Sophomore ND student reported missing

Police searching for 19-year-old Liu
By KATE ANTONACCI
Associate News Editor

Police are searching for a Notre Dame sophomore reported missing Thursday morning after his mother feared he was "leaving and not coming back," authorities said.

Stephen Liu, a 19-year-old Asian male, was reported missing between 10:30 and 11:30 a.m. Thursday by his mother, said Capt. Philip Trent, public information officer for the South Bend Police Department.

"His mother was concerned because he is not thoroughly aware of his surroundings," Trent said.

Liu, from Cherry Hills, N.J., was last seen in the early hours of Thursday morning on the east side of South Bend, though Trent was uncertain with whom Liu was last seen.

"Police play is not suspected in the case, which is being handled primarily by South Bend Police Detective Albert DeRoo, Trent said.

"We're using [the Liu family's] level of concern as our guidelines," Trent said. "Mrs. Liu is concerned that he's a young man and, she got the feeling that he was leaving and not coming back."

Trent said police are primarily concerned with locating Liu and verifying the student's welfare. "All we're interested in is his welfare. Normally we wouldn't involve ourselves in an adult choosing to leave," Trent said. "They're suspecting he was having problems adjusting, and his mother is concerned."

Trent said that though missing persons reports are usually filed after the subject is gone for 24 hours, the report can be entered at any time.

"This is not something we would normally do. We've entered him as a missing person," Trent said.

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Off-campus ordinance stirs controversy
South Bend Common Council's amendment calls for fining of excessive student partiers

By MADDIE HANNA
Associate News Editor

Party on, students, but don't get too loud, serve minors alcohol, yell from a keg or invite an unusually large number of your closest friends. You might just lose your home.

That seems to be the message behind the disorderly house ordinance amendment passed by the South Bend Common Council on July 25, a change impacting Notre Dame and Saint Mary's students living off-campus in South Bend.

The revised ordinance allows the city of South Bend to send a notice to abate the gathering to both tenants and the landlord after "the first incidence of a loud and raucous noise violation," according to a pamphlet released by the City Attorney's Office. Previously, the disorderly house ordinance allowed for three reported noise violations before the City could send a notice.

After the first notice, if the tenant does not respond and the prohibited activities recur, it can file a civil suit against the tenant and landlord resulting in fines anywhere from $250 to $1,250.

But if the landlord evicts the offending tenants within 30 days of the "receipt of notice of the prohibited conduct," the charges against him will be dropped.

Everyone knows what causes a disturbance. That's not news," Assistant City Attorney Ann-Carol Nash said. "What's new is the possibility of eviction."

Council member Ann Puzzello said the amendment was a result of a year of meetings with disgruntled residents desperate to curtail out-of-control student parties.

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Law School receives $21 million

By JEN ROWLING
News Writer

On July 1, University President Father John Jenkins' first day in office, Notre Dame alumnus Frank Eck announced he would contribute $21 million for the design and construction of a new building for the Notre Dame Law School, including a multipurpose center that will connect the new facility to the old law school building.

Not only was Eck's donation the largest in the history of the Law School, but it also ranks as the fifth-largest gift ever given to Notre Dame.

The Show 2005 sales appear successful

By KAREN LANGLEY
News Writer

The Show 2005, which brochure sales of Cake and Akon, will kick off at 8 p.m. tonight at the Joyce Center Fieldhouse. According to The Show chairperson Anja Smits, ticket sales have been strong and could potentially be the highest to date. Half of sales usually occur at the door.

"Sales have been better than in previous years," said Smits. "We're excited because we think it could be a record turnout this year."

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SMC hires new V.P. in enrollment office

By KELLY MEEHAN
News Writer

In a day and age where only one percent of high school females consider attending a woman's college, the task of recruiting students to such an institution may prove nearly impossible. However, things have just gotten a little easier for Saint Mary's with the hiring of Dan Meyer, who will serve as the new vice president of enrollment management.

Meyer came to Saint Mary's from Saint Norbert College in DePere, Wisc., where he served as the Dean of Enrollment Management. While there, he managed to increase the freshman class enrollment by nearly 30 percent, enroll the largest minority class in the college's history and achieve the higher
The ghosts of football past

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The sight of the old players got me to thinking. As Coach Charlie Weis and I walked, I realized I should take a moment and reflect on those players, coaches, and students that gave this school the greatest of all college football traditions.

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Funding for research continues growth

Notre Dame professors earn notable grants totaling over $80 million in 2004-05

Special to The Observer

Continuing a trend of strong growth, incoming Notre Dame research dollars grew by $80 million for use by the U.S. military to combat cutaneous leishmaniasis, which causes substantial mortality in developing countries.

Jeanne Romero-Severson, biological sciences, $2 million from the Indiana 21st Century Research and Technology Fund to develop genomic tools that will facilitate the study of a wide range of insects.

Michael Wieser, physics, $2 million from the National Science Foundation to support research in nuclear astrophysics that seeks to coordinate efforts between the astrophysics and nuclear physics communities, as well as joint efforts among experimentalists, theorists and observers.

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"When things get loud, it's a real problem for the neighbors," Puzzello said. "If I were a student, these parties would be very dangerous and just not a good situation."

Student body president Dave Baron says he understands why some residents are angry.

"When what you see of student life is the worst side, you can probably say there's a problem," Baron said. "But he been consistent in his communications that these measures could have been taken.

"The whole situation of being a good neighbor is a good conversation," Baron said. "We worried that because [the amendment] was being done during the summer, there couldn't be communication.

Both Puzzello and Nash generally shook their heads "no" when asked if the amend­ment was designed to slip through during a quiet period to avert student uprisings.

"I didn't think it would be until a couple of students brought it up," Puzzello said referring to the timing. "I'm perfectly happy to talk to anyone about it. I'm not trying to hide anything, just I'm not anybody in the city."

"Some students are skeptical," Nash said. Pat Knapp and Jim Grace, both members of the Student Senate who stayed in South Bend for the summer, attended the July 23 meeting along with about 10 other Notre Dame students.

"After looking over the bill, I found out none of the 'prohibit­ed conduct' was not already illegal," Grace said. "The parts that did bother me were the fine and the fact most of this occurred when students are home for the sum­mer."

Knapp too said he felt the tim­ing was "deliberate.

"But South Bend residents had legit complaints — students vandalizing homes, etc.," he said. "You couldn't really argue with it.

Nash said communication alone wasn't enough to solve the problem.

"I think for the most part, (communication) is effective, as long as people don't want to create a disturbance," she said. "We will come upon parties with hundreds of people a few feet away from other houses. If you have to have a party, people don't want to have to think about what circumstances."

Students aren't the only ones upset. Landlords like Mark Kramer fought the amendment during the discussion period and now plan to fight if and when lawsuits arise.

"I'm sure how the city thinks they're going to hold land­lords responsible for tenants' behavior," Kramer said. Kramer, who runs Kramer Properties — for­merly Homestay Inn — rents to approximately 300 Notre Dame students within 10 blocks of campus.

"Besides that," he continued, "I think the whole ordinance is targeting Notre Dame students. I think it's actually unlawful because they brought this ordinance to pass while all the students were gone for the summer."

Kramer, who says he has increased communication with his tenants and is planning a Student Senate off-campus affairs, fears neighbors calling the police unnecessarily.

"He has never evicted anyone."

And "I don't intend to start now," he said. "No intentions."

Kramer said his attorney, whose name he would not dis­close, considers the ordinance "not enforceable" and "not constitution­al."

He feels the main problem is students living in properties located in single­family zoning which legally only allows two unpar­tied parties to live together. Kramer who rents properties to students in multi­family zoning said residents in single-family zoning are the ones raising com­plaints.

"On St. Peter's Street, which is zoned properly, we don't get com­plaints," Kramer said. "I think the city needs to concentrate their efforts to resolve this. They say you can't prove it. But when you see seven cars from differ­ent states (always parked out­side), it's pretty obvious.

"The University has no cause to be involved in an eviction lawsuit for one of its students," said Bill Kirk, Associate Vice President for Student Life.

"I'm hopeful there are still two­thirds of the things we take note of, abide by the law, are not subject to the sanctions," Kirk said, explaining that civil violations were handled by the city of South Bend and the state university.

"Nash said she felt there wasn't as much of a problem in South Bend as in other towns surrounding major universities."

"I think most people who live near Notre Dame students like Notre Dame," Nash said. "South Bend residents is a great deal different than having Notre Dame, Saint Mary's, Bethel, IU and other schools in the community. We want the positive relationships between students and residents.

"Knapp said he felt tension between students and residents at the July 25 meeting.

"One man who obviously had a home to pick apart students because of being wealthy and fornicating," he said. "I've never felt so complimented. If I was wealthy and fornicating, my life would be just great. I work two jobs, single and work two jobs.

The number of students renting parties off-campus has been slowly but steadily increas­ing, potentially contributing to the problem. In the past five years, students living off-campus increased from 17 to 19 percent according to the 2004 Office of Institutional Research Factbook.

From 1996 to 2003, the number of undergraduate students living off-campus increased from 1,313 to 1,573.

Police are trying to predict the impact of the amendment for today's approximately 1,580 off-campus students. Off-campus council president Matt Wormington said he thought it would probably depend on the police officers on the job.

"We don't think it's going to be anything too bad, as long as they're able to keep it under control," he said.

The five seniors living at 613 St. Peter's Street who attended Monday's Off-Campus Fair said they were aware of the amend­ment to the ordinance. But they said it wouldn't change their social activities.

"No, not cool," senior Mike Scully said.

Senior Mike Tallarico agreed.

"There's probably going to be more (parties) out of anger," he said.

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Hurricane Katrina slams Florida coast
80 mph winds, rain cause massive damage, including at least two deaths

Associated Press
FORT LAUDERDALE — Hurricane Katrina slammed into Florida's densely populated southeastern coast Thursday with sustained winds of 80 mph and lashing rain. Two people were killed by falling trees.

The storm strengthened into a Category 1 hurricane just before it made landfall along the Miami-Fla. and Broward county line between Hallandale Beach and North Miami Beach. Weather officials said flooding was the main concern as the storm dropped a foot of rain or more in some spots.

There were no immediate reports of major damage or flooding as the storm passed through the area.

An estimated 5.9 million Florida residents are in Katrina's projected path. Rain fell in horizontal sheets and blew gusts of up to 92 mph, toppling trees and street signs. Seas were estimated at 15 feet, and blowing sand covered waterfront streets. Florida Power & Light said more than 4,100 customers were without electricity.

The storm proved fatal for two people who ignored warnings from officials to stay inside until the worst was over. One man in his 20s died in Fort Lauderdale as his boat sank in the middle of Biscayne Bay. A pedestrian was killed by a falling tree in the Fort Lauderdale suburb of Plantation.

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The usually bustling streets of Miami Beach, a tourist haven, were largely deserted as the storm pounded the area. The city was hosting celebrities and partypoppers in town for the MTV Video Music Awards. MTV called off its pre-show festivities Thursday and Friday.

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Before the hurricane struck, Floridians wary of Katrina prepared by putting up shutters, stacking sandbags in doorways and stock­ ing up on supplies. At a supermarket in Hollywood, Cassandra Butler loaded two five-gal­ lon bottles of water as well as a 24-pack of smaller bev­ e­ ries into her shopping cart Thursday.

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Iran's missle three constitution deadlock

BAGHDAD, Iraq — For the committee drafting Iraq's new constitution, it's three strikes... and another trip to the plate.

The speaker of Iraq's parliament announced a one-day adjournment early Friday on the constitution—a fourth attempt to win Sunni Arab approval. But he said that if no agreement is reached, the document would bypass parlia­ ment completely and be decided in an Oct. 15 referendum.

A Shiite power play would underscore one of Washington's goals for the constitution—to negotiate a power process that will lure disaffected Sunnis back into the process.

The talks involving France, Germany and Britain suffered a blow earlier this month when Iraq rejected the Europeans' central proposal—an offer of economic incentives in return for per­ manent membership in a possible regional atomic consortium.

Turkish officials said Tuesday that Tehran had agreed to impose rolling blackouts, leaving as many as half a million people without power for about half an hour, officials said.

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Peru

Scavengers remove possible clues from wreckage

Associated Press

PUCALLPA — Hundreds of scav­ engers combed through the wreckage of a passenger airliner Thursday, sifting through the mangled remains to find the missing recorder "they'll turn up truck parked near the crash site with the data recorder.

"We are verifying that all the bodies have really been recovered," Rodriguez said. "So if these people want to search for things, perhaps they'll encounter another body."

A "black box" hasn't been recovered.

Officials said the flight voice recorder has been found but not the data recorder.

Seated behind Rodriguez in a pick­ up truck parked near the crash site was another officer who did not pro­ vide his name. He said that if people find the missing recorder "they'll turn it in."
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ar goals at Saint Mary's.

"We need to meet the needs of

students in every way possible," Meyer said. "I hope to shift our

way of thinking so that students are our top priority at all times.

"To become more in tune with

the students' feelings towards the College, Meyer hopes to sur­

vey students to find out why they chose Saint Mary's and how they feel about it once they attend. He also will survey stu­

dents who transfer out of the college, to see what made them decide to leave.

Once the administration is

better in tune with the needs of the students, Meyer hopes that the College will become more appealing to prospective stu­

dents. The goal is to have a gradual increase in the fresh­

man class, a rate of approximately 25 students per year. It is

not only his goal to increase general admission, but to also increase diversity within the student body, Meyer said. He does not wish to solely increase ethnic diversity, but social, aca­

demic and geological diversity as well.

"The students' academic experience will greatly increase as they interact (among) an increasingly diverse student body," he said.

To achieve these primary goals, Meyer is currently in the process of building an enrollment management team at the College. This team will consist of both the admissions counselors and financial aid employees. The purpose of this team, among other things, will be to work together to create a national Saint Mary's brand.

This brand will define the mis­

sion and critical values for all students and alumni.

Meyer feels that the College has been through several bouts of change and needs to gain more focus on a solid identity that will give off a message they can embrace. Once this is achieved, the College will develop a defined identity and

more of a stand in the national market, he said. Meyer made the move from Saint Norbert with great confi­

dence in Saint Mary's.

"I believe the College has a strong future due to the fact that it has been educating bright, talented and motivated women with highly-educated professors for many years. It is a sound product, especially since it is a liberal arts and Catholic college — two mission-critical values," Meyer said.

Many faculty members, including Interim Director of Admissions Mona Rowe, are very excited for the anticipated changes Meyer will bring to the College within the next few years.

"The addition of (Meyer) to the College community will allow us to reach our goal to admit, enroll and retain quality stu­
dents," she said. "While we have been able to accomplish this somewhat working separately, having a single person on cam­
pus that can bring together Admissions and Financial Aid under one roof, and be a leader in retention issues, can only make Saint Mary's stronger."

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The Show

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The Show committee puts on the annual concert, which has been run under the Student Activities Office since 2002. Smittt has been leading organizational efforts since last winter.

"I was inter­

viewed last January and given the job in February, and then we formed a committee," she said.

The 17-person commi­

ttee includes subcom­

mittees for marketing, finance and production, as well as Saint Mary's and Holy Cross liaisons.

The search for musical acts began late last year, when the committee talked with stu­
dents and compiled a massive list of potential candidates. They then researched groups' touring schedules and fees before deciding upon Cake and 30 Seconds to Mars.

"These were two bands we thought everyone would get really excited about. We tried to sell some big bands on the experience of Notre Dame," she said.

This year's The Show will be held in the Joyce Center Fieldhouse instead of the Arena, where it has been held in past years. Scheduling con­

flict prevented The Show's use of the Arena, but this may benefit students who want to get up close to the bands. While the Arena was able to fit 1,000 peo­

ple on the floor, the Fieldhouse is large enough to accommodate a larger audience near the stage.

"It can easily accommodate twice this year's audience that has direct access to the stage," Peggy Haslun, assistant director of Student Activities, said.

Other new features of The Show 2005 include large pro­

jection screens over the stage, the addition of a live feed filmed by NDTV. Smittt stressed the unifying potential of an event like The Show.

"It's a great experience because it brings the school together with a big event where everyone can just have fun," she said.

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Notre Dame.

The new construction, Eck Hall, will be located at the site of the old post office. Eck Commons, designed with arches, will connect the new building with the existing school.

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Banks to lend United Airlines $3 billion
Parent company secured commitments from four financiers in order to resolve debt

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**IN BRIEF**

Raycom purchases Liberty Corp.

**MONTGOMERY, Ala. — Raycom Media of Montgomery agreed Thursday to buy Liberty Corp. of Greenville, S.C., in a $967 million deal that will boost Raycom’s holdings of 52 TV stations.**

Raycom operates 15 network affiliated stations, including WRDW in Augusta, Ga., and Evansville, Ind., and Liberty, an employee-owned company, operates 37 stations.

Raycom President Paul McTear said the agreement “allows us to take an exciting and logical next step into an exceptionally attractive group of markets.”

Raycom agreed to purchase Liberty’s stock at $47.35 per share, making the deal worth $982 million. Raycom will keep its headquarters in Montgomery, McTear said.

Hayne Hipp, Liberty’s CEO and chairman, said Liberty’s stations “will benefit from greater scale and resources, which are necessary to compete effectively in today’s increasingly competitive media market.”

Company officials said they expect to complete the transaction by Dec. 31.

**EU clears Johnson & Johnson deal**

**THEBTOWN, N.J. — The European Union cleared Johnson & Johnson’s planned purchase of heart device maker Guidant Corp. on Thursday, provided some operations are sold, but RJ&J said the deal closing will be delayed because key U.S. regulators have yet to sign off.**

Johnson & Johnson spokesman Jeffrey Leebaw said the $25.4 billion cash and stock deal could complete the transaction by Dec. 31.

**Miss America pageant leaves Atlantic City**

**ATLANTIC CITY, N.J. — Before the slot machines, before the cheap buffets, before The Donald, there was Miss America.**

Barn of a Boardwalk publicity stunt, she accidentally became an American icon, thanks to years of television crowning viewed by little girls staying up late to watch the gowns and glamour in the telecasts from Boardwalk Hall.

For 84 years, Atlantic City was Miss America — and Miss America was Atlantic City.

But now, the town’s sequin-clad claim to fame is shaking the sand off its place now if it so chose.

The Miss America Organization, which stages the pageant every year, called it an era Thursday, saying it could no longer afford to lose money staging the event in cavernous Boardwalk Hall, where the nonprofit group has been crowning small-town girls since 1940.

After losing its network TV contract last fall, the pageant is now slated to air in January on Country Music Television, based in Nashville. Pageant CEO Art McMaster said no deal had been struck with another city to host the pageant, but the organization is entertaining offers.

The high price of outfitting Boardwalk Hall with the necessary lights, cameras and audio equipment made it impossible to stay at Boardwalk Hall.

“We don’t need to break even. We need to put money in our pockets,” McMaster said.

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The banks had tentatively agreed in January to provide up to $2.5 bil­ lion in debt financing, but that was before soaring fuel prices forced United to devise a new business plan.

Oil prices, now top­ ping $67 a barrel, have risen more than 50 per­ cent this year.

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**Woman identifies BYU attackers**

Associated Press

PROVO, Utah — An 18-year-old woman described for jurors Thursday how she woke up drunk and found herself in an apartment to find at least two men raping her.

One of them, she said, was one of two BYU football players who met with her that night.

"I blacked out, fell asleep and the very next thing I remember was the sound of voices and laughter," the woman said, sobbing.

She said she had been drinking vodka and didn't know how long she had been unconscious.

When she came to, she said, one man was forcing her into oral sex and another was forcing her into intercourse.

"They kept saying, 'Shhh, you're fine, you're fine. Just be quiet,'" she testified.

The woman identified one of her attackers as former BYU football player R.J. Mathis. There were three or four men, she said, but she didn't remember Ibrahim Rashada, the other former BYU player on trial.

She had identified him to police as one of her assailants, she said.

Mathis and Rashada, both 19, are accused of raping the then-17-year-old in August 2004.

They are charged with aggravated sexual assault, dealing harmful material to a minor, furnishing alcohol to a minor and obstructing justice.

Defense attorneys argued that the woman's story didn't hold up, and they questioned whether she really drank enough to black out.

Rashada's attorney, Dean Zabicky, told the jury in opening statements earlier Thursday that the woman was at the apartment voluntarily, and although the allegations are dis­tasteful, the sex was consensual.

"What happened at that particular place in that particular time was not illegal," he said.

Jere Beene, who is represent­ing Mathis, told jurors the girl waited more than 12 hours after the alleged attack before going to police, and only did so after her ex-boyfriend said there would be no chance of reconciling unless she pressed charges.

"It's a 'she said' versus the 'he said' argument," Beene said.

Prosecutor Dave Sturgill acknowledged that the girl vol­untarily went with a group of people to one of their apartments, but he said the people then got another man and raped her after she blacked out.

Two other players were also charged with rape, one took a plea agreement, and the other's case is in juvenile court.

Both players were charged with lesser crimes in the case. All were either suspended or expelled for failure to comply with the school's honor code.

Mathis and Rashada, who are both black, sat quietly to the left of the all-white jury.

Their trial is expected to take up to a week.

**Fallen soldier's mom marches on**

Three-week vigil outside Bush's Texas ranch is not end, she says

Associated Press

CRAWFORD, Texas — A fallen soldier's mother said Thursday that she has not ended her three-week vigil outside President Bush's ranch.

She said she will return next week.

"I absolutely think it's worthwhile because we've gal­vanized the peace movement. We're started people talking about the war again," Cindy Sheehan, the woman said.

Sheehan placed her son's combat boots in front of the ranch and named the site after her son.

"Camp Casey," named after her 24-year-old son, Army 1C Pat Tillman, who was killed last year in Iraq.

On Thursday, Sheehan placed her son's combat boots in front of the ranch and named the site after her son. The site, which had been part of the "Tyee Open," created by the American Friends Service Commi­ttee, a branch of the Quaker church.

The traveling exhibit of rows of black military boots, the "Bootmobile," is a memorial of the U.S. troops lost in Iraq.

Sheehan said she realizes that Bush has no intentions of having a dialogue with protesters, but that the protest has accomplished other things.

Sheehan's lawyers also are pressing charges.

This protest does not represent America at all."

— Gregg Garvey

**Sexual harrassment still plagues military**

Pentagon task force calls sexual assault training 'inadequate'.

WASHINGTON — Hostile attitudes toward appropriate treatment of women persist at the U.S. Military Academy at West Point and at the Naval Academy, a Pentagon task force says.

The panel called for better training of future officers at the academies, saying the value of women in the military should be better emphasized. It said present training regarding sexual harassment and assault issues is inadequate, result­ing in misunderstandings among cadets and midshipmen about how to obtain medical counseling and legal assistance.

"The sexual harassment and assault training programs at both academies are not effective in conveying key concepts," the task force said in a report issued Thursday.

The study's authors included several military officers and experts on sexual harassment and assault issues.

"The importance of the Defense Department's Sexual Harassment and Violence and the Military Service Task Force in dealing with sexual issues and cultural atti­tudes at the academies after a scandal at the Air Force Academy surfaced in 2003. Other studies have focused on the Air Force Academy, and its task force says.

"Conservative standards and service should not be compromised in this effort."

— Pentagon Task Force

**NewsWrite Call 1-5323**
Superficiality: Frosh-O’s real flaw

What’s your view? Are you from Notre Dame or South Bend, like that of any town-grown community, has had its tense moments. But the disorderly house ordinance amendment recently passed by the South Bend Common Council may mark a new low.

The ordinance, if enforced strictly, could cause off-campus students to face fines up to $250 or even eviction, it was intended to calm rowdy parties. Instead, both the timing of its passage and the University’s reluctance to stand up for affected students will only fuel the fire.

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Who would Jesus assassinate?

Augusi is James Bond month on the AMC cable television channel. So it should have come as no surprise to anyone hooked on 007 that earlier this week Marion Gordon "Pat" Robertson, founder of the American conservative political organization that aims to make US government policy more consistent with an illogical- ly conceived concept, "What would Jesus assassinate?"

On his "700 Club" television broadcast, Robertson has oftentimes wandered down many controversial political and social paths in the name of moral righteousness. His past is checkered with hypocrisy and human failings although he presents himself as the moral spokesman for the American religious right. He preached against the evil of gambling while he owned a profitable race horse. After the attacks of September 11, he agreed with fellow evangelist preacher Jerry Falwell that feminists and gays were to blame for the September 11 attacks. Pope John Paul II coined the "culture of life" phrase now hijacked by the American conservative political movement.

Robertson has often criticized the American political system for abandoning the so-called "mega" evangelical churches that emphasize coincidentally similar themes not often accorded to scripture by other Christian institutions but used to increase membership. Each promoted feel-good marketing initiatives as lenses of their ministries by offering secular advice for raising children, controlling weight, reaching career goals and eliminating personal debt. Each concluded that one can best serve God when we in turn have our personal houses in order.

Pope John Paul II coined the "culture of life" phrase now hijacked by the American conservative political movement. The Vatican consistently defines "culture of life" as one that opposes all forms of man-initiated death, namely abortion, capital punishment and warfare. Yet many conservative American Catholics themselves become "Cafeteria Catholics" by rejecting the Vatican in favor of the Robertson style of politics. As one-issue voters, they identify with Robertson's fight against abortion, but contrary to Catholic teaching turn a blind eye to embrace warfare and capital punishment.

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**THE TALE SO FAR...**

**Sorcerer's Stone**
The first book introduces Harry to the boy who lived, Harry Potter, and the strange and magical world that he inhabits.

**Chamber of Secrets**
In the second book of the series, Harry discovers an ancient secret that lurks within the walls of Hogwarts.

**Prisoner of Azkaban**
The third book from the series introduces time travel, escaped prisoner Sirius Black and Dementors.

**Goblet of Fire**
Voldemort gains strength and the series begins to darken as Harry is mysteriously chosen to participate in the Triwizard Tournament.

**Order of the Phoenix**
The battle between good and evil begins to grow more serious and Harry learns of a prophecy that will have dire consequences for his future.

**Harry Potter in College**
College is a time for growing up, transitioning into adulthood and looking toward the future. But there are a few vestiges from the past that most college students aren't quite willing to give up.

Most current college students began reading Harry Potter during junior high or high school and have continued not only to follow the series, but in some cases become more involved with the stories since entering Notre Dame.

While it is interesting that college students themselves are still reading the books, what is most surprising is how readily universities are embracing the books and incorporating them into courses. Colleges have begun to create not only literature courses based around Harry Potter, but have also started to spread out into other disciplines like science and philosophy.

This has solidified the massive cultural impact that the series about a young wizard has had on world culture.

Considering the massive success of Harry Potter, it isn't entirely surprising that college students still enjoy it. Since the books are aimed at younger audiences, they can be a nice break from the heavy workload of most overburdened college students.

"I like the fantasy [elements] and the storylines," senior Mosey Nuccio said. "It's a nice break from the textual stuff I read at school."

The universal appeal of Harry Potter has less to do with magic and more to do with something more elemental in the books. "I think that people read Harry Potter because it's a great story, not because they like reading books about casting spells and flying broomsticks," freshman Emerson Spartz, creator of the popular Harry Potter Web site MuggleNet.com, said. "It's the story, not the theme."

Most people, particularly young adults and undergraduate students, find identity with the experiences and changes with which Harry has to deal. The addition of witchcraft and wizardry might make it more interesting and exciting, but even non-magical people can identify with Harry's struggles.

"Most kids and adults have at some point dreamed about being someone like Harry Potter, a special person whose wonderful and important qualities have gone unrecognized for far too long, but who has finally gained the recognition he deserves," Heidi Lee, a teacher in the Notre Dame English department, said.

As Harry Potter continues to be a huge influence and point of interest for college-age students, universities are beginning to tap into this interest and offer courses on the series. Some colleges are taking the Harry Potter phenomenon to a more serious level by offering courses that focus on the boy wizard and the world that J.K. Rowling has created.

Froshburg College, in western Maryland, is currently offering a class called, "The Science of Harry Potter," in which students learn about the science relating to such magical occurrences as flying and re- growing boies. Students at Kent State University in Ohio can take "Literature for Young Adults," which features Harry Potter. Cerritos College in California devotes a class to "Words and Magic: Harry Potter and Vocabulary," and James Madison University has initiated a new class, "The World of Harry Potter: A Critical Cross-Disciplinary Examination."

It may initially seem strange that professors are warming to a new literature phenomenon that hasn't had the critical acclaim that most of the Harry Potter novels has.

"The embrace of Harry Potter by college students and some universities speaks to the universal nature of Rowling's books and also to the fact that some colleges are warming to new cultural trends as sources for classes," Nuccio said.

The ability of Potter to completely transcend the normal age barriers of interest might be the most unique quality of the series.

"It's intriguing that so many people read the books — my parents read them, my sister reads them. It doesn't have age limits," Nuccio said.
**Book Review**

"Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince," the penultimate book in J.K. Rowling’s massively popular series, deals brilliantly with the difficult task of setting up the final tale of the boy-wizard’s adventures. While not necessarily the best book of the series, it effectively brings together many of the multiple plot strings that arose in earlier volumes and pushes them forward for the final novel, which is no easy task. This book reveals the care and attention to detail with which Rowling planned the Potter series from the beginning.

The sixth book opens with a series of events that signals the massive changes that are occurring in the magical world. There’s a sense of chaos due to the escalating war between the forces of good and evil. The newly-appointed Minister of Magic meets with the Muggle (a term for non-wizard) Prime Minister and reveals that the normally tight security separating humans and wizards is breaking down under the stress and tension. The Daily Prophet (the wizard newspaper) is full of obituaries and disappearances, and the ranks of the evil Voldemort are returning to their former strength.

In the midst of this chaotic outside world, Hogwarts, the wizarding academy, is both a safe haven and a seriously changed place. Harry and his friends, Ron and Hermione, are teenagers, learning to apparate (the wizarding equivalent of getting a driver’s license). And just like normal teens, the romantic lives of the students become more prominent and complicated.

Harry becomes convinced of the involvement of his nemesis, Draco Malfoy, in a plot to help Voldemort, and he tries his best to prove it. Following the theme of constantly rotating professors, there is a new Potions teacher and a new Defense Against the Dark Arts teacher. As usual, these changes are ultimately key to the action in the novel. Students must not only deal with the trials of being teenagers, but also with losing family members and living in a state of fear.

The most significant new development in Harry’s academic life is the addition of special classes with the headmaster. Professor Dumbledore, who reveals Voldemort’s origins to Harry. This gives important background for both Harry and the reader to understand the evil of Voldemort and how he might potentially be stopped. He also learns of perhaps the most significant addition to Rowling’s ever-expanding universe of magical items, the Horcrux.

The novel culminates with a battle between good and evil at Hogwarts, which is far more violent and adult than the others. But given that Rowling has taken to killing off central characters beginning in the fourth novel, “Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix,” it is not entirely unexpected that she chooses to escalate the violence and destruction.

The added violence actually makes the aura of fear and terror that pervades the sixth book more palpable. Without it, the action in the book, and ultimately the series, would not be as effective.

"Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix," the fifth book, presented Harry as a sullen and difficult teenager, and while he is not yet out of adolescence, he truly grows up in the sixth novel. He begins to grapple with the evil that he must face in the near future, and he deals with very adult situations and decisions. "Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince" is by far the bloodiest and most emotionally draining of the series so far, but it distinctly illustrates just how horrific the forces of evil are and how difficult his battle is going to be. The most difficult thing for Harry, and by extension, the reader, is dealing with a death that hits very close to home and drains the little sense of hope that seemed to remain.

One of the best and most difficult things about the Potter series is that Rowling makes him grow up, no matter how painful or terrifying it is. It makes the characters seem more real, and for better or worse, it gives the series emotional intensity and realism that is missing from most children’s books.

When the book ends with Harry’s realization that he has to finish his journey alone, it gives a sense that he has finally grown up and is ready to take on the arduous journey that awaits him in the final book of the series.

"Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince" doesn’t have quite as interesting a plot as some of the earlier books, and it lacks some of the emotional intensity. It does fulfill the important role of setting up for the final installment of the series, and it allows Harry to grow as a character more than he has in previous novels.

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**Magical Menagerie**

**The Main Players:**

Harry Potter: The star of the show, Harry is a respected wizard in training. He sports a lightning-shaped scar and is a champion for adventure. The fate of the wizarding world lies on his young shoulders.

Hermione Granger: Hermione is one of Harry’s closest friends and usually manages to get Harry and others out of trouble with her almost photographic knowledge of magical facts.

Ron Weasley: Ron is a sarkatic but his study habits are always improving, but he is a loyal friend who Harry and helps him with whatever he needs.

The Hogwarts: Dumbeldore, the kind and wise headmaster of Hogwarts, takes Harry under his wing and guides him through difficulties, preparing him for the inevitable confrontation with Voldemort.

Snape: Snape was thrown back into the role of trusted friend, but now he is faced with the reality of his past actions.

Draco Malfoy: Malfoy is as much a part of Harry’s nemesis as the very beginning of the series. His family background has been part of the Voldemort’s dark actions since the beginning.

Voldemort: Known as "He Who Must Not Be Named," Voldemort is the evil wizard who killed Harry’s parents and has been after him as a child. His remaining power continues to grow as the series progresses.

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Pierre leads Marlins over Brewers 3-1 in 10th

Florida’s Juan Pierre slides into second on a double-play ball in the first inning of Thursday's game against Milwaukee.

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Ten of them - 119 through seven innings, 66 for strikes. "It's difficult trying to figure it out," he said. "I didn't have command of my sinker. My breaking ball wasn't there. I had to grind it out." "Chacon battled," Torre said. "He didn't have his best command, but he fought his way through. He's not afraid to throw off-speed stuff. He had pitched us well to their 3-4 hitters, I felt secure sending him out for the seventh. "He has a great variety of speeds. As long as he threw strikes, we didn't worry about him getting hit. He has the ability to throw strikes." Chacon improved to 3-1 with a 3.80 ERA with the Yankees after going 1-7 with a 4.09 ERA for Colorado. He has rescued a Yankees pitching staff turn against injury, winning three straight starts for the first time in more than two years. "He's been pitching well," said Derek Jeter, who has three hits for the Yankees. "Today, he scuffed more than he has in the past. He handled it out of a couple of jams." Cleveland 12, Tampa Bay 4 ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. - Ronnie Belliard hit his first career grand slam during a seven-run third inning, leading the Cleveland Indians to a victory over the Tampa Bay Devil Rays on Thursday night. Jose Hernandez went 3-for-5 with three RBIs for Cleveland, which stayed less than a percentage point behind the New York Yankees and Oakland in the AL wild-card race. Hernandez had four hits in his last 31 at-bats. The Indians have won seven of eight overall, and are 39-26 on the road.

An anticipated pitching duel between Cliff Lee of the Indians and 2-1 old-timer Tampa Bay rookie Scott Kazmir never happened. Lee (11-4) allowed four runs and four hits over six innings. He

Kazmir (7-9) lasted 2 1-3 innings, giving up eight runs — four earned — and eight hits. The left-hander had been 4-1 with a 2.44 ERA in seven starts since the All-Star break. Lee was 4-0 with a 1.70 ERA in seven career starts against the Indians. His only loss came in a career start against Cleveland.

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Seattle, Texas 2 ARLINGTON, Texas - Jeff Harris pitched in and independent leagues from China to Mexico to Canada. He spent offseasons doing construction jobs, just holding time until it was baseball season again. Eleven years after being drafted, the 31-year-old Seattle Mariners right-hander finally has his first major league victory. Harris, recalled from Triple-A Tepic to make his second career start, limited the Texas Rangers to four singles and an unearned run over seven innings in the Mariners' victory on Thursday.

"This is the only thing I've ever wanted to do," Harris said. "I was just going to ride it out as long as I could. I always told myself I had the rest of my life to get a real job." Ichiro Suzuki hit a grand slam in a five-run ninth inning, and Raoul Ibanez also homered for the Mariners.

Seattle managed just three hits and three runs over the first seven innings against Joaquin Benoit (3-1), who retired 18 batters in a row at one point. He still lost his third straight start.

Harris was drafted by Minnesota in 1995, and stayed in the Twins organization until he was released after the 2000 season. After two years in an independent league in Chico, Calif., and falling to make a team in Taiwan, Harris played in leagues in China and Mexico before going to Quebec, where he was last summer when signed by the Mariners organization.

"It was definitely worth every bit of it," Harris said. "I wouldn't change it, I don't go to get here for anything...To get that first win is just a really special feeling..." Ichiro hit five singles and threw 94 pitches on a day when the temperature was 95 degrees at game time. He benefited from four double plays.
**AMERICAN LEAGUE**

**Schilling shelled in return to Red Sox rotation**

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Curt Schilling could find only one serious negative about his first start in four months — the final score.

The veteran right-hander, who had been in Boston’s bullpen most of the season, got cuffed around in his first start since April and the Kansas City Royals beat the Red Sox 7-4 on Thursday night, their fourth win in five games since a franchise-record 29-game losing streak.

"I didn’t feel like I had super stuff and I didn’t feel like I had bad stuff," Schilling said. "I felt normal."

Schilling (4-5) went five innings, giving up six runs and nine hits. Making his first start since losing to Tampa Bay on April 23, he walked one and had five strikeouts, including the last two batters he faced.

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**Negotiations continue in Cincinnati’s Huggins buyout**

Coach spent 16 years with the University

Associated Press

CINCINNATI — Bob Huggins tearfully thanked fans for their 16 years of support Thursday, telling fans it was 16 wonderful years.

"It’s been 16 great years."

Huggins appeared at a supportive rally organized by a local radio personality on Thursday night, telling fans he would be fired if he didn’t resign.

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Lance Armstrong emerges from a doping control bus during the 2004 Tour de France. The seven-time Tour winner claimed he was up against a strong French laboratory that found a blood cell booster while testing Armstrong's urine.

Armstrong denies latest drug accusations

Associated Press

PARIS — Lance Armstrong suggested Thursday that he's the victim of a "setup," saying he doesn't trust the French lab that released test results leading to blood-doping allegations against him.

"There's a setup here and I'm stuck in the middle of it," Armstrong said.

"I absolutely do not trust that laboratory."

The French sports daily Le Parisien reported Tuesday that six urine samples Armstrong provided during his first tour win in 1999 tested positive for the red blood-cell booster EPO.

"If he had one, you could say it was an aberration," Pound said. "When you get up to six, there's got to be some explanation."

Armstrong, who retired after his seventh straight major win in July, has angrily denied the Le Parisien report. He also said that while Pound might trust the lab that tested the samples, "I certainly don't."

Pound said the lab had asked WADA months ago if the agency was interested in reviewing its findings and that he agreed. He said the agency didn't expect names to be connected to the findings, but only wanted to see if the leftover samples from 1999 would show riders using EPO.

"They said it's simply research," Pound said. Pound said he is waiting for WADA Science Director Olivier Rabhi to return from Europe to review the results.

The lab report doesn't name Armstrong, but shows the results of tests on anonymous urine samples. While the French newspaper said it was able to match Armstrong to the positive samples, Pound said the lab and WADA officials cannot do that.

The French report appears stronger than previous doping allegations raised against Armstrong, Pound said.

"There's been an awful lot of rumor and accusation about him for a number of years, always of the he-said, she-said variety. This appears — I haven't seen the documents myself — to have some documentary connection. That's a lot more serious."

IN BRIEF

Gooden surrenders to police

TAMPA — Former baseball star Dwight Gooden turned himself in at a county jail Thursday, three days after police said he fled a DUI traffic stop.

Gooden, 40, showed up at the jail warrants facility about 5 p.m., police spokesman Laura McElroy said. He had been missing since early Tuesday.

He was being held without bond Thursday night. McElroy said Gooden is scheduled to appear in court Friday morning for a hearing to revoke his bond on the March domestic violence charge.

"We're relieved that he has come forward, and this may be the first step toward him getting the help he needs," McElroy said.

Ponson sign d'Antoni to contract extension

PHOENIX — The Phoenix Suns have signed coach Mike d'Antoni to a two-year extension, the team announced Thursday.

The deal puts the reigning NBA coach of the year under contract through the 2008-09 season. d'Antoni directed Phoenix in a 23-game improvement in his 2004-05, his first full season as head coach. The Suns won an NBA-best 62 games but were eliminated by the San Antonio Spurs in the Western Conference finals.

d'Antoni, who spent 20 years in Italy as a player and coach, was the second Phoenix coach to be selected NBA coach of the year. The other was Cotton Fitzsimmons in 1986-89.

Ponson arrested on DUI charge

BALTIMORE — Sidney Ponson was arrested early Thursday on a drunken-driving charge, the latest legal problem for the pitcher considered the ace of the Baltimore Orioles staff a year ago.

Ponson was charged in January with driving while impaired and driving with a suspended license. He had been missing since early Tuesday.

The Orioles and Ponson's agent, Barry Praver, did not immediately return calls.

Ponson was charged in January with driving under the influence in Florida, and the case has not yet been resolved.
NCAA BASKETBALL
Ohio State argues to avoid transgressions

University feels it should not be liable

Associated Press

COLUMBUS, Ohio — Ohio State argued Thursday that it shouldn't be considered responsible for some NCAA rules violations because former men's basketball coach Jim O'Brien made it impossible for athletic administrators to know about them.

The university issued its formal response to the NCAA and conceded to nine violations, seven in the men's basketball program and one each for the women's basketball and football teams.

Among the most serious charges, the NCAA said administrators and compliance officials should have known about transgressions by O'Brien and one of his assistants, Paul Biancardi.

The school shifted responsibility to O'Brien.

"That the men's basketball staff intentionally concealed material facts from athletics and compliance administrators and disregarded specific instructions from the compliance office should not be deemed as evidence of a lack of appropriate monitoring by the institution," the response states.

Ohio State said the men's basketball team would have been no fewer scholars than the NCAA maximum of 13 this season. The school previously fired O'Brien over his handling of its men's basketball team from playing in a postseason tournament last season — even though no players or coaches involved in any of the alleged violations were still affiliated with the university.

"The university believes that its corrective measures and self-imposed punitive actions presented herein, and any subsequent actions taken by the university, should be recognized and accepted by the NCAA as necessary, appropriately

NLF
Mourning Niners take field

Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO — A black, football-shaped decal featuring Thomas Herrion's No. 72 will be on the back of the San Francisco 49ers' helmets. The offensive lineman will be honored with words and pictures in a tribute before Friday's preseason game against Tennessee.

And then the 49ers will try to get back to the suddenly trivial business of earning an NFL roster spot.

Just six days after Herrion's locker-room collapse and death following a game in Denver, the 49ers will be back in action in the relentless NFL preseason. Jonnas Jennings is among the 49ers who would have preferred to wait a lot longer, but the left tackle knows his teammates must move on eventually.

"We've just got to keep it simple and go out there, no matter how we feel," Jennings said. "We're going to think about him before the game, but you can't be thinking about anything else once the game starts, because that's how you get hurt."

Herrion was fighting for a spot on the team, and that's what many of his teammates will do against the Titans. Key jobs in San Francisco still haven't been awarded, particularly for receivers, defensive backs and linemen on both sides of the ball.

That competition provides a new focus for players like Tony Wragge, who has endured the deaths of two teammates — including Al Lucas, a lineman with the Arena League's Los Angeles Avengers — in less than five months.

"I think it will be somber, but at the same time energetic, because we're going to want to do our jobs and represent the 49ers and Thomas Herrion the best we can," said Wragge, who's seeking a spot on the offensive line. "The man was like a brother to me and these guys, and I would never want to let my brother down."

The game also puts the Titans in a delicate position, mixing concern with competition. Coaches Jeff Fisher and Mike Nolan spoke over the phone this week about the difficulties of their situation.

"We haven't held anything back because of what they're going through," Fisher said. "I've talked to Coach Nolan, and we had a nice visit. He feels by kickoff they will be able pull things together and bring some closure to this and go ahead and play."

The 49ers' starters will play well into the third quarter, which means Tim Rattay will get most of the playing time after reclaiming his starting job from No. 1 draft pick Alex Smith. Rattay, who's been healthy and nearly flawless since the Niners' minicamp, forced Nolan to rethink his decision to throw Smith into competition early in his first NFL season.

Steve McNair and the Titans' starters probably will play through the first half, but Fisher prefers to save his starters longest preseason outing until the final game. Nolan, like most coaches, uses the third exhibition to take the longest look at his starters.
NFL

Owens ready to play in first preseason game

McNabb, Owens still not on speaking terms

Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA — Terrell Owens and Donovan McNabb now can give each other the silent treatment in a game. Owens and McNabb will play together for the first time since their public feud began when the Philadelphia Eagles beat the Cincinnati Bengals on Friday night. Owens missed the first preseason game after he was sent home for a week following an argument with Eagles coach Andy Reid. He was held out of the second game because of a groin injury.

"He feels pretty good. He's running around good. He hasn't had a lot of pain in there," Reid said Thursday. "It will be interesting to see if Owens and McNabb communicate on the field or along the sideline. The All-Pro receiver and the five-time Pro Bowl quarterback don't speak to each other. Owens started the friction in April when he took a shot at McNabb's performance in Philadelphia's Super Bowl loss to New England. He also called McNabb a "hypocrite" earlier this month.

"I think it's very important that we be able to get some work," McNabb said, hoping the two can get along well enough to lead the Eagles to a championship.

The notoriously vocal Eagles fans will have their first chance to give Owens a real earful since he started demanding a new contract just one season into the seven-year, $49.7 million deal he signed in March 2004.

Owens received mixtures of boos and cheers at training camp, but fans haven't been allowed at practice since Owens came back from his one-week banishment and the team returned to its practice facility in Philadelphia. While Owens makes his season debut at home, Bengals rookie David Pollack will make his first preseason appearance after ending a 20-day holdout last week. Pollack, the 17th overall pick in the draft, is playing outside linebacker after setting a school record with 36 sacks as a defensive lineman at Georgia.

"He's had a good week," Bengals coach Marvin Lewis said. "Every time he steps on the field, he practices hard, and he's learning what he needs to learn. He's getting closer to doing the things he needs to do."

Pollack, who intercepted two passes in practice on Wednesday, is starting to adjust to his new role.

"I've been in different spots," he said. "There's so much talent here. We have a lot of guys who can move and a lot of guys who are really versatile." On the offensive side, it could be an important game for Bengals wideout Peter Warrick. The former first-round pick is vying for playing time behind Pro Bowler Chad Johnson and T.J. Houshmandzadeh. Warrick is competing with Kelley Washington, Kevin Walter, and rookie Chris Henry.

Now that Owens is back, the Eagles can sort out their receiving corps.

Philly lost starter Todd Pinkston and reserve Justin Jenkins to season-ending injuries. Third-year pro Greg Lewis starts opposite Owens and rookie Reggie Brown is the No. 3 receiver ahead of third-year pro Billy McMullen. Carlos Perez took Jenkins' spot.

The Eagles also lost running back Correll Buckhalter to his third season-ending injury in the second game because of a knee injury in the season opener. Buckhalter had run for 114 yards in his last game.

"At the time, I thought it was totally harmless, so I would've recommended it to anybody," said Peters, a second-round Sabres draft pick in 1998. "Now I wouldn't recommend it. For two summers now, I haven't taken it."
SMC Golf

Hamilton working to keep Belles at top

By ANNA FRICANO
Sports Writer

Ask any current member of the Saint Mary's golf program to recap her experiences with coach Mark Hamilton — and the responses are likely to be varied. He has been the program's leader for more than three years, after all, during which time Saint Mary's golf program has been quietly gaining national recognition as one of the top 150 in the NCAA.

Not all the success is due to Hamilton alone. Some has gone to Saint Mary's golf team, and it is most likely that he leads the program — the Belles have not only captured a bid to attend the Division III NCAA Golf Championships in the spring, but also have had a couple of opportunities to travel with the team last year and will have some experience to bring into the season.

A key part of Hamilton’s effectiveness as a coach comes from the dedication that he makes to provide an opportunity for the women to improve their skills. A good practice facility, combined with other approaches such as video equipment, allows the girls to use a variety of resources in order to improve their game.

Hamilton is especially pleased with the potential of this year’s team. “We’ve got a couple of seniors on the team,” he said. “If any new member of the team is unsure of the caliber of his players for the success that we’ve seen as a coach, he should see that as a coach.

“We’ve kind of had the players to make the score,” Hamilton said. “After graduating three of the most successful players from last spring, it may be a bit of a challenge to maintain the same level of excellence that the program has seen in recent years. But the opportunity is still there for the members of the Saint Mary’s team.

Senior Nicole Bellino and Megan Mattia are both MIAA honorable mention players.

ND Golf

Warren earns high praise

By CHRIS KHOREY
Sports Writer

In the past few weeks, the University unveiled the Guglielmino Center, the football team’s brand new practice facility. The building has been hailed as a dramatic step forward in the quality of athletic facilities at Notre Dame.

At this same time, however, another of Notre Dame’s facilities has been quietly gaining national recognition as one of the top places to train or play in the country.

The Saint Mary’s golf course, the five-year-old home of the Irish men and women’s golf teams, was recently rated the 15th best university course in the nation by “Golf Digest” magazine.

General Manager John Foster believes the course, which is located north of campus at the corner of Juniper and Douglas Roads, is still on the rise in the national picture.

“I think we have the potential to be the top collegiate facility in the nation,” he said.

In its relatively short history, the course has hosted several prestigious amateur events, including qualifiers for the Western Amateur Championship, the U.S. Amateur Championship and an NCAA Regional. Despite such success, Foster is setting his sights even higher.

“We want to attract an NCAA final,” he said.

One of the people pushing for more high profile events at the course is its benefactor and namesake Bill Warren, a 1955 Notre Dame graduate and avid golfer. Warren, who was not on the varsity golf team while attending the University, realized a need for an upgrade the golf facilities in the late 1990s and offered to endow a renovation to the old Notre Dame Golf Course, which was located south of the Rockne Memorial.

Warren envisioned a world-class course, a vision he has worked with Foster to bring to life.

“Bill made it clear that the primary purpose of the golf course was to be the best as far as university courses go,” Foster said.

Warren has also contributed significant funds above and beyond his original endowment when the course has needed improvements.

“Mr. Warren continues to make investments so we attain even higher rankings and a high status,” Foster said. “If there’s ever anything we need, Bill has always stepped forward and helped us.”

Unfortunately, the course was one of the programs added by Notre Dame within a couple years, the course was unevenly kept and golfers complained of all sorts of issues, inconsistent greens and rocky sand traps.

However, since Foster took over three years ago the course has undergone significant improvements. He hired Matt Zeilen in 2004 as superintendent and charged him with upgrading the facility.

Zeilen had previous experience at several nationally recognized courses, including Shadow Creek in Las Vegas and Wingfoot in New York.

“His resume told me that he knew what a quality product was and that he could attain that,” Foster said. “He was in the top year here, we’ve come 180 degrees.”

Varsity golfers have also noticed the difference.

“The greens are getting a lot better,” sophomore Jane Lee said. “The sand traps are fine grain now. They were a lot rockier last year.”

Another improvement for varsity golfers will be a new indoor practice facility adjacent to the course. The building, which is being funded mainly by donations from the Rufft family, is scheduled to break ground in September and be completed by mid fall 2006.

Foster said an indoor facility is key to building nationally competitive golf programs.

“If you’re a cold weather golf team, in order to attract top players from across the country, they’ve got to know they can at least practice all year round,” he said.

The old Notre Dame Golf Course still exists in an abbreviated nine-hole format, having been cut in half to accommodate new dorms on West Quad in the late 1990s. Foster said having two courses is a major convenience for both new and experienced players on campus.

“It’s a unique situation in that we have a facility for people who are just beginning or don’t want to spend a lot of money, but then those who are more advanced can use the Warren Course,” Foster said.

Both facilities are popular, attracting over 50,000 rounds of golf between them every year. Students, faculty and coaches all use the courses, and there is a tournament for Holy Cross priests every year.

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MLB

La Russa moves into third in all-time wins

Associated Press

PITTSBURGH — Tony La Russa got the first of what could be several champagne showers this season. He can only hope the next one comes in very late October.

La Russa passed Sparky Anderson to move into third place on baseball’s all-time list in the St. Louis Cardinals’ 6-3 victory over the Pittsburgh Pirates on Thursday night, helped along by Jim Edmonds and Matt Stairs.

Afterward, La Russa had a surprise visitor: former White Sox general manager Roland Hemond, who hired him for his first big league job as White Sox hitting coach in 1979.

Hemond and Jim Leyland, who was on La Russa’s staff when La Russa was hired as Pittsburgh’s manager in ’87, joined the Cardinals players in dousing La Russa with champagne.

“I’ve always felt it’s not personal, it’s organizational and being in the right place at the right time,” said La Russa, who won his only World Series with Anderson’s Tigers in 1984. “If I could help the club this year, I’m going to take a little personal tour. It was a very special situation.

La Russa’s victory No. 2,195 in the majors is only Connolly (3,731) and John McGraw (2,763) — was Matt Morris’ 10th in the majors, and it came in the home away from home for both the Cardinals and the right-handed hurler. The Cardinals’ 30 victories at 5-year-old PNC Park are the most among any opponent. St. Louis has won 17 of its last 20 in Pittsburgh, including four of four in this just-concluded series.

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the solid Wolverine squad. Michigan qualified for the NCAA tournament last year and, just like Notre Dame, bowed out in the second round. The Wolverines are one of eight 2004 NCAA tournament teams on the Irish schedule.

I feel that if we play opponents with such a high level that will bring out our high level, and I’m just so excited because I think this team can go really, really far,” said Tarutis, who is known for her intensity and vocal presence on the court.

Senior co-captain Lauren Brewster, when asked about her own court leadership, praised Tarutis.

“I know I need to be more of a vocal leader,” she said. “Ashley Tarutis, on our team, does a great job of that.

Clearly, there is a great amount of respect, understanding and reciprocity on the team this year.

“I’m feeling a ton more confident this season. We have five great seniors this year who have really worked hard the past three years to develop a strong core of a team,” Tarutis said.

“And I’m really comfortable working with all of them this year.”

Tarutis’s sophomore counterpart, opposite/outside hitter Adrianna Stasiuk, was injured in the preseason and will be out for at least another week. The versatile, second-year Stasiuk broke several ribs about two weeks ago.

“I got hurt in preseason, so I won’t be playing,” she said. “I haven’t been playing at all in preseason. Next week I get to take X-rays again, and then I can go from there.”

After watching practice for a few weeks, Stasiuk is anxious to get back on the court.

“I can’t wait to play,” she said. “I just want to help the team as best as I can and to be a really good hitter and passer.”

For the season opener, the Irish will be without a key player, but with such strong group of seniors and returning players, they hope to get off to a positive start.

Rather than stumbling as they did last year against their archrivals, the Irish look to use the first match as a catapult to the season, a season for which the Irish have high expectations.

“Our goals are to win the Big East and to advance farther than ever before in the NCAA tournament,” Stasiuk said.

If the goal is to build a team capable of making a long stay in the NCAA tournament, what better place to start than the nemesis from Ann Arbor?

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SMC CROSS-COUNTRY

Belles welcome new coach as team rebuilds

Jackie Bauters, Class of 2004, enters her first season in charge

By JUSTIN O’NEILL

Sports Writer

The times are changing for the Saint Mary’s cross-country team, and nobody knows it better than new head coach Jackie Bauters. The 2004 college grad is entering her first season as head coach, and she’s glad it is at her alma mater.

The captain of the team in 2003, Bauters expects her existing relationships with the runners to help ease her into the position.

“I’m really excited about the opportunity,” Bauters said. “Knowing half the girls already helps the transition. It would take longer to build relationships and get results if I were a face nobody had ever seen before.”

Captain Becky Feauto couldn’t agree more.

“It’s great to have Jackie back — she was a good captain, and the girls respond well to her leadership,” Feauto said.

Bauters spent the last year getting her Masters in sports psychology at Ithaca College, where she was the assistant coach of the highly competitive B-III program. With the Belles, they ran to 15th place in the NCAA Championship in 2004. Bauters replaces longtime head coach Dave Barstis, who has accepted assistant coaching duties. Bauters said they have a good relationship and expect to be a dynamic pair.

“We got along really well when I was on the team and stayed in touch,” the year I was in Ithaca,” Bauters said.

She has a daunting task ahead of her but remains optimistic, as the Belles recently encountered some unexpected roster changes.

Standout Megan Gray suffered a serious leg injury last spring and recently started running again. Last season as a freshman, she finished first for the Belles at the NCAA Regionals. She has been working hard over the summer with therapy treatment and is expected to return this fall.

“We’re just taking it slow, and as long as treatment continues to go well, she will return and be a strong member of the team,” Bauters said.

Beyond Megan Gray, the Belles lost three runners who were expected to run this fall.

“It’s tough,” Feauto said. “We have a few kinks still to iron out, but we have a good group of freshmen coming in, and hopefully they’ll balance things out.”

Bauters agrees.

“We have a very young team, but I have my eye on the freshmen and think they’ll have a good season,” Bauters said.

With the higher intensity level, Bauters feels good about the season’s outlook.

“We hope to consistently improve individually and as a team, and we want to be competitive in the MIAA’s,” Bauters said. “I expect that everybody will drop time throughout the fall, and we intend to peak at the conference championships and have a solid showing.”

Bauters anticipates a good year and a solid team in the years to come.

With the young coach at the helm of a young team and a nasty outlook, the future is bright for Saint Mary’s cross-country team.

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He commented at length before the season started about how he was proud of his team for working hard throughout practice and not letting a drop off of any kind occur.

"The Irish should be up for this challenge, let's by returning presen­tion All-Americans Kainan Thorlakson, Candace Chapman and Jen Buszkowski.

Thorlakson was the 2004 Soccer America player of the year and Buszkowski earned All­American status last year, as well.

Returning in goal for Notre Dame is Erika Bohn, who is the 2005 preseason Big East goal­keeper of the year. Bohn led the nation with a 0.41 GAA last sea­son.

With this type of returning tal­ent, added to the impressive crop of freshmen, including Brittany Rock and Hanks, who have played well this summer, the Irish task should be that much easier.

Rock scored twice in Notre Dame's victory over Butler, and Hanks added a goal and an assist. Hanks also assisted on the second goal against Virginia in the 2-0 win.

The season begins today at 6:30 p.m. against New Hamp­shire. The Irish will play Vermont on Sunday at 1 p.m.

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**Irish football**

"They knocked us out of the tournament two years back," senior captain John Stephens said. "That's always sort of in the back of your mind."

Notre Dame opened the season Monday with a 1-1 tie with New Mexico at Alumni Field. The Irish struggled in the first half of the game, but looked increasingly impressive through the second half and two subsequent overtime peri­ods.

In addition to being satisfied with his team's performance against New Mexico, Clark also appreciated the generosity dis­played by Irish fans. All pro­ceeds from Monday's exhibition match went to benefit Grassroot Soccer, a charitable organization dedicated to fight­ing AIDS in Africa through youth soccer clinics. An anony­mous Notre Dame soccer alumnus and the Notre Dame soccer camp both pledged to match all donations collected at the game.

"I want to say a big thank you to everyone who came to the game on Saturday and con­tributed to Grassroot," Clark said. "It's a huge boost that will carry us well over $7,500, which is a terrific response from the Notre Dame community.

As with Monday's game, Clark is looking to use the con­test in Ann Arbor to develop greater chemistry among his players.

"Going into every game we look to play well individually and collectively," Clark said. "We have to get into our rhythm. It's very important that we can start building up team­work.

"I think in the second half on Monday we started to look a lit­tle more like a team. Hopefully we can continue to develop this.

The Irish also want to increase the speed at which they play the game. Clark stressed that he wants his play­ers to pick up the pace, yet remain calm and collected. The coach will look for his team to "hurry slowly" against the Wolverines on Sunday.

Another focus for the Irish on Sunday will be the continued development of the defense. The Irish lost three top defen­sive players from last season's squad and look to improve upon a solid defensive effort against New Mexico.

Sunday's game will also fea­ture Clark continuing to test two goalkeepers competing to replace first team All-American Chris Sawyer. Senior Justin Michael and junior Chris Cullin both played well on Monday.

The two will split time against Michigan.

Notre Dame hopes that Sunday's contest will prep­are the team for the tough begin­ning to the 2005 season that looms only a week away. On Sept. 2 and 4, the Irish will compete in the Indiana University Credit Union Classic. The team will face two top 25 opponents in SMU and Wake Forest.

"The game we have to be ready for is SMU," Stephens said. "These games are kind of like learning experiences. We moved up one step on Monday. If we can move up another step on Sunday, I'll like where we are at."

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Horoscope

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Happy Birthday! You are so changeable this year that no one will know exactly how to deal with you or what to expect. Don’t let him charm you. Let loose and have some fun. Think about all the ideas you have and things you want to do and how the process of getting things done is the ground. Your numbers are 2, 3, 22, 26, 79, 21, 39, 47, 90, 99

ARIES (March 21-April 19): You may have to pick up the slack if a colleague is dragging his or her feet. Don’t be too hard — this person will do it for the sake of the project. A partner’s side project may be aggravating. **

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): You may find it difficult to keep your emotions in check. Start to filter inappropriate conversations in major conferences. Be mature, be observant, and observe. Think before you act. **

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Nothing will appear to be going fine, but because of someone who may be withholding information. Make physical as well as mental improvements today. An enlightening class or a shopping spree could help.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Partnerships take a new shape as you realize that from your past may confuse you. Travel and learning are your areas of success. Information received via e-mail or telephone may alter your future. **

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Don’t let things get you down. The more independent you are, the better you will do and the more respect you will gain. **

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): An opportunity will present itself to find out information that will help you in the right direction. By taking an unusual approach to something you have done well in the past, you will discover a completely new outlet. ***

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): You have so much going for you, so stop procrastinating and take a chance. A partnership will affect the outcome of something you pursue. A creative idea will take shape if you give it a little thought. ***

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Stop yourself before you overanalyze what is going on. Things are not likely to be as they appear. You may decide yourself into thinking someone is doing you an injustice but it probably won’t be the case. **

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Your determination will give you the drive to finish what you set out to do today. Your curiosity will get the better of you, but as long as you don’t stay too far off your original plans, it won’t cause a setback. ***

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): You are always taking care of everyone else’s needs, try to please yourself for a change. If someone is unhappy with your decisions, you may want to reevaluate your relationship. ***

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Don’t let your emotions lead you down the wrong road today. Lots of good results will take place if you compromise and avoid unnecessary debates. **

PISCES (Feb. 19-Mar. 20): A lot can change in a day, and today is one that can bring favorable results. Partnerships and creative pursuits look good. A love connection is looking positive. ***

Birthday Baby: You have a way of drawing people to your side. You’re responsible and make the right decisions.
ND WOMEN'S SOCCER

The first big test

Irish look to defend 2004 title in season's kickoff away games

By BOBBY GRIFFIN
Associate Sports Editor

In Notre Dame's two exhibition games this August, the team won both games and scored 10 goals.

But when the season officially starts this weekend, when Notre Dame travels to the University of Vermont to take on New Hampshire and Vermont today and Sunday, respectively, the Irish will realistically only have one goal. Win — and win often.

That should be expected for a team that earned its first preseason No. 1 ranking in the school's history after five consecutive years at preseason No. 2.

It should also be expected for a team that defeated UCLA in last year's NCAA title game on penalty kicks.

But at this point in the season, even though Notre Dame returns nine starters and 13 of last year's NCAA title game on penalty kicks.

Notre Dame coach Bobby Clark feels that the rich history of Notre Dame has never been overwhelmed.

But in past years, recruits didn't get together, it always seemed to mean something extra.

Clark feels that the rich history of Notre Dame leaves visitors in awe.

So much of Notre Dame has been fenced in over the years. The Golden Dome, the Basilica of the Sacred Heart, the Grotto.

That all changed earlier this month with the opening of the Guglielmino Athletics Complex, better known as the "Gug." The new facility houses every aspect of the football program from the coaches' offices to the locker rooms.

Freshman defender Carrie Dow takes a kick during practice on Aug. 16. The Irish will travel to New England this weekend to begin to defend their national title.

ND VOLLEYBALL

Team will host rivals in opener

Michigan featured in first fall match at the Joyce Athletic Center

By TOM DORNWART
Sports Writer

It's the first match of the season, and the Irish already have revenge on their minds.

Notre Dame plays host to the Michigan Wolverines Saturday at 7 p.m. at the Joyce Center.

Last season, the Irish traveled to Ann Arbor and fell in four games, 22-30, 25-30, 30-27 and 30-32. While the Wolverines improved to 11-2, the Irish staged a comeback to 5-3.

This year, the Irish vow, will be different.

"Michigan is always a big opponent for us, and they always have a good team," sophomore setter Ashley Tarutis said. "This is our first game of this year, and I just really want to show Michigan what Notre Dame has to offer this season."

The Irish plan to offer more than just good competition for Michigan.

Irish travel north to exhibition play

By KEVIN BRENNAN
Sports Writer

When the Irish and Wolverines get together, it always seems to be different.

Notre Dame coach Bobby Clark feels that the rich history between Notre Dame and Michigan raises the level of importance of Sunday's exhibition match in Ann Arbor.

"They're a good team," Clark said. "And when you add the fact of the Notre Dame-Michigan rivalry, that makes it a game that is going to count in everybody's minds."

Clark feels that the rich history between Notre Dame and Michigan returns two of its top three leading goal scorers from last season's squad that finished second in the Big Ten and was eliminated by eventual NCAA champion Indiana in the second round of the NCAA tournament.

Michigan returns two of its top three leading goal scorers from a year ago in senior forward Trai Blanks and junior forward Bobby Trybula.

Starting goalie Peter Drabyk is also back after recording 62 saves in 2004.

The Irish players have some additional motivation for Sunday's game.
TALENT MEETS TEACHER

With quarterback guru Charlie Weis at the helm, third-year starter Brady Quinn becomes the visible face of a team eager to erase the memory of a 6-6 season.
Weis’ first year also provides Quinn’s biggest test

Brady Quinn has been here before. On Sept. 27, 2003, in his first career start on the road against Purdue, Quinn was in the exact same position as he will be come Sept. 3 against Pittsburgh. He was playing away from home. He was at a new level of football than he’d been accustomed to the year prior (at Dublin-Coffman High School in Ohio). He was learning a new offense on-the-go.

But in 2003, Quinn was also a freshman. Yes, he took his bumps (four interceptions against Purdue) and bruises (Notre Dame did not make a bowl). Critics fabricated a quarterback controversy and argued whether it was wise to throw Quinn into the fire. But in 2003, Quinn was also a quarterback with a 125.87 passer efficiency rating. Can Notre Dame's coaches guarantee that the team's problems areas will altogether disappear? No. But Weis promised to go based on what they do.

"The sooner that myself and Peter Vaas and Michael Haywood made, he's the gentleman that is always writing down notes," Weis said. "He will hear what a lot of people think about his leadership, his adjustment, his skills and his presence this fall. But that should be alright with him. As a season approaches with expectations but no certainties, Quinn has proved to be the closest thing the team has to a sure thing. And he will become — along with Weis — the new face of Irish football, for better or for worse."

"Brady's a student of the game," offensive coordinator Mike Haywood said. "We watch films as a team usually, and every time there's a correction being made, he's the gentleman that is always writing down notes."

The nation knows Quinn has the tools, as well. He was named to Maxwell Award watch list in June as one of 23 prospective candidates for college football player of the year. All it takes is adjustment to the system.

"What he probably lacks is experience as far as reading coverages and really understanding schematically in my offense how plays are going to be run," Weis said. "In other words, [that means] where the ball is supposed to go based on what they do."

"The fact that the team voted him as a junior to be the offensive captain in a landslide, it obviously tells me without me even having to say it myself, what the team thinks of his leadership ability," Weis said.

"The sooner that myself and Peter Vaas and Michael Haywood did from Tom Brady in New England. But he also expects leadership, and Quinn has no shortage of that, either.

Weis expects efficiency, just as he did from Tom Brady in New England. But he also expects leadership, and Quinn has no shortage of that, either.

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Turning a new page

Changes in coaching staff and athletic facility mark 2005 season's tone

By HEATHER VAN HOEGARDEN
Sports Writer

There is a new coaching staff, a new facility and maybe most importantly, a new season. For this year's Irish, coming off a 6-6 campaign, these changes seem to be good things.

"I was excited for the first game as soon as I got back from summer," junior safety Tom Zbikowski said. "I've been waiting for Sept. 3 since the end of the season. I mean, we want to prove to the nation that we're not a 6-6 program."

Welcoming fresh faces

When Charlie Weis was introduced as the new head coach on Dec. 13, he began to set the tone for his tenure at Notre Dame.

"I can tell you this," he said. "You are going to have a hard-working, intelligent, nasty football team that goes on the field because the attitude of the head coach will be permeated through the players. And I hate to include the nasty, but that is part of being a winning football team."

And since he was hired, Weis has worked to instill that attitude in his players and coaching staff.

"I think we definitely have taken on some of the attitude and personality that Coach Weis has, that Coach Weis has on the offensive side of the ball and on the defensive side of the ball," offensive lineman Ryan Harris said. "I think that's just a microcosm of us playing under his system."

And exactly what is that attitude that Weis tries to pass down?

"Definitely physical, definitely not accepting anything but perfection," Harris said. "If you have a good play you can still be coached up on it. Never be satisfied with what you are — always get better."

And work through the tough times at practice and the hard days.

Weis, however, hasn't been exactly what Harris expected coming in.

"The way he spoke to us in camp and the way he coaches us definitely is contradicting how player-friendly he is," Harris said. "Sometimes he coaches us hard, but at the same time, if we do what he asks, he has no problem being a player-friendly coach."

Besides his own philosophies, Weis brought along with him an experienced coaching staff. From director of personnel development Ron Powlus, who played at Notre Dame, to defensive back/assistant head coach for defense Bill Lewis, who coached nine seasons in the NFL, the Irish have a variety of coaches from a range of backgrounds.

Quarterbacks coach Peter Vaas replaced David Cutcliffe in June when Cutcliffe resigned due to health reasons. Vaas came from NFL Europe, where he was a head coach.

"We've been on us all camp about different things with the offense or with our technique," Quinn said of Vaas and Weis.

There's also recruiting coordinator/ wide receivers coach Rob Ianello, who has helped Weis land 12 verbal commitments thus far. But Ianello came to Notre Dame for a different reason.

"I think the opportunity now to take Notre Dame to have its rightful place in college football was too great of an opportunity to pass up," he said.

Playing catch-up

Many major Division I college football programs have breathtaking facilities. Take Syracuse, a 2003 Irish opponent. The Orange has a computer cluster for its student-athletes as well as a cafeteria all in the same building as its weight room, meeting rooms and more.

And at Notre Dame, thanks to a donation from Jon E. and Flora Guglielmino, the Irish were able to enter the facilities race.

The Guglielmino Athletics Complex opened earlier this month on the campus, adjacent to the Loftus Center. It houses the football locker rooms and coaches' offices. Its facilities are state of the kind, with a brand new weight room, training room, recruiting lounge and meeting rooms.

"We wanted a clean slate — new coaches, everyone's new, new facilities, new everything," Zbikowski said. "It's awesome," freshman Paul Duncan said. "Everything's right here. It's really nice."

Starting over

With 10 starters returning, the Irish offense is excited to get back on the field for a new season. Now that they have a new offense, it's another chance to show what they can do under the reins of Quinn.

"A clean slate, yes and no, just in the fact that we have a new offense, we have a new opportunity to execute the plays that we're given and the kind of mentality and the atmosphere that we're around," Harris said. "So it's a new slate, as far as a clean slate, I don't know if I'd call it that, but definitely a fresh start and a new opportunity."

And with only a week until the first game, the Irish offense is starting to feel better about its abilities.

"We feel very confident right now," senior wide receiver Maurice Stovall said. "We expect to win a lot of games and go out and compete everyday and we try to bring that to practice everyday, also. I like the way we're approaching the game now. Guys are more confident and we're going to be more effective this year."

Proving a point

For the past two years, the Irish have had disappointing seasons, with a 5-7 record in 2003 and a 6-6 record last season. This year's team is on a mission to show that is not the kind of team.

"If anything, we have to prove a lot to ourselves, each other, the coaching staff has been putting a lot of effort into it," Stovall said. "We had to prove a lot of times at practice and the hard days."

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Irish head coach Charlie Weis looks on during practice Aug. 16. Weis takes the helm after winning three of the past four Super Bowls as offensive coordinator with the New England Patriots.

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Notre Dame running back and projected starter Darius Walker runs through drills Aug. 16 at Cartier Field.

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Then Guglielmino Athletics Complex, a $21.25 million project, is Notre Dame's new state-of-the-art athletic facility.
Free Safety: Tom Zbikowski, Junior
A USA Today first-team All-American out of high school, Zbikowski didn’t see the field in 2003 but started all 12 games at safety last year, recording 70 tackles (37 solo), including a team-high nine against Michigan State last September.

Cornerback: Terrail Lambert, Sophomore
Nicknamed “Lamborghini” by his teammates, Lambert garnered All-Big East honors in track last spring in the 60-meter dash. While he did not see the field last year, Lambert was selected as an ESPN top 100 player (85) coming out of high school.

Apache Linebacker: Maurice Crum Jr., Sophomore
A Blue team starter at Apache linebacker in the annual Blue-Gold game last spring, Crum Jr. picked up three tackles in the contest. Crum Jr. did not play as a freshman.

Middle Linebacker: Corey M
Ready to step in at middle linebacker, M spent most of this time last year on special where he made 219 appearances, good highest on the team. Mays recorded 15 and picked up a pair of sacks in 2004.

Left Tackle: Ryan Harris, Junior
Winner of Notre Dame’s offensive lineman of the year award for 2004, Harris has started in each of Notre Dame’s last 20 games, including all 12 games last season and the final eight of his freshman year.

Quarterback: Brady Quinn, Junior
The leader of the Irish offense, Notre Dame is counting on the co-captain to take them to the next level for a sophomore quarterback last season, throwing for 2,586 yards and tossing 17 touchdown passes and 11 interceptions.

Wide Receiver: Maurice Stovall, Senior
A first team USA Today All-American out of high school, Stovall has played in 34 games over the past three seasons, including 11 starts. Stovall had 21 catches for 313 yards and one touchdown last season, and he reportedly enters this season 10 to 15 pounds lighter.

Left Guard: Bob Morton, Senior
A versatile, veteran lineman who has played both center and guard, Morton has started 22 of Notre Dame’s last 23 contests, missing only the Insight Bowl against Oregon State last December.

Right Guard: Dan Stevenson, Senior
Another Irish veteran offensive line, Stevenson started all 12 games last season to logging 40 special teams plays.

Fullback: Rashon Powers-Neal, Senior
The starting Irish fullback each of the past two years, Powers-Neal has been working with the tailbacks in his senior year and should contribute to the Irish backfield again this season.

Running Back: Darius Walker, Sophomore
After sitting out the season-opening loss to Brigham Young last year, Walker played in all eleven of the regular season games for the Irish, setting the Notre Dame freshman rushing record, racking up 786 yards and seven touchdowns.

IRISH 2005 OPPONENTS

Pittsburgh
Sept. 3
Head coach: Dave Wannstedt
Last year’s record: 6-6
Last game vs. ND: Nov. 13, 2004; Pittsburgh 41, Notre Dame 38

Michigan
Sept. 10
Head coach: Lloyd Carr
Last year’s record: 5-7
Last game vs. ND: Sept. 11, 2004; Michigan 20, Notre Dame 28

Michigan State
Sept. 17
Head coach: John L. Smith
Last year’s record: 11-10
Last game vs. ND: Sept. 25, 2004; Michigan State 24, Notre Dame 38

Washington
Sept. 24
Head coach: Tyrone Willingham
Last year’s record: 7-5
Last game vs. ND: Oct. 2, 2004; Notre Dame 38, Washington 3

Purdue
Oct. 1
Head coach: Dave Wannstedt
Last year’s record: 3-9
Last game vs. ND: Nov. 27, 2004; Purdue 41, Notre Dame 16

USC
Oct. 15
Head coach: Pete Carroll
Last year’s record: 13-0
Last game vs. ND: Sep. 4, 2004; USC 41, Notre Dame 10

Brigham Young
Oct. 22
Head coach: Bronco Mendenhall
Last year’s record: 4-8
Last game vs. ND: Sept. 4, 2004; Brigham Young 14, Notre Dame 10
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Strong Safety: Chinedum Ndukwe, Junior
A CBS Sportsline All-American out of high school, Ndukwe played in nine games last year, mostly on special teams, where he logged 87 appearances. Ndukwe played at both safety and linebacker during spring football.

Cornerback: Mike Richardson, Senior
A veteran in the Notre Dame secondary, Richardson has played in all 12 both games both of the last two years, including a team-high 245 special teams appearances in 2004. Richardson was credited with 33 tackles (25 solo) and intercepted a pass last season.

Will Linebacker: Brandon Hoyte, Senior
The leader of the defense, co-captain Hoyte is looking to best a solid 2004 season in which he posted a team second-high 78 tackles (38 solo), eight tackles-for-loss, three sacks and three forced fumbles. Hoyte played in all 12 games last year, including four starts.

Rice Tackle: Trevor Laws, Junior
Save MVP of the 2005 Blue-Gold Game, but freshman year with an injury but played games last year, recording 17 tackles (8 solo), recovery, two deflections and a sack against Young.

Left End: Chris Frome, Senior
A veteran defensive lineman, Frome started for the Blue team in the annual Blue-Gold game and turned in a four-tackle (two solo), two-and-a-half sack performance. Frome saw the field in seven games last year and five the previous.

Right Tackle: Mark LeVoir, Senior
A strong, experienced lineman, LeVoir has started each of Notre Dame's last 24 games, including all 12 at left guard in 2003 and all 12 at right tackle last year.

Wide Receiver: Rhema McKnight, Senior
The leading Irish receiver each of the past two seasons, McKnight is currently No. 7 in Notre Dame history in both receptions (98) and receiving yards (1,301). Last year, McKnight caught 42 passes for 610 yards and three touchdowns.

Wide Receiver: Kerry Hamilton, Senior
A veteran receiver with 11 catches last year, Hamilton has started in 54 of Notre Dame's 61 games. Hamilton has a career 51 receptions and 956 yards.

Tight End: Anthony Fasano, Senior
A candidate for the John Mackey Award (as the nation's top tight end), Fasano started nine games last season, posting a team second-best 27 catches for 367 yards and four touchdowns. Against Purdue, Fasano set an Irish tight end receiving yards record with 155.

Tyone Willingham got all the breaks during his first year as Irish coach in 2002. Charlie Weis won't be so fortunate. A brutal schedule including games against Michigan, Tennessee and USC will prove just how inexperienced the Notre Dame secondary is. But a loaded defensive line along with a talented, experienced offense will keep the Irish close in every game. Weis' savvy play calling will be a weapon itself and is worth at least two wins. But if the new coach and his squad find those breaks, this will be a magical season.

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Sizing up last year's performance

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Co-captain Brady Quinn, in his second full season and third overall under center, spearheads an Irish offense that returns 10 starters. On pace to break nearly every Irish passing record, Quinn will be instrumental in determining whether or not Notre Dame can best last year's 6-6 mark.

Co-captain Brandon Hoyte leads an inexperienced defense that was decimated by the pass last season. While many would argue he's already done so, Hoyte is eager to prove himself all over again.

by the numbers

Notre Dame's all-time winning percentage. The Irish fell just behind Michigan (.7459) last season.

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Super bowl rings owned by Notre Dame coach Charlie Weis. He won one with the New York Giants in 1990 and three with the New England Patriots.

Games Notre Dame will play against teams ranked in the pre-season top 25, including No. 1 USC on Oct. 15 at Notre Dame Stadium.

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Irish look to ‘twin towers’ Stovall, Samardzija

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Height is typically associated with the advantage it gives basketball players. But they’re not the only ones benefiting.

A pair of giants in 6-foot-5 receiver Maurice Stovall and Jeff Samardzija, in addition to 6-foot-2 Rhema McKnight, gives quarterback Brady Quinn a trio of tall targets.

Samardzija said Irish coach Charlie Weis is constantly looking for the mismatches that can lead to big plays — mismatches that are significantly easier to find when two of the team’s tallest players are lining up at wide receiver.

“Coach is real big with matchups around the field, and if he sees a mismatch between heights between a receiver and a [defensive back], he likes those things,” Samardzija said. “I think, in his eyes, he sees it as an advantage for the offense — if guys want to come up and press Mo, me or even Rhema, it’s going to be a little bit tougher, having 20-30 pounds on us.

“We do a lot of one-on-one and a lot of release drills,” Weis said, “and we expect big things from Maurice Stovall and [defensive backs] ‘Mo, me or even Rhema, guys want to come up and press Mo, me or even Rhema, it’s going to be a little bit tougher, having 20-30 pounds on us.”

Weis’ arrival has resulted in even greater fanfare for a wide receiver trio of tall targets.

“The position was depleted this year,” Zbikowski said. “Last year our secondary was one of the best in the country in pass defense and our pass defense was a lot better because we had 20-25 pounds on those cornerbacks. You might give some coaches reason to go into panic mode, and Weis has remained calm and steady throughout fall camp.

“We want to prove it to ourself,” Zbikowski said. “We want to prove it to the nation. We’ve got a lot of fresh faces on the team and we expect big things from each other.”

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Zbikowski leads inexperienced secondary

Defensive backs coach Bill Lewis must rebuild 116th-best passing defense

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When named head coach at East Carolina in 1989, Bill Lewis inherited a program that had won two of its previous three years to his hire. The Pirates had not been to a bowl game since 1978 and had earned a spot in a bowl game only twice since 1983 — a No. 20 ranking in 1983.

When he left East Carolina in 1991, he had just led the Pirates to an 11-1 record, a No. 9 final national ranking and a 37-34 victory over North Carolina State in the Peach Bowl.

Yet Lewis was a defensive coordinator with the Washington Redskins — the first-year Notre Dame defensive backs coach/assistant head coach (defense) — turning around a secondary that ranked 116th in the country in pass defense in 2004 is no small task.

“All of our guys, both older guys and younger guys, have a lot of work to do,” Lewis said.

But the secondary lacks severely in experience. Only two players in the Irish defensive backfield have ever started a college football game — Mike Richardson and Tommy Zbikowski.

The position was depleted even more this off-season with the transfer of junior cornerback Brian Moorman to Division I-AA Stephen F. Austin State University, Sophomore Junior Jabbie also switched last week from cornerback to running back.

“We’ve put in so much work. We’ve got a lot of depth chart, but Zbikowski and sophomore Anthony Vernaigle are the frontrunners for the free and strong safety spots, respectively. Richardson and sophomore Terrail Lambert, who never set foot on the field last season, have a hold on the two cornerback roles.

Zbikowski looks at the lack of experience as something that can be overcome in one way or another.

“We’ve got a lot of fresh faces that don’t have a lot of experience from last year,” Zbikowski said. “But if we start off good that confidence is going to build really fast.”

Though scanning the roster might give some coaches reason to go into panic mode, Lewis has remained calm and steady throughout fall camp.

“I’m obligated to help those younger guys,” Zbikowski said. “Those guys with that lack of experience in try to bring them up and help them as much as possible.”

Counting down the days to the Sept. 3 season opener against Pittsburgh since December’s Insight Bowl loss to Oregon State, Zbikowski is set on proving to the nation that Notre Dame is not the program its record might have suggested last year.

“We want to prove to ourself, Zbikowski said. “We’ve put in so much work. The coaches have put in so much work. We deserve to win.”

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Coming straight from Lollapalooza 2005, Cake has recorded smash hits such as **The Distance**, **Short Skirt/Long Jacket**, and **Never There**. Of their six CDs, three have gone platinum; Fashion Nugget, Prolonging the Magic, and Comfort Eagle.

With this spring’s chart-topping hit **Lonely**, Akon is a familiar name in the music world. His hits include **Locked Up, Ghetto**, the current hit with Baby Bash **Baby, I'm Back**, and his new single **Bananaza (Belly Dancer)**. Akon has also been nominated for a MTV2 Video Award at the 2005 VMAs.

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