:** Mike Connolly
- **Wide Receiver:** Mike Connolly

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**Intangibles**

- **Home-field advantage gives the Huskers the edge in this category.** Nebraska fans are ready enough that the Cornhuskers have been piping crowd noise into their practices to prepare for Memorial Stadium. Plus, the Huskers haven’t lost in two seasons at home.

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**Head Coach**

- Frank Solich

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**Nebraska Cornhuskers**

- Record: 2-0
- AP: No. 5
- Coaches: No. 4

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**The Huskers Rushing Game**

- Controlling Crouch is the key to controlling Nebraska’s offense. Lions, Warsaw, and Tongue, and Wisne will have a challenge battling the Nebraska line. However, the Irish are big and physical, something the Huskers have seen all year.

**The Husker Passing Game**

- Oregon State’s performance last season.
- The Irish secondary is weak is probably the biggest question mark, with only one starting quarterback.
- Nebraska fans are new starters for the Huskers.
- Nebraska are still a strong team.

**The Irish secondary is weak is probably the biggest question mark, with only one starting quarterback.**
Players, not history, will decide game

Can somebody please tell me why Notre Dame is even bothering to get on the plane to Lincoln, Neb.? After all, history is against them — therefore they must not even stand a chance. For example, Bob Davie's worst three losses as a head coach have come in night games that the Irish played on the road. Nebraska has won 15 straight games at Memorial Stadium and as long as the Huskers rush for more than 300 yards, they're guaranteed to win. Since Frank Solich became head coach, Nebraska is 19-0 whenever they break the magical 300 yard barrier. But then again, maybe the Irish are taking heart in the fact that, with Davie as the head coach, the Irish have never lost a season opener. And the last time the Huskers won two games in a row, the Irish won the next matchup. So, since Notre Dame lost in the last two meetings — the 1973 Orange Bowl and last year's overtime thriller — they're guaranteed to win this year. Sound ridiculous? That's because it is. But that doesn't stop some people from predicting that historical statistics will outweigh what the present team is capable of. For example, let's look at what Anthony Gimino, the CBS Sportsline.com college football editor, wrote in his latest column. Gimino pointed out that the Irish are 1-5 against teams ranked in the Top 10 (Nebraska is currently No. 4). He further pointed out in every one of those losses, Notre Dame's opponent has out-rushed the Irish. Gimino wrote, "Against teams that are bigger, stronger and, particularly, faster, Davie's dudes turn into gurry little underdogs..." So, because the Irish didn't out rush Michigan in 1997, Gimino thinks Notre Dame shouldn't bother climbing aboard their jumbo jet to play Nebraska in 2001. But Mr. Gimino, why didn't you consider the fact that the Irish are 125-25-4 against schools that begin with the letter N? Doesn't that have any meaning? The answer is that it matters about as much as the XFL. In fact, the amount of yards Notre Dame rushed for in 1997 — or any other historical number, for that matter — means about as much in Saturday's game as the weather conditions in Fiji. "Whatever is going to happen Saturday is going to be based on what happens Saturday, not what happened a week ago or a year ago," said Davie. "Statistics mean nothing. Games mean everything. If statistics meant so much, then we could just look at Nebraska's record to see how good they'll do this season. Since they're 2-0, they're on pace to be undefeated. Then again, since the Irish are 0-0, they're on pace to not play a game at all. You can't reduce talent level of the players and coaches to mere numbers. If you could, there would be no need to play the game. We could just use a computer, plug in the different players for each team, and bingo - we'd have a national champion without any arguing. But my copy of "NCAA College Football 2002" isn't quite up to the task, so we're stuck with having to play the games on the field. Nobody can say just how much of a liability Notre Dame'ssecondary will be. Nobody can say how well the Irish defense can shut down Heisman-trophy candidate Eric Crouch. Nobody can say what role the Irish receivers will play in Saturday's contest. Why? Because Notre Dame hasn't even played a game yet. And unless you're either a player, a coach, a trainer, a student manager, or someone who climbed the bleachers by the softball field to peer over the fence and watch the Irish practice, you don't know what the Irish plan to do Saturday. Best assured, Bob Davie and Frank Solich aren't worried about rankings, statistics and predictions. They're too busy trying to figure out how to beat the other team. And no matter how much they think they can try to plan for everything, unexpected situations can still occur. For example, what will Solich do if Crouch gets injured on the first play of the game? Absurd? Yes. But it happened last year to Armaa Battle. It's impossible to predict what will happen. But there's no way that looking at historical statistics of past teams will help Davie and Co. win. Gimino wrote, "Out-rushing their opponent is what the Irish want to do more than anything." Funny. I thought the Irish wanted to win more than anything. It's going to be a close game Saturday night. It's going to be a good game Saturday night. And there's only one way that will happen. Notre Dame just has to get on the plane and play the game. Andrew Soukup can be reached at soukup@nd.edu. The views of this column are those of the author and are not necessarily those of The Observer.

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**A LOOK AT THIS WEEKEND'S COLLEGE FOOTBALL ACTION**

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Western Michigan at Virginia Tech  11 a.m., ESPN2
Michigan at Washington  2:30 p.m., ABC
Alabama at Florida State  4:30 p.m., ESPN2

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**GAME OF THE WEEK**

Michigan's Jake Fryslinger chases down Miami of Ohio quarterback Ryan Hawk during the Wolverines' 31-13 win last week. No. 13 Michigan travels to Washington to take on the No. 15 Huskies this weekend.

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**Defence will decide Michigan-Washington**

**By GREG LADKY**

Big Ten and Pac-Ten powerhouses collide for the second straight week as the No. 11 Wolverines travel to Seattle to take on the No. 15 Huskies. The Pac-Ten won round one last week with Oregon's thrilling 31-28 victory against Miami (Oh) last weekend. Michigan led 17-6 well into the fourth quarter. Twenty-one of the Wolverines points came off three interceptions. John Navarre, the heir apparent to New York Yankees farmhand and former Michigan quarterback Drew Henson, went 19-32 for 205 yards and one touchdown. Running back D.J. Askew, who totaled 94 yards on 20 carries last week, told reporters that their play was, "not good enough for next week."

Both teams' strength lies in defense. The Wolverines have a top-flight linebacker corps, headed by Larry Foote and Victor Hobson. The defense has the responsibility of carrying the team as the offense matures. This is Washington's season opener. The Huskies went 11-1 last year and defeated Purdue 34-24 in the Rose Bowl. Many experts feel the Huskies belonged in the national championship game. They handed the Miami Hurricanes their only loss of the 2000 season. However, their star quarterback Marcus Tuausogopu is gone to the pros. No team in the country lost a more important player. Cody Pickett beat out Tyler Barton to take Tuausogopu's place.

The Huskies will also rely on the defense. Larry Trippett, a 6-1 300 pound nose tackle, has graced every college football publication's pre-season-All-American team. He is one of the most dominating players in college football.

Several questions loom on offense for both teams. Expect a defensive struggle. One big play can certainly decide the outcome of the game. The team that protects the football and plays the best defense should prevail.

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**OTHER TOP GAMES**

**Kansas State at USC**

Kansas State is notorious for its weak non-conference scheduling over the years. However, on Saturday the No. 12 Wildcats open their season at Southern California. USC tried to end its curse of bad coaching by hiring former NFL coach Pete Carroll and offensive coordinator Norm Chow, an expert at developing quarterbacks. The Trojans need to change the momentum of the game. Receiver/returner Aaron Lockett and linebacker Triplett, a 6-1 300 pound nose tackle, has graced the field for both teams. Expect a defensive struggle. One big play can certainly decide the outcome of the game. The team that protects the football and plays the best defense should prevail.

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**Fresno State as Wisconsin**

The BCS hopes the No. 23 Badgers win this football game. If No. 19 Fresno State wins, they could run the table this year. The BCS does not want an undefeated WAC team complaining they deserve to play for the national championship. The Bulldogs have certainly earned a spot so far with impressive victories against Colorado and Oregon State.

Quarterback David Carr and receiver Rodney Wright put on a pass and catch clinic Sunday night in Fresno State's 44-24 victory over their 10th-ranked Oregon State. Carr completed 21 of 34 for 340 yards and four touchdowns. Wright grabbed seven for 182 yards and two touchdowns. The Badgers are now Big Ten favorites with their near upset of Oregon last weekend. Jim Sorgi will remain at quarterback. He threw for 231 yards last week, 168 of them to Lee Evans.

The Bulldogs are a very physical team, not normal for the WAC. However, it is tough to go toe to toe against a Big Ten powerhouse. Fresno State needs another great performance out of Carr. The Badgers usually play tough defense at home and will look to run over the Bulldogs.

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Thursday, September 6, 2001

Free Billiards
8:30 pm to 12:00 mid in Nd Express in LaFortune Student Center. For more information visit www.nd.edu/~sao/

Acoustic Cafe
9:00 pm-12:00 mid in the Huddle. Sponsored by the Student Union Board

Pearl Harbor
10:00 pm in DeBartolo 101, admission $3.00. Sponsored by the Student Union Board

Saving Private Ryan
10:00 pm in DeBartolo 155, admission $2.00. Sponsored by the Student Union Board

Friday, September 7, 2001

Pearl Harbor
7:00 pm and 10:30 pm in DeBartolo 101, admission $3.00. Sponsored by the Student Union Board

Saving Private Ryan
7:30 pm and 10:00 pm in DeBartolo 155, admission $2.00. Sponsored by the Student Union Board

Free Billiards
8:30 pm to 12:00 mid in ND Express in LaFortune Student Center. For more information visit www.nd.edu/~sao/

Matthew West
9:00 p.m. SUB presents vocalist and songwriter Matthew West in this first Loft Show. LaFortune Student Center Ballroom

ND Crafting Corner- Decorate your own doormat
9:00 pm to 11:00pm in the Dooley Room in LaFortune Student Center. For more information visit www.nd.edu/~sao/crafting

Tournament Time- Bingo
Bingo from 11:00 pm to 1:30 am in the Notre Dame Room. For more information visit www.nd.edu/~sao/tournament

Saturday, September 8, 2001

Nebraska Game Watch
Games starts at 6:15 pm outside on North Quad (rain location LaFortune Ballroom). Sponsored by the Student Union Board and Student Government

Pearl Harbor
8:00 pm and 11:30 pm in DeBartolo 101, admission $3.00. Sponsored by the Student Union Board

Saving Private Ryan
7:30 pm and 10:00 pm in DeBartolo 155, admission $2.00
Sponsored by the Student Union Board

Karaoke and Music
10:00 pm to 1:00 am in the Huddle in LaFortune Student Center
For more information visit www.nd.edu/~sao/music

Clover Comedy Club- Tim Young
Immediately following the Nebraska Game Watch in the Ballroom of LaFortune Student Center. For more information visit www.nd.edu/~sao/comedy

Questions?? Contact the Student Activities Office at 631-7308 or visit www.nd.edu/~sao for more information.