Students celebrate Saturday night after the Notre Dame football team's 22-0 victory over Maryland in the Kickoff Classic.

Anthony thrives despite slowdown

By LIZ KAHLING
News Writer

While the dollar may not get the average college backpacker as far in Europe as it used to, the sluggish travel industry has not affected Notre Dame and Saint Mary's local travel agent, Anthony Travel President John Anthony said. Despite changes in the travel industry in the last two years, Anthony said Anthony Travel continues to add new clients to its already strong rolodex of local travel agents.

"We offer services for these markets that others [travel agencies] don't. That makes our growth reasonable during the economic downturn," Anthony said.

Just last year Anthony Travel won a national bid to serve Purdue University in addition to other locations at University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill; Central Missouri State and Dallas. While pressure and changes have increased in the travel industry, so too have the opportunities for Anthony Travel.

"The customer is looking around to see what you can do for them. We offer unique services for our unique clients," Anthony said.

Many students who plan on going abroad have utilized Anthony Travel to purchase wholesale student fares, passport photos, Eurorail passes and an International Student ID card all in one stop. A new service being offered to students, especially freshmen, is the student travel club. For a one-time fee of $250, freshmen will be exempt from Anthony Travel fees on personal airline ticket costs for all four years. They will additionally be enrolled in frequent flyer programs, receive personalized luggage tags, a $25 discount coupon for spring break tour packages and notification of important travel issues.

Faculty also receive discounts for certain airlines. Anthony Travel can bill the faculty's grant directly, saving paperwork. Notre Dame's athletic department saves $100,000 each year by booking teams' traveling needs.

Diversity talk raises questions

By KELLY HRADSKY
News Writer

Through funding from the Center for Women's Intercultural Leadership, the Saint Mary's community gathered on campus to discuss diversity Saturday.

"Changing individuals doesn't change institutions; we want to change policy and procedures." - Frances Kendall, diversity consultant, facilitator

Kendall, a leading diversity consultant and facilitator, led a series of workshops that encouraged participants to learn about themselves and to challenge authority.

Students as well as faculty attended the frank seminars - "Creating a Welcoming and Inclusive Community," "Waking up to Privilege" and "Leadership Matters: Being Agents of Change."

"Changing individuals doesn't change institutions; we want to change policy and procedures," Kendall said.

The response from participants was heated as many burst into applause or quickly bowed if differing opinions were expressed.

Members of the audience argued that these items could create an unhealthy atmosphere, adding that resident advisors are representatives of the college and their rooms are similar to an office space. Others argued that dorm rooms are their own personal space where they can express themselves.

"Since the resident advisors don't pay their rooms, I think that their rooms are the school's and therefore they should not be able to hang things like the Confederate flag," Emerick said.

Kendall started the second seminar by reading to the audience a series of statements, asking them to stand up after each statement that applied to them. The statements referred to ancestry, race and gender. A sample question was:

"Since the resident advisors don't pay for their rooms, I think that their rooms are the school's and therefore they should not be able to hang things like the Confederate flag." - Jodie Emerick, sophomore

Kendall's purpose in asking the questions was to help audience members organize their thoughts and "明晰 ideas we have and think about the best questions to ask," Dunn said.

Students hope game sets tone for season

By LAUREN BECK
News Writer

Cautious optimism turned to euphoria Saturday night among Notre Dame football fans after a 22-0 Irish victory over Maryland in the Kickoff Classic.

" irish fans pack Meadowlands"

The general mood on campus following the game in East Rutherford, N.J., was one of hope and excitement as students looked ahead to the remaining 11 games on the football schedule.

"I knew the game was going to set the tone for the season, and that was the tone I wanted it to set," said sophomore Matthew Poetzinger.

Poetzinger hoped the team's showing would increase fan support in the upcoming games. "Last year, it seemed like people were going to the Stadium to watch the Irish lose, but that won't be happening now. I see an attitude change among the fan base," he said.

For freshmen Joe McFarlane and Mike Ragdale, Saturday's game was the perfect start to the next four years of watching Irish football. "I'm proud to be a part of the Irish after their excellent showing," McFarlane said. "They played better than I expected. They played with more spirit... they really wanted to win," Ragdale said. However, Ragdale said he was surprised by the team's performance, considering Notre Dame's absence from the preseason polls.

"It was great to witness the first shutout by a new coach at Notre Dame in almost 50 years," he said about Tyrone Willingham's first game at the helm of the team.

Upperclassmen were also optimistic about the new season, citing the improvements they saw from last year. Several credited Willingham's leadership and work ethic for the team's new look and attitude. "I could tell when seeing new plays and new strategy that it's a different team," said senior Katherine Karrai. "There are things they still need to work on, but I think we'll have a better season than expected as they continue to practice.

Senior George Salib said the Irish were more exciting to watch Saturday than last season as they branded Willingham's West Coast offensive scheme.

"It was a total change," said Bryant, also a senior, said she was impressed by Willingham's hard-working approach.
It's time for online

8 a.m., first official day of class. Do you remember where you were? For some, you might have been in class, and for others, you might have been struggling to catch those last minutes of much-needed early-morning sleep. As for myself, I was standing in line at the Stadium along with hundreds of other students waiting to receive tickets for an undeniably exciting football season.

Some were disgruntled and a little peeved, while others were just unearthly. There were a handful of cheery season.

As for the plan: We keep the lottery system this were made optional. OK, here's the plan. The system, along the lines of IrishLink, and at your appointed time, based on year and lottery number, you go online and get your tickets. At enrollment, students can show their ID, turn in their ticket application with their social security number, and receive a number. Before the drawing, the system would have already recorded both the unique lottery number and the matriculation number for each student to ensure authentication. At your appointed time, type in your social, your lottery number and choose whatever is available for yourself as well as your group of friends. And payment, no problem, through a secured server you pay by credit or check. If cash is your thing, then you can pay in advance, or at enrollment even. Advance payment would be noted in the system, so that when a student's number is drawn at a later date, they would just need to provide their social and lottery number.

But no worries to all of you die-hard fans who still want to wait it out in front of the Stadium during the wee hours of the morning. If that's your thing, then you can do it with other like-minded individuals and carry on the torch of tradition. For others, standing in line all morning is not a testament to show how much of an Irish fan you are. Some choose to arrive half-naked in sub-zero weather, eating cold brats until they can't feel their feet. But I suppose everyone has his own definition.

The views expressed in the Inside Column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer. Contact Kirk Turner at Knitturner@nd.edu.

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WHAT'S HAPPENING @ ND


WHAT'S HAPPENING @ SMC

♦ Recital Forum, noon, Little Theatre

♦ SAB Meeting 9 p.m., ICGR304 SCA Board Room.

WHAT'S COOKING

North Dining Hall

Today Lunch: Meatless baked ziti, Tri-Color rotini, meatball Stroganoff sauce, supreme pizza, pasta primavera, spinach, chicken & dumplings, baked haddock jardiniere, mashed red-skinned potato, Teriyaki Landon broil, scrambled eggs, rolled cheese omelet, sausage patties, eggs Benedict with ham, seasoned potato cubes, onion rings.

South Dining Hall

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Today Dinner: Cream of broccoli soup, minestrone soup, French bread, pizza, penne with gorgonzola, southern fried chicken, burger, mustard, cheddar cheese, beef, red pasta, eggs, beef, cheese, boiled Chinese noodles.
Media exhibition opens at Moreau Galleries

By SARAH NESTOR
News Writer

The Moreau Galleries opens its 2002-2003 season with a thought-provoking exhibit by artist Greg Pond, assistant professor of art at the University of the South.

"Beyond the Hedge" is a multimedia exhibit that merges nature with modern devices, such as DVD players, the hull of a car, and compact disc players.

"I am interested in American mythology and the related concepts of westward expansion, regeneration through violence, and cultural attitudes towards landscape," Pond said in his artist statement. "It is the landscape that largely influences our collective mythology, creates its narrative and heroes such as John Wayne and Daniel Boone."

His piece "Crickets" is composed of an aluminum basket filled with grass and dirt connected to electronic sound boards that produce the sounds of crickets.

"Fox skinning" is among his more disturbing pieces, wherein a bowl of fox skins surrounds a small DVD player displaying the actual process of a fox skinning. The exhibit contrasts the image of the brutal nature of a fox being skinned against the gentleness of the soft skins placed in the bowl.

"The wilderness is seen as the place of the terrible unconsciousness and must necessarily be replaced by systems of order," Pond said. "Through compressing history and cultures, altering the pace of time and distorting the physical scale, I seek to portray a psychological rather than social or material realism."

This first display of the season will remain in the Moreau Galleries through Sept. 26, and the gallery is open Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Contact Sarah Nestor at nest9877@saintmarys.edu.

ATTENTION SENIORS interested in the
FULBRIGHT SCHOLARSHIP

Prof. Brad Gibson will have a final meeting to inform you of deadline dates and the application process on Sept. 4th in Haggar 117 at 4:30 pm.

If you are unable to attend this meeting, information may be obtained at the fellowship office in 99 O'Shaughnessey Hall.

The Knights of Columbus Council 1477, Notre Dame
Notre Dame’s Fraternal Catholic Organization

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TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3rd from 7 - 10 pm at the JACC
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Travel

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through Anthony Travel.

Anthony reports that there has been a 15 percent drop in Point A to Point B travel but these gaps have been filled with new clients. They are cur-
rently in discussion with two other universities.

Anthony Travel's success is their excellent reputation among students and parents.

"I think Anthony Travel's success is their reputation among students and parents.
"I think there's a comfort factor for the parents to be able to call us up and order their
child's airline ticket with their credit card and tell their child to just come to us to pick it up," said Anthony. "It's just nice to know that if something goes wrong, we're here for you.

Anthony Travel also does extensive research for the ever-scandalous spring break deals that have scammed unsuspecting college kids time and again.

We find reputable trips that may not necessarily be the cheapest but may be the best value for the quality and the price," he said.

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Game

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attitude.

"You would think a coach up at the half would be pleased, but when they interviewed Willingham at halftime ... he wasn't settling. He's tough, and that's what we need. We seemed more together and solid," she said.

Some students, such as junior Chrisy Maher, are hop-
ing for a bowl game appearance from the Irish after the outcome of Saturday's game. "I was optimistic before the game, with a new coach and a fresh start, and I'm even more excited now," she said.

But students also recognized that they couldn't get their hopes up too high, too early, especially with a tough schedule that includes Michigan, Michigan State and Florida State.

"We can't get too hyped after the first game," said Bryant. "We have to keep our hopes up high, but don't expect a championship this year.

Salib said Saturday set a positive tone for what he hopes will be a memorable final foot-
ball season at Notre Dame.

"I can't imagine how crazy the Stadium will be, with spirit from both the fans and players. I'm looking forward to that.

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GERMANY

High waters spread into central parts of Europe

Associated Press

Rain turned the Strzegomka, Lesko and Pelcznica rivers into roaring torrents, causing flooding near the city of Walbrzych, 260 miles southwest of Warsaw, and nearby Swidnica. "The situation is very difficult and bad," said Dariusz Budkiewicz, deputy head of the fire department in nearby Swidnica. "Our teams are pumping water from flooded farms and evacuating people." Many people in the area fled their farms as the water levels rose Sunday, flooding roads and rail tracks. Firefighters strengthened dikes around a lake which threatened to overflow and flood the city of Dobromierz. With the dry weather expected over much of Europe in the coming days, leaders are focusing on how to repair damage estimated at over $19.6 billion, with most of the burden falling on Germany.

European Union foreign ministers meeting Saturday in Helsingor, Denmark, approved a European disaster fund of $491 million. EU applicants Czech Republic and Slovakia affected by the flooding will also be able to draw on the fund. The German government has begun releasing funds from a hastily assembled package worth about $9.8 billion to help residents and businesses get back onto their feet. The German Chamber of Industry and Commerce estimated Saturday that 2,500 businesses were destroyed and as many as 18,000 more were damaged by the floodwaters.

CANADA

Health officials suspect West Nile virus in Ontario

Associated Press

TORONTO

Ontario health officials said Friday they believe three people sick in the province have the West Nile virus, which would be Canada's first known cases of the mosquito-born illness that has killed 24 people in the United States this year. Colin O'Cunha, the Ontario chief medical officer, said final confirmation would take another two weeks. Ontario is Canada's most populous province, and is across the border from U.S. states where the virus has been reported.

If the three have the virus, it would document the continuing spread of West Nile throughout North America. Several U.S. states — including North Dakota, Iowa, Arkansas and South Carolina — have reported their first cases this week of a virus that can cause fever, body aches, brain swelling, coma, paralysis or death. Canadian officials have warned in recent years that the virus, which has been detected in birds and animals in Canada, eventually would spread to the human population. It is transmitted to humans by mosquito bites. Dr. David McKeown, the medical health officer for the Peel region west of Toronto, said two of the probable cases involved people over 65 from the Mississauga area.

One remains hospitalized in serious condition and another was hospitalized and then released to recover at home, McKeown said. There was little information immediately available about the third case, but O'Cunha said authorities believe the person became sick in the United States.

According to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 24 people have died across the country so far this year from the virus, with almost 500 cases reported in more than 20 states. The virus is most dangerous for children, the elderly and people with weak immune systems. It can cause flu-like symptoms and encephalitis, a potentially fatal brain infection. Most people bit­ten by an infected bug never get sick.

West Nile is common in Africa and the Middle East. The disease was first detected in the United States in 1999, when seven people died from it in New York.

WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

Fox admits falling short of promises:

Facing a country impatient for change, a humbled President Vicente Fox acknowledged Sunday that he said he was not to do in achieving the sweeping reforms he promised two years ago when he toppled Mexico's entrenched political elite. In his second state-of-the-nation address late Sunday, Fox admitted that he hadn't achieved as much as he had hoped and pleaded with Congress to help him create the new Mexico he outlined during his campaign.

Israeli soldier retaliate on Palestinians:

In the West Bank, Israeli soldiers they had been warned of an attack, shot and killed four Palestinians near a Jewish settlement's vineyard in the West Bank on Sunday. The shootings brought the weekend Palestinian death toll to 13, including two children and several other civilians. Senior Israeli officials apologized for the loss of civilian lives, while Palestinians and some Israelis charged the army has lost its sense of restraint.

California wildfire forces evacuation:

A wildfire spread rapidly across 10,000 acres of national forest Sunday, sending thousands of holi­day campers fleeing. The fire was burning in the Azusa Canyon area of the Angeles National Forest about 30 miles east of Los Angeles. About 8,000 campers were told to evacuate campgrounds. "This was a holiday weekend and the canyon was full of people," state Department of Forestry dispatcher James Arthur said. About 11,420 acres of brush were aflame across California. In El Dorado County east of Sacramento, a fire destroyed one house and threatened about 100 others. It had consumed 770 acres Sunday and was 30 percent contained.

House explosion kills one, injures 17:

A house in Snow Hill, Md. exploded as firefighters and utility workers investigated a gas leak Sunday, killing one worker and injuring 17 people. Thirteen of those injured were firefighters and paramedics. Three other homes reported gas leaks, and about 20 nearby homes were evacuated and the gas sup­ply was turned off, police Chief Michael McDermott said. "It's a very dangerous situation," he said. "We're taking every precaution." Emergency work­ers were plugging in fans to blow the gas odor out of the one-story home when a spark ignited flames, he said.

DEA reveals terrorist link to drug trade:

Federal authorities have amassed evidence for the first time that an illegal drug operation in the United States was funneling proceeds to Middle East terrorist groups like Hezbollah. Evidence gath­ered by the Drug Enforcement Administration since a series of raids in January indicates that a methamphetamine drug operation in the Midwest involving men of Middle Eastern descent has been shipping money back to terrorist groups, officials said.

 NATIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

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Market Watch August 30

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NASDAQ

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916.07 -1.73

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867.33 +4.35

NYSE

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TOP 5 VOLUME LEADERS

COMPANY %CHANGE AGAIN PRICE

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NASDAQ-100 INDEX(CQQQ) -1.16 -0.38 73.49

CISCO SYSTEMS(CSCO) -2.68 -0.38 13.82

QUADLE CORP(URCL) -3.71 -0.37 9.59

INTL CORP(INTC) -2.74 -0.47 16.67

South Africa

Summit embraces business

+ World leaders try to reconcile corporate values with concerns about environment

Associated Press

JOHANNESBURG

Business can overcome its "evil empire" image by focusing on more than just short-term profits, government and corporate leaders said Sunday at the World Summit. "Both business and society stand to benefit from working together," U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan said at a daylong series of Business Day events.

Attitudes have changed since the first Earth Summit 10 years ago, when big business was viewed as part of the problem, Annan said.

"We didn't understand how the private sector could be part of the solution," he said. "Today there is a better understanding that "lasting and effective answers" can only be found in conjunction with business.

"The corporate sector has the finances, technology and the willingness to make things happen" without waiting for slow-moving governments to act, he said.

Speaking earlier, Canadian Prime Minister Jean Chretien sounded a similar note.

"We must move beyond the stale cliche that business does not care about the environment," he said.

Yet not everyone has bought into the prominent role allotted to business at the current World Summit, conceded the gathering's host, South African President Nelson Mandela.

Environmental and consumer groups especially view big business with a "continuing sense of suspicion," he said.

"With the summit's action plan geared toward encouraging public-private partnerships to alleviate poverty while protecting the environment, activists have been pushing delegates to include rules to hold corporations accountable for their performance on social, environmental and economic issues. Business leaders have argued against binding global standards in favor of their own voluntary rules, drafted in concert with the United Nations.

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United Nations Secretary General Kofi Annan speaks Sunday at the World Summit on Sustainable Development in Johannesburg about the role of the corporate sector in the environment.

Arthur Andersen revokes permits

A federal judge has granted class-action status to a lawsuit that claims Wal-Mart's denial of health insurance coverage for birth control is unfair to female employees.

U.S. District Judge Julie Carnes said Friday that all women working for the nation's largest retailer after March 2001 could pursue claims against the company if they were using prescription contraceptives.

Lisa Smith Mauldin, a customer-service manager at a Wal-Mart store in Hiram, filed the lawsuit in October asking the court to declare the company's health plan illegal and to order Wal-Mart to reimburse her and other employees for uninsured prescription contraceptives.

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Air marshal defends gun brandishing

Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA

Federal officials defended the response of an air marshal who trained his gun on a passenger-filled jet cabin for 30 minutes after detaining a man on the plane, saying they hadn't been aware of some of the things that made them concerned.

Two armed marshals detained the man on Delta Flight 442, which was flying from Atlanta to Philadelphia with 183 people on board, because he allegedly was rummaging through other people's luggage.

One marshal then held his gun on the coach cabin passengers because some of them ignored orders to remain seated with their seat belts on, a spokesman for the Transportation Security Administration said Sunday.

"If people would have stayed in their seats and heeded these warnings, that would not have happened," said TSA spokesman Robert J. Johnson in Washington. "It's our opinion that it was done by the book."

He said the TSA, which oversees federal air marshals, was still reviewing the marshals' response to the Saturday flight. The man whom the marshals detained was released and the U.S. Attorney's office decided not to press charges, said FBI spokesman Jeryl Williams.

Johnson said that despite the passengers' complaints, he thought the marshals did what they needed to do to make sure the plane could land safely.

"It's a highly charged situation," Johnson said. "It's about keeping the plane secure."

Philadelphia Common Pleas Judge James A. Lineberger, who was sitting diagonally across from the detained man, said he thought the marshals overreacted by holding their semiautomatic weapons on passengers for so long.

Lineberger also said he hadn't noticed any disturbance before the marshals suddenly took the man up to first class and restrained him.

Several minutes later, the judge said, the marshals returned to the coach cabin and pulled out their guns.

"I assumed at that moment that there was going to be some sort of gun battle," he said. "I'm looking right down the barrel of the gun as though it was pointed at me."

Lineberger said he plans to file a complaint with the TSA on Tuesday. He said about 30 other passengers also plan to complain.

David and Susan Johnson of Mobile, Ala., said they hadn't been aware of any disturbance when the sky marshals took the man first to the back of the plane and then to the first-class section.

"It never made sense," said Susan Johnson, 51, a social worker. "This guy was not any physical threat that we could see."

He said he noticed any disturbance before the time when the marshals took him up to first class. He said the marshals only pointed their guns straight down the aisle toward the passengers.
Yemen

Iraqi minister seeks support against U.S.

Associated Press

Iraq’s culture minister arrived in Yemen Sunday as part of Baghdad's diplomatic campaign to strengthen opposition to U.S. threats of an attack.

State-run Yemeni radio quoted Hammed Youssef Hammad as saying that he wants to discuss “the political situation in the area and in particular American threats against Iraq.”

The radio said Hammad would meet on Monday with President Ali Abdullah Saleh and other Yemeni officials.

Washington has said it wants a regime change in Baghdad, accusing Saddam of producing weapons of mass destruction.

President Bush has warned President Saddam Hussein of unspecified consequences if he does not permit the return of U.N. weapons inspectors to verify that Iraq has dismantled its chemical and biological weapons and the missiles that can carry them. The inspectors left in December 1998.

Saddam has dispatched senior officials to international and regional capitals to try to garner opposition to an attack on Iraq.

Iraqi Vice President Taha Yassin Ramadan visited Damascus and Beirut in recent days, while Foreign Minister Najib Sabri left for Moscow on Sunday after returning to Baghdad from a mission to Beijing.

"There's still room for diplomatic solutions to avert a war with the United States," Ramadan said in Damascus.

Ramadan told reporters later in Baghdad that Iraq would broaden its diplomatic offensive to include European capitals, in particular Berlin and Paris.

"There is a growing and tangible European opposition to the American policy of aggression," Saddam's deputy War Minister Tariq Aziz was quoted Sunday as saying.

French President Jacques Chirac has called the idea of unilateral U.S. action against Iraq "very worrying," German Chancellor Gerhard Schroeder said Washington's stepping up calls for military action to oust Saddam is a mistake that undermines U.N. efforts to resume weapons inspections in Iraq.

On Sunday, the British Broadcasting Corp. released a text of an interview in which U.S. Secretary of State Colin Powell said, "The president has been clear that he believes weapons inspectors should return."

Iraq claims it has complied with U.N. resolutions imposed following its 1990 invasion of Kuwait that sparked the 1991 Gulf War — but has said it wants to continue a dialogue on the inspectors' return, conditions of which U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan has rejected.

Iraqi Deputy Prime Minister Tariq Aziz told CNN's "Late Edition" on Sunday that the idea of the U.N. inspectors' return is "a nonstarter because it's not going to bring about a conclusion."

Sabri, Iraq's foreign minister, is expected in Cairo for talks with Arab counterparts Wednesday's opening of their annual Arab League meeting in the Egyptian capital.

The Iraqi issue is expected to top the Arab League meeting agenda with a draft resolution already being prepared to crystallize a pan-Arab position on the U.S.-Iraqi standoff.

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America's national pastime saved for the moment

Mike Marchand

All last week I was geared up to write exactly as this column starts about the impending baseball strike. Lo and behold, however, hell apparently froze over and the owners and players set­
did, averting a disastrous work stoppage and, tempora­torily at least, moving the metaphor­ical knife away from their own throats.

But in many ways, the damage had already been done. Two days after last year's incredible World Series, where the Arizona Diamondbacks tri­umphed over the New York Yankees in seven thrilling games, baseball commissioner Bud Selig announced two of the 30 major­league teams would be contracted. This served as the first firing shot in what would become a 10­month Cold War between the owners and the players' union, a black cloud that hovered over every aspect of the game.

Great baseball moments like Barry Bonds' 600th home run, the fantastic seasons of pitchers Curt Schilling and Derek Lowe and the former contrac­tion candidate Minnesota Twins' dom­ination of the American League Central Division were overshadowed by the same old posturing and posing we've all seen before.

This was all even before the players' union announced a strike date of Aug. 30. The fact that the Hatfield­McCoys' feud was eventually ended and that a hargun was struck was almost anticlimactic.

The very idea that the players were willing to strike again and risk another cancellation of the World Series, and even worse, the lack of the national pastime on the one­year anniversary of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks on America, was so offensive and repugnant to many fans that they simply withdrew even further from the sport they loved. The cries of, "please don't strike" were matched or even exceeded by the angry, "go ahead, strike, the hell with you all,")

What exactly were the players fighting for? What could have been so massively, monumentally important that the players would rather not play at all than surrender to and accept? A salary cap. So, in essence, the players would rather walk out than tell Alex Rodriguez that he can "only" make $125 or $18 million, and not $25 million.

Forgot that even if players are limited in the revenues they can draw from baseball, they can still pursue multimillion­dollar endorsements, like Derek Jeter for Gatorade, Ken Griffey, Jr. and Sammy Sosa for Pepsi or Mr. Rodgers' for Radio Shack. Out of all the things the players' union could be fighting for, they chose to stake their claim on the narrow self­interest of its wealthiest members.

Look, I'm all for the free market and for players getting paid what they're worth. But it's become clear that the skyrocketing player salaries are a detriment to the game, making it so that many teams cannot compete with the big­market clubs. Asking super­stars to sacrifice some of their riches and scrape by on a few million dollars less annually in order to revive the health of the institution from which they've become so wealthy shouldn't be such a bitter pill to swallow.

I need to stop here for a moment, because anytime anyone makes the argument that money rules baseball, and that small­market clubs have no chance of competing in the modern baseball era, disagreements invariably rise pointing that out. Since the Minnesota Twins, a small­market team, rule their division, and rich teams like the New York Mets and Cleveland Indians are sucking eggs, it "proves" that money isn't all­im­portant.

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The fact that there won't be another strike for the foreseeable future is good, but it's only a first step. Not once in the announcement of the deal did Bud Selig ever mention the fans. And Friday saw empty seats in Wrigley Field for the Cubs­Cardinals game, and tickets being given away at Fenway Park for the Red Sox­Yankees contest. Both of those games are usually automatic sellouts.

The whole purpose of the sport is for the fans' entertainment. Baseball may have stopped its ship from capsiz­ing, but if they don't point it in the right direction, it can still strike out.

Mike Marchand, class of 2001, works hard for the money, so you bet­ter treat him right. Scirically, he still has his e­mail address, Marchand.39md.edu, so you can still direct responses there. His column appears every other Monday. The views expressed in this column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.
Enjoying sneakers and malls

A lot has happened since the last time I wrote a column. Four more months in Africa definitely provided lots of excitement. Much of my work involves working with girls throughout the school year, so when the school year ended I devised work that would take me to other parts of Mauritania. Peace Corps is a two-year commitment and I have passed the halfway point. Thirty-five new volunteers arrived in the country and 22 old volunteers left so now I am one of the people who is supposed to know that is going on in the country. And strangely, among all of this, I realized that I have forgotten how strange and beautiful living in Africa is. It is now simply my life. But by far the most exciting events of the semester in that I am currently sitting at my parent’s house in the United States. I have been here for two weeks and relished every second of it. After living in an African village for 14 months I expected to have major culture shock upon reentry. I had heard stories about people coming back and being horrified by the mass consumption, wealth and waste of American and Western culture.

On my layover in Paris, I wandered through the airport looking at the stores and also coming to terms with seeing so many white people. On the plane ride to Washington, D.C., I watched three Hollywood movies. This helped me catch up on American culture and reacquaint my ears to English. The in-flight music program provided a glimpse into the pop culture I had been missing. And the technology of the video games amazed me. After the discoveries on the plane, I marched with the other passengers towards the baggage claim area and customs. I appreciated the efficiency, attentiveness and order of it all. In the luxury of the airport I called my parents, In the plane I laughed and realized I had not walked in anything but sandals and socks for the past year so this body was not used to the cement expanses of the mall. These remarkable appearances appeared the week and provided much promotion. In spite of all this, these last two months have made me realize that I live in Africa, but America is my home.

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Letter to the Editor

Show enthusiasm by wearing ties

As the Maryland game ended and I ran screaming through the halls of Dillon proclaiming my love for interceptions, special teams play and anything “West Coast,” my mind turned to our fearsome leader, Tyree Willingham. As I contemplated how my fingers would have to contort to make it a “T” for Ty or a “W” for Willingham during the 1812 Overture, I knew there must be an easier way to support our coach. Then, it hit me. What better way to emulate the style, cool demeanor and general swankiness our coach displays on the sidelines than wearing a tie? I would like to propose a “wear your tie, to support our Ty” campaign. When you are getting ready to don “The Shirt” next Saturday morning, why not throw on a tie? Think of the possible benefits:

1. You’re supporting a great coach who surrounded himself with an amazing coaching staff and an even better team
2. Nothing is quite as intimidating as eight to ten thousand ties being whipped through the air as Purdue faces a third and long.
3. It serves as a buffer to keep the food and beverages you will inevitably spill tailgating off of “The Shirt.”
4. When your folks back home see you screaming your lungs out on NBC they can say, “Oh look, (insert your name here) got dressed up for the game, I’m so proud.”
5. You can practice tying a tie because you will go to more home games than job interviews this year.

So here’s to a great season with Ty at the helm. When you look to the stands it’ll be the windor knot in section 30 row 55. 

Eric Bilinski
Dillon Hall
September 1, 2002

Letters to the Editor

ND must consider Harvard policies

As has been widely reported, Harvard University has recently modified some of its disciplinary procedures. As a result of the changes, Harvard will launch full hearings in cases in which sexual misconduct is alleged only if there is at least some corroborating evidence. The reason for this requirement strikes many observers as obvious: in the absence of any corroborating evidence (examples: a confession, some physical evidence, a third party witness to relevant activity) those hearing and ruling upon the accusation would have to be able to "just see" who is telling the truth in order to reach a proper decision.

Most people agree that in some situations it is possible to "just see" who is telling the truth and who is not with a nonmaterial degree of reliability even in the absence of corroborating evidence. The ability to do this with the high degree of certainty needed to morally and justifiably pass out severe punishments, however, is a magical ability that Harvard has determined its administrators lack.

As reported in the Aug. 28 edition of The Observer, Notre Dame sees no need for corroborating evidence before going about with full hearings. Apparently Notre Dame administrators think they have the magical power that Harvard administrators lack. Or perhaps Notre Dame administrators see no moral problem with proceeding with potentially life-altering disciplinary hearings even in the absence of minimal corroborating evidence of guilt.

The small change at Harvard does not make Harvard’s current disciplinary procedures a good model for Notre Dame or any other university, nor should we attempt to borrow lessons from the Harvard experience. As Howard and Joel Gewold’s essay in the Aug. 16 Chronicle of Higher Education for a discussion of disciplinary procedures a good model for Notre Dame or any other problem with proceeding with potentially life-altering disciplinary tors lack. Or perhaps Notre Dame administrators see no moral

It takes a process of self-discovery and exploration. This will not occur without the initial stepping out of one’s own comfort zone and attempting to understand a culture and community unlike their own. I sympathize with the individuals who were robbed but understand that criminal activity can occur at any moment or time. The Notre Dame campus is not immune to crime either. The campus is relatively safe from the outside community, creating a bubble environment which many neglect to burst. This editorial does not aid in the process, for more students will probably remain in their comfort zones, never exploring the possibilities or opportunities that South Bend has to offer.

To first-year students and the community, do not believe everything that you hear or read as the truth. 

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Notre Dame
Sept. 1

Recognize the positive in South Bend

There are not enough words in the English vernacular to describe my feelings after reading the Aug. 30 editorial entitled, “Life outside the bubble draws students into danger.” The editorial was the final nail in the coffin of an article that I read to date. It is unfair and an injustice to demonize how one incident reflects an entire community. South Bend is like any other city in the United States.

Criminal activity occurs daily across the country at an alarming rate. I find it interesting that one robbery or series of events over a short period of time can shape an editorial staff’s opinion about a community that they have little to limited knowledge. Besides the usual areas that students hangout at or community programs that are particularly in, the average Notre Dame student has limited exposure to the South Bend community.

Frequently I have overheard negative comments about the community including the so-called “townies.” What people fail to recognize is that South Bend is more than Boats Club, Corby’s, Heartland or any other place that is regularly visited. South Bend is attempting to establish its identity, but growing nevertheless. There are extraordinary community organizations that have people attempting to make a difference and create a world that we can all appreciate.

People never see or hear about the good that occurs in the community, often mistaking the bad.

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Siegfried Hall
Sept. 1
Feeding the ‘American Idol’ addiction

By JASON MCAFARLEY

It’s hard to be choosy about what to watch on TV without cable. Around 8 p.m. on any given weeknight you can count on CBS for its third hour of “Survivor” and Fox for its SMH with “American Idol.” It’s an extreme reality show or a stress-inducing drama involving police, firefighters and/or lawyers and ABC usually comes through with an overly dramatic news show featuring a thrilling investigative report on topics like how to escape from man-eating fish that walk on land in Thailand.

Although I managed to find more worthwhile ways to spend my time in Britain, I’m sorry to say I didn’t have that luxury this summer in Sousse.

I actually watched the first episodes without knowing the commitment that would be required. I assumed the judges would narrow the contestant pool within a week or two and we’d have a new Britney wannabe by Independence Day, not Labor Day.

But alas, it’s three months later, I’m still hooked and I’m not alone. Throughout the summer my fellow “Idol” addicts emerged. My sister, my roommates, co-workers at my summer internship, even my mom had lost interest in anything else, especially the show. The judges’ nightly chat show show appearances and magazine covers were pervasive. It’s the perfect media circus; but is it anything more? What is the appeal of “American Idol?”

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In one sense it seems necessary that Fox ask for the nation’s input if it’s prepared to guarantee the success of this new idol with a $1 million record contract, but in another it hardly seemed to be our choice. Fox sauntered into the summer season and announced what we would enjoy.

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Back then Sondheim was only being cruel to musical hopefuls on the other side of the pond, no one had heard of Randy outside a small circle of Columbia music producers and Paula Abdul was “Straight Up” washed up.

My parents have digital cable. I was out of excuses. Within days, newspapers and magazine articles, Web sites and even an e-mail-based fan newsletter emerged. By mid-summer show appearances and magazine covers were pervasive. It’s the perfect media circus; but is it anything more? What is the appeal of “American Idol?”

Fox’s dream is fleeting. Another three-month “Idol” season would be a distant memory, unless Jerry Falwell’s advice on child rearing, I close to guessing an accurate value for a pilgrim’s anatomy that now, more than ever, needs joy to get us through our current trials.

Kate Nagengast
Scene Columnist

Thou shalt worship Pop culture enters real

By JASON MCAFARLEY

Patient pop music fans.

Three months and hundreds of performances after “American Idol: The Search for a Superstar” began, the hit Fox show will crown a winner on Wednesday. On Tuesday the final two contestants for a $1 million recording contract will compete in the season-ending singing showdown.

With its “Star Search” meets “Survivor” format and pitch-perfect mix of celebrity, comedy and fan-inducing critiques, “American Idol” captivated fans this summer, becoming the stuff of water-cooler conversations and feeding online rumor mills.

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The summer’s runaway hit is, in fact, the American version of the British show “Pop Idol.” Initial auditions in April and May in seven U.S. cities narrowed a field of thousands of would-be Idols to 100 singers in their late teens and twenties. A second round of auditions slimmed the pool to 50 contestants to appear in Hollywood on the first five episodes of the summer.

A panel of three judges, including ’80s pop diva Paula Abdul, assessed the acts. Although viewers decided each week by telephone vote which performers to advance to the round of 10 finalists.

Since July, fans have voted off (in order) eight of the finalists — Jim Verraros, Elay Day, A.J. Gil, Ryan Starr, Christina Christian, RJ Helton, Tammy Gray and Nikki McKibbin. This week only Guarini, a long-time frontrunner, and Texas chanteuse Clarkson remain.

America, meet the last singers standing.

Clarkson, 20, is a humble country girl with a big-league voice. Judges say she can sing anything — even the phone book — and make it sound good. In past episodes, the Kansas, Texas, native has showcased her vocal range and show-stopping stage presence with renditions of “Natural Woman,” “Respect” and “It’s Raining Men.”

On stage is the biggest rush for me,” Clarkson said on the show’s official Web site, www.idolconfex.com. “It’s like I’m kind of nervous at first, but once I get out there, I never want to leave the stage.”

Clarkson vanquished a host of female competitors to reach the Tuesday face-off. Her biggest competition came from big-voiced Atlanta product Tamyra Gray, who was voted off Aug. 21, and fellow Texan Nikki McKibbin, who departed the show Aug. 28.

While Clarkson and Gray for weeks seemed like shoe-ins to be among the top-three finalists, McKibbin was a question mark. McKibbin, 23, set herself apart from the other contestants with her punk look and penchant for singing obscure rock songs. For weeks she defied dismissal, being put on the chopping block four times with the lowest vote-getters. Judges consistently criticized McKibbin’s song selection and said the mother-of-one was outmatched by better singers.

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Guarini may still be smarting from the fact that she received walking papers before McKibbin. Her departure left only Clarkson, McKibbin and Guarini, the lone male competitor since mid-August.

In the square-off between Clarkson and McKibbin, Clarkson seemed destined to win. Whereas McKibbin came close to being voted off several times, the public never thought about giving Clarkson the pink slip. Predictably, voters sent McKibbin packing last week.

Clarkson now faces her biggest test from Guarini.

From the beginning, Guarini, with his curly, uncombed mop, has reigned as the show’s heartthrob. A favorite among female fans, Guarini’s “Justin Timberlake” before the buzz cut” look has brought him to the final round. Viewers sent him to the chopping block twice but opted on dismissing the other male competitors in lieu of Guarini.

Guarini outlasted a host of male crooners, including the pesky “J” factor — A.J., Elay and RJ. His choice of soulful tunes, including the other male competitors in lieu of Guarini.

"I want to be a beacon of fun!" Guarini said on the Web site about why he auditioned for the show. "Glitz and glamour are rampant in America, but I want to bring on the fun and share it with an America that now, more than ever, needs joy to get us through our current trials."

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"American Idol" The contestants viewers voted off

The format for the final two episodes is a closely guarded secret, but Clarkson and Guarini are expected to sing twice Tuesday night. Each contestant will sing an original song, and the winner's song will be released to stores Sept. 17.

With the success of the show this summer, the 10 original finalists were subject to a huge media blitz, a schedule chock full of newspaper interviews, magazine photo shoots and appearances at paparazzi-laden events such as the Teen Choice Awards and MTV's Video Music Awards. Plans for an "American Idol" book and home video are in the works.

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Hardly an episode has gone by that Cowell, typically clad in black T-shirt, hasn't called singers "awful" or told them that they resemble a karaoke act more than a pop superstar.

Cowell's frankness, of course, is balanced by Abdul and fellow judge Randy Jackson's laudatory critiques. Abdul, a former idolized songstress herself, never fails to provide a feel-good line for a contestant who Cowell has pummeled.

She even throws a few lines at Cowell.

"I don't know why Simon has to be so rude," she said during an episode last month. "Maybe he wasn't held enough as a child?"

Cowell rebutted in another episode: "Paula, you have a comedic writer. Sue him."

In still another episode, Cowell nearly came to blows with Jackson, a former vice president at Columbia Records, over an assessment of a contestant. True to form, Cowell gave an unfavorable critique, while Jackson stood up for the performer.

"For a moment, I thought Randy was going to take me for a tumble," Cowell said later.

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"I'm happy with myself. Of course, there are little things here and there that I wish were smaller and bigger, but I don't know one person who is perfectly happy with their physical appearance," Guarini said. "I just want to have fun doing what I love."

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This week, that unknown quality will give the country its first American Idol. Stay tuned.

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Sabers, 15 yards for a touchdown.

Troy Nienberg, who missed a 27-yard field goal before halftime. The turnover set up Nathan Smith's 40-yarder, with 4:32 remaining.

Colorado State quarterback John Navarre spiked the ball to stop the clock at 5 seconds, allowing the field-goal team to get on the field. To the delight of the crowd of 11,149 at Michigan Stadium, Navarre's kick went right down the middle for his first field goal since he was a senior at Midland (Mich.) Dow High School in 1998.

"I didn't know I could kick a field goal," said Brabbs. "I started doing circles around the field, then I got tacked down by one of my teammates. Then I had 10 guys on top of me, then I was piled on and I ran out.

Brabbs atoned for two misses in the last four years to scramble and struggle. Running for the line, he hit by sophomore safety Claude Bagaille and fumbled at the Louisville 18 with 6:01 left. before halftime. The turnover set up a 7-yard run by Todd Collins, his first career touchdown, 4-qd, with 4:32 left.

Meanwhile, Ragone continued to scramble and struggle. Running for the line, he was hit by sophomore safety Claude Bagaille and fumbled at the Louisville 18 with 6:01 left. before halftime. The turnover set up a 7-yard run by Todd Collins, his first career touchdown, 4-qd, with 4:32 left.

Bradie Van Pelt threw 39 yards for a touchdown, and Colorado State survived a second-half Colorado rally to beat the Buffaloes 19-14 Saturday.

"We hung low for a while in college," said Brabbs, a junior who didn't start at all last season, "and we didn't."

Barbour, who lost at Nebraska 42-14 last week against Arizona State."

"We knew going into the game that we were going to be up against a great team," said Brabbs, "so we just had to play our game and hang in there."
September Topic: Finding Your Niche

The Intercase Forum is a discussion and support group for people who are biracial, multicultural, involved in an interracial relationship, or interested in any of these related issues. The group meets the first Wednesday of each month for discussion over dinner. An Advisory Board sets the agenda for the discussion and selects the ethnic meal.

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WNBA

Sparks win 2nd title on Teasley 3-pointer

LOS ANGELES

Clinching to a two-point lead in the final minute, Los Angeles' Latasha Byears turned the ball over on a three-second violation.

Then New York's Tari Phillips hit a 15-footer to tie the game, putting the Sparks' chance at retaining their WNBA title in jeopardy.

But rookie Nikki Teasley, dagged by 4-for-11 shooting, hit a 3-pointer for the go-ahead basket with 2.1 seconds remaining and the Sparks beat the Liberty 69-66 Saturday to successfully defend their championship.

"They'd been backing off me all night, obviously my shot wasn't falling I was fortunate enough to knock the shot down," said Teasley, who played at North Carolina and was drafted by Portland, then traded to the Sparks in April.

"I've never hit a game-winning shot. I've won an AAU tournament when I was 10 years old, but nothing ever big, nothing in college," Teasley said. "I didn't get to play in the state championships in high school, but you know what, I'm not disappointed because this is the one to get." Only the Sparks and the Houston Comets, who claimed the first four WNBA titles, have won the championship in the league's six-year history.

Guarded by Teresa Weatherspoon, Teasley shot from 21 feet out, near the Sparks bench.

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The Sparks joined their Staples Center tenants, the Lakers, as professional basketball champions for another year. The Lakers won their third consecutive NBA title in June.

"Hey, if you're playing for an L.A. team, you're bound to get a championship," Sparks forward Delisha Milton said. "There is something special about this city. It breeds championships."

Leslie scored 17 points, Mwadi Mabika added 12 and Teasley had 11 points and 11 assists as the Sparks rallied in the second half after squandering a 14-point lead.

"This organization had so much belief in me and so much confidence when other people didn't want to take me, everybody was questioning the trade," Teasley said. "It's a dream come true. As a player, you always dream about hitting the big shot to win the game."

Leslie was selected the most valuable player of the Finals for the second consecutive year, completing her second consecutive sweep of the All-Star and Finals MVP awards.

"This championship was so much harder to win," Leslie said. "We had to find different ways to win. We've held our own, we've been strong and it's just an amazing feeling."

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 and playing with children, please call Karl at ECDC-SMC 284-4693 or Sue at ECDC-ND 631-3344.

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Happy Birthday, Day!

Love,
Mom and Dad

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**International Basketball**

**U.S. starts slow, still routes China by 21**

Associated Press

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For much of the first half, the sight on the scoreboard was shocking. The U.S. team was losing, and the score wasn’t even close.

China nearly became the first team to hold a halftime lead against the United States since NBA players began competing internationally in 1992, but the U.S. team recovered from its poor start to win 84-65 Saturday night at the World Championships.

"I was not surprised, because when a strong team is playing a weak team they usually are very relaxed," China coach Wang Fei said.

Relaxed might not be the correct word.

To hear U.S. coach George Karl describe it, his team was "startled" before it turned up its defensive intensity and held China to 13 points in the third quarter and 10 in the fourth.

China held a 26-16 lead after one quarter and remained ahead until the final 6.5 seconds of the second quarter.

The U.S. team took the lead for good with about four minutes left in the third quarter but didn’t close out the tightly regarded Chinese until Jermaine O’Neal scored inside with about 1/2 minutes left for a 69-58 lead.

Teams from around the world have been encroaching over the past few years on the American dominance in the sport, and Saturday night’s game was yet another example of how foreign teams have closed the gap.

Chinese teams had never come close to competing with the United States in the past decade. The U.S. team defeated China by 63 at the 1996 Olympics and by 55 at the 1994 World Championships.

Just two years ago at the Sydney Olympics, the Chinese team lost by 47 points.

That defeat was so lopsided that Chinese center Yao Ming said it "may not be in our generation or the next" before China can defeat the United States in a premiere level men’s basketball tournament.

For a while Saturday night, it looked as though his prediction might be off by about 80 or so years.

Yao pumped his fist in glee after hitting a 3-point shot to give China a 10-4 lead early in the first quarter, and the crowd gasped in astonishment as the Americans fell further behind as the quarter progressed.

China used backdoor cuts and timely jumpers to open a 28-16 lead at the end of the first period.

"They made (five) 3s in the first quarter, and the 3 is a powerful weapon," Karl said.

"Because of that we got startled a little bit, but it got us to play the type of intense pressure defense we needed to play,"

The U.S. chipped away at its deficit, and Michael Finley hit a 3-pointer with 18 seconds left in the half to cut China’s lead to 42-41.

Finley then came up with a steal that led to his pair of go-ahead free throws with 6.5 seconds left before halftime as the U.S. team took a 43-42 lead — its first of the game.

Since the 1992 Olympics, the U.S. team has never trailed at halftime, but this was the second time in as many nights that they led by only a single point at the break. On Friday night, the U.S. team was unable to shake Germany until the final quarter.

"We tried to come out with intensity and it was our third game in three days," U.S. guard Andre Miller said. "They came out fast themselves and hit some big shots early. For us to give up 28 points in the first quarter, that’s pretty bad."

"I think we can get better," Miller said. "We’re going to get every team’s best shot."

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DODGERS STAY ATOP WILD-CARD RACE WITH WIN

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HIDING Ncomo onlly made one mistake, and that wasn’t enough for the Houston Astros to beat him.

Nomo won for the 11th time in his last 12 decisions, pitch­ing the Los Angeles Dodgers to a 2-1 victory over the Astros.

"In the ninth inning, the only mistake he made all day. His split-finger was uncatchable. All you could do was fight it off and hope you will get another pitch you can hit," said Geoff Blum, who homered off Nomo.

The Dodgers, who lead the NL wild-card race, have won 13 of their last 17 games. Nomo (13-6) gave up five hits over seven innings, striking out eight. He has lost only once since May 12 — a span of 21 games.

"We scored first, so that was good. Right after I gave up the home run, from that point on, it was my goal not to give up any runs after that," Nomo said.

Said Dodgers manager Jim Tracy: "I've run out of adject­ives to describe the job Nomo has done for this club all season."

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"He had everything going today. That split-finger would look chest high and would end up in the dirt," said Houston's Darrel Ward. "He didn't hang it at all, and we couldn't hit it." 

Paul Quantrill and Jesse Orosco combined to pitch a scoreless eighth and Eric Gagne escaped his own ninth — a single. It was his 49th save.

"It's certainly been a disap­pointment," L eiter said. "We still have a month of baseball to go to the last-pac­e place."

Chicago avoided being swept away in the first inning to allow a leadoff homer by Greg Zaun to tie it 1-1. "That's what I'm trying to do now," Smoltz said. "It is demoralizing," said Mike Piazza, who watched the latest loss with a sore wrist. "Everyone has had losing streaks, everyone has had slumps. But this is uncharted waters for me. I'm a little bit in shock."

One day after completing the first winless month at home in league history, the Mets matched the 14-game home skid by Boston's NL franchise in 1911, according to the Elias Sports Bureau.

While Boston added a 44-year-old Cy Young to its team that season, the only help the Mets are getting will be from their two relievers who are attempting to avoid the Braves-Browns' major league record of consecutive home losses in 1953.

In 2002, the Mets matched the 14-game skid against the New York Yankees in 1980. The Red Sox would need to lose 14 consecutive games to match the record.

"Eve ryone has had losing streaks," said Edgardo Alfonseca, who lasted two-innings in his shortest reg­ular-season start in 14 years. "This passion for our game — we need to beat them, but I feel for them. I have a lot of good friends over there."

Pat Burrell, Todd Pratt and Thomas Perez all homered off Nomo, who allowed six runs and three hits in nine innings.

The Reds stumbled badly in August, and now into September. Cincinnati was 11-18 in August, its worst record of August since going 9-20 in 1987.

Batters hit 235, their low for any month this season, and pitchers had a combined 5.53 ERA, their high for the year. Relievers got just two saves.

"I just want to see a ballgame together," Boone said. "That's what I'm trying to do now."

Rick Neugebauer, activated from the 15-day disabled list before the game, made his first start for Milwaukee since May 28. He allowed two runs on four hits, four walks and two strike­outs in four innings. 

"It's just nice, normal base­ball. We're doing it with the other teams doing it to us all year," said Milwaukee manager Jerry Royster.

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Instead, from the time Edgardo Alfonseca hit 10 home­ers in the first inning to allow the first run to score, September started off as poorly as August ended for New York and the Mets.

The Mets matched the longest home losing streak in NL history, though they also have 14-game losing streaks in the NL East with their 14th straight defeat at Shea Stadium as the Philadelphia Phillies pounded Al Leiter for three home runs in a 13-2 rout.

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Meanwhile, the Mets keep hit­t ing new franchise lows in a season that began with so much promise. They broke a tie with the 1797 team for the longest losing streak, matching the 1856 team's record, at 11 games. But entering this series against the third-place Nationals, they had scored a season-high 13 runs in the previous two games.

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A's clubhouse staffs, who showed them to my dad," Tejada tapes back home (to the Coliseum) into stunned, empty silence.

"He made us chase a lot of pitches out of the strike zone," Lawton said. "He didn't leave many pitches up high.

Blue Jays, 7 Yankees 6
Rookie Josh Phelps thoroughly enjoyed wrecking New York's wood.

Phelps doubled twice and drove in three runs and the Toronto Blue Jays rallied for a 7-6 victory over the Yankees on Sunday.

Phelps went 8-for-14 with 10 RBIs as the Blue Jays took three of four from the AL East leaders.

"It's always nice to beat up on the Yankees," Tejada said. "Now, that's a great series.

The Yankees, who have lost just two of their last 19 series, started their six-game road trip against ace Carsten Sabo.
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### In Brief

**University of Minnesota linemen murdered**

University of Minnesota football player Brandon Hall was shot to death early Sunday in Minneapolis, hours after playing in his first college game.

Hall, a 19-year-old redshirt freshman who was a reserve defensive lineman, died following a dispute between a group of teammates and three other men near a downtown bar, police said.

"To the best of my knowledge, Brandon Hall was an innocent victim," Minnesota coach Glen Mason said.

The 6-foot-5, 270-pound Hall made one tackle in the Golden Gophers' 42-0 season-opening victory over Southwest Texas State on Saturday night at the Metrodome in Minneapolis.

It's the third tragedy to strike a Minnesota football team in just over a year. Last summer, Minnesota Vikings offensive tackle Korey Stringer died of heat stroke in training camp. And last week, the wife of Vikings defensive tackle Lewis Kelly died of pregnancy complications.

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### Major League Baseball

**American League East**

- **New York** 84-51 .626 6-6 24.5
- **Boston** 76-58 .567 5-6 7.5
- **Baltimore** 60-76 .453 6-6 21
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- **Tampa Bay** 80-80 .500 6-6 57.5

| **Counsell was hitting .282 in the clutch have been Arizona's most valuable player, will decide soon whether to undergo season-ending neck surgery.** |

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### In Brief

**Marbury punished for DUI**

Phoenix Suns guard Stephon Marbury was suspended for one game by the NBA and will serve 10 days in jail after pleading no contest in Phoenix Friday to extreme driving under the influence.

Marbury, who entered the plea in Scottsdale Municipal Court, also agreed to pay a $1,000 fine and attend alcohol education classes. He was scheduled to start serving the required penalty sentence Saturday, according to court records.

"Rather than extend this process and try to avoid my obligations, I fully intend to serve the required penalty levied by the court," Marbury said in a statement released by the Suns.
U.S. Open

Williams overcomes rain, stalker to advance

Associated Press

NEW YORK

As usual, nothing fazed Serena Williams on court.

With a man who's tracked her around the globe for a year sitting in a jail cell less than 10 miles away, Williams waited out a long rain delay Sunday and then eased into the U.S. Open quarterfinals with a 6-1, 6-1 victory over Daja Bedanova.

The only match completed in a shower came on a court just 100 feet from Williams' downsprout was the 18th straight Grand Slam match victory for the top-seeded Williams, who beat older sister Venus in the finals at Wimbledon and the French Open.

The same German man accused of following Williams at those two tournaments, and others in Germany and Italy, was arrested early Saturday at the National Tennis Center after police spotted him watching through a fence while she played.

Albrecht Stromeyer, 34, will remain in custody at Rikers Island until a court appearance on Thursday unless he posts $3,000 bail, corrections department spokesman Tom Antenen said Sunday. Stromeyer admitted in a written statement to police that he had been following Williams around the world.

"The ball is in my lap. I think that encourages him to keep doing what he's doing," Williams' father, Richard, said. "It makes me wonder, 'Could he hurt Serena?'"

He also wondered whether his daughter is as worried as she should be.

"This guy could have got in and hurt Serena," Richard Williams said. "I don't think Serena takes it seriously enough."

She has been traveling with a bodyguard since May, and tournament officials have been given photos of Stromeyer so police can spot him.

"The WTA could do a little bit more, but I don't know too much more that they can do because, you have to remember, tennis is not set up like baseball and football," he said. "The players go outside to practice and with those sports they can practice inside the stadium and travel underground, whereas tennis is "not," he said.

Richard Williams said. "But I hope that it will help the WTA to take a good look at it.

Williams snapped photographs from the stands while he watched his daughter play her fourth-round against the 20th-seeded Bedanova. Rain delayed the start of play from 11 a.m. to a little after 5:30 p.m., and there was the only match that was completed by the time new showers suspended action at about 7 p.m.

So people playing a minimum of $48 per ticket got to see 42 minutes of action.

If just one match is completed in a session, according to the Open's policy, no credits for tickets to next year's tournament need to be given.

At 9:50 p.m., play was called off for the night, with matches involving Lindsay Davenport and Andy Roddick washed out completely.

Among matches hailed in progress: Four-time Open champion Pete Sampras was trailing 1997 finalist Greg Rusedski 5-4, on serve in the first set. No. 3 Tommy Haas won the first set 6-4 against No. 29 Thomas Enqvist; Gustavo Kuerten won the first set 6-1 against Nicolas Massou and 11th-seeded Daniela Hantuchova led No. 8 Justine Henin 6-1, 1-2.

The last time an entire day at the Open was rained out was Sept 4, 1988.

Williams won her first service game at love with the help of three straight aces and needed just 18 minutes to win the first set. She finished with eight aces.

"I've been really, really working on my serve," Williams said. "Once I serve well, my whole game goes up."

Bedanova, a quarterfinalist in the 2001 Open, made things easier for Williams by double faulting on break point in the first and fifth games of the match.

All told, the encounter took 42 minutes, and Williams nearly had a winner for each. She hit 35 winners total — including 16 forehands and eight backhands and had just five unforced errors.

"Well, just my luck, I got out here around 9, because I like to practice two hours before the match," she said. "I was thinking, 'Yes, 11, I could be done by 12, have the rest of the day.' Unfortunately, it didn't work out that way."

Williams didn't talk at all about Stromeyer after the match, with WTA Tour spokesman John Dolan preceding her news conference by saying: "Serena will not be addressing any questions related to the stalker incident due to legal and security reasons."

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Two Irish players go for the ball in drills during summer practice at Notre Dame. The Irish won their first two Big East games of the season against Providence 3-0 and Virginia Tech 5-0.

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Mary Boland
Irish midfielder

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collegiate goal of her career. Ford appeared to be sending a crossing pass into Boland, but the ball skipped past both Boland and the Hokies goalkeeper Borda for the goal.

Boland promptly followed Ford's goal with her second goal of the weekend to extend the lead 3-0.

Scheller provided Notre Dame's fourth score of the game and her second of the season on a strong right-footed blast from five yards outside of the goalie box.

Just as she started the Irish scoring over the weekend with a goal against Providence, Warner finished the scoring with a goal at just over one minute remaining in the game.

"I think we've just taken a big step," Boland said. "Last year, we didn't always put the games away. This year we're getting a number of goals put in there. We're finishing a lot of opportunities."

While the Irish offense played an exciting brand of soccer all weekend, the young Irish defense was equally impressive. Sophomores Gudrun Guumansson and Kate Tulisiak coupled with freshmen Cat Sigler and Miranda Ford severely limited the offensive firepower of their two opponents.

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Wisconsin-Milwaukee 30-26, 30-17 and 30-26. Kelbley had 12 kills while Brewster had 10.
Sophomore Emily Loomis, who was also named to the all-tournament team, collect­ed a career-high nine blocks in the contest.
On Saturday, the Irish defeated the Cincinnati Bearcats 30-19, 30-24, and 30-23. Kelbley and Brewster combined for 20 kills. For the second straight match, the Irish posted 15 team blocks.
"I thought we played pretty well," Brown said. "It's always tough when you come into the first weekend and don't know a lot about the opponents you are playing, but I think the team gelled pretty well together."
Junior tri-captain Kinder felt the same way.
"I think we came out and had chemistry right away, and that made it easy to play," Kinder said. "We got our jitters out in the beginning. We got better each game."
Three victories this weekend extended Notre Dame's home-court winning streak to 25 games. The school record is 27.
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LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): It's advantageous to use your social grace right now, but this time it's advisable to make a plan first. Visiting distant places will be possible. Since it's hard to keep tabs on right now, it's better to avoid staying in situations that seem to get perilously worse. It is time to reevaluate your situation. ★★★★★

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FOOTBALL: timely and opinion on this coach
ACTIVISM: none (they try to take away our foozlay)

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A happy town guide to student life at notre dame

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Taking home the green

**Irish sweep Shamrock Invitational to begin season undefeated**

**VOLLEYBALL**

Senior Keara Coughin, playing the newly created position of libero, makes a tough dig during Sunday's match against Cal-Poly. The Irish won the Shamrock Invitational over the weekend.

By MATT LOZAR
Sports Writer

Lauren Brewster and Lauren Kelbley missed the memo that freshmen are supposed to be nervous and tentative in their first collegiate action. Both first-year players played like seasoned veterans and were named to the All-Tournament team as the Irish swept the Shamrock Invitational this weekend at the Joyce Center.

"[The freshmen] did really well," Irish coach Debbie Brown said. "Every match they were very poised, and they did a great job. Both Lauren Kelbley and Lauren Brewster were very strong at the net blocking for us. I couldn't have asked for anything more from the two of them."

In Sunday's championship match against Cal-Poly, the Irish had trouble breaking away from the Mustangs before finally pulling ahead 30-26, 30-28 and 30-23.

"I think they played a little bit better than they had against the other teams, and I think we made a few mistakes that weren't characteristic," Brown said. "It was good for us that they pushed us a little bit, and we had to make some plays to stay in it for the whole time."

In Game 2, the Irish again had trouble finishing the Mustangs. After taking leads of 22-15 and 29-25, Notre Dame finally ended the match on a kill from Kelbley. She had eight kills on Sunday and 34 for the weekend. Even though Cal-Poly had already lost once to Wisconsin-Milwaukee — a team Notre Dame had already beaten, the Irish knew Cal-Poly wanted to keep them away from the title.

"We knew Cal-Poly would come out here to beat us," tournament MVP Kristin Kinder said. "They had an off-weekend until they played us, and we knew they were coming out to get us. We were ready for that."

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Debbie Brown
Irish coach

**WOMENS SOCCER**

**Irish kick off season with pair of shutouts**

**FOOTBALL**

In their first football game under coach Tyrone Willingham, the Irish rolled to victory over Maryland in the Kickoff Classic in East Rutherford, N.J. Cornerback Shane Wolten had three interceptions, a feat last accomplished by Dave Duerson in 1982. Nicholas Setta was the Kickoff Classic MVP with five field goals. The Irish held Maryland to just 133 total yards of offense, while moving the ball 356 yards themselves.

By JOE LICANDRO
Sports Writer

Despite playing without three projected starting defenders, the Notre Dame womens soccer team recorded not one, but two shutouts against Big East conference opponents over the weekend.

On Friday, the Irish opened the season with a 3-0 road victory against the Providence Friars. Two days later, the Irish returned home to Alumni Field and blanked the Virginia Tech Hokies 5-0.

After Sunday's victory, Irish coach Randy Waldrum was extremely proud of the way his young team opened the season.

"We're playing an awful lot of freshmen and sophomores," Waldrum said.

"Every through mistakes, they have been really enthusiastic. The effort and attitude has been great. The team chemistry has been great. There are a lot of things outside the soccer aspect that's been a big plus this year that maybe we lacked a little bit last year."

With returning forwards Amanda Guertin and Amy Warner to lead the way, the Irish offense kept pressure on the Providence and Virginia Tech defenses.

After a scoreless first half against the Friars, the Irish registered three goals in a span of seven minutes to take control of the game.

Warner's goal in the fifth minute of the second half ignited the Irish offense. Three minutes later, midfielder Randi Scheller registered her first goal of the season. Mary Boland then followed three minutes later with a score off an assist from Warner to put the cap on the Irish victory.

Versatility described the Irish offense Sunday as five different players scored. Guertin got the scoring started with a brilliant left-footed shot that curled over the outstretched arms of Virginia Tech goalie Natasha Ford in the 21st minute of the game. Although the Irish created numerous scoring opportunities for themselves in the first half, they held a tentative 1-0 lead at half time.

Freshman Miranda Ford quickly erased any chance of a Tech comeback with the first
Despite the hype of coaching his first game at Notre Dame, Willingham focuses on winning as the Irish shut out the Terrapins

By KATIE McVOY
Associate Sports Editor

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. For Tyrone Willingham, Saturday’s game came down to one thing — playing football.

In the midst of the hype surrounding his first game as Notre Dame’s head coach, what to focus on was simple. In the face of a Maryland team coming off a fairy tale season and ranked No. 20 in the preseason coaches’ poll, it was clear what was important. With the eyes of the nation upon him, it came down to one thing.

Playing football.

“Gosh, it was a football game,” Willingham said when asked how it felt to be coaching his first game as Notre Dame’s head coach. “And I don’t know how to describe it any other way.”

And his team played football. Behind five field goals from Nicholas Setta and a sensational defensive performance, the Irish took the field in front of nearly 71,000 spectators and shut out the Terrapins 2-0 Saturday in Kickoff Classic XX.

“I was hoping we would play hard and well,” said defensive coordinator Kent Baeer. “Things just sort of fell into place.”

The Irish defense brought its A-game Saturday, holding a Maryland team that averaged 440 offensive yards last season to 133 total yards and just 16 yards rushing. The inside linebackers, playing without a sick Courtney Wassin, recorded 19 tackles while the Notre Dame pass coverage allowed only 12 completions.

“The [Notre Dame defense] did some things differently than we anticipated but nothing that really should have hurt us,” Maryland coach Ralph Friedgen said. “It was not what they did it was how they did it. They won the one-on-one battles and there were a lot of one-on-one battles. That first one-on-one victory came on the Terrapins’ first possession. Notre Dame deferred after winning the coin toss and allowed Maryland to rush for four yards and complete one pass for a first down before Shane Walton picked off Terrapin quarterback Scott McBrien. Walton added two more interceptions in the fourth quarter, the first time since 1982 an Irish player picked off three passes in a game.

“I look forward to Shane getting an interception every time they throw the ball,” cornerback Vontez Duff said. “It’s just as much our ball as it is their ball when they throw it up there.”

In the first half, Maryland’s longest drive covered 21 yards in eight plays. The first quarter series brought them as close as the Irish 49-yard line before Brooks Barnard had to punt — a whipping 7-yarder that landed out of bounds and set the Irish up for their first score of the 2002 season.

The first Irish scoring drive was indicative of the offense’s performance throughout the rest of the game. Before even beginning the first play of the drive, the Irish were set back to first and 20 after two false start penalties. In all, the Irish offense was charged with 11 penalties for 80 yards.

“For the most part, you have linemen making calls, but we really have to begin to get the calls in tact and break the huddle and those sorts of things for us to win as a ball club,” said quarterback Carlyle Holiday.

“We can’t have those sorts of penalties.”

Despite the penalties, a nine-yard run by full back Tom Lopieniski set Holiday up for a 29-yard completion to Arnaz Battle. Three plays later, the Irish found themselves facing fourth-and-6 at the Maryland 34. Setta, who missed a 56-yard kick earlier in the game, completed the 51-yard field goal and gave the Irish the 3-0 lead.

“I tried to just take each one,” said Setta, who was named the Kickoff Classic MVP. “After that first one, it’s a new one after the next one it’s the same thing.”

In the three quarters that followed, Setta kicked four more field goals for the Irish. Despite the fact that the Notre Dame offense was inside the Maryland 20 three times, it never found the end zone.

“We really can’t have Nicholas not there that many times,” Holiday said. “We have to score in the red zone, preach that breakfast lunch and dinner from now on.”

The only Irish touchdown came from another special teams player. Less than five minutes into the second half, Duff returned a punt 76 yards to punt the Irish up 16-0 and the game out of reach.

“I told Coach [at half], ‘Man, they’re not punting the ball to me but if they punt it to me I’m going to get us one, all I need is one,’” Duff said. “Thank God that I had the opportunity to get that one and I ran with it.”

In the final minutes of the game, the Terps looked to be putting together a solid offensive drive, driving from their own 10-yard line to the Irish 45. But with just five minutes left in the game, Walton preserved the shutout when he intercepted McBrien for the second time. Then the Irish were done playing football.

“The win was real special,” Holiday said. “I’m sure there was a lot of pressure on coach, you know to win this game and for him to be able to come out and lead us to victory is a big thing.”

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HOLIDAY PASSES TO NEXT LEVEL

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. Carlyle Holiday knew he made a mistake as soon as he let go of the ball.

As a Maryland defender wrapped his arms around Notre Dame's quarterback midway through the fourth quarter, Holiday flung a subarine pitch, weakly floating the ball a few feet short of the line of scrimmage. The Irish got a ten-yard penalty for intentional grounding.

Holiday got a tongue-lashing for unintentional-al brain freeze.

He didn't have to wait for his next jolt to the Irish sideline to know he'd used his reflexes and not his head. Tyrone Willingham left his spot on the 50-yard line to personally tell Holiday he screwed up. Offensive coordinator Bill Diedrick got on the phone after the drive ended to chew Holiday out.

"I've never been yelled at so much in my entire life," Holiday said. "Things like that just happen, but I can't let it happen again. That's a kindergarten mistake right there ."

In that instant, Holiday became the playground quarterback who relied on reaction and not reason. The rest of the game, he played with such precision few could tell it was his first game directing a pro-style attack. Brimming with confidence, the gunnyslinger delivered bullets with an unanny accuracy he rarely showed last season.

Last year, Holiday threw more than 17 passes twice. Saturday, he completed 17 passes. Eight different receivers caught passes.

And in the first 15 minutes of Notre Dame's 22-0 win against Maryland Saturday, Holiday passed for more yards than he did the final two games of last season.

In Notre Dame's 22-0 victory over Maryland, Holiday and the Irish proved everything. They also proved nothing.

Holiday directed an offense that managed to move the ball effectively — except in red zone scoring drives.

Willingham's team earned 11 penalties, suggesting a lack of preparation for game time.

coaching: Despite adapting his team to his new offensive scheme, Willingham's team earned 11 penalties, suggesting a lack of preparation for game time.

overall: Not a bad start for a new coach and his team.

The Irish will be looking to improve.

adding up the numbers

yards Setta kicked his first field goal of the career long 51

1982 last time an Irish defensive back had three interceptions — Dave Dierick against Navy 88

Holiday's passing yards in the first quar- ter, more than the last two games of last season combined 7

yards Maryland's Barnard kicked his first punt 22.08

amount of time Notre Dame possessed the ball more than Maryland 8

pounds Friedgen lost before this game — two concerned boosters are donating $50 to every pound he loses 50

10:57 time left in the game when the Maryland mascot walked off the field. It did not return.

IRISH INSIDER

Carlyle Holiday passes a throw against Maryland on Saturday. The junior quarterback completed 17 of 27 passes, passing for a career-high 226 yards. He also quieted many doubters who questioned his ability to play effectively in a pro-style offense.

Under center eased the concerns of worried fans who questioned his passing ability.

Holiday said he wasn't out to prove anything against Maryland. Bill Clinton said he never had sexual relations with that woman. Both were blatant lies.

Though he didn't say it, Holiday wanted desperately to erase the terrific display of inade­quacy he exhibited for Willingham the last time the two stood on a field together. The memory of 1-for-16 against Stanford still lingered in Holiday's mind, the lowest point in a low season.

Finally, he took his first step away from it.

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Walton turns in MVP performance

By CHRIS FEDERICO
Sports Editor

It isn't often that a player grabs three interceptions in a football game and fails to earn MVP honors for his performance. But that's what happened to Irish cornerback Shane Walton Saturday night in the Kickoff Classic against Maryland.

The fifth-year senior and Irish co-captain for the game grabbed two interceptions from starting quarterback Scott O'Brien and one from replacement Chris Kelley, becoming the first Notre Dame player since Dave Duerson in 1982 to have three interceptions in a game.

But the effort wasn't enough to grab MVP honors. Those went to Irish kicker Nicholas Setta, who was 5-for-5 on field goals as Notre Dame defeated Maryland, 22-0.

"I thought it was an opportunity when we knew they had inexperienced quarterbacks McBrien and Kelley to the air, where Irish defensive backs were waiting for them," Walton said. "We pride ourselves on stopping the run and the pass," Walton said. "When we get into the run like we did today, they've got to throw the ball. That's what we love as defensive backs, because we love to watch the offense struggle.

In addition to the three interceptions, Walton had a drive-stopping tackle in the third quarter with Notre Dame up 16-0 and Maryland deep into Irish territory. On fourth-and-4 at the Notre Dame 26, McBrien ran the option down the line to Walton's side and pitched to Mario Merrills as Walton dropped him for a three-yard loss.

Just before that, Walton had a key block to spring Duifo's 76-yard punt return for touchdown.

"Yeah, that was me on the block," Walton said with a smile. "Vontez [Duff] is my boy, and I've got to protect my boy. But there were 10 other blocks that were just as good, it was just one of 10 blocks."

Senior cornerback Shane Walton gets up to celebrate after intercepting Maryland's Scott McBrien. Walton had three interceptions against the Terrapins.

The play of the defense also made life easier for young quarterback Carlyle Holiday and the rest of the Irish offense - playing its first game with Willingham's new scheme.

"The way the defense played, it got the confidence up for the entire team," Holiday said. "The secondary did a heck of a job today, and our front held their ground. Whenever you can do that, you feel like you can be more aggressive and make a few more plays."

Ironically, heading into Saturday night's game, most of the focus had been on the Irish offense and its ability to convert to Willingham's new style of play. But the defensive players didn't mind that role out of the spotlight, and they especially don't mind shocking opposing offenses.

"I want people to focus on the offense," Walton said. "We can be the silent assassin on the defense.

Young starters make serious stops

Observer Staff Report

Courtney Watson did not start on Saturday. Doctor's orders kept the most experienced linebacker of the game out of the action.

Mike Goolsby, however, did start on Saturday. He and the other two starting linebackers had never played a down on defense. But you wouldn't have known by looking at them.

"I thought Goolsby and Hoyte and Curry did an excellent job," Willingham said. "They stepped up and made plays just as we would expect them to. We tell our football team that it doesn't matter, we believe it is an opportunity when a guy goes down."

"The three linebackers were part of an offense that held Maryland to 16 total rushing yards. The Terrapins had 26 going into the second half, which means they netted minus-10 yards in the final 30 minutes of the game."

"It was a blast out there, that was the most fun I've ever had playing ball," Goolsby said. "After the first quarter, getting accustomed to things. I just went out there being my normal self. I had a blast out there."

Penalties show Irish green

Notre Dame did leave some fouls on the field that they were still a bit of an inexperienced team. The Terrapins had 11 penalties that cost them 80 yards in the course of the game. Nine of those were offensive. Notre Dame was charged with a false start five times, delay of game twice, intentional grounding and holding.

"I need to look at the video to see how much of it was sloppy play," said offensive coordinator Bill DeAddick. "I think they just came at very inopportune times."

Five penalties were in Maryland territory.

Not Jones up the middle

For the first time in years, Notre Dame came out throwing. Carlyle Holiday opened the Irish's first series with a 7-yard pass completion to Omar Jenkins - a change from last year, when first-and-10 meant the Irish often ran.

"The play was very refreshing," said wide receiver Amir Battle, who finished the game with four receptions for 68 yards. "I thought it was coming to me. Carlyle decided to go the other side."

Game time leadership

For the second time in 114 years of football history, the Irish are naming game day captains. The last time the Irish did so was in 1946 under Frank Leahy.

Saturday's game day captains were center Jeff Faine, Battle, cornerback Shane Walton and defensive end Ryan Roberts.

Big time security

National Security Advisor Condoleezza Rice was present at the Kickoff Classic. Willingham said that as a close friend, she came to watch and support him.

"Dr. Condoleezza Rice is a dear friend," Willingham advisor. "And it was awful nice of her to be here for her."

scoring summary

1st 2nd 3rd 4th Total
Notre Dame 3 6 10 3 22
Maryland 0 0 0 0 0

First quarter
Notre Dame 3, Maryland 0
Nicholas Setta 51-yard FG with 0:01 remaining
Drive: 3 plays, 32 yards, 3:15 elapsed

Second quarter
Notre Dame 6, Maryland 0
Setta 34-yard FG with 1:39 remaining
Drive: 3 plays, 49 yards, 2:13 elapsed

Third quarter
Notre Dame 14, Maryland 0
Vontez Duff 7-yard punt return (Setta kick) 10:29 remaining
Notre Dame 19, Maryland 0
Setta 46-yard FG with 3:52 remaining
Drive: 5 plays, 43 yards, 0:21 elapsed

Fourth quarter
Notre Dame 22, Maryland 0
Setta 24-yard FG with 14:50 remaining
Drive: 7 plays, 44 yards, 2:41 elapsed

statistics

total yards NOTRE DAME 356 MARYLAND 133
rushing yards NOTRE DAME 130 MARYLAND 16
passing yards NOTRE DAME 220 MARYLAND 111
total return yards NOTRE DAME 120 MARYLAND 111
time of possession NOTRE DAME 41:04 MARYLAND 18:56

Holiday 19-31-0 McCrory 9-22-1 Kelley 3-6-1
rushes-yards 45-130 21-16 27-10-0 32-12-3 4-38 7-37-8
sacks-yards 0-0 0-0 0-0 0-0 0-0 0-0
penalties-yards 11-80 2-20 15 1st downs 8

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Ultimately the Irish offense couldn’t quite get it done. They couldn’t cross the goal line. But when it came to special teams, they had the Terrapins’ number. With 10:28 left in the third quarter, Vontez Duff fielded a punt at Notre Dame’s 24-yard line and sliced through the coverage, covering 76 yards and becoming the only Irish player to score a touchdown.