Performing Arts Center debuts

Opening is cheered by FTT

By MADDEE HANNA AND MOLLY GRIFFIN

Students and professors from the Film, Television and Theatre Department donned costumes in celebration of their new home Friday as they, the marching band and onlookers paraded to the grand opening of the new Marie P. DeBartolo Center for the Performing Arts.

"This is where our students are going to learn in a way they never have before," said Peter Holland, chair of FTT. "Every bit of the building is teaching space."

Holland, clad in Shakespearean garb, explained the history behind the PAC, which he said was first discussed in the 1940s and then more seriously considered 16 to 18 years ago.

"It always takes a long time for a university to commit to a project this big. I think, crucially, what this shows is that the University believes in the arts." John Haynes, executive director of the PAC, expressed his relief in finally opening the center.

"The PAC took 10 years of dreaming, and planning, and building and designing," he said.

The PAC is a $64 million, 151,000 square-foot building that houses five different performance halls. It was under

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ROTC cadets conduct local field training

By DANIELLE LERNER

The Notre Dame Army ROTC battalion trudged through the woods and slept under the stars this past weekend while conducting their semi-annual field training exercise.

The field training, or FTX, is a military training event intended to prepare juniors for a leadership camp the summer before senior year.

Over 80 cadets — freshmen through juniors — and senior staff left Notre Dame at 1:30 p.m. Friday and returned Sunday.

Despite holding previous trainings in Fort Custer, Mich., this year’s battalion kept it local in South Bend.

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Chili’s gives to charity

Restaurant will donate all of today’s profits to St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital

By PETER LEAHY

While baby back ribs may be enticing, students have a better reason to stop by Chili’s this month — supporting St. Jude’s fight against childhood cancer.

To raise money for children in need, the Mishawaka Chili’s is donating 100 percent of today’s proceeds to the hospital, a leading research institution and care provider specializing in treating cancer and other catastrophic illnesses.

Students who attend Chili’s tonight will see their dollars go to a good cause.

Though the Chili’s promotion is new this month, campus organizations such as Up Till Dawn have previously sponsored events to support the Memphis, Tenn. hospital.

Senior Carolyn Campbell, executive chair finale event coordinator of Up Till Dawn, said funds collected at Chili’s will go towards helping families with expenses.

"Families coming to Memphis that have to relocate are provided with housing free of charge," Campbell said.

Families will also receive care for free and do not pay anything

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MSU offers mixed welcome

By SARAH BARRETT

As students gathered on North Quad to eat free burgers and hot dogs and watch Saturday’s game together, many fellow Domers trekked the two and a half hour car ride to Michigan State to sport their green shirts and support the football team in person.

And as students and alumni geared up for the game, many prepared themselves for an out-of-Notre-Dame experience and dealing with jeers from the opponent.

Notre Dame senior Gina Fenie traveled to East Lansing

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Neighbors sue coach over fence

By AMANDA MICHAELS

Notre Dame head football coach Tyrone Willingham has faced criticism about his gridiron offense and defense before, but now it is his wrought-iron fence that is coming under fire.

On Sept. 10, the Quail Ridge at Knollwood Homeowners Association filed suit against Willingham and his wife, Kim, at the St. Joseph County Circuit Court, contending that the fence under construction in their backyard is in violation of the association’s covenants.

The lawsuit demands that the Willinghams stop the project and change their plans to comply with the neighborhood’s bylaws.

Stephen Studer, attorney for the Willinghams, said the fence going up — described as 5-feet high, black, stylistic and imitation wrought-iron — is not against a community covenant, as it runs seven to nine feet within the property’s perimeter.

Landscaping will be added in the area between the fence and the legal border.

According to association rules, perimeter fences must be split-rail with chain-link unless a variance is granted by the architectural review committee.

Association attorney Shawn Ryan said the fence is still in violation of the covenant, regardless of its location.

"Whether it’s three inches, three feet or three yards doesn’t make a difference."

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Arthritis. Long story short, it means I have myself what has you may be asking was diagnosed with waiting (and begging), I received word couldn't drink. But college was a different my immune system and keep my body pill form of chemotherapy, to slow down pretty disease to suffer from).

At the age of 17, I was diagnosed with Systemic Juvenile Rheumatoid Arthritis. Long story short, it means I have a chronic illness that tries to destroy the cartilage between my joints (read: not a problem to suffer from).

So at 17, I started a regimen of high-powered medications, including a pill form of chemotherapy, to slow down pretty disease to suffer from). The view expressed in the Inside Column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.

And while I don't advocate drinking on Wednesdays, I would say that if I were 17 again and had just started a regimen of high-powered medications, including a pill form of chemotherapy, to slow down pretty disease to suffer from), I would be off and drinking by my 21st. But my birthday came and went, and I'm glad I didn't take that path. I'm not sure I would have enjoyed it, and I'm not sure that I would have been able to stop. But three weeks ago, after years of waiting (and begging), I received word that I was allowed to go off my medication, opening the door to drinking. I had started the process of weaning off my medication over a year ago, in hopes that I could be off and drinking by my 21st. But my birthday came and went, and I continued on in my rule as D.D., waiting for the day when I could give up the title. Three weeks off the medication, without a flaw up I, was ready to go. I put my drinking face on, hit a party and headed straight for the hard alcohol. It only took two rum and coke's (mind you, there was quite a bit of rum - since I understood you, there was quite a bit of rum - since I understood worth of alcohol) before I understood the women of Basin, right and McGlinn race during the Keough Charlie Race Saturday morning at McGlinn fields. The race also included mud wrestling and jousting. A DJ and food were also available for the listening and eating pleasures of the event goes.

**OFFBEAT**

**Alligator captured in hot tub**

ROYALTON, Ill. - A worried neighbor's call to Animal Control led to a bizarre scene at a southern Illinois home: Four officers wresting an alligator out of a hot tub, a house filled with animal cages, and the arrest of a man wanted by the military for desertion.

When brook and another officer reached the home Monday, they spotted the 5-foot-long, 80-pound American alligator in a wooden enclosure attached to a garage. They called the Illinois Department of Natural Resources and Royalton Police for a little help.

To get the alligator, Scott Ballard of the IDNR pulled on chest waders, stepped into the tub and grabbed the animal. Brook and two others then dragged Ballard and the alligator out to the ground and struggled to tape the alligator's jaws shut.

Suspects end up behind bars - at zoo

RIO DE JANEIRO, Brazil - Two Brazilian car thieves suspected started their life behind bars while still on the run when they chose a cage in a Rio de Janeiro zoo to hide from police, officials said on Monday. A zoo keeper said the pair were found hiding in an enclosure where deer and tapir are kept after police chased the fugitives into the zoo on Sunday. "Apparently police thought that the bandits were going to take the animals hostage, but, thank God, that did not happen. They just wanted to hide," the keeper said.

The Observer regrets the error. Please contact us at 631-4541 so we can correct our error.
Dunn appointed as engineering fellow

Professor reaches elite level of membership, becoming 7th Notre Dame engineer honored

Special to The Observer

Patrick F. Dunn, professor of aerospace and mechanical engineering at the University of Notre Dame, has been named a fellow of the American Society of Engineers (ASME).

Fellows are the highest elected grade of membership in ASME and are conferred upon a member with at least 10 years of active engineering practice who has made significant contributions in the field. Dunn is the seventh member of Notre Dame's aerospace and mechanical engineering faculty to be named a fellow. The others are Hafiz M. Atassi, Frank P. Incropera, Thomas J. Mueller, John E. Bernard, Alhin A. Stewczyk and Kwang-Tzu Yang.

Dunn is a graduate of Purdue University, where he also earned his doctorate in aerospace engineering and fluid mechanics in 1974. After receiving his degrees, he taught at both Purdue and Duke Universities and in 1978 joined the engineering division of the Argonne National Laboratory. Dunn served from 1998 to 2002 as director of the University's Hessert Laboratory for Aerospace Research, and in 1999 served as director of the College of Engineering's London Program. His research at Notre Dame has focused on the dynamics of aerosol formation, transportation and deposition.

Dunn is the author of "Measurement and Data Analysis for Engineering and Science" and "Uncertainty Analysis for Forensic Science," and he has published more than 125 papers on micro-particle interaction, fluid dynamics and other topics. Founded in 1880, ASME is a 120,000-member professional organization focused on technical, educational and research issues of the engineering and technology community. ASME conducts one of the world's largest technical publishing operations, holds numerous technical conferences worldwide, and offers hundreds of professional development courses each year. ASME sets internationally recognized industrial and manufacturing codes and standards that enhance public safety.
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above what their insurance
covers, Campbell said. Donation
from fundraisers such as the Chili's event
ensure the hospital can provide care
where in the world, better than the
Sydney Opera House. The
Dellartos made a gift, made it
the PAC comes to fruition.

The Patrick George Decio
Mainstage Theatre seats 350
and is the site for the weekly
ND cinema showings.

- The Regal Philip Studio
Theatre is called an
"Experimental Theatre" or
"Black Box." It is a small, 100-
person theatre that is painted
black and has no fixed seating.
These spaces show a tendency of
intimacy and flexibility that is missing
from a traditional theatre, and the
black space allows for more effective
use of lighting.

The PAC contains four
classrooms, and it has numerous
facilities intended for student
use including 14 editing bays, a
recording studio, a design
classroom and a student
lounge. It also contains faculty
offices, a costume shop, laun-
dry facilities, rehearsal spaces
and a kitchen/catering area
on the main floor and in the
base ment capable of serving up to
400 people.

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Lansing, Mich. with a large group
of her friends after winning ticket-
touts through their favorite
university.

Fenice said although she
had fun, it was no place like home.

"Notre Dame's tailgates are
more family-friendly," Fenice
said. "I felt like we were
harassed quite a bit — although
not unexpected — for wearing
our green shirts."

Our Dame senior Chrissy
Rochel said she felt the State fans
were not as reserved in their
harassment as Notre Dame fans
usually are.

"I still enjoyed numerous
tailgates and the really cute
frat guys," Rochel said, adding that
the men were "much better
looking than the guys at Notre
Dame."

Our Dame freshman Kristen
Buzzitta said while the experi-
ence was different than her
home football game experience,
she thoroughly enjoyed the came-
raderie of the day.

It was a different experience
to watch a game off campus
that is here in Notre Dame, but
everyone bonded and cheered
together," Buzzitta said.

"Complete stranger would see
our Notre Dame T-shirts and invite
us to tailgate with them,"

As the hamburger line
dwind led on campus, the slightly
smaller but ever noticeable sea
of green stood out in the crowd of
white-clad fans.

While fans at the stadium
enjoyed themselves, cheering
on the team, and, as they watched
the game from a local
crane, the players were not treated
as warmly.

"When we scored people
would throw ice at us," she said.

"Everyone was yelling at each
other. There were some people
that would be nice and come up
to tell us that we went to a great
school, and that they were Notre
Dame fans as well, which is
always nice. It was for a better
experience than the horror
stories I heard from my friends
who attended the Michigan game
last year."

The Notre Dame turnout at
Michigan State was large enough
to cheer the team onto victory.

And for most students who
ventured north, it was a pleasant
toast among classmates.

"Overall, it was a positive expe-
rience and was really interesting
to see a game from another cam-
pus," Rochel said.

It was a better experience
with another check in the win category, noth-
ing less exciting.

We came out with the victory," she said.

"The MSU fans didn't get a
cheap seat to this game —
the score said it all."

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Notre Dame senior and army
ROTC cadet, Captain Patrick
Robinson was happy with the
camp.

"Staying local provided
more time for training and less
time for travel," Robinson said.

"This was more convenient and
allowed us to come home earlier for recov-
ery."

Armed with a compass, map
and protractor, cadets set out on
Friday afternoon directing them-
se lves through the fields of St.
Patrick's Park for day land naviga-
tion training.

During night land navigation
exercises at White Field, the
cadets practiced pace counts
and compass use in the dark.

Given sleeping bags and pon-
chos, the cadets practiced sleeping
only five hours to sleep, with
each cadet waking for a one-hour shift
of fireguard patrol.

It was definitely an experience
for those of people who haven't
done it, " sophomore Ryan Larson
said.

New to the FTC this year,
the battalion went paintballing In
Oceola for hatch drill training.
Battle drill training simulates real-life
battle situations and forces
cadets to work together to
succeed.

This group training simulation
aims to improve communication
skills and monitor reactions to stress
ful situations.

In the past, the Army ROTC has
used blank ammunition, but the
paint balls gave a more realistic
feet, cadets said.

"It gave us down-range feed-
back rather than just making noise,
plus it was more fun," Robinson said.

The pairing of junior leaders
with freshmen USMA cadets
contributed to the experi-
cement.

"The exercise integrated all
three classes, working together
and getting direct feedback was
the best improvement," Larson
said.

"It was also very helpful
because you could see where
you were shooting and if you had
been shot yourself."

The past weekend left a good
impression among cadets.

Saint Mary's junior Vanessa
Hooper-Van noticed a positive atti-
dude throughout the battalion.

"In general, everyone was more
motivated this time. Everyone
wanted to be the "her," she said.

The FTC also succeeded in
preparing cadets for the camp.

"I definitely felt prepared for
camp in the summer. I received
really positive feedback and got a
lot out of it," Hooper-Van said.

"I now know what I need to
improve on."

Others feel this semester's train-
ing reflects the continuing de-
velopment of the Army ROTC pro-
gram.

"It is amazing how Army ROTC
has developed over the years,"
and "This semester was a
leader in the field of ROTC leadership
skills throughout all four years and
this was definitely the best experi-
ence," he said.

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National News

Antidepressants need warning
WASHINGTON — Alarmed at a recommendation that antidepressants for children carry a strict new warning label, some parents are not letting their kids take the drugs as part of a clinical trial for young people who have attempted suicide.

Government health advisers said last week the drugs on these drugs should have bold warnings surrounded by a black box to draw attention and say that, in some cases, the medication increases suicidal thoughts and behavior.

A study financed by the National Institute of Mental Health is designed to determine whether treatment — medication or behavior therapy, or both — can prevent future suicide attempts.

Kerry and Bush address terrorism
WASHINGTON — Playing on the fear factor, Vice President Dick Cheney suggested in a campaign speech there might be another terrorist attack on the United States if John Kerry were in the White House.

President Bush's opponents' are raising their own war fears, including the potential for more wars during a second Bush term.

"That's fear-mongering," said Joseph Cardona, a 25-year Army veteran and former West Point professor who now is an analyst with the conservative Heritage Foundation.

Local News

Indiana schools must pass test
INDIANAPOLIS — Indiana's statewide testing that begins Monday could be the last that begins Monday could be the last Indiana schools must pass test that begins Monday could be the last Indiana schools must pass test. The high-stakes exams are required. We didn't have any major policy disagreements and one-party control.

Israel helicopter fires on Gaza City
GAZA CITY, Gaza Strip — An Israeli helicopter fired a missile at a car in Gaza City late Sunday, killing a senior Hamas militant leader, the latest Israeli attack in the territory it plans to leave next year.

Witnesses said parts of a dismembered body were pulled from the wreckage. Hospital officials said six were wounded, two seriously, all bystanders returning from a mosque.

Kofi Annan warned there that U.S. and Iraqi commanders have portrayed as a success story in their attempts to put down the insurgency.

Over the past week, about 300 people have been killed in escalating violence, including bombings, street fighting and U.S. air strikes. Last week, U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan warned there could not be "credible elections if the security conditions continue as they are now."

But Iraqi Prime Minister Ayad Allawi, who spoke with reporters after a meeting with British leader Tony Blair in London, said his interim government was determined "to stick to the timetable of the elections," which are due by Jan. 31.

"January next, I think, is going to be a major blow to terrorists and insurgents," said Allawi, who is heading to the United Nations for this week's General Assembly session. "We are adamant that danger of going to prevail, is going to win in Iraq."

Allawi, a Sunni Muslim, has been insistent about holding elections on time because of pressure from Iran's Shiite Muslim community and its most powerful cleric, Grand Ayatollah Ali al-Sistani, who fought for early elections. Reneging on the vote would risk angering the generally cooperative Shiite religious establishment.

Shiites, who are in the majority in Iraq, are eager to translate their numbers into political power. But alongside the increasing violence, several cities in the Sunni Muslim heartland north and west of Baghdad are out of U.S. and Iraqi government control, with insurgents holding sway, particularly in the city of Fallujah. That raises questions on whether ballooning can be held there — and the legitimacy of elections held without adequate Sunni participation.

Republican and Democratic senators urged the Bush administration on Sunday to face the reality of the situation in Iraq and change its policies. A major problem, said leaders of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee on CBS' "Face the Nation," was incompetence by the administration in recon­structing the country's shattered infrastructure.

The fact is a crisp, sharp analysis of our policies is required. We didn't do that in Vietnam, and we saw 11 years of casualties mount to the point where we finally lost," said Sen. Chuck Hagel, a Vietnam War veteran who is chairman of President Bush's re-election committee in Nebraska.

Hurricane causes massive flooding
Associated Press
WHEELING, W.Va. — Hundreds of people evacuated their homes Sunday in parts of Ohio, West Virginia and Pennsylvania as rivers and small streams were swollen beyond their banks by the torrential rain dumped by remnants of Hurricane Ivan.

The decapitated bodies of the three slain Kurdish hostages were found on a road near the northern city of Mosul, said Sarkaw Hassan, security chief in the Kurdish town of Sulaimaniyah. He said the three were members of the peshmerga militia of the Kurdish Democratic Party.

The videotape, posted Sunday on a site known for its Islamic militant content, shows three young men, two of whom hold up identity cards. Seconds later, each has his throat slit and his head placed on the back of his body.
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change the definition of a perimetric fence. "Ryan said. "The covenants do not specifically define perimeters, but common sense tells us that it would include a fence that is slightly set in to the property, like the one in question is.

The Willinghams approached the board in 2002 about the project, and since that time were granted a variance allowing the ornamental fence to be placed around the pool but not extend beyond the sides of the house. Studer said the suggested fence would have inco nveniently bisected the backyard, and was not an acceptable alternative.

Studer said the purpose behind the fence was to keep neighborhood children and pets from accidentally falling into the pool and to alleviate privacy concerns. "It's a very nice fence, and they've gone to great expense to create something upscale that fits in with the neighborhood," Ryan Studer attorney said.

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In actuality, the board has discussed changing the Association's covenant regarding fencing allowances, but amendments can't be made without the approval of two-thirds of residents. "The board talking about changing the covenants and changes being approved are two different things," Ryan said. "The Willinghams just jumped the gun."

A hearing has been scheduled for Oct. 6, and while no meeting between the parties before then has been scheduled, attorneys for both sides said one is not out of the question.

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Haiti

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Madonna addresses Kabbalah conference

Associated Press

TEL AVIV, Israel — Pop star Madonna called for world peace Sunday at a conference on Jewish mysticism, a high-light of her five-day pilgrimage to the Holy Land.

Israel hopes the star — the biggest pop celebrity to visit in years — will revive tourism battered by four years of Mideast violence, and government officials were on hand at a Tel Aviv hotel to share the spotlight, the glory and the photographs.

Madonna, wearing a low-cut dress with a black and white leopard pattern, said she was hesitant to come to Israel "after seeing so many news reports about terror attacks."

"I realize now that it is no more dangerous to be here than it is to be in New York," she told the gathering.

Madonna was raised a Roman Catholic, but she has become an avid devotee of Jewish mysticism in recent years. She has adopted the Hebrew name Esther, wears a red thread on her wrist to ward off the evil eye and reportedly refuses to perform on the Jewish Sabbath.

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Kerry advertisement attacks war spending

Ad links cost of Iraq war to domestic problems

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Democrat John Kerry links the cost of the Iraq war to problems at home and vows in a new television ad to both "defend America and fight for the middle class." Kerry’s campaign bases the claim on its interpretation of Bush’s budget proposals for education and reports of rising health care premiums.

Bush’s campaign said the ad was another Kerry flip flop, noting that in August 2003 on NBC’s "Meet the Press," Kerry said war spending should be increased "by whatever number of billions of dollars it takes to win."

"After attacking the president for not spending enough on Iraq, John Kerry is now attacking the president for spending too much," said Bush campaign spokesman Steve Schmidt. "John Kerry’s hypothetical attacks and continually shifting positions on Iraq are costing him the trust of the American people."

Bush has spent Sunday in Boston, off the campaign trail. His economic plan calls for rolling back Bush’s tax cuts for people earning more than $200,000 a year.

"Two hundred billion dollars. That’s what we are spending in Iraq because George Bush chose to go it alone," Kerry says in the ad, to start airing Monday in 13 competitive states where he is on the air. "Now the president tells us we don’t have the resources to take care of health care and education here at home. That’s wrong."

Suggesting that Bush ignored domestic ills while focusing on the war abroad, Kerry says: "As president, I’ll stop at nothing to get the terrorists off the campaign trail. His economic plan calls for rolling back whatever number of billions of dollars it takes to win."

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John Kerry presidential candidate

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President George W. Bush smiles as he receives a standing ovation at the 126th National Guard Conference in Las Vegas on Sept. 14.

Bush, who was elected president 20 years later, wrote that his son "will be a gung-ho member" of the Air Force, and its instructors had "helped awaken the very best instincts in my son."

Democrats called the exchange proof of preferential treatment.

The letter and other material were the latest in a stream of documents released about President Bush’s service three decades ago during the Vietnam War. His critics say Bush received preferential treatment as the son of a congressman and U.N. ambassador. Critics have also questioned why Bush skipped a required medical examination in 1972 and failed to show up for drills during a six-month period that year.

The Pentagon uncovered the documents during a search in response to a Freedom of Information Act lawsuit by The Associated Press seeking all Bush’s records from the Texas Air National Guard. A federal judge ordered the Defense Department on Wednesday to hand over to the AP all newly discovered Bush records by next Friday.

The AP lawsuit also led to the release this month of previously undisclosed flight logs for the years Bush spent as a trainee and pilot, mostly on the F-102A fighter.

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Music

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. They are masters of several forms—gospel, ragtime, swing, pop and bel canto, 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 including Kennedy’s Kitchen, Celtic Fire, Sean Ryan, Danielle Srovanec, and The O’Neill Brothers. 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 virtuosos 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 stand 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/tv/reviews/review_display.jsp?phnu_content_id=1929346

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

“Bon Voyage, a rich, tweening French force 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

Theatre

Avanti: A Postindustrial Ghost Story
by Jessica Chalmers
http://avanti.nd.edu

Friday, September 24, 7:30 p.m.
Saturday, September 25, 7:30 p.m.
Sunday, September 26, 2:30 p.m.
Sunday, September 26, 7:30 p.m.
Monday, September 27, 7:30 p.m.
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Saturday, October 2, 7:30 p.m.
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I am sick and tired of all this talk about being "healthy." In order to be "healthy" college students are constantly ordered to eat this, eat that, do this, exercise that, play this sport and at the same time not stick this finger down this throat in this bathroom stall after this meal.

Where, then, do we draw the line between eating healthy and eating disorder? How, then, are we supposed to exercise properly while balancing a full load of classes, jobs, clubs and designated hangout time? And why, then, if a known cause of obesity is late night snacking, does this University tempt us like a Biblical serpent with delicious hot dogs every midnight at a price that would allow a Kathy Lee Gifford sweatshop worker to have seconds? Clearly, no warm-blooded, omnivorous human being would eat this University can possibly live up to the health standards placed upon us by the so-called "doctors" who specialize in this type of nutrition. It's kind of like being short, chubby, uncoordinated, white younger brother of Michael Jordan — you're just never going to live up to anyone's expectations, and will probably just end up becoming one of those guys who try to Rooble freshman girls in order to satisfy an inferiority complex. Obviously, this is not the sort of psychological treatment that nutritionists should be levying upon the minds of already-disturbed college students, and it has to stop now.

For example, a close examination of the fitness levels suggested by these "experts" reveals several inconsistencies with the Notre Dame collegiate lifestyle. For instance, let's assume that Chip goes to a party every other Monday. He can be seen Baptisting two shots an hour by nutritionists for people our age. As you can draw the line about being "healthy." In order to be

If you don't believe me, take a look at the twenty-four hour period from Friday to Saturday afternoon on the campus. To completely average Notre Dame activities, wound up ingesting the daily calorie equivalent of a pregnant polar bear. Couple with the already-proven impossibility of consistent exercise on this campus, and the typical Domer like Chip is faced with quite a dietary dilemma. Does he still make it to quarter dogs on Sunday night?

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Silly doctors, health is for kids

Joey Falco

Forty owners of Falco's
Some whose long lives are still being battered and broken by war as they were taught and modeled by a few. Catholic prophetic ditch the 60's and 70's are puzzled by the reframing of the basic premises of that culture in the last 30 years. The political and legal wars waged over Roe v. Wade have taken their toll on the cultural landscape. War can destroy cultures as well as nations and individual lives.

Edward Manier
Guest Column

Letters to the Editor

Republicans stack the vote—Affording monitors

I'd like to share my viewpoint on your recent subject of health moni­
tors. I was discussing this in a conversation with a friend.

As a parent of a female sophomore, I support the health monitor: I assume there is no other reason for firing the monitors other than money.

Well, I would think the Notre Dame administration should and could find money for Our Lady's most treasured asset: the students.

Maybe Notre Dame can divert some money from athletics budget to this. The monitors aren't necessary to prevent abuse.

Or maybe raising $1,000 a year on the kids’ tuition: $100 x 9,000 students equals a lot of monitors.

Parents pay tuition and expect their children to be safe, and I think the money is there to enhance student's life in every manner.

By the way, when will Notre Dame convert some of the extra space in the 75 million dollars Performance Arts building to dorm space?

Philip Wells
junior
Dillon Hall
Sept. 18

I am deeply offended by the position of this organization. In alphabetical order, according to economic profiling, College Republicans have decid­ed who succeeds or fails as much as those who fail as much as those who succeed, show us the real meaning of open­ness and acceptance of the divine will.

Brazelton, Greenspan and Spiegel should be required reading at every pre­/Conference preparing young people for any purpose. They are all equally based on false premises, indefen­sible by anything but the method of leadership.

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Cold War’s threat replaced with terrorist reality

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Tommy Purvis
California State-Fullerton Daily Titan

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The Clarks proved on Saturday night that much of its well-deserved success comes from its ability to put on a fabulous, energy-infused live show.

For an hour and a half, the Pittsburgh-exported rockers tore through a set list that included mostly fresh material from their latest album, "Fast Moving Cars," which was released this year. Longtime fans were also lucky enough to hear older favorites that have become concert staples from popular earlier albums like 2000's "Let It Go."

Even though members of The Clarks have not yet gained the recognition they truly deserve for their ability, they have a distinctively hardcore fan base. What they lack in fame, they make up for in listener loyalty. Devoted fans began lining up for the 10:30 p.m. concert immediately after the Irish defeated Michigan State, to secure spots at the front of the crowd.

"The Clarks always give a great concert," said sophomore Pete Lavorini. "They're from Pittsburgh so they're awesome." Other early fans echoed the sentiments.

"The Clarks are awesome, and I've never been to a show in Pittsburgh that wasn't sold out," said senior Eva Garon.

While the Pittsburgh natives showed up in full force, cheering loudly at any mention of Notre Dame and even more at any mention of their home city, other fans had jumped onto The Clarks' bandwagon after hearing a live show. Law student John Moore saw them when they opened for another band and has been following them since.

"I showed up at 5:30 to see the game so I could be front and center," Moore said. "Everyone who just randomly makes their way in is in for a treat."

Ahead of schedule fans were also in for a treat when lead singer and guitarist Scott Blasey took time before the show started, and before most of the crowd was admitted, to mingle and autograph shirts.

"It's awesome to be here," Blasey said. "I've never been here, and you grow up hearing about Notre Dame so to finally get to be here... Luckily it was a beautiful day today too, we walked around some and it's beautiful here."

Blasey and the rest of the band burst onto the show with their hit "Better Off Without You," which made it onto MTV's extremely mainstream Total Request Live when most of the crowd was in high school. The song demonstrated the band's mysterious ability to make things like breaking up sound like fun.

The Clarks kept up the cheery tempo for the entire show, pouring through new songs like the punk-driven "You Know Everything" and the infectious "Shimmy Low." The crowd clapped along to "Gypsy Lounge" and "Hell On Wheels," which the band performed on the Late Show with David Letterman.

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Scott Blasey

lead vocalist and guitarist

Robert James, who plays electric and acoustic guitars as well as singing backup vocals, encouraged the crowd to clap along several times.

Left, drummer Dave Minarik smiled throughout the concert. Middle, lead singer and guitarist Scott Blasey put down his guitar to dance along with the music for several songs from their latest album "Fast Moving Cars" as well as older favorites.
The first song to slightly slow the rapid pace at all was the title track "Fast Moving." Once again, potentially depressing lyrics were woven into a bright melody: "And singing I could right all these wrongs/And singing till the pain is all gone" never sounded so enjoyable.

One of the highlights of the show came when Blasey put down his guitar to sing and one of the high points of the show came when Blasey put down his guitar to sing and drink and Greg Joseph on bass came out to ward the crowd as drummer Dave Minarik broke a drum stick from a.)

The band closed with the stellar Clarks classic "Cigarette," its first hit. Fans had to do to excite the already energized crowd was mention a certain city in Pennsylvania, at which point some cheered louder without fail. The Clarks always seem to genuinely love receiving, with Minarik smiling almost the whole time and Blasey posing for fans' cameras during songs like "Let It Go," which was featured in the 2001 movie "Summer Catch."

"Fun will keep you alive," Blasey told the crowd, taking time later to laugh and high-five front row fans. After dancing along to "Boys Lie," The Clarks bowed out to return backstage. A raucous "Here we go Steelers" chant quickly brought them back out to play a cover of Marvin Gaye's "What's Going On."

When one fan wrote a request on a piece of paper and put it onstage next to the set list, Blasey leaned over to read the handwritten note before offering congratulations to an engaged couple, much to the delight of those who heard.

"The Clarks are extremely down to earth and put their all into every show," said Pittsburgh native and senior Megan McCormick. "They may not be mainstream according to the music industry but fans from Pittsburgh love them and to them, they've already made it. They are one of the best live bands I've ever seen; sometimes they sound better in person than on their albums. The show was incredible."

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Senior

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Greg Joseph, on bass guitar and vocals, was the lead vocalist for the song "Butterflies and Airplanes."

Like "Boys Lie," Right, excited fans crowded close to the stage to high-five the band members and sneak peeks at the set lists, which included new material from their...
Yankees dominate Red Sox again, increase division lead

Associated Press

NEW YORK — The New York Yankees battered Pedro Martinez's Red Sox in the season's longest game, driving home the point that the Yankees are dominating their rivals to win the American League East with an 11-1 victory over the Baltimore Orioles on Sunday.

The Red Sox's 12th consecutive loss came on a wild pitch by reliever Einar Dagan when the ball rolled down the third base line.

"I'm happy to be in this situation," Martinez said. "Every game I pitched, we got more than three hits."

Browns' second consecutive win came with an inning lead.

"We put in the rearview mirror a little bit," Red Sox manager Terry Francona said.

Alex Rodriguez also connected in the second consecutive offensive burst by the Yankees, who outscored their long-time rivals 26-3 the past two days after a disappointing loss Friday night, when star closer Mariano Rivera blew a three-run lead.

"We take a lot of pride in coming back with intensity," Rodriguez said.

It certainly showed. The Yankees' hitters hit up Derek Jeter and Jorge Posada homered off Denny Bautista (0-3) as the Kansas City Royals fell behind in the second series of three games against Boston since June 2 at Anaheim.

"We're off to a strong approach season and got it back today," Jeter said. "We showed more energy. These players have to work for one another if they are going to win. They did that.

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NFL

Manning, Colts' offense impressive in win at Tennessee

Associated Press

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Peyton Manning had plenty of help from the Indianapolis Colts on Sunday. Steve McNair didn't get the same treatment from his Tennessee toilet over Tennessee.

Edgerrin James also ran for two touchdowns and 124 yards as the Colts (1-1) avoided losing consecutive games in the regular season for the first time since the middle of the 2002 season — now a span of 26 games.

"Anytime you win down here, it's a good win," Colts coach Tony Dungy said.

The Colts outscored Tennessee 28-7 in the second half, forced two turnovers and sacked McNair three times in winning their third straight game in this series.

The Titans had plenty of chances to bury the Colts in a deep hole before a record crowd of 68,932 in this early AFC South showdown between the only teams to win this division since realignment.

"We never talked about 0-2," Manning said. "Tony never said, 'We can't be 0-2.' It never came up. We just said it's an AFC South game. It's a double-dip. We have a chance to get up in the division and give the Titans a loss.

"It's not the kind of game I like to be involved with," Cowboys coach Bill Parcells said. "But that's too many on one drive for me. I got a little tense there.

"It's frustra ting," Brady said. "Sometimes you come out of these games almost with a sour taste in your mouth, knowing you could have performed so much better.

"Anytime you win down here, I just wish we'd have executed a little better on offense."
Vick scrambles, Falcons win 34-17 in St. Louis

Associated Press

ATLANTA — Standing in his end zone, looking for a receiver, Marc Bulger had big plans.

“I was going for a home run,” Bulger said.

Atlanta defensive end Brady Smith had other ideas, stripping the ball from Bulger and catching the fumble in the air for a touchdown to help the Atlanta Falcons beat the St. Louis Rams Sunday.

After the Rams rallied from a 14-0 deficit to tie the game at 17 in the third quarter, the Falcons outscored St. Louis 17-0 in the final quarter.

“That’s one of my favorite takeaways of all time,” Falcons defensive coordinator Ed Donatell said.

Bulger said: “I was a half-second away from letting the ball go. It could have been a touchdown the other way.”

Instead, Smith beat Rams left tackle Orlando Pace and then reached with his left hand for Bulger, knocking the ball loose before Bulger began to bring his arm forward in a passing motion.

“I wish they were all that easy,” said Smith, who was credited with a sack, forced fumble and fumble recovery in addition to what he said was his first touchdown since high school.

“It’s a dream play for a defensive lineman because usually you have to run 80 yards to get in the end zone. It was just right there.”

The Falcons’ front four had four sacks, including two by end Patrick Kerney. Cornerback Bryan Scott added another sack. Bulger wasn’t sacked in the Rams’ season-opening win over Arizona.

Led by quarterback Michael Vick’s 109 yards running, the Falcons (2-0) outgained the Rams (1-1) on the ground 242-30.

Baltimore 30, Pittsburgh 13
The Baltimore Ravens rebounded from a sting­ ing defeat by running over the hated Pittsburgh Steelers.

Jamaal Lewis rushed for 62 yards and two touchdowns and Chester Taylor added a career-high 76 yards on the ground to lead Baltimore to a victory Sunday.

Eager to shine for a season-opening 20-3 loss in Cleveland, the defending AFC North champs dominated the team they consider their biggest rival.

“Anytime you can bounce back from a game like we had last week and win like this, it’s huge,” Ravens receiver Kevin Johnson said. “We are going to get where we need to go.”

The destination is the Super Bowl, a trek that would have been more imposing if Baltimore (1-1) lost to Pittsburgh (1-1).

Detroit 28, Houston 16
Joye Harrington was the hap-piest guy in Detroit when the Lions drafted Roy Williams.

It’s easy to see why.

Harrington threw three touch-down passes, two thanks to Williams’ spectacular catches, to lead the Lions past the Houston Texans on Sunday for their first 2-0 start since 2000.

The Lions didn’t throw the 10th pick overall in April, had four receptions for 73 yards.

“It is a natural receiver who uses his hands as well or better than any receiver I’ve seen,” Harrington said.

Chicago 21, Green Bay 10
Lovie Smith didn’t take long to fulfill his No. 1 goal of beating Green Bay.

But the man who helped him do it wasn’t around afterward to celebrate.

Mike Brown, whose 95-yard fumble return for a touchdown sparked the Bears’ victory over the Packers on Sunday, was lost for what could be an extended period with a right Achilles’ tendon injury in the waning minutes.

When Smith was hired as Bears coach on Jan. 15, he declared his top priority was knocking off the Packers, the two-time defending division champ.

“I never been in a fight where some guy told me he was going to beat me up and he beat me up,” Packers linebacker Nick Barnett said.

Not only did Smith declare the Packers his top prize, but said he knew just how to beat them.

The last two times he’d faced Green Bay was as the St. Louis Rams’ defensive coordinator and the Packers committed a combined 10 turnovers in those games.

Brett Favre threw two intercep­tions Sunday, but the killer was Ahman Green’s fumble just before halftime.

On first down from the 2 just after the 2-minute warning, linebacker Brian Urlacher stormed into the backfield and stripped Green. Brown scooped it up and rumbled 95 yards down the Bears’ jubilant sideline to give Chicago a 14-3 halftime lead instead of a 10-7 deficit.

It was Brown’s fifth defensive score, a team record, and the second-longest fumble return in Bears history.

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Rice’s streak ends as Raiders pick up first win of season

Associated Press

OAKLAND, Calif. — Reality hit Jerry Rice in the final minutes and his spontaneous reaction was somewhat shocking: He kicked a yard marker and hurled his helmet at the ground.

Rice didn’t figure his team-first attitude would lead to the end of his NFL-record receiving streak.

But Ronald Curry’s big day Sunday is a sign the Oakland Raiders will no longer rely as much on Rice in their talented receiving corps. Rice’s record streak of 274 games with a catch ended, and Curry caught five passes for 89 yards and a touchdown in the Raiders’ 13-10 victory over the Buffalo Bills on Sunday.

“I expect to catch footballs,” Rice said. “I never thought it would come to an end like this. But, you know, it’s OK. It’s all right. It happens. Life goes on. I’ll just start another one and get another 200.”

Rice is still a starter, but has said he’s willing to accept a lesser role for the Raiders (1-1) if it helps the team rebound from last season’s 4-12 debacle.

He didn’t get a pass thrown his way until 2 1/2 minutes before halftime — and that was the only one.

The last time Rice didn’t catch a pass was Dec. 1, 1985, at Washington. Rice was substituted almost every other play during Oakland’s second-to-last drive. He came out with 2:37 left during a Buffalo timeout and threw his helmet to the ground, causing it to bounce over a metal bench.

He yelled in frustration and paced the sideline for several minutes, twice taking a seat alone on a bench.

Afterward, he joked about the whole thing.

“Oh, yeah, I was working on my kicking, just in case (Sebastian Janikowski) had a bad one,” Rice said. “I said I’d want the 30-yard marker. ‘I’m a competitor. You get a little frustrated sometimes, but that’s what the game is for. Otherwise, I just enjoy playing.’

I’m definitely not going to play it part of it, and I want to contribute to the team. It didn’t happen.”

Drew Bledsoe’s first career start for Oakland won’t much fun, either. Playing before Raider Nation for the first time in his 12th season, Bledsoe was sacked seven times and struggled for the second straight week to take advantage of good field position.

Three of the sacks came in the first half, when Bledsoe’s 31 yards passing were only seven more than those of Bills punter Brian Moorman. In Buffalo’s first two games, it has failed to score on five drives of 10 plays or more.

N.Y. Jets 34, San Diego 28

Curtis Martin and the New York Jets are off to a hot September start, thanks to another big day in sunny San Diego.

Martin scored on the Jets’ first two possessions and became the team’s all-time rushing leader, helping New York to a win Sunday over the Chargers, who lost quarterback Drew Brees to a concussion.

Martin scored on runs of 1 and 2 yards and finished with 119 yards on 32 carries. With 8,185 yards in seven seasons with the Jets, he broke Freeman McNeil’s old team record of 8,074. Martin has 11,984 yards in 10 NFL seasons, good for 11th on the all-time list. Next up is Thurman Thomas with 12,074.

Chad Pennington threw two touchdown passes for the Jets (2-0), and rookie safety Erik Coleman had an interception and a fumble recovery.

The Jets are 2-0 for just the second time in 11 seasons.

“September ghosts, whatever, I don’t buy into it,” Martin said. “We just haven’t been playing well in the beginning of the season. We’ve got the right attitude this year and we are playing better, period.”

The Jets jumped to a 17-0 lead, then didn’t fold when the Chargers finally got into the game.

The Chargers (1-1) were booted often during their home opener. Brees sustained a concussion late in the third quarter on a helmet-to-helmet hit by safety Jon McGraw, who was called for roughing the passer.

Brees finished that drive and was in for two more possessions, throwing a 33-yard TD pass to Reche Caldwell to pull the Chargers to 27-21 with 7:35 to play.

Brees was pulled for 41-year-old Doug Flutie with less than four minutes to go and the Chargers trailing 24-21. Brees wasn’t happy about it, throwing his helmet on the sideline and having a heated discussion with coach Marty Schottenheimer.

Brees went from being impressive in a 27-20 win at Houston to being awful, throwing two interceptions and forcing a fumble. By midway through the third quarter, he’d thrown as many interceptions as completions, finishing 8-of-19 for 146 yards.
Marlins keep wildcard hope alive, avoid sweep

Associated Press

MIAMI -- With their playoff hopes alive, the Florida Marlins received a boost from an unlikely source: their fifth starting pitcher.

Ismael Valdez pitched six innings to help the Marlins earn their first series win in seven tries, and they averted a series sweep by beating the Atlanta Braves on Sunday.

Jeff Conine drove in all of the runs in the series-clinching 9-0 romp on a three-run homer and an RBI single.

"It all has to do with fighting," Valdez said. "It was a huge game Sunday.

"We still think we have a leader Atlanta by 8 1/2 games. They remain 4 1/2 for only the second time in six games. They're all pretty much must-wins.

"The umpire has the final say," Graves said. "If he says he's safe, he's safe. You can't be that effing sure. I couldn't get the ball down at all. Every sinner I threw was called strike, and against a team like that, with a lineup that never ends, you can't afford to give the ball up." Jon Leicester (5-0) pitched a perfect eighth, and Jose Mesa got his 22nd save.

"He's a factor, because he gave us a chance to win," Cubs catcher Michael Barrett said. "He was hitting his spots.

Wilson allowed five hits in five potent innings, struck out six -- including leadoff hitter Corey Patterson four times -- and walked none. He is 0-4 in 10 starts since beating Milwaukee on July 8, twice leaving games with leads that were blown by his bullpen.

Pittsburgh 1, N.Y. Mets 0

Humberto Cota homered, Ryan Vogelsong allowed two hits in seven innings and the Pittsburgh Pirates beat the New York Mets to stop a five-game losing streak in the first game of a doubleheader Sunday.

Vogelsong (6-12) allowed just two singles, both in the fourth inning, and Bay hit a 2-2 pitch over the left-center wall.

The closer you get to it, the more you think about it," Bay said. "You try not to think about it, but it was in the back of my mind. When I got back to the dugout, I kind of let out a sigh. I don't think it's sunk in yet."

"I'm really proud of what I've done," Bay said. "I can't explain it.

"The formula says we clinched, Bay is hitting .294 with 75 RBIs.

"The Pirates won the first game on backup catcher Humberto Cota's home run and a combined three-hitter by Ryan Vogelsong and Jose Mesa.

Despite missing the first month of the season while recovering from offseason shoulder surgery, Bay is hitting .294 with 75 RBIs.

The Pirates won the first game on backup catcher Humberto Cota's home run and a combined three-hitter by Ryan Vogelsong and Jose Mesa.

"He's been phenomenal, especially with the number of at-bats he's done this year," Pirates manager Lloyd McClendon said. "He made some great pitches."}

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Jaguars defeat Broncos, pull out another close victory

Associated Press

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. — The Jacksonville Jaguars are accustomed to playing close games. Now they're finding ways to win them, too.

The Jags lost three games in the final minute last season and twice this season in the waning seconds.

"We're keeping the cardiologists busy in town," coach Jack Del Rio said.

"This was one of those games. You have to play a full 60 minutes because a lot of them are going to be settled in the last few minutes," Foster said.

The total was 4 yards short of the team record held by Davis, who is out indefinitely after spraining his knee in practice last week.

"I had no idea that I was close to the record," Foster said. "I just wanted to get 150 yards," he said. "You always have to step up when somebody goes down."

The Chiefs (0-2) were still within reach at 21-17 when Foster iced the game with his long gallop, which was followed immediately by a 3-yard TD run that gave the Chiefs an 11-point lead with 10:35 left.

"It wasn't that big," Foster said. "I went to the left and made a little cut back right and it was open."

The play unfolded like a nightmare for the Chiefs, who showed no signs of making any improvement to one of the NFL's sorriest defenses.

New Orleans Saints 30, San Francisco 27

The New Orleans Saints dodged a hurricane and the San Francisco 49ers and survived the loss of their biggest offensive weapon — Deuce McAllister.

"It's very hard to win in this league," Ambrose said. "You have a lot of games that come down to three points or less. This was one of those games. You have to play a full 60 minutes because a lot of them are going to be settled in the last few minutes."

The 49ers got to the Saints 1 in Terry Jackson's long run with a short pass, but offensive pass interference against Brandon Lloyd nullified the play.

On the next play, Ambrose grabbed Dorsey's pass.

The Saints spent the week in San Antonio, practicing on three different fields while they were sheltered in their hotel. McAlistier, who sprained his right ankle on the third play, spent the rest of the day on the sideline in an orthopedic boot. McAlistier will have an MRI exam on Monday.

N.Y. Giants 20, Washington 14

The New York Giants' defense presented embattled coach Tom Coughlin with his first game ball. The gift wrapping was courtesy of the Washington Redskins.

Linebacker Barrett Green scored on a 16-yard fumble return and the Giants forced seven turnovers in a win on Sunday that was Coughlin's first since taking over as coach in January.

"Everybody on this defense felt we didn't perform well last week," Green said, referring to a 31-17 loss to Philadelphia. "This week we felt like we had to send a message to get this team going."

The seven takeaways were the most by the Giants in a non-strike game since 1986 against Washington in clinching the NFC East title. New York went on to win its first Super Bowl.

While few think those Giants are a contender, they're the best they have looked in a while. The win snapped a franchise-record-tying nine-game losing streak. New York lost its last eight under Jim Fassel in 2003.

It also took some of the pressure off Coughlin, who has been criticized by players and media for his no-nonsense approach.

"We definitely needed a win with all that was going on around here," defensive end Michael Strahan said. "Winning helps heal some of that."

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**In Brief**

**Purdue's Orton remains humble in midst of awards**

INDIANAPOLIS — Purdue's early season success has been good to quarterback Kyle Orton.

After a career day against Ball State on Saturday, Orton took home three awards, the Walter Camp Football Foundation national offensive player of the week. Big Ten offensive player of the week and Cingular Wireless/ABC Sports All-America player of the week.

Orton was 23-for-26 for 329 yards and a career-high five touchdowns Saturday. He also ran for a score in No. 18 Purdue's 59-7 win over the Cardinals.

In two games this season, he has thrown for 616 yards and nine touchdowns with no interceptions.

As the awards, and the Heisman talk, start piling up, coach Joe Tiller said worrying about how the senior from Altoona, Iowa, will handle the attention is the furthest thing from his mind.

"His demeanor is different, such that I can't see that impacting him," Tiller said. "I'm not at all concerned about Kyle Orton or any hype surrounding his play as much as I would be concerned about hype surrounding our team."
Saint Mary's can't net game-winner, ties 1-1

By RYAN DUFFY
Sports Writer

Saint Mary's can't net game-winner, ties 1-1

Sometimes, it's just one of those days.

Saturday was one of those days for the Belles, who pulled off a 1-1 tie with Alma College after two overtimes despite having numerous chances to put the game away.

Saint Mary's took nearly 25 shots on goal throughout the game but was unable to convert time and time again.

"We played fairly well, but we just couldn't finish," sophomore goalie Nicole Leach said. "We didn't play bad at all. We just had some trouble getting it into the net. I guess it was just one of those days."

The Belles came out strongly against Alma, giving up a goal early in the first half to fall behind 1-0. Saint Mary's kept the ball in its opponent's zone for much of the first half, but was unable to get on the scoreboard.

"We tend to come out slow, and then take most of the first half to settle down and get into our groove," sophomore Caroline Stancukas said. "It was not a lack of an effort on our part – it was just a bad day."

The Belles entered the half trailing 1-0, marking the first time they have been trailing at the half all year. Coach Mackenzie and the players considered switching the team's defensive strategy for the second half from the flat-back four, the new system Mackenzie has implemented this year, to a system known as the sweeper/stopper defense, which the team used at times in the past.

"We thought about switching, but we don't really want to fall back on something else just because the flat-back four isn't working," Stancukas said.

Saint Mary's appeared to shake its early sluggishness after the half, coming out strong in the second half and tying the game at 1-1 when Jen Concannon knocked in a corner kick from Carrie Orr for the equalizer.

The Belles used strong defense the rest of the way to keep the game even. "Our defense played well; the other team probably only had about five or six shots on goal throughout the entire game," Leach said. "We dominated them, no question. They were a good team, but we were obviously stronger. It was just one of those days where we couldn't quite get it in the net."

Despite the team's strong second half play, the Belles were unable to take the lead, and settled for a tie after two 10-minute periods of overtime.

"It was really a great effort by the team," Stancukas said. "We played as hard as we could through two overtimes, so people were going for up to 110 minutes. It was a real good effort all-around."

Although they remain undeveloped in MIAA conference play, the Belles were disappointed to come away with only a tie.

"We just got unlucky as far as not getting the win; we had our chances," Leach said. "If some of the calls went our way, and some of the balls bounced our way, we could have easily won."

Rather than focus on their shortcomings, however, the team looks forward to the future.

"The first thing we said when we got off the field was, 'We can't wait to play them again on our home field,'" Leach said.

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SMC VOLLEYBALL

Belles lose in 4 games, drop to 1-7 on season

By JUSTIN STETZ
Sports Writer

The Belles lost their second straight volleyball match on Saturday, falling to Adrian College in four games.

Saint Mary's finally came out strong, winning the first game but failed to capitalize and lost the next three.

The losses drop the Belles to 1-7 overall this season. They have lost five of their last six divisional matchups and currently reside in seventh place in the MIAA.

The match marked only the second time this year that Saint Mary's was able to win a first game in the match.

In game one, they defeated the Bulldogs, 30-25. The Belles lost the second game, managing to score only 17 points.

Adrian College then made it three in a row by winning games three and four, 30-20 and 30-28.

It was the defense that struggled on the night and failed to hold back Adrian's offensive attack.

"Statistically speaking, and from game experience, I can confidently say that it was the defense," Saint Mary's Michelle Turley said. "Defensively, Adrian presented us with a stronger block than we are used to seeing, and our defense should've been stronger and more reliable than it was."

On the day, Elise Rupright and Turley played well on offense, registering 14 and 13 kills, respectively. The defense was lead by Michelle Gary and Amanda David, both of whom had 17 digs. Shelly Bender was third on the team with 11 digs of her own.

Saint Mary's has struggled from its first game of the season.

Their defense and overall communication continues to hamper the team's growth and effectiveness. But, these problems need to be addressed quickly if they have any hopes of advancing into the tournament.

"I think we are still in the process of trying to solidify an attacking lineup," Turley said. "We have a lot of people competing for the same spot right now, and most days it just depends on whoever is playing better, but hopefully as the season continues to develop we will have a better indication of who those starters are."

The win moves Adrian College to 6-7 on the year and puts them in fourth place in the conference with an overall record of 3-1.

Saint Mary's does not take the court again until 7 p.m. Wednesday when it travels to the University of Chicago.

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Saint Mary's can't net game-winner, ties 1-1

By RYAN DUFFY
Sports Writer

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Those days. Those days were one of those days for the Belles, who pulled off a 1-1 tie with Alma College after two overtimes despite having numerous chances to put the game away.

"We played fairly well, but we just couldn't finish," sophomore goalie Nicole Leach said. "We didn't play bad at all. We just had some trouble getting it into the net. I guess it was just one of those days."

The Belles came out slowly against Alma, giving up a goal early in the first half to fall behind 1-0. Saint Mary's kept the ball in its opponent's zone for much of the first half, but was unable to get on the scoreboard.

"We tend to come out slow, and then take most of the first half to settle down and get into our groove," sophomore Caroline Stancukas said. "It was not a lack of an effort on our part – it was just a bad day."

The Belles entered the half trailing 1-0, marking the first time they have been trailing at the half all year. Coach Mackenzie and the players considered switching the team's defensive strategy for the second half from the flat-back four, the new system Mackenzie has implemented this year, to a system known as the sweeper/stopper defense, which the team used at times in the past.

"We thought about switching, but we don't really want to fall back on something else just because the flat-back four isn't working," Stancukas said.

Saint Mary's appeared to shake its early sluggishness after the half, coming out strong in the second half and tying the game at 1-1 when Jen Concannon knocked in a corner kick from Carrie Orr for the equalizer.

The Belles used strong defense the rest of the way to keep the game even. "Our defense played well; the other team probably only had about five or six shots on goal throughout the entire game," Leach said. "We dominated them, no question. They were a good team, but we were obviously stronger. It was just one of those days where we couldn't quite get it in the net."

Despite the team's strong second half play, the Belles were unable to take the lead, and settled for a tie after two 10-minute periods of overtime.

"It was really a great effort by the team," Stancukas said. "We played as hard as we could through two overtimes, so people were going for up to 110 minutes. It was a real good effort all-around."

Although they remain undeveloped in MIAA conference play, the Belles were disappointed to come away with only a tie.

"We just got unlucky as far as not getting the win; we had our chances," Leach said. "If some of the calls went our way, and some of the balls bounced our way, we could have easily won."

Rather than focus on their shortcomings, however, the team looks forward to the future.

"The first thing we said when we got off the field was, 'We can't wait to play them again on our home field,'" Leach said.

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spectacular, making six saves and also received some help when her defenders cleared two other Irish shots off the goal line. Notre Dame didn't help its own cause either, hitting the crossbar twice. But the Irish roster seems to get deeper every game. Senior defender Kate Tulliak scored the first point of her career when she intercepted a pass and then assisted on Cinnáli's game-winning goal. Tulliak missed much of the 2003 season with a back injury but is making the most of her senior-year comeback. "It's an awesome feeling to be able to contribute to the team like I was able to do tonight," she told und.com. "Last spring, I gained a lot of confidence just playing in games and the same goes with this summer." "Our depth was a key tonight because of the tempo of the game," Waldrum said. "It was end-to-end, like an NBA game."

Syracuse gave the Irish a scare as well. After sophomore Jen Burzuckowski's fourth goal of the season gave the Irish a 1-0 lead early in the first half, Notre Dame held the lead until Syracuse's Kelly Bailey sailed a crossing pass into the Irish net to even the score at one. The first was a rare one as only two other schools in the last 37 games have come from behind to tie the Irish. But with 7:11 to play, Thorlaksson took a pass from Candace Chapman and knocked the ball past Orange goalkeeper Shannon Myers to provide the difference in the game.

Despite the win, Waldrum wants his players to remain sharp with a lead. "We basically stopped playing until they tied it up," he said. "It was frustrating not to put them away when we had the chance." Notre Dame is now one of only five teams remaining in the 308-team pool of Division 1 collegiate soccer with an undefeated record. This marks the ninth time in the last 13 years the Irish have been perfect through eight games. Contact Matt Mooney at mmooney@nd.edu

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finish, really only about 15 teams go in there with the mindset that they'll win it. The No. 1 on a top-15 team like that always gives you the ability to lead a bad round, and he's not at that point yet," Jasinski said about Irish, before concluding "The good thing is that he wants to be that guy, and all the intangibles are part of his game."

Despite this Jasinski is still very confident about the makeup of his team and its' prospects for the season.

"The neat part about our team is that we keep finding more and more guys who can contribute good rounds."

John Jasinski Irish coach

"His attention to what the team needed was extremely good."

John Jasinski Irish coach

Gustafson is recovering from his injuries, and should rejoin the Irish team in three weeks to a month. His absence will provide an opportunity for some of the team's younger players to be thrown into the mix a little bit more. Two of those players were freshmen Greg Rodgers and Mike King, who finished tied for 37th place after finishing with 228s. Sophomore Shane Sigbee, playing in his first event this season and turned in a 239 to finish in 72nd. Despite the scare and the loss of one of his better players, Jasinski sees an opportunity for a positive to come from the accident. "Our team chemistry hasn't been such where there's a big push to take the ball by the horns," Jasinski said. "Every one knows [Gustafson] played a huge role, and now there's going to be pressure on some other guys, who could really step up in his absence."

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then my body started to feel it about half way through. I had never run an 8K before, so I was wondering to myself how I was doing." Watson said. "I kind of came around with like a mile to go. Luckily my teammate, Vinny Ambroz, was right there and we worked together to pass the guy who was right behind (Moore)."

The Irish led all 30 schools with an impressive 19 points. Gonzaga came in second with 106 points and Xavier took third with 139 points. Rounding out the top 10 were Dayton, DePaul, Lorah, Detroit-Mercy, St. Vincent, Holy Cross and St. Martin's.

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Ryan Johnson, sixth, Austin Weaver, seventh, Daniel Dreiscoll, eighth and Dan Curren, ninth also placed in the top 10 for the Irish.

"We started a little bit fast out of the gate because we know that the first mile of the ND Invite is going to be pretty quick, so we wanted to get a little taste of that," Watson said.

Notre Dame's impressive showing was not surprising considering the Irish have won the National Catholic Invitational for 10 years in a row, and 17 of the 25 races ever.

The women were equally impressive on Friday, continuing a streak of dominance in this event, winning the Invitational for the eleventh time in 13 years. Moore wasn't the only Notre Dame runner to win individually. Junior, Stephanie Media finished first in the women's race with a time of 17:38. Teammate Sonni Oling finished second with a time of 17:40, in what was her first race as a Notre Dame runner. Oling, who was highly touted by coaches prior to the season's start, proved she deserved the praise with her finish.

"It was a low key meet for our whole team, so it's a good confidence builder for the team to do really well," said Madia. "I haven't run, ever, with our new coach, so I think it was good practice for both of us."

Also finishing in the top 10 for the women were Jean Marinangeli, who finished in sixth place and Elizabeth Webster, who finished in eighth place.

While the women did not dominate their opponents to the same extent that the men did, their 28 points were good enough to defeat second place DePaul by a solid 59 points. Rounding out the top 10 finishers were Gonzaga, Bellarmine, Xavier, St. Thomas, Dayton, Detroit-Mercy, Holy Cross and Mercyhurst.

Notre Dame will need to continue running well this Friday when it hosts the Notre Dame Invitational. "We have a lot of work to do as a team, and the ND Invite is a whole new competition level, but I think it's always great to get a good race under your belt," Madia said.

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**ND VOLLEYBALL**

Irish drop invitational final to South Carolina

By MIKE GILLOON
Sports Writer

Many volleyball experts expected the Irish to lose to USC this weekend, but they weren't thinking of South Carolina.

The No. 2 Trojans withdrew from the Gamecock Invitational in Columbia, S.C. this weekend because of Hurricane Ivan.

In their absence, host school South Carolina defeated Notre Dame in four games, 30-28, 25-30, 30-22, 30-23 Sunday afternoon to win the tournament and deny Notre Dame the invite to the first game of the match against South Carolina, but the Gamecocks would not go away.

The Irish jumped out to an early 13-5 lead in the first game as they out hit Michigan State 268-106 and pulled away for the 30-19 victory.

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Brewster's efforts put her on the all-tournament team along with teammate Ashley Tarutis.

The win over Michigan State was the first for Notre Dame over the Spartans since 1994.

Two aces by Adrianna Stasiak, five kills from outside hitter Ellen Heineman and a game-clinching ace by Meg Heintzman helped to serve up game one up for the Irish.

Michigan State started out to leads of 14-8 and 25-12 in game two with seven kills from Kim Schram and 15 assists by Maggie Griffin.

Brewster helped the Irish keep it close with her five kills, but Schram's final kill earned the match for Michigan State.

Notre Dame constructed an 11-6 lead in the third game before the Spartans trimmed the Irish lead to 13-12. Five kills each from Heineman and Brewster enabled the Irish pull away for a 2-1 match lead.

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The teams gave up little ground to each other during the middle of the game until South Carolina won seven straight points, behind two aces from Vanden Hull, to go ahead 25-17.

South Carolina led by as much as nine early in the fourth game, but the Irish fought back late to cut the deficit to only 25-22.

That would be as close as it got though as the Gamecocks ran away in the end to win the match and the tournament title.

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Hoyas continued from page 28 and Wednesday, respectively. “A lot of folk had been worried about getting goals,” coach Bobby Clark said. “It was nice to see a few lads getting on the score sheet, and hopefully we’ll get a few more games when we’ll get same goals.”

In yet another contest where the Irish dominated the peripheral stats, outshooting the Hoyas 22-5 and taking seven corner kicks to Georgetown’s two, it was the Hoyas that struck first.

In the 34th minute, midfielders Danny McNally slotted home a feed past the outstretched left hand of Irish goalkeeper Chris Suter. From point blank range to stake Georgetown to a 1-0 advantage.

“It was a disappointing goal,” Clark said. “To be honest, from our point of view, we shouldn’t be allowing serves in, but goals happen.” The lead didn’t last long. Less than a minute after Georgetown (3-4-0, 0-1-0) broke the 0-0 tie, Yoshinaga’s chip from the right edge of the box sailed over Hoya goalkeeper Andrew Keszler’s head and into the left post side net to knot the game at 1-1.

“The nice thing is that we got the reply very quickly,” Clark said. “Once we went ahead — once we got the second goal — I felt it was just a matter of time, and if the game had gone on much longer, we would have possibly scored another couple of goals.”

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SMC CROSS COUNTRY

Belles place 26th of 31 at ND Invitational

By ANNA FRICANO

Megan Gray led the way for the Saint Mary’s Friday at the National Catholic Invitational held at the University of Notre Dame. Gray, who was 30 seconds shy of her season’s best run, finished 89th and was the fastest Belles runner.

Coach Dave Barstis opted to treat the run as a workout rather than prepare for the race as the team usually would. Moreover, the team faced the challenge of running against Division I schools including DePaul and Gonzaga, among others. The team finished 24th overall out of 31 schools, but has come out of the race feeling better prepared for next week’s conference meet.

The squad felt it was better off after having run the difficult race, and it improved on many of its goals for the team.

The Belles were mainly concentrating on improving their splits and running together as a team. And run together they certainly did.

The top four finishers for Saint Mary’s all completed the race within one minute of each other.

Another standout for the Belles on Friday was sophomore Katie White, who had her best team finish of the year and fell putting pressure on the Hoya defense until freshman forward Joe LPapa put the Irish in front for good at the 71:47 mark.

Taking a pass from forward Brian Murphy, Lapira beat the last Hoyas defender before firing past an approaching Keszler at the top of the box for the eventual game-winning goal.

Yoshinaga picked up his second goal of the night, dribbling a shot from 18 yards into the upper right corner to double the Irish lead with 14:07 remaining.

Forward Tony Megna finished off the Irish scoring deluge with his first goal of the season on a through ball from midfielders Ian Etherington just over three minutes after Yoshinaga found the back of the net, pushing the Irish advantage to 4-1.

Megna’s tally capped off a three-goal, seven-minute Irish run.

“I thought in the second half we were brilliant,” Clark said. “Once we went ahead — once we got the second goal — I felt it was just a matter of time, and if the game had gone on much longer, we would have possibly scored another couple of goals.”

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The Belles certainly seem to be on the path to accomplishing that goal.

The first indication will come in less than a week when the Belles compete in the MIAA Jamboree at Hope College. The runners all plan on using Friday’s race to their benefit, expanding on the improvements they made to prepare for the crucial conference meet this weekend.

The team walked away from the Catholic Invitational with an overall success and new more race under its belts, which will only aid them in taking on the conference beginning Saturday.

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Leaders of the pack

Freshman Yoshinaga nets first two career goals in victory

By MATT MOONEY
Sports Writer

Freshman forward Alex Yoshinaga snapped a 235-minute Irish scoring drought with his first of two goals as No. 14 Notre Dame beat up on Big East rival Georgetown, 4-1 Saturday night at Alumni Field.

Prior to their four-goal performance against the Hoyas, the Irish had experienced some difficulty converting prime scoring opportunities.

Notre Dame (4-1-1, 1-0-0 in Big East) took six shots against Evansville last Friday before finding the back of the net and failed to score against both Cal State Fullerton and Indiana in 36 combined shots last Sunday.

Irish win pair of nail-biters to remain undefeated

By MATT MOONEY
Sports Writer

After establishing itself as the team to beat through the first six games of its non-conference schedule, No. 1 Notre Dame carried that reputation through its first two games of Big East conference play as well.

The Irish (8-0-0) emerged unscathed from their first weekend as the top team in the nation, posting a pair of narrow one-goal victories on the road by blanking Connecticut 1-0 on Friday and closing out Syracuse 2-1 on Sunday.

Both games were very close, and it took a clutch goal with under eight minutes to play in each contest to decide the game. Freshman Amanda Cinalli buried her fourth goal of the year in the upper right corner of the net with 6:26 to play against Connecticut to give the Irish their only goal of the game Friday.

On Sunday, Katie Thorlakson continued her torrid offensive pace by notching her team-high sixth goal in the 83rd minute to give the Irish the lead over Syracuse to give the Irish the lead over Syracuse.

Meanwhile, the Notre Dame defense, led by Big East Defensive Player of the Week Melissa Tarnerrr, continued to suffocate opposing offenses, limiting both the Huskies and the Orange to only two shots on goal. The Irish have barely allowed any of their opponents to shoot, much less to score.

Both teams dominate Invite competition

By BOBBY GRIFFIN
Sports Writer

Talk about starting off the weekend on the right foot, literally.

The Irish came up big Friday, as both the men and women took home first place in the National Catholic Invitational, easily defeating the other schools in the field.

Seven of the top 10 finishers in the men's race were from Notre Dame, including those in first, second and third place. Junior Tim Moore, who placed first with a time of 24 minutes, 58 seconds, led the Irish in his first college victory. Freshman Jake Watson and junior Vincent Ambroco finished second and third, respectively. Watson, whose time of 25:06 was eight seconds behind Moore, placed second in his first college race.

"I was feeling pretty good, and their defense has allowed just 21 shots on goal in eight games.

It didn't take long for the Irish to face a stiff challenge from a conference opponent as the Huskies gave Notre Dame a dogfight in the Big East opener Friday night. In what turned out to be a defensive struggle, the Huskies did everything to keep the Irish out of the net. UConn goalkeeper Megan Jessee was solid and often

Irish take sixth of fifteen at Invite

By ERIC RETTER
Sports Writer

In the sporting world, good things can happen when a challenge is presented.

The Irish certainly challenged themselves this weekend, as they hosted the anticipated field for the 2005 NCAA Regionals in the Notre Dame Invitational.

It can easily be argued that the Irish, who were ranked 92nd in the Golfweek/Sagarin Index before the weekend, accomplished the former as well, finishing sixth out of a field of 15 teams, most of whom were ranked ahead of them.

The team finished with a total score of 892, 21 strokes behind tournament champions Kent State, but only four strokes out of third place.

Sophomore Cole Ishan led the team this weekend, finishing in a three-way tie for fourth place. He finished with a three-day total of 216, a total that included a career best 2-under par 68 on Sunday. Irish coach John Jasinski was very pleased in the performance of his rising star, but says that still has a way to go before becoming a true No. 1 player.

"My definition of a No. 1 is fairly strict. In the NCAA

ND SOCCER

Defender Ben Crouse brings the ball up field in Notre Dame's 4-1 victory over Georgetown Saturday night at Alumni Field. The Irish scored three times in a seven minute span to put the game away.

Sports Writer

Irish force five turnovers in road win.
Stripped and picked
Zbikowski leads defensive effort in 31-24 Irish win

By KATE GALES
Sports Writer

EAST LANSING, Mich. — On a cool Saturday night on the hostile turf of Spartan Stadium, the Irish found the spark they had been missing—balance and boldness.

Tom Zbikowski seized the vacant role of defensive playmaker,arius Walker and Ryan Grant combined for 164 yards on the ground and Brady Quinn completed 11-of-24 passes for 215 yards, including a touchdown to Matt Shelton and a key third-down conversion to Jeff Samardzija to give the Irish a 31-24 victory in East Lansing.

"When you have good defense, you stay close until something good happens," Irish coach Tyrone Willingham said. "I'm not going to go looking for it but if that opportunity arises, I have to make that play."

The Irish lit up the scoreboard again when Quinn found Shelton in the end zone for a 35-yard touchdown. Although the Irish would not score again in the half, Derek Curry and Mike Richardson would both register interceptions to keep the Spartans out of scoring range, ending the half with a 21-7 lead.

In the second half, the Irish came out strong as Walker and Grant traded carries in a seven play, 75-yard march to the end zone. "We're trying to develop a group of running backs that compliment each other as far as their style," Willingham said.

With that drive, the Irish went ahead 28-7 on a 6-yard touchdown run from Grant. "We just did what we came here to do," offensive lineman Bob Morton said. "We wanted to establish the run. We didn't do as well as we wanted to in the first half so we decided we were going to do it in the second half. We came out and that drive was the pinnacle of what we want to be."

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Defense makes the big play

EAST LANSING, Mich. — He hovered silently, waiting for the quarterback to make the decision — pitch or run. And when Michigan State quarterback Stephen Reaves made the toss to Jason Teague, Notre Dame safety Tom Zbikowski went after the ball and the back.

The next thing everyone knew No. 9 ripped the ball out of Teague’s arms and took off down the field. The former quarterback had the ball in his hands once again, putting six on the board for the Irish after his first career trifecta — forced fumble, the recovery and the touchdown.

But don’t forget, this was after he recorded his first career interception earlier in the game.

And who says Notre Dame doesn’t have a playmaker?

Zbikowski did what his coaches and teammates knew he could do — make plays.

“I’m glad we got him in there,” Kent Baer said of the redshirt freshman.

But Zbikowski was just one of many Irish who made plays on defense. Kyle Mayes hit Jehu Caulcrick at the goal line to knock the ball loose for Quentin Burrell and preserve the 28-17 Irish lead.

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All of a sudden, the Spartans were back into the game.

Down 28-17, they had the ball on the Notre Dame 1-yard line. That’s when Mays jarred the ball loose from Caulcrick, and the Irish got the ball back. But they fumbled it over to Michigan State, and the Spartans appeared to have life again with 3:29 to play in the game. That’s when Stanton was hit by none other than Zbikowski, and Kyle Rudolph recovered, clinching the game for the Irish.

Without the big plays on defense, the game becomes much more challenging for Notre Dame. The Irish defense gave up 341 total yards — 163 on the ground and 179 through the air. And that was without Baer, who moved the offense effectively in the second half, playing the entire game.

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“We’ve just got to keep getting better,” Baer said.

But they got the job done Saturday night. They forced the turnovers when they needed to, and they scored some points of their own. This defense takes it personally.

And that’s exactly what the Irish need to do and have done since the loss to Brigham Young.

Take things personally.

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Adding up the numbers

total yards of offense for Notre Dame against Michigan State
388

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Matt Shelton, a career high

rushing touchdown by Brady Quinn on a quarterback bootleg — it was the first rushing touchdown of his career
1

Matt Shelton’s average yards per touchdown catch
48.7

213 number of yards gained by Darion Walker in his first two games of collegiate football

Tyrone Willingham’s record against his alma mater Michigan State
41

Total turnovers between both teams, Michigan State fumbles 25-yard drive on the Irish three times
9

Heather Van Hoegarden
Sports Editor

Irish defensive coordinator

Zbikowski proved critics wrong with his opportunistic play against Michigan State, in his third career collegiate game.

“He’s been tremendous,” defensive coordinator Kent Baer said. “He still has a lot to learn, but I like his attitude, that he’s willing to learn, he seems to play hard.

For the safety who was one of the most highly-touted players out of high school and redshirted as a freshman, this was the game he knew he was capable of having.

He showed why he was a USA Today All-American in high school.

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**Zbikowski earns national award**

By KATE GALEs
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EAST LANSING, Mich. — After his two outstanding plays in the first quarter that helped Notre Dame to build a lead that would hold up the entire game, Tom Zbikowski was named the national defensive player of the week by the Walter Camp Football Foundation Monday.

Zbikowski proved vital to the Notre Dame defensive effort.

"We got the win, that's the most important thing," Zbikowski said.

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