New catalyst project puts Saint Mary’s in motion

By EMIEY FORD
News Writer

The Center for Women’s Intercultural Leadership at Saint Mary’s is sponsoring the Catalyst Project, an experiment that will link students and staff with women leaders in the community.

Bonnie Bazata, director of community connections in CWIL, contemplated how to integrate the two communities and create a forum for women leaders. "One of the things that is often missing for women leaders," said Bazata, "is an opportunity to step outside an incredibly busy and often stressful environment, and really reflect on what they’re doing and to reflect with other women leaders, to have a kind of guided process for looking at their work. To both imagine new possibilities and get real concrete about how we get there; in the process of doing that to have kind of created a support community as we move on with our work. And so the Catalyst Project is an attempt to combine those things."

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Payday is here

Sometime during the past summer, a letter probably arrived in your mailbox telling you that you qualified for campus employment through the Work Study program. As far as I know these letters are worthless because it seems like everyone gets a similar letter and a brochure telling them of the marvelous benefits of working in the Dining Halls. Or so I thought.

When you arrive on campus, Beckers, LaFurtune and Co-Mo bound students to apply for employment ranging from making sandwiches to tutoring. Beyond this barrage, word begins to spread that you can work in the South Bend community, away from the typical campus job. Although this sounds enticing, remember that with everything in life, there’s a catch. You need Federal Work Study not the typical Work Study everyone else receives.

Apparently Federal Work Study is harder to come by than what the University hands out to us. Also once you do get it, you can’t always get to keep it. Your eligibility changes from year to year because it is determined from information you provide on your FAFSA forms each year.

I know service in the community shouldn’t be based on getting a paycheck at the end of the day, but it is a great incentive for college students. Time is valuable, and if you have the opportunity to get a job on campus versus trying to volunteer a few miles away, most people will take the paying position that’s close. In a paying community outreach position, students get the opportunity to help in the South Bend area for a substitute for customary campus employment.

Although some will argue these positions should be to mainly just feel good about yourself and not pay, remember that students are volunteers; pay is only necessary for most students. Work Study positions in not for profit organizations in the community allow students to have the best of both worlds: helping others and getting paid for it. There are students that volunteer actively in the community without worrying about money. These students should be congratulated for their sacrifices to make a difference in the community. If you can fit time in your schedule, I’d actually recommend volunteering for a semester and see how you like it. Volunteers are the real troopers out there and deserve all the credit they are given. The Center for Social Concerns is an important link on campus and every student should participate in one of its various programs to help the South Bend community.

If this letter finds you, you are looking for a position that can function as both a job and community service activity. If you qualify for Federal Work Study, unfortunately eligibility for Federal Work Study changes from year to year and many students don’t even qualify. If you do though, please consider taking advantage of it and check out the programs available. Working within a community service organization can be an awarding activity, and getting a paycheck is merely one of the many benefits you’ll receive.

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WHAT’S GOING ON ND

Lecture: “The Horizon of Peacebuilding: The Strategic Challenge of Post Agreement Change,” John Paul Lederach, 4:15 p.m. at the Hesburgh Center

Concert: Rio de Janeiro Cham Band, 5:30 p.m. at the South Bend Regional Museum of Art

Movie: Sukaha River, 7 p.m. at the Hesburgh Library, Carey Auditorium

WHAT’S HAPPENING @ ND

* Immunization Clinic 1 p.m.-7 p.m. in the Welsh Parlor
* Board of Governance Focus Group 6:30 p.m. at the North Wedge Room
* Junior Class “Most See TV” Night 6:30-10 p.m. in the Little Theatre

WHAT’S COOKING

North Dining Hall
Today’s Lunch: Boiled thin spaghettini, boiled beets, boiled tri-color rotini, turkey tetrazzini, mushroom marinara, spinach cheese tortellini, pepperoni pizza, cheese pizza, whipped potatoes, cut corn, peas, spinach, garden quiche, beef tips and mushrooms, boiled kielbasa, noodles, chicken enchilada

Today’s Dinner: Boiled mostaccioli, sausage pizza, calzones, plain rice, turkey gizzy, lima beans, eggplant parmesan, sweet steak, grilled salmon fillet, shrimp poppers, pork tempura, chicken taco, beef fajita

South Dining Hall
Today’s Lunch: Boiled thin spaghettini, boiled beets, boiled tri-color rotini, turkey tetrazzini, mushroom marinara, spinach cheese tortellini, whipped potatoes, cut corn, peas, spinach, broccoli, hamburgers, rice, cereal, fries, chicken sandwich, salad, bread sticks pepperoni pizza and cheese pizza

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A group discussion analyzed Catholic identity at SMC on Wednesday at Saint Mary's.

The conversation was an opportunity for the College community to gather and discuss hopes and concerns about the Catholic identity of Saint Mary's as a liberal arts college. The group discussion was propelled by several people serving as "conversation starters" who presented short commentaries.


Martin outlined what he thought it meant to be ideally Catholic:

"To be Catholic means to resist frozen unchanging ideas ... To be Catholic means we are called to live as Christians," Martin said.

Daley believed these specifications to be beyond the ideal. "Catholic colleges and universities need to emphasize applied learning to make the world just; to many this is an ideal but in a Catholic university, this is essential," Daley said.

Daley also emphasized the importance of humility in the elitist and pompous environment that surrounds academia and scholarship. Martin's suggestion was to, "Dare to look at the dark side in order to see and appreciate the light."

By examining what role her Catholic faith plays in her daily work, Snow answered the question posed by Daley, "Is a Catholic college or university any different from other colleges and universities?" She concluded that the content and philosophy of her classes would remain unchanged were she to teach at a public institution. However, she listed three areas in which the Catholic identity of Saint Mary's supplements her professional career.

"My life is whole here. At Saint Mary's there is an integration of experience that comes from no separation between faith and work."

As a Catholic member of the faculty at Saint Mary's, Snow said she feels an obligation to "Sister Elena Malits agreed.

"If we cannot discuss fundamental issues of who we are and what we do, where can we go?" Malits asked.

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Terence Martin, professor in Saint Mary's Religious Studies and Philosophy voices his ideas of Catholicism Wednesday while members of the panel look on.

identity problem that can come from shaping women at a Catholic women's college.

"What does it mean to be a practicing Catholic woman? I am an educated lay person, wife, mother and sexual being, not really somebody the Catholic Church is interested in hearing from," MacKenzie said.

Stark said Saint Mary's has fostered her Catholic identity.

"Once I came to Saint Mary's, I learned that my faith is my choice," Stark said.

William Svelmoe, Saint Mary's history professor, commented the exploration that students are able to do on campus.

"Coming from a fundamentalist Protestant background, the atmosphere here is refreshing and free. I appreciate the ever-present symbols but lack of forceful religion. This gives students the opportunity to explore and grow in their faith," Svelmoe said.

Kors did a survey asking students what it meant to be Catholic, and the majority of the students who responded said that the ability to dialogue about faith is key at a Catholic institution.

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The fun we had on last weekend's Sophomore Road Trip was too much to contain in a simple photograph. We'll just have to go on it yourself.

There's still time to sign up for a weekend of adventure. Go to Room 111 of the CoMo by midnight on Thursday, bring some friends, fill out an application, pay $25 bucks and you're in. If you're wondering what exactly we'll be doing on the SRT, just think "Outdoors Adventure."

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US News rankings: Solid or empty statistics?

In 1997, US News commissioned the National Opinion Research Center to write a report on the college ranking methodology. Its first point was that the US News system was its refusal to acknowledg the "non-traditional students"—students, often found on urban campuses, who take classes for personal enrichment with no intention of obtaining a degree—a skew the rankings.

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One pollster's perspective

As the coordinator of the University's Capstone Poll, which conducts local surveys and offers survey consulting services, Michael Conaway is used to dealing with survey data. But Conaway said he was not surprised by the lack of explanation US News provided with its data.

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Associated Press

Jerusalem

Palestinians called off talks set for a week-long Israeli siege of Yasser Arafat's compound in the West Bank town of Ramallah, complaining that Israel would not allow international negotiators to meet Arafat first.

Israel maintained its grip on the ravaged compound while easing curfew restrictions in other parts of Ramallah, defying a U.N. Security Council resolution and pressure from the United States, Europe and the Arab world to pull back.

One consequence of the siege is a halt to efforts to reform Arafat's regime, said a top official, Mahmoud Abbas.

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Israel is pressing to appoint one to take over some of Arafat's duties in the framework of reforms. But Abbas said there can be no talk of reforms "while our president is under such cruel and unprecedented aggression." Abbas told the Associated Press that he has been meeting with other reform-minded Palestinians, but they have discussed only how to end Israel's siege.

Palestinians hold candles and posters of Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat in Al Manara Square during a demonstration against the siege of Arafat's compound Wednesday in the West Bank city of Ramallah.

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Yamoussoukro

Waving U.S. flags and shouting "Vive la France!" American schoolchildren escaped a rebel-held Ivory Coast city under siege Wednesday.

Gbagbo has pledged an all-out battle to root out rebels in what was once West Africa's nation's bloodiest uprising.

The evacuation came amid concerns that a full-scale battle could envelop Bouake, a central area which has been hit by one of the bloodiest insurrections.

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National News Briefs

Tropical storm drenches Louisiana:

Tropical Storm Isidore drenched the Gulf Coast on Wednesday, swamping parts of New Orleans with thigh-deep water and chasing tourists and residents inland as it twisted toward land with a potential 20 inches of rain. By evening, the center of the swirling storm was 215 miles south of New Orleans and moving north at 12 mph.

Bush to send envoy to North Korea:

President Bush, despite deep suspicion of a country he considers part of an "axis of evil," will soon send an envoy to North Korea to reopen security talks after Pyongyang forced the United States to cut off water, electricity and food since last week's rebel takeover.

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Complied from The Observer wire services

Indiana News Briefs

Mom accused in beating visits daughter:

A woman caught on a South Bend department store surveillance tape repeatedly striking her 4-year-old daughter visited with the girl for about 95 minutes on Wednesday. The visit was Madelyn Gorman Toogood's first chance to see her daughter, Martha, since the girl was placed in foster care after Toogood was charged Saturday with battery of a child. A scheduled visit Tuesday was canceled because Martha was ill. Toogood and her husband, John, visited Martha together Wednesday. She was teary-eyed as she left afterward. "Yeah, she looked good," John Toogood said as he got into his car outside the Thomas N. Frederick Juvenile Justice Center. His wife did not say anything, other than to urge her husband not to talk with reporters.

Toogood, 25, has said she hit her daughter in the head and back and pulled her hair but did not hurt the cause of reform in the Palestinian Authority. The president has spoken about that directly in opposition to Israel.

Israel Defense Minister

Ben Eliyahu, like Peres a member of the moderate Labor Party, set a different condition for ending the blockade, demanding the surrender of 19 terror suspects in Arafat's office.

Israel, Europe and the United States have joined many Palestinians in demanding reforms in Arafat's unwieldy and corrupt regime.

Israel and Palestinian tanks and bulldozers into Arafat's compound last Thursday after a Palestinian suicide bomber blew up a Tel Aviv bus, killing himself and six other people.

On Monday, the U.N. Security Council passed a resolution demanding that Israel end the siege, pull its forces back toward the lines they held before violence erupted two years ago, while condemning attacks on civilians and calling on the Palestinians to put those responsible for terror attacks on trial.

Israel Foreign Minister Shimon Peres said Israel cannot carry out the resolution "because the other part will not be fulfilled," charging that Palestinian security forces are not stopping militants from carrying out attacks.

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Associated Press

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Pope John Paul II will address a joint session of the Italian parliament in November, a step seen as a historic reconciliation between church and state in Italy.

The Vatican says it will try to get the lawmakers Nov. 14 at the invitation of the heads of the two houses of parliament. Pope used to rule Rome, but the temporal power of the Roman Catholic Church ended when Italian troops entered the city in 1870 through the Porta Pia gate.

N. Ireland 'Good Friday' accord threatened:

The threat by Northern Ireland's most dominant Protestant party, the Democratic Unionist Party, to shut down the joint Catholic-Protestant government in January makes it more difficult to advance the peace process, a senior U.S. official said Wednesday.

David Trimble, the Protestant leader of Northern Ireland's majority party, said the plans will put the peace process in jeopardy.

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Survey raises concerns and prompts changes

By ERIN BRADY
News Writer

Praise for assistant deans along with issues concerning staff morale and salary were among the highlights of the results of an Arts and Letters survey conducted last April. The College sent out the survey to faculty, staff and students in search of opinions regarding the department and the reappointment of Arts and Letters Dean Mark Roche.

In a summary of results from the faculty, high opinions were given of the Dean’s efforts to recruit and retain tenured faculty. A majority of untenured faculty replied in favor of the dean’s reappointment, while a minority of tenured faculty supported it.

One of the major concerns brought about by the survey is that of salary fairness and the dean’s advocacy of pay based on merit. This item was ranked among the lowest on the faculty survey, receiving a “poor to low” mark. Staff results reaffirmed this sentiment, placing the statement “I believe salary increases are based on merit” in the “strong disagreement” category.

In a faculty meeting on Sept. 4, Roche addressed issues concerning salary, Notre Dame’s “ethos” and his accessibility. In a summary of the meeting, Roche described salary as the College’s first priority and introduced the idea of creating an ad hoc Faculty Review and Compensation Committee.

“ Ideally, the Committee will develop a formal proposal of some kind that may help address some of the lingering concerns faculty have about salaries as well as integrate the best practices,” said Roche. He also included ideas on how to improve his accessibility and visibility to members of faculty, staff and the student body.

In addition, both faculty and students gave high rankings to associate deans Ava Preacher, Jennifer Nemecek and Dorothy Pratt.

“We were pleased that students think we’re doing our job well. We strive to make our office a friendly and accessible place, and we like to think of our main task in creating possibilities,” said Preacher.

Roche concluded his first five-year term last spring and was reappointed for a second, based on the survey results, interviews with department chairs and other faculty and based on written comments and letters.

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opportunity to meet women leaders in the community,” Bazata said.

Social work major Laura Porto wants to be a part of the Catalyst Project as a way to expand her work in social issues.

“I decided to become involved following a summer internship, dealing with several social and economic justice issues ... This break is going to be a continuation of this summer, building upon what I and others know, bringing it back to our campus and our communities. As a social work major or any major on campus, you need to understand how your own profession contains an impact in your life as well as the immediate community and the larger society. You can make a difference,” Porto said.

Saint Mary’s student Jen Hernandez is also looking forward to the possibility of making a contribution to the great good.

“I’m looking to make sure that we affect each other in a positive and dynamic way that creates a support of and for all women within all of our communities ... We are going to be associating, working side by side with, and expressing ourselves with some amazing women from our community, this institution and our guests. I’m looking forward to rolling up my sleeves and expanding my mind within this project,” Hernandez said.

To help unite all the women, who come from various fields and ethnic backgrounds, each participant will be assigned a role for the trip as facilitator, evaluator, documenter or organizer. These tasks will ensure that everyone has an equal opportunity to share the responsibilities of recording the trip’s events, running workshops and evaluations.

Bazata hopes the project will live up to its name.

“This is not the doing of the action, but it’s the causal effect that creates an action because we’re trying to make that space in which after that experience, really great things happen.”

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There’s something for everyone this week at Club MOVIES

The Sweetest Thing

thurs 9/26 10 pm

fri 9/27 & sat 9/28 7:30 & 10 pm
dbrt 101

$3

Braveheart

thurs 9/26 10 pm

fri 9/27 & sat 9/28 7:30 & 10 pm
dbrt 155

$2
In Brief

United unions agree to cut wages

United Airlines' union leaders said Wednesday they are ready to allow the financially struggling company to cut labor costs by $5 billion over five years, but would not agree to $9 billion over six years as the carrier had sought.

One union official said the employee proposal includes "significant savings from management" but he did not offer specifics.

The proposal by United's five employee unions, in response to a United recovery plan announced last month that included $1.5 billion in annual labor cost savings, the unions said their recovery plan will allow the carrier to improve its annual profitability by $2 billion or $3 billion.

A coalition of United unions delivered the proposal late Wednesday to Glenn Tilton, chairman of United's parent, UAL Corp. The group did not release its plan.

Protesters vow to shut down D.C.

Protesters are pledging to shut down the nation's capital Friday with demonstrations that will "disrupt traffic and convey a symbolic message" against capitalism and war.

The protests are a prelude to even larger demonstrations planned for the weekend during meetings of the World Bank and International Monetary Fund.

"A small group that intends to disrupt the meetings with a physical attack may use cyber means to enhance the effects of the physical attack or to complicate the response by emergency services," the agency said in a statement.

The Anti-Capitalist Convergence, a group that wants to abolish the global financial institutions, said Wednesday that they would hold several nonviolent demonstrations during Friday morning's rush hour.

Market Recap

Market Watch September 25

Dow Jones

7,841.82  +158.69

NASDAQ

1,222.29  +40.12

ScP500

839.66  +20.37

AMEX

824.16  +8.56

NYSE

455.08  +9.70

Top 5 Volume Leaders

Company Share Change Price

NASDAQ-100 INDEX (QQQ)  +3.99  +0.84  21.87

CISCO SYSTEMS (CSCO)  +4.64  +0.53  11.95

INTEL CORP (INTC)  +0.08  +0.86  15.28

SUN MICROSYSTEM (SUNW)  +0.71  +0.02  2.83

ORACLE CORP (ORCL)  +7.38  +0.59  8.59

Homeostore executives plead guilty

Executive guilty of fraud, inflating earnings

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

Three former executives of Homeostore.com, the nation's largest Internet-based provider of residential real estate listings, have agreed to plead guilty to fraudulently inflating company earnings, Attorney General John Ashcroft announced Wednesday.

Two former executives of Homeostore.com Inc. chief operating officer John Giesecke and chief financial officer Joseph Shew agreed to plead guilty to conspiracy to commit securities fraud. Giesecke also agreed to plead guilty to mail fraud and former vice president John Desimone will plead guilty to insider trading charges, Ashcroft said at a Justice Department news conference.

"Our actions in this case in particular stand as a warning to corporate executives: the Department of Justice will vigorously pursue allegations of corporate fraud, regardless of the size or the prominence of the company under scrutiny," Ashcroft said.

"We will prosecute those individuals and companies that seek to take advantage of the information technology boom in the economy to steal other people's money," Ashcroft said.

Earlier, Giesecke's lawyer, Jan Handzlik, confirmed that his client will plead guilty to the charges. Giesecke is "deeply sorry for his conduct and he intends to fully cooperate with the government," Handzlik said.

The plea deal has been reached, but his client hopes to cooperate "as much as possible" to lead to favorable consideration when he is sentenced.

Homeostore, headquartered in Westlake, Calif., ran a network of realty-related Web sites including Realtor.com, the official Web site of the National Association of Realtors.

Earlier this year, Homeostore said it had overstated revenue in the first three quarters of 2001 by as much as $95 million.

The company has changed its management team and the firm is cooperating with the investigation, Shew and Desimone also have agreed to cooperate with the investigation.

Giesecke and Shew, together with other high-ranking Homeostore officers, were part of a scheme from March to December 2001 to defraud investors and the Securities and Exchange Commission by manipulating Homeostore's reported revenues to make them appear greater than they actually were, Ashcroft said.

Homeostore entered into an agreement with AOL Time Warner Inc.'s America Online unit in which Homeostore agreed to refer companies to AOL for purchase of online advertising, a government source said. AOL then agreed to purchase online advertising from Homeostore, dependent on the amount of advertising purchased by Homeostore's referrals, said the source, speaking on grounds of anonymity.

The government source said that Homeostore paid about $48.9 million to companies in 16 transactions. Those companies then paid some $45.1 million to AOL for online ads.

Homeostore included about $36.7 million in revenue from the scheme and Homeostore included that in its financial statements.

The scheme was carried out by causing fraudulent entries to be made in the company's records, misleading outside auditors, Ashcroft said. In addition, he said, the company filed false financial statements with the SEC.

Ashcroft also filed a civil securities fraud action and fraud each carry a prison term of up to five years, while insider trading is punishable by up to 10 years.

The SEC also has filed a civil securities fraud action against the three.

Economists weigh impact of war

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

The rising drumbeat of war against Iraq is taking a toll on the U.S. economy.

Oil prices are climbing, consumer confidence is falling and Wall Street is suffering stomach-churning days.

While the economy still struggling to emerge from last year's recession, there is growing concern that the potential adverse effects from a war with Iraq could push the country into another downturn.

Much will depend, economists say, on how the fighting unfolds. A quick U.S. victory, they believe, would likely translate into a quick retreat in oil prices. And the end to the uncertainty over the war's outcome should help bolster consumer and business confidence. These developments probably would mean an invasion of Iraq would have little long-lasting effect on the U.S. recovery.

But if a war with Iraq takes longer than the quick victory in Afghanistan or if the U.S. invasion provokes terrorist attacks in this country or a cutoff in oil supplies, the economic impact would be much more severe.

"There are many dark scenarios one could construct that would have a much greater debilitating impact on the economy," said Mark Zandi, chief economist at Economy.com.

"The military action could get bogged down or the U.S. invasion could send the rest of the Middle East into turmoil or incite increased terrorism in the United States," Zandi said.

Economists note the sobering fact that America's last four recessions were triggered in varying degrees by problems in the Middle East. Downturns in the mid-1970s and the early 1980s were caused by sharp spikes in oil prices. And a big jump in the price of oil triggered by Iraq's invasion of Kuwait was a prime culprit in the 1990-91 recession, which doomed the re-election chances of President Bush's father.
By KIM-MAI CUTLER
Daily Californian

BERKELEY, Calif.
Young adults have more conservative views about religion and abortion than their elders, a University of California-Berkeley study released Tuesday stated.

The study, which interviewed more than 1,000 randomly chosen Americans nationwide of different age, ethnic and gender groups, assessed the political opinions of different generations.

The study noted a significant difference in opinions on abortion between Americans ages 15 to 22 and adults ages 27 to 59. Forty-four percent of youths — compared to 34 percent of adults — supported government restrictions on abortions.

Increased media attention to abortion may be responsible for the difference, said Douglas Strand, the study’s project director. Additionally, conservative groups in recent years have pressed for more coverage of abortion issues, he said.

“Youths view abortion in a different light,” said UC Berkeley student Bret Manley, president of the Berkeley College Republicans. “And that’s because younger women did not live through the era where abortions were not as available. Perhaps people feel abortions are too easy to obtain.”

Youths also supported school prayer and federal aid to faith-based charities more than adults. Sixty-nine percent of youths approved of school prayer at official school activities, 10 percent more than adults.

In addition, two-thirds of young adults supported giving federal aid to faith-based charities, while only 40 percent of adults approved of such funding. Some researchers said the difference could be a result of increased activism by conservative religious groups while young adults develop their political views.

“A lot of adults already had an attitude about these issues. Young people, not having formed an attitude, might be more likely to be swept along.”

Merrill Shanks
political science professor

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“The study’s findings may reflect changes in demographics through which immigrant U.S. minorities with strong religious backgrounds have flourished,” Cain said.

“There may be more appeal for conservative social positions for whatever reasons, including changing social composition,” Cain added. “There may be more sympathy for conservative opinions than for the baby boomers who are in the power.”

The long-term goal of the study is to create a continuing survey to evaluate change in political opinion and how people react to political leaders over time, Shanks said.

The study was released by UC Berkeley’s Survey Research Center.

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Monday marks 40 years of integration at U. Mississippi

By ERIN M. SMITH
Daily Mississippian

OXFORD, Miss. - James Meredith wasn’t the first who fought the University of Mississippi to open its doors. Eight years prior to Meredith’s successful integration, Mississippi civil rights leader Medger Evers tried to enroll in the university’s law school. He applied in reaction to the landmark 1954 Supreme Court case.

In Brown v. Board of Education, the high court ruled that public school segregation was unconstitutional. The university, however, did not comply with the Supreme Court’s 9-0 decision.

“Despite the court’s decision, political leadership was opposed to [the desegregation of the university],” said Charles Wilson, director of the Center for the Study of Southern Culture. “They relied on the legal doctrine of state sovereignty.”

Mississippi’s leaders during the time believed states ultimately held the right to control education and educational matters. It took federal troops in 1962 for the state to recognize the sovereign power of the national government, Wilson said.

“Meredith was not the first,” Wilson said. “He was the end of the long process of trying to desegregate the university.”

Gerald Walton, who was an undergraduate in 1954, saw this process unfold.

“Most people in ’54 realized that integration was going to happen sometime or the other,” Walton said.

When the school desegregated in 1962, Walton said he was pleased to see change.

“The university is better because of its diverse population,” said Walton, a now retired English professor. Meredith and Evers were not the only black Americans who struggled to integrate flagship universities during the 1960s.

During the 200s and early 40s, a brick was thrown through her dorm window, shattering glass everywhere, Hunter-Gault said. They continued to harass Hunter-Gault and Holmes, but the taunts did not deter the two students, she said.

“For those unpleasant things that happened 40 years ago we were mere side bars to what was a triumph, and not ours alone, but all those people, black and white, who helped to open wide the doors to this institution and subsequently to the state,” Hunter-Gault said. “It was indeed a triumph over the racism that had ruled the day.”

One night at the university, she said she remembered receiving a strange phone call. “I was summoned to the phone in the hallway and a voice on the other end identified himself as James H. Meredith, who had just desegregated the University of Mississippi, not without violence far more extreme than that which greeted [Holmes] and me,” Hunter-Gault said.

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South made headlines. One such person was Charlene Hunter-Gault, the “first black woman to be admitted into the University of Georgia. Hunter-Gault, with fellow black student [student] Hildon Hamil H olmes, entered the university in the fall of 1961.

Fortunately for us, we never once regretted the decision to come here — not even when [Holmes] warned me to get my head and find the air, he hadn’t been let out of his time,” said Hunter-Gault in a 2001 speech commemorating the 40th anniversary of UGA’s desegregation.

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The Challenge of Christian Unity at Notre Dame

Catholic means Universal

by Jemar Tisby '02
Intern, Campus Ministry

After five years I can now sit with my hands folded calmly in my lap during mass. No more fidgeting as others around me engage in the Catholic ritual that ends with, “In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.”

I don’t have a problem with making the sign of the cross to open and close a prayer anymore. There’s nothing theologically unpardonable about this particular practice. It’s just not something that I do. I’m Protestant and in my tradition we don’t do the sign of the cross.

If you’re Catholic it might be difficult to imagine just how inaccessible and intimidating this place can seem to people of other faith traditions. But, for instance, going to Mass freshman year used to be one of the most unsettling experiences of my life. Not only did I feel ignorant for lagging a step behind during the unfamiliar liturgy, but the Mass brought to life all the troubling doctrinal issues that divide Catholics and Protestants. Whether it was praying for intercession from saints or the belief in trans-substantiation, Mass stood as a monolith of the mysterious and impenetrable Catholic culture of Notre Dame. I knew this place was Catholic and I chose to come here. I even received my undergraduate degree last Spring and I’m still here.

True, Notre Dame is unabashedly Catholic and no Protestant I know is trying to change that. Despite its denominational affiliation, simply put, Notre Dame is a spiritual place. It provides an environment where people who are interested in nourishing their spirit can do so. The Grotto is a prayerful place for me even with the statue of Mary in the corner. The chapels in each residence hall provide a great location for reflection, and most of all, the fact that Jesus Christ is a ready name on the lips of nearly everyone here makes Notre Dame a place where a vibrant faith life is possible for anyone.

And Notre Dame is now beginning to take even more initiative in ministering to its Protestant students. A few weeks ago the Office of Campus Ministry hosted for the first time an event called “What if I’m Not Catholic”—An Information Kick-off for Protestant Students. This event brought together several non-denominational or expressly Protestant organizations like Iron Sharpens Iron and the Baptist Collegiate Ministry to share information about what they do and provide resources for Protestants and other interested students. Interfaith Christian Night Prayer, launched four years ago, is Campus Ministry’s explicit effort to bring Catholics and Protestants together and provide a common place for prayer, praise, and worship. The University also hired me, a Protestant, to be on the Campus Ministry staff as an intern this year. The significance of these moves can hardly be understated as they represent a tangible and aggressive effort toward openness, dialogue and diversity within the Christian community on campus.

So Notre Dame has made an effort to address the needs of its Protestant students, and it has done well in my opinion. But the worst thing that Notre Dame could do now is to believe that it has done enough. We’re just getting started. There are still few forums in which students can formally engage in dialogue between Protestants and Catholics, there still aren’t nearly enough Protestants engaged in Campus Ministry or faith life in the residence halls, and there are still far too many Protestants who are unable to access the spiritual stream running through Notre Dame and so their faith withers and dies.

The responsibility for facing this challenge does not rest solely in the hands of the University. Protestant students, too, must go beyond their normal boundaries and explore the Christian tradition, if only to find out more about the environment in which they have chosen to live and study. But Notre Dame’s challenge is to find a way to minister to all its students and tap into the vitality of their traditions as a way to breathe new life into the campus and sustain the spiritual lives of all. Indeed the real challenge at Notre Dame is to remember that Catholic means universal.
In policy shift, U.S. will open doors to talk to North Korea

WASHINGTON

President Bush will send a senior American diplomat to North Korea early next month, the White House said today, ending 20 months of internal debate on whether to open talks with a country that Mr. Bush lumped with Iran and Iraq as part of an “axis of evil.” The announcement, which came only days after a visit to North Korea by Japan’s prime minister, Junichiro Koizumi, was a significant change of strategy for the administration, which had ended similar negotiations pursued with North Korea by President Clinton shortly before he left office.

The administration has for months been signaling a readiness to reopen talks at a senior level; the official traveling to the North will be James A. Kelly, an assistant secretary of state with long experience in Asia. But the trip was delayed after a North Korean incursion into South Korean waters in June.

Administration officials say they intend to have a wide-ranging discussion with North Korea that will cover its missile production and exports, its huge array of conventional weapons within reach of South Korea and its history of repression. There will undoubtedly be revived talk about its nuclear program, which has been frozen since 1994 under an agreement with the United States.

The timing of the White House announcement was significant, because the stance on North Korea contrasts so sharply with Mr. Bush’s approach to Iraq. Administration officials have gone to some lengths in recent weeks to explain why they think diplomacy can work with Kim Jong Il of North Korea but not with Saddam Hussein. Like Iraq, North Korea has an extensive nuclear program, chemical weapons, links to terrorism and a history of shell games with nuclear inspectors.

Moreover, the Central Intelligence Agency has estimated that North Korea has produced enough fissile material to produce at least two nuclear weapons; so far the agency has concluded that Iraq does not have the material to produce a nuclear device but could obtain it in coming years.

The White House made the announcement after Mr. Bush talked by telephone to President Kim Dae Jung of South Korea, who had urged the United States to make such a move more than a year ago. Mr. Bush rebuffed President Kim at the time, saying he did not trust the North Korean leader. The rebuff was an early victory for hawks in the administration, who argued that North Korea would never fulfill its commitments. It was also an early defeat for Secretary of State Colin Powell, who argued that there was little risk in picking up where Mr. Clinton had left off.

Now, 20 months into his presidency, Mr. Bush appears to be doing exactly that, although the White House insists that the talks will be on a much wider range of issues than Mr. Clinton was attempting.

"The two leaders agreed that real progress with the North depends on full resolution of the security issues on the Korean Peninsula," Ari Fleischer, the White House press secretary, told reporters today. The State Department said lower-level meetings with North Korean officials at the United Nations this week had paved the way for the trip.
I'm back in that spot that we young adults doing the dating thing get into, that spot where, because of the stupid or insensitive or sometimes perfectly-acceptable-to-everyone-but-you, actions of one member of the opposite sex, you are bitter at everyone of that gender. Yes, folks, I have been out there doing the romance thing. As usual, someone had to get hurt, and this time it was me.

Anyway, I don't want to dwell too much on my new-found distance for the male gender. But over the course of this last relationship (which was not with an Notre Dame guy, but a guy back home, so don't worry that I'm embarrassing some poor Dormer), I did notice several major differences between the way women and men go at this whole romance thing.

In the beginning:

Girl: That guy is sort of cute. I hope he's tough on the outside and plays sixteen sports, loves cars and volunteers as a firefighter in his spare time. (A friend pointed out to me this summer that all girls want to sleep with firefighters. I had never thought of this, but so far I've yet to find a girl who doesn't think about it, rock her head to one side and then say, "you know, I kind of do." But on the inside I want him to be sensitive, write poetry and love huge romantic gestures. Do you think he could be my soul mate? Maybe he's the one I've been looking for my whole life!

Guy: She's hot.

Getting to know each other (the important things):

Guy: "What do you mean, I shouldn't still be in love with my ex and getting with someone else?"

Out there doing the romance thing

As soon as men get single, no matter how broken-hearted they may be, they immediately start looking for someone new. They don't seem to feel like there's any great need to get over one girl before starting something up with the next. It amazes me that the gender that produced Gallileo, Newton and Einstein cannot seem to see any connection whatsoever between feelings and dating.

Girl: "What do you mean, I don't have to stay single until I can no longer remember his name?"

Women, on the other hand, obsess over the relationship until they have figured out everything that went wrong, how they could have (should have) fixed it, what they have learned from it and draws every other possibly bit of perspective out of the old relationship. Then and only then do they start to look at other guys, but they still have to go through the "he doesn't do Y like X, he doesn't look like X, I miss X's stage. I'm somewhat amazed that women date more than once in their lives."

So that's my incredibly stereotyped view of dating from the perspective of both sexes. This column is all part of my new attempt to anger as many people as possible. The Wyoming article wasn't very broad, and if I tried to do this on a state-by-state basis, I could be writing until I was 25. So I figured I'd take on both genders at once and take care of upsetting pretty much everyone.

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Defending the value of cell phones

Features help personal relationships

In response to Amy Chamber's heartfelt plea in Wednesday's issue of The Observer to campuses cell phone users to please just shut the darn things off and talk to each other (which is a good idea by the way), I will say that at some point in her near future, Ms. Chambers will learn that most of her cell phone calling friends were film majors, taking calls in class and acting like they were already New York chic or Hollywood glam. But now cell phones are the craze around, but not very popular on campus.

Serious.
Out of college and living in Los Angeles, a city where cell phones probably outnumber humans, I'm two time zones away from the majority of my closest friends. It didn't take me long to realize that staying close with my best friends from Notre Dame would require a necessary evil: the cell phone. I didn't like cell phones either when I was in college. I didn't feel the need to be 'on-call' to the world 24 hours a day. And those ring tones - cut off my ears. But what was once an annoyance, I now embrace. Be it a quick call to offer me extra work, my buddy letting me know we're meeting at the Cat and the Fiddle in Hollywood or one of my former roommates calling me life is all on the other side of the country. My cell phone keeps me in touch with my friends and I strive to keep in touch by missing a call or one of my roommates fumbling a message.

Thursday, September 26, 2002

Exercising the consequences of birth control

In her Sept. 18 article, Amanda Rubio claims to know enough about the pill to teach us all "a little health lesson." I strongly disagree. In fact, I think she is misinformed on this topic. That does not come as a surprise to me since most of the information women's health doctors put in females' hands is very pro-choice, biased and restricted. So I will take it upon myself to teach you an accurate health lesson using informed sources on the pill.

Progestin thickens the mucus in a woman's cervix so that sperm migration becomes more difficult. Progestin also work to "lower the efficiency with which the fallopian tubes push eggs from the ovaries towards the uterus." Lastly, the pill stops a pregnancy by causing the corpus luteum (the empty egg sack) "to function inadequately, allowing the lining of the uterus to be shed before the embryo can successfully implant." The embryo dies because of its improper environment and it is "menstruated" out without the woman ever knowing that she had just indirectly killed a human life. Ms. Rubio should not be so astonished by this. In her Sept. 18 article, she wrote, "Because nearly all birth control devices...operate between the time of conception...and implantation...the pill may have no trouble admitting the pill manufacturers were not so concerned with how the pill maintains its effectiveness, but if it does and what kind of medical side effects the pill has. If the pill is used correctly and without other medications that interfere with the hormones, it may be 99 percent effective. But in practice, "between 1.9 percent and 18.1 percent of women will experience an unplanned pregnancy in the first year of using the pill," due to factors listed above, according to Weckenbrock. Is this what you call safe sex?}

Although, just take a look at some of the side effects of the pill. Even though the "effects are dose related and not every woman will experience them," the following risks are still present: blood clots, fatal heart attack and fatal brain hemorrhage, high blood pressure, breast cancer, cervical cancer, liver tumors and skin cancer. People who take the pill have two times the risk of a fatal heart attack as compared to those not taking the pill. Smokers have 12 times the risk. Other symptoms and irregularities include: spotting, migraines, vaginal infections, temporary or permanent blindness and possible infertility. In extreme cases, "there are 7.9 pill-related deaths per 100,000 women aged 15-44." Weckenbrock tells us that, as for condoms use during intercourse, "studies have shown a considerable failure rate of 10 to 33 percent for preventing pregnancies...But disease can be transmitted any time of the month...and industry officials admit condoms have holes 50 to 300 times the size of the HIV virus. The government wrote a $2.6 million grant to study condom effectiveness because of the number of condom users who could become infected in such a short time.

In addition, condom manufacturers allow 0.4 percent of any given batch to be defective, before a recall is ordered. So before you take advice from Ms. Rubio on how to avoid unwanted pregnancies and disease by taking the "right forms of contraception," make sure you get the real facts (and consequences) before getting some.

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By CHRISTOPHER COOPER
Scene Movie Critic

The new comedy "Barbershop" by first-time director Tim Story is a refreshing movie that deals with many issues plaguing African Americans while also keeping things positive. It does a wonderful job blending humor with a deeper meaning and the viewer definitely comes away feeling good.

"Barbershop" stars Ice Cube as Calvin, the owner of a black neighborhood barbershop who dreams of owning a record studio. He sells his beloved barbershop to a local loan shark for $20,000 under the stipulation that it remains a barbershop. The unscrupulous usurper has other ideas and plans to install another shop to a local loan shark for $20,000. However, Calvin realizes his mistake, he must pay back double the price by the end of the day. The story, adapted from the novel "24 Hours," follows the kidnapping of a wealthy family's daughter. A supposedly foolproof plan is set in motion whereby three kidnappers will get the money and the family will be brought back together within 24 hours. Will and Karen Jennings, Stuart Townsend and Charlize Theron live a privileged life with their daughter Abby (Dakota Fanning). When Will is away at a conference, the robbers, led by the diabolical Joe Hickey (Kevin Bacon), make their move. One of the robbers, Marvin (Pruitt Taylor Vince), takes the child to an isolated cabin while Joe stays with Karen and sets the ransom plan in motion. At the conference, Will is held in his room by Joe's wife, Cheryl (Courteney Cox). As the story develops, the audience learns there is more to the kidnapping than just getting the money.

The acting in this film is, for the most part, excellent. The three sets of couple are established well and set up really great scenes. The dichotomies between each of the three sets of couples establish great dialogue and on-screen chemistry. The scenes between Theron and Bacon are incredible. They play extremely well off each other and help develop an interesting subplot. The tiny Fanning on screen with the enormous Vince was made more interesting by the differences in their characters' personalities.

Marvin is an extremely shy, thoughtful, emotional but dim-witted and easily frazzled man while Abby is a quick thinker and coolheaded. The same sort of relationship exists between Townsend and Love. Will is very cool and quick, while Cheryl is emotional and easily upset. The acting throughout the first half of the film between each of these couples helps drive a fairly slow plot. Once the plot starts to develop further, the movie starts to degrade. Each of the couples is trapped in a certain location. When they leave these locations, the kidnapping and ransom plan start to fall apart, the movie does as well. What is at one point a psychological thriller becomes a run-of-the-mill action film.

The worst part of the film comes near the end when Will recklessly endangers the lives of dozens of people in order to catch a plane on a highway. It seems that the directors could not find a way to end the film and came up with an action-packed chase scene with tangents flying off all over the place. The FBI is brought in, but then asked to leave, then asked to come back and help. A helicopter tracks the movement of Karen and Joe, but we are not really explaining what is flying it and where they came from. Too many unexplained tangents start to fray off the film near its end, which is abrupt and inconclusive.

Overall, this film is actually very engaging. The first hour of the film has viewers on the edge of their seat waiting for what will happen next, guessing the entire time. Unfortunately, it then changes into a typical action sequence that is predictable and unmotivated. Acting performances are well done, and the film is visually interesting.

In a weekend with other releases being horror films, "Trapped" was probably the one unexpected box office success.

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The Arbiter of Taste

One Hour Photo’ is not worth the time

One Hour Photo’ is a film about superficiality and because of its over simplified style, superficial is exactly what the film ends up being.

Sy Parrish (Robin Williams) is an employee behind the counter of a Savemart’s one-hour photo service with a perfectly processed grin. We first begin to get to know him as he serves the various customers at his counter. One customer in particular is a woman, Nina Yorkin (Connie Nielsen), with her son Jakob. We realize the family’s significance when she asks for two prints of Jakob’s birthday party photographs and Sy scratches down “2.”

However, Sy still seems as demure as he looks until we follow him home to see his sparsely furnished apartment. There, spotlighted on the wall of his living room, is a huge photo montage of the family beginning about 10 years ago when Nina and her husband, Will (Michael Vartan), first met. The photo assembly tells us two important things: obviously Sy has a special obsession with the Yorkins and as the camera scans the individual photographs, right down to the heater gray chunky-knit sweaters, the Yorkin’s life is seemingly as picture-perfect as the advertisements in a J.C. Crew catalog.

All seems fine, outside of areverse sequence Sy has of being a part of the Yorkin family, until Sy loses his job over the missing prints that decorate his living room and decides to visit Jakob at soccer practice to give him a gift. In the snapshots, he finds evidence of a woman in Will’s life. The action escalates to the stealing of a gift. In the snapshots, he finds evidence of a woman in Will’s life. The action escalates to the stealing of a gift. In the snapshots, he finds evidence of a woman in Will’s life. The action escalates to the stealing of a gift.

“One Hour Photo” begins with the snapshots of Will’s birthday celebration. As we are shown the brightly colored snapshots of kids playing on a red Fisher-Price slide and big birthday balloons in all of the (and only the) most basic shades of the primary colors. Robin Williams’ voice narrates for us: “If pictures have anything to say, it’s this: I was here, I existed. I was young and happy and someone cared enough about me to take my picture.”

The photos are striking in their bold colors and smiling faces, but after two or three one gets the knee-jerk reaction of someone who has read an excessive amount Kafka’s short stories. This is too perfect he real and far too clichéd to be at all interesting.

Sy-the-photo-guy, is a character that when coupled-with his role in “Insomnia,” marks a drastic change in Robin Williams’ career. He is dark, mysterious and difficult to understand — a far cry from previous Williams’ films such as “Bicentennial Man,” “Flubber” and “Mrs. Doubtfire.”

Williams, however, will still always be Williams more than he is the character he intends to play and his performance in “One Hour Photo” is no exception. Williams only recycles the acting and techniques that served him so well in the past. The problem is that the new roles he is attempting require from him new thought and new techniques and Williams turns out to be somewhat like a puppy who has already shown you all his tricks.

Other let down are the potentially good cinematography and score that simple do not deliver. Composers Reinhold Reinhold and Johnny Klimek obviously have the ability to assemble a good score, but the music in this film is as monotone and without emotion as the scenes are monochromatic. Cinematographer Jeff Cronenweth who also did “Fight Club” and “K-19,” curbs his usual visceral style for a much more plastic feel.

Plastic, is in fact the adjective I would use to describe this film in a nutshell. The entire film, from its script to color scheme, feels as if were constructed out of Legos. The storyline is utterly unbelievable, and its characters are without depth. No one ever gives a reason for why Will cheats on his wife or why Sy is in his mental state.

Writer and director Mark Romanek, whose past experiences are limited to Nine Inch Nails and Madonna music videos, actually manages to be insulting to his audience and this is due to the over structured nature of the film. Williams, at one point, explains to his audience that the etymology of the term “snapshot” which was first used by a 19th century Englishman to describe shots taken at pheasants without aiming. He then holds our hands explaining further that, “snapshot,” then, was originally a hunting term. “I laughed aloud in the theater at this. There is such a thing as explaining too much to the audience.

The film tries to raise a few ethical questions concerning whether the ends Williams’ character achieves justify the way in which he achieves them, but the points are as artificial as the environments inside the Savemart where he works. The cinematography however, could be interpreted as expressing an interesting socio-economic class commentary. Nothing in the film is older than a year or two, no loved, dirtied or familiar objects make an appearance. Jakob’s room is littered with toys, all plastic action figures, lying like casualities of a strange misunderstood battle on the beige carpet. Also, well captured is the absurdity of department store. The fluorescent lights buzz above the rows of products, computer supplies standing across the way from cosmetics. Lines of stuffed blue teddy bears, which would alone seem soft and needed, but in a line of 20 copies all sitting on the same shelf above pink ones of their same kind, loose somehow what it was that makes the childhood toy dear.

“One Hour Photo” is not an awful film, but it is certainly not a good one. It fits into that tepid gray twilight of films that have nothing great or terrible about them and it will most likely leave you untouched and unaffected. If you want to see a film with Robin Williams in an unusual role you are better off renting “Insomnia,” and if you want to see a film in theaters you will probably better enjoy one of the many others coming out this fall.

The opinions expressed in this column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer. Anne Hamilton is in the market for a helper monkey, if any one has one to spare of knows where to get one contact her at hamilton.56@nd.edu.
The NL East champion Braves moved five games ahead of Arizona in the race for home-field advantage throughout the playoffs.

Phillies, seeking its second consecutive winning season for the first time since 1981-82, fell to 500 with four games remaining.

Phillies rookie Brett Myers (4-5) gave up four runs and six hits in five innings.

"He hit everything tonight," Myers said of Jones. "He was locked in. He hit good pitches and bad pitches.

St. Louis 6, Arizona 1

Two fastballs in bad places Wednesday were the difference between a Curt Schilling gem and another late-season disappointment for the Arizona Diamondbacks.

Schilling, a 23-game winner, struck out 12 and was flawless except for a lone walk in six of his eight innings. But two-out, three-run home runs by Scott Rolen and J.D. Drew gave the Diamondbacks their 4-2 season series record against Arizona. That would mean the first two games and a fifth, if needed, in St. Louis.

The Cardinals have won four in a row, eight of nine, and 18 of their last 23 in Arizona has lost a season-worst six straight.

Garrett Stephenson (2-5) struggled to throw strikes — walking five and striking out two, but gave up just one hit in five innings. He threw 96 pitches, just 51 of them strikes.

Atlanta’s Andruw Jones hit three home runs in the Braves’ 7-1 victory over the Phillies. It was Jones’ first three-homer game in his six-year career.

Stephenson missed most of the past two seasons with injuries, and had been ineffective when he did pitch this season, entering the game with a 6.08 ERA. He won 16 games for the Cardinals in 2000 but is uncertain for the playoff roster.

Schilling (23-7) was making his final start of the regular season. He has 31 strikesouts, second to teammate Randy Johnson’s 326, and just 33 walks.

21. But after his last seven starts, he is 2-3 and has allowed 28 earned runs in 50 2/3 innings. He gave up season-worst eight runs in 7 1/3 innings in his previous start, a 9-4 loss at Colorado last Thursday.

"It’s the time of year where you’ve got to pitch well," Schilling said. "They did, we didn’t.

Arizona’s lone run came on Matt Williams’ home run in the 10th, his sixth in the inning off Jeff Blauser.
Angels lose, clinch playoff spot with Oakland win

The Yankees gained a 4-3 win over the Tampa Bay Devil Rays as Mariano Rivera earned the save for New York.

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ARLINGTON, Texas

Even if the Anaheim Angels clinched a playoff spot late Wednesday night, there were no plans for a celebration.

The Angels missed another chance to get into the postseason on their own when they lost their fourth straight game, 4-3 Wednesday night at Texas. It was the third straight game they would have clinched with a win.

But they could still get into the playoffs for the first time since 1986 if AL West-leading Oakland won later Wednesday night at Seattle.

"If the Mariners lose and we make the playoffs, that’s a great thing," said Angels pitcher Jarrod Washburn. "But we’re not going to celebrate on a night we lost."

Rafael Palmeiro led off the bottom of the eighth with a tiebreaking homer and the Rangers added another run on a bases-loaded walk.

Anaheim has lost seven of its last nine games, dropping 3 1/2 games behind Oakland with four games left. Boston was eliminated from the wild-card race after a 7-2 loss at Chicago, leaving Seattle as the only team that could keep the Angels out of the postseason.

"We’re still in the driver’s seat," said Angels manager Mike Scioscia. "We haven’t paid attention to what other clubs have done all year. We’re not going to start tonight."

The plastic sheathing had been completely removed from the Anaheim clubhouse and there was no sign of any champagne.

Players were leaving quickly, with the Oakland-Seattle game unavailable on the television there.

New York Yankees 4, Tampa Bay 3

With the fans on their feet and heavy metal music blaring, Mariano Rivera came out of the bullpen to close out a ballgame.

It’s starting to feel like October at Yankee Stadium. Rivera got his first save in more than a month and Alfonso Soriano hit a tiebreaking double as the New York Yankees beat the Tampa Bay Devil Rays Wednesday night.

"I’m ready to go to the playoffs," Rivera said. "Today felt good. I’m giving everything that I’ve got. I’m not holding anything back. What you see is what I’ve got."

The Yankees, with the best record in baseball, reached 100 wins for the first time since 1998 and the 16th time in franchise history.

New York won for the 16th time in 22 games to move a season-high 42 games over .500.

“Quality year,” manager Joe Torre said. “When you change as much personnel as we have from last year, and to have it meld together like it has, and with the pitching staff beat up at times, I think it’s coming together at the right time.”

Roger Clemens recovered from a rocky start to retire 14 of his last 15 batters in his final tuneup for the playoffs. The Rocket figures to start one of the first two games of the AL division series next week at Yankee Stadium.

Jeff Weaver (11-11) pitched three scoreless innings for the victory, his first ever in relief.

He gave up a leadoff double to Randy Winn in the eighth, but retired Aubrey Huff, Ben Grieve and Toby Hall to preserve a one-run lead.

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Controversy emerges over Europeans’ slow play

SUTTON COLDFIELD, England — The gamesmanship begins. After Europe’s Ryder Cup players kept the wrong American waiting Tuesday, it became apparent this week’s matches may not be played with jolly good thoughts on both sides after all.

The matches that were supposed to restore civility to the Ryder Cup were still days away, yet members of each team were already bit on each other’s nerves after Tiger Woods and his foursome picked up and played through.

European captain Sam Torrance offered the Americans a halfhearted apology for the slow play. But, after Woods’ group skipped some holes to go ahead of the Europeans, Sergio Garcia wasn’t about to throw the boy teamasunder.

“We have all day. We don’t need to hurry,” Garcia said. “It’s only six matches playing out there. Just enjoy the Day. You’ve not going to get many like this.”

The crowds lining the fairways watched puzzled as Woods and his foursome picked up their balls from the third fairway and went to the eighth tee where no one was in front of them.

It may have been just a borderline breach of golf etiquette, but it was sure to give the British tabloids enough fodder to fill the days before the real play gets underway on Friday.

“There was no ill intent,” Woods insisted. “There was no disrespect at all. We went on and played and we came back and we played those holes.”

Woods, who likes to get his practice rounds over with quickly, might have guessed that would not be the case in Tuesday’s first practice session.

Tiger Woods and his teammates skipped ahead of the others in Europe’s Ryder Cup. The players went from the third tee to the eighth to avoid the wait.

Not only was his group well ahead of three European foursomes, but the foursome in front of him included Garcia and the notoriously slow Bernhard Langer.

Woods was antsy as he stood waiting in the third fairway along with playing partners Paul Azinger, Stewart Cink and Mark Calcavecchia for the Europeans to finish up on the green.

“We play at a faster pace, plain and simple,” Woods said. “I saw Bernhard and the guys lining up puts on the third hole. We definitely don’t do that, especially on a Tuesday. So we hopped over.”

Azinger said the decision to skip some holes and get ahead was made in the third fairway when it looked like the practice round would drag on all day.

“We didn’t see any harm in cutting over, rather than staying behind them all day,” Azinger said. “They might be a little different than we do. It’s not that big a deal, we didn’t hold anybody up and off we went.”

Torrance offered the Americans an apology of sorts as they came off the ninth green, but said he wasn’t terribly concerned about slow play.

“You’ve got to understand it’s the first practice day,” Torrance said. “I think the mistake was putting the two teams out directly behind each other; there should have been a half hour gap.”

Torrance might have seemed a bit embarrassed because he and American captain Curtis Strange earlier had set the first “slow play” policy for the matches themselves.

That came in the wake of six-hour matches at the last Ryder Cup, where one lasting image was of Padraig Harrington walking 150 yards up to the 17th green to check out the hole location.

Team play concept challenges Mickelson

SUTTON COLDFIELD, England — Golf’s ultimate gambler, had no choice but to play it safe.

He pulled a mid-iron from his bag Wednesday morning as he stood on the 10th tee at The Belfry, which has a reputation as one of the most exciting par-4s in Ryder Cup history. The gallery gruessed and pleaded with him to go for the green.

“It’s not my fault,” Mickelson said with a shrug. “Get them to move the tee up and it might be different.”

Fat chance of that happening this week at the Ryder Cup.

In a decision that will reduce the 311-yard hole into a wedge-and-putting contest, European captain Sam Torrance wants the 10th to play its full length for all five of the Ryder Cup matches.

As captain of the home team, Torrance gets to choose how the course is set up.

“I’m really disappointed,” said Paul Azinger, one of four Americans who has played a Ryder Cup at The Belfry. “I think it’s a mistake, quite frankly, because the 10th hole had a lot of history. Traditionally, I would say 80 percent of the players could go for that green. Now it may be 20 percent.”

Azinger is part of an even smaller percentage — zero. He took two cracks at it and only got near the green when his ball took a few fortunate bounces off the trees.

What makes No. 10 such a great hole, especially in match play, is that players can choose to go for the green and have a chance at eagle.

The punishment is severe if they miss. The green is protected by a pond in front, a stream to the left, bunkers to the right and tall trees all around.

And while 311 yards from the tips doesn’t make it impossible, the back tee has been shifted to the right so that players have to go over a cluster of trees or try to shape their tee shots from left-to-right into a prevailing wind.

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NEW YORK
An arbiter handed the NBA a victory Wednesday that should help keep team payrolls down, ruling that the 29 owners can redistribute luxury tax and escrow funds any way they please.

The players' union filed a grievance in August, arguing that the escrow and tax money should have been held in Jamaica, but the league's plan to redistribute these funds to high-spending teams amounted to circumvention of the collective bargaining agreement.

"The NBA bargained for the right in the CBA to decide how the escrow and tax money would be used," NBA general counsel Rick Buchanan said. "We are pleased that the arbitrator enforced the terms of the agreement."

At issue was what happens to moneys collected from the escrow and luxury taxes. Under the escrow tax, players last season began having 10 percent of their salaries withheld because they were collectively receiving more than 55 percent of basketball-related income. Of the $154 million collected, about $23 million was returned. The remainder was divided among the 29 owners.

In the upcoming season, teams with payrolls exceeding $51 million-$54 million (the exact amount will not be known until next summer) will have to pay a dollar-for-dollar luxury tax on the overage. That money would then be redistributed to teams that did not exceed the threshold.

In addition, those high-spending teams would be eligible to receive only a portion (10 percent in 2003, 40 percent in 2004, zero percent in 2005) of the escrow money.

NBA
WOMENS BASKETBALL
U.S. wins World Championship

Associated Press
Nanjing, China
The United States women's basketball team continued its world domination — something its male counterparts couldn't do.

With a 79-74 win over Russia on Wednesday, the United States won its second straight Women's World Basketball Championship. The title came just weeks after the U.S. men's team finished an embarrassing sixth in the World Championship in Indiana.

The victory was the 19th straight in championship play for the American women, who have not lost a game since 1994. The United States with 18 points. Russia rallied in the fourth quarter, hitting two crucial free throws and a key jumper late in the fourth quarter to seal the victory after Russia came within one.

Leslie said the win restored U.S. pride after what happened to the men's team. "I think we have redeemed them. But we have all learned a big lesson from the men," Leslie said. "We just can't get complacent."

The gold medal was America's seventh, the most in the championship's 49-year history. The former Soviet Union is No. 2 with six golds. Australia won the bronze Wednesday with a 51-63 win over South Korea. Lauren Jackson led Australia with 31 points.

U.S. coach Van Chancellor stopped short of proclaiming a U.S. women's dynasty. But he said his team had one of the best defenses in championship history, holding opponents to an average of less than 60 points per game.

"I think it's the best defensive team the United States has ever had," Chancellor said.

The win for the United States was lighter than expected. Russia rallied in the fourth quarter, making the final the closest game of the tournament for the Americans. The United States won their previous games by an average of more than 30 points.

Russia trailed 71-70 with 3:30 remaining in the fourth quarter. But Leslie put the game out of reach with her free throws and jumper.

"It was a big jumper for us," Leslie said. "And from there, our momentum changed. Defensively, we were able to jump on them, and I think we held the lead from that point on."

Sheryl Swoopes led the United States with 18 points. Leslie said Russia got as close as it did because she and Swoopes were tired after the 11-day tournament.

"I think fatigue really caught up with us," Leslie said. "Yesterday, I played 38 minutes, and I just felt like I was tired from the beginning. Our shots were a lot shorter than usual. Sheryl and I probably missed more shots than we have all tournament."

Leslie was benched in the second quarter after picking up her third foul. But Tamika Catchings stepped in, scoring 14 of her 16 points in the first half. The United States took 48-35 lead into halftime.
CLARET'S RETURN PROBABLE

Associated Press

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MIAMI DE READY TO RETURN TO LINEUP

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CORAL GABLES, Fla. Miami defensive end Jerome McDougle practiced with the first team Tuesday, regaining his starting position with the top-ranked Hurricanes.

"He was one of our defensive players of the week that we wanted to recognize," Coker said. "He had seven tackles, three quarterback hits. So he's first team."

After transferring from Hinds (Miss.) Community College, McDougle stepped in for an injured Green last season and started every game at left defensive end. He finished with seven sacks and 48 quarterback hurries, and was named a preseason 2002 Outland Trophy Candidate.

But individual accomplishments, including starting, are secondary to McDougle, who says that all eight linemen in the rotation are capable of being first-team.

"It's all about the team, it's not really about me," McDougle said. "When I play hard, I'm really playing for my brothers on the team, so all of us can have a good season and have good games."

Starting running back Willis McGahee left practice early because a player stepped on his foot and popped a blister.

Coker said the problem wasn't serious.

Miami is off this weekend.
Dorsey still peevled about BC’s cheap shots

**CORAL GABLES, Fla.** Ken Dorsey complained about Boston College to his teammates, his coaches, even the referees. On Wednesday, the Miami Hurricanes quarterback stated his case publicly.

Dorsey was hurried repeatedly, sacked once and knocked down several times in top-ranked Miami’s 38-6 win over the Eagles on Saturday. Four days later, he said many of the hits were cheap shots.

“They’re not a bunch of choir boys,” Dorsey said. “This was Boston College’s scheme: Run the ball the entire game to try to keep our offense off the field. And when we’re on the field, they’re going to blitz and try to hit me any way possible — late, on time, whatever.”

“And they’ll twist a knee at the bottom of the pile. They’ll do anything. That’s what they did and that’s what I expect basically from every team — to try to get hits on me and take the offense out of rhythm.”

Dorsey tempered his remarks later Wednesday.

“In the course of a game, a lot of things happen, and that’s just part of the game,” Dorsey said. “I’m definitely not calling them dirty. I have a lot of respect for what they’ve done.”

On a few plays, Dorsey was tackled after he released the ball and then he started juggling with Boston College defenders. He refused to discuss the hits and his reactions after the game, but changed his mind Wednesday.

“It’s a very emotional game,” he said earlier. “If you don’t play emotional, then you’re not enjoying yourself. I’m sure there are times when guys start yapping at me and I’m not going to sit there and take it. I never go out and look for it. I never go out and start yelling at a guy on the other team just to yell at him.”

Dorsey said he needs a reason. He had a couple against Boston College — the team that intercepted him four times last season and nearly derailed the Hurricanes’ national championship.

“I just hate Boston College, to be perfectly honest,” he said.

Dorsey was 13-for-26 for 202 yards with two touchdowns against the Eagles on Saturday. Miami quarterbacks coach Dan Werner downplayed the late hits but said he noticed Dorsey was more revved up than usual.

“He was a little feisty,” Werner said. “He told me there was a lot of jabbering. Of course, he made it sound like it was coming from the other side.”

Boston College coach Tom O’Brien said Wednesday he had not heard any complaints from Hurricanes coach Larry Coker.

“If coach Coker had an issue with how the game was played, I’m sure he would give me a call and I would discuss it with him,” O’Brien said. “Otherwise, the Miami game is history. We have respect for Miami and wish them well. We’re concentrating on Central Michigan.”

**Colorado QB requests transfer**

Montana had asked him for a release, which would allow Ochs to play elsewhere.

Barnett has said repeatedly he wouldn’t stand in the way of a player who wants to transfer.

Montana coach Joe Glenn did not return telephone calls. No telephone number was available for Ochs.

Ochs suffered his third concussion in the past year on Sept.

7. He has missed the last two games.

In an announcement that stunned Barnett and offensive coordinator Dan Werner, Ochs said Monday he was withdrawing as a student and was relinquishing his athletic scholarship, and also was applying for a medical waiver redshirt for the 2002 season.

While insisting that extensive medical issues were normal, Ochs said in a statement he wanted to “re-evaluate my options for returning to play football next season.”

The reevaluation process apparently didn’t take long.

Barnett received the release request from Montana during Wednesday’s practice.

“They are asking us to waive a one-year residency requirement. What it basically means is he wants to transfer to Montana,” Barnett told said.

“The release gives permission for a player to talk to another school and receive a scholarship from that school. It wasn’t known if Ochs was interested in transferring to any schools other than Montana.

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Gordon, the team’s third-round pick, would start if Faulk can’t go. “I think he will,” Gordon said. “He’s going to get all right and play, but I’m going to be ready just in case.”

Fullback Chris Hetherington said Faulk was a “tough guy.” “He’s played through a lot of injuries and he wants to be out there more than anybody,” Hetherington said. “I think they’re a little hesitant about putting him back in because we need him for the long haul, but he seems ready to play.”

Quarterback Kurt Warner believes the Rams would be fine with Faulk or Gordon, who scored on a 21-yard run Monday against the Bucs. Gordon has moved ahead of Faulk, who was injured when he landed on his shoulder, which he hurt during last Sunday’s loss at Jacksonville with a sprained left ankle. Martin, off to the worst start of his career, has struggled since hurting the ankle late in the first half of the season opener—New York’s only victory in three games.

While Martin says he is improving and will be ready for the Jaguars, coach Herman Edwards said Wednesday he is toying with the idea of resting him. “Sure is,” Edwards said when asked if sitting down Martin was a possibility. “I don’t know yet, let’s see how the week goes on. I thought about it a lot. It is hard to do, but then again it is not hard to do if it is the right thing to do. I am toning. He is getting better, but he is not where he should be. He is a tough guy, but what he has is a tough deal. Most guys would not even be practicing, they would not have come back this fast, no way.”

Martin did not practice Wednesday and admitted that during last Sunday’s loss at Miami, the injury “was as painful as I think it could be.” “For me, it’s wasting time if it isn’t going to get better,” he said. “I’d be willing [to sit out] if I knew it really would help me and would make a world of difference.”

Martin has 54 yards on 24 carries. The Pro Bowl runner never has gained less than 1,150 yards in each of his seven NFL seasons and is coming off his best year (1,513 yards). Not that anyone else on offense is accomplishing much, which is why Edwards is eager to get back to the punishing style he believes serves the team best. But can they do so with Martin on the sideline and LaMont Jordan carrying the ball? Edwards would prefer not to take that approach, but he will do if necessary. “If I make that decision, it is done,” Edwards said. “He will be OK with it. What is best for him is best for the football team. Let’s see how the week goes. It was just a bad ankle sprain. The sport that he has is usually three weeks. He came back in 3-4 days. And with the position he plays, he is a sitting target. If a running back can’t go full speed it is tough.”

If Martin is limited or sidelined, second-year player Jordan will get the bulk of the work. Jordan barely has seen any action as a Jet, although he did play the second half in the victory over Buffalo. Jordan is more of a power back than Martin, although he does have speed and some elusiveness. What he lacks, mainly, is experience, something he likely will get much of when Martin is fit.
Brewers' top executives swept out of town

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replaced team president Wendy Payne completing their worst season in the 34-year history of the franchise, Brewers' top executives swept out of town, MLB

Attorney Ullee Payne, a former state securities commissioner, takes over for Selig-Prieb as team president. Doug Melvin, a former general manager with the Texas Rangers, will be the new general manager. Selig-Prieb, daughter of commissioner Bud Selig, remains with the team in a newly created post as board chairman, but Payne will make day to day decisions.

The team said Selig-Prieb wished to resign from her day to day duties with the Brewers.

"I want to personally apologize to our fans for the failings of this season," Selig-Prieb said at the news conference. "She said she told the board of directors a few weeks ago of her decision to step down but delayed the announcement. The last thing that this club needed was another issue," she said.

She called it an exciting day, with Payne and Melvin taking over.

"We're going to have fun with this," Melvin said, adding that he would challenge the team's scouts to go out and find the best talent available, whether they be late-round draft picks or potential comeback players of the year.

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Payne also is a member of the Greater Milwaukee Committee, a civic organization. During the debate over construction of Miller Park, the group lobbied on behalf of the Brewers. Payne also is on the board of directors of Jones Communications Inc., which publishes the Milwaukee Journal Sentinel.

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**AROUND THE NATION**

**NFL**

**Moss released, will start on Sunday**

Randy Moss was released from jail on Wednesday and will be arraigned in October. Moss will start this Sunday when the Minnesota Vikings face off with the Seattle Seahawks.

**MINNEAPOLIS**

Randy Moss walked out of jail Wednesday, charged with two misdemeanor offenses instead of a possible felony for allegedly pushing a traffic officer. The Minnesota Vikings announced their star receiver would start Sunday against Seattle.

Moss was released Wednesday from the Hennepin County jail after spending the night. He was charged with careless driving and failure to obey a traffic officer.

**Associated Press**

Dana Banwer, a deputy attorney for Minneapolis, said each charge carries a maximum penalty of 90 days in jail and a $1,000 fine. She said Moss will be arraigned Oct. 2.

Police said they found a small quantity of marijuana in Moss' car, an amount that would qualify as a petty misdemeanor, but no charge was immediately filed.

Moss' agent, Dante Offagano, said the marijuana didn't belong to his client. "Everybody apparently said there was residue of marijuana in the ash tray, which wasn't anything to charge anyone with," he said. "It wasn't his." Moss, who has a history of trouble on and off the field, had been arrested on suspicion of assault with a dangerous weapon, a felony.

He whistled as he left jail and walked through a pack of reporters. "You'll hear my side later," Moss said. "I was treated bad."

Attorney Joe Friedberg announced the Vikings will fine Moss to the maximum amount league rules allow, as much as $50,000, as a result of his arrest.

**MINOR LEAGUE BASEBALL**

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**EYE ON IRISH OPPONENTS**

Saturday, Sept. 29, 2001

Wellington at MARYLAND

MICHIGAN at Illinois

Northwestern at MICHIGAN STATE

STANFORD at Arizona

Teledyne at PITTSBURGH

AIR FORCE at Utah

Craig Whittaker at BOSTON COLLEGE

Duke at NAVY

RUTGERS at Tennessee

Oregan State at USC

**AROUND THE DIAL**

**Major League Baseball**

**Braves at Phillies**

Jordan is expected to issue a statement if he felt physically able.

"I'm still disappointed," Tice said. "This doesn't change the fact that we've been dealing with this for the last 24 hours, that I slept very little last night and I ate a half a jar of Makhos." A source within the Vikings organization told ESPN Wednesday night that the team will fine Moss.

**NFL**

**Deal**

Rolen released, will start on Sunday

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**BRIEF**

Reiterating what he first announced a year ago, Michael Jordan is expected to issue a statement later this week confirming he will play a 15th NBA season.

Jordan signed a two-year contract with the Washington Wizards when he ended his second retirement. Despite missing 22 games with knee problems last season, he said he planned to fulfill the contract if he felt physically able.

Jordan has said he would make a "last-minute" announcement about his playing status. The Wizards open training camp next Tuesday in Wilmington, N.C., where Jordan grew up.

Coach Doug Collins has said the Wizards plan to use Jordan off the bench for the first time in his career. He would play in the back-court behind Jerry Stackhouse, who was acquired in a trade with the Detroit Pistons, and Larry Hughes, a free agent from Golden State. Earlier this week, Jordan told the Chicago Sun-Times: "I'll play as long as I love the game of basketball. I never thought I'd play again, but I still love the game.

Rolen close to $90 Million Deal

Scott Rolen, headed to postsea-son play for the first time in his career, and the St. Louis Cardinals are close to finalizing a $90 million, eight-year contact, sources told The Associated Press.

The St. Louis Post-Dispatch first reported the length and value of Rolen's possible contract.

Traded from Philadelphia to the Cardinals on July 29, Rolen was eligible for free agency after the season.

But the All-Star third baseman quickly embraced his situation in St. Louis, and wanted to stay with the team. Rolen and the NL Central champions hope to complete the deal and announce it this weekend, two baseball sources with knowledge of the negotiations said Wednesday night.

Rolen hit a three-run homer Wednesday as the Cardinals beat Arizona 6-1 at Busch Stadium. The Diamondbacks, who have already clinched a postseason spot, could meet St. Louis in the first round of the playoffs next week.

Rolen has 30 homers and 108 RBIs and is hitting .267 this year. He's been surging lately, helping the Cardinals win 18 of 21 games to clinch the division.

Rolen declined to comment to The AP on Wednesday.

One of Rolen's agents, Seth Levinson, was in St. Louis on Wednesday. Two of Rolen's other agents, Sam Levinson — brother of Seth — and former major league infielder Keith Miller were sent to travel to St. Louis for further talks.
Senior Rafeal Garcia kicks the ball in a previous game. The Irish will face No. 2 St. John's tonight.

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the Big East) lost to No. 24 Bradley, 3-2 on a week ago while the Red Storm (6-1-1, 2-1-0) lost to Boston College, 2-1 on Sept. 1.

Tonight’s match will also be a huge test for the Irish offense, as the Red Storm, in its seven games this season, have allowed only three goals against average ranks fourth nationally.

Braun will lead the Irish defensive attack for the Irish, having already scored six goals in seven games. Riley, Boughen, Greg Martin and Justin Detter have all scored two goals for the Irish.

Despite the advantage the Red Storm appear to hold on paper, Clark thinks his team is up for the challenge.

“After doing so well against Providence, we’ve got to take it to the next level.” Clark said.

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 Mobley

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now.” Piane said.

In a sense, he was groomed in high school for collegiate running. “My high school coaches geared my training towards developing later on,” Mobley said.

He realized that he wanted to run beyond the walls of Walled Lake High while he was a sophomore, but at the same time he had no idea at what level he would run in college.

That same year Mobley narrowly missed making the All-State team. “Just kind of drove my determination to focus,” he said. After that disappointment, he stepped up his training the follow summer and finished sixth in the state his junior year. During his senior year of high school, Mobley finished second in the state cross country finals and was part of the school record-setting 4x800 team.

Sometime during the transitional summer between high school and college, though, Mobley lost a little of his grit. “I didn’t help myself,” Mobley said. “I knew that it’d be a little higher mileage and that the intensity would be a little greater (in college).”

Because of his lack of preparation, he came in somewhat out of shape, he admitted. “He didn’t run really well early on in his cross country career,” Piane said. “That was a bit of a surprise.” Ultimately, his trademark deficiency overcame this obstacle, and soon he was on the traveling squad with a team that had its sights set on a national championship. Mobley finished fourth for the team and 99th overall in the 2000 NCAA championships.

“Coach said if you make top 100 as a freshman, you’ve run well.” Mobley said. “He’s mentally very tough. Piane said. “He’s committed. The kid knows what he wants and he’s going to go after it. He’s going to get it done.”

Mobley intensely focused on improving himself the next summer, just as he did after missing the All-State team in high school, and he completed a sophomore season that earned him the All-American honor.” “(Becoming an All American) was something I wanted to get done in college,” Mobley said. “It feels good to get it done my sophomore year. My grandpa always said he wanted an All- American in the family. I’ve had some cousins and brothers who fell short, so it was good to finally get it out of the way because I’m one of the youngest.”

Now that he has accomplished that goal, the Sorin resident and math major has another task – helping the Irish succeed despite the losses they incurred due to graduation. “Losing Shay was a big blow,” Piane said. “Anytime you lose someone that caliber, it can’t be positive.”

“The loss has really woken up everyone else because we realize we can no longer fall back on those guys.” Mobley said. “Everyone came into the year knowing that they had a shot at varsity. I think it’s really helped our depth. Many of the guys have really stepped up and challenged the people above them.”

The challenge posed by the younger runners may be friendly, but it encourages the veterans to be alert.

“I don’t really want to lose to Tim [Moore],” said Mobley, with a laugh, of the current Notre Dame freshman who ran against Mobley while they were both in high school. “I know he’s really good, so I want to hold him off as long as I can.”

Piane and the rest of the team have confidence in Mobley. “He’s going to do fine,” the coach said. “There’s no doubt in my mind that he’ll be very, very successful year. The other guys on the team respect him to the nth degree, because they know that he works extremely hard and races extremely hard. They really do respect him.”
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Stanford

Even Holiday himself doesn’t know when he’ll be back. He’s busy getting treatment whenever he can and trying to maintain his focus even as Pat Dillingham and Chris Olsen take his snaps in practice.

Although Holiday’s injury damaged his non-throwing shoulder, the Irish quarterback still hasn’t tried throwing the ball since he left the game in the third quarter against Michigan State.

“I haven’t really tried to move (my shoulder) in any way right now,” he explained. “There’s really no pain, he said. “After that game, I started getting better quickly and right now I’m not really feeling anything. But at the same time, it hasn’t been tested so you can’t really tell right now.”

Irish coach Tyronne Willingham said Sunday Dillingham would work as the starter until Holiday is healthy again. Now, Holiday spends practices trying to give advice to Dillingham, who has only played 20 minutes, and Olsen, who is running the Irish offense for the first time since fall camp.

“Pat did a job of a job in the Michigan State game at the end of the game and that just gave him a lot of learning experience,” Willingham said. “Right now he’s doing a good job at practice, he’s really executing. Holiday said. “He really wants to start to really help Chris out there a little bit more. He’s getting thrown out there. We’ve worked a lot more before. I just have to try to build their characters up a little big and keep them motivated.”

Holiday himself is eager and energized, in fact, he vowed after the Michigan State game he would return in time for Notre Dame’s game against Stanford.

Last year, when Holiday got hurt, his confidence was visibly shattered. He was knocked out of at least three games, the worst being the second-to-last game of the season at the Stanford.

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SPORTS

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WOMENS INTERHALL FOOTBALL

Welsh looks to bounce back from loss against PE

By JUSTIN SCHUNER, LISA REJU,
LA HEATH, VEL HOARGARDEN,
and ERIK POWERS

For the past three years, Welsh has been the indoor team to beat in interhall football. This year, the team will attempt to win their fourth straight national title.

“That shouldn’t change this year, as the Whirlwinds aim to win their fourth straight national championship,” Jenkins said.

“Everybody’s kind of out to get us, but we just try to play one game at a time,” said Welsh captain Vanessa Schmidt.

But now, the Whirlwinds have to bounce back from a loss. Sunday, the Babes of Breen-Phillips put a crink in the seemingly invincible Welsh armor, defeating the Whirlwinds 12-9.

“We know that we may not win the first day we can be beaten,” Lichon said. “We are going to come out firing (Thursday).”

With a 12-2 loss to Pasquerilla West (1-1) team Thursday that is brimming with confidence after averting an opening 27-0 loss to Breen-Phillips with a 12-0 shutout of Farley Sunday.

“We’ve a lot more confident now,” said Purple Weasels captain Leslie Schmidt. “We know what’s going on the field. We are not understating anybody else, especially the leader on the offense.”

“This team has a lot of potential, and we can go a long way,” Holiday said. “I just feel so much more positive this year because of our record and the way things are going right now.”

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Irish quarterback Carlyle Holiday uses Notre Dame’s open date to recover from arm injuries sustained during the Irish’s win over Michigan State. Holiday hopes to return as soon as possible.

When he completed just 1 of 16 passes.

This year, the only thing keeping Holiday down is the fact that he can’t be on the field practicing. He’s still upbeat, energetic and is still learning fast.

“I don’t know what our team’s potential is, but we improved greatly from our first game to second game and are expecting equal improvement from our second to third,” Jenkins said.

With almost the entire Whirlwinds’ starters returning from last year’s championship team and the rest of her team are confident of Thursday’s outcome as well.

“I think our strength is in our defense and that if someone gets hurt, another player can step right in.”

LYNN CAVANAGH

As the ubiquitous Cyndi Lauper song goes, sometimes girls just wanna have fun— and for the Finest, that means football. For the girls on Lynn’s interhall team, playing together is just as important as their record and the way things are going right now.

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“We are just going to keep our same game plan and try to keep up the good things we’ve been doing,” Jenkins said.

Mary Beth Ryan/The Observer

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IRISH VOLLEYBALL

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Irish sophomore Elishie Rupright goes up for a block for the Belles. Saint Mary’s continues its losing streak with a three-game loss to Calvin.

SVM COLECCY

Knights gallop past Belles

by KATIE MCVY

As a team, the Knights defeated the Belles for the second time this season.

Saint Mary’s volleyball team continued its slide with losses to league competition falling to second-place Calvin in three games.

The Knights proved to be the more solid team and the Belles couldn’t overcome their slow start.

“I think that we really need to warm up, but then we really came back and fought hard but it was too late,” sophomore Bridget Wakaruk said.

The Belles are now 0-5 in MIAA competition.

The Knights, 5-1 in league competition, came out with a solid offensive attack. They held their team kills to Saint Mary’s 29 and finished with a team hitting percentage of .239.

“They were great hitters and passers,” Wakaruk said.

Calvin’s serving wasn’t bad, either. As a team, the Knights had a collective .239 hitting percentage in the three-game match, with Cassie Christopher hitting five-of-14 with three aces.

After falling hard in the first two games, the Belles seemed to find their sea legs and put up more of a fight against the Knights. They fought to within seven in game two, falling 30-23 and came as close as four in the 30-26 loss in the final game.

The Saint Mary’s defense had its work cut out for it, recording 57 digs despite the Calvin victory. Jenny Wilkins led the defensive attack with 15 digs while Michelle Garry added 12.

Wakaruk led the Belles on attack with 12 assists.

Saint Mary’s will have only a few days to rest before taking on even tougher competition. On Friday the Belles will face the against undefeated Alma Scots. The Scots, who have a 4-0 record, are ranked first in the league and promise to be a real challenge to the young Babes.

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Mens Soccer

Irish face uphill battle against No. 2 Red Storm

By Bryan Kronk
Sports Writer

No one ever said that playing on the road is easy. Facing the No. 2 team in the country at a place where they have never won, the Irish mens soccer team faces an uphill battle against St. John's tonight.

Tonight, the No. 10 Irish take on second-ranked St. John's in a pivotal Big East matchup at brand-new Belson Stadium in Jamaica, N.Y., at 7:30 p.m., kicking off a 16-day span in which the Irish play four of their five games away from Alumni Field.

The Irish have never beaten St. John's away from Notre Dame. In fact, in their 10-game series, the Irish have only beaten the Red Storm once — a 1-0 victory at Alumni Field in 2000. The Red Storm have beaten the Irish six times, most recently in last year's Big East tournament at Storrs, Conn.

"We've got two very tough games coming up, possibly against two of the teams [St. John's, and Sunday's match at Rutgers] who will be looking to win the Big East, so we need to now take this on the road," Clark said after Sunday's win against Providence. After Sunday's offensive spectacular for the Irish, in which Irish Braun and Luke Boughen each scored twice while Chad Riley added three assists, Irish coach Bobby Clark would like to see the same production from his team this weekend.

"Chad's been playing phenomenally," Clark said. "He scored a goal against Bradley and had a goal and an assist against Furman. He has had quite a lot of assists lately. He's doing very well."

Both teams enter the match with just one loss on the season, as the Irish (4-1-2, 2-0-0 in the Big East), so we need to now take this on the road," Clark said after Sunday's win against Providence.

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Bobby Clark
Irish coach

Cross Country

Enduring talent

Mobley leads Notre Dame as All American

By Joe Lindsley
Sports Writer

Imagine going out to the track and running a mile in, say, four minutes, 48 seconds. Then imagine immediately topping that off with a slower-paced four-mile run. And after that, run another mile, this time in, say, 4:31. Then take a break, but don't get too comfortable, because you still have 1,000 meters to run on the track.

If you think that sounds particularly challenging, consider that this is junior runner Todd Mobley's favorite workout with the Irish cross country squad.

"It's all about being tough and having endurance which are my strong suits," said Notre Dame's No. 1 cross country runner. "I like workouts like that."

His ability to endure, and enjoy, the challenges of running for one of the nation's top programs has enabled him to reach All American status.

Now, with the graduation of fellow All Americans Ryan Shay, Luke Watson and Pat Conway, Mobley is at the helm of the Irish runners.

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Football

Holiday stuck on sidelines

By Andrew Soukup
Sports Writer

Life's tough for Carlyle Holiday right now. With his arm in a sling and his pads in his locker, Holiday can only watch helplessly from the sidelines on the practice field as he tries to recover from the injury he sustained against Michigan State.

"Watching practice, it sucks. It's the borinest thing ever," he said. "But that's just how it is when you get hurt. Everybody feels like that. But at the same time you've got to sacrifice. You can't get out there and try and risk going out there too early and having something else happen."

The open date couldn't have come at a better time for the Irish and Holiday, whose status is still listed as week-to-week. The Irish have not revealed the specific nature of Holiday's injury nor when he is expected to return. In fact, Holiday probably won't practice at all the rest of this week and the coaches will evaluate his status next week to see if he'll be ready to play in time for the Oct. 5 game against St. John's.

Junior Kevin Richards advances with the ball in a game earlier this season.

Junior Todd Mobley kicks off in a previous race. Mobley is the Notre Dame's No. 1 cross country runner.

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