A large crowd of students enjoys the new Legends dance floor at the club's grand opening Saturday night.
INSIDE COLUMN

Ambiguous rape, definite victims

The word "rape"—in our society, our justice system, our media world—is nearly synonymous with "ambiguity." Unlike other crimes, such as murder or burglary, rape cases are almost never clean-cut. A fine line exists between an offense and a human behavior, and that fine line makes it very possible to turn a case into the所谓的 said-said fiasco. Very often, there is no substantive evidence, and questions arise about whether or not there even is a victim. And "victim," is often another ambiguous catch-phrase in a rape trial, as the defense claims a man is being victimized by false accusations while the prosecution furnishes the woman that she is a victim of an affair and a horrific crime.

But no one ever talks about the other victims permanently scarred by rape trials—and they are there, behind the scenes. The victim's father and Abram Elam's parents and step-father spent five days sitting in a court room, listening to graphic, detailed accounts of the incident. At various points throughout the trial, the woman's father shook physically, covering his face with his hands as rape counselors attempted to comfort him. Elam's parents read the Bible during the trial and his mother often sat bent over, with her head in her hands. Elam's father and mother, who have already lost two children to gunshot Shelia Flynn
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CORRECTIONS

The Observer regrets itself as a professional publication and strives for the highest standards of journalism at all times. We do, however, guarantee that we will make mistakes. If we have made a mistake, please call us at 631-7000, so we can correct our error.

QUESTION OF THE DAY: HOW DO YOU FEEL ABOUT HAVING CLASS ON LABOR DAY?

Adam Kaufmann Matt O'Meara Paul Critser Melissa de la Rosa David Farley Vanessa Garcia
Junior Off-campus Junior Alumni Hall Junior Off-campus Junior Welch Family Freshman Knott Hall Junior University of Indiana

"Just because we have class doesn't mean I have to go."
"It sucks."
"It's the most ridiculous thing ever."
(see above)
"It's a federal holiday, yet we are better than the nation so we work."
"Sucks to be you."

OFFBEAT

Commuter vehicle to replace shuttles in space

WASHINGTON — In just five years, astronauts may journey to the International Space Station in a stripped-down four-seater instead of the mammoth and aging space shuttle. In effect, NASA hopes to commute to orbit in a sleek sedan instead of an 18-wheeler.

NASA Administrator Sean O'Keefe announced plans for the Orbital Space Plane before space shuttle Columbia came apart over Texas and killed seven astronauts on Feb. 1. But the tragedy has added a powerful incentive to find a cheaper, simpler and more dependable way to ferry astronauts between the space station and Earth. It's a plan applauded by the Columbia Accident Investigation Board, which chided the nation for not already having a new spacecraft in production. Eventually, NASA hopes to build a next generation shuttle, a more dependable heavy-lift cargo carrier to replace Columbia's three surviving sister ships. It may be a decade before such a craft gets serious consideration.

Milk becomes bubbly

MILLFORD, N.Y. — Adding bubbles to milk is tricky. Pump in too many, and it foams over. Add too few and why bother.

George and Mary Ann Clark, husband-and-wife entrepreneurs, have spent the past seven years trying to find the balance. Last week, they started production on a carbonated milk-based drink called Refreshing Power Milk—RPM—and they already have orders coming in from school districts.

Mary Ann Clark, a registered nurse, was pained to see children drinking cola and shunning milk when she worked in schools so she decided to do something about it.

"If you take water and add carbon dioxide to make soda, why can't you make milk?" she asked.

Information compiled from the Associated Press.

IN BRIEF

Concession stand training will be held today in the Montgomery Theater of the LaFortune Student Center from 4 to 5:30 p.m. Attendance is required for all students planning to handle food at concession stands this semester.

A dance commissioner training session is recommended to help residence hall dance commissioners plan their events. The session will be held today in the Oak Room of South Dining Hall, from 6 to 7 p.m.

Wednesday is the last day that Notre Dame students will be able to make changes to their fall 2003 class schedules. Saint Mary's students have until today to add classes to their schedules.

The Department of Film and Television Theater will present On the Waterfront Thursday at 7 p.m. in the Lacey Auditorium of the Hesburgh Library. The screening is part of The Student Union's annual NCIinema film program.

The Student Union Board will present the first of its weekly on-campus movies this weekend with Old School, which will be shown in 101 DeBartolo Hall, on Thursday at 10 p.m., and Friday and Saturday at 10:30 p.m.

The Notre Dame women's soccer team will play Arizona State Friday at 7:30 p.m. at Alumni Field.

To submit information to be included in this section of The Observer, e-mail detailed information about an event to observer@nd.edu.

LOCAL WEATHER

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Assistant Professor of Communication
Elam takes stand in defense of rape accusations

By SCOTT BRODFUEHRER and MEGHANNE DOWNES
News Writers

SOUTH BEND — Former Notre Dame safety Abram Elam took the stand in his own defense Friday and acknowledged that he fondled his accuser and three of his teammates had sex with her, but maintained that the acts were consensual.

During his testimony, Elam admitted to fondling the woman while she was kissing his former teammate Justin Smith in the basement of his off-campus home on Warren Street. Smith had invited the woman to his house after they danced with each other at the State Theatre in South Bend during the early morning hours of March 28, 2002.

Elam claimed he had gone to Smith’s house with Lorenzo Crawford after spending the evening at the State Theatre. Elam said he was good friends with Smith and often spent time at his house.

Followign the initial incident in the basement, Elam said he went upstairs to Smith’s bedroom to locate a condom.

“I thought [the victim] was feeling for me,” said Elam, who was found guilty Saturday on a charge of sexual battery but not guilty on the more severe charges of sexual deviate conduct and conspiracy to commit rape.

He said that while he was searching for the condom, he heard someone come upstairs and he hid in Smith’s closet so he would not be discovered.

Elam said Smith and the woman entered the room and began to kiss, at which point Elam testified he came out of his hiding place and said he probably touched the woman’s hips and legs. Then, he said the woman asked him if he had a girlfriend and he eventually left the room. He said he then put his ear to the door and later heard someone come to the door, prompting him to hold it closed because he said he did not want the two to know he had been eavesdropping on them.

“I grabbed and held the doorknob. I didn’t hear anyone on the other end. I held it for a couple seconds. I felt a tug...I dashed off to the room across from Justin,” Elam said.

Elam said he later returned to the room and saw Crawford, Smith and the woman engaging in sexual activity.

The woman testified these acts were not consensual, while the football players contended it was.

Elam said he came back into the room wearing his shorts, but removed them while he was in the room. He said Smith eventually got up and may have left the room. At that time, he said he exchanged words with the woman, “to ask her about having sex.” He said the woman refused and again asked, “Don’t you have a girlfriend?”

Elam said he went upstairs to the room where his former teammate was staying and the accuser told him to “Just get in at 2 p.m.”

During cross-examination, special prosecutor Maureen Devlin asked Elam if the woman gave him permission to touch her or told him not to touch her.

“I don’t approve of the conduct performed that night...I am embarrassed for all that I have lost. I ask God for forgiveness,” Elam said.

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Have You Made Your Mark?

Fall Break Seminars

October 19-25, 2003

Deadline: Sept. 4

Appalachia Seminar

Explore the religious, social, political and environmental issues facing the Appalachian region. (Theo 361)

Gospel of Life Seminar

Investigate a variety of pro-life issues (death penalty, euthanasia, stem cell research, abortion) in Washington, D.C. with Church, legislative, and non-governmental organizations. (Theo 368)

Cultural Diversity Seminar

Experience the diversity of our nation through food, art and dialogue with minority leaders at sites throughout Chicago. (Theo 362/Soc 362/IPS 362)

Washington Seminar

Meet with Catholic public policy organizations, activists and government leaders as we study how Christians are called to live and work in the world. (Theo 363/POLS 333K)

The Gullah Seminar

Examine the rich history and culture of South Carolina’s Gullah people, who are descendants of slaves brought over from West Africa. (AFAM 368/CSC 355)

Rosebud Reservation Global Health Initiative Seminar

Immerse yourself in healthcare and healthcare delivery on the Rosebud Native American reservation in South Dakota. (Theo 360)

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did not, prompted the prosecutor to ask why he would not take notes, given his training as an attorney.

"I would not normally take notes in the presence of a student...I am trained as an attorney. The idea is to get the key points and the resources she needs," Kirk said.

Kirk said it was possible he could have other notes from the case. The request would have been turned over to the General Counsel's office. Devlin then asked if Kirk had any notes that he turned over to the General Counsel, a request Kirk said he would fulfill.

However, following the end of the trial Saturday, Devlin said she did not receive these notes.

"I haven't heard a word from [Notre Dame]," Devlin said.

Defense attorney Mark Lenyo capitalized on the disagreement between Kirk and the victim over the advice that was given regarding the police when he asked the jury who was more credible.

"The victim said Bill Kirk told her, 'Don't go to the cops, don't make a scene.' But Bill Kirk said he directed her to a portion of the alleged incident (dealing with support services for sex offense victims)," Lenyo said in his closing argument.

Thursday, lead investigator Steve Metzalle of the St. Joseph County Police Department also testified that a search warrant was executed to recover a copy of the woman's statement prepared by Notre Dame officials at Smith's house.

Devlin said advance knowledge of the victim's claims could have allowed Smith to destroy physical evidence mentioned in the account.

But University spokesman Matt Storin said giving the alleged victim's statement to the accused parties is a normal part of the campus disciplinary process.

"We only give the statement to law enforcement if a subpoena is issued, although the victim could give the statement to law enforcement," Storin said. "Our process is our process. If there had been indictments made during that time, the process would have been halted."

In an April 8, 2002 interview of the victim by the St. Joseph County Police, she said she felt betrayed by the way she was treated by the University.

"It makes me feel like they say, 'We will help you,' but they don't care about me," the victim said.

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victed on all counts, the jury's conviction of him vindicated the accuser and proved her story.

"We think the evidence did show he was guilty of all of that, but we did have 12 people from the community who heard the evidence, listened to it very carefully, deliberated for a long time, and we got the right verdict based on that," Devlin said.

Devlin, who will also be prosecuting the cases of the other accused former players, declined to comment on how this ruling would affect those trials.

The defense in the jury's verdict, Lenyo said he was uncertain whether he would ask Chambless to reduce the Class-D felony sexual battery charge to a Class-A misdemeanor.

If the judge sentences Elam under the felony charge, he could receive a jail term of up to three years and a fine of up to $10,000. Should he be reduced to a misdemeanor, the maximum sentence is one year in prison or a $5,000 fine.

The jury heard over 60 hours of testimony during the trial, in which attorneys each depicted the essential events of the night as being either gang rape or consensual group sex.

The prosecution's case against Elam was largely based on the victim's testimony, the testimony of the three other former football players charged in the incident, who were granted immunity for this case.

The prosecution attempted to show that the victim did not consent to the sexual activity and was overwhelmed by the football players, which she could not have been fruitless to fight back against them or seek help.

The defense said that the victim told Elam no, but he kept returning to the room where the rape was occurring.

"He's right there in the middle of it and he comes back and comes back," Devlin said.

Devlin said through the victim danced seductively with Justin Smith at the State Theatre before the incident occurred, did not give him permission to have sex with her.

"She can dance with [Smith] as close as she wants, but the minute he lays a hand on her, no means no," Devlin said.

Devlin disputed the fact that the victim did not immediately seek help after the rape was finished.

"What is she supposed to do? Where is the manual for what a rape victim is supposed to do? Why do we think we know what a person is supposed to do," Devlin said.

The defense stated that the sexual acts were consensual.

"You have heard countless personal, embarrassing details. The conduct is reportable, but it doesn't rise to the level of what you heard," Lenyo said.

The defense also pointed out inconsistencies between the victim's story and the way a rape victim might be expected to act -- the fact that she voluntarily went to Smith's bedroom to set an alarm clock, that she spent the night at her attacker's house, sleeping in the same bed as him, that she removed her tampon prior to the incident and that she did not shower until the following day.

The defense also provided testimony from two people who were in the house during the incident and did not hear any screaming or unusual noises, although one of the witnesses was intoxicated that night.

Lenyo said that the police investigation was flawed because of inexperienced investigators and it neglected to explore pertinent information, only speaking to Smith's roommate, who was in the house at the time of the incident, for five minutes on the telephone.

He also provided reasons why the victim might want to fabricate the fact that she had been raped, such as morning-after regret and concern for her reputation at Notre Dame.

The defense attempted to point out inconsistencies in reports the victim made to various officials. However, the prosecution said these inconsistent reports did not necessarily represent an inconsistency in the victim's story and that the jury should believe her testimony.

"You must consider whether what you heard was a true inconsistent account by the victim; you had a chance to hear her," Devlin said.

The prosecutor concluded her argument by saying that Elam had lost his status as a football player and should be convicted of the crimes committed.

"She said no and Abram Elam should feel sorry. What he did was illegal and immoral," she said. "It doesn't matter anymore if you are a Notre Dame football player," she added, looking at the jury.

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Burns. "He seemed kind of fraticnic, unlike which made me more nerv­ enus."

The water main break caused the shutdown of several campus database systems. The disconnected databases did not directly affect students and faculty.

"Our air conditioner is a water-based system, so when the water went off, our air condition­ ning and cooling stopped working," said Keith Fowlkes, director of Information Technology. "In order to keep our systems from overheating and getting damaged, we brought down some of our cen­ tral database systems and left core switches for campus net­ works and our electronic mail server."

The office of Information Technology sent an e-mail mes­ sage to students, faculty and staff alerting them of the situ­ ation.

"It was such a fast and furious process; we didn't have a lot of lead-time," Fowlkes said. Fowlkes said plans to dis­ cuss with the College's mainte­ nance department the possibility of a back-up air conditioning system.

Access to the Internet, shared diamond network and tele­ communications was maintained, and all technology systems were restored at 1:15 p.m. Campus water and air conditioning was restored at 4 p.m.

"The contractors knew where the line was," Defle said. "All we can do is caution them not to get too close to the lines and we have to depend on them to do their work properly."

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You're invited to a party!

The Campus Ministry
One House
5:30pm to 7:30pm • Wednesday, Sept. 3rd • Coleman-Morse
Sign up for CM retreats and activities • Dessert will be provided

Bridging the Gap

MSPS Interface Forum
September 3, 2003
5:30 P.M.
CSC Coffeehouse
**INTERNATIONAL NEWS**

**Russian sub sinks, killing 9 sailors**  
MOSCOW.—Russia’s defense minister blamed the sinking of a dereft nuclear submarine on a local trait of carelessness and ordered a temporary halt Sunday to the launching of new subs.

The announcement raised the prospect of further delays in efforts to dispose of more than 100 nuclear submarines and their reactors, which have been a concern to environmentallists.

The K-159 submarine sank Saturday in the Barents Sea as it was being towed to an Arctic scrapyard where its reactors were to be removed and dismantled. Nine of the 10 sailors aboard died.

“There were definitely elements of this frivolous Russian reliance on chance, that everything will work out,” Defense Minister Sergei Ivanov said from a ship monitoring the search.

The sub went down in a storm, apparently after rough seas ripped off the pontoons that had been attached to it for towing.

**Official: British dossier unrealistic**  
ATHENS.—A British intelligence dossier “did not correspond to reality” by suggesting Saddam Hussein’s regime could deploy weapons of mass destruction within 45 minutes, the country’s national licensing board from practicing medicine.

The board voted unanimously to revoke Gary Steven Krist’s probationary license, said the CBS News poll out Sunday.

Voters can’t name Dem. candidates  
Tw o-thirds of voters — including two-thirds of Democrats — were unable to name any of the Democratic candidates for president to the Democratic presidential race, says a poll released on Labor Day weekend — the report did not correspond to reality,” Perricos said in Sunday’s interview published Sunday.

**National News**

**Voters can’t name Dem. candidates**  
Most voters haven’t started paying attention to the Democratic presidential race, says a poll released with the National Democratic campaign’s traditional starting point.

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John Kerry, a Massachusetts senator, was also ranked at the bottom in double digits in national polls most of the year. Kerry will try to spark his campaign this week with the formal announcement of his candidacy.

**Jimena heads for Hawaiian islands**  
HONOLULU.—Hurricane Jimena plowed across the Pacific with 100 mph wind Sunday, heading for a glancing blow on the Big Island of Hawaii with high wind, strong surf and heavy rain.

The hurricane, about 300 miles southeast of Hilo at 5 p.m. EDT Sunday, was moving westward about 20 mph, the National Weather Service said. The hurricane was slated to pass just south of the Big Island late Sunday night until late Monday morning.

**Local News**

**Doctor forbidden from practicing**  
INDIANAPOLIS.—A physician convicted 35 years ago of kidnapping and burying a woman alive has been barred by a state licensing board from practicing medicine in Indiana.

In 2001, Gary Krist’s probationary license, granted a shift after U.S. forces had two men in custody that were handed to them by Iraqi authorities. "We are questioning them, but we are leaning toward releasing them," Hall said, adding that the involvement of al-Qaida members in the Friday explosion was "an option we are looking at.”

**Bush to address unions on Labor Day**

WASHINGTON.—The nation celebrates Labor Day this year with an estimated 9 million Americans on the unemployment rolls — 700,000 more than on this holiday last year when President Bush went to a union workers’ event, and said he was encouraged about job growth, but “not satisfied.”

This year, the president is marking Labor Day in Hillsboro, Ohio, where he will address members of the International Union of Operating Engineers and their families later in the week. Bush is to give economic speeches in Kansas City, Mo., and Indianapolis.

In north-central Ohio, the president planned to push his agenda to create jobs.

The nation’s unemployment rate hit a nine-year high of 6.4 percent in June but then edged down to 6.2 percent in July, a possible signal that the economy may be on a comeback. That improvement, however, partly reflected the fact that 500,000 discouraged workers gave up looking for a job and left the labor market.

The economy grew at a solid 3.1 percent annual rate in the second quarter of the year, a better performance than the government thought just a month ago. Consumers ratcheted up their spending in July by the largest amount in four months. And manufacturers saw demand for big-ticket products rise for the second straight month in July.

"Now we must build on this progress and make sure that the economy creates enough new jobs for American workers," Bush said in his weekend radio address.

While labor leaders acknowledge some positive economic reports, they also point to the nation’s 6.2 percent unemployment rate in July and the 2.7 million net jobs that have been lost in the economy since the recession began in March 2001.

"The single most important issue on the minds of Ohioans right now is the economy," Donny White, chairman of the Ohio Democratic Party, said in a letter to Bush last week.
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Amer. Chemical Society, ND Chi.
Amer. Inst. of Aero. & Astronautics
Amer. Institute of Arch. Students
Amer. Institute of Chem. Eng.
Amer. Society of Civl Engineers
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Asian American Association of ND
Asian American City
Basketball Club, U. of Notre Dame
Ballet Folklorico Azul Y Oro
Ballroom Dance Club, ND/SMC
Basketball Collegiate Ministry
Best Buddies
Beta Alpha Psi
Biology Club, Notre Dame
Black Cultural Arts Council
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Boxing Club, Notre Dame Women's
Brownfield Club
Campus Fellowship of the Holy Spirit
Campus Girl Scouts, ND/SMC
Caribbean Student Organization
Center for the Homeless
Children's Group, ND/SMC
Chess Club, Notre Dame
Children of Mary
Chorale, Notre Dame
Circle K, Notre Dame
Class of 2005
Climbing Club, Notre Dame
Club Coordination Council
College Republicans, Notre Dame
Comm. Alliance to Serve Hispanics
Computer Apps Honor Society
Computer Club, Notre Dame
Coro Primaveras de Nuestra Senora
Cricket Club, Notre Dame
Cycling Club, Notre Dame
Dance Designs
Dame Yearbook
Equestrian Team, ND/SMC
Experimental Learning Council
Farley Hall Players
Field Hockey Club, Notre Dame
Figure Skating Club, Notre Dame
Filipino Amer. Stud. Org of ND
First Aid Services Team, ND
Flip Side
Fly-Fishing Club
Foodshare
Forum on Biomedical Ethics, ND
German Club, Notre Dame
Guam Club
Gymnastics Club, ND/SMC
Habitat for Humanity, Notre Dame
Health Occ. Students of America
Helpful Undergraduate Students
Hugh O'Brien Youth Foundation
Hume Association of ND
Ice Hockey Team, Women's ND
India Association of Notre Dame
Investment Club of ND du Lac
Irish Dance Club, The
Irish Fighting for St. Jude Kids
Irish Gardens
Joint Engineering Council, ND
Juggler, The
Juggling Club, The Notre Dame
Junior Mental Health Assoc. of ND
Knights of Columbus, ND Council
Knights of the Illuminatus, ND
Korean Student Association
La Alianza
League of Black Business Students
Life Uncommon
Linux Users Group, Notre Dame
Logan Recreation Club
Management Club
Management Information, Syst. Club, ND
Marketing Club, ND Undergrad
Martian Arts Institute, Notre Dame
Mexican American Engineers and
Scientist Society
Minority Pre-Medical Society
Mock Trial Association
Model United Nations Club, ND
Ms. Wizard Day Program Team
Myth. Science Theater 3000 Club
NAACP, ND
National Soc. of Black Engineers
Native American Student
Association of Notre Dame
ND for Animals
nDesign
Neighborhood Study Help Program
Notre Dame Bands
Not-So-Royal Shakespeare Co.
Operation Smile Student Org.
Pakistian Association of Notre Dame
Parasquiers East Musical Company
Philosophy Club, Notre Dame
Polish Club, Notre Dame
Pom Pon Squad, U. of Notre Dame
Pre-Dental Society
Pre-Professional Society
Pre-Vet Club of the U. of ND
Progressive Student Alliance
Psychology Club, Notre Dame
Ranger Challenge Team (AROTC)
Right to Life, Notre Dame
Rowing Club, Notre Dame
Running Club, Women's
Russian Club
Sailing Club, ND/SMC
Saint Edward's Hall Players
Scholastic Magazine
Science Business Club, ND
Shelt. Project, The
Silver Wings (Benjamin D. Foulois
Chapter)
Ski Club/Team, Notre Dame
Society of Auto. Engineers, ND
Society of Physics Students, ND
Society of Women Engineers, ND
Sociology Club, Notre Dame
Soror Rife Team - Army ROTC
Spanish Club, U. of Notre Dame
Special Friends Club of Notre Dame
Squash Club
Student Alumni Relations Group
Student Broadcasting of ND (NDTV)
Student Government
Student Infr Business Council
Student Players, The Notre Dame
Student Union Board
Students for Environmental Action
Super Sibs
Swing Club
Teamwork for Tomorrow of ND
Toastmasters International, ND
Trident Naval Society
Trophy Notre Dame
Ultimate Club, Notre Dame
University Young Life
Viet. Student Assoc. of ND
Voices of Faith Gospel Choir, ND
Volleyball Club, Men's
Wabruca, The
Winter Polo Club, Men's
Water Polo Club, Women's
Women's Resource Center
World Hunger Coalition
World Taekwondo Fed. Club
WNSD-FM
WIFI
AIDS Ministries/AIDS Assist
American Cancer Society
American Red Cross
Big Brothers/Big Sisters
Boys & Girls Club of St. Joe Co.
Broadway Christian Parish
Catholic Charites
Center for Social Concerns
Center for the Homeless
College Football Hall of Fame
Disas House of Michiana
El Camplito Day Care Center
Girl Scouts of Singing Sands
Humane Society of St. Joe Co.
Indiana Legal Services, Inc. - SB
La Casa de Amistad
La Salle Council Boy Scouts
Life Treatment Centers, Inc.
Logan Center
Near Streets College
Northern Indiana Center for History
REAL Services, Inc.
Reins of Life, Inc.
Robinson Community Learning Ctr
SO-S of Madison Center
SB Juvinile Correctional Facility
Southerns Care, Inc.
Twenty-First Century Scholars
Urban League of SB St Joe Co.
Urban Youth Services of YMCA
Women's Care Center
YWCA/St. Joe Cty.
ACE
Admissions Office
Athletics
Campus Ministry
Career Center
Cong. of the Sisters of the H. Cross
Educational Talent Search
Institute for Educational Initiatives
Legends
RedSports
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Check out the Activities Night website at http://www.nd.edu/~san/an/index.htm for updated information, table assignments and more.

The Student Activities Office and RecSports in collaboration with the Center for Social Concerns and Club Coordination Council.

NOTRE DAME ACTIVITIES NIGHT is coordinated by the Student Activities Office and cosponsored with RecSports in collaboration with the Center for Social Concerns and Club Coordination Council.

Tuesday, September 2
7:00 PM - 9:00 PM
Joyce Center Fieldhouse
(ENTER THROUGH GATE 3)
Back-to-school time big business for area retailers

By ANDREW THAGARD
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SOUTH BEND — For many Notre Dame and Saint Mary's students, trips to discount retail stores have become part of the back-to-school routine at the end of August — right up there with the opening Mass, bookstore runs and Rally in the Alley at Turtle Creek Apartment.

Back-to-school shopping is undeniably big business for area retailers, especially giants Meijer and Target, who rank the two-week period surrounding the start of Notre Dame and Saint Mary's with the holiday season as the busiest times of the year.

Tim Corbett, director of the Meijer on Canal St., said his store sees a 33 percent increase in sales during this time. "For those departments that are impacted, it certainly ranks up there with the holidays," he said.

Stephanie Anglin, Target's regional executive director, said it is concerned with company policy to provide specific data on store sales. She said, however, that Target ranks a store's business level for back-to-school time using a three-fold scale. The scale places stores in categories, including "not affected," "freaky" and "super-freaky," depending on how much traffic it attracts. Anglin said the recently opened Mishawaka Super Target is classified as a "freaky" designation next year.

"We're a brand-new store," she said. "We just kind of learned from this year that we can sell even more."

Top-selling items at Meijer and Target include plastic products like space cribs and boxes designed to fit under beds, along with typical school supplies like paper, pens and pencils. Dorm necessities like futons, rugs, mini-refrigerators and bedding materials are also popular, Corbett and Anglin said.

"Students like anything that's hip and trendy," Anglin said.

Both stores begin the back-to-school planning process months in advance. Meijer begins ordering products for the end of August around Jan. 1, and the store starts planning displays and product positioning in March and April, Corbett said. Nationwide, the companies drum up back-to-school business by highlighting popular items in the six weeks of advertising prior to the event, Anglin said.

The retailers also try to make shopping as convenient as possible once customers enter the store. Both Meijer and Target place popular items front of the store and use displays to attract shoppers' attention.

Target also integrates technology into the process, allowing customers to go online in the store and order items that may not be available on-hand. The items are then shipped to the customer's residence.

Meijer makes a special effort to ensure that students and their parents are having fun, Corbett said. The store sets up an outdoor tent stocked with games, food and prizes. This year's grand prize was a Pepsi vending machine, won by a Notre Dame off-campus senior.

"We really try to pull it off as a carnival or festival," Corbett said.

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Associated Press

DENVER — The Colorado attorney general is investigating whether some United Airlines practices are stunting competition in the state, a newspaper reported.

Ken Salazar is examining complaints from students and its regional United Express partners to determine whether deals limit competitive air service from smaller Colorado cities into Denver, The Denver Post reported in Sunday's editions.

Salazar also said his office is concerned that a plan to build a new regional-jet terminal for United at Denver International Airport might perpetuate a "monopoly over regional air service."

United officials did not immediately return a call from The Associated Press on Saturday. An airline spokesman told the newspaper that United is willing to work with Salazar's office.

Salazar declined comment to The AP through a spokesman Saturday.

United Express is the only carrier connecting many Colorado communities to Denver, and some residents of Alamosa, Pueblo, Durango, Montrose and Grand Junction have complained about a lack of competition in air service. Aviation experts said it isn't clear whether small towns could support a second airline.

United is the dominant carrier at DIA, followed by Denver-based low-fare carrier Frontier Airlines.

The regional terminal is part of a series of talks between United and DIA to renegotiate the carrier's lease under itsChapter 11 bankruptcy filing.

One factor in the talks is Frontier's request to take over a former United gates. Frontier has said it may expand elsewhere if it cannot get more gates in Denver.

If United and the airport cannot agree on a lease that would free up the gates, the airport might have to expand the A Concourse to accommodate Frontier and drop plans for United's commuter-jet terminal, city officials have said.

Salazar said he has been concerned with United's market power at DIA since he took office in 1999.

Salazar said his office is closing an inquiry into possible predatory pricing by United, and there was not enough evidence to show United engaged in unlawful pricing.

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Colo. investigates United's practices
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WHERE'S THE OUTRAGE?

By BJ Strew

"Misdirection and pandering to Big Business is business as usual for the Bush administration." - The Observer

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Having uniquely irregular and unshakable sleeping problems is no Swiss panacea. I'm awake at the wrong times. I'm asleep at the wrong times. It's all wrong. But it forces you into solitude, into reflection — if not into Reckers for a meatball sub — only before 4 a.m., that is.

What is the focus of all this reflection? It's the whole of American politics. And these days, in light of who's running the show from Pennsylvania Avenue, I've now acutely realized that politics is more than show business for ugly people.

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Throughout the past two years President George W. Bush and other Republican advisers have seasoned their sermons on foreign policy with calls for "moral rectitude," and right-wing publications have been replete with "battle plans" that suggest the United States will "win the war on terror." The two women both give birth to the baby between themselves. The sword and suggests they split a couple of inches of skin. Surely they taught their other switched their actions on babies that were "viable." Doctors reported in 1999 that they do abortions, abortion requires separate recording of at which a premature baby is delivered until only the head and remove the contents. The conservative positions on all three issues — partial birth abortion, the status of unborn victims of violence and gay marriage — enjoy the support of significant majorities. The above Newsweek article noted that 56 percent of the public say prosecutors should bring separate murder charges against someone who kills a fetus still in the womb, whether it is viable or not. Other polls are even more encouraging. On June 4, The Atlanta Journal and Constitution reported that another survey revealed that as many as 44 percent of Americans view Conner Peterson as "a separate and distinct victim" of the homicide. Likewise, 70 percent approve of a partial birth abortion ban. Even on the issue of gay marriage, Americans are leaning to the right. The national Wittlin poll released in March revealed that 62 percent defined marriage as the union of a man and a woman. Clearly, now is the time for the moral majority to act and reclaim its leadership of American public discourse. However, emphasizes that many conservatives "can't distinguish between al-Qaeda and Saddam when you talk about the war on terror." This fall, the Republican Party has a chance to renew its commitment to moral clarity and to take the offensive in the culture war. This window-on-our-values strategy applies to two issues: homosexuality and abortion.

Conservatives have adopted two diametrically different strategies for each. Both strategies, Republicans favor a radically confrontational approach. A pre-emptive Constitutional amendment would prevent courts from nationalizing the issue.

The second strategy calls for an ambitious incrementalism that would eventually slowly Roe v. Wade. Two bills implement the latter approach. The first is the Partial Birth Abortion Ban Act. Passed by the Senate in March and the House in June, the act must make one final stop at a House and Senate conference committee before it reaches the president's desk. The measure would outlaw the heinous practice of partial birth abortion, in which a baby is partially delivered until only the head remains in the womb. Then "doctors" insert scissors into the brain and remove the contents. Most of these abortions are performed in the fifth and sixth months of pregnancy — the point at which a premature baby is viable outside of the womb. In Kansas, the only state that requires separate recording of partial birth abortions, abortion doctors reported in 1999 that they performed 182 partial birth abortions on babies that were "viable." The only thing that separates partial birth abortion from right-old-fashioned infanticide is a couple of inches of skin. Surely one does not need a degree in moral philosophy to recognize the absurdity of this procedure.

The operation recalls the half-blind justice described in the parable of Solomon and the two baby boys in Matthew 12:42. The two women both give birth to babies, one of them dies. In her moment of despair, the distraught mother switches their babies. The mother of the living object recognizes what has happened and appeals her case to King Solomon.

Solomon, in his wisdom, calls for a sword and suggests they split the baby between themselves. The mother of the living object, urging Solomon to give the baby to the other woman, only then did Solomon discover which of the two was telling the truth. A similar mentality governs those who wish to do all in their power to ensure a woman's right to choose can't bring themselves across the imaginary line dividing abortion and infanticide.

Few pro-choice partisans would directly defend partial abortion instead, most fear that bans on the practice will further enrich women's abortion rights in general. This classic slippery slope argument. Yet such a position is equally problematic. It is morally indefensible to sacrifice the lives of innocents for the liberties of other innocents. Premarital sex in essence of liberty is indeed a vice. At the heart of the new pro-life push is the Unborn Victims of Violence Act which has received considerable attention due to the Laci Peterson case. For its June 9 issue, Newsweek dedicated a feature story to the "war over fetal rights." The story begins with the wife of relaxing. Dr. Priscilla Morrison, who questioned her support for abortion rights after her estranged husband plotted to murder her in the womb, killing her baby. The article, however, emphasizes that many pro-choice groups face a dilemma. They ardently wish to punish husbands and boyfriends whose violence prematurely terminates pregnancies wanted by mothers, yet worry that fetal rights may infringe upon a woman's right to end her pregnancy. So apparently it is acceptable for a mother to abort her baby, but it is not permissible for the father to do the same. Again, modern liberals make the woman's choice and her feelings central to the debate.

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Home Sweet Dome

Well, we're back. Our summers of "freedom" have come to an end and it is back to life in what we like to call "the bubble." Most people would probably agree with me that it is a relief to be back to school. No more summer jobs, internships, or parents.

Now don't get me wrong, summer is also a great time to relax, enjoy good food, and have fun with your friends, but it's nice to be back to the life of the weekly routine. It's back to the football craziness, the loathing of homework, the occasional beer or ten, and the excitement of being with our friends we now consider family. It's all starting once again.

I don't know about you, but for me, returning to school always gives me little jitters in my stomach. Of course mine usually come while I am doing my back to school shopping — and no, I don't mean for news pens, but for new clothes and fun little things for my room.

To some the jitters might come when you see the Golden Dome from the highway or to others when you see the opposite sex with a new tan and tight shirt. We all have our new attitudes about school.

We convince ourselves that this year will be different, more organized maybe(?), and that we will actually prepare throughout the semester as all of our teachers preach, and we will no longer (gasp) go out during the week once school gets going... yeah right. These goals last about as long as the cleanliness of a pair of new running shoes, but hey, it's fun to dream, right?

The new school year brings new beginnings for all of us. What's great about summer is that it is long enough to forget past grudges and bad habits, but short enough to pick up where we left off. They say another year older, another year wiser — but, well, whatever way you look at it, it's just another year. We can take it for whatever we want. Some people will try to set new GPA's, some will try to set new drinking records, some will find butterflies in a new pair of shoes, some with a new schedule (whatever you people are — maybe your goal should be to try to rub off on the rest of us).

No matter how you approach the new year, it should be seen by all of us as an open opportunity to do whatever you want - a clean slate. This is college; these are supposed to be the best years of our lives, so let go of the inhibitions or whatever has held you back in the past, and make the silly, or ridiculous, or even (God forbid) driven goals that you want and run with it — I know I plan to. So "go confidently in the directions of your dreams." I just hope it doesn't lead you to the nearest bar, or in my case, shopping mall.

Emily Howald, a junior marketing major and journalism minor, spends far too much time at the mall. When not shopping, she can usually be found watching mindless teen movies that offer escapes from reality or chasing around her roommate — that girl on a motorized cart with a broken key. She can offer no advice on relationships, so just don't ask, but if you have any questions on clothes, email her at emoohowald@nd.edu.

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Guster and The Black Eyed Peas

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By SARAH VABULAS
Scene Editor

So what is it like to live the life of a rock star, traveling from city to city, playing concerts for thousands of people? Guster took a few moments to talk about how they spend their day (and night), as they drove from New York City to South Bend to play at "The Show.

Thursday — 8:30 p.m. — Guster loads up the van in New York City to depart for Notre Dame, the first stop on their tour. They sleep for most of the trip after making friends with their new bus driver, Sarge, who named the band's new bus "Combat Situation."

Friday — 9:30 a.m. — The band arrives in South Bend and explores a little bit using bicycles, but spends a majority of time organizing and unpacking as the tour begins.

12:52 p.m. — Brian Rosenworcel, the percussionist, says after he spoke with Sarge about the new bus and its name, he politely nodded and accepted the new bus into his life. Shortly thereafter, he writes a post to the band's Road Journal for the Web site.

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3:30 p.m. — Guster members Adam Gardner, Joe Pisapia, Brian Rosenworcel, the percussionist, and the rest of the band's new bus "Combat Situation."
The Black Eyed Peas unveiled "the band" with high-energy songs most of the audience is familiar with. Miller invites the crowd to sing along. Throughout the whole show, there remains a sense of awe with every song. The band really excited for Rally in the Alley later Friday night. It was great to kick off the tour with a great crowd. The Black Eyed Peas performed well and were full of energy the entirety of their set. It helped keep the crowd interested despite the unfamiliarity with their songs. The band stole the show, however, with fans singing nothing but praises about the performance.

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Clemens reaches milestones in Yanks’ win

Associated Press

BOSTON — Roger Clemens walked off to a standing ovation and came out for a curtain call, tipping his cap and waving to fans who saw what may have been his last pitch at Fenway Park.

"It was a very special,” he said. “It gave me the opportunity to say thank you.

And it gave Boston fans, who often booed Clemens after lefty Derek Jeter hit a walk-off homer in the seventh inning, a chance to show appreciation even though the New York Yankees were on their way to an 8-4 win Sunday over the Red Sox.

"It was exciting and that's what it should have been," Jason Giambi said. "The reason why they boo him is because he's been successful. Boston fans are just like New Yorkers. They love great players."

The victory was the 100th for Clemens at Fenway Park, where he wore the home uniform from 1984-96, compiling a 192-111 mark for Boston. He plans to retire after this season, and Clemens is in Boston, where he is 100-55 in 199 regular-season starts, only if the teams meet in the playoffs.

The win boosted the Yankees to a five-game lead over the Red Sox in the AL East, although the teams meet in the eighth inning, Detroit manager Alan Trammell said. "That was rained out Saturday.

After a delay of 2 hours, 2 minutes, the second game was called because of rain, a club-record sixth rainout this season for the Royals during one of the worst droughts in this region in decades.

As the doubleheader was scheduled to make up a game that was rained out Saturday.

No makeup date was announced, although Sept. 29, the day after the end of the regular season, seemed logical because the teams do not have another off day of the rest of the year.

Marlins, 5; Expos, 3

Florida manager Jack McKeon wanted several players to step up and fill the void left by the injury to All-Star third baseman Mike Lowell.

He got it.

Derrek Lee hit a three-run homer and Mark Bednarsky won his first game in four starts as the Marlins beat the Montreal Expos 5-3.

"We needed some of these guys to pick up the slack. McKeon said. "Hopefully we can get five or six of them grounding out at the plate.

We can get without one guy. Lowell said. "They know we had. "They know we had.

The deadline for adding players to the roster and having them eligible for the postseason is midnight Monday.

Any player added after then would not be eligible for the playoffs.

The Marlins are tied with Philadelphia atop the National League wild-card race.

The Expos, meanwhile, continued to struggle on the road, falling to 4-17 away from the nation’s wild-card break and dropping three games behind the Phillies and Marlins.

Phillies, 4; Mets, 3

Never mind a no-hitter, victory is fine for the Philadelphia Phillies all they really needed — another victory.

Padilla held the Mets hitless for six innings and Jim Thome homered as Philadelphia completed a three-game sweep of New York with a 4-1 victory Sunday.

The Phillies, tied with Florida for the NL wild-card lead, finished 4-9 on a four-home run road trip Philadelphia had lost six in a row coming into the series.

"After the road trip we’ve had to be able to sweep three games here was really tremendous," Thome said.

Mets rookie Jose Reyes, who broke up the no-hit bid with an infield single leading off the seventh, injured his left ankle trying to break up a game-ending double play.

Reyes seemed to catch his spikes in the dirt as he slid into second.

He writhed in pain on the infield while fans and teammates watched in a hushed Shea Stadium. X-rays did not reveal a fracture.

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### Sports

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WOMEN’S BASKETBALL

Krause leaving Irish squad

Observer Staff Report

Then there were three. Basketball player Jill Krause decided late last week that she would not continue playing basketball for the Irish, making her the third person from the six-member recruiting class of 2005 to quit the team. Allison Bustamante and Kelsey Wicks also quit McGraw’s team in the past two years. Bustamante left because of homesickness, while Wicks quit for unspecified reasons. That leaves Teresa Borton, Katy Flecky and Jacqueline Batteast still on the team from that class.

Krause played in 20 games last season for Notre Dame, averaging 3.5 minutes and 0.4 points per game. McGraw said she will miss Krause.

"Jill is an amazing person with a tremendous heart and spirit," McGraw said. "We appreciate all she contributed to our team, both on and off the court over the past two years. We wish her the best as she continues working towards her degree here at Notre Dame."

Krause is the granddaughter of legendary Notre Dame figure Edward "Moose" Krause.

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SMC VOLLEYBALL

Belles fight hard, still drop season opener

By JUSTIN SCHUVER
Sports Writer

The Belles opened their regular season with a three-set loss to the Maple Leafs of Goshen College, following a scrimmage with the University of Chicago at the SMC Triangular Saturday afternoon.

Despite losing to Goshen in three-straight sets, Saint Mary's (0-1) fought with a team-oriented approach for different from what coaches have seen from the Belles in previous years.

"It was nice to have four players in double-digits for digs," Belles coach Julie Schruder-Biek said. "In years past, it's often been one or two people who have had the bulk of our digs."

The Belles kept it close, but lost 24-30, 28-30, 24-30.

"I'm very excited to have come out as strong as we did," Schruder-Biek said. "We had really good defense, but our hitting percentage (0.087) was not as high as it could be.

"It wasn't so much our errors, though Goshen was very scrup­py, and it was difficult for us to get a kill because they were playing such good defense."

Freshman outside hitter Kristen Plasky had 12 digs and was the Saint Mary's leader in kills with 10, and freshman setter Lauren Temple had 33 assists and six service aces.

Team captains Alison Shevick and Ellie Rupert each had 10 digs, and sophomore transfer Michelle Turley got off to a fast start with her new team by leading the Belles with 13 digs.

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safety, and Earl moved back to his regular position.

And that describes the turmoil in just half of the secondary. Two-year starter Vontey Duff is firmly entrenched at one corner-back position, but fifth-year sen­ior Jason Beckstrom and Preston Jackson are waging a fierce battle for the other start­ing slot.

When will the coaches name the starters for Saturday's game against Washington State? Walters hopes to have made a decision by the time game-preparatory practices begin Tuesday, but even he doesn't yet know which players will stand out.

"It's been difficult for [the players]," head coach Tyrone Willingham said. "But they place the team first. Those guys are competing to see if they can help us out."

That's why Walters often tells his charges that coaches are watching every action on the practice field to try to distin­guish the starters.

The ultimate goal is to attempt to mimic the chemistry between the secondary that helped last year's starters intercept 14 passes and record 241 tackles.

"Those guys fed off each other and believed in each other," Walters said. But as some players say, it has been a difficult quest to duplic­ate that chemistry this fall with the multitude of injuries and uncertainty at many of the posi­tions.

"Ideally, you'd look to your right and left and know who was going to be there," Earl said. "There hasn't been a constant thing.

"What Walters said he is look­ing for is the best combination of players, not necessarily the best athletes. But he quickly adds that all the preseason shuffling has generated some much-need­ed depth in the secondary. If one defender goes down, another qualified player is able to take his place.

If the offense calls an audible, the players can easily change their assignments rather than their places on the field.

The four players competing for a starting spot offer a variety of strengths. Beckstrom gives the Irish an experienced fifth-year corner-back who sat out last season while recovering from a torn bicep. Jackson played a sig­nificant amount as the team's fifth defensive back last year.

Bible started two games last season while recovering from a season-ending torn ACL. Jackson played a sig­nificant amount as the team's fifth defensive back last year. Bible started two games last season for an injured Sapp and can play either safety position.

And Burrell possesses little game experience but a playmak­ing potential that has Irish coaches excited.

"When it's this close, whatever you do, the coaches are looking at it," Walters said. "You look to see how they play together, if you get great communication, and if they perform smoothly and with enthusiasm....""All will contribute. It's who you do, the coaches are looking

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ND WOMEN'S SOCCER

Goals easy to come by for Irish in openers

But weekend ends on sour note as Irish lose All-American Candace Chapman and midfielder Randi Scheller for season

By ANDY TROEGER

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Notre Dame coach Randy Waldrum said that he liked where his team stood heading into their opening weekend against Hartford and Wake Forest. The team showed why Waldrum's optimism was deserved by dominating its opponents in two opening wins.

The Irish, who won 9-1 over Hartford Friday in their opener, returned to shut out the Deacons Sunday to go undefeated in Connecticut's adidas Classic. Notre Dame received numerous strong efforts in both games, headlined by junior Mary Boland's hat trick in the decisive victory over Hartford. Boland added another goal against Hartford, while senior forward Amy Warner had two goals and three assists as classmate Amanda Guertin added two goals and two assists for the weekend.

The Irish won the two games while still suffering from some of the injuries that plagued them last season. The Irish found out before this weekend that junior All-American Candace Chapman will be lost for the season with a torn ACL, while senior Randi Scheller had surgery to correct a nagging hip injury that will also sideline her for the year.

Against Hartford, the Irish scored early and often. Boland started the scoring with a goal off of her own missed shot after a cross from Warner in the seventh minute. Warner and Boland struck again nine minutes later, with Boland's second goal giving the Irish a 2-0 lead. Warner capped the scoring in the final minute of the first half. Warner began the sequence with a pass to freshman midfielder Jen Buczowski, who moved the ball to the left end-line, where Krivacek gave the Irish the lead. The Irish added two more goals in the second half, with Boland scoring her fourth goal of the weekend on a rebound from a shot by Guertin. Warner capped the scoring in the final minute of her second goal of the season.

Goalkeeper Erika Bohn had an outstanding weekend in net for the Irish, giving up only one goal. Defenders Melissa Tancredi, Gudrun Gunnarsdottir, Kim Lorenzen, Lizzie Reed, and Christie Shaner all had solid weekends in the back for the Irish, who yielded only one goal in two games.

Next up for the Irish is the Notre Dame Classic, which begins Sept. 5 and has the Irish hosting Arizona State and Oklahoma at Alumni Field.

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The way on offense with 36 kills and only two errors (.424 hitting percentage). Loomis finished with 14 kills with a .322 hitting percentage.
Arizona was unable to match the Irish offensive attack, as they registered only eight kills in the first game.
The defense of the Irish, led by Jessica Kinder (10 digs) and Megan Henigan (10 digs), also shone, as the Irish nabbed nine blocks as a team.
Coach Deb Brown saw the Irish win their season opener for the 13th straight year.
However, Saturday's match presented another challenge for the Irish as they faced the Waves of No. 5 Pepperdine, who proved too much for the Irish, as they defeated Notre Dame in four games (37-35, 25-30, 30-22, 30-21).
Despite a hot start in the opening game, the Irish were unable to maintain the momentum.
"Too many pieces broke down after the first game," Loomis said. "We didn't back each other up like the first game.
The Irish attack started the first game with 17 kills and only two errors, good for a scorching .469 hitting percentage.
However, they couldn't sustain the momentum, hitting only .122 the next three games.
Leading the way for the Irish was middle blocker Lauren Breswer (17 kills, .483 attack percentage), Kelby (12 kills) and Loomis (10 kills).
"We were a little disappointed," Loomis said. "You never want to lose, but we can take a lot from this loss.
However, there was no shame in losing to the Waves, who currently carry the highest rank in the country.
Pepperdine averaged last year's loss in Notre Dame in the championship game of the Golden Dome Invitational.
"We just couldn't turn it around in our favor," Loomis said.
However, after the loss, the Irish rebounded against East Carolina at Bloomington, Ind.
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FOOTBALL

Safety valves
Versatile members of Notre Dame defensive backfield rotate within system

By ANDREW SOUKUP
Sports Writer

Eli Whitney would have been proud of Trent Walters. Had Whitney, who created the concept of interchangeable parts, seen how Walters, who coaches the Irish secondary, shuffles Irish defensive backs around the field, he might have smiled.

But Walters wasn’t smiling when he was forced to shuffle players around earlier in the preseason after a series of injuries left the Irish with a temporary depth problem at safety.

The Irish coach, however, believes the constant shuffling may help strengthen an Irish secondary that lost consensus All-American cornerback Shane Walton and strong safety Gerome Sapp to graduation.

“It goes straight to the philosophy of interchangeable parts,” Walters said. “We want our guys to be able to play a number of positions.”

If that desire was only a dream before fall camp began, it became a reality when Garron Bible, Sapp’s heir apparent, was sidelined with an injury. So Walters moved Glenn Earl from free safety, where the hard-hitter started all 13 games for the Irish last year, to strong safety. Meanwhile, Quentin Burrell moved in to replace Bible at free safety until he, too, was briefly sidelined with an injury. Bible came back to play strong safety.

Strong safety Garron Bible backpedals in a recent practice. Bible started two games last season for the Irish.

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WOMEN’S VOLLEYBALL

Irish stun No. 10 Wildcats

New rotation with two setters defeats ‘Zona

By HEATHER VAN HOEGARDEN
Sports Writer

Teams can only hope to start the season by playing well. The Irish took this a step further to knock off No. 10 Arizona in their season opener Friday night.

The Irish upended the Wildcats in four games (30-18, 28-30, 30-20, 30-18) at the Four Points Sheraton Classic in Malibu, Calif.

“It was so much fun,” outside hitter Emily Loomis said. “We just brought a lot of energy to the match, and it paid off!”

The Irish took advantage of their new 6-2 rotation that utilizes two setters to come away with a .324 hitting percentage. The Wildcats hit a mere .100 on the match.

Kristen Kinder and Kelly Burrell led the attack with 43 assists, 26 for Kinder and 17 for Burrell. Neither committed a handling error.

“Everyone worked hard through the match, and it showed,” Loomis said. “We really came together, and that is why we were so successful.”

Middle blocker Lauren Kelbley led with three shots.

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MEN’S SOCCER

Lightning start on the road

By PAT LEONARD
Sports Writer

At 31-24 in Bloomington, Ind., the clock stopped.

Heavy rain and lightning halted a match on Friday between No. 3 Notre Dame and No. 20 Alabama-Birmingham. The teams resumed play after a delay, but each squad had lost a step in the wait.

Still, the Irish escaped that game in a scoreless tie and later defeated No. 11 California, 2-1, in double overtime Saturday to finish the first weekend of the regular season with a record of 1-0-1.

Notre Dame out shot Birmingham 18-10 in the first game of the Notre Dame adidas/IU Credit Union Classic.

Birmingham goalie Alberto Bobiles made nine saves and five in the first half. Still, the break in action slowed the Irish momentum.

“We lost our edge a little bit due to the delay,” coach Bobby Clark said. “We started sharply, but with the delay, it became a very long evening, which was unfortunate for both teams.”

Irish keeper Chris Sayer made three saves in the game and reserve midfielder Nate Norman led the team with three shots.

The win over California came as a result of two timely goals by forward Devon Preocow. Cal’s Carl Acosta tailed first on a head ball at the 2:42 mark of the second half. Preocow, see DELAY/page 18

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