Nigerian president speaks on cooperation

Obasanjo discusses current political and economic conditions in Africa

By MEGHAN MARTIN
Associate News Editor

African television stations broadcast live Sunday evening from the Joyce Center for Nigerian president Olusegun Obasanjo keynote speech for the Institute for Church Life's "A Call to Solidarity with Africa" conference. The president, who entered the Joyce Center on a red carpet followed by an entourage of bodyguards and U.S. Secret Service agents, discussed current economic and political conditions in Africa and called upon the United States and its western allies to keep the issues of his continent at the forefront of international conversations.

Students ejected for tradition

At least 10 students removed from game for having marshmallows

By SCOTT BRODFUEHRER
News Writer

When coordinator of stadium personnel Cappy Gagnon was a Notre Dame student in the early 60s, students streamed toilet paper from the stands following the first touchdown. But when students bring marshmallows into the stands now, they can expect to be ejected from the game, as between 12 and 15 students found out when they were forced to leave the stadium Saturday. Gagnon said that a crackdown on possession of bags of marshmallows was instituted last year because students are not just using them as a prank we winked at to a major issue of his continent at the forefront of international conversations.

Fisher residents lead campus-wide fundraiser

Fisher Hall residents sat on the roof for the dorm's annual fundraiser, the Roof Sit, for 50 hours from Friday through Sunday.

By ANN LOUGHERY
News Writer

Remnants of James Ramos's hair still lingered on the steps of Fisher Hall Sunday morning. The freshman sacrificed his locks and pride to benefit the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, the focus of the 2nd Annual Fisher Hall Roof Sit. Ramos garnered $40 from crowds passing by Fisher Hall last night for receiving a mullet haircut.

Only 9 Guardsmen march at Saturday's game


INSIDE COLUMN

Going for a drive?
Ah senior, yes—it’s finally here. Before you avert your eyes from this little “Inside Column,” thinking you’re in for another rant about underage drinking or drunk driving, stop for a second. While the aforementioned topics deserve to be discussed and rediscussed, I feel it is more important today to note that, Nicole Lauren Clery, a 20-year-old third-year RA, will not be turning 21 until the Friday of finals week and will have only been in possession of a driver’s license for four and a half months by that time.

Laugh, my friends, but I speak the truth. Laugh even harder, if you must, after I tell you that both of my dear friends and fellow RA’s, Amanda Garno and dear friend and fellow RA, Amanda Garno. She’s sure to regale you with the tale of her near-death experience occurring out of the Martin’s parking lot a few weeks ago. All I can say is that novice drivers should make no attempt to clear multiple lanes of traffic in one go ... lesson learned there.

Thanks to this driving debacle I’ve learned to appreciate the simple pleasures that come from walking or taking the shuttle, everywhere. What do I hope you’ve gained from this “Inside Column?” Aside from the obvious lesson that I’m probably not the best candidate to chauffeur you and your drunken friends around town, I hope that I’ve inspired you to share your time (and your car!) with the best candidate to chauffeur you—me so that I can be taught how to drive like a civilized human being! Give me a ring sometime if you’re up to the challenge.

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QUESTIONS OF THE DAY:

What did you think of the game?

Pat Lindemeyer

Holy Cross Junior

Off-Campus

“Fans should support the team no matter what.”

Nicole Clery

Viewpoint Copy Editor

“A little disappointing but hopefully they’ll make some adjustments for Purdue.”

Alex Sayers

Sophomore

Fisher

“It was disappointing.”

Caroline Meehan

Junior

Lewis

“I wanted to cry.”

Chris Scarpelanda

Sophomore

Keough

“It was no good.”

Rob Keller

Senior

Siegfried

“Go Brady.”

Mike Dybczyk

Junior

Carroll

OFFBEAT

Buddhist Monk Completes Seven-Year Run

Tokyo—A Buddhist priest dubbed the “marathon monk” has completed an ancient running ritual in the remote Japanese mountains that took seven years and covered a distance equivalent to a trip round the globe, wearing only a floating white robe and floppy straw sandals. The 44-year-old monk, Genshin Fujimuni, returned Thursday from his 24,800-mile spiritual journey in the Hei mountains, a range of five peaks that rise above the ancient capital of Kyoto. Dressed in his handmade sandals and robe, with a straw raincoat draped over his head, Fujimuni was greeted at the end of his journey by a crowd of worshipers, who knelt to receive his blessings, said an official at Eiynakju Hoshin, the temple that is guardian of the grueling tradition. Since 1985, only 46 other so-called “marathon monks” of the Tendai sect have survived the ritual, which dates to the 8th century and is believed to have been a path to enlightenment, according to temple officials. The last monk to complete it returned in 1994.

School makes girls wear trash bags skirts

NEW YORK—Two Bronx girls reportedly had to wear bag skirts “Damiba fashions” to the 8th grade. The girls reportedly had to wear trash bags skirts “Damiba fashions” to class as a punishment for wearing skirts made of trash bags to school by a crowd of worshippers, who knelt to receive his blessings, said an official at Eiynakju Hoshin, the temple that is guardian of the grueling tradition. Since 1985, only 46 other so-called “marathon monks” of the Tendai sect have survived the ritual, which dates to the 8th century and is believed to have been a path to enlightenment, according to temple officials. The last monk to complete it returned in 1994.

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LOCAL WEATHER

TODAY TONIGHT TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY

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LOW 50 55 52 45 41 44

IN BRIEF

Head out to Legends tonight from 9 p.m. to 12 a.m. for food, drinks and the Monday Night Football Game Watch.

Grab some friends and play Floor Hockey tonight from 8:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. at Holf’s Recreation and Sports Center.

Attend the “A Call to Solidarity with Africa” Conference, taking place all day today in McKenna Hall.

View the British Drawings from the Collection of Mr. and Mrs. Allen Riley today at the Snite Museum.

Learn about opportunities for service at the Post-Graduate Service Fair, occurring Wednesday from 5 to 8 p.m. in the Stepban Center.

Cheer on the Irish Thursday at 7 p.m. when men’s soccer takes on Bradley University at Alumni Field.

Come party with the Sophomore Class for Late Night Grill on the Fieldhouse Mall Thursday from 10 to 11:30 p.m.

Hear Dr. Betty Balanoff speak about “Environmental Justice in Northwest Indiana” at 4:30 p.m. in the Hesburgh Center Auditorium Wednesday.

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

Students from Dillon Hall, dressed as English gentlemen, gather for a game of croquet in the afternoon sunshine on South Quad Sunday.
Group discusses, enacts gender issues

By ASHLEY DYER
News Writer

The Guerrilla Girls, an action-oriented group of art activists, swept Saint Mary's campus last Friday, dressed in gorilla masks and black clothing for a lunch-noon at the Moneau Center for the Arts.

The group answered questions about sexist and racist attitudes in the art world during the event, also attended by faculty and students from Saint Mary's art and women's studies departments, Center for Women's InterCultural Leadership representatives and members of the South Bend art community.

Formed in 1985, the group of all women activists began in response to an exhibition at the Museum of Modern Art in New York entitled "International Survey of Painting and Sculptures." Only eight percent of the artists represented in the exhibit were women, and all were white, whether American or European.

At first, the group decided to remain anonymous and eventually took the names of deceased female artists and writers as pseudonyms. According to the group, which calls itself the "Conscience of the Art World," they feel that anonymity allows them to focus on the issues at hand.

Frida Kahlo and Kathe Kollwitz, two of the group's founding members, performed Friday evening in Little Theatre. Playing to a packed audience, the girls began debunking attitudes in the art and film industries through pop culture education techniques. Their presentation used stickers, posters and billboards to enlighten the general public on inequities found throughout the art world.

Later in the program, Kahlo and Kollwitz presented excerpts from their latest book, "Bitches, Bimbos and Ballbreakers," which highlights the deconstruction of cultural stereotypes by reclaiming derogatory words and phrases as well as poking fun at and reinventing these stereotypes.

"Activists need to use humor as the great equalizer," Kahlo said.

At the event said attendees at the event said they enjoyed hearing the group's views on gender issues in the art world.

"The Guerrilla Girls energized the campus and brought a lot of attention to the issue of feminism based on sex and race," said Astrid Henry, coordinator of Women's Studies.

Others credited the group for discussing cultural and gender stereotypes.

"The Guerrilla Girls did a great job of not only expressing their views, but also addressing some of the [unspeakable] issues on our campus alone," said Art Club president Candie Waterko.

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ND theologian publishes book on Jesus

Father Elizondo's book 'San Fernando Cathedral: The Sunday Spanish Mass at which he presided became famous throughout Latin America, when more than 1 million households.

Father Elizondo became prominent as an advocate for underpaid and exploited Mexican-American laborers in his archdiocese during the early 1970s, and as an increasingly self-conscious Mexican-American community began to assert itself politically and culturally, he established the Mexican-American Cultural Center at Assumption Seminary.

The well-traveled Father Elizondo speaks seven languages and has written 12 books, including "The Future is Meztizo," "Gallian Journey," and "The Human Quest."

His last book, "San Fernando Cathedral: Soul of the City," was written with Timothy Matovina, associate professor of theology and director of Notre Dame's Cushwa Center for the Study of American Catholicism.
Shooting suspect kills himself

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — A man suspected of shooting and wounding a doctor at a hospita l in a Los Angeles suburb killed himself Sunday outside a fast food restaurant, police said.

Investigators had been looking for Eugene Guevara, 73, in connection with Friday's shooting of a doctor at Kaiser Walden Medical Center, police said. Guevara was once a patient there.

Guevara shot himself in the stomach and, after authorities arrived, shot himself in the head, Officer Don Cox said. He was taken to Los Angeles County-USC Medical Center, where he died. No one else was injured.

The gun recovered outside the restaurant near downtown Los Angeles was the same caliber as the weapon used in the Baldwin Park hospital shooting, Police searched Guevara's home Saturday, but did not say if they found evidence.

Police locked down the hospital after Friday's shooting and spent hours searching for Guevara, who was identified by hospital employees from a surveillance tape.

Rescue plane arrives from research station

Associated Press

DENVER — An airplane carrying an ailing worker from the U.S. research station in the South Pole landed in Chile on Sunday on an emergency rescue flight.

The twin turboprop Twin Otter landed in Punta Arenas in the southern tip of Chile at 10:30 a.m. EDT after stopping at a British base on the coast of Antarctica, said Elaine Hood of Raytheon Polar Services.

The plane took off from the Amundsen-Scott South Pole Station about 5 a.m. EDT for the British Rothera Air Station, some 1,350 miles away, said Valerie Carroll of Raytheon Polar Services. The Denver-based company manages the polar station for the National Science Foundation.

The ill employee was to be flown to the United States from Chile on a charter. The employee, whose name is being withheld at his request, can walk but may need surgery. Raytheon has declined to confirm reports he is suffering from a bladder infection.

The patient's destination in the United States will not be disclosed to protect his identity, said Peter West of the National Science Foundation.

The pilot flew the 16-hour round trip to the polar station and back to Rothera. The patient boarded a second Twin Otter for the flight to Punta Arenas. The plane also carried two pilots, an engineer and a physician's assistant.

The 900-mile, five-hour flight across open ocean to Punta Arenas, at the southern tip of Chile, can be anything but a milk run.

"The Drake Passage between Chile and Antarctica has probably the worst weather in the world," said Steve Penikett, manager of Alberta, Canada-based Keen Bore Air, which operates the planes used in the rescue. "It's a long ways, and kind of cold."

The rescue flight had been delayed for days because of wind and snow during the southern hemisphere's spring season.

"Definitely the weather at the bottom of the world is very bicky in the spring," said Carroll.

For every 25 students that signed the guestbook, the University will donate an additional $25 to the charity.

Collected funds will be donated to the charity in name of Chad Sharon, a former Fisher Hall resident who died last February in a drowning accident.

"The guys wanted to do something to memorialize Chad. The assistant rector from last year told me that a lot of people didn't have an outlet to channel whatever feelings they had about Chad's death," said Angiolo. "This was a chance for them to use those feelings they had for something positive. Chad has been kind of a rally cry for the dorm.

Fisher Hall initiated the fundraiser last year and intends to make the roof sit a signature event, choosing a different charity each year, Angiolo said.

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Martin leads in Canadian election
TORONTO — Former Finance Minister Paul Martin took a huge lead Sunday in voting to choose the leader of the governing Liberal Party, making him almost certain to succeed Jean Chretien as Canada's prime minister next year.

In unofficial figures supplied by the Liberal Party, Martin got nearly 56 percent of the vote in the first round of balloting — an easy victory that confirmed his status as the front-runner as the party begins a national search for a replacement for Chretien, who has announced he will retire in February.

Under Canada's political system, the head of the majority party in Parliament is prime minister. If Martin gets the Liberal leadership as expected, he would become the head of government when Chretien steps down.

If he gains office, Martin is expected to focus on improving Canadian-U.S. relations strained by putative differences between Chretien and Bush. Canada refused to take part in the Iraq war, and Bush later canceled a visit.

Colombian plane crash kills pilot
BOGOTA, Colombia — A U.S. plane crashed while flying cocaine-producing crops in volatile southern Colombia on Sunday, killing the American pilot, the army said.

The crash in Catatumbo, an area filled with coca crops, appeared to be an accident and not a rebel attack, as officials had believed earlier.

"Initially, there was talk of the plane being hit, but the pilot who went missing said there were no [bullet holes]," Defense Minister Marta Lucia Ramirez told reporters. "We are not sure what caused the accident."

NATIONAL NEWS

Power loss plagues Isabel victims
HARRILL, Ga. — Utility crews had restored power Sunday to more than two-thirds of the people who had been without since Hurricane Isabel struck, but isolated price gouging and a general lack of information were starting to wear down residents in the hardest-hit areas.

The storm severed electrical service for more than 800,000 customers from the Carolinas to New York. By Sunday morning, that figure had been whittled to about 1.8 million.

President Bush plans to travel to Virginia, on Monday, to get a briefing on storm damage and recovery efforts.

At least 31 deaths are blamed on the storm. An estimated 1.5 million people were declaration federal disaster areas.

Miss Florida takes pageant crown
TAMPA, Fla. — Miss Florida, who took home $16,000 she won as Miss Florida, will help pay for her $16,000 scholarship aid to go with the $16,000 she was crowned Miss America 2004.

According to an independent investigator, Sweeney was hired on Thursday, 38 days after his resignation as superintendent of Bradwayn Public Schools in Niles, Mich.
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This week's conference, which has brought together scholars, relief workers, students and religious groups from all over the world, is a step toward achieving that goal, he said. "There are difficult days for Africa," he said. "Thus, whenever a difficult day appears, or if something presents itself ... we try not to let it slip through our fingers. We who are here represent the efforts of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, the University of Notre Dame, and all the people who have made this conference happen. ... It marks the historic moment of the Catholic Church in the United States working together with its counterparts in Nigeria.

The document of the same name issued in 1999 by the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops sparked the idea for this week's conference, Obasanjo said, and referred directly to issues of slavery and its role in building the United States. He quoted the document's claim that the United States has "a clear moral duty" on the matter. He asked the bishops' "claim a step further.

"While the evil institution of slavery ... played a significant role in the development of the United States, it played a significant role in the undevelopment of the continent of Africa - thus making the United States' obligation a double one," he said.

While he held the United States partially responsible for the current situation in Africa, Obasanjo said that the continent's leaders have become particularly invested in reshaping Africa from the inside out. "We are determined to be the actors of our own fortune," he said.

"For instance, the majority of African countries have chosen the democratic institution. ... In the last three months, we have firmly said no to military institutions ... in Liberia and Guinea-Bissau. Various African countries have embarked on ... policies that will generally raise the standard of life."

The union of leaders from across Africa has been key to the continent's success thus far, he said. "We plan to turn the continent around by positioning Africa ... in the global world," he said. "We believe that rather than spending too much time on the Book of Lamentations, we would do well to rather move on to the Book of Revelation. We conceded that it was imperative for Africa to strive to a shared vision ... to rescue our continent from the edge of oblivion."

While its leaders work from the inside, Obasanjo said, it is equally as important for the global community to see and accept the work that he and other African leaders have set out to do.

"So far, we have been heartened by the response of the rest of the world," he said. Nigeria, which gained independence from Great Britain in 1960, but ended years of short-lived democracies, political coups d'etat and military rule, instituted its most recent democratic election of Obasanjo in May of 1999 and then again four years later.

"When we look back at what we have been through as a people ... we can say, in the words of St. Paul, 'We have proved to be more than conquerors,' he said. "Despite our pain and suffering, this continent has been known as a continent of joy and life."

The best way to pull Nigeria firmly into the international spectrum, Obasanjo said, is to involve it economically in the global market. He spoke of programs implemented by his government, "to bring our economy out of the woods," and asked that his audience, the University and the United States invest in the Nigerian economy and encourage other international interests to do so.

All of Africa pays attention to his country's actions, and mediating the continent's conflicts has become a major part of Nigeria's role as the most populous nation in Africa, Obasanjo said. "Firstly, try to keep Africa on the discussion table," he said. "Do not write us off or put our success stories in the back-ground. Try to take us seriously ... Join us in advocating for debt relief in African countries."

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local and educational crises that affect Africa today. "Our fear is that Africa's hopes could be destroyed by brutality and inaction in African and around the world," the document said.

In a response to the bishops' request that the people of Africa not be ignored, this week's conference, which began Sunday with a keynote address by Nigerian president Obasanjo Obasanjo, and will continue through Wednesday, will bring marshmallows and grabbed my ticket book ... I just felt his hand in my pocket," Carroll said.

Gagnon said that leaders are trained to ask students to see the contents of their pockets, not to reach into student pockets.

Carroll, who acknowledged he had consumed alcohol before the game but said he was not intoxicated, said another usher told him there is a standing policy of confiscating the ticket books of students who have marshmallows. Carroll said he had never previously heard of this policy.

Gagnon dismissed the idea that students are unaware of the rule. "Show me a student who thinks it's O K  to carry marshmallows into the stadium and I will ask them why they strapped the bag of marshmallows onto their thighs," Gagnon said.

Gagnon said, however, that he believed the students might not have realized they would be ejected if found with a large quantity of marshmallows.

During halftime Saturday, a group of Notre Dame Security Police officers stood at the entrance of Section 29, looking for seniors throwing marshmallows. When they ejected several students from Section 30, the student crowd boarded and threw marshmallows at the officers.

Gagnon said that stadium personnel are only targeting "those leaders - students who have a large quantity of marshmallows - and students who have been ejected for throwing one marshmallow. He said that confiscated ticket books would be returned to students after they met with officials in Notre life, but Gagnon said those officials have not told him "squat about punishment for ejected students."

Gagnon said that throwing objects during half time is also offensive to the band. "It is a major insult to the band. They turn to salute the sidelines and the seniors, the leaders of the student body, aren't listening to the band. They are insulting the band," Gagnon said.

Gagnon said he might support a different plan if it did not have the potential to injure others. He said a marshmallow flight would be more appropriate outside of the Stadium. "If students want to have a marshmallow flight on the quad, I'll sign a petition to endorse it, but what a lot of people see as a tradition now, it causes harm," Gagnon said.

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Markets

New York Stock Exchange chairman Sanford I. Weill is stepping down amid a struggle with then co-chairman Richard Grasso, which many said represented a failure of corporate governance at the institution. The board has come under fire for approving Grasso’s pay package of $187.5 million, considered excessive by many on Wall Street.

Reid named NYSE chairman

John Reed, former chairman of Citigroup, was named to replace the departing Richard Grasso as interim chief, replacing Richard Grasso, who will join the Exchange on Sept. 30, according to the board.

The exchange is expected to release a corporate governance plan on Oct. 2 that will, among other things, address compensation for future CEOs and potential changes in the board’s structure and the ownership of the exchange.

In a statement, Reed said he had been named CEO of Citigroup in 1984, and has been credited with building the company into a corporate powerhouse through the 1990s, developing its technology infrastructure, slashing staff and selling off unprofitable assets.

Gates gives largest malaria grant

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The possible closing points to the town, “It’s going to be devastating to the town,” he said Saturday.

Reed, 64, who left Cit in 2000 after losing a power struggle with then chairman Sanford I. Weill, will temporarily replace Grasso, exchange officials announced at a hastily called news conference.

The conference comes as a surprise to many, after Grasso’s pay package and under fire for approving it.

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8:30-10:00 am
Theology and the Project of Re-imagining Africa
Moderator: Prof. Maura Ryan (Vice President and Associate Provost, Associate Professor of Theology, University of Notre Dame)
Sr. Teresa Okure, SHCJ (Professor of Scripture, Catholic Institute of West Africa)
Solidarity among Christians: Lessons from the New Testament
Fr. E. Elochukwu Uzukwu, CSSp (Professor of Theology, AMI Dublin and Catholic Institute, Paris, France)
African Theology and the Project of Re-imaging Africa
Respondent: Prof. John Cavazini (University of Notre Dame)

10:30 am-12:30 pm
American and African Scholarship and "the Call to Solidarity with Africa"
Moderator: Rev. Paul Kolman, CSC (Assistant Professor of Theology, University of Notre Dame)
Rev. Cyriac Davis, OSB (St. Meinrad School of Theology)
American and African Scholarship and the Call to Solidarity with Africa
Prof. Carolyn Nordstrom (University of Notre Dame)
The Church at the Service of Humanity
Prof. Emily Osborn (University of Notre Dame)

1:45-2:45 pm
Informal Breakout Sessions on Topics of Interest (optional)
U.S. Faith Based Organizations: Public Advocacy for Africa
Facilitator: Mr. John Carr (Secretary, Department of Social Development and World Peace, USCCB)
Role of Civil Society in Africa
Facilitator: Rev. Cyprian Davis, OSB (St. Meinrad School of Theology)
Food for Life: Confronting the Agricultural Crisis in Africa
Facilitator: Mr. Ray Almeida (Policy Adviser, Bread for The World)

3:00-5:00 pm
The Church at the Service of Africa
Moderator: Rev. Mark Poorman, CSC (Vice President, Student Affairs, Associate Professor of Theology, University of Notre Dame)
Most Reverend Laurent Monsengwo-Pasinya (Archbishop of Kisangani, Democratic Republic of Congo/President of SECAM)
The Church at the Service of Humanity
Most Reverend John Onaiyekan (Archbishop of Abuja/President of the Nigerian Episcopal Conference)
Imaging and Re-Imaging Africa: the Role of the Church
Most Reverend Joseph N. Perry (Auxiliary Bishop of Chicago)
The American Church in Solidarity with the African Churches
Respondent: Mary Motte, FMM (Missiologist)

5:15 pm
Mass at the Basilica of the Sacred Heart
Presider and homilist: Most Reverend Wilton D. Gregory (Bishop, Diocese of Belleville/President, USCCB)

6:15 pm
Dinner (limited seats available)
Mr. Andrew Natsios (Administrator, US Agency for International Development)
The Role of Faith Based Organizations in Africa’s Development
Facilitator: Rev. Michael Perry, OFM (Office of International Justice and Peace, USCCB)

8:00-9:30 pm
Religion and Political Participation: Roots of Conflict in Africa
Moderator: Prof. Mark Roche (Dean, College of Arts and Letters, University of Notre Dame)
Most Reverend John Baptist Odama (Archbishop of Gulu, Uganda/President, Acholi Religious Leaders Peace Initiative)
The Story of the Lord’s Resistance Army in Northern Uganda
Prof. Francis Deng (Brookings Institution, Washington, DC)
Religious Roots of Conflict: The Case of Sudan
Rev. Mathew Hassan Kukah (Harvard University)
Politics and Participation: An Overview of the Situation in Africa
Respondent: Rev. Michael Perry, OFM (Office of International Justice and Peace, USCCB)

9:30 pm
Reception

HIGHLIGHTS
OF TOMORROW’S SCHEDULE: TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

8:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m.
Agenda for a New Africa

10:30 a.m.-12:15 p.m.
Solidarity with Africa: The Question of Health Care
Lunch with Prof. Lamin Sanneh, Yale University

1:30 p.m.-5:00 p.m.
International Business and the Renewal of Africa
International Finance/Economics and International Trade

5:15 p.m.
Mass at the Basilica of the Sacred Heart
Presider: Most Reverend John M. D’Arcy, Bishop, Diocese of Fort Wayne/South Bend
Homilist: His Eminence Theodore Cardinal McCarrick, Archbishop, Diocese of Wash., DC

8:00 p.m.-9:30 p.m.
The Future of U.S. Foreign Policy Assistance and Africa’s New Agenda

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Bishop resignations sought in N.H.

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MANCHESTER, N.H. — More than 100 protesters outside St. Joseph's Cathedral on Sunday called on fellow Roman Catholics to oust two New Hampshire bishops for their roles in the priest sex scandal.

Victims of pedophile priests and groups seeking change in the church rallied outside Bishop John McCormack's parish church for two hours before and during a morning Mass.

Jim Sacco, 46, of Amherst, who received a cash settlement from the church for his abuse claims against convicted former priest John Geoghan, called clergy sexual abuse "domestic terrorism against children." Geoghan was killed by another inmate in a Massachusetts prison last month.

"I am a victim of John Geoghan. I am also a victim of his supervisors, the bishops and cardinals, the Vatican, and every man and woman who conspired to cover up sexual abuse against children," Sacco said.

McCormack has been accused in civil lawsuits of helping move abusive priests from parish to parish while serving as a top aide to Cardinal Bernard Law in the Archdiocese of Boston. Law stepped down last December amid similar accusations.

Auxiliary Bishop Francis Christian has been accused of lying about previous sexual misconduct by the Rev. Roger Fortier to corrections officials conducting a presentencing investigation after Fortier was convicted.

While the groups have held protests outside St. Joseph's before, this was the largest to date, drawing victims as far away as Kentucky and Colorado.

The protesters have said they will continue their efforts until McCormack and Christian resign.

Both bishops have said they have no intention of resigning.

McCormack was out of the state Sunday, but a spokesman for the Diocese of Manchester watched the protest from the nearby church garden.

"Bishop McCormack has worked personally with victims and we have resolved over 200 requests for settlements with victims," Patrick McGee said.

At least one parishioner said there is a better way to deal with McCormack.

"The first thing they have to do is forgive him. Then they have to start praying the rosary," said Jim McGowan, 60. "He's a constant reminder that even the high and mighty can fall."

helicopter crashes near Grand Canyon

Associated Press

PHOENIX — Recovery crews hiked into the Grand Canyon on Sunday to retrieve the remains of a tour helicopter that crashed with seven people aboard, including at least four international tourists. Authorities said there were no survivors.

The helicopter went down Saturday afternoon in the western reaches of the Grand Canyon. It was flying tourists to a helipad along the Colorado River, where they were to board a pontoon boat, said Jim Granquist, general manager of Las Vegas-based Sundance Helicopters Inc., which operated the aircraft.

The helicopter burst into flames upon impact, according to the Mohave County Sheriff's Office.

The French-made Aerospatiale helicopter had taken off from the Grand Canyon West Airport, near Peach Springs, Ariz., with the pilot and six passengers aboard, FAA officials said. Passengers flew by plane from Las Vegas to board the helicopter.

Two of the passengers were Japanese citizens and at least two others were German tourists, said Carlos Rooks, a spokesman for the sheriff's office. He said the pilot was also Japanese. According to the Japanese consul in Los Angeles, the pilot was a Japanese citizen who has a permanent legal resident of the United States.

Neither authorities nor Granquist would release identities of the victims pending family notification.

Rooks said recovery crews had to hike to the crash site Sunday because the terrain was too rough for an aircraft.

The National Transportation Safety Board and FAA were among the agencies investigating.

Three NTSB investigators were to fly to the crash site Sunday and begin hiking to the scene Monday morning, said an agency spokesman.

Granquist had no information on Sunday as to the cause of the crash or any information with 10, CBS with nine, ABC with seven.

HBO leads Emmy Awards nominations

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — "The Sopranos" took aim at its first best drama trophy at Sunday's Emmy Awards, competing with other top nominees "Six Feet Under" and "The West Wing." HBO's mob drama, which received 13 nominations for the 55th Annual Primetime Emmy Awards, had the chance to become the only cable series ever named best drama. Stars walked down the red carpet outside the Shrine Auditorium in swirling heat as fans fanned themselves.

Among the celebrities were two of the 125 candidates in California's recall race for governor, actor Gary Coleman and adult film star Mary Carey, who wore a powdered blue satin halter dress.

"I woke up at 11:30, went and got some black socks — it only takes me 20 minutes to get ready," Gary Coleman, actor

"The Sopranos' looks to win best drama
you were out late with your friends, you sleep through your alarm, your boss asks why you are late, what do you tell him? answer the question. compare your opinions with others. explore what matters at pwc.com/lookhere.
Recall candidates see sprint to the finish

New poll shows Gov. Davis gaining

SAN FRANCISCO — With a federal judicial panel likely to reinstate the Oct. 7 date for the California recall election, Gov. Gray Davis and the other candidates vying to succeed him are preparing for a final two-week campaign push.

A new poll showed the race tightening in Davis’ favor.

An 11-judge panel of the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals will be asked by a federal judge on whether to uphold a ruling by a smaller panel last week that the election must be postponed until six counties still using punch card ballots can upgrade to more reliable voting machines.

The judges chosen for the new panel are said to be more conservative than the three who made the original ruling. Observers say the new panel will likely reverse the earlier ruling.

"As they say at the racetrack, we’re going into the clubhouse turn," said Jack Pitney, professor of government at Claremont-Mckenna College.

The best known Republican in the race, Arnold Schwarzenegger, was preparing to step into the spotlight for his first and — chances are — his only debate of the campaign Wednesday.

Schwarzenegger, who has called Wednesday’s forum the "Super Bowl of debates," is preparing extensively for it, aides said.

"He meets regularly with his team of policy advisers and experts, and now the focus is on the debate," campaign spokesman Todd Harris said.

Davis entered the week buoyed by new poll numbers showing he is gaining momentum. A statewide poll by the Public Policy Institute of California released Sunday showed just 53 percent of likely voters want to oust Davis, down from 58 percent last month. Forty-two percent said they would vote to keep him in office.

The poll mirrored two other statewide polls released this month which showed that, while a majority of voters wanted to recall Davis, the margin has tightened.

The same poll also showed Schwarzenegger virtually tied with Lt. Gov. Cruz Bustamante, the only Democrat in the race, among candidates vying to replace Davis if he is recalled.

The poll found 28 percent supporting Schwarzenegger, with 26 percent for Bustamante, and 14 percent saying they support Republican state Sen. Tom McClintock.

The findings fueled new speculation about whether McClintock will get out of the race in order not to split the Republican vote and hand the election to Bustamante.

Pitney said the debate will give Schwarzenegger his best chance to win over conservative voters, who are the core of McClintock’s support.

"The debate is an opportunity for Schwarzenegger to close the sale with a lot of Republicans and conservatives, or an opportunity for other candidates to stop him cold," Pitney said.

Davis, who will not participate in the debate, planned to campaign this week with Washington Gov. Gary Locke and Sen. Joe Lieberman, a Democratic presidential candidate.

Lieberman will also campaign with Lt. Gov. Cruz Bustamante, who is his California campaign chairman.

"We are going to stay focused on the strategy that got us through this entire surreal process," said Davis campaign spokesman Peter Bugone. "The governor is going to talk candidly with voters at town hall meetings, and will be joined by Democratic party leaders to point out that this is a power grab by Republicans and is fundamentally unfair."

Hometown residents honor Ind. governor

CORYDON, Ind. — The late Gov. Frank O’Bannon was honored Sunday in the town square where he first announced he was running for governor in a tribute with hand-clapping gospel music, bells ringing from the state’s first capitol — built in 1816 — and churches in the area.

"Frank O’Bannon has finally returned to his boyhood home," said Tom New, O’Bannon’s chief of staff, speaking to residents in the late governor’s hometown of Corydon who gathered for an event billed as a celebration of O’Bannon’s life.

O’Bannon was slain “from you 15 years ago for our own selfish purposes, for this is the place Frank O’Bannon truly loved, the place from which he drew strength,” New said.

The late governor died at age 73 on Sept. 13, five days after suffering a stroke in Chicago. O’Bannon’s body has been cremated and his ashes will be buried at a later date in a private ceremony at Cedar Hill Cemetery in Corydon.

About 1,000 people sat in white chairs in the middle of the town square in Corydon, and hundreds others stood or sat on lawn chairs to watch the service. The office of The Corydon Democrat, owned by O’Bannon’s family, is on the square along with the Corydon United Methodist Church where he sang in the choir.

O’Bannon owned a large log cabin on the outskirts of town, and frequently returned to southern Indiana as governor to attend church and visit friends. He and his wife, Judy, planned to retire there.

There were tears and the crowd was solemn as bells were rung from the first state capitol — built in 1816 — and churches in the square.

There also was laughter and joyous singing, during gospel hymns sung by the Wesley United Methodist Chancel Choir from Jeffersonville, the playing of the Indiana University fight song and John Mellencamp’s...
For the last several weeks, there has been a buzz surrounding the nine participants in the Damian presidential primary. Unfortunately, it had nothing to do with any of them, but rather with a new entrant:

Mike Marchand

retired Army

General Wesley

Clark, who officially announced his candidacy last week.

You can't blame people for not paying too much attention to the other presidential hopefuls. Comedian Dennis Miller quipped that he hasn't seen a group of nine so awful since the 1962 New York Mets. (For those of you who aren't baseball fans, the 1962 Mets are considered the worst team in modern baseball history, but they only hold that designation for about another week or so until this year's Detroit Tigers unseat them. So take heart, Democrats. It could be worse.)

So when someone — anyone — comes along who looks good, he's immediately exalted to hero status. And what better entrance for a former general? Indeed, Clark's résumé is impressive: top of his class at West Point, Rhodes scholar, decorated Vietnam veteran, NATO general, and commander of the military operation in Kosovo.

However, surprisingly few people have stopped to consider whether or not any of that will translate into success as president. Military command, of course, have had a long history of entering politics, but none since Dwight Eisenhower has been a half-century ago. And Ike was a popular hero who was in charge of the largest international force in history as European Supreme Allied Commander. General Clark held essentially the same title, but can only claim a fraction of that fame and glory. It's also worth noting that he picked the wrong party: since 1848, successful generals who won the Presidency have always been Republicans (or Whigs); whereas military candidates who've run under the Democratic flag have been losers like deposed Civil War General George McClellan.

Which is about where we come in with General Clark. Earlier this year, he was a military pundit for CNN who frequently commented on how disastrous the war plan in Iraq was unfolding. Grammed, he's entitled to his opinion, but his other strategies in the Kosovo campaign were just as flawed, if not more. Clark was convinced that aerial attacks alone would do the trick. After several months of error-prone bombing, he requested ground troops reinforcements, but his miscalculation and his confrontational bullying attitude led to a forced early retirement.

Kosovo is a microcosm for the Clinton Administration's foreign policy, the last of all the humanitarian missions the U.S. armed services engaged in while the threat posed by al-Qaida was flying in underneath everyone's radar. For what it's worth, General Clark would not have fought the war in Afghanistan, preferring to "help the United Nations create an International Criminal Tribunal on International Terrorism." Again, he's entitled to his opinion, but taking up arms against Slobodan Milosevic or not Osama bin Laden is, at best, a terrible case of misplaced priorities.

And speaking of misplaced priorities, what exactly benefits Democrats by Clark's entry is somewhat befuddling. With a sour economy, one would think the Democrats' game plan would be like that of the last Arkansans native and Rhodes scholar to defeat a Bush, when Bill Clinton played the what-have-yous-done-for-us-lately card to neutralize George H.W. Bush's Gulf War victory and topple him in 1992. However, the whole purpose of nominating someone like Clark, the internationalist general, is to be a foreign policy foil for George W. Bush, who Democrats see as a unilateralist "chicken hawk."

But if the Democrats intend to defeat Bush by criticizing the war in Iraq, it would be nice if their military candidate had a coherent position. Clark told the New York Times last Thursday that he would have voted for the Congressional resolution that authorized invasion, then immediately took it back the next day before delivering a speech at the University of Iowa: "Let's make one thing real clear, I would never have voted for this war."

So, in the end, there's really only one discernible reason why Clark is gaining support: he's a general and looks the part. Left-wing internet blogger Scooble Davis thinks Clark can "kick George W. Bush's illegitimate a---". But despite the buzz, he doesn't make a whole lot of sense as the Democratic nominee. He has one clear advantage over President Bush and can't really capitalize on anything else. In fact, many cynical conservatives think Clark's mission is simply to weaken Howard Dean's candidacy enough so that Hillary Clinton can jump in and steal the nomination. Thankfully, I'm not burdened by such paranoia.

It is telling, though, how lukewarm the "1962 Mets" Democratic roster is when compared to the 1962 Mets. Like General Clark suits up and grabs a bat. He's not the type of Democratic leader that would never have voted for this war."
LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Criticism undermines Notre Dame community

Students exercise poor judgment in ridicule of quarterback

I attended the game on Saturday against Michigan State and am writing to express my disappointment in certain members of the Notre Dame student body. Before the game, I noticed some students walking around wearing T-shirts designating Carlyle Holiday.

I find the actions of those students to be simply deplorable and completely devoid of common decency. At best, it is an action of extremely poor judgment. At worst, it is a sad reflection on the Notre Dame student body and community as a whole.

I grew up a Notre Dame fan and was fortunate enough to graduate from the University. My freshman year was the last year of Gerry Faust and my senior year was the National Championship season. So I have seen both good and bad. I’ve never seen, however, members of the student body single out one of their own for ridicule.

To those students who think these shirts are cute or funny, I ask them how they would feel if they sat behind someone wearing a T-shirt insulting their brother, sister or other family member. The student-athletes on the football team are not professionals. They aren’t being paid to show up on Saturday. On Monday morning, they go to class with the rest of the students. They eat in the same dining halls and live in the same dorms. Do students wear these T-shirts Monday through Friday? I highly doubt it.

This is not about who should start or not. This is about being a member of the Notre Dame community — a community made up of individuals of character, not a select group of sniping, self-centered students. To those certain students, I say that you should be ashamed of yourselves.

Marc Novotney
Indianapolis
Sept. 20

Spite for Holiday makes University look bad

I have been a Notre Dame fan all my life and am blessed to have had a son attend and graduate in 2002. I have watched hundreds of football games with pride. In the past few years, however, I have witnessed a disturbing trend where Irish pride, dignity and respect have given way to embarrassing, mean-spirited attacks in the form of boos and cat-calls aimed at Notre Dame players.

On behalf of true Notre Dame fans who love the game, and more importantly, what Notre Dame stands for, I apologize to Carlyle Holiday and his family. How sad and disgusting it is to hear Notre Dame fans boo a player. Where is the loyalty, the support for a struggling athlete, the sensitivity to understand that he and others on the team are doing the best they can? I want to win like everyone else but not at the expense of emotionally attacking a student — a 20-something-year-old young man.

Notre Dame lost more than just a game against Michigan State. Nationally televised, the game and its fans illustrated how commonplace and ordinary Notre Dame is becoming. Once an icon for teamwork, moral conduct and spiritual values, the University and its football fans are quickly gaining a new image for themselves — one certainly familiar to gladiators of old. Or, for a more contemporary comparison, they are reminiscent of a Jerry Springer audience.

If you love Notre Dame, then you love its students and all it stands for. In so doing, you respect and appreciate the efforts and talents of those students regardless of outcome. “Winning” is being part of Notre Dame. The University and its fans should be proud of Carlyle Holiday.

He is what Notre Dame stands for.

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Presidential visit raises human rights concerns

Notre Dame was visited this weekend by Nigerian President Olusegun Obasanjo. Father Paulinus Odorse believes we should join with Africa, and help the country forge into the future, “with the rest of the human community.” I would also like to believe this goal is possible of Nigeria.

However, I have serious reservations about the country’s leader. His Excellency, Chief Olusegun Obasanjo, and his appeal for solidarity, President Obasanjo has it within his power to spare the life of Amina Lawal, a Nigerian woman sentenced to die by an Islamic court.

Lawal’s crime is having a child outside of wedlock, which is considered adultery under Islamic Sharia. She is condemned to be executed by being buried up to her neck in sand and stoned to death.

Although the Nigerian Supreme Court will have the final say with appeals, President Obasanjo has allowed this travesty of human rights to go on far too long.

How can Nigeria forge into the future if President Obasanjo continues to allow the unjust persecution of this woman? As Catholics and Christians it is our belief that every person is equal under God. Two thousand years ago, Mary Magdalene was to have suffered the same fate as Lawal is to face, but Jesus halted her accusers as he said to them, “He that is without sin among you, let him cast the first stone at her.” (John 8:7).

If solidarity is to have sympathy for all humanity, then President Obasanjo should have sympathy for Amina Lawal and tell his people that the discrimination of women will no longer be tolerated under his presidency.

I implore the students of Notre Dame, Saint Mary’s and Holy Cross to raise their voices in support of human rights and tell President Obasanjo that in order to join the rest of us in the future, he must first demonstrate equality toward humanity in his own country.

Anthony Chacon
SMC Information Technology Staff
Sept. 19

EDITORIAL CARTOON

The Observer
Shame songs: We all have them, we all love them

There comes a time in everyone’s life when he must swallow his pride, cowboy up and admit to something that has been hiding from the rest of the world. Today, that thing happens to be those inevitable yet embarrassing melodies that come on the radio for your listening pleasure. Yes, I am talking about the modern marvel that is the shame song. The songs that define these shame songs are those which you love to listen to but would never admit to liking in front of your friends.

A perfect example comes when you are driving in the car and an addictive yet humiliating song comes on. If you’re lucky enough to be alone, you say, “Yes! I just love What’s Up” by 4 Non Blondes! Crank this up!” If you happen to be in a car full of friends, however, the song merits a much different response; “Turn this trash off and throw out the new Cannibal Corpse album!” is probably more likely to come from your lips in this context. All of your friends will agree, although odds are that they, too, just loved to belt out the lyrics to “Shaker Ball” along with you. Most of the time, this common reaction can be attributed to the clear threat of weakening one’s masculinity or to other such social stigmas. Either way, in denying the song, one is truly denying their intoxicating allure. I’ll get this in my head and Culture Club only come on the radio for your friends.

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to wear out on the town, as well.
Keep in mind that shrunken coats are very popular this season, also. They help in keeping everything fitted. They can be worn with a mini-dress to make the outfit look at bit more flirtatious, or you can add a pair of skinny trousers to achieve a more professional appearance.
The idea is to look like you have stepped out of a man’s closet, albeit with clothes that have substantially shrunk. Although menswear is huge this season, try to keep every­thing a little more delicate.
Leather jackets and trench coats are popular again this fall. Leather jackets can range anywhere from the waist length to the knee, but keep them slim-fitting as well. Trench coats that hit just below the knee are popular once again, but keep them tight, as you don’t want to look overwhelmed by the long coat.
As for the night life, well girls, get ready to show some leg once again, because minis are still filling the stores and will be for quite some time. Look like we are returning to prep school once again, with the short pleated skirt paired with either a button-down or an argyle sweater. Simple oversized but­tons are also popular and enhance the school girl look by the strong presence of the button.
If you are aiming for a more romantic look, try higher waists with ruffled tops. The flowing look of a higher waist enhances the level of ele­gance, and ruffles always increase the girlish factor of the outfit.
Platform shoes are making their comeback this fall, as are stiletto heels. So girls – you can pretty much take your pick.
Round toe pumps are softer-looking and a bit more versa­tile, while pointy-toed flats are highlighted this season with a straighter leg. Pointy pumps are popular, with a higher, skinny heel and fun colors. Oxford pumps accompany the school girl look, but they have been updated with stitching, tassels, buckles and stacked heels. Finally, high boots will be big this fall with a skinnier heel and a de­corative zipper or buckle.
As for accessories, wrist purses are also popular this season. They can be used for nighttime and daytime activi­ties, as they are small and dif­ficult to lose.

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Kansas City's Rondell White bowls over Chicago catcher Miguel Olivo in the Royals' 10-4 win Sunday.

Associated Press

CHICAGO — While the Chicago White Sox fade, the Kansas City Royals aren't ready to give up.

Rondell White hit a two-run home run, and Aaron Guetl drove in three runs as the Royals sent the White Sox to another big loss, 10-4 Sunday.

"Right from the get-go, this team's shown courage," Royals manager Tony Pena said. "This team is going to play hard the whole year. That's the point. The season's not over. There's still a week to go."

Chicago (81-74), which trailed 4-0 before it came to the plate, has dropped eight of 11, falling 5 1/2 games back of first-place Minnesota (87-69). It is the largest deficit in the AL Central for the White Sox since July 22.

"This was just another game where we came out not intense," said Chicago second baseman Tony Graffanino, who made two of his team's three errors.

Boston 2, Cleveland 0

Pedro Martinez wasn't about to let the AL wild-card race get any wilder for the Boston Red Sox.

Martinez struck out 11 in seven shutout innings Sunday, keeping Boston on track to make the playoffs as the Red Sox beat Cleveland 2-0 in the Indians' season finale at home.

"Pedro was on top of his game," Boston manager Grady Little said. "It helps to have a Pedro to bring us back after a rough loss." Martinez (14-4) allowed four hits in winning his fourth straight start this month. The right-hander's strong outing came one day after starter Derek Lowe and Boston's bullpen blew a 4-1 lead in the seventh inning and lost 13-4 to the Indians.

Martinez wouldn't allow it to happen again.

"He gives us so much confidence," first baseman Kevin Millar said. "When he's out there, we know we can turn it over to the offense and we should be able to take over. He just seems to dominate." Martinez walked two and raised his season strikeout total to 204. It wasn't the first time he has shut down the Indians _ he improved to 10-1 with a 1.66 ERA in 14 career starts against Cleveland, and 5-0 in six starts at Jacobs Field.

"It seems like every time we had him on the ropes, he took it up another notch," Indians first baseman Ben Broussard said.

"He'd throw a fastball 88 mph, the next one 91, the next one 92, and the next one 93. He's so polishes.

And for a change, Boston's unpredictable bullpen was smooth, too.

Mike Timlin worked a hitless eighth and Byung-Hyun Kim pitched the ninth for his 15th save.

Oakland 12, Seattle 0

Ted Lilly heard about Rich Harden's hurt back, then walked into the manager's office to tell Ken Macha he would pitch.

And oh what a gem Lilly threw _ when Oakland desperately needed one.

Lilly won his sixth straight start and Mark Ellis hit his first career grand slam as the Athletics avoided a three-game sweep by second-place Seattle with a 12-0 win Sunday.

"I think this shows how bad we wanted to win the West," Lilly said.

Billy McMillon had three hits and drove in two runs as the defending AL West champions lowered their magic number to win the division to three. The A's lead the Mariners by four games.

Seattle fell 2 1/2 games behind Boston in the AL wild-card race. The Red Sox won 2-0 at Cleveland.

The Mariners have six games left, including three against the A's in Seattle next weekend.

"This is obviously a big game, a big opportunity," Mariners catcher Dan Wilson said.

Put it this way, this loss takes it completely different race if we lose these games.

"But it's a big opportunity," Martinez catcher Dan Wilson said. "It's a completely different race if we win. It's a complete different race. We want to win it out of our hands if they win three.

Seattle had 31 hits in the first two games of this series, but managed only four hits against Lilly and three relievers.

Harden was scratched because of back spasms and replaced by the left-handed Lilly, who beat Seattle for the first time in eight career starts.

He entered 0-4 with a 6.89 ERA against the Mariners.
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Cubs' victory narrows Astros' division lead

Chicago's Mark Prior walks off the field after a recent win. Prior got another victory Sunday by beating the Pirates.

AP

PITTSBURGH — Cubs manager Dusty Baker all but guaranteed a victory before Sunday's game. Of course, most managers would feel that way with Mark Prior pitching. Prior gave the Cubs the dominating start they needed, striking out 14 in 7 2-3 innings as Chicago shook off two straight damaging losses to beat the Pirates 4-1 Sunday and closed within a half-game of the NL Central lead.

Aramis Ramirez, traded by the Pirates to the Cubs two months ago, hit two solo homers to help give Chicago a split in the four-game series.

"That was how I felt. I say what I feel. I felt we were going to win," Baker said of his pregame comments. "We were due to win ... and with the guy we had going out there, it really wasn't that tough to make that prediction."

The Cubs missed chances to gain ground on first-place Houston by losing 10-6 in the second game of a doubleheader Friday night and 8-2 Saturday night. They didn't Sunday. When the Astros lost 6-4 in St. Louis. The Cubs also cut their deficit in the NL wild-card race to 1 1/2 games as both the Marlins and Phillies lost. Still, it wasn't as if they were hanging on every pitch of the out-of-town games — their clubhouse TVs were tuned to two NFL games.

Los Angeles, San Francisco 5

One down, night to go

Manager Jim Tracy thinks the Los Angeles Dodgers may have to win all their remaining games to gain the NL wild-card berth, and they took the a step forward Sunday with a 7-5 victory over the San Francisco Giants.

The win moved them within 2 1/2 games of the wild-card lead. "We have a tall order ahead of us," Tracy said. "It looked like we had to win out to get there, to win the final nine. To do that, you have to win the first one."

Shawn Green started the Dodgers with the first of their four homers. Robin Ventura, Adrian Beltre and Jeremy Burnitz hit consecutive homers off rookie Kevin Correia in the fourth inning to tie the game at 5.

"What we did today, we haven't done much — and that's to hit the home-run ball," Tracy said. "Those back-to-back-to-back home runs ignited us, ignited the crowd."

Milwaukee 6, Arizona 4

Wes Obermueller got his first major league win, a year and a day after his big league debut. Richie Sexson, Keith Ginter and Bill Hall homered to back Obermueller as the Milwaukee Brewers beat the Arizona Diamondbacks 6-4 Sunday.

The 26-year-old right-hander, who made his big league debut on Sept. 20 last year for Kansas City against Cleveland. "I'm still shaking a little bit," he said. "It feels good to get over this hump a little bit. I just had some bad breaks in a couple of them."
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SAN FRANCISCO — Kelly Holcomb waited until the last possible minute to save the Cleveland Browns — and maybe his job.

Andre Davis caught an 11-yard touchdown pass from Holcomb with 29 seconds left as the Browns rallied for two late scores and a 13-12 victory Sunday over the San Francisco 49ers.

The Browns had one touchdown in their first 11 quarters this season before scoring two in the fourth against San Francisco's defense, which held them to 113 yards in the first three quarters.

Holcomb knew his starting spot might have been in the balance after two lousy games, but he finally led the Browns on two stirring drives for the victory.

Both ended in TD passes to Davis — the second capping a 21-yard drive comprised mostly of short, expertly thrown passes.

The turnaround thrilled a miniature Dawg Pound at Candlestick Park, which at times had looked like an embarrassing defeat, routing the Atlanta Falcons.

After scoring, Sapp crashed the ball in his arms as he hopped and twirled in a giddy circle. He claimed to have borrowed the move from Beyoncé Knowles’ “Crazy in Love” video, though it was a bit difficult to pick up any resemblance.

“I didn’t do it quite like she does,” Sapp conceded. “She’s got more assets than me.”

The Browns were clearly perturbed by the way they lost to Carolina a week earlier, getting two field goals and an extra point blocked before falling 12-9 in overtime. Tampa Bay took out its frustration on the hapless Falcons, who fumbled for the second time in a row to give Dan Reeves his 200th coaching victory.

“We felt like we let the team down last week, so we wanted to bounce back,” said safety Dwight Smith, who had two of the three interceptions thrown by Falcons quarterback Doug Johnson.

Cleveland's Andre Davis grabs the game-winning touchdown pass in the Browns' 13-12 win over the 49ers.

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Last-minute touchdown pass saves Browns
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IN BRIEF

Palmeiro, Rangers at impasse

ARLINGTON — Rafael Palmeiro wants to finish his career with the Texas Rangers. Owner Tom Hicks says that's all he wants. Making it happen isn't that easy.

Rangers president Nolan Ryan said Sunday night that the club is waiting for a decision from Palmeiro. "He wants to finish his career here. He wants to play here. He wants to be a Ranger," Ryan said.

Associated Press

DALLAS — As the touchdown receptions started piling up, especially after he scored three on consecutive snaps, Oklahoma State's Rashaun Woods wondered whether he might be headed for a record.

Then he figured the mark must be pretty high. "I thought it was like 10 or something," he said.

Actually, the Division I record was six, and Woods had five by halftime Saturday night against Southern Methodist. Because he'd already broken the school record of four, Woods figured he was headed to the bench.

Then coach Les Miles told him he could play two more series. That was all Woods needed.

Woods capped the Cowboys' first drive of the third quarter with a 5-yard reception in the left side of the end zone to match the Division I mark set 34 years ago by Tim Delaney of San Diego State.

Just over eight minutes later, he took sole possession by hauling in an 11-yard fade along the right edge of the end zone. "I didn't know until I did it," Woods said. "Coach didn't tell me or even hint." Woods actually got off to a slow start, missing four deep balls on the opening drive, with several drops. Then he took some pot­tions pills and drank lots of water to help fight the humidity. He started loosening up by catching a 5-yard TD pass in traffic. Then came a 10-yarder, followed 34- and 32-yarders on Oklahoma State's next two plays. SMU felt for a fake handoff on the 32-yarder and again on his next one, a 25-yarder on third-and-1.

Two of his best catches set up his final two touchdowns. There was a 30-yarder on the Cowboys' first drive of the third quarter, then a 49-yarder between two defenders to set up the record-breaker.

Woods finished with 13 catches for 232 yards, both career bests. The yardage is a school record, topping the 226 he had against Oklahoma last season. The seven TDs were two more than any Cowboy had ever scored — twice more than Barry Sanders ever had — and the 42 points were another first.

Josh Fields threw all seven touchdown passes.

IN BRIEF

Chastain breaks ankle in World Cup

WASHINGTON — Brandi Chastain broke a bone in her right foot on Sunday in a World Cup game and will miss the rest of the first round, at least.

Chastain, the heroine of the United States' 1999 victory in the World Cup with her penalty-kick goal against China, was injured in the first half as the Americans beat Sweden 3-1.

The defender was unsure when she was hurt, but she said a Swedish player kicked her in the foot "and I landed on the ankle." She was replaced by World Cup rookie Cat Reddick.

X-rays showed Chastain broke the third metatarsal. "The most important thing about the day is we earned three points," Chastain said. "And we are one step closer to the quarterfinals."

This is not an individual thing. My main concern is the team moving on, and if that means I have to contribute by cheering from the sidelines, I will cheer as loud as I can for my teammates."

Smoltz makes return for Braves

ATLANTA — Braves closer John Smoltz returned from the disabled list on Monday and retired the only Florida Marlin batter he faced in the ninth inning.

Smoltz had been on the disabled list since Aug. 27 with tendinitis in his right elbow, and he hadn't pitched since Aug. 23. He got Juan Pierre on a groundout and then left in favor of Ray King.

Smoltz has 44 saves this season, a year after setting the NL record with 55.

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**SMC VOLLEYBALL**

Belles fall to Alma in four

Saint Mary's Lauren Temple hits a shot in a recent game against Rochester College.

By JUSTIN SCHUVER

**Association Sports Editor**

Saint Mary's fell 1-4 in MIAA play with a four-set loss to Alma at home Sunday by the score of 25-20, 21-30, 28-30, 25-30.

Despite an impressive individual standout by defensive specialist Allston Shevick, the Belles were unable to pull out the victory.

Shevick had 30 digs in the match, leading all players. Outside hitter Kristen Payko again led the Belles in kills, amassing 21 kills in the four-game match. Payko has led the team in kills for nearly every game this year, despite being only a freshman.

"Kristen's just another strong player," middle hitter Elise Rupright said. "She is an excellent player, but I think she also has a positive attitude.

"This year we have a much more positive team and I think we all want to do what we can to help each other out and help win," she said.

The Belles got off to a rough start, losing the first two games but coming back to win the next game. They made the fourth game close, but were unable to get it done and eventually fell by two points.

"That's probably what we were happiest about," Rupright said. "We didn't quit and fought hard to the end.

Outside attacker Ann Carpenter had an especially solid game for the Belles, totaling 15 kills while committing zero errors.

Setter Lauren Temple led the Belles in assists with 43, which is not all that unusual for a setter. What is somewhat unusual is that she was also the leading blocker on the team, totaling two blocks, both of which were assisted.

Overall, the blocking game was not a strong point for the Belles, who totaled five blocks in the game while their opponent collected 13 blocks. Alma had more kills than Saint Mary's as well by 38-36. Alma had more blocks, both of which were collected 13 blocks. Alma had more kills than Saint Mary's as well by 38-36.

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Saint Mary's remains at home to face conference opponent Hope Tuesday at 6 p.m. Alma lost to Hope in straight sets earlier this year.

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**MD WOMEN'S GOLF**

Irish grab sixth-place in tourney

The Notre Dame women's golf team ended its play at the Mary Fossum Invitational in a sixth-place tie with Michigan on Sunday.

The Irish entered the final 18 holes in a tie for fifth, but shot a 316 in the final round for a 54-hole total of 937. Michigan State came into Sunday's round having shot a 277 in Saturday's round for a total of 556. The Irish shot a 280 in their final round of the tournament, shooting a 78 in the final round.

Sophomore Kate Brophy was next for Notre Dame, shooting a 79 in the final round, tying for fourth place. Freshman Noriko Nakazaki tied with 21-over par and was next for the Irish.

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Irish midfielder Kevin Goldwaite kicks the ball during Notre Dame's 1-0 win against West Virginia.

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with 3:36 remaining to push up and join the offense on crucial plays inside the Irish box. "If you let them hang around, then in the last four or five minutes they become very direct," Clark said. "But it's important that our team did not give them any chances today."

Clark was pleased with his team's dominance. "I thought we controlled play from start to finish," he said. "We could have won by a lot more, but I guess you get the same amount of points for a 1-0 win as you do for a 5-0 win, and a win's a win."

Midfielders Martin and junior Luke Boughen made smart decisions distributing the ball. Senior outside midfielder Chad Riley won a significant number of tackles, and defenders Jack Stewart, Kevin Richards and Goldthwaite were too fast and too aggressive for the West Virginia attackers.

"In the first 30 minutes, we just tried to overwhelm them with our work ethic," Martin said. "[West Virginia] is a team that has won its last four games and given up no goals. I think this is another step in our team play."

Notre Dame is 1-1 in Big East conference play. The Irish lost to St. John's earlier in the season.

**Notes**

- Forward Justin Detter and midfielder Greg Martin felt "under the weather" but still played the entire game.
- There's a little bug going around and a couple of us weren't feeling too good, so we're glad we could come out and play the way we did," Martin said.
- Freshman forward Ian Riberington saw significant action for the second straight home game, at one point taking a through pass and rocketing a shot past the right side of the net.

**Scoring Summary**

ND — Prescod, Devon (4), 39:14 (unassisted)

Notre Dame — Saves 1 (Sawyer 1), Shots 16 (Detter 4), Fouls 10

West Virginia — Saves 8 (Noble 8), Shots 4 (Dennisone 2), Fouls 19

Offsides — ND 3, WV 0

Yellow card — West Virginia (94:14)

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**MEN'S GOLF**

Irish finish 15th at tournament

Special to The Observer

The Notre Dame men's golf team shot a final-round 307 to finish in 15th place at the Inverness Intercollegiate Invitational Saturday afternoon at the famed Inverness Club in Toledo, Ohio. The Irish shot a three-round score of 934 and wound up 48 shots behind the tournament winner, UCLA.

Sophomore Dan Klauser rounded out the Notre Dame lineup, finishing 63rd overall with a 239 score. Freshman Cole Isban also made the trip for the Irish, but was disqualified after the second round for submitting an incorrect scorecard.
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Prescod’s goal holds up in 1-0 win over West Virginia

By PAT LEONARD
Sports Writer

Devon Prescod notched his fourth goal of the season Sunday as Notre Dame knocked off Big East opponent West Virginia 1-0 at Alumni Field.

The win marks the second consecutive victory for the Irish after defeating in-state rival Indiana by a goal in double overtime Thursday night. Prescod scored with 5:46 remaining in the first half against a Mountaineer defense that had not given up a goal in its four previous games. Prescod won a free ball in the box and drilled a low shot past goalkeeper Nick Noble. “They play a 4-5-1, with just one forward,” coach Bobby Clark said. “If you don’t get the goals early, you’ll keep them hanging around.”

The Irish out shot the Mountaineers 16-4 and had numerous chances to put the game away. Defender Kevin Goldblwaile hit the joint of the crossbar on a shot, and forward Justin Dettor flicked a Nate Norman crossing pass off the crossbar. Other shots sailed just over the net. West Virginia’s Noble made eight saves.

“We’re doing our best not to get frustrated on offense,” captain and center-outfielder Greg Martin said. “I thought Dettor played very well. [Junior] Menna started and played well for us. The forwards are all doing a good job. The goals are going to come.”

West Virginia brought pressure late in the game, inserting goalkeeper Adam Shulter for the final margin.

A Notre Dame runner sprints by a fellow competitor during the National Catholic Invitational. The Irish won the meet.

“Knew I was in really good shape, and I knew what I could do,” she said. “I was where I wanted to be. The team, we stayed together as a group. It was exactly what we wanted to do.”

Meagher, whose 1,500-meter performance last spring took her to the regional track meet, was not alone at the top, though. Senior Maggie Nelson took second, and sophomores Elizabeth Webster and Jean Maringles finished third and fourth. Senior Katie Wales arrived at the line in seventh place.

The men also stuck together in a pack for much of the race. Led by sophomore Caleb Van Ort, who took second overall, the Irish occupied four spots in the top ten. Despite their efforts, the duo did not crack the top ten. 

ND WOMEN’S SOCCER

Top competition doesn’t faze Irish

Women tie Stanford, defeat Santa Clara

By ANDY TROEGER
Sports Writer

The No. 2 women’s soccer team completed a solid weekend Sunday with a 2-1 victory over No. 10 Santa Clara at the SCU Adidas Classic. The Irish opened play in the tournament with a 0-0 tie against No. 16 Stanford.

Although the Irish only scored two goals on the weekend, they dictated the majority of the play in both contests, taking a 4-2 advantage in shots against Santa Clara while having a 13-7 advantage against Stanford.

With the win and tie, the Irish moved to 7-0-1 on the season. Santa Clara fell to 3-2-1 and Stanford exited the weekend with a 3-3-1 record. The Irish took the early lead against Santa Clara, with the tandem of junior Mary Boland and sophomore Katie Thorlakson combining on both goals against the Broncos.

Thorlakson started the sequence five minutes in, with her cross going through the box to Boland, who placed the ball into the far right side of the net for her team-best seventh goal of the season, matching her combined total from her first two seasons at Notre Dame.

Santa Clara notched the equalizer early in the second half, scoring on their only shot on a goal from freshman Marian Dalmy. It was only the fourth goal allowed by the Irish all season and the first goal allowed by Notre Dame in the second half of any game.

The tie was short-lived however, with senior forward Amy Warmer starting the eventual game-winning sequence. After gaining possession on the right side, she passed to Boland, who struck a low shot toward the goal. Santa Clara goalkeeper Julie Ryder saved the ball momentarily, but Thorlakson hammered home the rebound to provide the final margin. The Irish controlled most of the possession and the game.”

The Irish open their season at the National Catholic Invitational on Saturday.
Irish searching for answers after 22-16 loss drops their record to 1-2

By PAT LEONARD
Sports Writer

The United States flag at the north end of Notre Dame Stadium flew at half-mast Saturday in memory of late Indiana governor Frank O'Bannon. But after the Michigan State game, Irish fans might have thought it was for Notre Dame’s season.

Two Carlyle Holiday interceptions — one of which was returned 40 yards for a touchdown — and a 71-yard touchdown run by Spartans running back Jaren Hayes buried Notre Dame. And as much as freshman quarterback Brady Quinn and sophomore wide receiver Rhema McKnight tried, a fourth quarter comeback was too late as Notre Dame fell to Michigan State, 22-16.

"I think we played determined the entire game," coach Tyrone Willingham said. "We fought all the way to the end. Loses hurt. They hurt players. They hurt the coaches. We'll bounce back." Quinn entered the game twice, the second time following a 40-yard interception return of a Notre Dame pass by Michigan State linebacker Greg Taplin to make the score 22-6. Quinn completed five passes and a very good chance of winning that game, or having 12 men on the field after a timeout and time ran out. Determined players, the Irish have found, isn't enough this season.

"Football is a game about individual battles," said middle linebacker Courtney Watson. "If every individual on your side of the ball wins that battle, then you have a very good chance of winning that game, and we haven't been able to do that the past couple of weeks." Michigan State began the scoring on its first drive — the first time this season that has happened for the Spartans. A 16-yard Jeff Smoker bootleg and an 11-yard pass to wide receiver Agim Shabaj set up a Dave Rayner 51-yard field goal that gave Michigan State a 3-0 lead. The Irish got the ball back, only to have Holiday draw a screen pass directly into the hands of Spartan linebacker Mike Lalino. Quinn would play the next two Irish series at quarterback, with Holiday starting the second half.

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"Usually when you're kicking a field goal something bad happened on offense, because you didn't get the first down or you didn't get in the end zone," Seta said. "So you just try to help the team as much as you can."

Notre Dame received the ball to start the second half, only to lose momentum on a Marcus Wilson fumble following an 11-play, 45-yard drive. The defense held Michigan State to three-and-out the next drive, but after poor decision-making by Holiday and an Irish punt, Spartan running back Jaren Hayes broke a 71-yard touchdown run off the left side of the line. The run made the score 13-6 Michigan State. "We had one big letdown," Budisascak said, "and that's all it takes."

Despite another Seta field goal, Greg Taplin's 40-yard interception return for a touchdown off a Holiday miscue made the score 22-9 and put the game out of reach.

On the one hand, the Spartan defense deserves a large amount of credit for containing the Irish. "Our defense came to play today and while we made mistakes, we are making fewer and fewer each week," Spartan coach John Smith said. "They certainly contributed to our win."

On the other hand, the ineptitude of the Notre Dame offense may have contributed more.

Wide receiver Maurice Stovall dropped a potential first-down pass over the middle in the second quarter that bailed a Notre Dame drive, one of three he would drop on the day. Tight end Jared Clark also dropped a key pass, as did running back Julius Jones.

After the game, reporters suggested the offense just was not clicking and that some chemistry was missing between quarterbacks, linemen and receivers. But McKnight saw things a bit differently.

"We just got beat today," McKnight said. "I don't think it's so much we're not clicking, we just tend to make mistakes in crucial situations. And we can't have that in order to be a good team."

A solemn Hilliard, who finished the game with five tackles and a forced fumble, simplified the matter.

"Right now we're not getting it done," he said. "It's nothing in particular. As a team we're not getting it done. I'm kind of out of it right now."

Why?

"(We're) one-and-two, man," Hilliard said. "Nobody wants to be 1-2." Contact Pat Leonard at pleonard@nd.edu

Michigan State 22, Notre Dame 16

What now?

Irish head coach Tyrone Willingham stares at the grass during Notre Dame's 22-16 loss to Michigan State Saturday. Saturday's loss marked the fourth consecutive time the Spartans had beaten the Irish in Notre Dame Stadium, and it is only the 12th time in school history the Irish have started a season 1-2.

player of the game
Jaren Hayes
The Spartan running back rushed for 109 yards, including a 71-yard touchdown dash that gave Michigan State the lead for good.

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Current Michigan State winning streak at Notre Dame Stadium, the longest in the teams' 67-year rivalry

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Greg Taplin's 40-yard interception return for a touchdown
Notre Dame was trailing by a touchdown when Taplin essentially slammed the nail into the coffin.

quote of the game
"We're obviously not playing well enough. We haven't demonstrated anything the last two weeks."

Courtney Watson
Irish linebacker
Quarterback Carlyle Holiday looks to complete a pass against Michigan State, while trying to avoid the Spartans' pass rush. Poor offensive line play and inconsistent performances from Holiday have been just a few of Notre Dame's many problems early this season.

How bad was Notre Dame Saturday against Michigan State? Let me count the ways:

One, quarterback Carlyle Holiday possibly had the worst game of his Notre Dame career — which isn't saying much for the oft-maligned signal caller who may lose his starting job to freshman Brady Quinn next weekend. Holiday played so poorly that he ought to consider switching sports — say to basketball. After all, he attempted more bounce passes Saturday than Notre Dame point guard Chris Thomas. Holiday's 10- for-25 performance with two interceptions — one of which was returned for a touchdown and served as the "nail in the coffin," as Spartans coach John Smith described it after the game — was just the beginning of Notre Dame's troubles.

Two, even on the rare occasions that Holiday's throws were on the money — and in his defense, some of them were — the Irish receivers were likely to drop the balls. Notre Dame had at least eight dropped balls that should have been completions, including such beauties as Maurice Stovall's third-down drop at the start of the second quarter to move the chains and Jared Clark's potential first-down reception from Quinn that could have put the Irish in scoring position near the end of the first half.

Three, one of the reasons that many of Holiday's passes were carving off of the turf in Notre Dame Stadium was that, for the third straight game, he was attempting to deliver most of them while falling to his backside. While Michigan State only had three sacks — which is three more than the Irish defense had all day — Spartan defenders had free range on Holiday and Quinn all afternoon.

Four, while one way to cure the problem of pressure on the quarterbacks would be to run the ball, Spartan backs made it past the line of scrimmage!

Five, but even getting past all these problems, the Irish managed to put together a few impressive drives that should have resulted in touchdowns and a Notre Dame victory. But time and again, the Irish took themselves right out of the game with costly penalties and turnovers at the most crucial time.

All three Irish turnovers halted promising drives and swung the momentum right back into the hands of Michigan State. Holiday's interception on a swing pass resulted in a 12-play, 49-yard drive to start the second half, and Holiday's second interception all but sealed the victory for the Spartans.

But unlike most Notre Dame games of the past year and a half, offensive anemia was not the only gripe. Even the once-mighty Irish defense bears some of the blame for Saturday's loss.

Six, while the defense contained the Spartan running backs for the most part, they suffered a complete breakdown on a Jaren Hayes 71-yard touchdown run. Later, with the team in striking distance and only needing a third-and-8 stop to get the offense back on the field for a last-minute drive to win the game, the defense fell short, allowing Hayes a 7-yard run to set up the first down and the Spartan victory.

But the scary part is, this game was an easy one for the Irish and a must-win. They now have to travel to take on two potential top-25 teams in Purdue and Pittsburgh, then get to come home for the pleasure of hosting USC, who blew Notre Dame up for 610 yards of offense last year.

After all, it's the road to take on rival Boston College, followed by a home game with a Florida State squad bent on revenge.

"It is really hard to point to any positives from today's game," running back Julius Jones said. "I think everyone is feeling the pressure now."

And they should, because without some major improvements after Saturday's performance, the Irish are staring at a 1-7 start right in the eye.

The opinions expressed in this column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer. Contact Chris Federico at cfederic@nd.edu.
Quinn shines; is the Holiday over?

By ANDREW SOUKUP

If there wasn’t a bona-fide quarter­back controversy before Notre Dame lost 22-16 to Michigan State, there is now.

There is after Carlyle Holiday completed just 10-of-25 passes for 99 yards, including two interceptions with quarterback Brady Quinn, three completions,” he said. “We have to touch down catch late in the game and was bunched.

Then Quinn came in and led the Irish on a nine-play, 82-yard drive that culminated in the freshman’s first collegiate touchdown pass.

After the game, Quinn defended Holiday and ripped the T-shirts touting the freshman as the starter, saying, “I don’t think a lot of people know what it feels like and how it all works. Only a quarterback knows what all goes on, and I think [the criticism] is really unfair.”

But Quinn also said that while he didn’t have Holiday’s game experience, he was confident he could start if the coaches wanted him to. And teammates — including Holiday — have impressed with the freshman’s poise and early grasp of Diedrick’s complicated offense.

While the coaches remained relatively silent after the game, Diedrick praised Quinn while only saying Holiday “struggled.” Both Diedrick and Wiliamson refused to speculate on who would start Saturday at Purdue, insisting that a decision would be made after analyzing game film and seeing how the players performed in practice.

“T here’s a lot of thoughts I have right now,” the coach said, “and not a lot are pleasant.”

ButHoliday and the Irish coaches know the current state of the Irish quarterback position is no laughing matter. Diedrick, normally one of the most quotable Irish coaches, was uncharacteristically reserved after Saturday’s loss, saying he’d prefer not to comment on the nation’s 116th-ranked offense until he’d seen game film and was confident he could start if the coaches wanted him to. And teammates — including Holiday — have impressed with the freshman’s poise and early grasp of Diedrick’s complicated offense.

By ANDREW SOUKUP

The Observer

McKnight’s play provides silver lining

Observer Staff Report

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Irish fans look on in disbelief as their team loses its second game of the season, falling to an unranked Michigan State team at home.

Irish running back Julius Jones runs through a hole as Spartan defenders pursue. Irish backs only collected 100 yards on the ground in Saturday's loss.

Irish punt returner Vontez Duff jukes out a Spartan defender during his electrifying 46-yard return in the first quarter. The return set up one of Nicholas Setta's three field goals.

Irish receiver Rhema McKnight runs after catching a short pass from Brady Quinn in the fourth quarter. McKnight scored the only Irish offensive touchdown.

Irish defenders try to block a Dave Rayner field goal attempt. Notre Dame was unsuccessful in blocking the kick, one of three Rayner field goals in the game.

Despite outgaining the Michigan State offense by two yards, Notre Dame didn't have enough to get it done against the Spartans and fell by a score of 22-16. Interceptions, fumbles, bad shotgun snaps, wobbly punts, dropped passes and poorly-thrown passes added up to Notre Dame's second loss of the year. The home team could not get it done against a mediocre opponent, and the schedule isn't getting any easier.