ND alum fatally injured in car accident

A Notre Dame graduate died after he was struck by a car early Sunday morning while he left a local bar.

Ryan O'Connor, 24, a 2002 graduate, died as a result of injuries sustained in the crash that occurred at approximately 3:30 a.m. in the 1800 block of South Bend Ave., South Bend police officer William Krusz said in a news release.

Police said O'Connor had left the bar with a group of friends to walk to a local restaurant. Several in the group had already crossed South Bend Avenue at Vanessa Street when O'Connor and another person stopped at the intersection.

According to a police statement, a witness said that O'Connor began to run across South Bend Avenue for an unknown reason, running into the path of a northbound car that struck him.

The car was driven by a 19-year-old South Bend resident who was a sophomore at Saint Mary's.

O'Connor, a West Chester, Pa., resident, was taken to Saint Joseph's Regional Medical Center where he was later pronounced dead.

Police said alcohol appears to be a factor in the accident. Several drunk drivers across Notre Dame's campus Sunday night prayed for both O'Connor and the driver.

Community reacts to Irish victory

Despite field rush, damages are minimal

By KATE ANTONACCI

Despite the excitement caused by Saturday's victory over Michigan, many people at the game had something bigger to worry about — student safety and the condition of the field.

For students, the victory means doing something they've always wanted to do.

Realistically, around halftime it becomes a serious thought, and I got goose bumps," O'Neill sophomore Chris Tarnacki said. "It's something you see on TV all the time and it's so special to be a part of.

But for stadium employees and others, storming the field is not as exciting of an idea, mainly because of safety reasons.

Manager of Stadium Personnel Cappy Gagnon said rushing the field often causes safety issues.

"The big problem with rushing the field is that the height of the wall to the asphalt is about 8 to 9 feet and that's a

Students impressed by Notre Dame's surprising victory

By DANIELLE LERNER

After a devastating loss last week to Brigham Young, the football team came back in full force Saturday, beating Michigan 28-20 and recapturing the title of the most winningest program in college football.

Notre Dame senior Andrew Nakamoto was happily surprised by the outcome.

"I really didn't think we were going to do so well," Nakamoto said. "I just wanted the game to be a close one, and I was able to get that, and, even better, the win."

Whether it was Brady Quinn's 66-yard touchdown pass to Matt Shelton or the fact that Notre Dame rebounded from last year's 38-0 loss, fans campus-wide were pleased with the win.

But before the Michigan game, some students were skeptical of the outcome.

Notre Dame junior Sam Richey was one of those students.

"I don't think anyone expected us to do as well as we did because of what happened last week and what happened against Michigan last year," he said.

Entering halftime down 9-0, students were happy with the defense's effort to keep the Irish in the game and impressed with the dominance the unit showed throughout the game.

Soldiers fly into stadium

By PAUL SPADAFORA

The opening ceremony of the first home football game was highlighted by members of the U.S. Army Golden Knights parachute team, who landed in Notre Dame Stadium with the American Flag at the start of the game Saturday.

The Golden Knights are the U.S. Army's official parachute demonstration team. According to Sgt. Jeffrey Schaffer, a performer on the team, they serve a three-fold mission — to test parachute equipment and techniques, participate in parachuting competitions around the world and to promote the public relations and recruitment offices of the army.

Founded in 1959, the Golden Knights have been called "the best parachute team in the world" by many organizations, Schaffer said.

This year marks the

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INSIDE COLUMN

Genocide must end

Last week, in our nation’s capital, Secretary of State Colin Powell sat in front of the Senate Committee of Foreign Relations and uttered the word “genocide.” Not in reference to the Holocaust or Rwanda, but to the mass slaughters of men, women and children today in Darfur, Sudan.

This is not just torture, not just ethnic cleansing and not just systematic rape, it is genocide. Yet again the old cliché “Never again” has been ignored. The world faces the horror of genocide once more. Again, holocaust, except, instead of the use of systemic gases and shootings, these perpetrators in Darfur use fire, burning people alive in their homes, rape, sometimes raping to death, and use machetes, hacking people apart until they are beaten or bludgeoned to death. Genocide is not a thing of the past. It will not go away. It is going on now. As you read this column, it is likely an African from Darfur is being killed by the janjaweed militia, in dying from starvation or is suffering from one of the myriad diseases that quickly spread in the open refugee camps.

Numbers vary, but current estimates place the number of Africans who have already been killed at 50,000, with up to a million and a half people ousted from their homes. Around 100,000 refugees have fled to neighboring Chad, with more trying to cross the border everyday. Imagine, for a second, that your life is completely different. Your life centers on the day-to-day mundane trials of merely surviving. You take pleasure in the most simple of things; an orange, that the little you have, the little that you live for has been taken away.

One night, your village is stormed, your mother and sisters are brutally raped and your father beaten to death while you cower hidden behind one of the few pieces of furniture in your one-room home. The smell of smoke overwhelms you as the janjaweed sets fire to your entire village. You struggle to run out, and maybe if you’re lucky, you escape. With absolutely nothing but your life and the little bit of clothing on your back. You’re an innocent, you’ve done nothing. But, still people whom you have never even met take it out on you and they will stop at nothing to wipe you off the face of the earth and the earth itself.

How many times must we come face to face with the perpetrators and victims of genocide until we finally put an end to it? Do not discount the existence of the people who have lost everything. Their homes, their families, their land, their crops and food, their livelihood. For those 50,000 who have perished, respect their memory and for those 1.5 million who have lived, inform yourself the bitter reality that the janjaweed uses to strip them of their dignity is being systematically slaughtered.

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QUESTION OF THE DAY: WHAT WERE THE BEST AND WORST MOMENTS OF THE MICHIGAN GAME?

Kalinda Brown
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Lyons

Dave Hartung
 sophomore
Alumni

Jana Wingo
 sophomore
Welsh Family

Dan Nickele
 sophomore
Zahn

Alyse Kinchen
 sophomore
off campus

Julie Hynes
 sophomore
Howard

“the whole first half was the worst moment, but sometimes you have to believe in the luck of the Irish.”

“The high point was only letting them get one touch down. The worst point was letting them get a touchdown.”

“The high point was storming the field. The low point was almost being trampled when storming the field.”

“The best moment was the worst moment when I had to go to the first aid room during the third quarter.”

“The first touchdown was the best moment.”

IN BRIEF

Come hear a vocal and piano concert by soprano Georgine Resick and pianist Doris Stevenson in the Annenburg Auditorium at the Snite Museum of Art Tuesday at 7:30 p.m.

There will be an Interdenominational Prayer Service on Tuesday at 9 p.m. at Sacred Heart Chapel in Holy Cross Hall at Saint Mary’s. All faiths are welcome.

The film “Rebel Frontier” will be shown Wednesday from 4 to 5:30 p.m. at the Hesburgh Center Auditorium.

On Friday, self-guided tours of DeBartolo Performing Arts Center will be offered. Campus entertainers will provide continuous entertainment in all five venues from 4:30 to 10 p.m.

The Relay for Life: Fighting Irish Fighting Cancer will take place at the StOLER Center beginning Friday at 6 p.m. and continue until Saturday at 10 a.m. For more information, call 631-6829. All proceeds will go to the American Cancer Society.

The Domer Run will take place on Saturday starting at 11 a.m. A 3-mile run, a 6-mile run and a 2-mile fun walk will take place with a pancake breakfast immediately following the race. Proceeds from Domer Run will benefit ovarian cancer research and education. Register in advance at Rolfs Sports Rec Center. For more information, call 631-6100.

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Lecture explores 'Mother Wars'

Hope College sociology professor speaks about female competition

By MICHELLE EGGERS

More than 50 Saint Mary's community members crowded Stapleton Lounge Friday to hear Debra Swanson and Janelle Dame speak about the "mother wars" being fought in communities across the nation.

"There is a mother war out there," Swanson, an associate professor of sociology at Hope College, said. "The women that choose to stay home and the women that choose to go to work often fight with each other."

Demographics of what makes them a good mom was based on these choices, and consequently become defensive of their choices and degrade the choices of others. "Mother wars" are fueled further by society's contradictory messages that affirm a particular mother role and also condemn her for something.

"At-home moms are seen as selfless, overly involved, nurturing, and being natural mothers," she said. 

"While we expect at-home mothers to be portrayed as natural mothers, in the magazines she is actually depicted as needing lots of help," Swanson said. "Employed moms, who would think would need more help," Swanson said. "That is often seen as the middle." She said.

"Employed moms, who you might think would need more help because they aren't at home as much, they are more natural mothers."

Janelle Swanson
Hope College professor

Where their hearts were with their project. "We thought that if we were academic, why not look at this and this information that was happening to us as we became mothers," she said.

The project was based on extended interviews with moms of preschoolers as well as the analysis of the representations of at-home and employed mothers in five popular women's magazines.

The researchers predicted at-home mothers would be depicted as selfless, overly involved, nurturing, and being natural mothers, while employed mothers would be depicted as selfish, uninvolved, neglected and failing in the domestic sphere.

Part-time moms would fall somewhere in the middle.

What we found was that 88 percent of the mothers were portrayed as at-home mothers, and only 12 percent were depicted as employed mothers," Swanson said. "That does not match statistics that say more than half of all women are in the labor force."

In addition to the misrepresentation, at-home mothers were more likely to be portrayed as serving others, having exaggerated needs of connections and failing in the public sphere.

Employed moms, on the other hand, were portrayed as having an independent identity, being competent at work and home and being natural mothers.

"We thought that if we were academic, why not look at this and this information that was happening to us as we became mothers," she said.

"We were surprised to see how much anger is out there. People are out and plain shirts and khaki pants are in this fall at Whiting High School. The 900-student district allowed students to dress as they pleased, and the conditions have improved over the past few years."

"E-mail is up and running above 95 percent of the time which is up from 70 to 75 percent when I came here two years ago," McKeown said.

The server is currently using a more updated information quota and is running on "pretty good hardware, because it's newest.

Many updates are not invasive, and don't normally interrupt student, staff or faculty work. When a matter is more pressing, a notification is sent in advance by e-mail, but not everyone receives the notice in time.

Sophomore Helen Hinkle believes e-mail updates have become more frequent this year.

"It seems more professors are relying on students to e-mail assignments, and you can't always bank on the e-mail to be up and running," said Hinkle.

Other times students are left confused when experiencing problems outside of the hours specified in the e-mail.

"We've had our share of glitches," Parker said. "But 98 percent of the time you get an e-mail saying it will be out during a certain time and then it's out beyond those times."

"I know updates are important, but sometimes they just cause problems."

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SDMC Update on email security protocols

By LYNN SIKORA

Saint Mary's students and faculty found themselves without e-mail access Thursday night due to system maintenance that included a thorough security audit.

The scheduled outage went from 5 p.m. until 2 a.m. Friday morning. Standard maintenance was performed every Thursday night, but this time the focus was on security.

"We did a once-over on the systems to make sure they're secure," said Keith Fowles, director of Information Technology.

"A simulation was done and it was passed," Fowles said. "But we just did it for a short amount of time to make sure the system is secure," Fowles said. "The security update is the system that has been short for a long time to Internet hackers and viruses."

Fowles said the extended security audit allowed Saint Mary's main server to be brought up to date with protection against unwanted glitches.

This is the first time the e-mail system has been down since the power outage in July.

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Diary code implemented

Associated Press

WHITING, Ind. — Baggy pants and long, loose shirts are out and plain shirts and khaki pants are in this fall at Whiting High School.

The 900-student district adopted the dress code as a way of curbing gang activity, the Post-Tribune of Merrillville reported Sunday.

The Whiting School Board earlier this year approved the policy, which requires students to file a form of color in dress.

The policy dictates specific clothing colors and attire for all students, grades kindergarten through 12. Schools in nearby East Chicago have a similar requirement.

"We've had our share of gang-related incidents," said Whiting High School Principal Belize Parker. "This is a more of a coordination of color than a dress code for the safety of our kids."

The code prohibits jeans, low-rise or baggy pants and cargo pants with more than six zippers. Sandals and skirts three inches above the knee also are prohibited.

No logos are allowed except that of the Whiting Oilers.

Instead of designer T-shirts, students have a choice of three solid colors: white, yellow or dark green.

Teacher Pam Smith said the change seems to have helped.

"They make it more inconvenient than it needs to be," Parker said. "But I know updates are important, but sometimes they just cause problems."

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Golden Knights second appearance at a Notre Dame game, but it hasn’t dulled their enjoyment of the event. Cries of “Let’s Go Irish!” were heard by the soldiers as they prepared for the jump, and 1st class Michael Elliott, wearing the Notre Dame jersey later presented during the game, performed the arm motions for the Call of the Colleen.

Excitement didn’t reduce their sense of caution. Private first class Sean Sweeney said the safety procedures made sure they could control as many factors that could interfere with the jump as possible.

“Stadiums are a very difficult place to jump into,” Sweeney said.

Sweeney said the preparations for the event included a dry run conducted with streamers designed to replicate a parachute in flight.

“The streamers help us compensate for wind in the jump,” Sweeney said. “They let us know when we need to get out.”

After reaching 4,100 feet and passing by Notre Dame, Schaffer announced it was time to jump, and the seven members flew out the plane doors.

The jump also served to honor the anniversary of September 11.

Sergeant 1st class Calvin Fredlack said they would assist in raising the flag, then lower it to half mast in honor of the anniversary. Fredlack said the anniversary was important, but it shouldn’t overshadow the events of the day.

“We respect and remember what happened on 9/11, but we also have a job to do,” he said.

Sweeney said he felt fortunate to be able to participate.

“It’s definitely an honor to represent the Army today at such a big event,” he said.

After the presentation of the flag, the team retired to the sidelines to watch the game. For many of the soldiers, like Sweeney, the game was their first live Notre Dame football game.

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“The defense played really well, [and] to hold them to a touch- down until the very end, I don’t think anyone expected that,” Ritchey said.

And many fans felt this week, the team looked and seemed just a little bit different.

“We did well because our offense and defense played their hearts out and, more specifically, we were able to get our running game in order,” Nakamoto said.

While some attribute the team’s success to the offense or defense, some attribute it to the heart— the heart of the team, and the fans. Saint Mary’s freshman Natalie Holtz, in awe of the student body’s support.

“It was amazing how the student body came together and put their hearts into it,” Holtz said. “It was great how we backed our boys the whole way, through thick and thin.”

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little far to jump, but it’s really far to jump if you have someone pushing,” Gagnon said.

However, once the student body started flooding out of the stands, Gagnon and his team changed their approach.

“While our policy is that we will not permit a field rush, once we determine that we can’t stop it, we move into our assist role,” he said. “We’re living in the real world. We use a term for what the ushers do— crowd management. We don’t say crowd control. A crowd of 60,000 can’t be controlled by a few hundred ushers.”

Problems also arose when students began taking up pieces of the field.

“I saw and stopped two students who were digging up chunks of turf,” Gagnon said. “What people didn’t realize is that what in one sense is a souvenir is also a place of work for the football team. You can’t grow turf in a few days, so you end up patching a few places.”

“You don’t want to create a situation where a football player will sprain an ankle or something even worse.”

The last time the students stormed the field was Sept. 14, 2002, after a 25-23 victory over once, again, the Michigan Wolverines.

At Saturday’s game, similar punishments were enforced for students who went overboard.

“I took one ticket booklet away. I took a driver's license from a student who couldn’t produce an ID,” Gagnon said. “He was tearing up a piece of sod, and he was intoxicated.

I would have taken his book­let, but he claimed not to have it or a student ID. There was one booklet taken from a student who was smoking on the field and wouldn’t put it out.

There were also fears that the field storming would cause injury.

However, assistant director of Medical Services Outreach RuthAnn Heberle said there was not a single reported injury from storming the field.

“It has happened in the past, but Cappy does a really good job of not trying to force an issue,” Heberle said. “He assisted them over the wall and they just peacefully and quietly walked out.”

“It was just a really wonderful game, all-around. We only had one transport and that was after the game was over and that wasn’t related to the weather or the game or anything. We were busy, but just with minor things like splinters and bee stings.”

Generally, Saturday’s game was no different from any other in terms of health issues and damage to the stadium.

However, we have a big, humid game it’s harder on the elderly and people who either don’t drink enough liqu­ids or drink too many lique­urs, so we had the usual amount of that,” Gagnon said.

“As far as the weather and the crowd—if the same thing were to happen we would have expected,” he said. “I think, off the top of my head, there were maybe three or four broken bench­es, almost always in the student section. It’s just a haz­ard of standing on benches.”

“In a game like that you’re not just standing, you’re jumping around, but there was minimal damage.”

In past years, ushers also have had to combat the marshmallow throwing that usually takes place within the senior student section.

Gagnon and the rest of the stadium personnel were on the lookout for marsh­mallows being thrown during halftime, but it didn’t appear to be as large as in past years.

“We didn’t catch any student trying with marshmallows,” Gagnon said. “The last home game last year we caught a bunch. Hopefully it will fade out of existence.”

“It really doesn’t sound like a whole big deal to throw a few marshmallows around, but we can’t be in the situation from a liability standpoint to endorse throwing anything.”

Saturday’s victory and storming of the field was an event that, in many students’ minds, will go down as a great Notre Dame moment.

Tarnacki said this game was something he will not soon forget.

“The memory I will never forget is walking out of the tunnel, seeing Touchdown Jesus,” Tarnacki said. “There is nothing like that anywhere else.

“That was one of the best days I’ve ever had. Everything was just so special.”

Chris Tarnacki sophomore

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Was it a game of pure heart? Was it a great Notre Dame moment? Was it a testament to the team and the fans? Was it, as Sweeney said, just a lucky break? Or was it, as some may argue, a perfect storm?

The game held so much promise for so many people, but it was marred by incidents that few expected.

“Nothing is an anticlimax after a game like that,” McManus said.

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Chris Tarnacki sophomore
INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Baghdad violence kills near 60

BAGHDAD, Iraq — Insurgents hammered central Baghdad on Sunday with one of their vehicle bombs, killing nearly 60 people nationwide as security appeared to spiral out of control.

At least 37 people were killed in Baghdad alone. Many of them died when a U.S. helicopter fired on a disabled U.S. Bradley fighting vehicle as Iraqis swarmed around it, cheering, throwing stones and waving the black and yellow sunburst banner of Iraq’s most-feared terror organization.

The explosions left a car carrying two Iraqi television reporters killed.:

Bin Laden is still around

NEW YORK — Their voices breaking, parents and grandparents of those lost on Sept. 11 reached the names of their own lost loved ones.

"We miss you very much, we love you very much, and we’ll never forget you because you’re in our hearts forever," said Stewart D. Uzzell, 35, of Fife, Wash., whose parents, Rodney James Wotton.

Low crime rates hold steady

WASHINGTON — The nation’s crime rate last year held steady at the lowest levels since the government began surveying crime victims in 1973, the Justice Department reported Sunday.

The study was the latest contribution to a decade-long trend in which violent crime as measured by victim surveys has fallen by 55 percent and property crime by 49 percent. That has included a 14 percent drop in violent crime from 2000-02. The rates are the lowest in the last 30 years, Justice Department statistician Shannan Catalona said in the report.

Local News

Indiana feels small earthquake

INDIANAPOLIS — Some Indiana residents were shaken Sunday by a small earthquake.

The 3.6 magnitude earthquake happened about six miles north of Shelbyville, according to the U.S. Geological Survey.

A Jamaican boy cleans up his house after the passing of Hurricane Ivan on the outskirts of Kingston, Jamaica, Sunday. The hurricane may strike Cuba and Florida at hurricane level.

Blast ignites fear of nuclear testing

SEOUL, South Korea — A large explosion occurred in the northern part of North Korea, sending a huge column of smoke into the air on an important anniversary for the communist regime, a South Korean news agency reported Sunday.

The South Korean government said it was trying to confirm the report of an explosion at a rocket launching site in Yanggang province near the border with China.

Hurricane Ivan over the Caribbean at 150 mph killing at least 60 people

Associated Press

GEORGE TOWN, Cayman Islands — Hurricane Ivan battered the Cayman Islands with 150 mph winds Sunday, flooding homes, ripping off roofs and toppling trees three stories tall as its powerful eye thundered just offshore.

Ivan has killed at least 60 people across the Caribbean and was expected to strike western Cuba, where residents have been told to evacuate their homes.

The storm also could brush the Florida Keys and parts of Golf of Mexico, issued a hurricane watch and tropical storm warning for the northeastern Yucatan Peninsula.

The hurricane, which grew to the most dangerous Category 5 with 165 mph winds Saturday, lost some strength before tearing into the wealthy Cayman Islands chain, a popular scuba diving destination and banking center.

"It’s as bad as it can possibly get," Justin Uzzell, 35, said by telephone from his fifth-floor refuge in Grand Cayman. "It’s a horizontal breeze. The air is just foam."

High winds prevented officials from assessing damage immediately. But Donnie Ebanks, deputy chairman of the British territory’s National Hurricane Committee, estimated that as many as half of Grand Cayman’s 15,000 homes were damaged.

At 5 p.m. EDT, Ivan’s eye was about 25 miles west of Grand Cayman, the east coast of Cuba’s western tip.

Hurricane-force winds extended 90 miles west of the Caymans.

The Cayman Islands were better prepared for the punishment than Grenada and Jamaica, which were slammed by Ivan in the past week — though Jamaica was spared a direct hit Saturday. The Cayman Islands have strict building codes and none of the shantytowns and tin shacks common elsewhere in the Caribbean.

The hurricane Center said ham radio operators on Grand Cayman reported that people were standing on the roofs of homes because of storm surges up to 8 feet above normal tide levels.

While it was nearly a direct hit on Grand Cayman, the eye of the storm did not make landfall, passing instead over water just south of the island, said Rafael Mojica, a Hurricane Center meteorologist.

Still, emergency officials said residents from all parts of the island were reporting blown-off roofs and flooded homes as Ivan’s shrieking winds and driving rain approached Grand Cayman, the largest of three islands that comprise the British territory of 45,000 people.

The government said Grand Cayman was “experiencing the most severe portion of Hurricane Ivan” on Sunday morning.

"We know there is damage, and it is severe," said Wes Emanuel of the Government Information Service.

The airport runway was flooded and trees were wrenched from their roots, including a giant Cacao mahogany next to the government headquarters in downtown George Town.

Radio Cayman went off the air temporarily before resuming broadcasts.

Though there were no immediate reports of injuries in the Caymans, the death toll elsewhere rose as hospital officials in Jamaica reported four more deaths, for a total of 15. At least 34 people were killed in Grenada, where the hurricane left widespread destruction. Scattered deaths occurred on other islands and in Venezuela.
Meditation aids pain in arthritis sufferers

Associated Press

BALTIMORE — Dalia Isicoff knows pain. A lifelong sufferer of rheumatoid arthritis, she has had seven hip replacement surgeries.

Since leaving the hospital in February following her latest operation, however, she hasn't taken any painkillers. Not because the pain isn't there — it is. But Isicoff, 52, said she has learned to accept the pain, the disease, and herself, thanks to meditation.

"When you have an illness like this, what one tends to do is say, 'Oh, my God! Here we go again, this is going to render me disabled, I'm going to wind up in a wheelchair!' and you rush to the medicine cabinet," she said.

"This has allowed me to have the patience to deal with these flare-ups and become relaxed enough so the need for pain medication is almost not there."

The 52-year-old Clarksville resident said meditation has made her symptoms less severe, helping relieve stress that she said made the condition worse.

"With this type of approach, you learn to acknowledge you have pain and, by realizing it and by being in this relaxed state, the pain is less," she said.

Researchers at the University of Maryland School of Medicine in Baltimore are studying others like Isicoff to see if meditation helps sufferers of the autoimmune disorder, which affects about 2.1 million Americans, mostly women. Those with the disease often have general fatigue, soreness, stiffness and aches at first. Joints may swell and become damaged over time.

Groups of rheumatoid arthritis patients are being trained in "mindfulness," a form of stress reduction meditation developed 30 years ago at the University of Massachusetts. Their progress is being compared to patients not in the program.

Mindfulness is similar to many meditation techniques. Participants are taught to focus on breathing to quiet the mind and become aware of the moment.

The method has been used successfully to help patients with chronic pain from a variety of conditions, but this marks the first time it is being studied to see if it can help the physical and psychological symptoms of rheumatoid arthritis patients, said Lisa Pradhan, one of the study leaders for the University of Maryland's Center for Integrative Medicine.

Evidence suggests flare-ups of the disease are associated with stress, she said.

Thirty-six patients took an eight-week course that started in March and will be given their third and final evaluation later this month. Participants are being sought for a second group of a similar size, which will take the course beginning later this month and be tracked for six months.

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LOS ANGELES — The undead came alive once more over the weekend as "Resident Evil: Apocalypse" debuted at No. 1 at the box office, bringing in $23.7 million. The sequel to 2002's "Resident Evil," based on a video game series about shooting apart shuffling, bio-poisoned zombie attackers, follows bits like last year's remake of "Dawn of the Dead" and the zombie movie "28 Days Later," which reinvigorated the genre.

Overall, however, it was a slow week for new releases as most kids headed back to school and the big-budget blockbusters of summer evaporated in favor of B-movie-style thrillers and monster movies. The suspense drama "Cellular," with Kim Basinger as a kidnapping victim who makes a random phone call to a cell phone and pleads with a stranger to find her, opened at No. 2 with $10.6 million.

"Cellular" did OK, but every other movie was just treading water behind "Resident Evil," said Paul Dergarabedian, president of box office tracker Exhibitor Relations Co.

"Resident Evil: Apocalypse" stars Mills Jovovich as Alice, a bath-towel wearing, butt-kicking security chief who tries to help a group of survivors escape a zombified metropolis before the city of Ghoulia is annihilated by a nuclear strike.

With its miniskirted heroines and gooey guts-a-plenty, "Apocalypse" appealed mainly to guys under the age of 25.

"Certainly this is an adaptation from a game, so it has its own audience," said Rory Brue, distribution chief for Sony, which released the film. "The zombies aspect of it is just fun."

Brue also credited the marketing campaign, which featured early teaser trailers that had little to do with the action-horror theme. One trailer appeared to be an ad for a genetically engineered moisturizing lotion that promises to regenerate dead skin cells — the product that causes the mayhem in the films.

Associated Press
NEW YORK — Noah Wyle, the last continuous on-air link to the NBC medical drama "ER's" freshman season in 1994, seems headed for the doctor's retirement home.

Wyle, who plays Dr. John Carter, told E! Entertainment Television on Thursday that he plans to leave the show at the end of this season. "I've just got other stuff going in my life right now."

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Earlier in the year he said he was going to stay only, "people are going to have to stay tuned to see what's happening."

The five-time Emmy Award nominee's contract expired at the end of this season. This spring he watched as another popular Warner Bros. show that debuted the same season, "Friends," made its goodbye.

"The money, probably," he said.

"ER" will outlast him. NBC has locked up the show for another season past this one and, barring an unexpected downturn in the ratings, it will likely continue beyond that.

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NEW YORK — Barbara Walters says she is departing the ABC news magazine show "20/20" after 25 years because she wants to "leave at the top" and avoid being forced out.

"News magazines in general are somewhat in jeopardy, I think," Walters told The New York Times for Sunday's editions. "I didn't want anyone to say, she was forced out, she had to leave."

Walters, 74, said that when she first became an evening news anchor, coanchor Harry Reasoner did not want to work with a woman and wouldn't talk to her off the air. Soon, she said, she was getting "the sympathy vote." One day she got a telegram from a man she didn't know. It said, 'Don't let the bastards get you down.' And it was signed John Wayne," she said.

Walters says she plans to stay in television, continuing her interview specials and appearances on "The View." ABC News appointed Elizabeth Vargas to replace her on "20/20."

Walters says television news has changed in recent years.
Hong Kong

Hong Kong voters turn out in force

Voters choose pro-democracy politicians in controversial election

Associated Press

HONG KONG — A record 1.7 million Hong Kong voters cast ballots Sunday for an election that sent a fresh contingent of pro-democracy opposition politicians to the legislature, but fewer than the outright majority feared by Beijing's allies, exit polls showed.

The contest was surrounded in controversy even before the results were tallied. Polling stations ran short of ballot boxes, prompting some angry people to give up rather than wait to cast their vote.

Politicians from the opposition Democratic Party conceded they had probably fallen short of expectations, after two candidates became embroiled in campaign scandals. One remains locked up in mainland China after allegedly being caught with a prostitute.

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Jerusalem on Sunday against their backers demonstrated in hundreds of Jewish settlers and Monday, September 13, 2004 The Observer war.

threats and warnings of civil enclaves in a rally held against from Gaza and four West Bank plan to evacuate all settlements upset the Israeli political scene downtown Jerusalem, shutting parts of the West Bank to Israel. Palestinians believe the whole downtown were Orthodox Jews, many of them teenage girls in long skirts or youths wearing knit skullcaps. A huge banner behind the stage set the theme: "Disengagement tears the people apart." Many waved blue-and-white Israeli flags.

One placard warned that the head of Sharon's disengagement committee would "not be forgiven." Another showed a picture of Sharon under the words, "The Dictator." Another sign said, "A time to love, a time to hate," quoting the biblical Book of Ecclesiastes.

After the demonstration, hundreds of participants, many holding candles, marched to a square near Sharon's official residence, where they called on the prime minister to resign. The rally dispersed peacefully. At a Cabinet meeting Sunday morning, Sharon warned of a civil war.

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Ten die in suspected arson fire

COLUMBUS, Ohio — A suspected arson fire raced through a five-story apartment complex in suburban Columbus on Sunday, killing 10 people who lived in the same apartment and forcing others to jump from third-story windows to escape.

At least 53 people were left homeless by the blaze in Prairie Township, which destroyed the building's roof and third floor, melted siding and left its wooden skeleton exposed.

Antonio Norieg said firefighters pulled him from a ladder as he tried to rescue his brothers and nephews.

"My family is dead," Norieg said. Eight of his relatives — including three young boys — and two friends lived in the apartment, he said. Authorities wouldn't say whether others were still missing.

The fire came just six weeks after three fires were set in the same building in an empty apartment and hallway, said Fire Chief Steve Feustel. There were no suspects or witnesses to Sunday's suspected arson, he said.

The victims lived on the third floor and tried to escape. Feustel said.

"They were out of their beds. They didn't die in their sleep," he said.

Two people, including a woman who jumped from a window, were treated and released from a hospital, a nursing supervisor said.

Residents of the gutted 24-unit building stood vigil outside — some with blankets, some quietly sobbing. The American Red Cross handed out water, coffee and doughnuts, and helped residents find temporary housing.

The fire started about 2:30 a.m. in the basement or the first floor, but the cause was not known, Feustel said. He said the fire burned fiercely in the roof when crews arrived, "It was terrible," he said.

A hydrant that had been knocked over delayed getting water to the fire, which was already shooting through the roof when crews arrived, Feustel said.

"These people were probably already done by the time fire crews were on the scene," he said.

Killed in the fire were Ismael Noriega, 36; his wife Lidia Mejia, 22; their three young sons, Mejia's two brothers; her niece and two family friends, according to Antonio Noriega, Ismael's brother.

"My family, they're sleeping and the fire is in the room," he said. "I can't help my brothers." Norieg said his family members were all immigrants from Mexico who came to Columbus four years ago.

Many in the family worked together at a landscaping company.
Life-changing experiences sometimes come at unexpected times. This one started with a harmless date to a baseball game and ended up in jail.

My date and I met friends for drinks after the game, downed a few beers and headed to Camden Yards in Baltimore to watch the Red Sox dominate the Orioles. Our opti­
mistic attitudes were not drowned out with the rains that poured down in the fourth inning. Even if they canceled the game, we determined to have a fun night anyway.

Ready to stir up some trouble, my date turned to me and said that she thought it would be a great idea to play "slide " on the giant tarp that had been put down in left field. I was hesitant to play in the rain, but my date convinced me and I was won over by her enthusiasm. I soon found myself leaping onto the field, hands pumping in the air as "I just won an Olympic medal."

My 15 minutes of fame did not disappoint. There were 30,000 disgruntled baseball fans cheering at our new­
found entertainment, and my "slide dive" was worthy of the record books. While we were celebrated, I soon found myself leaping onto the field, hands pumping in the air as "I just won an Olympic medal."

The comic nature of the incident came to an abrupt and sober end several hours later when I suddenly found myself booked, photographed and fingerprint­

ed in a jail cell in downtown Baltimore. The next 20 hours were long and du­

bilitating. But they were also eye-open­ing.

My time in jail will be looked back on with humor, a youthful folly. But the other 12 people sitting uncomfortably in the two-man cell in which I found myself, all of whom were black and from inner-city Baltimore, will probably have very different stories to tell, sto­
rías that challenge the comfortable boundaries of life at Notre Dame.

My cellmates had been in jail count­

less times. They all grew up in parts of Baltimore where public schooling is inferior, entry-level jobs are few and stable families rare. Pressures and expectations are radically different than in the typical suburban community.

For my cellmates, this constructed reality was like no other place. I attempted escape from the cops, while the parolee allowed for more kids in America includes attending school plays and seeing movies.

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What is it we pay to go to this school? $40,000! I've spent almost four years wondering where all that money goes, or better yet, doesn't go. One hundred fifty-nine dollars for football tickets is pretty bad. Nine dollars for a dining hall meal — yeah, that's about what they cost — is ridiculous.

But now the class of 2005 is finding out one of the more depressing realities about life at Notre Dame. As the trauma of the yearbook session is revealed, we are already lost. But there is still a chance for you and me to get our lives together.

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Realizing errors in Iraq

When are we going to wake up and get the point? Now that we have counted more than 1,000 dead soldiers in Iraq, isn’t it about time to reconsider what we are doing? There are no weapons of mass destruction—just lies. There is no connection between Sept. 11 and Iraq—just lies. There was no consensus between Saddam Hussein and Al Qaeda—just lies. The world and especially America is not as safer as a result of these actions. The Bush administration continues to manipulate our emotions with constant war stories, fake warnings or nonspecific information from unspecified sources and elevated color alerts. Does this make you feel safer?

The Bush administration seems to think it can defeat terrorism by “taking the fight to the enemy,” but Homeland Security expert Stephen Flynn warns, “Targeting terrorism at its source is an appealing notion, unfortunately, the enemy is not cooperating.” The “coalition of the willing” is slowly coming to the realization that this approach won’t work. The few “coalition” nations still present only have about 90 persons in Iraq and those may be withdrawn soon. We have about 145,000 and are losing territory, which he failed to win the popular vote, his support has come almost entirely from the fear that gripped the nation after Sept. 11. He has abused that support to pass policy and wage wars that would have been dismissed as absurd before the terrorism scare. He has everything to gain by leaving the American people frightened and clutching at the frayed edges of his “security blanket” administration, and the best way to do that is to leave us ignorant, just lie.

The Bush administration has repeatedly opposed fact-finding investigations related to Sept. 11. When an investigation was eventually launched, it was poorly funded with $200 billion already wasted, we may never be able to evaluate the real cost of this folly in lost lives, lost limbs, lost dreams and broken families.

Wayne M. Sampson

Sizing up the candidate

The title to Tom Ripplinger’s Sept. 8 column tells us that voting for Bush is the hard road which we should nevertheless take for the good of the country. Upon reading Ripplinger’s reasons for this conclusion, however, we find that the choices America now faces are far too many.

Fear sells in political marketplace

It is true, as President Franklin Roosevelt said, that “we have nothing to fear but fear itself.” Unfortunately, the fear is now coming from the wrong political party. Let us not use reason to estimate the credibility or legitimacy of our leaders. There are even so far as to accuse those who use their reason to question these fears of being un-American for not blindly accepting the terror.

Fear, uncertainty and doubt are the order of the day. This is a part of the Karen-Kirk Cuban Missile Crisis, the law of nature or politics saying that Democrats cannot be just as effective fear-mongers as Republicans. Though the Kerry campaign has released from manufacturing additional fear, many people support Sen. Kerry’s bid for the presidency simply because they fear the neo-conservatives in power more.

But no politician, with the possible exception of Joseph McCarthy, has done more to cultivate fear than President Bush. After the election of 2000, in which he failed to win the popular vote, his support has come almost entirely from the fear that gripped the nation after Sept. 11. He has abused that support to pass policy and wage wars that would have been dismissed as absurd before the terrorism scare. He has everything to gain by leaving the American people frightened and clutching at the frayed edges of his “security blanket” administration, and the best way to do that is to leave us ignorant, just lie.

The Bush administration has repeatedly opposed fact-finding investigations related to Sept. 11. When an investigation was eventually launched, it was poorly funded with $200 billion (compared to $70 million for the Pentagon crash). The results of investigations into who short-sold American Airlines and United Airlines stock in the days preceding the attacks also have not been released.

Little information about the Sept. 11 attacks — or what the government did to investigate the tragedies or combat future terrorism — has come to light.

Especially, we know nothing.

Technological espionage powers, the powerless are afraid, the afraid are compliant and the compliant vote Republican.

Ignorance is not the only way this administration has sought to keep us cowering. The White House has made it a habit to periodically frighten us with indefinite and dubi-
Blessid Union of Souls rocks old favorites

Band sneaks back onto music scene with new twists on old standbys

By LAUREN WENDEL
Scene Writer

Despite a five-year absence from Top 40 radio, Blessid Union of Souls’ career may not be finished just yet. If Thursday night’s set at St. Mary’s O’Laughlin Auditorium is any indication, there will be plenty of fans welcoming them back into the limelight.

Widely known for its emotional and accessible tunes that speak directly to the audience, the band has been touring the nation recently playing small-scale venues and recording new material for an upcoming album. Despite this fresh material, the band is mostly remembered for several 90’s love songs that take one back to those awkward junior high dances.

Thursday’s set consisted mostly of these old standbys, some with new twists that kept the audience pleasantly surprised and energized throughout the two hours.

2 Skinny Dorks, an unsigned act from Cleveland, helped jump start the crowd with its energy filled, Dave Matthews Band-inspired opening set. Contrary to the name, the band actually consists of three full-time members and three other non-touring members. The group has been playing together for six years and was recently named the best unsigned act by the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame.

Despite these accolades, the band played generic three-chord acoustic rock thrown together with some excellent saxophone playing by Matt Corey and high-tech voice box accompaniment. The set consisted of four original songs as well as a cover of Michael Jackson’s “Man in the Mirror.” Lead singer Jake Blaze’s voice provided strong support and stage presence to songs that were lyrically weak and sloppily arranged.

The challenge of getting a positive crowd response is much easier at an all-girls school, according to guitarist Eric Penrod. “It’s easier, because girls are generally more accepting,” he said. “You just have to get on stage for girls, with guys it’s like you have to prove yourself. But at the same time we want it to be about the music.”

Blessid Union of Souls seemed to feed off the laid-back energy supplied by 2 Skinny Dorks and brought the 600-person crowd to its feet in quiet anticipation. Kicking off the set with the fast-paced “She’s the One” and the hit “I Wanna Be There” off its second self-titled album (EMI, 1997), Blessid Union of Souls showed it still knows how to rock out with its old standby hits. The set slowed down with an appropriately named new song, “How Does it Feel Coming Down,” but then quickly picked up again with the single “That’s the Girl I’ve Been Telling You About” (Walking off the Buzz, 1999).

Lead singer Eliot Sloan, dressed in a cape-like orange silk shirt and sewn-in tight pin-stripe pants, twirled around onstage when not crooning into the microphone. He continued the set’s laid-back vibe with the forgettable “Oh Virginia” and the radio-friendly singles “Light in Your Eyes” and “Let Me Be the One,” which prompted many audience members to sway in union while displaying their cell phone lights.

A well-played piano cover of Queen’s “Bohemian Rhapsody” surprised many in the audience and added some energizing group sing-a-long to the set. Later in the set, the rest of the band had the opportunity to show off its musical skills via a five-minute jam session filled with funk drumbeats by Shaun Shaefer and Led Zeppelin-inspired guitar riffs by Bryan Billheimer and Pence. This long performance prompted many audience members to leave early. If they had stayed, the crowd would have witnessed some awe-inspiring guitar playing that would lead anyone to pick up a guitar and try it out.

The highlight of the night was the solo performance by Sloan of his first smash single, 1995’s “I Believe” (Home, EMI). This haunting and well-written love ballad brought some in the audience to tears while hugging their loved ones. At the end of the set, Blessid Union of Souls returned to a crowd favorite by playing “I Believe” punk, reggae and hard rock style in an extended version. This new twist revitalized the crowd’s energy just in time for the band’s 1999 smash hit “Hey Leonardo (She Likes Me for Me).”

Even though Blessid Union of Souls has not released new material since 1999, the band has been touring small venues with some new songs as well as their older hits.

Additional performances included: “Wanna Be There” off its second self-titled album (EMI, 1997), Blessid Union of Souls won the best unsigned act by the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame. The band is currently working on a new album.

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Freshman tailback revives running game as defense stifles Wolverines

By JUSTIN SCHUVER
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At the start of the season, most of the Notre Dame faithful figured the Irish would be 1-1 after the Michigan game.

And they are, it just happened differently than many thought.

In front of a raucous sellout home crowd, the Irish put on a display of balanced offense and stellar defense — while taking advantage of their opponent's mistakes — as they bounced back from a disappointing opener against Brigham Young to shock No. 8 Michigan 28-20.

"We just believed we could get it done," Irish coach Tyrone Willingham said when asked what changed between the BYU loss and the victory over the Wolverines. "Our guys really stayed the course, and I think our coaches did a wonderful job of directing them."

Certainly another difference between the two games would have to be the play of true freshman running back Darius Walker.

Walker, who did not see action against BYU, came into the game near the end of the first quarter and never looked back — eventually scoring two touchdowns and collecting 115 yards on 21 carries.

"Basically, I was just worried about doing my job to the best of my ability and the best that I could," he said. "I just tried to block everything else out. It was quite an experience out there."

Notre Dame scored its other two touchdowns through the air on passes to wide receiver Matt Shelton and fullback Rashon Powers-Neal.

Irish quarterback Brady Quinn finished the game 10-of-20 for 178 yards with two touchdowns and three interceptions — although two of the interceptions deflected off Notre Dame receivers.

Quinn was proud the team was able to win even without its quarterback playing his best game.

"That's just a big part of this team," he said. "It's nice to know that it's not on any one person's shoulders to win the game for the team."

For a long time, Notre Dame looked as if it would have trouble running the ball, as its consistent offensive effort on the field. The Irish did not convert on third down until the second quarter, and twice in the second half Notre Dame turned the ball over inside the Michigan 20-yard line.

Michigan kicker Garrett Rivas kicked three field goals in the first half to give the Wolverines a 9-0 lead at halftime, after a first half in which Notre Dame advanced the ball to the Michigan 1-yard line but could not convert on fourth-and-one. The Irish defense made several key plays in the half to force the Wolverines to settle for field goals, rather than touchdowns.

"I thought the Notre Dame defense was outstanding," Michigan coach Lloyd Carr said. "They played really, really good football today."

Early in the third quarter, Shelton got a step on the Michigan defensive back, and Quinn found his receiver open in the end zone.

Rivas kicked another field goal to increase Michigan's lead to 12-7, and the Wolverines threatened again before quarterback Chad Henne's pass intended for Braylon Edwards deflected off the receiver's hands and into Dwight Ellick's hands for an interception on the Michigan 30-yard line.

Six plays later, Walker ran six yards for a touchdown to give the Irish its first lead of the game. Notre Dame continued with its momentum, as Jerome Collins and Chase Anastasio blocked a Michigan punt and Corey Mays recovered the ball at the Michigan 4-yard line.

Walker took it in for the score on the next play.

Notre Dame added one more touchdown in the fourth quarter, with Powers-Neal scoring on a 9-yard reception. Michigan added a touchdown late as Henne connected with Steve Breaston for a 25-yard pass with 1:13 left.

The Wolverines were successful on the two-point conversion and tried an onside kick, but Notre Dame's Maurice Stovall recovered.

The Irish were able to run out the rest of the clock and set off a rowdy celebration that included the Notre Dame student section storming the field.

While he acknowledged it was nice to get a win, Willingham cautioned he would not allow his team to get overly confident heading into a road game next weekend against his alma mater, Michigan State.

"There is still a lot of improvement that we have to have in order to be the best football team that we can be," he said.

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Freshman running back Darius Walker stiff arms Michigan defensive back Markus Curry on the way to his second touchdown of the day in a 28-20 Irish upset victory over the Wolverines.

Notre Dame 28, Michigan 20
Irish head coach Tyrone Willingham and offensive lineman Bob Morton glare from the shade of the tunnel before Notre Dame steps onto the field to take on rival Michigan. The Irish defense played with motivation and inspiration throughout the game Saturday, and Darius Walker’s rushing efforts lit a fire under the offense.

Rushing to form an identity

In the 32nd meeting of these two rivals, Notre Dame and Michigan played a game of decisions. Brady Quinn’s second decision was intercepted and led to three Wolverine points.

Michigan Freshman Chad Henne decided to throw passes short of the first down marker that ended otherwise strong drives.

Notre Dame decided to go for fourth-and-goal and didn’t score.

Michigan decided to run the ball on third-and-goal and settled for a field goal. And then Notre Dame — anchored by an inspired defense — decided how they would win. They would run the football, and Darius Walker would be their workhorse.

“He has that ability to make a guy miss in the open field,” offensive coordinator Bill Biederman said. Walker made the Michigan defense miss often on his 31 carries, and the axiom preached throughout this program’s history returned. Notre Dame football wins when Notre Dame football runs.

Julius Jones put the Irish on his back last season, but a freshman quarterback and a team struggling for identity often could not capitalize. But somewhere late Saturday afternoon, Jerome Bettis, Reggie Brooks, Autry Dennis and Jones were all smiling.

Walker gained 115 yards of Notre Dame’s 135 rushing yards. Michigan had only 36 yards on the ground.

In the three meetings between Michigan and Tyrone Willingham’s Irish, the team that has run the ball better has won the game. Willingham is 2-1.

Walker’s 31 carries should remind every player, coach and fan of what happened last season. Cincinnati Bengals first-round pick Chris Perry carried 31 times for 133 yards and four touchdowns. Michigan finished with 186 total yards on 34 carries.

Notre Dame ran the ball 25 times for 49 yards. The Michigan starting offensive line jogged off the field to a standing ovation towards the end of the third quarter. The game ended an embarrassing 38-0.

But the season before, in perhaps the most important victory for Willingham at Notre Dame until the upset of No. 8 Michigan Saturday, the Irish beat a ranked 2002 Michigan team 23-20. Notre Dame ran for 157 yards, Michigan 91 yards.

The Irish achieved the same victory this Saturday.

And it all came after a season-opening game in which neither the offensive line nor the running backs seemed to make forward progress.

Coaches played tailbacks Travis Thomas, Marlon Williams and Jeff Jenkins in Provo, Utah, only two of whom saw the field against Michigan. Walker traveled to BYU, but he did not play.

Then the Michigan game began and the initial game plan did not seem to call for 40 carries. Coaches took Walker out of the game for the denied fourth-and-goal attempt, though he scored a Georgia record 46 touchdowns as a high school senior.

But then the carries began to increase. The defense held Michigan to field goals, and a solid defensive effort combined with a dominant running game to instill the key ingredients of Notre Dame football.

The much-scrutinized offensive line decided it was time. Darius Walker decided being a freshman meant nothing. And Notre Dame won the rushing battle, with Walker acting as Willingham’s “spark.”

Michigan coach Carr fixed his comments on the most important reason for his team’s struggles.

“We didn’t run the ball well last week. We certainly didn’t run it very well today, and until you can run the football, you’re going to have a hard time,” Carr said.

Twenty-two carries for 113 yards against BYU in their first game? The Irish would call that a hard time.

Forty carries for 135 yards? Notre Dame may call that the beginning of a new identity.

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Walker debuts as promising back

By MATT PUGLISI
Sports Writer

Freshman running back Darius Walker saw no action against Brigham Young in Notre Dame's first game. The next week, against one of Notre Dame's biggest rivals, Walker grinded out 115 yards and scored a pair of crucial fourth quarter touchdowns, including the eventual game-winner.

"Oh, I was beat," Walker said.

Carrying the ball a total of 31 times, the Walker put the offense on his back in the deciding final period, picking up 61 yards and chewing up clock to lead the Irish to a rousing 28-20 upset victory over rival No. 8 Michigan (1-1).

"I really can't put it into words," Walker said. "The exciting part is that we won. We've been hearing a lot of stuff about this big Michigan team, and for us to beat them like we did, it's kind of exciting."

One week after the Irish (1-1) running game almost failed to produce any tangible dip in its rushing yards -- a meager 11 yards against BYU -- the rejuvenated ground game racked up 135 yards en route to victory.

Walker pointed to the offensive line as the true key to his success.

"The offensive line -- I've got to give all the credit to, it really wasn't me that was doing the work," Walker said. "They opened up the holes, and I just ran through them."

The line, however, wasn't about to take all the credit for the freshman's big first day.

"You've got to have a guy back there that hasn't had a lot of touches and that's not going to be taken from him," left tackle Ryan Harris said. "I love that attitude, and it's infectious to a lot of guys.

Walker got his first taste of the end zone with 13 minutes, 48 seconds left in the first quarter when he got his hand on the right end and into the end zone untouched.

"First time in the end zone, wow," Walker said. "I don't really know what I was thinking about, I just heard everybody screaming, and then the guys came jumping up on me so it was an exciting feeling. Scoring a touchdown, and for it to be my first game, I'm glad to win too, I just can't put it into words."" he said.

The touchdown was the first by an Irish freshman since receiver Maurice Stovall hauled in a pass from Carlyle Holiday against Rutgers in November of 2002.

The go-ahead score staked Notre Dame to a 14-9 lead in the first contest, and Walker and Irish wasted little time extending the advantage.

After tight end Jerome Collins blocked a Wolverine punt and linebacker Derek Curry pounced on the loose ball, Walker was in position for his second trip to the end zone this season from five yards out to put Notre Dame on top.

Though Walker has emerged as the third straight Irish winner over the Wolverines at Notre Dame Stadium.

Walker holds the record for touchdowns in a Georgia high school season with 46 his senior year, but the two on Saturday were totally different.

"The score marked the first time since November 2000 that a Notre Dame freshman has run for a pair of touchdowns, when Matt LoVecchio accomplished the same feat in a win over USC. Walker's running impressed the Irish and Wolverines, alike.

"Walker did a heck of a job in there for a freshman," Michigan coach Lloyd Carr said. "He's a slippery guy. I think he's a good football player."

While Walker's first game left many fans scrambling to discover where this freshman phenom came from, coach Tyrone Willingham knew what he would be getting when he recruited Walker from Buford, Ga. last winter and mixed him into the offensive equation Saturday.

"A spark has a tendency to make everyone else do their job a little better," Willingham said. "I had no lack of confidence in Darius, being a true freshman stepping in and having that running game."

After not receiving the opportunity to play in Notre Dame's disappointing 20-17 season-opening loss to BYU and missing most of the first quarter Saturday, Walker got an opportunity to get his first start.

"I'm just going to work hard and keep doing what I'm doing, Walker said. "Our offensive line was opening holes up too, so if we keep working hard, we can still do what we did ... hopefully we can go to give it in Michigan State."

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Irish regain top winning percentage

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Notre Dame's 28-20 win over Michigan Saturday was more than just another win for the Irish in a historic rivalry, it was the sweep that helped Notre Dame regain its lead on the Wolverines as the top team in the ACC in the Associated Press Poll's Top 25 percentage-list.

The Irish now lead Michigan by two games, 28-26, after Notre Dame owning a 74-567 winning percentage. Duke and the Wolverines have a 74-541 winning percentage (83.59). The Irish have a winning percentage of 83.59.

Rushing closer to the record

With his sick of freshman Michigan quarterback Chad Henerson, and Irish defensive end Justin Tuck moved one step closer toward cementing his place in Notre Dame history.

Tuck's 31 carries now leave him just half a sack behind current record holder Kory Minor, who played at Notre Dame from 1995-98. Minor collected two sacks during Notre Dame's opener against Brigham Young.

"Anytime you've got a young quarterback coming into this Stadium with as much as rides on this rivalry, you definitely want to get on him a little bit," Tuck said. "You can make him get the ball a little easier than he wants to, maybe make him throw a little more off-line than they'd otherwise be -- that's a big key in a game like this."

An unexpected hero

Irish snapper Casey Dunn was so called because he normally does on fourth down, get the ball to D.J. Fitzpatrick and then run down the field to try to cover his lane on defense. He was a bit surprised to turn up this one.

After not receiving the opportunity to play in Notre Dame's opener Saturday, Dunn leapt onto the ball and recovered it for Notre Dame.

"I was just trying to get there as fast as I could and jump on the ball," Dunn said. "Obviously it's something that was exciting for me and I was just glad to help the team out."

"We joke around how usual­ly when the snapper gets some review it's because he messed up, so it was nice to do something positive and be at the right place at the right time."

Walking the talk

This early, Irish cor­nerback Dwight Ellick caused a mini-controversy after making comments congratulating the Michigan receivers to "prove" they were one of the best in the nation.

While the Notre Dame defense did a good job of stop­ping the Michigan pass-catch­ers, Ellick wasn't in any mood to badmouth his opponent after Saturday's win.

"I feel we showed them something and at the same time I think we showed them something," Ellick said. "Obviously it's something that was exciting for me and I was just glad to help the team out.

"We joke around how unusual­ly when the snapper gets some review it's because he messed up, so it was nice to do something positive and be at the right place at the right time."

Game captains

Captains for the game Saturday were defensive end Justin Tuck, linebacker Mike Gooby, offensive guard Dan Stevenson and wide receiver Carlyle Holiday.

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scoring summary

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Garrett Rivers 38-yard FG w ith 8:29 remaining
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Rivas 22-yard FG w ith :00 remaining
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Notre Dame, 0-9, Michigan 9
Rivas 22-yard FG w ith 9:37 remaining
Drive: 3 plays, 7 yards, 3:30 elapsed
Third quarter
Notre Dame, 7-9, Michigan 9
Matt Shaffer's 46-yard reception from Brady Quinn (D.J. Fitzpatrick kick) w ith 11:02 remaining
Drive: 5 plays, 80 yards, 2:25 elapsed
Fourth quarter
Notre Dame, 14-12, Michigan 9
D.J. Fitzpatrick 49-yard TD reception from Quinn w ith 11:29 remaining
Drive: 1 play, 5 yards, 36 elapsed
Michigan, 14-14, Michigan 28
Rashan Powers-Neal 9-yard reception from Quinn w ith 5:49 remaining
Drive: 3 plays, 23 yards, 1:33 elapsed
Michigan, 28-28, Michigan 28
Shane Bratton 25-yard reception from Henne w ith 2:27 remaining
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On the third anniversary of the Sept. 11 attacks, the Irish and Wolverines played to a virtual standstill in the first half. Notre Dame, however, was prepared to play and beat Michigan, contrary to its performance at BYU the previous weekend. Solid defense kept the Irish in the ball game until coaches inserted true freshman running back Darius Walker to jump-start the offense and secure one of the bigger wins of Tyrone Willingham's career at Notre Dame. Willingham is now 2-1 against Michigan as a Notre Dame head coach.
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characters are generally flat, and while endearing, are not especially riveting. Even the villain of the novel is predictable in his double personality.

Overall, what stands out most in “Lucia, Lucia” is the incredibly strong family of Sartori’s. While the four brothers leave much to be desired, the mother and father are tremendous characters on which the entire story is built. One begins to get a real sense of what it means to be an Italian family as the drama of the lackluster and often cliché lines like, “When people are filled to the brim with love, they are their most beautiful” prove the clichéd nature of “Lucia, Lucia.” With this line, Trigiani hits a truth, but one that is widely known and not cleverly stated.

Adriana Trigiani is best known for her bestselling novels “Big Stone Gap,” “Big Cherry Holler” and “Milk Glass Moon.” She is also an award-winning playwright, television writer and documentary filmmaker. There is no question she is a talented writer and spins a terrific story, but “Lucia, Lucia” misses the mark of a great novel. Wholly entertaining and beautiful to read, it is the kind of book that can easily be set down and forgotten about. The tale of Lucia Sartori is clever and cute, to say the least, but not compelling.

Overall “Lucia, Lucia” is a well-written cute story with some strong points. Recommended for love-sick women who need a dose of “I’m every woman” girl power, but otherwise, it may be more fruitful to look for some­thing a bit more substantial. It is a good novel with a few beautifully moving sections, but that is about all there is to it.

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Adriana Trigiani’s “Lucia, Lucia” leads a reader through the title character’s adventures in love and family.

or Sedaris’ essays describe family life

In Corduroy and Denim Sedaris embarks into his heartfelt collection of essays. "Me Talk Pretty One Once" is his personal material combined with his unique satirical voice has been a successful formula for Sedaris in the past, it never feels contrived. He seems so preoccupied with giving his essays a tangible moral that they lose much of his trademark humor.

Nevertheless, there are times when Sedaris writes naturally in the funny and entertaining voice his readers have come to know. One of these moments is Sedaris’s account of his brother’s wedding in the essay “Rooster at the Hitchin’ Post.”

Here his writing is carefree and hilarious, and there is a moral, its presence appears organic instead of self-consciously injected.

Through the course of the book, we see Sedaris’s unique wit in glimpses, but it never feels as comfortable as in this look at his younger brother’s wedding. He describes a wedding featuring a service performed by a phone book psychic, a DJ named J.D and a dog as the flower girl in a way that only Sedaris could.

Sedaris’s originality in telling the often absurd events of his life is what makes his essay interesting to read, and his uncompromising humor that keeps his readers laughing out loud. However, it seems that for the most part, this is lost in “Dress Your Family in Corduroy and Denim.”

Although there are flashes of the David Sedaris readers have become familiar with, it seems his concern with inserting morals into his essays causes him to neglect the satirical style for which he has gained his fame. As a result, this makes his writing seem self-conscious and, at times, a bit cheesy.

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David Sedaris uses his trademark humor in his essays about his family.
Steelers use familiar formula to beat Raiders

Palmer has successful debut but Bengals lose

Associated Press

PITTSBURGH — Fittingly on a day Oakland and Pittsburgh brought back memories of the '70s by playing an unprece- dented game featuring a come- back and a last-minute winner, the Steelers won by going retro.

The Steelers returned to their roots, a strong running game and creative pressure defense to open an early two-touchdown lead, then held off the rebuild- ing Raiders to win 24-21 Sunday on Jeff Reed's 45-yard field goal with seven seconds remaining.

"We were good at times, shaky at times, but we still did what we had to do and won," quarterback Tommy Maddox said. "It was disappointing we let them back in the game, but everybody's excited we won."

The Raiders (0-1) showed off plenty of new, including coach Norv Turner, big defensive line- men Garrett Sapp and Ted Washington and an offensive scheme designed to cover up their lack of playmakers.

Still, there was a lot of old left over from last year's 4-12 sea- son, including four turnovers.

"The ball was on the ground too way too much today and that hurts us," said quarterback Rich- son, including four turnovers.

Steelers coach Bill Cowher redesigned his team defensive scheme to cover up Washington and an offensive set that was way too much today and that hurt us," said quarterback Rich- son, including four turnovers.

"I think we knew coming in everything wasn't going to go perfect, but we made it difficult on our- selves."

The Steelers led 14-0 and 21- 10 before the Raiders led it on Alvis Whitney's fingertip catch of Gannon's 38-yard touchdown pass on fourth-and-12 and Gannon's 2-point conversion pass to an uncovered Whitney at the 3.

Madden then led the decisive drive, hitting Hines Ward for 15 and 11 yards and Jay Riemersma for 12 ahead of Reed's game-winner, which left no time on the clock for Oakland to respond.

Denver 34, Kansas City 24

Quentin Griffin might have made the Denver Broncos forget Clinton Portis after all.

Griffin ran for 156 yards and scored three touchdowns in his first game as Portis' replace- ment, lifting the Broncos to a victory over the Kansas City Chiefs Sunday night.

Denver traded Portis to Washington to get comeback Champ Bailey, a potentially risky move because Portis had rushed for over 1,500 yards in each of his first two seasons. Portis was superb in his debut with the Redskins, rushing for 148 yards and touchdowns in a 16-10 victory over Tampa Bay. Griffin was just as good.

He dashed and dived his way to touchdown runs of 25 and 47 yards and caught a 1-yard touchdown pass from Jake Plummer in the first quarter. Griffin even did Portis one bet- ter, breaking his team record for most yards on opening day. Portis had 210 last year.

Cleveland 20, Baltimore 3

Although the Cleveland Browns paused to com- memorate their 1964 championship trophy, they then played as if they want one for themselves.

In a last-minute winner, No. 1 draft pick Carson Palmer, who made his regular- season NFL debut. The Browns are 1-0. Palmer had 120 last year.

Jacksonville 11, Buffalo 10

Jack Del Rio's pep talk was behind the point.

After watching his offense sputter, the Jacksonville coach noticed his quarterback on the back- side Byron Leftwich while watching and he sent him out for one last drive.

"I didn't stop and have a long conversation with him," Del Rio said. "It was pretty obvious. You get the ball, you have an oppor- tunity, it's do-or-die time."

Leftwich delivered, capping an 80-yard drive with a 7-yard touchdow n pass to rookie Ernest Wilford as time ran out, giving him wins to a victory over the Buffalo Bills on Sunday.

It was a poised performance coming from a second-year quarterback who's worked his way through off-season and training camp, breaking a team record.

"I officially didn't struggle," Leftwich said, proudly. "You can't listen to everything you read."

It was a stunning transforma- tion.

Before the winning drive, Leftwich had given 11-6 for 23 yards, converted just two of three third-down attempts and threw two interceptions. On that one drive that really mat- tered, he was 7-13 for 72 yards and converted three fourth-down plays.

New York 31, Cincinnati 24

When CURRIS Martin ran up the 290 stops from the Santa Monica beach during the spring, he had this in mind. When he asked for more work during training camp, he had this in mind. He had this in mind. We want a start to the season and a victory over the Buffalo Bills on Sunday.

"I knew I was prepared," Martin said. "I knew that I was ready. When you know you're ready, your confidence is high- er than ever."

It soared during the game, taking away the hype from his Palmer, who made his regular- season NFL debut. The Heisman Trophy winner com- manded the offense well and made few mistakes, going 16 of 27 for 248 yards with two touchdowns and an interception.

San Diego 27, Houston 20

LaDainian Tomlinson got a lit- tle help for a change and the San Diego Chargers won for a change.

Coincidence? Probably not.

Tomlinson, largely a one-man show for San Diego during his first three seasons, ran for 121 yards and a touchdown and the Chargers revved up a mistake- free passing game and an opportunistic defense to beat the Houston Texans on Sunday.

It marked the first time the third-year Texans lost a season opener.

With the score tied 20-20 midway into the fourth quarter, Tomlinson was practically a bystander as Drew Brees drove the Chargers fielding with his new favorite target, tight end Antonio Gates.

Gates got the ball down to the Houston 15 with a 25-yard catch, then San Diego overcame a holding penalty on first down to drive to the one. Brees hit Eric Parker in the back of the end zone on a 19-yard pass.

Houston protested the call, although poor replays failed to show whether Parker's knee was in the end zone.

Brees, who might not have scored a touchdown if rooked Philip Rivers hadn't held out for most of training camp, was 17-of-24 for 209 yards and two touch- downs. Gates caught eight pass- es for 121 yards.

Jerome Bettis bull's way through Oakland Raider cornerback Charles Woodson for his third touchdown of the day.

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Jones got the Bears to the TD after team mate Shaun a blocked punt during the Lions 20-16 victory over the Bears.

St. Louis, Arizona 19

It's important to end the streak for all the obvious reasons. "We are glad on sons," Lions coach Steve Rogers blocked a third-quarter punt out of their own end zone, the Lions chose to have a blocked punt during the Lions 20-16 victory over the Bears.

With no timeouts, Grossman was sacked and then had to spike the ball on second down. Scrambling on third down, he threw the ball to the corner for Terrell, but Walker made the pick. Grossman started to scramble and I thought he was going to try and run and try to run into the end zone," Walker said. "He just happened to throw the ball, I looked and I flung it into my hands."

It's a pretty nice car he's driving.

But most of Vick's struggles came in San Francisco's defense, which matched nearly every big play made by Atlanta's revitalized D.

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"I don't have to play the way he does because the pressure of the running game isn't on me," Faulk said. "It's kind of a nice change-up when I come out to have him go in there."

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Bonds homers, climbs within one of 700 mark

San Francisco stays ahead of Cubs, Astros

Associated Press

PHOENIX — Barry Bonds hit another ball into the Arizona Diamondbacks’ foul territory and managed to score on it.

"I could see it in his face," Bonds said. "Like, 'I'm tired of this too. You might miss it.'"

Bonds certainly didn't, hitting a 460-foot shot off the bottom of the left field fence in the fourth inning of his 699th home run, making him the sixth player in eight games to hit 100-plus. 0-2 against the Diamondbacks, which rallied to beat the Cubs, 5-1, and are one game ahead of the St. Louis Cardinals, who are 2 1/2 games behind San Francisco in the NL wild-card lead with a 5-2 win over Arizona.

World Series champions will still be the home team.

The Cubs and Marlins meet again in a makeup doubleheader, Sept. 20 in Florida.

After hitting 2-6 away from home, Burnett (7-6) took a shutout into the seventh and helped himself with two hits. He has won a career-best four straight starts and five of his last six.

Houston 5, Pittsburgh 4

Jason Lane's pinch-hit double in the 10th and got Abraham Nunez to ground into a double play to provide the big part of the ball on it. and it got in the air, and the ball was gone." San Diego 15, Colorado 2

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Bonds is third on the career list behind McGwire (709) and Babe Ruth (714). After an off-day Monday, the Giants play at Chicago on Tuesday.

Kloppole, the 414th pitcher to allow a home run to Bonds, didn't want to work around him. "If you don't start your car eventually, the battery goes dead," Bonds said. "I'm sitting over there just rooting for everybody and, hopefully, we're stay­ing in the game. But my car's got to start, too, once in a while." Bonds mentioned to the sky in his usual salute to his late father as he crossed home plate but did not blow the horn at the traffic.

Fans booed loudly Saturday night when Bonds was walked to start, too, once in a while. "It's not a game, it's a game," Bonds said. "Like, 'Em tired of this too. You might miss it.'"

Jason Schmidt (16-6) pitched a career save for the fourth time in 41 attempts, tying Florida's A. J. Moeller for the NL lead.

Bonds certainly didn't, hitting his 699th home run. The ninth-inning drive Sunday helped the Giants beat the Chicago Cubs, 5-4 in 10 innings.

Jason Schmidt (16-6) pitched a career high of 4 1/3 innings in his fifth for clinching the division.

"He told Ramon, 'If he wants to do that, he has to get out of the way, I'm not going to do that," Bonds said of the manager. "But I never would have left the game if he hadn't walked me."" John Smoltz (15-5) allowed six runs and earned eight hits in five innings in his first career appearance against the Dodgers. The right-hander, who entered with the lowest run support on the Cardinals' staff (3.9 per game), struck out six and walked one.

Jason Isringhausen got four outs for his 41st save in 47 attempts, tying Florida's A. J. Moeller for the NL lead.

San Diego tied a team record with 10 hits in the ninth and finished one run shy of the team record for an inning victory over the Colorado Rockies.

"We are getting to the point of the season where we pretty much have to win every game from here on out to give us an opportunity," Giles said. "In the wild card race, but there are still a few teams ahead of us that really can't control, so this one was big."

San Diego 2, 1/2 games behind San Francisco in the NL wild-card race and trailing three other teams, had 18 hits and won for just the fourth time in 12 games.

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around the dial

NCAA Football

Florida State's Craphonso Thorpe is tackled by Miami's Roger McIntosh during the first half of their match up on Friday where Miami beat Florida State 16:10 in overtime.

Gore finishes Seminoles in overtime

Associated Press

MIA M — New season, new conference, same result.

Frank Gore's 14-yard touchdown run in overtime gave No. 5 Miami a 16-10 victory over No. 4 Florida State on Friday night.

The Hurricanes, playing their first game as a member of the Atlantic Coast Conference, extended their winning streak over the Seminoles to six.

"Are all the games like this in the ACC?" Miami coach Larry Coker said. "I may not like this league."

The Seminoles, who used to be in the Big East, won this one with defense. The Seminoles' offense did little during regulation and even less in overtime. After a holding call put Florida State in a first-and-20, Antrel Rolle snuffed out a screen pass for an 8-yard loss. Chris Rix connected with Craphonso Thorpe for a 15-yard gain on second down, but Rix fumbled on third down and Miami's Thomas Carroll recovered.

Gore scored on Miami's second play.

"We never got tired; we were hungry all the way to the end," Coker said.

"It's a monumental experience, a game you'll remember for the rest of your life. It was just a great finish, a great finish," he added.

The game was originally scheduled to be played last Monday but was postponed four days because of Hurricane Frances. A grandson and a former son-in-law of Florida State coach Bobby Bowden were killed last Sunday when their car was hit by a utility truck that was helping to restore power outages caused by the hurricane.

Miami (1-0) scored 16 straight points in the fourth quarter after Florida State (0-1) took a 10-0 lead by capitalizing on two turnovers.

The Hurricanes also got some help from a missed field goal — something that has defined this rivalry.

Florida State's Xavier Beatty had a 34-yarder blocked with 3:58 to play. The kick would have sealed a victory for the Seminoles. Instead, it gave Miami the ball back with a chance to tie the game.

"We had our chance to put them away and we didn't," Bowden said.

"They had a chance to put us away and they did!"

IN BRIEF

Feeley shakily holds No.1 in Dolphin quarterback shuffle

DAVIE, Fla. — Quarterback A.J. Feeley will remain in the Miami Dolphin's lineup — at least for now.

Feeley played well enough coming off the bench in the Dolphins' season-opening loss to earn a start this week at Cincinnati, coach Dave Wannstedt said Sunday.

That means a demotion for Jay Fiedler after four seasons as the starter.

Feeley threw for a touchdown, but had an interception returned for a score in the Dolphins' 17-7 loss Saturday to Tennessee.

"To give us the best chance to beat the Bengals and do what we need to do offensively, he'll be ready to do that," Wannstedt said.

But Feeley's hold on No. 1 is tenuous. Wannstedt said he may continue to shuffle quarterbacks.

"Whatever we've got to do to win at any position, we're going to do it," he said.

Singh wins Canadian Open

OAKVILLE, Ontario — Already No. 1 in the world, Vijay Singh felt like Public Enemy No. 1 in Canada.

Any other time, some 40,000 fans toed the field goal — something that has defined this rivalry.

Mike Weir on the cusp of winning his national title — on his 100th hole and win in a playoff.

Not just Sunday.

With Mike Weir on the cusp of becoming the first Canadian in 50 years to win his national title — on the 100th anniversary of the Canadian Open, no less.

Woo, Canada.

"I feel for Mike," Singh said after a thrilling duel that Canadians will appreciate once the shock wears off.

"That was one person I didn't want to beat."

In some respects, Weir beat himself.

Three times he stood over a putt to win the Bell Canadian Open — a 10-foot birdie on the 72nd hole, a 25-foot eagle on the 18th hole in the playoff, a 5-footer for par at No. 17 on the second extra hole. He missed them all.

Weir ran out of chances, driving into the rough on the par-5 18th, laying up and then putting his approach into the water on the third playoff hole.

Lions' Rogers breaks his collarbone for second year

CHICAGO — Detroit Lions wide receiver Charles Rogers broke his collarbone for a second straight year Sunday and might miss most of the season.

Rogers, the No. 2 overall pick in the 2003 draft, played only the first five games a year ago because of a broken collarbone, catching 22 passes with three touchdowns.

He was injured going for a pass in the first quarter of Detroit's 20-16 win over the Chicago Bears on Sunday. X-rays revealed a fracture near the one he got last year during a bye week practice.

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Associated Press Top 25

Team Record Points

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Men's Soccer

Big East Conference

Team Big East Overall

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Boston College 1-0-0 2-0-0
Villanova 1-0-0 2-0-0
Syracuse 1-0-0 2-0-0
Georgetown 0-0-1 1-0-1
Notre Dame 0-0-1 1-0-1

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Green Bay at Carolina 8 p.m., ABC

MLB

Pirates at Cubs 7:05 p.m., FSN

POKER

2004 World Series of Poker 8 p.m., ESPN
MUSIC

Lincoln Center Jazz Orchestra with Wynton Marsalis

Sunday, September 19, 8 p.m.
$75, ND/SMC/HC $60, All Students $25

The Marie P. DeBartolo Center for the Performing Arts officially swings into action when the Lincoln Center Jazz Orchestra with Wynton Marsalis takes the stage of the Leighton Concert Hall, ripping through familiar jazz charts with their head-bopping, foot-tapping, serious fun. Critics have run out of ways to say "technically brilliant" when trying to describe the ensemble's audacious rhythms and ingenious arrangements. Marsalis will turn the Leighton into the coolest place on the planet as pure joy erupts from the stage.

Marcus Roberts Trio

Friday, September 24, 9 p.m.
$37.50, ND/SMC/HC $30, All Students $15

After astounding a Notre Dame audience last year, Marcus Roberts returns. The Marcus Roberts Trio will delight and amaze you as they spread the word of jazz. Blind since the age of five, Roberts lives an inspirational life as uplifting as his music. The trio are masters of several forms — gospel, ragtime, swing, pop and bebop, from which they have forged their own unique sound. When they play you can hear the future of jazz in America.

Here Come the Irish

Friday, October 1, 9 p.m.
$18.75, $15 ND/SMC/HC, $10 Students

A spirited jam session performed by ND Alumni who are now professional musicians. Join us as our favorite musical Domers come home to celebrate the opening of the performing arts center.

Eileen Ivers and Immigrant Soul

Friday, October 8, 9 p.m.
$43.75, $35 ND/SMC/HC, $15 Students

Eileen Ivers rose to prominence as a nine time all-Irish fiddle champion and as the fiery fiddler of "Riverdance," but her passion for exploration has catapulted her to rarified air where only virtuosas play. Her boldly imaginative style earned her the title "Jimi Hendrix of the violin" from a New York Times reviewer. Eileen Ivers and Immigrant Soul storm the stage with matchless energy and an eclectic spirit. Respectful of their Irish roots, they infuse their concert with fresh vitality drawing from the rhythms of Latin and African music. Eileen Ivers will change the way you think about the violin.

FILM

BON VOYAGE

(114 minutes)
http://www.hollywoodreporter.com/thr/reviews/review_display.jsp?rnu_content_id=1929346

Thursday, September 23
7 p.m. and 10 p.m.

"Bon Voyage, a rich, teeming French farce set in and around Bordeaux in 1940 on the eve of the German occupation of Paris, is a triumph of narrative ingenuity." — Stephen Holden, NEW YORK TIMES

"an absolutely gorgeous film to watch. * Jack Matthews, NEW YORK DAILY NEWS

"A beautifully crafted film with a star-studded cast, directed with a lightness of touch." — Judith Prescott, HOLLYWOOD REPORTER

ORDER YOUR TICKETS EARLY

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CELEBRATE IT!!

ND Open House

Friday, September 17, 4 p.m.–10 p.m., Faculty, Staff and Students

Come and celebrate the opening of your performing arts center! Enjoy a self-directed tour through the facility. Maps will be available. Notre Dame and regional performers will showcase their considerable talents in all five venues.

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Sunday, September 19, 12 noon – 5 p.m., General Public

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Federer wins his third Slam

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Well, there's at least one person who isn't trying to figure out whether Roger Federer could one day complete a Grand Slam or match Pete Sampras' career record of 14 major titles: Federer himself. The Swiss star has established himself as by far the best in the game right now, and that's good enough for him.

Federer became the first man since 1988 to win three consecutive years, and in a year, thoroughly outclassing Lleyton Hewitt 6-0, 7-6 (3), 6-0 Sunday to add the U.S. Open to those he took at the Australian Open and Wimbledon.

"I got the start I wanted, I was dreaming of," Federer said. "It's a very demanding sport. The season's long. There's not much time off. This is why I'm grateful every tournament, every Grand Slam I win. You never know which is your last."

There hadn't been two shutout sets in the event's championship since 1884, and Federer had an answer for everything thrown at him by the fourth-seeded Hewitt.

The only time Federer was stumped? When asked whether going 4-4 in the Slams is possible. He paused, brushed a strand of hair off his forehead, sighed, paused again, then came up with this: "I don't know what to say."

Then, asked about the Sampras' major total. Federer said: "It's not a goal for me to beat his record. For me, this is not motivation. This would just kill me."

Mats Wilander won three Slams in a season 16 years ago, and Jimmy Connors did it in 1974. The last man to complete the Grand Slam was Rod Laver in 1969.

"It's a little better than everyone else at everything right now," Wilander said after watching the match on TV at home in Idaho. "Physically and mentally he has the advantage over the other players. At the moment, I don't see anyone who can beat him."

Federer, 23, is at his best against the best, when it counts the most. He's the only man in the Open era to win his first four major finals, he's won his last 11 tournament finals, and he's won 17 straight matches against top 10 players. Federer beat past No. 1 and Grand Slam champion Nicklasd in each major final this year. Marat Safin at the Australian Open, Andy Roddick at Wimbledon, then Hewitt.

Federer led the 2001 Open champ in winners (40-12), aces (11-1), and service breaks (7-1), and won the point on 31 of 35 trips to the net.

"Is there a player who could have defeated Federer on Sunday?"

"I don't think anyone in the actual tournament," Hewitt said. "Maybe Pete Sampras."

Especially in the 18-minute opening set, it was truly remarkable to see Federer dominate every facet against the pugnacious, backward-cap-wearing, "Come on!"-yelling, fist-pumping Hewitt. The Australian hurt himself by double-faulting to lose each of his first two service games but that might have been a function of facing Federer.

"He's so good on the defense and so good at the return of serve that he's forcing the other player mentally to get a little bit of scariness: 'I've got to serve a little better or Roger's going to knock it by me.' 'I've got to make a better approach shot or he's going to pass me,'" said 1946-47 U.S. Open winner Jack Kramer, inducted Sunday into the tournament's Court of Champions.

"Federer doesn't look too far away in the long run, I'm going to win the U.S. Open. 'Now that I did it, it's still tough for me to believe,' Federer said. "At the end of the year, I'll be looking back and thinking, 'How did I do this?'"

Hewitt's run of four of the past six Slam titles is the best since Sampras won four of five in 1993-94.

"It's an incredible effort, what he's done," Hewitt said. "And I don't think people probably realize how hard it is."

All of the impressive numbers might fill a list that other athletes would tack to a wall as a reminder of goals. But unlike Tiger Woods' pursuit of Jack Nicklaus' accomplishments, Federer doesn't look too far forward.

The road is long, you know. Don't forget, there's a lot of hard work you have to run into it, a lot of sacrifice," he said. "I'm still all the way at the beginning."
Zito returns to form, scalps Tribe in shutout

White Sox, Red Sox blanked, Yankees win

Associated Press

OAKLAND — Barry Zito struck out 10 for the first time in more than a year and Eric Chavez homered to hit his career high 22nd home run, leading the Oakland Athletics over the Cleveland Indians 1-0 Saturday night.

Zito (11-10) had not reached double digits in strikeouts since fanning 10 at Minnesota on May 23, 2003. He had struck out nine twice this season.

"I think I just found I relaxed a little more," Zito said. "I think I put too much pressure on myself even in the year to be dominant."

After the A’s rallied to win 3-4 on a walkoff wild pitch to end their eighth-inning home runs by Rockies Bobby Crosby and Nick Swisher, Zito gave Oakland one of his best performances this year, allowing four hits in seven scoreless innings. His 125 pitches were his second most ever he threw 128 at Cleveland on Aug. 21, 2000.

The A’s maintained their two-game AL West lead over Anaheim, which beat the Chicago White Sox 11-0. Oakland plays its final 20 games against the division, starting Monday night with the opener of a four-game series against the Angels.

Anaheim, Chicago 0

After a slow start this year, Bartolo Colon is beginning to earn every penny of his $51 million contract.

Colon (15-11) pitched seven sharp innings to lead Anaheim over the Chicago White Sox Sunday. It was his 10th win in 13 decisions after a 5-8 start in his first season with the Angels.

The stocky right-hander, who signed a four-year deal with Anaheim as a free agent last winter after spending 2003 with the White Sox, said his turnaround this season has been mainly a matter of mechanics.

"I made a change to pitch from the first-base side of the mound rather than the middle," Colon said through a translator after holding his former teammates to six hits. "It’s much better for running my fastball in and out."

Seattle 2, Boston 0

This one meant more to Gil Meche than his previous complete games.

The right-hander pitched a five-hitter for his second career shutout and Raul Ibanez hit a two-run homer to lead the Seattle Mariners over the Boston Red Sox 2-0 Sunday.

Ibanez hit a two-run homer in the first before the Red Sox started scoring again. Each had three hits for the Mariners, and both batters had four of his final 13 batters in his third career complete game.

New York 9, Baltimore 7

Gary Sheffield and Hideki Matsui hit consecutive homers in the ninth inning, and the New York Yankees took advantage of 14 walks in a 9-7 come-back victory over the Baltimore Orioles on Sunday.

New York trailed 6-2 in the fifth inning before rallying for its seventh win in eight games. The Yankees took two of three from the Orioles to capture the season series 14-5 and move a season-high 37 games over .500 (90-53).

It was the club-record ninth time this season that New York rallied from a deficit of four runs or more. The Yankees, who did not have a comeback of that nature all last year, won despite stranding 17 runners and going 0-for-5 with the bases loaded. New York had not received as many as 14 walks in a game since 1980.

Tom Gorordon (7-4) got four outs and Mariano Rivera worked the ninth for his major-league leading 44th save in 51 chances.

Texas 7, Toronto 6

Mark Teixeira homered twice, including a two-run shot in the eighth inning that sent the Texas Rangers past the Toronto Blue Jays 7-6 Sunday for a three-game sweep.

Chan Ho Park and the Rangers couldn’t hold the lead after Teixeira’s three-run homer in the first. But Francisco Cordero made Teixeira’s second shot stand up, striking out three batters in the ninth for his team-record 44th save.

With Texas trailing 6-5, Michael Young led off the eighth with a double against Justin Spier (3-7). Teixeira followed with his 34th homer, his fourth of the series.

Doug Bresnall (3-1), the fifth Texas pitcher, faced only one hitter, but he got the win with a strikeout-caught stealing double play to end the eighth.

Minnesota 9, Detroit 5

The Minnesota Twins are playing with confidence.

We’re playing pretty good baseball right now. I don’t care if we’re playing Detroit or who we’re playing, it’s tough to beat us," Matthew LeCroy said after Sunday’s 8-5 win over the Tigers.

Terry Tiffée, Torii Hunter and Cristian Guzman homered for the Twins, who are 11-7 against Detroit this year and 55-19 since 2001. The Twins have won five straight over the Tigers going into Monday’s series finale.

Terry Mulhalland (5-8) allowed four runs and nine hits in 6 2-3 innings, then turned it over to his bullpen.

Tampa Bay 7, Kansas City 2

Jorge Sosa allowed five hits in seven shutout innings to win for the first time since July 31, leading the Tampa Bay Devil Rays over the Kansas City Royals 7-2 Sunday.

Rocco Baldelli hit a two-run homer, and Julio Lugo, Tino Martinez and Jose Cruz Jr. each had three hits for the Devil Rays, who had 15 hits and won their second straight following a 12-game losing streak.

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**PGA Tour**

Weir falls to Singh at Canadian Open

Associated Press

OAKVILLE, Ontario — Already No. 1 in the world, Vijay Singh felt like Public Enemy No. 1 in Canada.

Any other time, some 40,000 fans at the Canadian Open would have thrilled to see the world's best player overcome a sore left knee and a three-shot deficit to make birdie on the final hole and win in a playoff.

Just not Sunday.

Not with Mike Weir on the cusp of becoming the first Canadian in 50 years to win his national title on the 100th anniversary of the Canadian Open, no less.

Woe, Canada.

"I feel for Mike," Singh said after a thrilling duel that Canadians will appreciate once the shock wears off.

"That was the one person I didn't want to beat." In some respects, Weir beat himself.

Three times he stood over a putt to win the Bell Canadian Open, a 10-footer on the 72nd hole, a 25-foot eagle on the 18th hole in the playoff, a 3-footer for par on No. 17 on the second extra hole. He missed them all.

Weir ran out of chances, driving into the rough on the par-3 18th, laying up and then putting his approach into the water on the third playoff hole.

"The level of pressure was right there with Augusta," said Weir, who became Canada's first major-winner last year at the Masters. "It was me who didn't get it done. I just didn't have anything falling my way the last few days."

Singh, who blistered tee shots on the 18th all three times, only had to three-putt from the fringe to win for the seventh time this season and put a stamp on a No. 1 ranking he has held only a week.

"It's only been a week," Singh said. "It's pumped me up a little bit more. You don't want to let that position go. The only way you can hang onto it is by playing better than the rest of the guys."

Golf has never had a home game like this a major championship, said Singh, 49 percent of whom were euphoric as soon as the ball left Weir's club.

Asked if he felt the weight of a nation on his shoulders, Weir replied, "Every shot." I was literally dead just being screamed at," he said. I had to open my mouth and get my eye to the tee. It was pretty cool.

Singh noticed it, too, especially late in the round.

"Weir were not cheering against me, they were cheering for Mike. I thought I played excellent for three days," Singh said. "It's a tough course. I'm just really surprised how well I hit it and put it." Sorenstam had three birdies and a bogey in the final round for a 9-under 204 total, winning the event for the second time. She had a three-stroke lead entering the round and played steadily on the narrow fairways and sloping greens of Cedar Ridge Country Club while her challengers struggled.

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"I thought I played excellent for three days," Sorenstam said. "I didn't hit a driver on every hole. I tried to play smart and not overpower the course. I thought that was the key to my game." Sorenstam earned $150,000 for her third career LPGA title. She has started June 13 of 24 LPGA events this year and hadn't played since winning the HP Open on Aug. 4.

Sorenstam spent her time off either "chilling" in Lake Tahoe, Nev., or cleaning up her Orlando, Fla., home after Hurricane Charley. She did practice for a week before the tournament. She admitted to feeling a bit rusty coming in, but her game didn't show it. She opened with a 66 on Friday and added a 69 on Saturday.

"I can't play every week because I get burned out and I don't play well," she said. "You have to have the team and the pressure and work hard."

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**SMC Cross Country**

Belles take fourth at invitational

By DAN TAPETILLO

Saint Mary's continued its impressive season, finishing fourth in a field of nine teams at the Aginas College Invitational last Friday.

The Belles registered a team score of 106 points, and managed to beat conference rivals Hope College and Olivet College, who finished fifth and eighth respectively. Sophomore Megan Murphy said this meet was a crucial one for the Belles.

"I think the team did great because we are getting closer to our goal of finishing within one-minute of each other," Murphy said. "This goal is important because it makes our team stronger and closer." Leading the Belles towards this goal is freshman Megan Gray, who continues to establish herself as one of the team's top runners. Gray placed 16th in a time of 19 minutes and 55 seconds. Murphy described Singh as an inspiration for the team.

"She sets the pace for us to push each other and is a leader for us," Murphy said. "It's her attitude that also makes her an asset that helps me to run faster." Murphy finished close behind in 20:09. Also posting impressive results for the Belles were Becky Feaust and Katie White. Feaust placed 31st with a time of 20:39 and White finished 33rd in 20:45.

Sophomore Sara Otto was the seventh runner to finish for the Belles in 20:30, 1:11 behind Gray. Although the team continues posting impressive results, the Belles are especially pleased with the growing sense of team unity.

**LPGA Tour**

Sorenstam dominates LPGA event

Associated Press

BROKEN ARROW, Okla. — Annika Sorenstam was mesmerized by putting on a playoff and joined an elite group Tiger

Gray of the LPGA Tour's top runners. Gray placed 16th in a time of 19 minutes and 55 seconds.

Sorenstam won her fifth LPGA event of the year Sunday, closing with a 1-under 70 for a four-shot victory at the John Q. Hammons Classic.

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Shi Hyun Ahn closed with a 69 and second at 5-under 205. Candie Kung also had a final-round 69, and third was at 3 under. Mi Hyun Kim (67) and Heather Bowie (69) tied for fourth at 2-under 211.

After rolling in a bogey putt at the 18th, Sorenstam limped but she remained calm and threw the ball into the gallery.

"Luckily, my game got better and better everyday, and I really felt comfortable playing here," said the Swede, winner of seven worldwide titles this year who also had a four-stroke victory in the event in 2002. Jeanne Morley, in the final group with Sorenstam, closed out the tournament with a three-under par 69, and moved to a three-in-a-row at the fifth. She also missed the fairway at the par-4 7th and went on to fall well behind with a 76 in even-par 213.

While Morley struggled, Sorenstam sank a 12-foot putt for birdie at the par-3 6th to increase her lead.

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"I can't play every week because I get burned out and I don't play well," she said. "You have to have the team and the pressure and work hard." Ahn earned $91,110 as runner-up of the $1 million event that moved to Cedar Ridge after three years at Tulsa Country Club.

Ahn, a leading candidate for tournament of the year with six top-five finishes in 19 starts, birdied Nos. 2, 5, and 7 to move to 5 under. She bogeyed Nos. 3, 6, and 8 and fell off the pace.

"There are a lot of things that I did good but there are more things that I made of myself and could be improved," Ahn said. "If I tried a little bit harder and not make of myself, I probably would have got a higher score." Defending champion Karrie Webb closed with a 72 and finished tied for 17th place at 2-over 215.
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from Henican, to hold the Mustangs to a .044 hitting percentage. Cal-Poly had trouble getting the ball past Brewer as her six blocks paced the Irish.

While the Irish swept through both of Saturday's matches, Fresno State was not so easy to dispose of Friday night. The 30-21, 27-30, 30-20, 31-13, 15-12 battle was the third straight five game match for Notre Dame. Thankfully for the Irish, this time they earned a victory after being beaten by Valparaiso and Nebraska in their two previous matchups, and used that momentum on Saturday.

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“We underperformed from that point of view, but it's not easy,” Clark said. “They're not a bad side, we got bullied a little bit, we had a very easy game on Friday — we just had problems finding the net.”

The brick house that is the Notre Dame defense showed only harmless cracks this weekend, with one goal in Friday's game from Ian McAuley. Both Evansville and Fullerton were unable to build a lead, with Chris Sawyer notching five saves in the pair of games.

“One of the real positives [about the tie] is that it feels like a loss, and that's maybe a mark of where the program has come,” Clark said. “We take a tie here, and we feel that it's a loss. They're going home happy, they're feeling as if it's a victory, and they're feeling as if it's a loss.”

Midfielders Nate Norman and Greg Dalby and defender Jack Stewart were named to the all-Tournament Team. This is Stewart's second all-Tournament team in as many weekends.

“I thought Nate Norman was terrific — very exciting,” Clark said of the sophomore standout. “Every time he got the ball he was ready to make something happen. That was really nice to see, I was thrilled for him — he's going to be key for the season.”

The season is starting off in the right direction, improving to 3-0-1 — Clark's best start in his tenure with the Irish. After the game, Clark focused on the positives that the team had achieved.

“I love the way our team was really pushing to win right up to the end of the game — we were the team who was trying to win the game, whereas I felt that they were very happy with taking half a loaf home,” he said. “We wanted a full loaf and we chased and we chased — our fitness was good, and these are all positives.”

The Irish will chase the full loaf on Wednesday in Bloomington against No. 1 Indiana University.

“We need to just relax in front of the goal — just relax and put some goals on the score sheet,” said Clark.

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held a 1-0 lead in the first half before the Irish won the contest 2-1.

“We made of a couple of mistakes in the beginning, but we responded well to the first big road trip and the rest of the heat,” Waldrum said. “We needed this to make us better.”

Notre Dame 3, Texas Tech 0
Waldrum earned his 100th win as Irish head coach in Sunday afternoon’s victory.

Despite playing on a field smaller than the regulation size, the Irish shut out Texas Tech with an impressive win.

“I didn’t hear (the team) complaining that the field was hard to play on,” Waldrum said. “But when teams aren’t as good as us, it makes their defending much easier and plays into their favor.”

Although Texas Tech had a defensive advantage in playing on its home field, the Irish still managed to take 21 shots. While this may sound like an impressive feat, Thorlakson expected the team to have created more opportunities for goals.

“The more (shots) we take, the more we will dominate,” Thorlakson said. “We just need to get the ball to the net and things will happen.”

Waldrum agreed.

“We played well together in every part except around the goal,” Waldrum said. “We just weren’t as sharp.”

However, he focused more on the positive aspects of the game. The Irish defense remained dominant, as they only allowed Texas Tech four shots on goal.

“Their goals were not dangerous,” Waldrum said. “So defensively we did not skip a beat.”

Rhythm also remained a prime element in the victory, as the Irish changed their lineup several times during the match. Waldrum reasoned that mixing up the players on the field gave starters a rest and other team members more playing time.

Maggie Manning had two goals for the team during the 26th and 44th minutes of the game. The first came off an assist from Jill Kivacek and the second from Chapman.

“It was great that Maggie got two goals,” Waldrum said. “We got great quality minutes.”

Thorlakson was also impressed with the team’s overall performance as the team came away with their second win of the weekend.

“We had to get the job done against Texas Tech,” she said. “It was nice to get the results we did and we got out ahead.”

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Juniors Scott Gustafson and Eric Deouches led the Irish this weekend, tying for 17th with a total of 219 after finishing the weekend with a 73-75-71. Freshman Greg Rodgers and junior Mark Baldwin rounded out the Irish lineup, shooting 228 and 234, respectively.

Isbon was one of the few Irish golfers who competed this summer on a national level, something Jasinski wants his players to do more of in the future.

“Our long-term goal is to have us compete against the very best collegiate and amateurs during the summer,” John Jasinski said.

“We are slightly less than halfway there right now. We need seven or eight players to try and play in the best amateur events to continue to grow competitive,” Jasinski said.

“This was a team that was already set up to win this weekend. In Saturday’s round, four of the team’s five starters all carded rounds of 75 or better. That’s been our biggest weakness in the past, not being able to establish a consistent pattern,” Jasinski said.

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Kim Lorenzen battles for the ball in an August game against Eastern Illinois. The Irish are looking to move up to No. 1.

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**Reaching for the top**

3y DAN TAPETILLO
Sports Writer

The Irish needed a late comeback in order to defeat the 11-2-0 Sun Devils after trailing early in the first half. Junior Katie Learyl scored the first goal for Arizona State in the 23rd minute. The tying goal came in the 35th minute from senior Candace Chapman, her fifth of the season. Junior forward Katie Thorlakson also continued her offensive dominance this season, as her free kick helped set up defender Melissa Tancred’i’s game-winning shot and fifth goal of the season.

Thorlakson has had a hand in 14 of the 18 goals scored this season, including two game-winning goals and a pair of game-winning assists.

The win gave freshman goalkeeper Lauren Kuras the first win of her collegiate career.

Prior to the match, the Irish were deeply aware of the Sun Devils’ offensive speed and endurance. Thorlakson, who was aware of the challenges Arizona State’s program brings.

"ASU is ranked, and anybody in the top 25 is beating everybody this season," Thorlakson said. "This is why we are trying to take one game at a time."

The early game deficit was reminiscent of last year’s match, when the Sun Devils

**VOLLEYBALL**

**Brewster, Irish notch two victories**

By MIKE GILLOON
Sports Writer

Meg Henican needed just a couple of words to describe the performance of her team. "It’s encouraging,” the Irish captain said about a weekend that saw the Notre Dame volleyball team get back on the right track as it won three matches to capture the Cal-Poly Best Western Royal Oak Invitational and stop a three-game losing streak.

The Irish defeated Fresno State Friday night before downsizing Sacramento State and Cal-Poly Saturday to improve their season record to 4-3.

Lauren Brewster was named the tournament MVP as she averaged 3.82 kills per game while posting a .372 hitting percentage. The junior middle blocker also had 28 digs, 18 blocks and four aces during the two matches. The other all-tournament selection for the Irish was outside hitter Lauren Kelbley. She tallied 4.00 kills per game along with seven service aces to spark the Irish offense.

After a five-game win over Fresno State Friday in Cal-Poly’s Moi Gymnasium, the Irish came out hot on Saturday. They didn’t lose a game in defeating Sacramento State 30-26, 30-24, 30-28 in the first match before securing the tournament title with a 30-23, 30-24, 30-14 sweep of Cal-Poly.

Henican was happy about the consistent, steady play that saw the Irish defeat three traditionally strong California teams, including the defending Big Sky conference tournament champions in Sacramento State.

“I was good. It was really good," Henican said. "We played three good teams and overall it was a great team effort to get the wins."

Saturday’s match against Sacramento State saw Notre Dame turn in its top statistical performance of the young season. They recorded 59 kills, almost 20 per game, while posting a .311 hitting percentage. Freshman setter Ashley Tarutis led the Irish offense with 27 assists.

After struggling in its match last week against Valparaiso, the Irish was glad the team was able to improve on some of its weak points before going into their match against the worst.

**MEN’S SOCCER**

**Irish take win, tie in tournament**

By KATE GALES
Sports Writer

On a sun-baked field on the edge of campus, as students shooed off the cobwebs from the inaugural football weekend, the Irish were locked in a fierce battle to find the back of a 23-foot net.

After scoring two goals in the final 2 minutes, 2 seconds of regulation Friday evening against Evansville, the Irish were unable to find the back of the net in 110 minutes of play against Cal State Fullerton on Sunday.

"At the end of the day, there were more positives than negatives," coach Bobby Clark said after Sunday’s game. "We don’t have a lot of time to think about it — we play Indiana on Wednesday, that’s the focus.

The Irish dominated both games offensively, totaling 65 shots on goal in the two games. However, the Irish proved nervous in front of the net, sending shots high over the goal or wide past the post.

In Friday’s contest, the Irish did not mark up a goal until defender Christopher High with 2:02 remaining and Justin McGrew followed it with the game-winner. On Sunday, Fullerton goalkeeper Sam Reynolds recorded only five saves on 27 shots by the Irish.

**MEN’S GOLF**

**Men’s golf takes fifth in Iverness**

Team shoots three rounds to end with a score of 894

By ERIC RETTER
Sports Writer

The Irish opened up their 2004-05 campaign showing lots of promise of good things to come. The team placed fifth in the Inverness Intercollegiate in Toledo, Ohio with a 3-round score of 894. No. 14 Kentucky won the event, shooting an 877, eight strokes better than Michigan State, its closest competitor in the 13-team field.

This weekend, the Irish had both their best single round as well as their highest placement in the history of this event. Before this weekend, the Irish had never placed higher than 14th, and their lowest single-round score was 307, a mark they surpassed in every round.

"I’m very pleased, we haven’t fared too well at these [events] in the past," Irish coach John Jasinski said. "We talked about breaking 300, the conditions were perfect, and we maxed out our expectations."

**SPORTS**

**CROSS COUNTRY**

The Belles take fourth over two MIAA rivals at the Aquinas College Invitational.

**LPGA TOUR**

Annika Sorenstam won her fifth LPGA event in 2004 with a four-shot victory at the John Q. Hammons Classic.

**AMERICAN LEAGUE**

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Zito struck out 10 to improve to 11-10.

**U.S. OPEN**

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The Phillies pulled within four games of the NL wild card race.

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