Hallahan plans for December graduation

By MAUREEN REYNOLDS
News Writer

Student body president Pat Hallahan announced Thursday that he will be graduating this December, one semester earlier than the senior class’s scheduled graduation date and four months before his term was scheduled to end.

During the summer, Hallahan worked for the Democratic National Committee and was offered the position of executive assistant to the DNC’s Finance Director. The job is scheduled to begin in January.

“Initially, I didn’t think much of the offer, but toward the end of the summer, I gave it a lot of thought,” Hallahan said.

A number of reasons contributed to his decision to take the job, but Hallahan said he hesitated because of everything he would give up by missing the second semester of his senior year, such as his position as president of the student body.

“It was a really tough decision, but I thought [taking the job] was best,” Hallahan said.

Hallahan said he felt he could not pass up the opportunity after considering the amount of money an early graduation would save his family, combined with the fact that the job was “such a great opportunity that wouldn’t have been there in May.”

“It just made sense,” Hallahan said.

After Hallahan’s departure in December, Student Body Vice President Jeremy Lao will become president. Lao will then appoint a new vice president, who the Senate must then interview and approve.

Unless Lao, a junior, chooses to run for president in the spring and is elected, his term as president will end April 1.

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Guster headlines ‘The Show’

By MAUREEN REYNOLDS
News Writer

The annual concert, “The Show,” takes place tonight. However, while interest in the concert has grown this year because of the bands playing, its funding has been significantly lowered.

Romero, the chairperson of the 10-person committee organizing “The Show,” said the decrease in funding from the Office of Student Affairs was due to budget cuts across the board and to the University. Romero added that “The Show” was not suffering because of budget cuts.

“Funding comes from a variety of places... One of our major sponsors this year was the Board of Governance at Saint Mary’s and the Office of the President at Saint Mary’s, as well as some smaller clubs and several dorms here on campus... I think it’s awesome that we’ve had all of them contributing,” Romero said.

Romero wouldn’t reveal how much money had been cut from “The Show’s” budget. But ticket prices have been raised to $10 for students, an increase of $5 from last year. Romero said the band talent and the larger venue of this year’s show contributed to the increase in ticket prices. This year’s show features Guster and Black Eyed Peas and will be held in the Joyce Center arena. Last year’s concert took place in the Joyce Center fieldhouse.

Romero also addressed the issue of student response to higher prices. “Student feedback as to the $5 ticket prices last year was not neg...”
INSIDE COLUMN
Things I didn’t miss

Unpacked, moved in, and (mostly) textbook-purchased, I’m pretty well set for my sophomore year, and I’ve recently been reflecting that there was much I had missed about this place during the summer, such as friends, faculty, classes and football (although not necessarily in that order).

Despite my happiness at getting back to these, I’ve found several unpleasant surprises that I had forgotten about but definitely haven’t missed: 1. It is raining! No, that’s just the sprinklers pelting me with water, although I’m clearly walking on the sidewalk. I’m convinced that the entire system is controlled by some sadist with a television monitor who enjoys booby-trapping the campus so that it’s impossible to avoid the blasts of water at all hours of the day. Small countries get less water than the Notre Dame campus.
2. Why does it take me 10 minutes to walk from O’Shaughnessy to DeBartolo? It’s because the thousands of other people heading in that direction seem determined to walk as slowly as possible. Fortunately, I’m fairly confident that will change come December.
3. What’s more frustrating than an organic chemistry test is navigating the aisles of the bookstore, only to determine that the books you need are “not in yet” and you will need to “check back soon.” Repeating this process multiple times yields the same result.
4. Waiting in line at North Dining Hall for pasta, only to discover that the books you need are “not in yet” and you will need to “check back soon.” Repeating this process multiple times yields the same result.
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6. The pervasive smell of ethanol wafting from Mod and North Quads (albeit less than at beginning of classes). It does give a certain distinctiveness to that part of campus, though.
7. Awful, blaring music that’s playing in the dorms at all hours of the day and night.
8. And, finally, In the Vain Attempt to Be Tasteful Flair to that part of campus, though.

But authorities soon realized that his obituary was a fake and Robert Michael Padula may be in for his unlucky 13. “When I got home, I was dead. I am not doing this for the publicity,” stated Padula, who added that there are no plans to attend the funeral.

O’Neill Hall
“Sitting back with a budtha sack.”
“Avoiding TC.”
“Working here.”
“Grab ‘n’ Go”
“Still not being a douchebag, messing with freshmen or tapping a keg.”

OFFBEAT
Man takes death to avoid court appearance
STILLWATER, Minn. - A St. Paul man who missed a court hearing appeared to have a good excuse - he was dead.

But authorities soon realized that his obituary was a fake and Robert Michael Mathison was later arrested.

A paper trail indicates the obituary may have been used to excuse him for not appearing in Washington County District Court on charges stemming from a June case in which he faked a heart attack upon arrest.

Segway climbs New England’s tallest peak
MOUNT WASHINGTON, N.H. - It took six sets of batteries and three drivers, but a Segway scooter finally made it to the top of New England’s tallest peak.

The scooter climbed Mount Washington’s auto road in about two and a half hours Wednesday. The standup scooter, invented by Manchester’s Dean Kamen and manufactured in Bedford, was the first Segway to make it to the top of the 6,288-foot mountain in 7.6 miles.

Homeless man ying for governmental seat
PAINESVILLE, Ohio - Of all the challenges the homeless face, Michael Padula may be in for his biggest to date. The 50-year-old homeless man, living out of a van in a city park, wants to run for city council.

“I am not showboating. I am not doing this for the publicity,” stated Padula, a self-employed carpenter. “I would not wish my circumstances on anyone.”

Information compiled from the Associated Press.

IN BRIEF
Multicultural Student Programs and Services will be hosting a welcome back picnic with ethnic dishes and cultural dances Friday from 4 to 6 p.m. on the Fieldhouse Mall. They hope to provide a time for students to get to know one another and embrace the cultural traditions unique to Notre Dame’s campus.

“The Show” takes place Friday night at 7:30 in the Joyce Center arena, featuring Guster and Black Eyed Peas. Tickets are $10 and are available in the LaFortune Box Office.

Legends, the new Notre Dame club, opens for the first time Saturday. They are holding a dance Saturday night from midnight until 4 a.m. The dance will feature a concert with Ryan Adcock and The Samples.

There will be a complimentary showing of Ocean’s Eleven at 7 p.m. in the LaFortune Montgomery Theater on Sunday.

A Concession Stand Training Class will be held Monday from 4 to 5:30 p.m. in the LaFortune Montgomery Theater. All those requiring certification to work a concession stand are welcome to attend.

All hall dance commissioners are welcome to attend a helpful training session from 6 to 7 p.m. in the South Dining Hall Oak Room on.

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Holy Cross starts 4-year degree

By TERESA FRALISH
Assistant News Editor

While new Notre Dame and Saint Mary’s freshmen have been settling into college life, a new group of students prepares to make its mark at Holy Cross College.

For the first time in the school’s history, four-year students have enrolled at Holy Cross, marking a transition from a junior college to a fully-fledged academic institution.

“This is the realization of almost three years of work by our faculty and students,” said William Mangan, vice president for academic affairs at the College. “We’re thrilled to begin our journey with our students.”

The baccalaureate program debuted this August with an inaugural class of 15 students, according to Justin Watson, the program’s director. Watson said he believes the program will eventually expand to include several hundred students.

The new program has also created a new spirit of enthusiasm among faculty, administrators, alumni and students, said Mangan. “We notice a wide-spread awareness in the student body about our baccalaureate program,” he said.

The creation of the baccalaureate program represents only one aspect of recent expansions in the College. “Just nine years ago there were no dorms, no student dining facility, no Vincent Atrium and no four-year students. Now there are several hundred resident students, a series of beautiful new buildings and the start of a four-year program,” Watson said.

Rather than choosing a specific major, the new program’s emphasis will be on a broad liberal arts education that will allow students to enter a variety of fields after graduation. Students will take classes in a broad range of disciplines.

“The most immediate need that the College has for the support [of our program] is to expand our career development efforts. We believe that the long-term success of our program will depend on the success of our students at getting jobs or going to graduate school,” Mangan said.

Specifically, Holy Cross has worked to develop a wide range of internship opportunities for its baccalaureate students and requires that each student complete an internship. Along with the mandatory internship, students must also complete a study-abroad requirement. During the program’s development, the College worked with the Congregation and Brothers of the Holy Cross to establish opportunities for the four-year students.

“This past summer, seven of our baccalaureate students traveled to Ghana to live and learn from the Brothers of [the] Holy Cross there,” Mangan said.

According to Michael Mancini, the College’s director of development, students can also complete fellowship projects in an area of personal interest as part of the baccalaureate program.

“One student, Megan Craney, is working on projects that would bring together students, faculty, staff and alumni to further enhance this personal experience,” said Mancini, who is working with Craney on the fellowship.

“There’s just a really good relationship between students and faculty,” said Craney in a previous interview.

Holy Cross began development of the program after students and alumni expressed an interest in spending their entire four years of college at Holy Cross. Additionally, the College wanted to bring increased leadership to campus with junior and senior students.

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Professor attends humanities summit

National Endowment for the Humanities sponsors discussion

By MICHELLE EGgers
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Jose Rico, a Saint Mary’s College assistant professor of modern languages, recently participated in a five-week summer study program sponsored by the National Endowment for the Humanities.

Rico applied to the program after receiving encouragement from fellow associate professor of modern languages Gerald Gingras. Gingras had participated in past NEH programs and knew Rico was passionate and familiar with this year’s program topic.

“[I] was surprised at how much there was to be known about one book,” he said.

The program generated feedback on how to further integrate medieval Spanish class instruction into the curriculum. Participants at the seminar developed future plans of writing a book on how to teach the classics, but plans have been postponed, Rico said.

Rico said he had “a great time” during his five weeks in Virginia and would recommend future NEH programs to his colleagues.

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maintained the acts that occurred a year and a half ago were consensual and the woman never resisted them. They admitted to participating in multiple acts of consensual sexual acts involving the woman and the former football players.
Crawford said at one point the woman gestured for him to come to her and invited Dykes to enter the room as well. Dykes testified that after he had sex with the woman, she said "I wish I had never done any of that and gave me a workout.
Dykes also said that after the woman told Elam to back off, she said, "No, you have a girlfriend." Dykes testified to make sure the woman was "cool with this." When she responded affirmatively, Dykes testified he had sex with her.
The woman also earlier in the trial the sexual acts were not consensual.
However, two of the former players who testified offered slightly conflicting accounts of what happened.
Metcalfe and Crawford said Elam approached the woman at least once, while Smith said Elam approached the woman naked and tried to have sex before leaving the room, while Crawford said he did not remember Elam being naked or attempting to have sex.
Earlier this week, during the lead police investigator said Smith’s roommate, who had an adjacent to the bedroom where the incident allegedly occurred, told him he did not hear any screaming the night of the incident. "He told me he heard nothing at all, other than the floor creaking," said Joseph Condry, Police Detective Steven Metcalfe.
Metcalfe pointed out a discrepancy in the woman’s testimony. The woman testified she went to a bathroom to remove a tampon after she had sex. "I didn’t know how much was revealed in court," said Metcalfe also testified that a search warrant uncovered a "copy of the statement to Notre Dame officials at Smith's house.
"Special prosecutor Maureen Devlin said advance knowledge of the victim's claims could have allowed Smith to destroy physical evidence in the account.
Matt University spokesman Matt Storin said giving the alleged victim’s statement to school officials would be normal part of the campus disciplinary process. "We only give the statement to law enforcement if a subpoena is issued."
"Our process is our disciplinary process. If there have been indictments made during that time, the process would have been halted."
Matt Storin University spokesman
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active, and feedback on the $10 prices this year was also good. Students don’t seem to think that these prices are too much to pay for "The Show," she said. "We’ve had a bigger venue and we have bigger names, and we want to be able to continue 'The Show' in the future."
In fact, it does not seem that the higher ticket price has discouraged students from attending this year’s concert. While unsure of the total number of tickets sold as of Thursday night, Romero said that approximately 10,000 tickets were sold during the first five hours of sales. She says the co-directors expect about 3,500 to 4,000 people to attend this year’s show. Last year, attendance for "The Show" was 2,500. "Romero also said "The Show" is not set up as a direct competition to Rally in the Alley, a party annually held in Turtle Creek the week before the fall semester, but is instead a way to welcome students back to campus.
Legends
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free stuff as possible the first day.
Legends will not charge a cover for Notre Dame, Saint Mary’s and Holy Cross students, each of whom will be allowed to sign in two guests on any given night. The performances will be free.
The various set-ups within the building offer a diverse array of entertainment options. The restaurant, serving lunch and dinner daily from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. offers unusual and affordable items, such as burger and brussel sprout toast. Diner Dollars can be used to pay for meals, and general manager Belinda Deeds said she enjoys the clientele to include students, faculty, staff and members of the community.
"We’ve received a very enthusiastic response from local business people," Deeds said, whose clients are often eager to see the Notre Dame campus while in the area.
The Ale House Pub also offers a wide range of drinks, including four "Legends Own" beers brewed by Indiana craft brewers specifically for Legends. With 64 bottled beers and 22 on tap, the bar also features a wine preservation "wine keger" — that will allow Legends "to sell amazing bottles of wine by the glass" instead of the bottled variety, Jorissen said.
Another location is in a small room adjacent to the nightclub area. Because of the room’s small size, however, Legends management said customers will be discouraged from lingering in the area, instead be asked to purchase drinks and return to another section of the building. Only patrons over the age of 21 will be permitted in this area and in the Ale House Pub. To distinguish between underage students and customers of legal drinking age, Legends staff will inspect identification at the door and issue bracelets to those individuals over the age of 21. Deeds said Legends will further enforce its "zero tolerance policy," by serving alcoholic drinks in colored cups and monitoring the floor to ensure that only bracelet-clad patrons are drinking from those cups.
The nightclub features a stage for performances, complete with $2,000,000 worth of sound and lighting equipment. Legends is equipped to accommodate basically any nationally-touring band, and live entertainment will be presented every Thursday, Friday and Saturday night from 9 p.m. to 11 p.m. Campus bands will normally play on Thursdays, Jorissen said, and the last Thursday of every month will present the Rest of Acai. On Fridays and Saturdays, he said, nationally touring bands will perform.
The idea is that, on any given night patrons will come to Legends for entertainment, and a month later, "They might be all over the radio," Jorissen said.
After bands finish performing, DJs will play until 4 a.m., he said.
Legends includes a variety of activities, including an arcade and pool tables.
Legends also features a fog machine, and a concessions area will sell snack foods and non-alcoholic beverages.
The club will not only present music, though. One side of the room includes video games, a dart board and pool table, and Jorissen said he is looking into comedy acts as another entertainment option.
Legends host game watches on Sundays and Mondays, lowering a 14-inch television screen over the stage. On home game weekends, Legends will offer a buffet because no tailgating will be permitted outside. Individuals without tickets will not be allowed in for a game watch, during which the concessions area will sell snack foods. The restaurant and pub will remain open until the normal times on football weekends, as well.
The club will be available to rent out for parties and other occasions, as well as a private dining area within Legends.
"I hope to see it become the place that students hang out — that we do get all students feel," Deeds said.
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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Palestinians freeze charity funds
WEST BANK — Palestinian authorities said Thursday they froze the bank accounts of nine Islamic charities to investigate whether the organizations funneled money to militants or if this summer’s fighting action yet in a U.S.-sought clampdown on armed groups.

Israel welcomed the decision. But it pressed on with its hunt for militants, killing another Hamas fighter in a missile raid in Gaza Strip. The army also moved briefly into northern Gaza to destroy brush providing cover for cross-border rocket attacks.

The airstrike in the southern Gaza town of Khan Younis killed Hamdi Kalakh, 23, as he was driving a donkey cart along a residential street, Palestinian officials and witnesses said. At least three other people were reported injured.

Hamas supporters said Kalakh was a member of Hamas’ military wing.

Blackout affects London subway
LONDON — Power went out in parts of the capital and southeast England on Thursday, bringing much of the London Underground and many regional trains to a halt and stranding hundreds of thousands of rush hour commuters.

Electricity was cut for about 40 minutes before coming back on at about 7 p.m., said EDF Energy, which handles power transmission for the affected areas of London. The outage appeared to be confined to southeast London and Kent, a county southeast of the city.

NATIONAL NEWS

Democrat Texas senators fight arrest
LAREDO — Attorneys for 11 boycotting state legislators argued Thursday that state Senate quorum and avoid a vote on congressional redistricting

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Escaped child molester sentenced
LOUISA, Ky. — Tornan Evans, 57, walked outside the courthouse July 1 as a jury deliberated his fate, saying he needed fresh air. He fled and was found two weeks later in Ohio.

On Thursday, Evans sat silently beside his attorney as Judge David Hagerman bared him for the sex crimes and sentenced him to life in prison plus 20 years.

Prosecutors said Evans forced a child to perform oral sex on him and attempted to force another to do the same.

"It’s enough to make you vomit," Hagerman told Evans.

LOCAL NEWS

West Nile found in Muncie area
MUNCIE — Indiana’s fifth probable human case of West Nile virus has been identified in Delaware County, state health officials said Thursday.

Another of the newest cases comes with the arrival of the time of year when infections of the mosquito-borne virus could be expected.

No further information was released about the person believed infected in Delaware County, which includes the city of Muncie.

North Korea plans to test nukes

WASHINGTON — Rejecting U.S. disarmament demands, North Korea said Thursday it will prove to the world that it possesses nuclear weapons by carrying out a nuclear test, a U.S. government official said.

At a six-nation meeting in China that included the United States, North Korean Deputy Foreign Minister Kim Yong Il also said the test would be held according to the U.S. official, that his country has the means to deliver nuclear weapons, an apparent reference to its highly developed missile program.

The State Department declined comment on the deliberations in Beijing except to reiterate that the U.S. goal at the conference is to focus on "the complete, verifiable and irreversible elimination" of North Korea’s nuclear weapons program.

Woo Sang-kuk, director-general of the South Korean Foreign Ministry’s North American Affairs Bureau, injected a positive note, saying in Beijing that another round of talks probably should be held after the current round ends on Friday. Efforts to confirm Woo’s statement with U.S. officials were unsuccessful.

North Korea had confirmed privately to U.S. officials last April during talks in China that it possessed nuclear weapons but Kim’s statement Thursday is believed to have been its such acknowledgment in a formal setting.

Present for Kim’s presentation at a guest house in western Beijing were Assistant Secretary of State James A. Kelly and representatives from China, South Korea, Japan and Russia, in addition to North Korea.

U.S. intelligence has not detected overt signs that North Korea is preparing to conduct a nuclear weapons test, said one U.S. defense official, speaking on condition of anonymity. But such a test would presumably be underground, so preparing the site would be difficult, to detect, the official said.

There was speculation here that North Korea could carry out a nuclear test on Sept. 9, the anniversary of the formation of the Democratic People’s Republic of Korea, as the country is known officially.

With the exception of North Korea, all governments represented in Beijing had expressed varying degrees of opposition to the communist country’s nuclear programs.

The administration believed that a broad international front, including North Korea’s neighbors — in support of a denuclearized Korean peninsula — would induce Pyongyang to retreat from its nuclear ambitions.

Officials also hoped that North Korea might show flexibility given U.S. promises to offer security guarantees to Pyongyang as well as measures to assist the country’s stricken economy.

In addition, the administration found encouragement in signs that China was increasingly opposed to North Korea’s program.

As a major donor of food and energy aid to North Korea, China has been thought by U.S. officials to be in position to play a decisive role in restraining Pyongyang.

But the North Korean rejection of the U.S. nuclear disarmament proposal appeared to be complete.

According to the official, Kim said there was no evidence of any U.S. intention to abandon its policy of hostility toward North Korea. He also rejected U.S. suggestions that North Korea open up its nuclear facilities to international inspection.

The administration official, speaking not to be identified, said China’s delegate appeared visibly angry over Kim’s statement but responded in a moderate tone.

The official said that when Russia and Japan attempted to point out some positive elements of the U.S. presentation, the North Korean delegate attacked them by name and said they were lying at the instruction of the United States.

Representatives from six nations hold hands for a photo session in Beijing during talks on the North Korean nuclear crisis.

Lauro J. Delgado/Anadolu Agency

Latino group criticizes Schwarzenegger

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — The nation’s oldest Hispanic civil rights group called on Arnold Schwarzenegger to step down from the advisory board of U.S. English, a group that seeks to make English the official language and will not endorse a replacement candidate.

Latino group criticizes Schwarzenegger's policies with supporters in Fresno. Schwarzenegger's policies have been criticized by Latino interest groups.

Arnold Schwarzenegger campaigns with supporters in Fresno. Schwarzenegger's policies have been criticized by Latino interest groups.
Bush plans return to White House

Associated Press

CRAWFORD, Texas — He's spent the month clearing brush on his secluded ranch, jogging in 100-degree heat and watching lightning streak across the Texas sky. But now Saturday, President Bush trades wide-open, grassy pastures for the confines of the White House.

Bush's monthlong stay at what he calls his "home away from home" White House was interrupted by a flying visit of the U.N. headquarters in Baghdad, violence in the Middle East, continuing battles in Iraq and trips to seven states.

He also raised $6 million for his campaign and talked about national parks, wildfires and the war in Iraq.

"While at the ranch, the president was also conducting all the official business that he does from back in Washington," White House spokeswoman Claire Buchan said Thursday. She said Bush wanted to spend time with Mrs. Bush, his children and friends and work on the land at his ranch.

Members of the press corps who followed Bush to Texas for part of his monthlong stay at the ranch on Wednesday evening. They piled into trucks and jeeps for the 25-mile drive one way at the wheel of his white pickup, led a tour of his beloved 1,583-acre spread, point out creeks, cliffs, creeks, cliffs, cliffs, and wildlife.

The event was off the record, but reporters were overheard talking with Bush about foreign trips, sports, fishing and the Bushes' twin daughters.

One TV crew member asked the president for advice about training for an upcoming marathon.

Another correspondent pleaded with him to make more visits to the press cabin aboard Air Force One.

Bush made the rounds, getting pats on the head. The president's other dog, Spot, apparently overheated from another hot day. In Crawford, walked into the shallow end of the pool to cool off and sip water.

The dinner menu: Fried chicken, cole slaw, potato salad, jalapeno biscuits, bread rolls and assorted beverages. Dessert was peach cobbler — a la mode for those who wanted it.

Reporters joked with Laura about what it was to have the dinner — hers or the president's. She said last week that was her idea.

Bush returns Saturday to a White House under renovation.

Roof tiles on the West Wing were replaced in his absence. And on the North Lawn, workers are laboring to spruce up an eyesore known as Pebble Beach, where televisions will stand-up with the White House as a backdrop.

The result is that an entire section of the president's front lawn, on the driveway leading to the West Wing entrance, is now a construction zone with piles of dirt, crosscussed beams and equipment.

The work was to be finished before Bush returned, but was postponed by violent thunderstorms and other problems.

After about two days at the White House, Bush will hit the road again to spend Labor Day with union workers in Richfield, Ohio. On Tuesday, he is to be present with the first game ball of this year's NFL season.

Rally remembers King speech

ATLANTA — Arms linked, a crowd of thousands marched Thursday through downtown Atlanta and the neighborhood where Martin Luther King Jr. grew up to mark the 40th anniversary of the slain civil rights leader's "I Have a Dream" speech.

Political and community leaders, including presidential candidate Al Sharpton, led the march through the city's historic Sweet Auburn district so a rally that eventually drew about 400 people at the MLK National Historic Site.

Rep. John Lewis, who helped organize the original March on Washington in 1963 where King delivered his remark, reflected on the progress made since then.

"In 1963, I was on the outside protesting, looking in," Lewis said. "But because of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and because of the Voting Rights Act of 1965, I am now on the inside making laws."

"I wish Medgar Evers, President Kennedy, Martin Luther King Jr., Robert Kennedy and many others were here today to see how far we've come."

Coretta Scott King focused on the legacy of her late husband's words.

"Martin's call to interracial brotherhood and sisterhood has enduring resistance because it speaks so eloquently to the longing for unity that resides in the hearts of all people of good will," she said. "He painted a dazzling word picture of a multicultural democracy of the America that could be."

"The America that should be."

In Washington, Martin Luther King III addressed the National Press Club and updated his late father's 40-year-old dream for racial equality with a call for universal health care, economic parity for minorities and the elimination of the "state-sponsored terrorism" of capital punishment.

He also lashed out at opponents of affirmative action for trying to "twist" the meaning of the words of his father, who once said he hoped someday children "will not be judged by the color of their skin but by the content of their character."

King said his father often advocated the "preferential hiring of the disadvantaged."

"To abandon affirmative action is to say there is nothing more to be done about discrimination."

King left Washington and boarded a plane to Ohio, where he urged a crowd of several hundred Thursday night to continue their economic boycott of Cincinnati.

He said the boycott is in the tradition of his father's civil rights work.

Black activists began the boycott in 2001 after a white policeman fatally shot an unarmed black man running from officers trying to arrest him. The shooting led to three nights of riot.

The Rev. Jesse Jackson, speaking at a rally in New Haven, Conn., for striking Yale University workers, reminded the crowd that King's speech was also about broken promises the government made after slavery, jobs for Americans and civil rights legislation.

NAACP complains about Florida schools

Associated Press

TALLAHASSEE — The NAACP filed a federal complaint against Florida's education department Thursday, seeking to stop use of statewide assessment tests until the achievement gap between minority and white students is eliminated.

The complaint to the federal Office for Civil Rights, released by the group Thursday, also seeks to have the immediate release of students and teachers and alleges that Florida's Hispanic educational achievement is discriminated against black students.

The lawsuit asks to have federal education money withheld from Florida until the state implements a plan to close racial achievement gaps.

The state must ensure that African-American and other minority children have equal educational opportunities regardless of where they go to school, said Adora Obi-Nwovo, NAACP state president.

The U.S. Department of Education did not return calls Thursday afternoon for comment.

Florida's minority students have scored well below white students in standardized tests, including the Comprehensive Assessment Test, which is used to determine whether students are held back a grade and whether seniors graduate.

This year 73 percent of white fourth-graders taking the FCAT test scored above their grade level in reading, compared to 41 percent of blacks and 31 percent of Hispanics.

But Education Commissioner Jim Horne said that the gap between white and minority achievement is closing. At the same grade level the year before, 65 percent of white students scored at or above grade level in reading, compared to 23 percent of blacks and 38 percent of Hispanics.

Because of the new state policy, basic instruction largely on the FCAT, 33,000 Florida youngsters must repeat third grade this year, five times more than last year.
Ford focuses on 2004 F-150

DEARBORN, Mich. — Ford on Thursday kicked off its largest ever media campaign, nearly doubling its 2004 F-150 in an advertising and marketing show that builds up from a tantalizing tease campaign to a huge, last-minute payoff executives say is deserving only of the new truck.

The tease campaign started February with just 15 television spots, an Internet banner campaign and full-page ads in several key truck markets. Its full campaign begins when the company is calling National F-150 Kickoff Weekend, starting Sept. 4 in conjunction with the regular NFL season.

Each commercial features the theme, "Only this truck earned the right to be the F-150.""For us in the company, it's been a lot like Christmas. You know...it's coming and finally, now Christmas morning is here and we could not be more excited about it," said Steve Lyons, Ford vice president.

The success of the truck's launch is particularly important to Ford as it, and other U.S. automakers, works to retain dominance of the lucrative truck market in the face of competition from Toyota Motor Co. and Nissan Motor Co., which have made substantial inroads into the market.

Some television and print commercials will cater to Hispanic, blacks and Asian-Americans through a multicultural campaign Ford officials hope will continue to win over a key market segment they say other truck makers overlook.

The company expects to spend more than $100 million on advertising for the first six months, Lyons said. Ford executives believe it's necessary given the transformation they say the truck has made.

The world's second-largest automaker has said its suggested retail price for the 2004 F-150 lineup will remain the same as the starting price of the previous year's model.

Ford Motor Company Chairman and CEO Bill Ford Jr. sits next to a 2004 F-150 red pickup truck. The truck will be the focus of the company's new advertising blitz.

The F-Series pickup is the best-selling vehicle in the United States and accounts for 25 percent of Ford's sales. The new F-150 has five models instead of the three previously offered. Suggested retail price for the new pickup will range from $19,225 to $35,570, excluding destination and delivery charges.

The model debuted in 1997.

Philip Morris ends discount smokes

NEW YORK — Philip Morris USA is snuffing out its Wholesale Leaders program, a cigarette-discouraging tactic which a group of tobacco wholesalers believe is in violation of antitrust laws.

The program's demise follows a federal court decision earlier this month to grant a request for preliminary injunction made by the wholesalers group. Under the terms of the program that went into effect at the end of June, wholesalers were able to receive discounts based on their performance.

To qualify for the highest discounts in the three-tiered plan, wholesalers had to maintain nearly a 50 percent market share of Philip Morris brands.

Philip Morris USA, the Altria Group Inc. unit that makes Marlboro and Parliament cigarettes, will terminate the program effective Dec. 27, according to company spokesman Brendan McCormick. However, other elements of the plan will be phased out over time, he said.

The 36 wholesalers who sued Philip Morris in the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Tennessee at Greenville argued the plan put them at a disadvantage against those wholesalers who qualify for the highest level of rebates.

The group also claims the program would push up prices for deep-discount cigarette brands because manufacturers of the cheaper brands would have higher costs as a result of contractions to their wholesale distribution network brought on by the Philip Morris program.

Philip Morris told its wholesalers in a letter Wednesday that the "cents off" portion of the Wholesale Leaders program will end on Sept. 25.

According to Smith Barney analyst Bonnie Herzog, eliminating this portion of the program will provide Philip Morris with a "significant" amount of savings. However, the change could hurt Philip Morris' wholesalers, who rely on these attractive cash incentives. "We believe the catalyst for this decision was the preliminary injunction that was granted against Philip Morris recently as a result of the Smith Wholesale lawsuit," Herzog said. "We believe that instead of the company viewing the injunction as bad news, it is making lemonade out of lemons by using this as an opportunity."

Herzog expects the decision will save Philip Morris millions of dollars, but could disrupt business.

Philip Morris ends discount smokes

Altria

A shopper walks past the headquarters of Altria, the parent company of Philip Morris in downtown New York City.
Survey of cadets released

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Nearly one in five female Air Force Academy cadets said they had been sexually assaulted during their time at the academy, according to a survey underscoring the extent of the problem at the scandal-plagued school.

Although the results of the Defense Department survey are preliminary, Air Force and academy officials acknowledged the severity of the issues of culture and climate that led to the sex assault scandal.

"I've seen the numbers, and we have a problem," Brig. Gen. Johnn Weida, commandant of cadets, told a reporter after a stern address to 4,000 cadets at the academy near Colorado Springs.

In his speech, Weida acknowledged that misconduct had tarnished the academy's reputation and said: "If you think this problem has been blown out of proportion by the media, you are well advised."

The survey is part of an inquiry by Pentagon Inspector General Joseph E. Schmitz into how academy leadership handled allegations from female cadets who said they were reprimanded after they reported being sexually assaulted.

A department official who asked that their name not be used confirmed to The Associated Press that the survey contained the results Weida provided.

Several academy, Pentagon and defense officials said it was important to note that the survey results were based on female cadets' responses.

"We will chart a fundamentally different course for the academy," Air Force Academy statement.

In a statement, Air Force officials said the survey was compiled through a survey containing the survey results were released in December.

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WASHINGTON — Just days after the shuttle Columbia disaster, a NASA employee at headquarters proposed scrubbing the agency’s safety office Web site to remove outdated or wrong information that could become “chum in the water to reporters and congressmen.”

“We wouldn’t want to be sucker punched by someone based on something we have posted,” employee Wilson Harkins wrote in an e-mail released this week by NASA.

NASA said Thursday that 18 routine documents were added to the Web site since the accident and none was removed. Spokeswoman Melissa Motichek said Harkins was trying to make sure the site was accurate and up-to-date.

“The e-mail speaks for itself,” Motichek said.

A former NASA investigator, Joseph Richard Gutheinz, said that in the aftermath of the shuttle accident it was inappropriate for NASA to suggest removing any documents until they were reviewed by investigators.

“Whenever you have an investigation, ‘everything should freeze,’ said Gutheinz, who worked in NASA’s inspector general office for 10 years. “You don’t get rid of anything. You have a duty to your country, to the NASA program and the investigation to allow them to see everything you have before you start tossing this stuff.”

Harkins’ e-mail and other newly disclosed documents describe how NASA was braced for the investigation into the Columbia tragedy. Harkins urged that the agency should review NASA mishap files to answer inevitable questions from “some enterprising news-hound or congressional staffer.”

Has anyone done a complete scrub of the Code Q safety division Web pages to make sure they are current?” Harkins wrote in a Feb. 6 e-mail, five days after Columbia’s breakup killed its crew. “Out-of-date or erroneous information is like chum in the water to reporters and congressmen.”

Harkins was on vacation Thursday and did not return messages left at his home and office.

The recipient of the e-mail, manager John Lemke, has retired and did not return a message left at his home in Virginia.

“Whenever you have an investigation, everything should freeze,” said Steve O’Keefe, president of the Columbia Accident Investigation Board. NASA disclosed other e-mails involving the office two weeks earlier.

Other newly released documents included e-mail from Peter J. Rutledge, the director for NASA’s enterprise safety and mission assurance division, instructing all employees to seek approval from managers before sending any new materials to shuttle investigators, “so that we will have a complete record of what goes out.”

Motichek said Rutledge’s instructions were “an effort to keep track of what the office was producing and to make sure there was no contradictory information.” She said Rutledge and another senior safety executive did not deny any request to send materials to shuttle investigators.

O’Keefe said earlier this week there was “nary a hint” that the agency had sought to influence the outcome of the shuttle inquiry.

“What we wanted was an unvarnished, straightforward assessment from them, and we got that,” O’Keefe said.

Other documents include suggested responses for managers, including O’Keefe, to questions that NASA anticipated from investigators and congressional oversight committees, as well as copies of forwarded news articles about the accident investigation.

One e-mail, marked “HOT HOT HOT,” cautioned NASA employees that O’Keefe “will be playing Double Jeopardy” with lawmakers in an upcoming joint congressional hearing days later.

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Fierce fighting after U.S. bombing

Associated Press

QALAT, Afghanistan — Afghan soldiers were waging a fierce battle with entrenched Taliban fighters in southern Afghanistan after a night of heavy U.S. bombing that left many Taliban dead, an Afghan intelligence chief said Friday.

U.S. warplanes began bombing two suspected Taliban positions in the Chinaran and Larzah mountains of Dai Chupan district in southern Zabul province late Thursday, provincial intelligence chief Khalil Hotak told The Associated Press.

The bombing ended at about 4 a.m., and some 500 local Afghan soldiers moved in on the Taliban fighters. The Taliban had taken up fortified positions in a deep mountain gorge and along a stream that runs through the area, Hotak said in a command center set up in Qalat, about 45 miles south of the fighting.

It was impossible to know the exact number of Taliban killed in the bombing and subsequent fighting, but Hotak said the number of fighters killed could be as high as 35. The U.S. military could not immediately be reached for comment.

"The fighting was intense and we have inflicted heavy damage on the Taliban," Hotak said. "Our forces counted 35 Taliban bodies."

As he spoke, Hotak received calls from commanders at the scene and barked back orders for the ongoing fighting.

"We get information when the Taliban change their positions. Then we give this information to our commanders," he said.

Hotak said the largest suspected Taliban base was near a part of the mountain range called Hazar Buz, about four miles from the latest ground fighting.

The fighting was still going on by midmorning Friday, Hotak said. He said his forces believe hundreds of Taliban have taken up positions in the area, with at least 15 hideouts. Hotak said he had no word yet on fresh casualties among the Afghan soldiers.

Four Afghan soldiers were wounded in fighting Thursday.

Zabul has seen heavy fighting this week. The province's governor, Haftazullah Hashami, said even before the most recent fighting that about 40 Taliban had been killed in an ongoing operation to clear out guerrillas hiding in the mountainous area.

Afghan officials say they believe at least two prominent Taliban commanders, Mullah Dadullah and Mullah Haqiq, were leading the fighting in the area.

Hotak also named Mullah Abdul Qahar as one of the commanders leading the Taliban fighters. A native of Zabul, Qahar was a senior Taliban commander in the province before the militia was ousted in late 2001 by a U.S.-led coalition, according to Hotak.

Haji Granal, an Afghan military commander, told AP that at least two U.S. bombers and two helicopters helped in the operation, and Hotak said 20 American troops and 12 military vehicles were on the ground to aid the Afghan forces.

Two fighters arrested in the area two days ago told investigators they were recruited by the Taliban and fighters tried to force them to convert to jihadism. They said they returned 38,000 Pakistani rupees — about $650 — from the Taliban to keep them from joining the Taliban fighters, but the fighters have not been able to induce them to leave.

The Bush administration is sounding out nations on a possible new U.N. resolution that would transform the U.S.-led force in Iraq into a multinational force authorized by the United Nations with an American commander.

The United States is trying to assess whether the proposal — which was floated last week by U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan — would induce more countries to send peacekeeping troops to Iraq, thereby enabling some of the 138,000 U.S. troops in the country to return home.

But France, Russia, Germany, Mexico and Syria — all Security Council members that opposed the war — made clear that the United States will have to act on a much more significant enhancement of the U.N. role in Iraq in order to induce more countries to contribute troops.

"It does not suffice to deploy more troops, more technical and financial means," he said, calling for the establishment of a provisional government in Baghdad backed up by the United Nations.

Russia's U.N. Ambassador Sergey Lavrov also called for "a truly comprehensive approach" in postwar Iraq including "further significant enhancement of the U.N. role" with the aim of restoring "full democracy and rule of law.""
Students love to criticize the administration for a student life environment that is about as exciting as snail races.

But when Legends of Notre Dame opens Saturday, the administration deserves plenty of praise for creating a popular on-campus nightlife destination for students.

One of the chief complaints students traditionally have about on-campus life is that there is relatively little to do after hours. LaFortune and Rockers are open late and are great for casually spending time with friends, but movies at DeBartolo aren’t exactly considered a wild nighttime activity.

And when the administration unveiled a stricter alcohol policy two springs ago, students migrated to off-campus parties as they criticized what they called a disappearing campus social life.

Legends might change that perception. The building, formerly known as the Alumni-Senior Bar, underwent a $2.7 million renovation.

Workers added a restaurant, a pub and a dance floor.

Student government leaders have promised special nighttime activities, comedians and DJs. And with underdog and legal

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College choice is crucial

The worst is almost over. There is a light at the end of the tunnel. Of course, I am talking about the first week of classes, a time of year traditionally marked with that lazy, lethargic, "do I actually have to start using my brain cells again?" feeling. Unfortunately, we are most likely still in a state of shock. By now, you have soaked up all the free advice you can (do wear flip-flops in the shower, do not wear your high school T-shirts on campus and so on), but are nonetheless overwhelmed by the newness of everything.

Sophomores and juniors, you are probably feeling slightly more comfortable with your college experience and hopefully have learned what it takes to succeed at a major university. Seniors, you have hopefully figured out the keys to success, but are probably starting to discover that, hard as it might be to believe right now, there is life after the four- or five- or six-year feast we like to call college.

No matter your age, year, gender, or sentiment, it should be evident to you that college means more than how many pants you can eat and how many cans of Keystone Light you can consume. Being successful can and someday will be measured by more than breaking your old leg record.

I could sit here and give you mountains of free advice (a sock on the doorknob means don't come in!), but my point is that your most important insights about college, and eventual changes in yourself, will be personal strides you have taken and are not found in any written form. They will be found within yourself, but with the help of three simple questions:

1. The must significant question you should first ask yourself is, "Why am I here?" The answer should be more substantive than to avoid the wrath of parental cohabitation, or an excuse to drink five nights a week with no major consequences.
2. When it came time to consider colleges my junior year of high school, I only filled out one application and left my college visitation days unused. Fortunately, my choice was a no-brainer. I'm not trying to say your choice to come here should have been easy, but finding a fit for college shouldn't be such a trying decision.
3. Next, you should ask yourself, "What do I want now?" This means now that you have made the right college decision, what are you going to do to make the most out of it? Why look back on the experience and say to you wish you had done more?

College is unique in the way it allows us to have opportunities that we may never experience again.

Ashley Pierson
The Iowa State Daily

Church should rethink stance on gay unions

I try not to place too much faith in polls. More products of public opinion, they can rarely be expected to reveal any profound truths. Yet, like the issues of People Magazine in my doctor's waiting room, when they are sitting right in front of me I often cannot help but look. And so fascination took the better of me one day as I was online and I soon found myself following a link to the Princeton Review's rankings of the best colleges in America.

Over the days I would be driving to Indiana to begin graduate studies at Notre Dame. So I did a quick check to find where Notre Dame found itself amidst a bevy of esteemed universities. It turns out, after countless building projects, development campaigns and similar endeavors Notre Dame had finally become No. 1 in something. That something was being ranked first among schools where "Alternative (Homosexual) Lifestyles are Not an Alternative."

While disturbing, this ranking did not completely surprise me. I had been an undergrad before the University refused to add sexual orientation to its nondiscrimination clause, choosing instead to substitute the vague half-measure that is the "Spirit of Inclusion." And now I knew that serious and well-respected people were making efforts to make Notre Dame a more accepting place for non-heterosexuals. Surely there must be other schools whose mission was not to close and open, rather than veiled, discrimination was tolerated if not encouraged, but Notre Dame, as this survey claimed, really be the school with the least discrimination against homosexuals?

Probably not. As I said, earlier polls rarely reveal the fullness of truth. Yet they can offer a somewhat accurate gauge of general perceptions. In this case, just weeks after the front page of nearly every major newspaper announced the Vatican's staunch opposition to proposals aiming to extend legal recognition to same-sex unions, it should not be surprising that America's most famous Catholic university would be seen as a discriminatory place.

Notre Dame finds itself in a unique situation. It has attempted to become more welcoming to sexual minorities while existing within the structure of a Church whose teachings on homosexuality are, despite words to the contrary, inherently discriminatory. Thus, while nations like Canada, Belgium, the Netherlands, France, Germany, Norway and Argentina are extending basic civil rights to same-sex couples, the Vatican is being an opportunity to champion equality and human rights. Another Cepicanarian Revolution is making its way through our world and the Church has again chosen to safeguard its own antiquated system as the world around it embraces a maturing understanding of the diversity and splendor of God's creation.

The Church can instead become a truly prophetic voice on behalf of the rights of homo-sexual individuals, but doing so will require a reevaluation of its current system of thought. Such a revision is not without precedent. As late as 1866 the Vatican declared, "It is not contrary to the natural or divine law for a slave to be sold, bought, exchanged or given, provided in the sale, purchase, gift, the due conditions are strictly observed which the approved authors describe and explain." For those keeping score, the position on this has since changed. Perhaps the Church's position on homosexual unions, a position that also claims roots in natural law, should also change.

This position, which accepts homosexual orientation as something that is not chosen (therefore natural) also chooses to denounce homosexual acts as contrary to the natural law or "objectively disordered." And so homosexuals are compelled into a life of chastity not freely chosen. Instead it was thrust upon them by a Creator who chose to endow them by nature with a certain sexual orientation, while at the same time crafting a natural law that renders any decision to act upon the inclinations of that "objectively disordered" orientation. Such a Creator appears Himself to be objectively inconsistent and responsible for a logically flawed and profoundly confusing creation.

Or, perhaps the system upon which this teaching is based is inconsistent and in need of a revision that will give proper glory and respect to the diversity of Creation. Instead of decrying politicians who seek to give equal rights to homosexual couples through civil marriages or similar unions, the Church should either allow homosexual marriages, or craft some similar sacramental ceremony.

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Viewpoint Columnist

The Church has the opportunity to be a voice of true inclusion, opening the doors to profoundly new understandings of human love and sexuality.

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Friday, August 29, 2003
As the first weekend of the new school year arrives, students grapple with how they should spend their first camping trip for Freshman Orientation Show. The Boston trio Guster met on a camping trip for Freshman Orientation at Tufts University in 1992. When Ryan Miller, Adam Gardner and Brian Rosenworcel enrolled at the school, orientation consisted of a six-day wilderness excursion. The three met on the bus, each talking about how awesome their high school bands were, and so Gus was born.

Yes, they began their band using the name "Gus" before they realized that a band with that name had already signed a contract with a record company. They changed their name to Guster, and the success of their albums and live tours helped the band overcome its initial anxiety about changing its name.

By their junior year, the guys were recording an album, and after graduation in 1995, they bought a van and hit the road. Three liberal arts majors began to tour the country, visiting college campuses and pushing their musical sounds. They’ve kept on the road ever since.

Miller, who is a vocalist and guitarist, married his college sweetheart two months ago. The other guys give him a hard time about it and joke about how he wears his wedding band proudly as he plays during the shows. All three band members reside in New York City but still love to be considered a Boston band since they can trace their roots to Tufts.

Despite all turning 30 recently, which Rosenworcel said “sucked,” the guys consider themselves young as ever and full of energy, ready for whatever wild and crazy whims arise during a show. Guster usually plays one show a week at college — their favorite venues to play. College students understand them better and try hard to please even their smallest, odd requests.

“We show up at a club and don’t get what we want, but college students don’t do that. It’s nice,” Rosenworcel said. He claimed that Guster asks for some weird things on their request list. “We used to ask for live goldfish in a bowl, but by the time the show was over, they were dead. We decided it was cruel, so we stopped doing that,” he said. “We also usually ask for movies on DVD, but only good ones.” But most importantly, Guster requests tube socks. “I can never have enough tube socks,” Rosenworcel said.

Ten years after they met, the band released a fourth album, taking a new step by including some new sounds unlike the typical sounds of the band so familiar to fans. Keep It Together was released June 24 and quickly made its way to the top of Apple’s iTunes music store Most Downloaded rock album list. It also has been the second most downloaded album overall in the same time period, according to Nielsen SoundScan.

Along with the release of an album, the band began a summer tour of sorts with a series of shows in the Northeast, culminating with a final show at Radio City Music Hall in New York City on Aug. 16. Rosenworcel admitted that playing at Radio City was always a dream for him and is an amazing experience for any artist.

Guster travels, for the most part, on their tour bus, which they bought after finding success and ditching their original van. They travel through the night and wake up wherever they are to play. But if they want some entertainment, they pop in a movie. The only movie currently in Guster’s old van is Tommy Boy. Rosenworcel said that when they still use that, if someone wants to watch a movie, it is their only choice. “It is the only worthwhile Chris Farley movie,” he said.

But in the bus, the guys have a much larger selection. Topping the list of favorites for all three members are Good Fellas, The Graduate, PeeWee’s Big Adventure, Fargo and The Big Lebowski.

While on tour, Guster eats at places that are within walking distance from the venue, unless a record company takes them out. But if they can help it, they eat sushi — especially Rosenworcel. “Now that we are rock stars, we have to eat it,” he said. “I started when I was 24 and once you’re in, there’s no turning back. All I want is a big, raw hunk of fish. But, they must eat at home, too. Rosenworcel admits that his fridge and pantry are pretty empty most of the time since he is rarely at home. But he said he did have “two hard-boiled eggs and some applesauce” in his house yesterday afternoon. He thought he might eat it for dinner and put the applesauce on top of the eggs, but he wasn’t sure quite yet.

Living life as a musician for Rosenworcel is living a normal life. “Nobody really recognizes me, so I feel like I live a normal life,” he said. “It is cool to play drums for a living. I didn’t expect to make a career out of it when I brought my bongos to college to sit on the floor and play.”

Keep It Together features some new instruments for Guster. Rosenworcel learned to play a drum set for the album, branching off from his eclectic percussion instruments from the past albums. He said “the drum set is new and exciting for me, so it’s my favorite right now. But my overall favorite is an African instrument called a Djembe. It is a hippie's drum that plays a variety of tunes. It is circle shaped and almost looks like a mushroom.”

Miller and Rosenworcel wrote the songs from Keep It Together. Miller wrote nine of them and Rosenworcel wrote four, but it was still a group effort. Musically, Guster’s albums “come out of being a room together. We sweat out a song and it evolves over time. We all over think and change constantly,” Rosenworcel said.

The guys tend to like the more mellow songs on the album the most, but they still love how the album feels overall. For Rosenworcel, Keep It Together “feels different and good,” leaving the other albums feeling "less mature."

“Most people like the Lost and Gone Forever album the best,” he said, which came out in 1999 when Adam, Ryan and Brian were living in an apartment together in New York.

Guster kicks off the official tour for Keep It Together at the Joyce Center Arena tonight. Paired with The Black Eyed Peas, The Show promises to be an energetic and exciting one.
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ALBUM REVIEW

Guster unveils a new sound

By EMILY TUMBRINK
Scene Assistant Editor

Guster, a band renowned for its spontaneity and energy during live performances, recently released a new studio album, Keep It Together. While previous albums attempted to convey the elements that made their live shows so enjoyable—the unpredictable jams, frenetic bongo drumming, and vocals—their new album, Keep It Together, possesses many well-crafted songs that merit numerous listens.

Guster has been on the road for some venues after playing there a few times. At the top of his list is the Backyard in Austin, Texas and The Tabernacle, an intimate concert venue in Atlanta. Rosenworcel stated that he loved being on the road all the time, and even developed a love for some venues after playing there a few times. At the top of his list is the Backyard in Austin, Texas and The Tabernacle, an intimate concert venue in Atlanta.

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Keep it Together

The album contains many slow dreamy ballads, and the percussion and vocals are less overwhelming than on previous releases, providing a more relaxing listening experience. However, because of these changes, Guster’s new brand of music sounds much more mainstream. The infectious lyrics and catchy hooks make Keep It Together more easily categorized as a pop album, one that is perhaps more radio-friendly than some fans would like, but luckily one that is not over-produced or annoying.

The entire album is enjoyable, and listening to the band experiment with new instruments including a banjo, piano, harmonica and bass guitar keeps things interesting. The album as a whole improves with every listen, as the depth and complexities of each song are revealed in a way that is impossible to comprehend when listening for the first time.

By shifting to a more traditional sound, Guster will undoubtedly gain fans and also unfortunately lose some. Those who value Guster for its energetic and uplifting percussive melodies may be let down by this more mellow release.

However, the signs of experimentation present on many of the tracks show the band’s openness to trying new things, making Keep It Together perhaps their most ambitious and creative release yet. Though Guster may face criticism for abandoning their old formula, Keep It Together may be a necessary step on their road to creating the perfect album. Hopefully their next release will combine what works from Keep It Together with elements from their energetic previous albums. Those who are not familiar with Guster’s music might be better off buying Lost and Gone Forever or Parachute as an introduction to the band, but Keep It Together is definitely a quality album that deserves to be heard.
Tampa Bay's Michael Pittman runs against the Miami Dolphins last season. Pittman, who had legal problems in the offseason, must play well if the Bucs have a successful season.

**Bucs face mountains of obstacles to succeed**

Associated Press

Tampa, Fla. — At the NFL owners' meetings last March, Jim Irsay played a round of golf with Charles Brewer, a personal injury attorney from Arizona who's never lost a case.

He was just doing his homework, talking to successful people who might provide him with motivational tools for the Tampa Bay Buccaneers to repeat as champions.

"He's in his 70s. I would have talked to him even if I was coach out of Southeast Missouri. He's just a guy who's found his passion, is a stickler for details, and enjoys getting up early and staying up late working," said Gruden.

"I try to be around people that have juice, that have success, guys who have dominated.

Brewer was just one of the many people whose brain the NFL's youngest coach picked as prepared to try to win his second straight title.

He also talked to Denver's Mike Shanahan, the last coach to lead an NFL team to back-to-back championships, and basking in glory of New York's New England Patriots.

He also talked to Mike Shanahan's Broncos the last to repeat as champions.

"We've been working to try to win," Gruden said.

"Everybody's got a lottery ticket to the Super Bowl." The Bucs cashed in last season, riding their No. 1-ranked defense to a franchise-best 12-4 regular-season victory before dominating San Francisco, Philadelphia and AFC champion Oakland by a combined score of 106-37 in the playoffs.

On paper, the defense looks as if it could be even better than a year ago when Tampa Bay just allowed just 196 points, the fifth-fewest in league history.

But for Gruden's defense to improve, too, in its second year in Gruden's system.

Still, there's the question of whether Gruden can help a roster full of stars avoid the distractions that typically undermine a team's chance to repeat.

All-Pro defensive tackle Warren Sapp's contract status will be a focal point as the season progresses. The fourth-year pass-rusher had a breakout year in Gruden's system.

"His whole thing is if I've got that come out in two or three years, we haven't won two or three more, it ain't because we're not trying," Sapp said.

What Gruden has instilled in the players is that they're defending their title every time they step on the field, whether it's practice or a game.

"We've got a nice trophy to win in this window, and we're going to see what we can do with it," Sapp said.
Hoffman set to return to San Diego on Tuesday

Associated Press
San Diego — Wohl, Hells Bells, look who’s coming back to the San Diego Padres.

Trevor Hoffman is scheduled to rejoin the Padres’ bullpen Tuesday, salvaging at least a silver of the season after missing the first five months following two offseason surgeries on his right shoulder.

Yes, that means Hells Bells. An ominous, screeching song by AC/DC will once again toll to announce that Hoffman, who ranks fifth all-time with 352 saves, is coming in to try to protect a lead.

How many times, though, is anybody’s guess, because the Padres and Hoffman know there’s no need to overdo it. After all, the Padres are buried in last place in the NL West, and at one point they didn’t think they’d get Hoffman — and his intense stare and nasty changeup — back at all this year.

Plus, Rod Beck has been perfect in 19 save opportunities since the Padres signed him in early June to stabilize a bullpen that was floundering without Hoffman.

“Rodney’s done a great job and I don’t want to disrupt the stability he’s brought to the pen,” said Hoffman, who’s gotten ten all but two of his saves with the Padres. “I’m not necessarily saying that I don’t think they’d get Hoffman — and his intense stare and nasty changeup — back at all this year.

“You think the bottom line for me this year is to get some innings in, and no matter where they are when they come, be comfortable with it. They’ll fit me in and I’ll try to get some outs,” he said with a laugh.

So Hoffman could be pitching in non-save situations as well as closing, and Beck, known as “Shooter,” will continue to get chances to push toward his goal of 300 saves. He needs 15 to reach the milestone.

“I’m just assuming that it’s his job,” said Hoffman, who was brought in to keep the seat warm and help out. “I don’t know that they’re throwing him right in the fire or not. To me, it really doesn’t make any difference.

September could be a preview of 2004, when it’s possible that Hoffman and Beck will be working out of the same pen for the Padres, who move into a new downtown ballpark.

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General manager Kevin Towers envisions Hoffman and Beck in the same pen, in more ways than one.

Beck jogs out to the mound while Metallica’s “Enter Sandman” blasts from the sound system.

The Padres would also hope that having Hoffman and Beck anchoring their bullpen might help end five straight losing seasons since they were swept by the New York Yankees in the 1996 World Series. Hoffman is the only Padres’ player left from that team.

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“When I was here in 1998, I
didn’t throw very many bullpens,” Wells said. “I haven’t
thrown bullpens for a long time. I’m not going to elaborate on it
any more.”

Wells is willing to throw more

between starts “if it’s going to make everybody happy around
here,” Torre said before the
game that he wanted to talk

with Wells.

“During his career with us, he
hasn’t been a regular bullpen
guy,” Torre said. “When a guy

has pitched this long, you leave
it to him to know his body. But
after the last couple of outings, we have to talk about it.”

Wells missed an Aug. 16 start at Baltimore because of a bad
back, and had an injection.

Since then, he’s allowed 21
hits in 12 1-3 innings.

“He feels he can do things bet-

ter the way he thinks he should
do them,” Torre said. “We went

along with it because it was his body, but after two starts like
that, we’re going to look at some-

thing different.”

White emerges a winner at World Championships

after Thursday’s 7-5 win over

the Chicago White Sox.

After the game, the Yankees
recalled right-hander Jeff

Weaver, sent to the minor

leagues last week after

Weaver’s stay had been sched­

uled to last until Monday, but a

roster spot opened when out-

fielder David Dellucci sprained

his ankle.

Wells (12-5) allowed a season-

high 10 runs in Wednesday’s

night’s 1-2 loss to the White

Sox, giving up two homers,

doubles and a triple in a

seven-run fourth inning.

It went 0-2 in four August starts,

allowing 22 runs and 35 hits in

22 1-3 innings, and is winless in

six starts since July 19.

“He hasn’t been throwing in

between starts, and it’s show-

ning,” Stottlemyre said. “I think

he needs some mound work,

that’s my opinion.”

White held up two fingers on
each hand.

But there was no victory lap

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“With as much effort as I put

into that race and my stomach

was pretty empty today, I just

emptied the tank,” she said.

“It was fatigue, body fatigue. I

think we’ve all proven that we can

run very fast.”

White is taking time off after

Thursday’s 7-5 win over the

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Associated Press

NEW YORK — David Wells’ poor pitching has jeopardized
his place in the New York

Yankees’ starting rotation.

A day after pitching coach Mel

Stottlemyre criticized Wells for

not throwing enough between

starts, Yankee manager Joe

Torre repeatedly refused to say

whether the 40-year-old left-

hander would take his next turn

on Monday at Toronto.

“We’re going to do some more
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Tigers continue infamous march to all-time loss record

Associated Press

CLEVELAND — Jody Gerut doesn’t consider himself a home run hitter. Opposing pitchers might think differently.

Gerut homered twice and drove in a career-high five runs, powering the Cleveland Indians to an 8-3 victory over the Detroit Tigers on Thursday night.

Detroit lost for the 99th time and must sweep a three-game weekend series at home against the Chicago White Sox to avoid losing 100 games before September.

"We’re in uncharted waters," Tigers manager Alan Trammell said. "It hasn’t gone the way I scripted it."

Josh Bard drove in two runs for Cleveland with three hits, including his fourth homer.

Gerut hit the first pitch he saw from Jeremy Bonderman (6-18) for his 17th homer to put the Indians ahead 2-0 in the first inning. Gerut homered twice and nine RBIs in the two games.

The last time I hit 18 homers was in college and I guess I’m kind of surprised," he said. "I don’t think homers are going to be a huge part of my game. I don’t want to be labeled a power hitter. I hit line drives.

"I don’t think the game is over before you even get there," he said. "It’s not going to be the same. Opposing pitchers have hammered rookies all year — coming in, rookies were batting .200.

Gerut drove in a career-high five runs, then watched his teammates rally for five in the first inning against rookie Neal Cotts. The Indians went on to beat the Chicago White Sox again.

Mussina gave up two quick runs, then watched his teammates rally for five in the first. After another slow start by the Yankees, Mike Mussina made sure New York didn’t get blown out by the Chicago White Sox again.

Angels 6, Twins 1

Mike Maroth for the major league lead in losses. The last pitcher to lose 20 in a season was Oakland’s Brian Kingman, who went 8-20 in 1980.

Kyle Lohse made a big pitch to Scott Spiezio and Matthew LeCroy got a clutch hit with the bases loaded, keeping the Minnesota Twins close in the AL Central race.

Jacque Jones added a two-run homer and Luis Rivas doubled home two runs as the Twins beat the Anaheim Angels to move within 1-1/2 games of the division lead.

Lohse (11-10) won for the fifth time in six starts, allowing a run, five hits and five walks in 6-2-3 innings. He struck out three and stranded four runners in scoring position. Anaheim got its only run in the third on Garret Anderson’s RBI single.

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Curt Schilling (1-5) allowed four runs — three earned — and six hits in seven-plus innings. He must win five of a projected six remaining starts to become the Angels’ first 20-game winner since 1974, when Nolan Ryan won 22 and matched Clyde Wright’s 1970 club record.

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Third baseman Scott Hatteberg led off the seventh inning with a homer. Mark Ellis later added an RBI triple as the A’s cruised to their 10th win in 12 games.

The A’s former fifth starter was banished to the bullpen three months ago, but he was sold in his second spot start in place of 15-game winner Mark Mulder, who’s probably out for the season with a broken leg bone near his hip.

Ricardo Rincon pitched out of a jam in the seventh, and Keith Foulke pitched the ninth for his AL-leading 35th save in 40 chances.

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DEKALB, Ill. — The ball bounced off the leg of a defender, fluttered into the air and landed softly in the hands of a surprised Randee Drew — a fitting ending to a wild upset.

Northern Illinois stunned No. 15 Maryland 20-13 in overtime on Thursday night, a victory capped when Drew intercepted Scott McBrien's long pass near the end zone.

The pass, intended for Latrez Harrison, hit defensive back Rob Lee in the leg as he fell backward and shot into the air. Waiting underneath to grab it was Drew.

"Everything was in slow motion," Drew said. "One of them fell and kicked the ball and it came right to me. I guess [they] just put me in the right spot at the right time."

It took the Huskies a moment to realize what had happened. When they did, the entire team rushed the field to celebrate only their third win ever over a ranked team.

Even after the game, coach Joe Novak was still confused.

"Could somebody tell me what happened?" Novak said. "All I know is everyone said we won, so I was going to go along with it."

Northern Illinois got the ball first in overtime and scored three plays later when Josh Haldi threw a 20-yard touchdown to Dan Sheldon. Sheldon caught Haldi's pass at the 15, spun around a defender and raced into the end zone for the game-winning score.

Haldi was 21-for-35 for 266 yards and two touchdowns.

Northern Illinois had a chance to win the game in regulation but Steve Azar's 43-yard field goal attempt was partially blocked by Madieu Williams with 1.3 seconds left.

The attempt was set up by a roughing the passer call on D'Owell Jackson, one of several costly penalties against the Terrapins.

Maryland is the highest-ranked opponent Northern Illinois has ever beaten. The Huskies defeated No. 20 Bowling Green last year, and knocked off No. 24 Fresno State in 1990.

"I told the kids before we played, win, lose or draw, let's enjoy the moment. We're on national TV, we're playing a ranked team," Novak said. "I think they did, and they're enjoying the moment even more now."

No. 3 Miami 48, Louisiana Tech 9

A decent debut for Miami's new big three was enough for the Hurricanes to win their opener going away.

Antrel Rolle returned an interception and a punt for touchdowns and Frank Gore ran for 118 yards as No. 3 Miami beat Louisiana Tech.

The game marked the starting debut for Gore, quarterback Brock Berlin and wide receiver Ryan Moore.

Miami's Devin Hester is tackled by Michael Johnson of Louisiana Tech Thursday night. The Hurricanes' 48-9 victory.

The trio has a long way to go to keep Hurricanes fans from missing Ken Dorsey, Willis McGahee and Andre Johnson.

"I wouldn't say it was great," Berlin said. "I'm glad to get it out of the way and now just ready to get on with next week."

The Hurricanes host rival Florida on Sept. 6.

Hometown, Berlin was OK in a little less than three quarters of work. The Florida transfer was 14-for-28 for 203 yards with two touchdowns and an interception.

"I love Shreveport and the people here. And the fans. That was an excellent environment to play in tonight," Berlin said.

Gore, who missed all last season after major knee surgery, showed good burst and power on 21 carries and caught two passes for 33 yards.

Gore said he feels even better than before the injury.

"I feel like I got a lot stronger to take on linebacker " said Gore. "As the game goes I get better and better. Next week it's going to be different so I've got to pick it up even more."

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Former Detroit Pistons coach Rick Carlisle is in line to be the next head coach of the Indiana Pacers. The position became available after coach Isiah Thomas was fired. Carlisle is a former assistant with the Pacers.

Carlisle up for Pacers coaching job

Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — The Indiana Pacers began their pursuit of Rick Carlisle for their new coach but did not expect to sign him at least until early next week, a team spokesman said Thursday.

Carlisle, a former Pacers assistant and the head coach at Detroit the past two years, became available when he was fired by the Pistons in May. He was the first choice for the Pacers after new team president Larry Bird. Carlisle's Boston Celtics teammate and his boss when Bird was the Pacers coach, fired Isiah Thomas on Wednesday. "They've got to go through an interview process and work out a contract, and it's also a holiday weekend, which compounds it a little bit," Pacers spokesman David Denner said of the expected delay in naming a new coach.

Carlisle, who talked to Bird by telephone on Tuesday night, reportedly was in Indianapolis to meet with Bird and Pacers CEO Donnie Walsh, although Denner said he could not confirm that. "When I've been down to see Donnie, I haven't seen him (Carlisle)," Benner said. "It's been about, if we're going to do some- thing, when would it be?" It probably would be next week. They said they would talk to him either last night or today. They may have.

Messages seeking comment were left at Carlisle's home in Detroit.

On Wednesday, at a news conference announcing the firing of Thomas, Bird said, "I think a new coach coming in is going to bring some freshness, a new style and hopefully he can play the game the way I like it to be played." He made it clear the man he wanted for the job was Carlisle, a Pacers assistant coach the past three seasons under Bird and before that an assistant in Portland for three years and New Jersey for five years.

"I talked to Rick (Tuesday night) to see if he had any interest in this job, and obviously this would be a great opportunity for him," Bird said. "He'd like to sit down and talk to us about it." Carlisle also was a candidate for the Pacers job three years ago, before Bird lured the team to the 2000 NBA Finals and then resigned, making good on his intention to step down after three years as coach.

In Brief

Hall to start for Clarett

COLUMBUS, Ohio — Maurice Hall will start at tailback for Ohio State in place of the suspended Maurice Clarett when the defending national champions play Washington on Saturday night.

Hall, a 5-foot-10, 200-pound junior, got the nod over classmate Lydell Ross.

Ohio State running backs coach Tim Spencer confirmed that Hall would take the first snap when the No. 2-ranked Buckeyes host No. 17 Washington.

"Maurice Hall has been the guy who's been there consistently," Spencer said. "He's been there the whole time. He's been the guy, to me, who deserves to be in there when we crank it up on the first snap."

Clarett, who set school freshman records last year with 1,237 yards rushing and 18 touchdowns, is suspended while Ohio State looks into an exaggerated theft report he filed with campus police last April. Clarett is practicing with the team, but athletic director Andy Geiger said Thursday that he would not play at least the first three games.

Hall, who has battled a sore knee this month, scored the winning touchdowns for the Buckeyes in overtime against Illinois and in the final 45-55 against rival Michigan last year.

Ross missed most of preseason camp with a pulled muscle in his leg.

Raptors trade Hunter

DETROIT — The Pistons traded forward Michael Curry to the Toronto Raptors for Lindsey Hunter on Thursday in a move that will give Detroit more depth at point guard.

Curry started at small forward last season for Detroit, which had the best regular-season record in the Eastern Conference. Hunter, a former draft pick of the Pistons, joins point guards Chauncey Billups and Chucky Atkins with Detroit.

Hunter played in just 29 games last season because of an assortment of injuries, averaging 9.7 points and 2.4 assists. He missed 11 games with a sore right knee, then with a strained hamstring and 39 with a sore back.

The 32-year-old spent the first seven seasons of his 10-year career in Detroit.

"We're very comfortable with Lindsey after having him play here in the past," Detroit president of basketball operations Joe Dumars said. "We know what type of energy and effort he brings to the game."

Curry, a defensive specialist, started 77 games last season, averaging 3.6 points and 1.6 rebounds. The 35-year-old shared playing time at small forward with Tayshaun Prince and Corliss Williamson.

Curry has one year and $2.8 million left on his contract, while Hunter has one season and $1.1 million — $2 million guaranteed — left on his.
SNC SOCCER
Belles look for fresh start with new coach

By ERIK POWERS
Sports Writer

Two things seem to happen to the Saint Mary's soccer team over the last three seasons. First, the team opens the season with no new coach. Second, the team improves in its MIAA record.

In the past three years, the Belles have had three coaches. After the team went 3-10-1 in 2000, Bobby Johnston coached the team to a 4-10 conference record in 2001. Chris Furl's Belles went 5-7-2 in conference in 2002. This year Peter Haring mass the team for Saint Mary's. Haring, who boasts a winning club and college pedigree, should build on the Belles' momentum and bring stability to the team.

Haring makes his regular season debut as coach of the Belles this weekend when the team travels to Marietta College in Ohio to play Marietta and the State University of New York.

On Wednesday, the Belles scrimmaged withBethel College. Most of the starters played one half in the 2-1 loss. Coach Haring used the game to view his entire squad and make final cuts to his roster. First team all-MIAA member Jess Concannon was encouraged by the team's energy, yet found it needed to be more relaxed and cohesive over the weekend.

"We definitely need to learn to play together (in the new 3-5-2 defense)," Concannon said. "We're all excited, nervous, and fresh for the season."

Some Belles will be less than one hundred percent going into the weekend games. Some players have nagging injuries, yet Concannon does not consider them back-to-back games a problem.

"We've had some pulled quads and shin splints," Concannon said. "It has mainly been defensive players getting hurt lately. ... There will be a lot of wear and tear, but I think we'll be fine. We have a lot of depth."

The Belles will rely on sophomore sweeper Carrie Orr to make their new 3-5-2 defense a success. The team played the 4-4-2 last year, forcing Orr to earn a new position. Orr had a strong freshman year, scoring four goals and ten points.

Concannon believes opening the season with two non-conference games will be a positive experience. She feels that the schedule gives the Belles more time to develop chemistry before the conference schedule starts.

"It's a little less pressure, but as a team we don't take any game lightly," Concannon said.

Saint Mary's will face the State University of New York at 11 a.m. Saturday and Marietta College at 1 p.m. Sunday.

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NBA
Prosecutors will not appeal in Bryant case

Associated Press
DENVER — Prosecutors in the sexual assault case against Kobe Bryant said Thursday they will not appeal a judge's order to release some of the sealed court records.

The documents slated for release will not threaten Bryant's right to a fair trial or the privacy rights of the woman who has accused the NBA superstar of rape. District Attorney Mark Uhrbirt said.

Last week, Judge FrederickConnell ruled the arrest warrant and related documents could be released to the public. More detailed documents, including the arrest affidavit and search warrant, were to remain sealed. Connell put his order on hold and gave attorneys 10 days to appeal.

Chris Boal, an attorney representing media organizations seeking the release of all the records, said his clients would decide by the Tuesday deadline whether to appeal.

Bryant's attorneys did not immediately return a call for comment.

The documents Gannett said could be released are likely to reveal little that is not publicly known about the case, legal experts say.

Boal has said that without a look at the other documents, the public has no way of knowing whether the sheriff's office acted properly in arresting Bryant.

Among those documents the judge said would remain sealed are those containing "factual statements describing graphic details of the alleged sexual encounter," medical test results, evidence that can be challenged in court and the statements of potential witnesses.

Bryant has said his 19-year-old accuser had consensual sex with him June 30 at the Lodge & Spa at Cordillera, where she worked and he was a guest. Bryant, who is free on $25,000 bond, is scheduled to return to Eagle for an Oct. 9 preliminary hearing, where Gannett will determine whether there is enough evidence for a trial.

The media organizations seeking the documents include NBC, CNN, The Denver Post, the Los Angeles Times and the Vail Daily newspaper.

The judge on Thursday granted a request from news organizations to place cameras in a hallway outside the courtroom during the hearing. He hasn't ruled on a request to allow cameras inside the courtroom.
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Talk It Out.

the three-time Big East Coach of
matches.

she recorded 17 double-digit kills
improve at opposite. Last year,
good things from senior Katie
Brown returns for her 13th year
(3.7 per game) last year.

After Arizona, the Irish get no
rest as they face Pepperdine, (26-7 last season), Saturday.
When the two teams met last
year at the Joyce Center, Notre
Dame managed to come away
with a win in five games to cap­
ture the Golden Dome
Invitational.

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I would think that we would
have a pretty good idea, “ he
said. “Unless after these next
few scrimmages that we feel it’s
too close to call, but I think once
we go into game week we have a
good idea of where we want to
be with a starter.”

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SMC Golf
With new leadership,
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News Writer

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Giles) brings great strength at
the film, but it was
an exciting day.

The chemistry with the
offensive line has gotten better for both of
us, and whoever is it, we feel we can
be successful next week.”

So far, McDonell has been
impressed with the progress of
both Giles and Morton and likes
the way the two have pushed
each other in practice.

“I think both of them have
great strengths, and I feel very
good about how far they’re
coming,” McDonell said. “Zach
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Bobby Clark was pleased with his team's 1-0-1 record in preseason play, but he stayed realistic. He knew the games will matter.

During the preseason, the upperclassmen set the pace and got the Irish on the board. Forward Justin Deine (19 points last season) had a goal and an assist against St. Louis in a 2-0 victory. Devon Prescod scored a goal at St. Louis and one in a 1-1 tie with Michigan at Alumni Field Monday night. Martin and junior midfielder Jack Stewart assisted on the goal.

Goalie Chris Sawyer made four saves against Michigan and two in the St. Louis shutout, suggesting defensive dominance for the Irish.

None of the preseason stats translate directly to the regular season, but Martin has the team functioning as one unit. That unit will not catch break in its schedule this year, which is evident in the Irish opening with two ranked opponents. According to Martin and the attitude of the rest of the team, however, they don't really need one. They don't want one. The games start at 5 p.m.

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FOOTBALL

Center of Attention

Bob Morton and Zach Giles battle to replace All-American Jeff Faine

By CHRIS FEDERICO
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If there’s one thing offensive lines are remembered for, it’s consistency. Often, the five big guys up front don’t receive credit for their team’s offensive prowess or prolific scoring ability, but they’re down in the trenches play-in and play-out, pushing forward on every down.

For the Irish, center Jeff Faine was a model of consistency, starting nearly every game and playing almost every down for the Irish for three years. But this year, Faine is gone, after being drafted in the first round last April by the Cleveland Browns.

So how does Irish head coach Tyrone Willingham plan on replacing the Irish anchor up front? With more consistency, of course. “Our centers have done some very good things, but there’s still some things they need to improve on,” Willingham said. “It’s that constant going back and forth. Hopefully, we’re closing in on being consistent, and that’s the word we use with them all the time. We love the good things that they do, but we need consistency with them.”

The closest position battle of fall practice has been for that center spot along a mostly revamped Irish offensive line. Junior Zach Giles emerged from spring practice as the slight favorite, but redshirt freshman Bob Morton has given him some solid competition.

By ANDY TROEGER
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For a soccer program that has reached the Final Four almost every year for most of the 1990s, the last two years for the Irish have been fairly disappointing.

An early exit in the 2001 tournament, followed by last year’s injury-riddled campaign, has left the Irish hungry to return to the Final Four this season.

The No. 10 Irish start out the 2003 campaign this weekend competing in the University of Connecticut’s tournament in Storrs, Conn. Although they do not play the Huskies this weekend, the Irish do face two formidable opponents in Hartford and Wake Forest.

The two games present different challenges for the Irish. They have played Hartford the past two years, registering two wins.

But the Irish have not played the Demon Deacons recently. “Hartford is usually a top-25 team,” Irish coach Randy Waldrum said. “They’re not ranked this preseason, but they have a lot of foreign players and are very organized defensively, so they’ll be tough to score on.”

“It’s our first time playing them,” Waldrum said. “They have a lot of experience, and they’re very disciplined and organized. We have implemented a few changes on defense this year, and we’re going to need to go out and play our game tonight.”

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