ND cancels contract with Taco Bell

Student-raised concerns prompt University action

By CLAIRE HEININGER

The University decided not to renew the athletic department's $50,000 yearly sponsorship agreement because of concerns raised by the Progressive Student Alliance, Notre Dame spokesman Matt Storin said Monday. The students, who argued that the chain's tomato suppliers in Florida treated migrant workers unfairly, deserve a lot of credit for bringing up these issues, doing the

Boat Club lawsuits won't sink

Appeals court ruling favors plaintiffs; bar faces limited penalties

By TERESA FRALISH

Nearly a year and a half after first learning they were being sued for their January 2003 citations at The Boat Club, many students are finding themselves right back at square one.

Over the summer, the Indiana Court of Appeals ruled that The Boat Club could bring lawsuits against the students, reversing a lower court's August 2003 decision to dismiss the cases.

Originally brought by the Millennium Club, owner of The Boat Club, in April 2003, the suits argued that underage students fraudulently represented themselves to the bar and therefore were responsible for the damages it incurred. Consequently, Millennium Club requested that the students be held liable and pay $3,000 each.

The appeals court ruling does not address or affect the substance of the suits. Attorneys for the students have chosen not to appeal this ruling to the Indiana Supreme Court, said Ed Sullivan, attorney for many of the cited students.

The suits now return to the South Bend Small Claims Court, where students have the option to seek a hearing or negotiate a settlement with The Boat Club.

The January 2003 raid by Indiana Excise Police netted 213 "minor in a tavern" citations. Students involved were offered pretrial diversion with a fine and community service hours, and Notre Dame students received

Limited space forces quick fix

Study lounges, doubles converted

By ANNA GELHAUS

Jessica, Lisa and Katherine are in a room that held just Lindsey and Nina last year.

The names may change, but the situation is the same all over Notre Dame. Dorm rooms that once held two are now holding three, and every available study lounge is being converted to living space.

The Office of Residential Life and Housing attributed the overcrowding issues, more pressing in women's dorms than men's, to a larger amount of seniors staying on campus and more female admits.

Welsh Family Hall freshmen Katherine Hart, Lisa Zickuhr and Jessica Cortez share a triple that was last year a double. Although they agree the situation is working well so far, they did question it at first.

Hart explained that the

Lewis welcomes new rector

By JANICE FLYNN

Upon graduation, Winikates joined the Jesuit Volunteer Corps for a year and taught in Houston at Our Lady of Guadalupe School. After holding various computer-related jobs, she completed her masters in pastoral studies at Loyola University in New Orleans. She then stayed in New Orleans for four years, serving as a teacher and campus minister at an all-girls high school.

Though she returned to computer employment in Dallas, Winikates felt called to full-time ministry, but admitted that the right job eluded her.

Then, in a string of serendipity, an ad for the Notre Dame rector position caught her eye.

A string of interviews later, Winikates was offered the job.

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Storm affects both campuses

Observer Staff Report

Nearly 80 percent of Notre Dame's campus was left without power at about 10:45 p.m. Wednesday, according to Notre Dame Security Police duty officer Dave Austin.

The outage was most likely caused by a power loss at a South Bend lift station. Austin said it was not immediately clear which areas of campus lost power, but affected areas included South Quad and the security building area. Full power returned after about 15 minutes, although some areas were still without power over an hour later.

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Learning from architecture

Not pretending to be an expert in either field by any means, I would like to offer a few observations on architecture and learning, especially at this University. Those returning to campus this week have certainly noticed several new academic buildings peering the landscape. With all of the new construction and growth, this is an exciting time to be present at Notre Dame. However, for those who will engage the halls of these buildings in the years to come, I hope the architecture of today will meet the needs of our students and faculty. Let me explain.

When you walk into a building, have you ever considered how it makes you feel? Have you considered the way your steps are directed, even the way your mind is directed, by the bounds of the space? Whether or not you are privy enough to contemplate your surroundings on a regular basis, architecture is a painstaking craft, perhaps exerting more influence on your daily routine than you might realize.

Think for a moment about DeBartolo Hall. Sitting today in one of those tiny seminar rooms on the third floor where the walls are grey, 25 desks are shoved against the back wall so the professor can breathe and the only window hides in the corner square and outlined by a thick metal square and outlined by a thick metal frame, I find myself wandering off-topic from the lecture quite often. The professor and the material presented were actually quite interesting, and I wasn’t feeling tired, so I sat there trying to figure out why I was having so much trouble paying attention, until I realized a striking paradox: The architecture of the space was distracting to my learning. I found myself having to actively ignore my surroundings in order to focus on the room; nothing about the room made the material come alive, and all I could think about was how that made me feel. I could not focus.

There was with a brilliant professor explaining the relation of philosophy and poetry in a way that really spoke to my learning, and yet I could not focus.

There are many ways to look at DeBartolo Hall. Perhaps you appreciate the lecture. At an institution like this, you really should go check it out. It’s cool man, it’s cool.

I wish it was drawn later. My head is filled up with six classes already. I’ll let you know tomorrow.

IN BRIEF

Watch the documentary Control Room, an unprecedented look inside controversial Islamic news channel Al Jazeera, at the new Michael Browning Family Cinema at the DeBartolo Center for the Performing Arts. The movie will be shown at 7 p.m. and 9 p.m. tonight. Tickets cost $3 for Notre Dame students, $5 for Notre Dame faculty and staff and $6 for the general public.

Play co-rec sand volleyball in a one-night-only tournament today from 6 to 10 p.m. on the Biebe Sand Courts. Bring your teammates and register at Rolfs in advance, then bump, set, and spike under the lights.

Reserve your place for “Twilight in the Press Box,” a limited-seating event to benefit the Fischhoff National Chamber Music Association. Open to all Notre Dame, Saint Mary’s, and Holy Cross faculty, the night’s schedule includes a cash bar at 6:00 p.m., dinner at sunset, and a jazz performance by Triplicity. For reservations, call (574) 631-9994.

Get ready for the first-ever full football scrimmage open to the public, to be held in the Stadium from 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. Friday. The scrimmage will be free and open to all students, faculty and staff members of the Notre Dame community.

Come see Lucky Boys Confusion, a Chicago-based, self-described “ground-running, unapologetic rock” band in concert at Legends this Saturday at 10 p.m. Admission is free.

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

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The Observer regrets itself as a professional publication and strives for the highest standards of journalism at all times. We do, however, recognize that we will make mistakes. If you have made a mistake, please contact us at 631-4541 so we can correct our errors.
DVD rental service available in LaFortune

Student government officials deliver on campaign promise

By JEANNINE PRIVAT

News Writer

Once, students with late-night movie quote disputes had to scour multiple DVD collections or hitch a ride to Blockbuster to settle the score.

Now, the search is over, thanks to the $2.99 a night DVD rental from the new Huddle Video in LaFortune's Huddle Mart. Customers can't miss the free-standing rack placed directly in the center of the Huddle that holds a collection of over 300 DVDs. The titles range from newly-released films like "Starsky & Hutch" or "Rocky" and Woody Allen's "Annie Hall."

The selection will increase with the addition of recent movies, which is contingent upon the success of the venture. From 2 p.m. until the Huddle closes, students will be able to borrow DVDs, with rentals due by the following midnight. Though off-campus commercial "stores' late fees are often lower than the $4 that Huddle Video charges, many students, including junior Tom Schreck, found the price "pretty reasonable."

Huddle general manager James LaBella said the relatively steep late fee was chosen to encourage prompt returns. After doing research on other universities' video rentals, he discovered the main problem with renting DVDs was getting them handed back on time. "I really don't want to collect fees. I really just want the movies returned," LaBella said.

To rent DVDs, students must fill out a short registration form at the Huddle with information that will be entered into the Huddle Video database to make future rentals quick and simple. Almost 200 students are already in the system, and LaBella encourages students to pre-register to make the first rental hassle-free.

The concept of an on-campus DVD rental option was an integral part of student body president Adam Istvan's platform in last year's election. Istvan wanted to do this for the majority of campus, said Bell pushed to have the project's $7500 start-up cost included in the 2004-05 budget, and worked during the summer to ensure the collection would be ready for the start of school.

"I'm just glad we got it off the ground," Istvan said. "It's just been a matter of getting the money."

When he was a Huddle student manager, Istvan and LaBella talked about starting a rental service. After the election, Istvan and vice president Karla Bell pushed to have the project's $7500 start-up cost included in the 2004-05 budget, and worked during the summer to ensure the collection would be ready for the start of school.

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A student peruses Huddle Video's DVD collection in LaFortune. The new service offers over 300 titles for customers to choose from, allowing them to rent for $2.99 a day.

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Most buildings converted to limited basic power immediately, and NDSP reported no injuries or electronic systems failures resulting from the power loss.

At Saint Mary's, about 300 phones were without service after lightning struck outside the science building.

Telecommunications coordinator Sandy Handley said she knew of no lasting harm, but that the lightning did cause temporary damage to some wiring.

Most of the affected phones were staff and convent lines. The phones lost service around 5 p.m.

An emergency repair order was placed to the off-campus provider and as of 10 p.m., service had been restored to the majority of campus, said Handley.

"What we think happened is that after the strike hit near the security building, it traveled underground and affected some of the cables," director of marketing and communications Nick Farmer said. "A technician came out and determined that there was no real damage, but it did in fact interrupt the system."

At 10 p.m. Wednesday night, the telecommunications department was waiting on confirmation from the off-campus service provider that everything was running correctly.

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research and carrying on the discussion in a very responsible and studied way," Storin said.

He added that while Taco Bell lost its official sponsorship of a postgame football radio show, it can still advertise in game programs.

The contract first drew campus attention in early April, when the PSA wrote letters to University President Edward Malloy publicizing a series of student hunger strikes.

Tension escalated when approximately 30 students approached Malloy’s office in person April 14, prompting Vice President and General Counsel Carol Kaesebier — who had been in contact with both the PSA and Taco Bell’s parent company, Yum! Brands Inc., since the fall — to make several follow-up calls to Taco Bell.

When the University did not receive specific and timely answers, Notre Dame issued a public statement April 27 that proposed plans to renew the contract and expand it to $75,000 by this fall until Taco Bell delivered a satisfactory response.

Although Notre Dame did not set an explicit deadline for Taco Bell’s response, the University’s concerns were not sufficiently resolved in time to renew the sponsorship for this year, Storin said.

Despite the various strains and delays, Storin characterized the episode as a constructive dialogue between the students and the administration.

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**Lawsuits**

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Bomb explodes in Thailand

BANGKOK, Thailand — A powerful bomb exploded at a busy morning market in Thailand’s troubled Muslim south Thursday, killing one person and wounding at least 25 others, including soldiers, police and schoolchildren who were marching in a parade, officials said.

The blast in Narathiwat province occurred as Prime Minister Thaksin Shinawatra was touring the region, which has been wracked by violence in recent months that officials have blamed mostly on Islamic militants. He was in Trang province, about 150 miles to the west, when the bomb went off.

Arafat renews tactics once again

RAMALLAH, West Bank — Veteran Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat turned back another effort by critics to force him to resign his post, as Prime Minister Thaksin Shinawatra was touring the region, which has been racked by violence in recent months that officials have blamed mostly on Islamic militants. He said it fairly represented hundreds of women who got silicone breast implants and in the process, the findings Thursday to the American Chemical Society in Philadelphia.

Legal experts say it’s only a matter of time before a powerful new flu strain spurs another pandemic. There have been three in the last 50 years, including a 1918 flu that so-called Spanish flu killed more than half a million Americans and more than 20 million people worldwide.

US prepares for flu outbreak

WASHINGTON — How to ration scarce medications and speed vaccine production are among the government’s top concerns as it struggles to get ready for the next worldwide flu epidemic, say federal plans obtained by Associated Press.

But tried-and-true ways of limiting infection such as school closures, travel restrictions and antivirals may offer a few hours of the earliest protections when the next pandemic strikes, say the long-awaited plans.

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Concern is rising that the next pandemic could be triggered by the recurring bird flu in Asia, if it mutates in a way that lets it spread easily among people.

Breast implants build up platinum

WASHINGTON — Researchers have found high concentrations of platinum in women who got silicone breast implants and in the children they bore and breast-fed afterward.

The type of platinum found in the women’s blood and urine was different than the traces of regular platinum not commonly found in people’s bodies. It was a highly reactive platinum, used to help turn silicon oil into the honey-like gel that lends a more natural feel to breast implants.

Concentrations were up to three times higher in women who had breast implants, according to findings by S.V.M. Mahara, a chemist at American University.

 motto, Vladimir Ustinov, said President Vladimir Putin during a televised meeting during the Tuesday night crash.

Ustinov said the Prosecutor General’s Office had instituted criminal proceedings into both crashes and sent two teams of investigators to the crash sites, the ITAR-Tass news agency reported. The teams are headed by his deputies.

“We have not rejected any of the leads,” Ustinov said, according to the news agency.

Putin, who expressed sympathy for the families of the dead, did not publicly address the terror question.

After designating Thursday a national day of mourning, he ordered the immediate firing of the Federal Security Service to investigate the crashes and said he wanted “unbiased and reliable information” from the probe. The service is a successor agency to the KGB.

While officials spoke cautiously on the terrorism issue, Russian police said security was being tightened at airports and other transport hubs and public places.

The planes took off about 40 minutes apart from the single terminal at Moscow’s newly renovated Domodedovo airport, which is about 14 miles outside of Moscow. They both crashed a few minutes apart just before 11 p.m., according to initial time estimates.

Kerry calls for Rumsfeld to resign

PHILADELPHIA — Democratic presidential candidate John Kerry on Wednesday called on Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld to resign and urged President Bush to appoint an independent investigation to probe reports after a report faulted all levels of the military for abuse at Abu Ghraib prison.

"It’s not just the little person at the bottom who ought to pay the price of responsibility," Kerry said at a Philadelphia union hall. "The buck doesn’t stop at the Pentagon."

A report released Tuesday by an independent panel led by former Defense Secretary James R. Schlesinger concluded that senior U.S. military leaders in Iraq and the Pentagon can be held for inattention to prisoner abuses, but it did not recommend that Rumsfeld step down.

"What is missing from all these reports is accountability from the senior civilian leaders in the Pentagon and in the White House," Kerry said. "From the bottom of the chain of command all the way to the top, there needs to be accountability."

The Schlesinger report makes clear that Secretary Rumsfeld was responsible for setting a climate where these types of abuses could occur." Kerry said an independent investigation should review the decision-making process that led to the abuses and provide comprehensive reforms to ensure abuses do not recur.

"There has been a cover-up," he said.

"Time has come for our commander in chief to take charge," he said.

Months before prisoner abuse in Iraq came to light, Kerry called for Rumsfeld to resign because of what he said were numerous mistakes in the prosecution of the war. In May, Kerry rejected concerns that replacing Rumsfeld could hurt the war effort and suggested any number of people could step in, including Republican Sens. John McCain of Arizona and John Warner of Virginia.
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New overtime rules take effect in U.S.

The Labor Department's Web site at http://www.dol.gov/esa/regs/compliance/whd/fairpay/main.htm has explanations of the rules, including a Power Point presentation with an overview, and what it calls "fact sheets" that go into more detail. The site contains definitions of what factors go into classifying an employee as executive, administrative, professional or outside sales capacity are exempted. For example, the site describes an administrative job as follows:

"The employee's primary duty must be the performance of office or non-manual work directly related to the management or general business operations of the employer or the employer's customers."
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ResLife Web site said there were no tripees in her dorm. Distressingly, she called her
roommates about the situation.
"It's just not a triple room," she said.
They remain optimistic nonetheless.
"It's as well as it can work with three people," Zickuhr said. "It's the second day of
school, though. We'll keep our fingers crossed.
Hart agreed, looking at the situation with rose-colored glasses.
"I think it has a much [space] as the older dorms do," Hart said. "With Regina
rooms, and futons, the space is about the same. I think it will work real well.
The girls' room contains three beds of three different sizes. The living space
each, lofted to create enough space.
Nina Meyer, a former resident
of Hart, Zickuhr, and Cort in 1992, thought the girls did a good job with its
organization, but still had some concerns about the room's resources.
"Our only concern was, like the sink or entry way, that everyone
uses are compromised." Meyer said. "I'd rather have a smaller double than a triple build.
Before students moved in, ResLife evaluated study rooms to see if they could be
livable and dorm rooms to see if they could comfortably hold another set of furniture.
Transfer students were also affected by budgetary constraints.
About 17 female transfer students to Notre Dame are living Regina
North Hall at Saint Mary's as an alternative to off-campus housing.
Michelle Russell, director of Residence Life at Saint Mary's, explained the College's
strategy to accommodate these students at a time when Notre Dame was
lightening its belt.
Though they are officially Notre Dame students, the women will be under the
jurisdiction of a Saint Mary's residence assistant.
"They are expected to follow
Saint Mary's policy," Russell said. "[Regarding dis-
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Defending the last bastion

Do you want a different view of the same-sex marriage issue? See the March 15 Wall Street Journal op ed by Pastor Donald Sensing of Trinity United Methodist Church in Franklin, Tenn. "Opponents of legalized same-sex marriage," notes Sensing, "say they're trying to protect a beleaguered institution, but they're a little late. The walls of traditional marriage were breached 40 years ago. What we see now is the storming of the last bastion." Sensing, says Sensing, was done in by the contraceptive pill, which severed 'the causal relationships between sex, pregnancy and marriage,' obliterating 'the fundamental basis for marriage.' Marriage is not merely a contract which the state and the parties have a right to define. Marriage as a man-woman union, Sensing points out, is 'prehistoric' as 'part of the natural law of the creation.' The law gives marriage exclusive privileges because the spouses commit to raising children for the future of society and the state. Only a man-woman union can produce new taxpayers. Society, notes Sensing, "legitimated the sexual union of a ... man and woman [and] promised structures beneficial to children arising from the marriage ..." Sensing points out, "the shortest way to make the legal compact [on] property rights and other beneficences ..." The pill undercut the legal basis to deny homosexuals the right to enter the contract of marriage in order to regulate "their legal and property relationship ... to mirror exactly that of hetero, married couples." A contraceptive society cannot deny legitimacy to same-sex unions without denying its own premise that man is the arbiter of whether sex will have any relation to procreation. Proponents of same-sex marriage seem to have a more realistic view of what marriage has become in the contraceptive society. The right to separate sex from procreation is an article of faith in our culture. Defenders of traditional marriage seem to have a more realistic view of what marriage has become in the contraceptive society. The right to separate sex from procreation is an article of faith in our culture. Defenders of traditional marriage, unwilling to challenge that article of faith, are defending the "last bastion." They would deny the name "marriage" to a same-sex union. But, in the Federal Marriage Amendment, they would approve "civil unions" so long as they were tagged as by a legal statute rather than a court. Vermont gives to same-sex "civil unions" all the legal attributes of marriage except the name. This is symbolic, ignoring the substance of what it means to reduce marriage, as instituted in Genesis, to legal parity with same-sex sodomistic unions. "Sacred Scripture," says the Catechism, "presents homosexual acts as acts of grave depravity." The inclination toward those acts, as an inclination to any other immoral act, is "objectively disordered." In its "Considerations" issued last March 25, the Vatican noted "the difference between homosexual behavior as a private phenomenon and as a relationship in society ... approved by the law ... Legal recognition of homosexual unions would obscure ... basic moral values and cause a devaluation of ... marriage." A society where it makes no legal difference whether little boys grow up to "marry" girls or other boys is past the line of clinical insanity. "[Traditionalists," says Sensing, "need to ... face the fact that same-sex marriage, if it comes about, will not cause the degeneration ... of marriage, it is the result of it." Pastor Sensing's essay reflects a growing appreciation by non-Catholics for the traditional Christian teaching on contraception. Perhaps it may even occur to Catholic theologians and trendy theologians at Notre Dame and elsewhere that the Catholic Church is right in upholding the Christian teaching, which is not cause the degeneration ... of marriage, it is the result of it." Prof. Emeritus Rice is on the Law School faculty. His column appears every other Thursday. He can be contacted at plasewick.illinois.edu. The views expressed in this column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.

RIGHT OR WRONG?

Charles Rice

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"Though we travel the world over to find the beautiful, we must carry it with us or we find it not."

Ralph Waldo Emerson

American writer
Offering advice

If you are anything like me, you most likely have a problem accepting your peers as authority figures and taking their advice. That said, you are probably wondering why you should bother to listen to what they have to say. Here is my take on what I think you can agree will be helpful to us all:

1. Call home occasionally. Your parents will love to hear from you, and if you call them, they will not be forgotten. They will remember to check for your name in the phone book. This is unless you are still on probation for something you supposedly did last semester. The future looks bright, so you've got a lot to work on, and what should you do now?

2. Be yourself. We've all heard this, but if people cannot like you for who you are then forget them.

3. Cherish it. Everyone says “These are the best years of your life,” and “It will go in one ear and out the other, but then I realized that they are actually surprised by how often they really do know what is best. I am sure your parents are the same way. They are not as clueless as you think they are. Your parents only want what is best for you. Lord knows they have invested enough into your future. The very least you can do is hear them out. You may just be surprised by how much they can really help you out. I saw the light and took their advice. Here are a few pieces of advice from some parents that I think you can agree will be helpful to us all:

   a. Get involved. Find a worthwhile organization. Not only is it a great resume booster, but it is also very rewarding and a good way to meet people.

   b. Study. Whether it be at the library or a friend's room down the hall, you will certainly want to keep those grades up. Go to class. You will fall way behind otherwise.

   c. Have fun. While your main objective is to get an education, you'll miss out on a lot of laughs and great friendships if you spend all your time hitting the books.

   d. Know how to say “no.” A favorite of my father...especially when the proceeding is: “Do you want to go back to my room?”

   e. Read. You always have this advice. But it is also very rewarding and a good way to meet people.

3. Do stuff. Things really do have a way of working out.

So those are just a few of the words of wisdom that my parents told me. I wish I could say the same thing for myself. To be honest with you, I could have done more. So, how do you think your parents would advise you?

Molly Acker
Nobody likes a dumb blonde

RECEIVED ATTENTION

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Stifling Ramadan

I read with disbelief the revocation of Tariq Ramadan’s U.S. visa in the Aug. 24 Observer column. While I don’t wish to enter into the political Olympics of such revocation, I do want to bring the issue of academic freedom to the forefront. I believe that its potential cross-cultural objective is dialogue is tantamount to combatting radicalization, academic suicide and counterterrorism fallacy. And so, I will argue on the dangers of such revocation on both objective scholarship and ‘war on terror.’

Although written early in the 20th century, the book “Miss-Education of Negroes” by Carter Woodson still resonates in the 21st century. In this book, Woodson argues, in paraphrase, that if you are able to control one’s thinking, you need not worry about his actions; if you can make him believe that he is inferior, you do not need to make him behave in an inferior way; he will always ensure that he acts in an inferior way. Such a man will strive to ensure that he dances to your tune without forcing him to. In short, you have enslaved him. Though this piece was written to address the Negro problem as they struggled to assert themselves in American history, this process of mental slavery still surrounds our institutions of learning and has ensured that what we know or should know passes through political microscope by way of deciding what is taught and who teaches it. Now this is a bit palpable in those countries continuously branded as undemocratic. However, it defeats all logic when it happens in the U.S.-a country that prides itself of upholding the values of democracy and, therefore, as a symbol of freedom and democracy to the world. Just as the world braced itself to understand and address transnational terrorism, often designated as ‘islamist terrorism,’ counter-forces are ceaselessly striving to ensure that such channels are extremely narrowed. There is no better environment to do so than within the context of cross-cultural understanding than in academic institutions. For in such places, students are not only taught about other cultures, but also interact with other students and scholars from different cultural, social, religious and political backgrounds in ways that confirm such teaching, checking against biased and distorted scholarship about other cultures or groups that have permeated institutions of learning over the years. The 9/11 Commission Report recommends a need to open the lines of communication in academic and Islamic world, which includes opening educational institutions, including libraries, aimed at recreating the better image of U.S. In such places. But such a process of cross-cultural understanding will not be complete unless it is based on the principles of U.S. ‘best values’ and intentions. The Islamic world also has something that the U.S. must understand for that process to be complete. This ‘something’ is what scholars such as Tariq Ramadan are striving to make the U.S. understand about Islam and the Islamic world.

However, when such views are silenced merely because someone’s kind of rhetoric is offensive — or that they have been critical of certain policies — in Ramadan’s case what has been perceived as anti-Semitism — then not only are the principles of democracy which U.S. claims to possess and strives to inculcate in other parts of the world, are challenged.

Most importantly, students who stand to benefit from such objective scholars are denied their right to objective knowledge. In so doing, scholarship is made an underdog on the battlefield of Islam. Thus, the minds of such potential conflict transformers are stifled to think only within the framework provided by the politicians of the time. And so we come back to Woodson’s argument that controlling the mind of a person will let him or her behave in a manner consistent with what the designer wants him or her to do.

Denying scholars such as Ramadan: the opportunity to stretch out the circle of thinking that prevails not only in the Islamic world and other parts of the world but also among many U.S. citizens who know little about those parts of the world is equivalent to enslaving the minds that were about to think out of such an ever tightening circle. Thus, the graduates of academic institutions will be those who only have one picture of the story, as presented not only by our biased media institutions, but also by subjective scholarship.

Although the U.S. is undeniably at the crossroads and how we learn to deal with essential terrorism, it continues to gag the moderate and objective voices that are ready to help it reach where it wants to go with this war on terror. Terrorism is far from being won.

Camillus Omogo
Graduate student
Aug. 25

Hearing ‘voices of diverse moderation’

The Department of Homeland Security recently revoked the visa of Professor Tariq Ramadan, a prominent European Muslim intellectual who had been hired to teach religion, conflict and peacebuilding at the Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies.

Personally, I am deeply saddened at this action. Having spent some time with professor Ramadan and his family— including brushing off his choice to address 8,000 fans at the football stadium at this spring’s May 3 event—I know Ramadan as a warm and brilliant man who would be an outstanding addition to the Kroc Institute faculty, to the Notre Dame and South Bend communities, and to America’s broader discussion of Islam.

Although American immigration history has always been marked by cycles of who we do or do not wish to welcome in our country, and I recognize that even freedom is an ongoing one, this instance seems particularly puzzling and even capricious. Even acknowledging that Ramadan is a controversial figure in some quarters—some have accused him ofAnti-Semitism—Ramadan’s proposed academic posting is based in part on his critique of Israel’s human rights record, and his assertion that the U.S. is complicit in the conflict in Lebanon.

I am confident that the Ramadan family would be outstanding citizens and would add tremendous richness to the Notre Dame community. Especially at a time when the need for more voices of diverse moderation rather than radical exclusiveness, regardless of which ideological or religious viewpoint they represent.

Patrick Mason
Graduate student
Aug. 25
3. Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban

The people behind the "Harry Potter" franchise finally figured out what was wrong with the series. To be fair, the first two films weren't bad, but they were missing the edge and slightly scary quality of the book series. Previous director Chris Columbus, best known before "Harry Potter" for his work on "Home Alone 3," faithfully brought the first two books to the screen, but he lost the slightly sinister tone of the books in his more family-friendly translation. Alfonso Cuaron, an interesting directing choice considering that his previous works were "A Little Princess" and the gritty "Y Tu Mama Tambien," produces an adaptation of the third book delivers what the earlier films were missing. "Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban" faithfully follows the book, but adds just enough twists, turns and dark humor to make it the most memorable and enjoyable film of the franchise. The young actors playing Harry and his friends seem more comfortable in their roles. The special effects are more seamless, particularly quidditch. And the film is shorter and moves at a much swifter pace than the previous films. "Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban" captures the true spirit of the book without getting bogged down in the details that made the other ones somewhat dull.

4. Collateral

It was a gamble that has paid off in the past. Select an A-list star, one long used to holding center stage as an atypical action hero, and cast him in a role completely opposite the ones that previously made him a box office king. "Training Day" succeeded in garnering Denzel Washington an Oscar for his sinister efforts. And while the cast of "Collateral" is a lot more balanced than "Training Day," Tom Cruise uses the opportunity to shine in a rare villainous role.

Director Michael Mann ("Heat" and "The Insider") has long dabbled in the thriller genre, and has excelled in the past. The plot for "Collateral" is, at the very least, passable yet he manages to slowly but surely ratchet up the tension in this stylish thriller.

Cruise plays his role as Vincent, a calculated, ruthless assassin, with a confident, relaxed composure and even manages to bring out an air of charisma to the villain. Jamie Foxx, playing a timid, New York cab driver fatedly thrown into the mix, exudes an every-man quality that comes across so naturally that you can't help but pull for him.

5. Napoleon Dynamite

Odds are you don't have friends like "Napoleon Dynamite," but if you did, you would be laughing a lot more. Indie film "Napoleon Dynamite," with its unusual but hilarious characters, has proven itself among the funniest of summer sequels. Director Jared Hess creates a world where the quirkiest actions become normal, at least to the main characters.

Napoleon (Jon Heder) is the nerdiest and most awkward high school student in Preston, Idaho. He spends most of his time talking about all the "skills" he possesses, spouting out lies about his proficiency with a staff bow and how he is "pretty much the best I know" at drawing mythical animals. Napoleon befriends new student Pedro (Efren Ramirez) and the two of them do their best to find dates to the school dance and help Pedro run for student body president, all in their own idiosyncratic fashions.

Dynamite plays out similar to a Cohen brothers' film with its unique and infectious dia-
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The Worst of the Worst

2. White Chicks

A movie that parodies the Hilton sisters is in trouble from the second film begins to roll. Two black men, Shawn and Marlon Wayans, are substitutes for the super-rich, super-thin and super-blondie heiresses. This should be a red flag that the movie isn’t exactly Oscar-caliber cinema.

The brothers play FBI agents who must stand in for the “Wilson” sisters in order to protect them, and end up, as is the case with all gender-bending movies, in awkward relationship situations. The entire movie is slightly disturbing because the two men in latex skin and blonde wigs just don’t look right. They seem less like the teenage girls they seek to parody and more like Michael Jackson in drag. If you are able to suspend disbelief enough to see them as passing for two “White Chicks,” the movie is really just nothing more than a litany of tired black against white jokes and mocking ditzy rich girls.

The Wayans brothers can be extremely funny, and we can only hope “White Chicks” is nothing more than a low point in their careers.

1. Catwoman

“Catwoman” seems like a good idea on paper. Cast recent Oscar-winner Halle Berry in the role of a character already proven successful by the “Batman” films and put her in a leather suit. Add to the mix Benjaim Bratt playing a cop, a role he has honed to perfection after several seasons of “Law and Order” and cast Sharon Stone, who will forever be notorious after “Basic Instinct” as a villain.

Unfortunately, “Catwoman” has a script that is so laughably awful no amount of casting or computer generated images can hide it. The plot, which tells the tale of a sly graphic designer who is killed when she finds out a company secret and comes back with cat-like abilities, is fairly innocent and straightforward, but the film’s dialogue is just plain silly.

Quotes like, “Man-sandwich! Four o’clock.” “Amateurs! You’re just going to come in here and steal all these nice things? What a purrfect idea!” and “White Russian, no ice, no vodka ... hold the Kahula” abound throughout the film.

The film tries to blend the camp and humor of the old “Batman” television show with the big budget special-effects and dark edge of the films, but it falls on both fronts.

5. The Village

If you were looking for a good scare this summer, “The Village” was not the place to go.

Manoj Night Shyamalan gained national fame when “The Sixth Sense” came out in 1999, but since then his work seems to have gone downhill. “Signs” didn’t measure up to its predecessor, and “The Village” was an even greater slide from expectations.

The movie was especially disappointing because of the way it was portrayed in previews. Viewers came to the theater expecting a straight-up spine chiller like “The Sixth Sense,” but instead got a fairly tame show with few truly frightening moments and a plot that felt disjointed instead of compelling. Once again Shyamalan’s famous plot twist failed to materialize, and the film’s dialogue was often too esoteric.

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4. The Stepford Wives

Plagued by budget problems, on-set strife and a trailer that gave away the entire plot of the movie, “The Stepford Wives” was in trouble before it even came to theatres. Unfortunately, things got worse when it actually arrived in theaters.

The film itself is so bad that it ends up being nothing more than a waste of talent and one more example of why remakes are a bad idea. The original 1975 version of “The Stepford Wives” was well-received and has remained something of a cult classic for years. Studio executives just couldn’t resist remaking it with some big marquee names, including Nicole Kidman, Matthew Broderick, Christopher Walken, Bette Midler and Glenn Close.

The movie tells the story of a Connecticut community where all of the women have been changed from driven career women into perfect automotors of 1950’s era femininity. The remake glosses over the major feminist issues that the original dealt with. It just becomes another star-bloated mess created solely to make money, an unfortunate and common occurrence during summer.

3. Van Helsing

What do you get when you add a pinch of the Wolfman, a dash of Frankenstein’s monster and a dollop of Count Dracula into a mix to form a single film? A potpourri of mess that is a dreadful bore to sit through, and a film you would be hard-pressed to remember a few years down the road.

The concept seems interesting on paper. Who wouldn’t want to see a summer blockbuster on the basis of one hero’s quest to hunt down every single monster in memorable lore? And all this goes on while trying to recover his humanity in the process? It sounds like the perfect recipe for box office success during the long summer months.

Unfortunately, director Stephen Sommers seems to be so in love with cool, rushing camera angles and bloated computer-generated graphics that he forgot something along the way—a passable plot. There are parts at the beginning of “Van Helsing” that you could not help but gawk it, especially since this film kicked off the summer season of movies. But after the first few monster fights (of which there are many), any significance is lost and the film spirals out of control from there.

An interesting concept is wasted and the monsters themselves lose any distinct identities. If another effort is ever launched into the “Van Helsing” world, perhaps the plot will be given a tad more attention.

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Woodson to rejoin camp
Cornerback ends Raiders holdout
Associated Press

NAPA, Calif. — Charles Woodson confirmed Wednesday night he will end his holdout and be in camp with the Oakland Raiders next week.

The four-time Pro Bowl cornerback announced his intentions in an e-mail to The Associated Press.

The Raiders placed the franchise tag on Woodson in February. With the franchise designation, he would make close to $11 million this season, but Woodson hasn't signed the Raiders' tender — which he must do before negotiating a new deal.

Woodson, who's entering his seventh pro season, is seeking a big money, long-term contract and reportedly wants to be the highest paid cornerback in the NFL.

Earlier Wednesday, Raiders coach Norv Turner said he expected Woodson to be in camp next week.

Turner said that Woodson needs to be in practice "as soon as he can" to be prepared for the season. Turner said he doubted Woodson would be ready for the season opener Sept. 12 at Pittsburgh if he waited until after the final preseason game Sept. 2 to join the team.

Even if he reports Monday, it's unclear whether Woodson would play in the Raiders' final exhibition game next Thursday at home against St. Louis.

"I'd have to answer that either way," Turner said Wednesday, referring to the Raiders broke camp in Napa and returned to their regular practice facility in Alameda.

"We'd have to see where he's at," Turner said. "A call to Woodson's agent, Carl Poston, wasn't returned Wednesday.

But Poston, in a rare interview, told the Contra Costa Times on Tuesday that Woodson would report next week and is anxious to get started.

He has missed 28 days of training camp and both exhibition games, but has been working out twice a day in Houston.

Raiders senior personnel executive Michael Lombardi said he hadn't been told by Poston that Woodson would be in camp.

"I can't really say what's going to happen next week," Lombardi said. "It's all hypothetical. The bottom line is, it's up to him. It's not up to us.

All-Pro linebacker Julian Peterson of San Francisco and the other players signed Wednesday with the 49ers. Peterson is represented by Poston's brother, Kevin.

"I am told Woodson some time to get up to speed on defensive coordinator Rob Ryan's new 3-4 scheme.

"Playbooks are issued to players once they're here," Lombardi said.
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Tancredi, Chapman get preseason honors

Veteran defenders on preseason Hermann Trophy watch list for upcoming campaign

Special to The Observer

Two Notre Dame women's soccer players have received top preseason billing from various national organizations, as fifth-year center defender Melissa Tancredi (Ancaster, Ont.) and senior right back Candace Chapman (Ajax, Ont.) are among 12 players named to the Soccer Buzz preseason All-America squad.

Both also are among the 25 players named to the 2004 preseason watch list for the Missouri Athletic Club's Hermann Trophy national player-of-the-year award. Tancredi earlier had been picked to repeat as the Big East Conference defensive player of the year (an award that Chapman won in 2002) and also is one of 11 players named to Soccer America's 2004 preseason All-America team.

Tancredi was a Soccer Buzz first-team All-American in 2003, also receiving second team All-America honors from the National Soccer Coaches Association of America. Chapman — who also could play at forward or midfield during the upcoming season — had been an NSCAA second team All-America in 2002 before missing the 2003 season due to an ACL knee injury.

The 2004 season will mark just the second time in Notre Dame's history (and first since 1997) that the Irish have featured two returning NSCAA All-Americans in the defense. Notre Dame's 1997 team, still the most dominant all-around team in the program's history, featured two players — senior Kate Sobrero and sophomore Jen Grubb — who previously had received NSCAA All-America honors (in '96).

Tancredi — who like Chapman has starred for the Canadian National Team — could prove to be the nation's top defensive player in 2004, with Tennessee senior Keeley Dowling representing the only other defender on both the Soccer America and Soccer Buzz preseason All-America teams.

Tancredi, Chapman, Dowling and Virginia's Becky Sauerbrunn are the only defenders on the MAC Hermann Trophy watch list.

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Brown frustrated with Olympic refs

ATHENS, Greece — The quality of the officiating at the Olympics has so troubled Larry Brown that he may just have his team play the wrong way.

The U.S. coach whose mantra is to "play the right way" was on the verge of being talked into something he despises — playing a zone defense — in Thursday's quarterfinal against Spain. The voices calling for change belonged to assistant coaches Gregg Popovich, Oliver Purnell and Roy Williams.

"Pop and Oliver and Roy are bugging me about playing zone because of the potential for foul trouble," Brown said. "I hate zone, but I understand what they're saying. It depends on how they refeee the game. I can't tell you how it's going to be called, but I can't even comprehend some of the things I've seen."

The refereeing has been poor throughout the tournament, with the U.S. staff most upset by a series of calls during the fourth quarter of the Americans' opening round loss to Lithuania when Lithuania attempted 14 free throws and the Americans shot just two.

"That's why you've got to play perfect," Brown said. "The U.S. team's final practice Wednesday at the American College of Greece had the feel of the last day of school, the players munching pepperoni pizza and lounging on benches in the shade before boarding buses that bears a Greek flag in the rear window."

Expectations for the U.S. team have been lowered so much that a sports betting parlor in Belgrade listed Spain as a 3-point favorite. The Spanish team went undefeated in the preliminary round and won all of its pre-Olympic tuneup games.

Brown plans to shorten his playing rotation, which likely will mean less time for Carmelo Anthony.

"He's not playing, he knows there's nothing he can do about it," teammate LeBron James said. "For what reason I can't tell you, and he couldn't tell you if you asked him the same."

How much spirit the Americans have left could be a big factor in their most important game of the Olympics.

Some of the players have seemed beaten down at times as Brown has criticized the team regularly.

IN BRIEF

Bryant prosecutors claim DNA is contaminated

DENVER — Two days before the start of jury selection in Kobe Bryant’s rape case, prosecutors charged that crucial DNA evidence the defense had hoped to use to prove the NBA star’s innocence might have been contaminated.

The judge in the case granted prosecutors' request for a hearing Thursday to question the reliability of the defense’s DNA experts. The witnesses are expected to argue that the DNA evidence shows the accuser was promiscuous.

Prosecutors provided no details about the possible contamination in a court filing released Wednesday. But they expressed concerns about defense expert Elizabeth Johnson, who testified in June that DNA evidence suggests the accuser had sex with another man after her encounter with Bryant and before her hospital examination the following day.

Giants to start Warner over Manning this week

NEW YORK — Kurt Warner will start at quarterback for the New York Giants this week, although his competition with rookie Eli Manning for the regular-season job continues.

Coach Tom Coughlin announced Wednesday that the two-time MVP will start Friday against the New York Jets, but that Manning, the No. 1 pick in the draft, will get about the same amount of snaps with the first-team offense.

"It's Kurt's turn," Coughlin said, adding that it was his plan all long to have the two quarterbacks alternate starting assignments in the first three preseason games.

Warner started against Kansas City in the preseason opener and Manning got a start last week against Carolina.

Coughlin said he will name a starter for the season opener at Philadelphia on Sept. 12 "at the right time."

N.F.L. interested in possible Anaheim franchise

ANAHEIM, Calif. — The N.F.L. has approached Anaheim city officials about possibly building a stadium complex for an NFL franchise that could begin play as soon as 2008.

The area has been without an N.F.L. team since the Rams moved from Anaheim to St. Louis and the Raiders went from Los Angeles to Oakland before the 1995 season.

"We’re evaluating a possible stadium project in Anaheim with city officials along with the three sites in the Los Angeles area,” NFL spokesman Greg Aiello said late Wednesday. "The discussions are exploratory and preliminary at this point."

Aiello referred to the Los Angeles Coliseum, where the Raiders played before returning to Oakland; the Rose Bowl in Pasadena, and a proposed site in Carson.

"We’re working off a time line that would have us make a decision next May," Aiello said.
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championship trophy.” Sawyer credits Clark for keeping team goals in sight and individual awards in perspective.

“You tell me what the end-of-the-season polls are, and then I’ll be interested,” Clark said. “It’s always nice that people think reasonably highly of you, but it’s a tribute to last year’s team.”

This year’s team has high expectations to match last year’s historically successful team. The defending Big East champions are picked to finish third in the conference, with top talents Justin Detter and Kevin Richards departing as Major League Soccer draft picks.

A tough schedule includes top-ranked Indiana and conference foe St. John’s, currently at No. 2.

Stewart and Kevin Goldthwaite. They all sought their roles out.

They all have tremendous respect which was a heart-stopping reason to be confident. In

With sophomore Ryan Miller filling in as Major League Soccer draft picks.

Wiese did a fabulous job tremendously with him,” Clark said. “[Wiese] did a fabulous job for working with the young keeper.

Sawyer had already committed, citing “the potential of the program” and the players on the team as major reasons for choosing Notre Dame in the recruiting process.

“If I had been recruiting a goalkeeper (at Stanford), I would have been recruiting Chris Sawyer,” Clark said, recalling his enthusiasm for working with the young keeper.

Day-to-day, Sawyer works with goalie coach Brian Wiese.

“Coach Wiese has worked tremendously with him,” Clark said. “[Wiese] did a fabulous job. It’s not hard to work with Chris because he’s a very motivated, dedicated young man and he works very hard at getting better.”

Sawyer also attributes his newly-honed skills to Wiese’s commitment.

“I’ve improved dramatically since I came here,” Sawyer said. “I fell in as a goalkeeper at age 12 after starting his soccer career on the front line. I fell into something that I loved,” he recalled.

Sawyer has made himself into one of the most feared goalkeepers in the nation, with hard work, natural talent and the perseverance of his coaches.

“It makes for a success story,” Clark said. “Gawertz came in and he was a good goalkeeper when he came in, but a goalkeeper needs a personality. He needs to have presence, and Chris has developed that over the years.”

As Sawyer enters his final year of eligibility, he hopes the potential will be realized after last year’s trip to the Sweet 16.

“We own our expectations are certainly the Final Four and maybe the national championship,” he said.

With Sawyer anchoring an outstanding defense on a talented team, the statement isn’t difficult to believe.

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returning who placed in the top 60 for the Belles at last year’s conference meet.
Sophomores Erin Nolan and Katie White join Otto on the squad. Nolan and White placed 50th and 55th respectively at the MIAA conference meet. Seventh-year head coach Dave Barstis praised the trio for their consistency as competitors. "Those three runners will be the foundation of our program in the upcoming years," Barstis said. Also returning for the Belles are co-captains Elizabeth Commers and Risa Zander. Barstis is looking to Commers and Zander to take the team’s season-long goal of putting this team to get fourth or better at the conference meet. “I am more talented than last season,” Barstis said. “I am feeling good about it past this team to get fourth or better at the conference meet.” Saint Mary’s will get a chance to see how well they are competing as the Heidelberg Invitational on Sept. 3 nears. The team figures to be one of about 25 teams last year in the Invitational and is hoping to improve upon those results.

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“Nothing’s really set in stone. I think that’s a great thing to have from a coaching standpoint, because you still get guys who are anxious and still trying to play.”"Tommy Zbikowski is right there in the mix as well as Chinenedum (Ndukwe) and Freddie Parish. So, we have some great safeties that are going to all play this year." On the corners, senior Dwight Ellick leads a group that also features Vontez Duff and Jason Beckstrom from 2003. Ellick and Burrell will be looked upon as the veterans of this group. “Experience, you can’t substitute that,” Wilks said of his veterans. “So they bring the knowledge of the game, they bring experience from being in the heat of battle. They let these young guys know exactly what it’s going to take to get out there and compete. So they’re really (embraced) being the leaders, not only from a standpoint of football, but even off the football field and the meeting room as well. So they bring a lot right now to the table.” Also competing for time is senior Carlos Campbell, who switched to defensive back from wide receiver, and red-shirt freshman Ambrose Wooden, who did the same. "Those guys are right there in the mix, which is exciting for me as a coach, that those guys are up there and competing and have the opportunity to play because we’re going to need them," Wilks said. Competition for starting spots will continue until Sept. 4, when the Irish face BYU in the opener. “I always encourage competition," Wilks said. "And we always emphasize and talk about nothing is final right now, which it’s not. So those guys are still trying to do all the little things right, trying to make plays, trying to make mistakes. They’re competing with one another, without a doubt.”

Notes
- The Irish moved practice inside to Loftus Sports Center after strong thunderstorms arrived about halfway through practice Wednesday.
- Senior running back Ryan Grant was in shoulder pads but not participating in team drills Wednesday.
- That’s the first sign, starting to get back and get closer,“Irish coach Tyrone Willingham said. “We didn’t put him in any team plays, but still, he was being active, and he’s starting to get closer to the lineup.”

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Still, Barstis views this meet as a workout, describing whatever the results may be as a starting point for the team’s season-long goals. "I am at this meet as looking at this meet as a baseline for what to expect for the rest of the season," Barstis said. "It will give me a feel of what we need to do to get where we want to go.

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10-11, and the winner of the 16 finalists earns a $10,000 prize.
In order to participate, gamers must be a currently-enrolled student at the university where the Challenge is held. They will be pitted against the other competitors through a random bracket. And since not all 8,000 students can participate in the Challenge itself, the EA Sports will bring its trucks filled with kiosks of games that haven’t been released, such as Tiger Woods PGA Tour 2005. They will be available for students to try out during the competition. "That's going to be a pretty cool thing," Geiger said. Students can sign up online at www.ncaafootballchallenge.com, or they can show up at Stepan Center Tuesday to sign up at the door. However, it is limited to the first 128 students. The Challenge is set to start at 4 p.m., and Geiger said it should last four to five hours.
The "competition, the atmosphere, it’s unreal," he said.

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Pinnick will not miss season after breaking neck in car accident

By MATT MOONEY
Sports Writer

As a South Bend resident, freshman Susan Pinnick didn't need to travel very far to join the Notre Dame women's soccer team. But due to a summer accident, the former St. Joseph's High School standout will not take the field for the Irish this year no matter how close she is.

Pinnick will not get the chance to compete this year after a van crash on June 12 left her sidelined for the season.

While on a trip to Colorado with her Carmel soccer team, the team's extended passenger van collided with an SUV as both vehicles attempted to change lanes. The van rolled and, of the 17 other members in the van, Pinnick caught the brunt of the injuries, though she has no recollection of the actual accident.

"I remember right before the accident, just as the SUV hit us, but that's the last thing I remember," said Pinnick, an injured freshman.

The doctors in Colorado found that she had a fractured vertebra in addition to a broken right hand and nerve damage in her left arm. She remained in the hospital for 12 days.

"The most important thing the doctors told me was that I would make a full recovery and I took it in stride once I realized it could have been a lot worse," Pinnick said. However, not everyone knew Pinnick could make such a recovery right away, and coach Randy Waldrum, the worst part was not knowing the severity of the injury.

"When you hear 'broken neck,' you automatically fear the worst like paralysis or other long-term effects," Waldrum said. "Honestly, I don't think anyone was even thinking about the season." The injury will not end Pinnick's career, but is serious enough to end her season before it even begins. She still wears a soft collar neck brace, but that is an upgrade from the supportive halo she had to use after the accident.

Currently, she is in the midst of rehabilitating both her arm and her neck at Memorial Hospital.

"I have most of the movement back in my arm so right now they're working on strengthening it without too much strain on the neck," Pinnick said. "For the neck, we're just making sure it's stable. It's actually been moving a lot quicker than we thought it would.

The doctors told Pinnick it would take six months to a year to be back at full strength, but that doesn't fill the void of sitting on the sidelines.

Pinnick, a high school Parade All-American, will remain on the team's roster even though Waldrum will not be able to use her on the field.

"She'll be helping us out on the sidelines and bench with stats and other things," Waldrum said. "Susan still comes to practice everyday and we want her to still feel like a part of this team even if she's not playing.

Despite sitting out this fall, both Pinnick and Waldrum are anticipating her return next season.

"I really miss being out on the field and getting to play," Pinnick said. "I know I'll learn a lot just by watching but it's just not the same as being out on the field.

Waldrum knows that once she does come back, Pinnick will be an impact player.

"She'll be able to help us because she has a different style than a lot of our other attackers. Her style is more attacking the defense head-on and putting pressure on the opposing defenders rather than with your back to the goal like some of our other forwards. It gives us a different look to show our opponents.

Pinnick will not be able to make an impact in her freshman year like Lizzie Reed, above, did last season. Pinnick broke her neck in a car accident and will not play until next season.
EUGENIA LAST

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Since your overall objective is to secure your home base and establish stability within your family and your private life, it's very fortunate that a bunch of planets are urging you to work hard to get better organized in your job and at home. Strike while the iron is hot!

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Since this is a time of flux and change with respect to your job or your residential scene, a mild undercurrent of uneasiness and confusion is always present within you. You like stability. That's why romantic relationships, entertaining excursions and adventures are so appealing now.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Ever since 2004, you've been trying to figure out who you are. (You're still not sure how to dress.) Your current identity crisis. Although, it's not really a crisis because you'll always have each choice. Choose wisely.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Around 1989-90, it was a testing time for you. Relationships probably took a dive. Nowadays, many of you made new beginnings then. Now you can see what worked and what didn't. Don't hang up on what didn't work. Don't see it as failure. Life is a learning curve.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Most of you are reaping the rewards of previous efforts. Some of you are prepared to start something new because the old methods didn't work. But all of you need to hide somewhat right now in order to regroup, retool and energize yourself. You've got a lot to think about.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): You know you're on top of your game. You've got the credit card, 1-800-814-5554. Increased recognition and testing for close partnerships. (Last year and this year.) Relationships that were fun become very serious. No more games at this time.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Since you know that a powerful career time is imminent (within the next two years), it behaviors you to work with others - especially groups - to promote your own success. Sometimes it's best to wait. Sometimes you have to grab the baton and run. Now is the time to go for it!

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Sometimes you have to grab the baton and run. Now is the time to go for it!

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): You're in a two-year window that is very testing for close partnerships. (Last year and this year) Relationships that were meant to dissolve are doing so. Relationships that were meant to renew have to undergo realizations. It's a new world for you.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): According to the planets, you're still working hard. If you feel overwhelmed by it all - relax. This is meant to be. By next year, you're out of the woods and morning. Increased recognition and accolades for your efforts are likely then.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Increased responsibilities for children are likely now. Privately, many of you are wondering how to advance your career in a mean it's rewarding, fulfilling and fun. And you want to get paid a lot for money for it. Sounds good to me.

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A deep secondary gives the Irish tough competition for starting jobs

By HEATHER VAN HOEGARDEN
Sports Editor

The Irish secondary will be deep, but more importantly, everyone on the chart can step onto the field at any time. "Sometimes you have numbers, but those guys aren't ready to get on the field," defensive backs coach Steven Wilks said. "We have a lot of guys that can play and play well from the second play on the field and help us out that way.

Leading the way could be senior free safety Quentin Burrell. Burrell is one of the most experienced of the group, recording 59 tackles, including 39 solos in 2003, while intercepting four passes and recovering two fumbles. He was thrust into a starting role last season after a season-ending injury to Glenn Earl, starting the last nine games.

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SMC CROSS-COUNTRY

Belles could run away with MIAA

By DAN TAPETILLO
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"Right now, everybody's really competing," Wilks said.

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VIDEO GAMES

EAA Sports brings competition to ND

By HEATHER VAN HOEGARDEN
Sports Editor

Next week, all the hours spent playing NCAA Football could pay off for one Notre Dame student.

Electronic Arts Sports, commonly known as EA Sports, will come to campus Aug. 31 for the 2004 EA Sports NCAA Football Challenge. The competition will consist of 128 Notre Dame students who signed up either online or at the door. They will play each other in NCAA Football 2004 in head-to-head action on PlayStation2. The winner of the Notre Dame competition will advance to Las Vegas, Nev. where he or she will face off against 15 other winners from schools around the nation, including Southern California, Purdue, Florida State and Miami.

"Our first stop on the 16-school tour," Notre Dame was the first stop on the 16-school tour.

"Our first stop on the 16-school tour, said Troy Geiger, of the EA Sports lifestyle marketing department. "We wanted to make sure it went to the top football schools in the country, and what better place to start than in South Bend [at Notre Dame], where the College Football Hall of Fame is." The NCAA contest is in its first year. It was inspired by EA Sports' Madden NFL Football contest, which is in its third year. The NFL contest spanned 32 cities, and had as many as 1,000 contestants in each city.

"It's been a huge success," Geiger said. "People are into it; they love the competition." Geiger said he thinks the NCAA contest will be just as popular. At each school, 25 students will compete to advance to Las Vegas.

"We realized there are college kids all over playing this game [NCAA Football 2004]," Geiger said. "They can prove who is the best challenger in the country."

The final will be held Dec. 1.

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