Students celebrate Notre Dame’s 17-10 win over Michigan

By JENNY HAMES
News Writer

The usually deafening Big House was mostly silent Saturday.

Mostly silent, that is, except for the patches of hardcore Irish fans sprinkled throughout Michigan Stadium — cheering on Notre Dame in a win for the record books as Irish head coach Charlie Weis became the first Notre Dame coach in two back-to-back road games to start off a season since Knute Rockne in 1918. More than 111,000 fans in the Big House witnessed the historic victory. Tickets were hard to come by for Notre Dame fans who wanted to travel to the game, but senior Eric Stuvin, like hundreds of his peers, made it to Ann Arbor to cheer on the Irish.

“It was fun to hear the Michigan stadium go silent and only hear the Notre Dame fans cheering,” Sturton said. “It was really surprised, though, at how quickly our defense improved compared to last season and last game. I’m excited to see what happens when the whole team clicks at once against a tough opponent.”

Sophomore Tim Goldsmith, who watched the game at Notre Dame, said he was impressed with Weis’ coaching tactics.

“Our opening drive went well,” Goldsmith said. “(Weis) really held his own. He put pressure on the team rather than on him-

Frustrated Michigan fans watch Notre Dame fans celebrate an Irish touchdown during Saturday’s game at Ann Arbor.

ND, SMC offer hurricane aid and analysis

CSC hosts disaster relief academic forum

By KATE ANTONACCI
Associate News Editor

While the country — Notre Dame included — was stunned by the devastation Hurricane Katrina left behind, the University community was quick to act by jumping headlong into the aid and relief efforts.

The Center for Social Concerns (CSC) did its part by organizing a full day of events in both aid the efforts and educate the community about the issue. As part of Hurricane Katrina Response Day, the CSC hosted an Academic Forum for Disaster Relief Friday in the CSC Coffee House.

The event, moderated by Bill Purcell, associate director for Catholic Social Tradition and Practice at the CSC, featured four speakers: Justin Poche, a doctoral candidate in history, psychologist Len Harkins, economics professor Jennifer Warlick and Stephanie Williams of the local chapter of the Red Cross.

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The New Orleans District used

Loyola University New Orleans students socialize during an orientation and reception at the Loyola University Chicago campus after being relocated by Hurricane Katrina.

Saint Mary’s allows students displaced by storm to attend College

By MEGAN O’NEIL
Saint Mary’s Editor

While colleges across the country busied themselves collecting money and supplies to benefit Hurricane Katrina victims last week, Saint Mary’s took its response one step further and opened its enrollment to undergraduates displaced by the disaster.

College officials said they had developed an emergency admissions policy to assist students who were left without a school to attend after levees protecting New Orleans gave way Aug. 30, flooding the city.

Two such students, freshman Julie Prior and junior Vivian Mary Casey, had enrolled as of Friday.

“That was a decision reached by the president’s cabinet,” said Dan Meyer, director of campus ministry.

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Notre Dame community remembers Sept. 11 attacks

By MADDIE HANNA
Associate News Editor

Sept. 11 was not forgotten at Notre Dame.

About 150 students and community members gathered near the Clarke Memorial Fountain Sunday for prayer and reflection on the fourth anniversary of the World Trade Center terrorist attacks. The event was sponsored by the Department of Political Science, College Democrats, College Republicans, College Libertarians and Women in Politics.

Father Warner, who led the opening and closing prayers, shared the story of his visit to Ground Zero right after the attacks.

“It was an amazing thing to see the sorrow,” he said.

But the ceremony was not entirely about reflection. Political science professor Dan Lindley analyzed the U.S. response to Sept. 11, saying his main goal was to increase discussion on terrorism “to try and help people who died on Sept. 11 and make sure they didn’t die in vain.”

Lindley said viewing terrorism as a form of war offers a perspective many people do not consider.

“We live in such a luxurious
Everyday heroes

For those students from New York City or the Washington D.C. area, and those who lost loved ones on Sept. 11, 2001, yesterday was a day of mourning and remembering. I am from neither of these places. I have no personal ties with any one of the victims of 9/11. I am from Fayette County, Penn., about 45 minutes of winding, tree-lined mountain road away from the crash site of Flight 93.

On that fateful day, America was at first confused, then terrified and in shock. Many in America breathed a sigh of relief, believing they were safe, as they said prayers that a bare field was chosen instead of a town, or even a house. They thought of the goodbyes that a bare field would witness knowing they might not return to their loved ones. The 40 people who boarded the plane, but their potential to be the greatest symbolic heroes of Normandy. The brave soldiers in those situations were prepared and trained for the horrors they would encounter. They awoke those mornings knowing they might not return to their loved ones. The 40 people who overpowered the highjackers and sacrificed themselves to save those who lost loved ones on Sept. 11, 2001, will perform.

The field where they crashed will soon be the sight of a memorial. But it will never be able to fully thank them. The world may all fear to stop the evil and sacrificed themselves to save innocent lives just like that. But in doing this, they saved what had the potential to be the greatest symbolic loss of 9/11: the White House. But I do not think they thought of this as they changed the cockpit. They thought of the loved ones they called from the plane. They thought of the goodbyes sworn and hoped these would be made lies, not that they would be made heroes.

I was not chosen as the sight of final resiling place for these brave individuals. It was fortunate that a bare field was chosen instead of a town, or even a house. But now that ground is holy. And it will forever emanate the one question we must all ask ourselves: would we do the same thing they did in that situation?

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INSIDE COLUMN

QUESTION OF THE DAY: What did you think of the Michigan game?

Brock Sheehan
sophomore
Sarin

"Good job Notre Dame!"

Dave Brown
junior
Siegfried

"My favorite part was the garbage on the field."

Fernando Quijano
sophomore
Carroll

"It was awesome. We showed that we have not only offense, but also defense."

Matt Amadio
senior
Stanford

"Football...?"

Matt Williams-Kovacs
junior
Morrissey

"Tommy, you’re my hero!"

Joe Murphy
sophomore
Carroll

"I dunno... but I got a nice tan there."

OFFBEAT

Scottish team wins 2005 elephant polo match

BANGKOK, Thailand — Straddled atop bucking pachyderms and wielding long mallets, the Chivas Regal Scotland team clinched their second King’s Cup Elephant Polo title Sunday after scoring a golden goal in overtime to beat Thailand’s Mullis Capital 6-5.

Some 1,500 spectators came to watch the fifth annual charity game to raise money for Thailand’s National Elephant Institute in Lampang, Thailand. The tournament was held near Hua Hin, 80 miles southwest of Bangkok.

The game is played on a field 330 feet by 200 feet, roughly one-third the size of a horse polo field. A game has two seven-minute halves — known as chukkas — with a 15-minute interval. Three elephants form a team.

Chivas Regal, which won the 2004 tournament, was tied with Mullis Capital after the second chukka and scored the winning goal after two minutes of overtime, said Wanda Khunthipmark, a spokeswoman for the event.

Squirrel kills Topeka power TOPEKA, Kan. — A squirrel too curious for its own good caused an outage that left the Statehouse and other downtown Topeka buildings briefly without power Thursday, according to Ne expressly.

Company spokeswoman Gina Pozegg said the squirrel got into a power substation and was tracking different parts of a circuit, causing electricity to flow through its body and overload the circuit.

The power went out at 8:30 a.m. and returned about a half-hour later. Besides the Statehouse, two state government office buildings were affected.

In Brief

All Notre Dame faculty are invited to an introductory address from Provost Tom Burish today at 4 p.m. in DeBartolo 101.

A panel discussion titled “Why do people believe the UN?” will be held Tuesday from 4:15 p.m. to 5:30 in the Hesburgh Center for International Studies Auditorium. The event is sponsored by the Joan B. Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies.

The Saint Mary’s Student Government Association is hosting the State of the School Address, the student body president’s annual report on Thursday at 7 p.m. in Stapleton Lounge.

An exhibit entitled Two Italian Hardboiled: Sports Cars Clad by Scaglietti and Frua will be on display in the Snite Museum of Art Entrance Atrium Gallery until Sept. 18. The exhibit features a 1968 Ferrari and a 1955 Maserati. Admission is free.

Fiddler’s Hearth is hosting a “halfway to St. Patrick’s Day” Irish Fest Friday, Sept. 16 through Sept. 25 to raise money for the Red Cross Hurricane Relief Fund. Irish bands The Sprigs, The Bardic Apostles, The Fenians, Teada, Brock McGuire and local band Kennedy’s Kitchen will perform, and all have discounted their tickets to aid the relief. Fiddler’s Hearth is located in downtown South Bend at 127 N. Main. For tickets and information, call 232-2853.

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

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ROTC cadets salute the American flag during the National Anthem Friday morning at a Patriot’s Day ceremony at the Hesburgh Library Reflecting Pool. The vigil honored war veterans and victims of the Sept. 11, 2001 attacks.

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The attitude at the Hesburgh Library reflecting pool was somber Friday morning as Notre Dame and Saint Mary's students, faculty and staff and a handful of war veterans gathered to honor those who lost their lives in the terrorist attacks of Sept. 11, 2001 and those who have died in the following global war on terror.

The Army, Navy and Air Force ROTC branches jointly sponsored the fourth annual Patriot's Day ceremony as an "opportunity for the Notre Dame family and greater South Bend community to pay tribute to those innocent victims who died in the Sept. 11, 2001 terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center, the Pentagon and Flight 93, and to remember those who continue to serve in the armed forces of our great nation to fight the war on terror," Lt. Col. Ralph "Lefty" Guillette, W'84, C'87, said.

Guillette, a Saint Mary's senior, served as master of ceremonies for the vigil, which all ROTC cadets from each branch and about 50 civilians attended. The ceremony included an invocation and benediction from ROTC Chaplain Father Peter H. Barry, the playing of the national anthem, and words from guest speaker retired Lt. Col. Douglas Hemphill, C'71, who shared with the audience his thoughts on patriotism after serving in the Army.

"I believe we can't just allow circumstances to define patriot, or patriotism, or anything else for that matter," he said. "It is more basic and concrete than that."

Hemphill said children are taught about good and evil, a distinction that blurs as they grow older.

"[As children] we wanted so much for truth and goodness to prevail that we almost accepted the idea that the world would simply evolve into a kinder and gentler place," he said. "Some of us even dreamed we could transform evil through our own human actions. Sept. 11 and the events of the last four years contradict that dream. Certainly God can transform evil. I cannot. What I can do — what I have done — what you are doing — is to stand up to evil through patriotic service."

Hemphill called the Notre Dame environment a nurturing place for service where the call to serve can be heard "especially clearly," noting campus landmarks such as the Clarke Memorial Fountain, Holy Cross Cemetery — where several markers signal "the service of priests of the Holy Cross and Notre Dame community as military chaplains" — and the Basilica to prove his point.

"At Notre Dame, the idea of service presents itself in every thing. The words on the east entrance to our Basilica of the Sacred Heart call to us service — to God, Country, Notre Dame," he said. "And hearing the words God, Country, Notre Dame, it is difficult for any of us who wear a uniform not to think of a related call to service — to Duty, Honor, Country."

Hemphill also spoke of war veterans, both those who "served to the point of the ultimate sacrifice" and those who "returned home to continue quietly serving society." Several such veterans, including Ralph "Lefty" Guillette, were in attendance at the ceremony.

"Ceremonies like this are important to show that the youth we have, that are so often degraded and insulted, care about being patriots," Guillette said. "Inside, we're just as proud of this country as we were in my generation, the 'Greatest Generation.'"

Hemphill spoke of the 'Greatest Generation' as well, and called the uniformed students in attendance to serve as their fathers and grandfathers did.

"What makes this commemoration so special is this: if you look around, I think you will see next to you the people who will become the Greatest Generation. Your membership in the ROTC programs imposes on you a call to serve where the call to serve is especially clear," Hemphill said. "It is as well a call to vigilance. It is a call to responsibility. It is a call to stand and protect."

Guillette, who served in the Korean War and was wounded during one of two long tours in Vietnam — totaling 24 years in service — said he feels the Notre Dame cadets answered this call and will continue to remember why it is important to serve.

"We talk about 'remember the Alamo,'" he said. "Now we've got to say, 'remember 9/11.' That's the thing the military teaches you — how commitment and devotion always stay with you, you're born an American."

Guillette, 75, said he understands the community atmosphere and spirit of service at Notre Dame — he is a student at the University.

"I am so proud to be a part of Notre Dame's campus but even more proud to be a student at Notre Dame," he said. "I look at Notre Dame like the Marine Corps — semper fi, always faithful. There's no middle road for ND or the Marine Corps, you either love 'em or you hate 'em. You have to be a part of it to appreciate it."

Guillette and several other veterans teared up at several points during the ceremony, most noticeably when two cadets played Taps across the reflecting pool.

"We can go to ballgames and take our children to parks without fear because people died," Guillette said. "If I was 20 years younger, I'd be proud to go to Iraq. OK, maybe 30 years younger.

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Cross.

Purcell introduced the forum by asking the students, "What's the response for Hurricane Katrina? How do we use our minds and bodies? What are the ways we can respond?"

Poche said, "The New Orleans area, often called the Big Easy, was the first city to represent the city of the lower classes, the middle classes and the upper classes."

"It's nice to do something to help. It's nice to do something to give to someone. It's nice to do something to help someone. It's nice to do something to give to someone. It's nice to do something to help someone.

Len Hickman, professor of history at the University of New Orleans, said, "I think the history of the New Orleans area is a place that has often generated more light than heat."

"It is only now in the wake of a national tragedy that we appreciate some of the nuances of the New Orleans area, like many places in the world, a move towards the urban underclass from rural areas into the cities — which led to limited housing, raised rents, overcrowded schools, persistent violence and high prices," Poche said. "Superheroes were formed, where the lower class and minorities often lived.

There was a reinforced insulation of the communities from the rest of the New Orleans area as a place that has generated a lot of light.

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New Orleans tries to rebuild
City turning a corner two weeks after tragedy; death toll remains uncertain

Associated Press

Louisiana State University Fisheries agency, was among those returning for the first time since the storm.
"They wouldn't let us in before, but we made it now and we could drive all the way here with no problem," he said.
Kristian Sommier, 35, drove through the muck to his home, broke through its water-soaked door and was almost knocked off the porch by a swarm of gnats and flies.
"I'm glad I got the chance to come back finally and see what the damage is," he said after collecting a few things. "It's looking better. But anything is better than how it was."
Bush planned to spend the night aboard the USS Iowa Jima, an amphibious assault ship anchored in the Mississippi River in front of the convention center, where thousands of people waited in squalls for several days before being rescued. The vessel is serving as a control center in the relief efforts. On Monday, the president planned to tour the devastated town of Gulfport, Miss.
The Louis Armstrong New Orleans International Airport reopened for cargo traffic Sunday, and limited passenger service was expected to resume Tuesday, airport Director Roy Williams said.
Williams said he expects about 30 departures and arrivals of passenger planes a day — far below the usual 174 — at the airport, where a week ago terminals became triage units and more than two dozen people died.
Starting Monday, owners of businesses in the central commercial district will be able to get temporary passes into the city so they can retrieve vital records or equipment needed to make payroll or otherwise run their companies, said state police spokesman Johnny Brown.

ISRAEL

Israeli troops pull out of Gaza Strip

Associated Press

NEVE DEKALIM, Gaza Strip — The last Israeli soldiers began driving out of the Gaza Strip in large convoys early Monday, as the last of the flag-waving Palestinians police took over the abandoned position of the last Israeli soldier. The historic pullout from the coastal territory after 38 years of occupation.
Some 1,500 Israeli troops left in Gaza began driving toward Israel and the last Israeli soldier was to be out by daybreak. Meanwhile, Palestinian police on foot and in buses moved into the abandoned Jewish settlements, accompanied by cars carrying civilians who honked horns and waved flags.
Palestinian forces in red berets planted their flag in what was once the largest Jewish settlement in Gaza. Neve Dekalim. Hundreds of Palestinians celebrated, beating drums and marching toward the settlements. In the abandoned Morag settlement, the synagogue was set on fire. Mosques blared chants praising the "liberation" and fireworks lit up the sky.
"It is only the first step to more liberation... tomorrow we liberate all of Palestine," Gaza resident Mohammed Khamish Habbush shouted into a mosque loudspeaker.
Late Sunday, Israeli troops had lowered their national banner in Neve Deikalim, snapped farewell pictures and closed army headquarters, which were left intact for use by the Palestinians.
In a somber farewell ceremony, the Israeli commander in Gaza, Brig. Gen. Ari Kochavi, expressed hope the pullout would be a step toward peace.
"The gate that will close behind us is also the gate that will open," he said. "We hope it will be a gate of peace and quiet, a gate of hope and goodwill, a gate of neighborliness and if a bad wind breaks through then we will greet it with a force of troops ready and waiting."
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the software of the Advanced Circulation Model (ADCM) to design the city's levees. After Hurricane Betsy caused massive destruction in New Orleans, engineers decided to update their models.

The model provides information on how structures will react to storms of different intensities, Westerink said.

"The major problem is that it requires a great deal of prepara­tion, and that has not been coming. We are running out of risk they are willing to take. The design storms were Category 3. There is now a Category 5 storms, and the levees held.

"While the government does fund the current research needed to produce the city from hurricanes, Westerink said increased funding is needed.

The engineering costs to provide protection from a Category 5 storm would be $2.5 billion, he said. In the context of engineer­ ing, this is not an extraordinary cost. A major bridge costs $1 bil­lion to construct, and the Big Dig in Boston will require $11 billion.

"You can see how the storm has taken some lives, which of course is irreparable, and will now cost billions of billions of dollars in reconstruction," he said. "And that doesn't even account for the emotional stuff.

The software measures how fast water flows, how high it flows and where it will flow. There are also components that track the flow of pollution and sediment.

Westerink came up with the ADCM with Rick Lindley and a fellow roommate during their first year of graduate studies at MIT and now a professor at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill. The pair has actively worked on the model's development since com­pleting graduate-school more than 15 years ago.

"As is true with any successful partnership, the collaboration is not always smooth," Westerink said. "But it has allowed the model's development since complet­ing graduate school more than 15 years ago.

This boldness can be exempli­fied by the efforts in southeast Louisiana, Lindley said.

"The model was used to determine flow structures at scales of meters in the context of processes extend­ing over hundreds of kilometers is monumental," he said. "Dr. Westerink has doggedly pursued this application and should be widely recognized for his efforts. "To design the model needed for these simulations, the scientists and engineers working in Westerink's Computational Hydraulics Lab must use applied mathematics, computer science, coastal oceanography and applied engi­neering.

The model relies on the prin­ciples of conservation of mass and conservation of momentum, which are formulated into differential equations to describe the physics of a coastal ocean.

"The heart of the model changes differential equations to algebraic equations that can be solved by computers," Westerink said.

The mathematicians involved in the ADCM model also deter­mined that the calculations for one storm require 128 to 512 comput­er processors working simultane­ously.

"We work on the biggest computers the Department of Defense has in the world, so the time to do it is months," Westerink said. "Such intensive calculations take months to do on one computer."

While the public's attention is now focused on the southeastern region of the United States, the ADCM model is applicable to any region. It is currently in sim­ulations for the Persian Gulf, the Mediterranean and the East and West coasts of America.

When reconstruction of New Orleans begins, Lindley said, Westerink's model will once again be employed to give engineers a better under­standing of the natural forces they will face.

"It's human nature to learn from our mistakes," he said. "And sometimes it takes a tragedy for us to make our engineering systems safer.

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situation," Lindley said. "We fight wars in other people's territory. We don't realize how much our actions are impacting the other side. Until you understand war is fairly common, 9/11 becomes a part of the fabric of history.

Lindley said he did not want to diminish the magnitude and impact of the attacks, or their vicious and cruel nature.

"This is what war is," he said, citing the German blitzkrieg during WWII and Iran's invasion of Kuwait.

"The scale of war is often vast," Lindley said. "Women, children, non-combatants are rarely spared. That's nothing new. Civilian innocence is a timeless theme.

Lindley believed the "emotion­alization" resulting from 9/11 caused "inefficient, unsafe policy results ... that emboldened the Bush administration and neutered Democrats.

Lindley urged the crowd "citizen-soldiers" to participate politically to combat America's vulnerability after Sept. 11 and the more recent Hurricane Katrina.

"All you citizen-soldiers should go out, do what you can in public discourse debates," he said. "Let's focus on the real problem here, in a real way."

After Warner's closing prayer, the Clee Club sang "That's My Stamp Spanned Banner.

Students had mixed reac­tions to the event.

Senior Aimee Shields said she wished more students would have attended, but thought the fact Sept. 11 fell on a Sunday was part of the rea­son for low attendance.

However, she applauded the speaker's "acknowledgment of the four political parties groups" and the importance of electoral participation.

"It kind of inspired me to think of war as something different," Shields said. "I was actually going to ask questions about it and not just accept what he said.

Sophomore Andrew Hartnett, who attended in the memory of his mother—a Flight attendant on Flight 11 from Boston—said he wished the event would have focused more on the anniversary of the terrorist attacks on Sept. 11.

"I don't think there was enough room," sophomore Andrew Hartnett said. "I don't think today is a day for politics, the present or the future—but it's about four years ago, the families and loved ones of the lives that were changed forever. It's about what America stands for and what was lost that day.

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**Gas prices reach all-time highs**

**LOS ANGELES** — Damage to Gulf Coast refineries and pipelines by Hurricane Katrina pushed retail gas prices to historic highs in the past two weeks, with self-serve regular averaging more than $3 a gallon for the first time ever, according to a nationwide survey released Thursday.

The weighted average price for all three grades surged more than 38 cents to nearly $3.04 a gallon between Aug 26 and Sept. 9, said Trilby Lundberg, who publishes the semi-weekly Lundberg Survey, according to a survey. Midgrade was pegged at about $3.11, while premium grade was at nearly $3.21.

"That's thanks to Katrina," Lundberg said.

The spike occurred despite declines in the cost of crude oil in recent weeks.

The hurricane deimated refineries along the Gulf Coast, cutting 13 percent of the nation's refining capacity for all petroleum products and shutting down essential pipelines to the East Coast and elsewhere, Lundberg said.

**Murdoch News makes acquisition**

**NEW YORK** — Rupert Murdoch's News Corp., made its Internet acquisition in the Internet sector Thursday, agreeing to pay $650 million in cash for online video-game company IGN Entertainment Inc.

The purchase comes on the heels of News Corp.'s $290 million cash deal to acquire InterNxt Media Inc., owner of the popular social networking site MySpace.

Murdoch told investors in a conference call late last month that he intends to make a strong push in building up his company's Internet presence, saying online businesses would be a "major part" of the future growth of his media empire.

The acquisition of IGN, which is based in the San Francisco Bay Area, was made by News Corp.'s newly formed online unit, Fox Interactive Media.Scout Media.

**Clinton offers advice to China**

Former U.S. President urges toleration of economic dissent as wealth grows

**WASHINGTON** — China will have to tolerate more dissent as its economy grows and challenges the United States, former President Clinton said Sunday.

Clinton, who is on a four-day visit to China, also said he would have raised the case of a Chinese journalist imprisoned for allegedly leaking state secrets to foreigners when he spoke at a conference on Saturday, but he had not been aware of the issue until Thursday.

Clinton delivered the keynote address at a conference hosted by Internet powerhouse Yahoo Inc.'s new Chinese partner, Alibaba.com., at the eastern resort city of Hangzhou.

"The French media watchdog group Without Borders said Chinese authorities' treatment of the journalist Shi Tao, who wrote an e-mail about media restrictions and the use of information provided by Yahoo, had been renewed 10 years in prison under the country's vague state security laws.

The group said court papers showed Yahoo Holdings (Hong Kong) Ltd., part of Yahoo's global network, had failed to respond to complaints.

"But it's absurd, isn't it," a Chinese host said, according to the survey. Midgrade was pegged at about $3.11, while premium grade was at nearly $3.21.

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**U.S. gave unnecessary 9/11 loans**

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The government promised banks a hands-off approach in its oversight of nearly $5 billion in Sept. 11 recovery aid to small businesses. What it got in return was numerous loans to companies that didn't need terror relief help even know they were getting it, The Associated Press found.

"Had we known it was 9/11 money, we would have bowed it out," said John Adams, a vice president of Brankle Brokerage and Leasing Co. in New York, who didn't know until informed by AP that his company's 332 million was being removed from his bank by a program created by Congress to help economic victims of the 2001 terror attacks.

"We would have chosen some other avenue. That money surely could have been used by people who needed it more than we did," Adams said.

His company wasn't alone. From Dunkin' Donuts shops and florists to pharmacy dealers and entrepreneurs, businesses nationwide said they were unaware of their loans had been drawn by their banks from the low-interest, government-guaranteed Sept. 11 loan program.

The records obtained under the Freedom of Information Act also show that many other loan recipients who made cases they were injured by Sept. 11 were far removed from the direct devastation of New York City and Washington, like a South Dakota country radio station, a Virginia Islands perfume shop and a Utah dog boutique.

"You have to take it luck and give it to us. Even now, I could use it," said Mike Yagudayev, who said the government offered him only $20,000 of the $70,000 loan he requested to rebuild the hair salon flattened by the collapse of the World Trade Center's twin towers.

The Small Business Administration, which oversees the two Sept. 11 loan programs, said it first learned of the problems through AP's review and was weighing whether an investigation was needed. But officials also acknowledged they intended to target the post-Sept. 11 aid broadly because of the enormous impact the attacks had on the U.S. economy.

"We started seeing business in areas you wouldn't think of — tourism, crop dusting, trade and transportation. ... So there were a lot of examples you wouldn't think of, at first blush," SBA
Displaced

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Saint Mary's vice president for enrollment management, Dan Meyer, said initially some admissions offices were hesitant to accept additional students because they would have to start the semester the very next day.

However, after working with The National Catholic College Admissions Association and seeing the great need, Saint Mary's decided to accommodate stranded undergraduates.

"I think we really felt from a moral standpoint that this was something that would make sense for us to do," Meyer said.

College officials said they wanted to make the process as simple as possible and acknowledged the tremendous difficulties the incoming students had already faced.

"Under the new policy, qualifying students will be admitted as visiting students, defined as those attending on a temporary basis until they're able to return to their original place of enrollment," the College said in a statement. "Visiting student enrollment is based on the availability of classes and the college's ability to offer coursework suitable to her intended program of study.

Displaced students will be charged tuition equal to that of their original institution, the statement said. If students had already paid tuition to their intended school, no additional tuition would be charged by Saint Mary's.

Prior, originally from Chicago suburb Lincoln Park, was looking forward to her first weekend at Tulane University when Hurricane Katrina bore down on New Orleans.

"I had moved all of my stuff in on Saturday and by four we were told that we had to evacuate the school by six," Prior said.

She and her fellow students were given three evacuation options — leave immediately with their parents, remain in the city with a local family member or friend or board a University-provided bus to Jackson State University in Jackson, Miss.

Almost nobody opted to stay, Prior said.

"My parents and I went back to our hotel room and at 5 p.m. we decided to start driving," she said.

With all her belongings still in her fifth floor dorm room, Prior and her parents made their way to Mississippi. They called their airline and arranged for flights out of Memphis, Tenn. to Chicago for the following day.

Back home, Prior kept herself updated on the status of the school through an emergency Web site the University established. The school remained largely dry as it is located upriver, she said. Once it was clear Tulane and the College were staying, Prior said she was hoping to see at least what Tulane is like.

"Prior said. "They are opening second semester.

Coney is in a New Orleans native and a nursing major at Holy Cross College of New Orleans, a small commuting school. Only a sudden opening in Saint Mary's popular nursing program allowed her to enroll. Coney was not available to comment, but Meyer said she is living off campus while attending Saint Mary's.

"A little later in the semester, she will decide whether to officially transfer and finish her degree here," College spokeswoman Melanie McDonald said.

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Martin hits high note with film

‘Shopgirl’ demonstrates actor’s versatility as writer, producer

Associated Press

TORONTO — More so than perhaps any other time in his career, Steve Martin has a film that showcases his versatility.

“Shopgirl” started with Martin’s prose, his best-selling novella about a depressive wallflower pursued by a rich older man and an awkward young slacker. It comes to the theater via Martin’s own screenplay adaptation, which turned a highly internalized tale with minimal dialogue into a camera-friendly story.

It also features one of the finer in Martin’s growing range of quiet, restrained performers in Martin’s growing screenplay adaptation, which helped stitch together a pitch-into-a-camera-friendly story.

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‘Exorcism’ combines courtroom and horror

Film bends genres to boost box office sales

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — The Exorcism of Emily Rose, based on the true story of a rancher who solve a murder, opened well in limited release, with $1.0 million and a per theater average of $7,264. Meanwhile, “The Constant Gardner,” starring Ralph Fiennes and Rachel Weisz and based on a John le Carre novel, moved to fourth place in its second week. The film took in $4.8 million, bringing its total to $19.1 million, while playing on fewer than half the number of screens given to “The Exorcism of Emily Rose.”

Dergarabedian attributed the popularity of “The Exorcism of Emily Rose” to its genre-bending style.

“It has a lot of very interesting elements that make it not your typical horror movie,” he said.

The film’s debut marks the third biggest September opener, behind “Sweet Home Alabama” and the first “Rush Hour.” Rory Bruer, president of distribution for Sony Pictures, called the opening “phenomenal.”

The movie cost us less than $20 million to make. We would have been very happy had the picture opened to $15 million,” he said.

Raunchy summer comedies like “The 40-Year-Old Virgin” and “The Wedding Crashers” also continue to boost the sagging box office.

Still, overall revenues for the year are down about 6 percent and attendance is down about 9 percent.

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Campus Ministry
Coast Guard duties multiply

Associated Press

ABOARD JAYHAWK 6028 — Petty Officer Wayne Weschrek thought he'd long ago put the dangerous stuff behind him. Yet here he was, aboard a Coast Guard helicopter hovering at 30 feet.

Weschrek, 28, clipped a metal cable onto his flight jacket, the instructor gave a final tug to his flight suit, and Weschrek slid out, riding the cable to the ground below at the Coast Guard's Cape Cod air station.

Eight years ago, after his daughter was born, Weschrek transferred out of the Coast Guard's law enforcement side, from ship boardings and drug interdiction missions, and became an environmental officer, a "duck scrubber" who contained oil spills and saved wildlife.

Then came the 2001 terrorist attacks. The Coast Guard became the nation's largest Homeland Security agency and Weschrek's duties changed again. He became a boarding officer, a member of the armed teams that search foreign ships entering U.S. ports.

The Coast Guard's duties are growing faster than its ranks and officers like Weschrek who were saving seals, breaking ice or repairing harbor lights are being retrained.

"If you're part of the Coast Guard today, you have to understand that we have two priorities: search and rescue and security," said Capt. Peter Boynton, commander for all of Long Island Sound, which includes Weschrek's unit based at New Haven, Conn. "We still do everything else, but those are the main acts."

Today, "everything else" includes helping victims of Hurricane Katrina. Rescue crews on other Jayhawk helicopters were among the first to respond and the Coast Guard is credited with saving thousands from rooftops of flooded homes in New Orleans. Coast Guard personnel also run medical centers and head up shelter operations.

And on Friday, Coast Guard Vice Adm. Thad W. Allen was named to replace Federal Emergency Management Agency Director Michael Brown as commander of the New Orleans relief efforts.

Deer hunter goes on trial for six murders

Associated Press

HAYWARD, Wis. — A deer hunter went on a rampage last fall, killing six hunters and wounding two others, after he felt insulted, a prosecutor told jurors Saturday. The defense said Chai Soua Vang felt physically threatened by a group of white hunters who taunted him with racial slurs.

Vang's attorney, Steve Kohn, said Vang, 36, of St. Paul, Minn., started shooting because he believed another hunter fired at him first.

"You will hear him telling you that he felt he was under siege," Kohn said during the opening day of the trial in Sawyer County. "He knows he was shot at by some very hostile individuals."

Earlier, prosecutors said Vang fired first because he was angry the others were disrespectful to him and said they would report him to state game wardens for trespassing. Assistant Attorney General Roy Korte said.

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Wong, a National Guard marksman who has hunted deer since 1992, told investigators he got lost chasing a wounded deer and crawled into a tree stand on private land, where Terry Willers found him, the jury was told.

Willers asked him to leave, and one victim ran nearly 500 feet before being shot, Korte said.

Korte denied the hunters used racial slurs, though he said one hunter, Robert Crotteau, got angry and used profanity. Kohn described a different confrontation in which the white hunters repeatedly used racial slurs against Vang, an ethnic Hmong who came to the United States from a refugee camp in Thailand in 1980.

"There is no question that race and racial prejudice played a part in the interaction between these individuals," Kohn said.

Vang is charged with six counts of first-degree murder and three counts of attempted murder. If convicted, he faces mandatory life in prison. Wisconsin does not have the death penalty.

Vang, dressed in khaki shirt and pants, showed no emotion as the attorneys gave their opening statements to the all-white jury. The trial is expected to last two weeks.

Vang, a National Guard marksman who has hunted deer since 1992, told investigators he got lost chasing a wounded deer and crawled into a tree stand on private land, where Terry Willers found him, the jury was told.

Willers asked him to leave, and other hunters soon arrived and called Vang derogatory names, Kohn said.

Crotteau, one of the property's owners, rushed to confront Vang, Kohn said.

"He starts laying into him. Foul language, racial epithets, and he is physically threatened," Kohn said.

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**Belfast militants riot in streets**

Associated Press

BELFAST — Protestant extremists attacked police and British troops for a second straight night Sunday, littering streets with rubble and burned-out vehicles in widespread violence sparked by anger over a restricted parade. More than 40 police were wounded in the weekend mayhem.

Crowds of masked men and youths confronted police backed by British troops in dozens of hard-line Protestant districts in Belfast and several other towns. Gunmen opened fire in at least two parts of the capital Sunday night.

Nobody was reported shot, but overnight, homemade grenades wounded a half-dozen officers during clashes Sunday night with a 700-strong mob in east Belfast, raising the number of police wounded over the past 36 hours to above 40.

Police advised drivers to avoid Protestant parts of the city, where thousands blocked roads and lobbed the grenadiers a range of other objects at police equipped with helmets, body armor and flame-retardant jumpsuits.

Officers doused crowds with massive water cannons and fired several hundred blunt-ended plastic bullets.

Chief Constable Hugh Orde, commander of Northern Ireland's mostly Protestant police, blamed the Orange Order — a legal brotherhood with more than 50,000 members — for inspiring the riots. The violence began Saturday when police prevented Orangemen from parading near a hard-line Catholic part of west Belfast.

But police and analysts claimed the march provided a pretext for Northern Ireland's two major outlawed Protestant paramilitary groups, the Ulster Defense Association and the Ulster Volunteer Force, to launch a pre-planned rebellion against police authority. Their current desire for street mayhem reflects their near-total disconnection from the province's decade-old peace process.

The UDA and UVF are supposed to be observing cease-fires and disarming in support of Northern Ireland's 1998 peace accord, just like the outlawed Irish Republican Army, now in militant Catholic areas.

But while the IRA has built a major base of support through its Sinn Fein party and has grown central to ongoing negotiations on Northern Ireland's future, the Protestant paramilitary groups have failed to win electoral support and barely register in political talks. Instead they wield power through criminal graft backed by occasional intimidating shows of force.

These days, while IRA veterans are being encouraged to pursue their aims through polities and appear poised within weeks to resume disarmament, the UVF and UDA are openly fighting to keep control of criminal empires — a future challenged by the police and the wider peace process.

Orde said members of both the UVF and UDA, which wield authority in different Protestant districts of Belfast, were orchestrating attacks. He cited the rioters' access this weekend to stockpiles of gasoline-filled bottles, homemade grenades and assault rifles. Police seized a bomb-making factory and seven firearms during the riots.

"We are very lucky we do not have dead officers this morning. It's a tribute to the way they responded and it's a tribute to their tactics," Orde said before rioting resumed Sunday night.

In one particularly blatant sign of outlawed groups' involvement, masked and armed men stopped cars Sunday and checked drivers' licenses at a police-style road checkpoint near the Mount Vernon neighborhood in north Belfast, a UVF stronghold.

Such demonstrations — which have been carried out by both the IRA and Protestant outlaw groups during previous flashpoints of Northern Ireland's 53-year-old conflict — are designed to mock police authority.

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**Hong Kong Disneyland suffers cultural setbacks**

HONG KONG — Many in Hong Kong are ready to give Mickey Mouse a big hug for bringing Disneyland to them. But not dog-lovers, shark-defenders and fire-works foes.

The opposition may seem odd, in a Chinese city where fireworks are a fixture, shark fin soup is largely popular, and stray dogs are summarily dealt with as health hazards.

But eight years after the British colony was returned to China, the capitalist city is much closer to the Communist mainland, and advocacy groups are vocal.

To start with the sharks: Disneyland said it was merely trying to honor local custom by selling shark fin soup at weddings in the park that opens Monday. But environmentalists protested that shark populations are being depleted by the fishing industry, and Hong Kong's government, the biggest investor in the US$3 billion park, said David Ketchum, a top-level decision was made before tossing the fish back into the park that opens Monday. But not dog-lovers.

"As the Australians say, 'The tall poppy gets the chop,' " Orde said.

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Army general is face of control in ravaged New Orleans

Lt. Gen. Russel Honore told troops to turn down their weapons in respect for a stranded, stunned population

Associated Press

NEW ORLEANS — To troops, he’s the “Ragin’ Cajun,” an affable but demanding general barking orders to resuscitate a drowning city. To his country, he’s an icon of leadership in a land hungry for a leader after a hurricane exposed the nation’s vulnerability to disasters.

With a can-do attitude and a cigar in hand, Army Lt. Gen. Russel Honore arrived after Hurricane Katrina and directed troops to point weapons down in respect for a stunned and stricken population lacking food, electricity and safety.

Each morning, Honore (pronounced Ahn'-ur-ay) boards a Blackhawk helicopter at Camp Shelby in Mississippi, 100 miles north of New Orleans, for a humanitarian mission as head of the military’s Joint Task Force Katrina.

Honore was born at home 57 years ago during a hurricane, his mother and an uncle always told him. He grew up poor in Lakeland, La., west of Baton Rouge, with 11 siblings, once winning a 4-H contest with the family’s lone dairy cow, Wessie.

His daughter and friends live in New Orleans. As a child, he spent two weeks at Charity Hospital, where Katrina’s flood waters trapped doctors and patients, after he was hit in the head with a baseball bat.

Stepping into a crisis that has drawn criticism of leaders at every level of government, Honore was praised for his compassionate approach to residents and his colorful bursts of instructions to troops, delivered in a Louisiana drawl with spits of profanity for emphasis.

“He’s a man of action,” said Maj. Gen. Bill Caldwell, commanding general of the 82nd Airborne Division in Fort Bragg, N.C. “He knows the area, understands the people and doesn’t take no for an answer.”

Honore has won over even some of the government’s harshest critics, including New Orleans Mayor Ray Nagin, who blasted the Bush administration’s initial response to his city’s disaster.

“He came off the doggone chopper, and he started cussing, and people started moving,” Nagin told a radio station. “I give the president some credit on this. He sent one John Wayne dude down here that can get some stuff done.”

The 6-foot-2 three-star general points out that John Wayne was an actor. “I’m a soldier. You get what you see,” he said.

With his thick mustache and black beret, Honore has become one of the most visible figures of Katrina. On Sunday he appeared on both CBS’ “Face the Nation” and CNN’s “Late Edition,” where he defended giving food and water to people who are refusing to leave New Orleans.

“Right now, we want to make sure that we’re taking care of the people that are alive, and that we are treating them with dignity and respect, and we’re providing food and water for them,” Honore told CNN.

He views Katrina as an enemy that pulled a “classic military maneuver,” speeding toward land with overwhelming force, surprising and paralyzing the city and countryside and knocking out communications, electricity, water and roads in a “disaster of biblical proportions.”

In a journey dotted by fallen trees, Honore headed to Mississippi after the hurricane from an Atlanta base where he trains half the nation’s troops for Iraq duty.

Honore said it was as if he entered a football game to coach in which it was the “end of the first quarter and you’re down 25 to nothing.”

“You can’t win the first quarter in a disaster. It’s impossible to do it. You got to do the best you can. But you better win the next quarter, take care of the evacuees,” he says. “If the first quarter taught us anything, your plan is a plan but it needs to be executed.”

On paper, Honore’s authority is limited to the military but last week body recovery began after he complained loudly to those responsible for removing them.

“He’s intolerant of lackluster performance,” said Retired Gen. Charles E. Wilhelm. “He has high standards and he’s a sworn enemy of mediocrity.”

Outside the Superdome one day with flood waters in rapid retreat, Honore grew impatient when his truck was blocked. “There’s room to get by there,” he says. “Let’s go!”

“I don’t intentionally try to be tough. As long as the job’s getting done, I have nothing to say but praise,” Honore says. He likes the music of Tina Turner and B.B. King, along with country western tunes. He says he’d like to learn guitar someday.

In his garden are pumpkins, tomatoes, beans, peas, potatoes and peppers. He loves to cook and shares his vegetables with troops at barbecues.

This week, he’ll reunite with one of his four children, a son returning from Iraq after a year of duty. He also has a grandson.

He gets quiet when he talks about lives he has crossed in New Orleans, like the woman carrying twins, one slipping from each arm.

He feels lucky to be a general, despite “living in a fishbowl.”

The hurricane, he says, reminds him life is fragile and makes him glad he passed on more lucrative pursuits to serve his country.

“T’d rather be in the middle of the game, playing hard with little hope of winning than to be an observer,” he says.

No one calls him “Ragin’ Cajun” to his face.

“But the troops like it, so why not?” he adds.
Nation mourns fourth anniversary of Sept. 11 attacks
Memorial services held in New York City, throughout United States to remember those who lost their lives

Associated Press

NEW YORK — As if they were writing letters to a long lost friend, the brothers and sisters of Sept. 11 victims walked to the microphone, looked to the sky and tearfully told their siblings what had happened in the world since they died.

They talked about babies born, children growing up, and how much the victims were still missed.

"If you were here, you'd be so proud, so proud of Gabe and Madeleine," Francis Huffman told his brother Stephen, a 36-year-old Cantor Fitzgerald bond broker.

"If it's a boy in December, we're taking your name," said Nancy Brennan-Poultis, Peter Brennan's brother.

The siblings were among more than 600 people who read the names of the 2,749 victims who died four years ago when hijacked jetliners crashed into the World Trade Center. Tears sometimes swelled their words as they read the names, and relatives in the crowd bowed their heads and sobbed as the siblings spoke.

"You're still our hero. Please come home," said Nicholas Scoppetta, at a ceremony in Brooklyn that his firefighters who have gone to the Gulf Coast are "doing what this department does best, and that is saving lives."

Ron Edgerton, a Vietnam veteran and commander of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 2259 in Conway, Ark., salutes the U.S. flag during a Sept. 11 remembrance ceremony.

The four-hour ceremony came as Hurricane Katrina left Americans once again struggling with a catastrophe that caught the nation unprepared and left thousands of citizens dead and grieving.

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Viewpoint

The pursuit of ignorance

Three years ago, New York Times reporter Adam Cohen wrote a column titled "If the Big One Hits, New Orleans Could Disappear." In his remarkably insightful article, he noted that America's most "culturally rich city" was also "a disaster waiting to happen" because of its precarious position below sea level and in between Lake Pontchartrain and the Mississippi River.

In other words, as Cohen wrote in 2002, "If a bad hurricane hit... the city could fill up like a cereal bowl, killing tens of thousands and laying waste to the city's architectural heritage. If the Big One hit, New Orleans could disappear."

Well, the Big One did hit, and New Orleans did fill up like a cereal bowl. Worst of all, when this horrific episode in American history is all said and done, with tens of thousands of people could very well turn out to have lost their lives at the hands of "the Big One." The problem is, however, that the anxiety that has engulfed New Orleans for the past two weeks could have easily been prevented.

As Cohen noted in his prophetic story, Washington could have followed the lead of the Italian government, which invested over $3 billion into saving its own drowning city — Venice. In New Orleans, this could have been accomplished by various methods, including building a 30-foot wall across the city to hold back lake water or investing in eroding coastal wetlands.

What color are you wearing? It is proof of a base and low mind for one to say that, merely because the majority of the people.
I don’t read The Observer’s Viewpoint section often, and Friday’s disappointing presentation reminded me that The Observer’s editorial staff is so pretentious and self-aggrandizing that they were “insulted” by Notre Dame’s “Candle” television spot.

Although the ad doesn’t strike me as particularly hip, I think it does a fair job of demonstrating that Notre Dame is a school that recognizes that we are not self-made. It seems the editorial staff is too preoccupied with proving to their friends in the Ivory Tower that Notre Dame isn’t just a “football school” and, unfortunately for them, all that religious stuff doesn’t count if it’s not impressively ironic.

It’s too bad that Mr. Kearns and his friends in the theology department spend their time laughing at the simplicity of us “candle-lighting” Catholics, but the Notre Dame I love recognizes that there is profound theology at work in a simple “candle.” Maybe he should take a few classes with Professor Cavadini or Father Daley, I’m sure they can at least help him stop that nasty laughing habit. If not, at least helping him to see that theology is more than smart pants sniggering.

Stephen Sanchez

Ad shows ND’s shortcomings

What kind of image is Notre Dame selling in the new television advertisement? Is the University that provides higher education? Do they not highlight the wonderful faculty and service we have? It does not say what the school’s mission statement is. Instead, the commercial successfully sold an image of homogeneity. It perfectly depicts the lack of diversity at Notre Dame, which not only discourages those who cannot identify with the white, grey, and Catholic status quo to apply, but also shows disrespect to the minorities at Notre Dame. In this case, they are nowhere to be found in this 30-second television advertisement that is supposed to represent Notre Dame.

In the commercial, the white, grey, and Catholic audience lives in a middle-upper class suburban neighborhood. It says to students like the young woman in New Jersey, I hope that her four years of study at Notre Dame strengthen this awareness. And I think there is still hope for Mr. Kearns and the editorial staff of The Observer. The Mystery is waiting to encounter them too.

Stephen Sanchez
Class of 2001
Sept. 10

Advertising Notre Dame

Preserving faith Ad for core constituents

Perhaps the video advertisement shown during the Pittsburgh game is intended for a very specific audience which has been long neglected. The ad was not designed to attract prospective students or even their parents. There is certainly no shortage of applicants. Nor was it intended to demonstrate how smart we are in terms of campus athletics or what we contribute to society. In this case, there is simply no room for the other 7,000 applicants.

Shan-Jun Sarah Lin
Senior Division Committee Chairperson

Spot sends wrong message

The Notre Dame “Candle” video, shown during the ND-Pitt game, was an embarrassment to the University. First, the “institutional spot” is theologically unsound. The message— if you light enough candles, the payoff will be admission to Notre Dame—is what the German theologian Dietrich Bonhoeffer called the myth of “cheap grace.” It is a simplistic message with little university aspiring to greatness. One doubts that Notre Dame’s theology department, or its Campus Ministry, would support the theology underlying the video. It is unimaginable that Georgetown University or Boston College, Notre Dame’s peer institutions in the Catholic academy, would promote themselves in this fashion.

Second, the video mischaracterizes Notre Dame’s admissions process. From our own experiences, we know that admissions officers base their decisions on academic achievement—not on whom one knows, or how many candles one lights. The process is professional and correct. It is an insult to the Admissions Office to suggest otherwise.

Over 11,000 students apply annually to ND; fewer than 4,000 are accepted. Did God turn a deaf ear to the prayers of the other 7,000 applicants?

We speak from experience, having had one son admitted to ND and another not, plus a daughter applying this year. Our belief is, and our prayer is, that God will show our children, and us, what direction He wishes their lives to take—and that they will have the courage and grace to accept God’s will in their lives—whether or not that includes a Notre Dame education.

Kevin Kearney
Alumnus
Class of 1972, Master of Theology 1976
Sept. 9

Jack Frenema
Alumnus
Class of 1979
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Mary Mullaney
Alumnus
Class of 1973, Law Class of 1977
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Implications are demeaning

Whoever created and, worse, approved the insulting new 30-second ND ad understands neither Notre Dame nor Catholicism. It demonizes our religion and our University. A Notre Dame “higher education” does not mean to be preached around. Notre Dame is not an equal opportunity provider. It is an educational institution that provides a basic education through a professional experience. There is no obligation to accept any kind of student it wants, but these students will not accept the Notre Dame bubble. When they graduate, they will realize that there are many different kinds of people in reality. Not everyone shares the same worldviews, not everyone votes for Bush, not everyone is heterosexual, not everyone goes to church and not everyone can afford football tickets.

Kevin Kearney
Alumnus
Class of 1972, Master of Theology 1976
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Sept. 9

Mary Mullaney
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Donald P. Costello
Professor Emeritus (retired)
Department of English
Sept. 9
**Recipe Tips**

**Late night snacking**

By MAUREEN MALLOY
Scene Writer

Sometimes the best part about a fun night out is the cheesey breadcrumbs and pepperoni pepperoni that you and your friends will inevitably order at 2 a.m. But if you can't rattle off Papa John's number by heart or are listed as a preferred customer at Domino's, it might be time to mix up your late night feasting.

Instead of reaching for the phone book, serve up one or more of these treats to your friends, and you'll be almost as popular as Ben & Jerry. These recipes are easy to prepare and can be made ahead of time or whipped up quickly when you get home.

**Cold Sesame Noodles**

3 tablespoons soy sauce
2 tablespoons rice vinegar or white-wine vinegar
1/2 teaspoon dried hot red pepper flakes, or to taste
1 teaspoon rice vinegar
2 tablespoons sesame oil
1 teaspoon grated peeled fresh ginger
1/2 cup chopped green onions
1 pound linguine or lo mein noodles
1/2 cup sliced water chestnuts
1/2 cup sliced carrots
1/2 cup sliced water chestnuts
1/2 cup sliced almonds
1 cup white chocolate chips

In a saucepan combine the soy sauce, the vinegar, the red pepper flakes, rice vinegar, sesame oil, ginger, and green onions. Bring to a boil. Reduce heat and simmer until the noodles are al dente, 10 to 12 minutes. Drain the noodles and set aside. In a large bowl, toss the noodles and vegetables in the sauce. Let it cool slightly.

Serve at room temperature. Garnish with the sliced water chestnuts, carrots, and almonds.

**Sweet Nutty Popcorn Treats**

1/2 cup chopped pecans
1/2 cup chopped walnuts
1/2 cup sliced almonds
1/2 cup chopped peanuts
1/2 cup shredded semi-sweet chocolate
1/2 cup honey
1 teaspoon vanilla extract
1 cup margarine
1/2 teaspoon salt
1/2 teaspoon cream of tartar
1 cup whole milk

In a large saucepan, combine the sugar and milk. Bring to a boil, stirring constantly. Reduce heat and boil without stirring until a small drop of the mixture forms a soft ball when dropped in cold water. (This will allow the bread to lay flat when cut.) (This will allow the bread to lay flat when cut.)

**Butterscotch Chip Cookie Pie**

1 3/4 cups all-purpose flour
1 teaspoon baking soda
1/2 teaspoon salt
1/2 cup (1 sticks) unsalted butter
1/2 cup chopped pecans
1/2 cup chopped chocolate
1/2 cup chopped vanilla
1 egg
1 cup semi-sweet chocolate chips
3 tablespoons brown sugar, packed
1/2 cup chopped nuts

Preheat oven to 325 degrees Fahrenheit. Spray a 9-inch pie tin with vegetable-oil cooking spray, set aside.

In a mixing bowl, combine butterscotch chips, nuts, chocolate, and vanilla. Pour into pie tin. Bake until golden brown, about 12 to 15 minutes.

**iPod nano**

The iPod nano features a color screen, up to 14 hours of battery life and has a wide range of accessories. It is capable of holding photos along with music.

By RAMA GOTTUMUKKALA
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Apple's advertising juggernaut used a simple, undeniable phrase to turn the iPod into a household name and create a new product sensation: 1,000 songs in your palm of your hand.

Last week, the company took another giant step ahead of its competitors, offering up the latest gadget in the growing line of iPod portable digital music players — the iPod nano.

It couldn't be more timely (as the ad campaign insists), the newest iPod incarnation is both appropriately named and a technological marvel. The iPod has been on top of the digital music bill for so long that critics have raised concerns about Apple becoming complacent with its trademark brand. The recent release of the iPod shuffle hasn't helped matters. Although it was created by Apple for its miniature size, taking up the same space as a pack of chewing gum, not all buyers were impressed. Essentially a memory stick with a play button, the shuffle model didn't push the envelope for functionality.

Enter the iPod nano. Apple wisely chose to apply all the styled features that made the original iPod and iPod mini models so successful. The iPod nano is smaller than a business card and thinner about a No. 2 pencil. Essentially, it's an ultra-slim version of the 20 and 40 Gigabyte (GB) iPod models, forced into an appliance that can be twisted in between a person's fingers.

The click wheel, a staple feature for previous iPod models, has been applied to the nano as well. Featuring a click wheel, most models only available in the most recent iPod models, and a battery life maxing out at 14 hours, the nano is the latest whiz creation from a company that has made the iPod its bread and butter product.

The color screen is an especially nice touch for the nano. Not only does it beautify the overall aesthetic nature of the model, but it allows album art to be shown on-screen during music playback. And as an added bonus, users can take entire digital photo graph collections with them. Up to 25,000 photos can be housed in the nano's tiny package.

While a few aesthetic and functional changes have been made to the iPod nano, most of the features are familiar to current iPod owners. The headphone port has been moved to the bottom of the unit, the tiny hold button on the top face of the nano.

But a few gimmicks have been thrown into the mix that are exclusive to this model. A stopwatch feature has been added; letting users keep track of run or lap times. Finally there's a new Screen Lock feature, letting owners lock the iPod content with a four-digit code, deterring prowlers from discovering socially embarrassing songs.

The iPod nano comes in two different sizes — 2 GB and 4 GB — and lets buyers pick between two available colors, black or white. Deciding on a starting price of $199, Apple has carefully maneuvered the nano to fill the void vacated by the iPod mini, a model the company discontinued to create more market space for the latest iPod manifest as a new generation of music players. The iPod nano gives musicphiles plenty of room to grow, as well as a whole new platform to play videos files. While both iPod families will continue to wait for that leap in portable entertainment, the nano gives musicphiles plenty of reasons to rejig their music.

A smaller, sleeker device, the iPod nano will further cement Apple's deserved stranglehold on the portable music battleground. It's only appropriable that the product responsible for creating an entire company continues to be the pinnacle of cool functionality.

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Irish Insider

Not since Lou

Weis, Notre Dame take Big House 12 years after Holtz's Irish last invaded

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By KATE GALES

ANN ARBOR, Mich. — The 111,386 spectators packed into Michigan Stadium Saturday were silenced with an efficient opening drive orchestrated by Notre Dame quarterback Brady Quinn and kept quiet by an aggressive Irish defense. No. 20 Notre Dame never trailed on its way to a 17-10 victory over No. 3 Michigan, and the Irish won in Ann Arbor for the first time since 1993.

The Associated Press now has Notre Dame ranked No. 10 in its most recent poll.

"I waited in the crowd out of the game," Irish coach Charlie Weis said of the opening drive. "You'll notice this was a no-huddle offense, but this was not a hurry-up offense. ... It was just so that we could take the noise out of the game.

The last time Notre Dame beat Michigan in Ann Arbor was on Sept. 11, 1993, when then-head coach Lou Holtz guided the Irish to a 27-23 win.

Quinn noticed a difference in the stadium's noise level from his last visit in 2003, which resulted in a 38-0 Wolverine drubbing of the Irish.

"Somewhere it didn't seem as loud, and I think that had something to do with the way we came out," he said.

The 12-play opening drive, which didn't use a third down, was run without a huddle until the final scoring play, set the tone for the game — although the Irish would score just one field goal in the second half. As the Irish offense slowed its output, the defense stepped up against a potentially explosive Michigan team that never found the end zone until late in the fourth quarter.

"Everyone had this game pegged down as an offensive team versus an offensive team," Weis said. "I told those guys this morning, you never know how the game is going to be played.

With a 17-3 score in the fourth quarter, the Irish were far from secure in their lead. Michigan nearly cut the lead to seven in the fourth quarter after cornerback Ambrose Weekes forced Jason Avant out of bounds at Notre Dame's 1-yard line after a 54-yard reception.

As the crowd anticipated the Wolverines' first touchdown, Irish defensive tackle Brian Rudzitis forced a Notre Dame fumble on second down. Free safety Chinedum Ndukwe recovered it for a touch- back and ran out of the pile holding the ball high. Though the referees initially ruled that Michigan retained possession, instant replay determined Ndukwe had fumbled.

"I know (Ndukwe) had it," Weis said. "I knew that he was in the end zone. So I'm saying that's our ball, it's a turnover.

The call went in favor of the Irish, and the Wolverines failed to get into the end zone in a game that saw them convert 0-of-3 attempts in the red zone — all three situations coming in the second half.

Henne finally found the end zone with a 25-yard pass to Mario Manningham with 3:47 on the clock. But the Irish defense stiffened any Wolverine hopes, forcing a turnover on downs after a Notre Dame punt.

Notre Dame's defense began the second half with a forced turnover, as well. Strong safety Tommy Zbikowski intercepted Henne at the Notre Dame 1-yard line, ending a 14-play Wolverine drive and returning the ball to the Notre Dame 28.

"That interception down close, that was a critical play of the game," Weis said. "There was a lot of momentum and that interception just changed the whole momentum back and just got the game back under control.

Michigan nearly regained that momentum after a Darius Walker fumble in the fourth quarter. The Wolverines had the ball on the Notre Dame 5-yard line, but an Irish defensive stand forced Michigan to turn the ball over on downs.

Defense was key to the Notre Dame victory, but Weis was careful to credit special teams and the offense as well.

"I don't look at it just one aspect of the team," Weis said. "I'm proud of the way the defense stepped up today. The special teams were challenged with (Michigan returner) Steve Breaston and they stepped up today.

Quinn went 19-for-30 with 140 yards, two touchdowns and no interceptions. Irish running back Darius Walker led all rushers with 104 yards on 26 carries and added five receptions for 22 yards.

On the Michigan side of the ball, Henne completed 19-of-44 passes for 233 yards and Kevin Grady rushed for a career-high 79 yards after starting running back Mike Hart left with a hamstring injury in the first half.

Notre Dame wide receiver Rhema McKnight scored Michigan's only touchdown on a 1-yard pass from Quinn via a tip by Michigan linebacker Chris Graham.

Earlier in the second quarter, Wolverines kicker Garrett Rivas nailed a 38-yard field goal to put Michigan on the board.

Despite a second-half barrage from the Michigan offense, the much-neglected Irish defense was able to keep the lead for the rest of the game. After the Wolverines gave up the ball on downs with 1:52 to play, time expired and the battered defense could finally relax the moment, as the noise came from ecstatic pockets of Notre Dame fans in the Big House.

"That's some big-time hitting going on out there — it was an extremely physical game," Quinn said. "We were fortunate where our defense was doing the majority of the hitting.

Saturday's 17-10 decision was only the seventh home loss for Michigan head coach Lloyd Carr in his 11-year career.

"I'm proud of our team. I'm proud of the coaching staff, I'm proud of the players," Weis said. "This is a tough place to win. We came in here and walked out of here with a W — we've got to be happy.

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Fulfilling the Irish potential

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ANN ARBOR, Mich. — Corey Mays leapt over a Michigan defensive lineman, crashed into the backfield and hastened Wolverine quarterback Chad Henne.

After four years in a reserve role, the Irish fifth-year player has spent his previous four seasons playing mostly on special teams. He had done little else besides that.

"I really can't tell you what's different," Mays said. "I just made some more plays."

Hoye made many of those plays while reviewing a team-high 12 replays. However, as a team captain with 15 tackles, Hoye is one of the reasons for the dramatic change from the 2004 season to the present.

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Team adjusts to game use of instant replay

By KATE GALES

Sports Editor

ANN ARBOR, Mich. — Two of the most important decisions in the game didn't even happen on the field. Instant replay was an important factor, overturning two key calls in favor of the Irish.

In the fourth quarter, Chinedum Ndukwe's goal-line recovery for the Wolverines during Notre Dame's 28-20 win over Michigan in 2004 was nullified by a replay. The overturned touchdown was the last of Michigan's 1998 season, the Wolverines' last home loss for Michigan in 1998, in a 38-16 win over Michigan State.

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A game expected to showcase two high-octane offenses instead turned into a scrappy defensive battle. Safeties Tom Zbikowski and Chinedum Ndukwe each came up with critical turnovers along the Irish goal line. Brady Quinn kept his cool while evading a heavy Michigan blitz, and Notre Dame coach Charlie Weis drew comparisons to Irish legend Knute Rockne by winning his first two games on the road. The Irish beat Michigan at the Big House for the first time in 12 years and vaulted themselves into the Associated Press top ten with the victory.
Classic country sounds featured at concert

New bands add flair to Michiana radiostation's anniversary celebration

By LIZ BYRUM
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When you're heading to a show where the schedule of events includes a listing that tells what time the Miller Lite Beer Garden opens, you can't be exactly sure what to expect.

On Sunday, the St. Joseph County Fairgrounds threw open its gates to country fans of all ages and walks of life. To celebrate its 11th birthday, Michiana's top country station, B100.7 held its annual birthday party. There were quite a few give-away events on and around Notre Dame's campus in the past week, but only a few students were spotted in the crowd that filled the Centennial Wireless Festival Park.

Like every other country concert in the U.S., a wide range of people braved the heat and came out for the show. The group ranged from girls wearing J.Crew cowboy hats to old men sporting tattooed arms and real Stetsons.

This varied fan base that makes country music what it is today. It is a genre of music that addresses many serious issues, such as the terrorist attacks that happened four years ago, but also manages to keep things light with songs about hillbillies, cowboys and the comforts of the South.

The performers at the concert included up and coming acts such as Jason Aldean, Hot Apple Pie and Shooter Jennings, as well as veteran country artists such as Tracy Lawrence and the headliner, Tracy Lawrence.

In the opening acts, it was obvious that new sounds are coming out of today's country music. Singers and their bands are beginning to pull away from the "pop-country" hybrid that has propelled the industry in recent years.

Although some of the sounds coming from the stage during the concert were different than the audience was used to hearing, they seemed to be a welcome change.

Jason Aldean, a young singer raised in Georgia, was one of the first performers to hit the stage. He reached a low point in 2003 when he lost his recording contract and almost gave up on the music industry, but has been slowly inching his way up through the Nashville music scene since then. It wasn't until he released his song "Hillbilly" that he became a popular name in country music. The crowd at the concert today definitely showed him support by singing along to every word of the catchy song.

The band Hot Apple Pie seems to be making great strides in the area of "country groups." This band knows how to play real country, and they aren't afraid to show it. Unlike some of the other fairly new male country groups in the music industry today, such as Rascal Flatts and Emerson Drive, there isn't a hint of pop in their country twang (not that there's anything wrong with pop country). Hot Apple Pie was formed by lead singer Brady Seals in 2002. All of the band's members, which include Seals, Sparky Matejka, Keith Horne and Troy Landry, have had past experience in groups of their own, or in touring and performing with other country greats, such as Waylon Jennings, Travis Yearwood, Charlie Daniels and Lonestar. Seals was a member of the band Little Texas before he began to formulate plans for Hot Apple Pie.

The band choose their unique name because, as Seals said, "it means so many things. It means home, it means comfort, it means country, it means rock 'n' roll. And it's so American."

The band's self-titled debut album was released this past summer and includes the fan summer-time hit, "Hillbillies." Although this is a great song, it was not the best one that could be heard from the stage as the band played at the B100 concert Sunday. "Anabelle" was a great southern ballad that had the crowd swaying, and everyone seemed to enjoy the bouncing sounds of "We're Making Up."

The most interesting act at the concert may have been the son of famed country legend Waylon Jennings. While he is the son of a country legend, Shooter Jennings did not begin his music career in country music. He instead has slowly made his way from Rock 'n' Roll back to the music of his roots. After playing with a band called Stargunn for many years in Los Angeles, Calif., Jennings decided to turn his career around and work on the music that made him the happiest -- true, old-school country. With a band he calls the 357s, he has recently released his first full-length country album, titled "Put the O' back in Country."

That is exactly what Jennings wants to do. Some of the most descriptive lyrics in the song by the same name include "I'm rollin' like a freight train, country music's my only way, I'm playin' hillbilly music, like I was born to do / You know, it ain't country music you've been listenin' to."

With tons of great new music being showcased like it was in South Bend this past weekend, country fans definitely don't need to worry about the future of their favorite radio stations. The sounds may be evolving, but there's something about country music and the dedication of its fans that will never change.

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Johnson leads Yanks in classic over Red Sox

Lackey, Angels roll over White Sox; Rogers, Rangers top Oakland

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Randy Johnson glared at Johnny Damon, sending an early message. The Big Unit muttered when plate umpire Derryl Cousins didn’t give him balls and tapped his glove on his chest after strike-outs.

Pumping fastball at 99 mph and sliders that darted down, he put together his best performance of the season, and did it against the Red Sox with the Yankees desperately needing a win to stay in contention in the AL East.

Johnson gave up one hit — a single at that — in stifling Boston over seven innings. Jason Giambi homered off Tim Wakefield in the first on a curveball that just stayed fair, and Tom Gordon and Mariano Rivera staved off the Red Sox in a 1-0 victory Sunday.

“That’s the pitcher that everybody expected, and that’s the pitcher that I’d expected,” said Johnson, who improved to 4-0 against the Red Sox this season.

After the teams exchanged sloppy wins — 4-0 by New York on Friday and 9-2 by Boston on Saturday — they played nine crisp and tense innings. Wakefield pitched a three-hitter, and the Yankees allowed just two hits. New York had not beaten the Red Sox 1-0 in a homestand since Bay Window connected off Jose Santiago on May 11, 1968, according to the Elias Sports Bureau.

Seeking its eighth straight AL East title, New York moved within three games of the first-place Red Sox with three weeks left. The Yankees began the day 1 1/2 games behind Cleveland in the wild-card race.

The big thing was not coming in here and getting swept,” said Johnson, who struck out eight and walked two.

“For the most part, we did,” Giambi said. “We had chances to score but couldn’t do it.”

But Damon, who was on first after a single off Tim Wakefield in the first, said the Red Sox made the difference.

“A lot of it was timing,” Damon said. “Tim has a good breaking ball and he worked us well.”

The Angels improved to 4-0 against the Red Sox this year. He was only used to doing things like that.”

John Lackey pitched seven shutout innings and the Angels completed the three-game sweep.

“I think we just got pitches to hit and we didn’t miss them,” said Lackey. “We just got pitches to hit. We put the ball in play hard today.”

Vladimir Guerrero hit his 29th homer in the eighth to help the Angels win their fourth straight game, all on the road. After Friday’s 6-5 win in extra innings, Los Angeles outscored the White Sox 16-6 in the last two games. The Angels came into the game 10th in the AL in home runs.

Devil Rays 6, Blue Jays 5

Travis Lee hit a tying infield single with two outs in the ninth, then drove in the winning run on an 11th-inning grounder to help the Tampa Bay Devil Rays rally for a victory over the Toronto Blue Jays on Sunday.

Jose Guillot hit a leadoff single against Scot Schoeneweis (3-4) in the 11th. Aubrey Huff’s drive went to second on Aubrey Huff’s grounder before stealing third. Lee then hit a grounder to first, but the speedy Guillot beat Sheilah Hillebrand’s throw to the plate.

Tampa Bay right fielder Damon Hollins kept the game tied with a running catch on Dustin Adams’ drive near the wall in the top of the 10th. Eric Hinske, who was on first after drawing the ball, was doubled off on the ending.

Travis Harper (3-6) threw two scoreless innings for the win. The Devil Rays avoided a three-game sweep and moved to 23-32 since the All-Star break.

Blue Jays starter Gustavo Chacin allowed three runs and five hits in 7 2-3 innings, nearly improving to 4-0 in four starts against Tampa Bay this year. He struck out a career-high seven and walked one.

Jason Frasor got the final out in the eighth but Miguel Batista allowed two runs in the ninth for his seventh blown save in 34 opportunities.

Huff hit a RBI grounder off Bautista to get Tampa Bay to 5-4. He tied it with a two-out infield single, a high chopper to first that Hillebrand failed to field cleanly.

The Devil Rays improved to 4-7-6 when trailing after eight innings.

Hillebrand’s RBI double off Chad Orvella broke a 3-3 tie in the eighth. Aaron Hill made it 5-3 with a sacrifice fly.

Tampa Bay starter Casey Fossum gave up three runs in the ninth — two earned — and five hits in seven innings.
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United States prevails, reclama Solheim Cup

19-year old Creamer leads the Americans

Associated Press

CARMEL, Ind. — Juli Inkster saw flags waving, heard chants of "U.S.A." and felt a lump in her throat on the practice range, the intensity building before the first match Sunday in the Solheim Cup. She gathered all the American players she could find. With their hands together in a collective fist, they broke huddle with a shout that carried them to victory and kept their record perfect on home soil.

"FINISH!"

"That was our key phrase," Paula Creamer said. "They don't remember how you start, but how you finished." Creamer made sure the start went a message just as powerful.

The United States won back the Solheim Cup and picked up a new star alongside the 19-year-old rookie who all but guaranteed victory and then backed it up with a crushing win over Laura Davies that set the tone for an American rout in singles.

The finish turned out to be anti-climactic. The only match that reached the 18th hole was the last one, when Rosie Jones earned a halve with Suzann Pettersen. All that did was provide a final score for posterity.

United States 15 1/2, Europe 12 1/2.

"It's like a dream," U.S. captain Nancy Lopez said. "These players played their hearts out."

The matches were tied going into the last day for the first time in 11 years, but not for long. The scoreboard was awash in so much red that when Jones teed off in the final twosome, Europe did not lead in any match.

Creamer, who went through her high school commencement just four months ago, shot 30 on the front nine and buried Davies, 7 up, "You should never say anything you don't believe," Creamer said. "This is a week I'll never forget." Over three days, she was in the toughest matches and came through with clutch shots and fearless putting. She played all five matches and went 3-1-1, the biggest of all her rout against Davies. Starting with her opening birdie, Creamer was 7 under par through 13 holes. For the first time all week, the United States had the lead.

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The Houston Astros' Roy Oswalt pitches to the Milwaukee Brewers in the first inning Sunday during the Astros' 4-2 loss to the Brewers. Oswalt allowed four runs in six innings.

**Brewers 4, Astros 2**

Bickie Weeks doesn't always like being a cookie, but teammates reminded him Sunday that he is one. Weeks hit a two-run homer and Rick Helling pitched seven strong innings to lead the Milwaukee Brewers over the Houston Astros.

Helling gave up two runs in the first inning. Every other Milwaukee rookie starter has been forced to wear white Hoosiers tank-tops and tiny black shorts before the Brewers left for their road trip.

"I'm feeling good," Weeks said before putting on his new outfit. "I've been hitting the ball but I couldn't find a hole. Now I guess the holes are finding me."

**Braves 9, Nationals 7**

Andruw Jones and Chipper Jones made up for another poor outing by the Braves' bullpen. They hit consecutive homers off Chad Cordero with two outs in the ninth inning Sunday to give Atlanta a victory over Washington, which had rallied with a five-run eighth after John Smoltz left with tightness in his pitching shoulder.

For Andruw Jones, it was his second homer of the game and 49th of the season. He broke the franchise record of 47 shared by Hall of Famers Hank Aaron (1971) and Eddie Mathews (1953).

"All these records — I already proved what I can do this season. I just want to get it done, help my team, and get back into the World Series," Andruw Jones said. "There was a bit of frustration, but we came out on top, and that's what really matters."

Chipper Jones' two-run shot off Cordero (2-4) erased a 2-0 deficit for Atlanta — which led 6-2 heading into the bottom of the eighth. Andruw Jones followed by driving an 0-2 pitch to left.

Both came on fastballs, the pitch Cordiero has ridden to a franchise-record 44 saves.

"All the guys went out there today and battled all day, and I throw one inning and I blow it," Cordiero said. "I just want to throw stuff. I'm just upset."

**Cubs 3, Giants 2**

Neifi Perez hit a tiebreaking RBI double in the eighth inning against his former team, and the Chicago Cubs wrapped up a successful road trip with a victory over the San Francisco Giants on Sunday.

Jerry Hairston hit a two-out double against LaTroy Hawkins (2-6) — traded by the Cubs in May — before Perez lined a double to left for the go-ahead run.

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Federer defeats Agassi to win U.S. Open

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Andre Agassi has battled the champions of three eras — Pete Sampras, Boris Becker, John McEnroe — and now he puts Roger Federer above them all.

"He's the best I've ever played against," Agassi said after falling to Federer 6-3, 2-6, 7-6 (1), 6-1 Sunday in the U.S. Open final. "Pete was great. No question. But there was a place to get to with Pete. You know what you had to do. If you do it, it could be on your terms. There's no such place like that with Roger."

"He plays the game in a very special way that I haven't seen before," Federer, a player of panache and unparalleled perfection in finals, withstood Agassi's spirited upset bid to capture a second straight U.S. Open and sixth Grand Slam title.

Federer responded to his few moments of pressure by reeling off seven straight points in the tiebreak that turned the match around, then blew Agassi away in the fourth set to run his stunning record in finals over the past two years to 23-0. He has never lost in a major final.

"This is probably the most special Grand Slam final in my career," Federer said. "To play against Andre in New York, it's a dream.'

Federer moved into a tie with Becker and Stefan Edberg for Grand Slam titles among Open era players, and one behind McEnroe and Mats Wilander. Sampras holds the record with 14 Grand Slam titles, but at 24 years old Federer could well have a shot at that.

"That's fantastic," Federer said of tying Edberg and Becker. "I'm not thinking about it. It's not that far."

In Brief

Clifford wins U.S. Open, claims first Grand Slam title

NEW YORK — Kim Clijsters climbed a wall and, like a tightrope walker, inched along a railing high above the court. Fans reached out to help her, worried she might fall.

No way. On this night, everything was grand.

After coming up short in her first four tries and missing much of last year with a serious wrist injury, Clijsters finally won her first Grand Slam title Saturday night, crushing Mary Pierce 6-3, 6-1 at the U.S. Open.

"It's still very hard to believe," said Clijsters, who won $2.2 million, double the top prize and the richest payday in women's sports, because she won the U.S. Open Series leading up to the tournament, "It's an amazing feeling to have, especially after being out for so long last year. It means so much more."

When she hit a service winner on the second championship point, Clijsters dropped her racket and covered her mouth with her hands. Bonds to return to lineup tonight

SAN FRANCISCO — Barry Bonds looked upbeat and relaxed Sunday as he prepared to come off the disabled list and play for the first time this year.

Bonds will start in left field and bat cleanup when he makes his long-awaited return to the San Francisco Giants' lineup Monday night as they open a three-game series against the NL West-leading San Diego Padres at SBC Park.

Bonds took batting practice and shagged fly balls in the outfield Sunday. He joked around with Colins star Omar Vizquel and former teammate Jermaine Williams, traded to Chicago earlier this season.

He even shook hands with a baby.

"Right now, I'm just trying to keep my mind clear, that's it," Bonds said while quietly gripping his bat in his black Reebok in the corner of the clubhouse.

The slugger, coming back from three operations on his right knee since Jan. 31, has been eager for months to resume his quest of Hank Aaron's home run record.

Wheldon claims record sixth win of IRL season

JOLIET, Ill. — Dan Wheldon kept his composure through the tense moments and led the track with a record and, unofficially, a champioship.

Wheldon said an Indy car mark of 216.647 mph Sunday at the Chicagoland Speedway.

"It's difficult in this series," Wheldon said. "To have won six is a very proud moment for me. To win six races is something I'll look back on and think that was a strong season."

Wheldon beat Gaughan by about a hood's length.
No style points, but Georgia stays unbeaten

Associated Press

ATHENS, Ga. — They don't give style points in football. Good thing for Georgia.
The Bulldogs survived the return of Steve Spurrier to Sanford Stadium by the barest of margins. A touchdown wiped out by a penalty. A missed extra point. A failed two-point conversion.

If any of those things had gone South Carolina's way, Georgia might have gone the way of three other Top 10 teams over the weekend.

But, as coach Mark Richt frequently points out, it doesn't matter how your team looks as long as it wins.

"I've learned to appreciate every victory," he said, reflecting on Saturday's 17-15 victory over the Gamecocks. "I'm not going to apologize for it."

At least Georgia (2-0, 1-0 Southeastern Conference) didn't meet the same fate as Ohio State, Michigan and Iowa, teams that held down three of the top eight places in The Associated Press poll going into the weekend. All three lost and tumbled in the rankings Sunday.

Despite their less-than-impressive victory, the Bulldogs moved up two spots to No. 7.

"I'm proud of our guys," Richt said. "You always wonder how your team is going to react to some adversity. We were losing at the half, but the guys did a great job of doing what they had to do to win. Some people may just think it's a beautiful victory, but it is to me."

After accounting for six touchdowns in his first college start, quarterback D.J. Shockley had a rough day. The senior completed only 8-of-17 passes for 112 yards. He threw two crucial interceptions, one returned for South Carolina's first touchdown, the other picked off in end zone.

Still, Shockley came through on the biggest play of the game late in the fourth quarter.

With Georgia facing third-and-22 from its own 8, South Carolina was poised to get the ball back in good position to drive for a game-winning field goal. Spurrier, in his first year as the Gamecocks coach, was already chatting with his offense on the sideline, fully expecting the Bulldogs to be punting on the next play.

But Shockley connected with Bryan McClendon on a 27-yard pass along the sideline, allowing Georgia to burn more than 5 1/2 minutes off the clock. By the time the Gamecocks did get the ball, it was at their own 22 with just 1:11 remaining — too far to go, too little time.

"We should have won the game," Spurrier said. "We had our chances. There were a lot of ifs."

South Carolina 9-7 at halftime and would have been up by a bigger margin if not for a kicking breakdown and a questionable penalty.

After Johnathan Joseph picked off a tipped pass and returned it 42 yards for a touchdown, Josh Brown smacked the extra point off the upright to leave Georgia ahead 7-6. On South Carolina's next possession, Blake Mitchell directed a 12-play drive that consumed more than six minutes.

Mitchell appeared to finish things off by hitting Sidney Rice over the middle for a 20-yard touchdown. But the Gamecocks were flagged for an illegal shift, which left Spurrier shaking his head along the sideline.

South Carolina still had a chance to get back to the end zone, receiving an automatic first down at the 14 on a defensive holding penalty. Daccus Turman ran for 4 yards, but Mitchell threw two straight interceptions that brought on Brown for a 27-yard field goal.

Georgia relied on its defense and running game in the second half. Paul Oliver picked off a pass at the South Carolina 32, giving the Bulldogs six interceptions in the first two games — more than they had all last season.

Georgia receiver Sean Bailey, left, can't hang on to a pass as South Carolina's Chris Hampton attempts to break up the play in Athens, Ga. Saturday.
Redskins defeat Bears in season opener, 9-7

Three false starts kill Chicago’s final drive

Associated Press

LANDOVER, Md. — The Chicago Bears were driving in Washington Redskins territory in the fourth quarter, seemingly poised to make a winner of a rookie quarterback on opening day. Then, in one crucial sequence, the Redskins rattled the drive into oblivion. False start on Fred Miller. False start on John Tait. False start on Ruben Brown, Kyle Oseak and Marques Dendy. Suddenly, it was third-and-38.

The Bears’ last good scoring chance was over, and Washington’s defense showed it hadn’t lost a beat from last year in leading the team to a victory Sunday.

“[I] guess they know we’re a blitzing team,” Washington line­backer Marcus Washington said with a smile as he recounted the sequence. “A couple of times we’re looking like we’re going to come in, with one foot up and eyes big, and the next guy, they kind of panic a little bit, and they say, ‘This Washington defense is coming.’ Whatever it was, we were glad we were able to back them up a little.”

The Redskins allowed only 166 total yards, overcame three turnovers, were penalized only once and held the Bears to 9 yards despite a bulky brace on his left knee. A 52-yard second quarter reception by Santana Moss during the game Sunday afternoon.

New Orleans Saints. They’ll play this season for the victims of Hurricane Katrina, a burden they’ll carry every time they step on the field.

The Saints won Sunday for their delayed ‘stay’ and the displaced victims of the Gulf Coast region, getting two touchdowns from Deuce McAllister and a 47­-yard field goal from John Carney with 3 seconds left in a season-opening win over the Carolina Panthers.

“I think back of our minds, we know we have to give them one tiny bit of hope,” said New Orleans quarterback Aaron Brooks. “We have complete faith in what we are doing because every time we go out there, it is our job to give them hope that every day will be a better day.”

The Saints have visited shelters in Louisiana, Mississippi and Texas, spending time with fans who had lost everything. People were crying on his shoulder, saying they don’t know where the daughter is, where the father is, where the son is, where the daughter is.

Jacksonville 26, Seattle 14

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. — In his second career start with 161 yards rushing and a long reception, and a two-touchdown performance, redshirt freshman Mike Peterson grabbed the football, took two steps toward the sideline and leaped it as far as he could. His toss fell a few feet short of the end zone.

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The game plan is different with him, to take advantage of his speed,” center Jeff Hartings said. “I don’t know if there’s another running back in the league who can get down the sideline as fast as he does.”
Culpepper’s five turnovers doom Minnesota

Without Moss, Vikes fall to the Bucs, 24-13

Associated Press

MINNEAPOLIS — The Tampa Bay Buccaneers figured out how to stop the Vikings as they were lacking the past two seasons. That vicious, ball-hawking defense was just too much for them, as Daunte Culpepper and the Minnesota Vikings found out Sunday.

The Buccaneers forced five turnovers — including two interceptions by Brian Kelly — and pulled out a scrappy season-opening 24-13 victory over the New York Jets in Sunday's season opener.

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Young, No. 2 Texas knock off No. 4 Ohio State

Associated Press

COLUMBUS, Ohio — Vince Young did what star quarterback backs do, pausing his team to a victory, and making the Texas Longhorns look as if this could be the season they come up big in the biggest of games.

Best known for his highlight-reel runs, Young threw a 24-yard go-ahead touchdown to Lklas Hew in the third quarter. Young’s second TD pass of the game made the difference.

"Sweat came off the ball real good and I threw the ball to the outside so he could go out of bounds or make the great play and Swoad made a great play for us," Young, who threw for 370 yards and led Ohio State to one field goal, said.

Young finished 18-for-29 and ran 20 times for 76 yards.

Trent was true to his promise, playing both the Buckeyes’ goal was to put an end to Young’s Heisman campaign. And while Rob Sims said.

"We gave it our all. We kept coming back. And our team won," Ohio State coach Jim Tressel said. "I thought he played a great game for us, and we made a lot of those poor decisions and bad throws — that have caused him to throw an interception and fumble recovery.

"I don’t think you ever silence the critics," Brown said. "They’ll be silent until next January."

"Hawkeyes guard Rob Sims said."

"I think we have to prove to critics that he can, indeed, win the big games."

Brown took a step toward shedding that tag by beating Michigan in the Rose Bowl and another big one Saturday night. And Brown was only a factor on special teams. He caught two passes for nine yards.

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Belles drop road game against Flying Dutch

Early morning road trip leads to sloppy play, 2-0 loss to Hope

By KYLE CASSILY
Sports Writer

The rigors of travel, time and a tough opponent caused the Belles trouble in a close-fought 2-0 defeat at the hands of the Flying Dutch of Hope College.

The game, played at noon at Hope, worked against the Belles even prior to the start of the game.

The long road trip in the early morning hours, along with the loss of an hour due to time zone differences, did not contribute to an energetic Saint Mary's soccer team entering the pitch.

These conditions would hinder even the most dominant team playing an inferior opponent, but the Belles were not playing a pushover — Hope is the cream of the MIAA crop and always a tough competitor for the women of Saint Mary's.

Belles coach Caryl Mackenzie was concerned that her players were not given the most ideal conditions to win a key MIAA conference game.

Hope just took advantage of the inhibiting conditions," she said. "They came with high energy, just out-possessed and out-played us in the first half."

The Flying Dutch registered their first goal shortly after the opening whistle, tickling the twine at the eight minute mark. Hope's Kristin Kremar dribbled the ball into Saint Mary's penalty box and shot a cross over the middle to Lineae Klopnmaker. Klopnmaker headed the ball towards the back post, driving past the Belle's Laura 15 yards out for the score.

"The first goal was really great," Mackenzie said. "It was really hard to stop it, just how well it was timed. We did not defend it very well — it was a bit of a breakdown defensively for us."

Hope's control of the game did not end following the quick tally — 38 minutes later the Flying Dutch added the insurance goal. Sarah Cochrane noticed the tally unassisted past a paring Belles defense.

The Belles reversed the flow of the game once the second half began, but could not put the ball past Hope goalkeeper Holly Nestle (seven saves on 10 shots).

"We kept pressing, pressing but couldn't put the ball in the net," Mackenzie said.

The Belles have been scoreless for the past 270 minutes of play, their last goal coming in a double overtime victory over SUNY-Brockport in the Marquette Classic.

"It puts more pressure on the forwards than I wanted to," Mackenzie said.

But that is not to say that there has been a lack of strong play from the Belles' attackers and midfielders. Carolyn Logan and Cat MacMillan tried to spark the fuses that would ignite a Belles' offensive explosion, but were unable to complete the feat.

On defense, Carrie Orr was the backbone for the defensive four that handled the Flying Dutch attack competently, along with goalstopper flinnet, but did not receive the support on offense necessary for victory.

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NCAA FOOTBALL

LSU opens season in wake of Hurricane Katrina disaster

Tigers' original first game was postponed after storm hit land

Associated Press

For LSU, football has a stark look this season.

"This is not a made-for-TV movie," coach Les Miles said. "This was a real-life trauma where friends and family had to stay in the dorms and the town swelled to take in the New Orleans evacuees. We are treating people that are injured and disadvantaged 200 yards from our stadium. We have a scrimmage, and Blackhawk helicopters are flying people from New Orleans over our heads."

The fifth-ranked Tigers traveled halfway across the country to play their "home" opener Saturday night — a 35-31 victory over No. 15 Arizona State in Miles' debut as LSU's coach.

The game should have been the second season in Baton Rouge, La., but Hurricane Katrina washed out the opener against North Texas last Sept. 3. A week later, the Tigers were in Tempe, forced off campus by the influx of people who turned the town into an at-large sectional hotel.

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Irish take first in Valpo Invitational

Freshman Rodriguez finishes second to lead Notre Dame to win

By CHRIS KOREY
Space Writer

Chris Rodriguez started his college career with a bang. The freshman finished second overall with a time of 26:01 to lead Notre Dame to a win at the Crusader Invitational Friday at Sunset Hills Park in Valparaiso, Ind.

Rodriguez attributed his success to continuing to feel strong deep into the race. "I was feeling good, so I tried to go as fast as I could, and it worked out," he said.

Although it didn't show in his performance, Rodriguez said the transition from five-kilometer (3.1 mile) races to eight-kilometer (5 mile) races was difficult. "Going from 5K to 8K is a huge difference," he said. "I definitely felt it when I got to the 5K point.

"Going from 5K to 8K is a huge difference," he said. "I definitely felt it when I got to the 5K point. I felt like I should be done, but I was only a little over halfway."

Rodriguez said the longer distances have been noticeable in practice as well. "I put in the work this summer to prepare, but training has still been hard," he said.

Irish coach Joe Piane sent a young squad to the meet in order to gain depth and rest front-runners Tim Moore, Kurt Benninger and Kaleb Van Ort, among others. Notre Dame did win the six-team meet with a score of 26 points, besting second place Oakland by nine points. Rodriguez led the way, but only 11 seconds behind him was Irish sophomore Zach Eitemer, who finished third. Four more Irish runners finished in the top 10: sophomore James Millar took sixth, sophomore Brett Adams was seventh, sophomore Dan Bradley placed eighth and freshman Mark Moore finished ninth.

Rodriguez said the freshmen mainly ran together apart from the upperclassmen in pre-season training in order to ease their transition to collegiate distances. He said that because of this, he didn't realize how fast he and the others had become.

"I wasn't running with the top guys. Instead I was running with the freshmen, so I didn't have anyone to compare myself to," Rodriguez said.

Oakland runner Adam Freerze was the individual champion, but fourth runner Paul Kulesh could not catch the Irish pair of Millar, Adams, Bradley and Moore, and the Golden Grizzlies fell to second place.

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ND WOMEN'S CROSS COUNTRY

Young team gets third at Valpo

Underclassmen gain experience in year's opening competition

By RYAN KIEFER
Space Writer

Late summer heat and inexperience took their toll on the Notre Dame women's cross country team Friday at the Crusader Invitational.

The Irish tallied 72 points to match last year's third place finish in the event, but coach Tim Connelly was not pleased with his team's results.

"This definitely was not our best effort this afternoon," Connelly said. "We've trained a lot better than this, and we were disappointed at the way things turned out."

The Irish chose to send their younger, less experienced runners to Valparaiso in an effort to build their confidence and give them the opportunity to race.

Notre Dame's top runners continued to train over the weekend.

Junior Ann Mazur was the first Notre Dame runner to cross the finish line with a time under 23 minutes, 30 seconds for the six-kilometer course. Other Irish runners who finished in the top 20 included freshman Brecca Brannigan, who finished ninth in her first collegiate race (23:35), sophomore Julie Ojet (16th, 23:44) and sophomore Alyson Parker (19th, 23:52).

Lynx King, the lone competitor with significant outdoor experience, finished 25th. The senior competed in her first race in several months after sustaining an injury during the track season.

Connelly said that the heat adversely affected his runners at the race worse. Temperatures approached 80 degrees by race time Friday afternoon.

"We told them not to go out so fast because of the heat. They did," Connelly said. "They got in trouble in the middle part of the race and had to deal with it. Some of them were able to compete and fight it, others weren't."

Connelly saw a few bright spots in Friday's race, including the performance of his top two finishers, Mazur and Baum.

"I felt like the race that Ann and Becra ran, but as a group, we should have done better," Connelly said.

The Irish coach felt his team was physically ready to succeed at Valparaiso, but also said that the intense training, combined with a lack of experience, may have been reasons for the subpar performance. He said his runners were not rested entering the meet.

"We showed a lot of heart, especially on Saturday," Schroeder-Biek said. "We had good spirit and focus.

Saint Mary's volleyball

Belles take fifth at Wonder Wave

Saint Mary's bounces back from two opening losses with three wins

By RYAN KIEFER
Space Writer

The Saint Mary's volleyball team's performance at the Wonder Wave Tournament this weekend was most accurately summed up in one word. Resilient.

After losing their first two matches of the tournament Friday, the Belles roared back to secure three straight matches Saturday, capturing fifth place out of eight teams.

Belles coach Julie Schroeder-Biek was proud of her team's weekend effort.

"We showed a lot of heart, especially on Saturday," Schroeder-Biek said. "We had good spirit and focus.

Saint Mary's opened the tournament by facing undefeated Mt. Vernon. The Belles lost in three straight games, 20-16, 30-11, 30-15. Schroeder-Biek said her team was somewhat flat in the tournament opener.

"We didn't step it up like I thought we could," she said. "Our serve reception was off, and when you can't pass the ball effectively, it's difficult to get an offense going."

The Belles next faced perennial power Muskingum. They lost in three straight games, 17-22, 30-24, 30-24.

Schroeder-Biek said her team picked up its level of play for the second match and dominated well, but it wasn't enough to win.

Following two Friday losses and facing a three-game losing streak, the Belles reocused and set new goals for Saturday's contests.

"After losing the first two matches, the best we could do was fifth," Schroeder-Biek said. "We made that our goal for Saturday, to finish as high as we could.

The Belles pulled together Saturday morning, opening with a three-game sweep over Bluffton. The Belles won 30-23, 30-19, 30-23.

The Belles next faced the host Bluffton Beavers in a four-game match over Point Park, 26-30, 30-25, 30-16, 30-16.

"We showed a lot of perseverance," Schroeder-Biek said. "We stuck to our goals and pulled together as a team. Everyone played for their teammates.

Schroeder-Biek felt that her team's balance over the weekend was one of their strong points. Statistics from the weekend support her case.

The Belles had three different players lead in kills (Krisen Pflaume with 59), digs (Michelle Turvey with 57) and assists (Amanda David with 132) over the weekend.

Saint Mary's will look to continue its three-match winning streak when it hosts conference foe Olivet College Tuesday.

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Mattia paces Saint Mary's in mostly large school tournament
grams that took part in this weekend at the Notre Dame Invitational, not including the host of Division-I programs that took part in the tournament. Unfamiliar territory, uncomfortable temperatures and unexpected illness all provided extra difficulty for the Belles, who accepted an invitation to be the only Division-III team at the annual event, hosted by the Notre Dame women's golf team.

Saint Mary's finished in last place out of 17 teams at the invitational, which Notre Dame won. The Irish finished nine strokes ahead of the runner-up, the University of Toledo, which was followed by Georgetown in third place.

The weekend marked the fourth time in six years that the Irish have claimed the title at their home tournament.

Five Saint Mary's women competed in the 54-hole tournament, which took place at Warren Golf Course, but senior and co-captain Nicole Bellino was forced to withdraw before the third round due to illness.

Senior Megan Mattia led the way for the Belles, finishing in sixth place overall with scores consistently in the mid-90s. Kirsten Fantom, also a senior and co-captain for Saint Mary's, showed scars that reflected the general trend of the team.

Fantom struggled in the first round, finishing at 94, but improved her score by nine strokes in the second round.

"Overall, I think we were pretty proud of sticking it out," Fantom said. "I think we expected our numbers to be a little lower, but we shouldn't be ashamed at all of how it ended up."

The invitational marked the first of its kind in which the Belles have competed, being a three-round tournament taking place over two days. And the Warren Golf Course, located just northeast of campus, provided a challenge in itself for Saint Mary's, which initially struggled on the greens. Their scores reflected the level of confidence they were able to gain after having played a round on Saturday.

"Once we got over getting used to the greens we were able to get down our scores," Fantom said.

The team went from an over-all score of 369 in the first round to 350 in the second round. The Belles were hindered in yesterday morning's third and final round, having only four golfers after Bellino withdrew. The team finished the last round with a score of 374.

If there was one factor that the Belles did not let get to them, it was the level of intimidation that comes with being the only Division-III school up against 16 D-I programs.

"Although Saint Mary's finished in last place in the tournament, they were in no way a blown out of the water by the competition. They were, for the most part, able to keep up with all of the teams in the tournament.

"I think it's good every once in a while for Division-III teams to play bigger competition," Fantom said. "There's no reason to feel intimidated, because we're a good team overall. These girls are almost all scholarship — we just play for the love of the game."

The 54 holes of golf that the women played this weekend should do well to prepare them for the first major competition of the year. On Wednesday, the Belles will travel to Calvin College to compete in the first MIAA competition of the season. Expectations will continue to be high for the team, which hopes to capture its fourth MIAA title in a row.

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NCAA FOOTBALL

Oklahoma struggles to replace former quarterback

Without 2003 Heisman winner Jason White, Sooner offense stalls

Associated Press

Perhaps now Oklahoma fans truly appreciate Jason White.

With the best quarterback in school history gone after six long years, the Sooners would probably do just about anything to have him — bad knees and all — back for a seventh season.

Neither of his two successors have been able to lead the Oklahoma offense with any level of success, and the No. 21 Sooners (1-1) decided a game and a half into their season that it might be better to go without the pass than to have either Rhett Bomar or Paul Thompson throwing the ball.

The Sooners had 42 yards passing in Saturday's 31-15 win against Tulsa, their lowest total since throwing for 38 yards against Syracuse in 1997. The

The Sooners had never thrown for less than 100 yards in Bob Stoops' 80 previous games as Oklahoma's coach. They had only 128 passing yards in a 17-10 loss to TCU in Week 1.

"We need to develop a passing game that our players can execute," Stoops said. "For whatever reason for the past two weeks, what we have been doing hasn't been productive. That is being about as kind as I can be.

"We are not going to continue to go through the year like this and not be able to throw the football some."

Adrian Peterson bailed out the Sooners against Tulsa, running for 220 yards on 32 carries with three touchdowns.

After going without a pass attempt in the second half against Tulsa, Stoops and offensive coordinator Chuck Long plan to thoroughly re-evaluate — and not just the quarterback. They'll also examine whether the team's three receivers can execute the same plays as three receivers taken in the NFL draft during the off-season.

"When we're as unproductive in two games as we've been, we have got to really be critical of what we're doing and what we're asking them to do," Stoops said. "Just because it's worked for us in the past, and it's worked well, doesn't mean it's going to work."

The coaches declined to say whether there might be another change at quarterback, but said the competition for the position will continue.

"We felt good about him being in there," Long said. "He's in command. He's good on the sideline. We wanted to keep that rhythm going if we could."

White, who would win the Heisman Trophy in 2003, threw for 343 yards when he made his first collegiate start in 2001 against Baylor, but by that time, he had already played in several games as a backup over the course of 2 1/2 seasons. Bomar's first start came in his second game, with a receiving corps that includes four freshmen.

"You can slice it every way you want, but we're young and starting over," Long said. "I thought these guys had a little growth.

Bomar was more confident than the coaches in his analyses of Oklahoma's passing game.

"We have the plays that will work and we know what to do," Bomar said.

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junior defender Kim Lorenzen, who was out with an injury. Despite this, Dew did not think her absence was the reason for the loss. "It didn’t really hurt us not having her in there," Dew said. "We still have a lot of depth."

Sunday afternoon was a different story, however.

Notre Dame returned to its winning ways, defeating Gonzaga 4-1 in the second game of the Santa Clara Adidas Classic. Leading the Irish were familiar faces Thorlakson, Hanks and Amanda Cinalli, who all scored goals in the win. All four goals were scored in the first half, as Notre Dame did everything in its power to erase the memories of the loss two nights before.

Thorlakson got the Irish started on the right foot when she scored on a penalty kick at 12:14, and then assisted on a goal at 16:19 when Ann Schaeffer headed her corner kick to Jen Buczkowski who put the ball in the back of the net. At 32:14, Hanks scored her second goal of the game, and No. 11 of the season, when she beat Ryder with a shot in the left side of the net.

Cinalli scored the final goal at 34:56, capping off a four-goal first half.

Notre Dame will play next Friday at home against DePaul at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday against Michigan at 1 p.m.

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### NASCAR

Gordon misses chase for 2005 Nextel title

Four-time series champion fails to qualify for playoff

The sound of defeat echoed from Jeff Gordon’s voice as he saw his chance at making the “Chase for the Nextel Cup” come to a screeching halt.

“We're done now," Gordon said over the radio after scraping the wall on lap 231 of Saturday night’s NASCAR Chevy Rock & Roll 400 at Richmond International Raceway.

Gordon, who entered the decisive race 30 points out of 10th place, was forced to pit multiple times under caution to repair the damage to the right side of his No. 24 Chevrolet Monte Carlo. He returned to the track one lap down in 23rd.

Earlier, after making a routine stop for adjustments to his ill-handling car, Gordon had to pit a second time because of a loose lug nut on the left-rear tire. He returned from that mishap in 29th.

“I knew we were in trouble," Gordon said. "I wasn’t feeling too good about things when we started going backwards." He finished 30th to remain 12th in the standings, 83 points out of the 10th and final spot for the “Chase.” The last time the four-time series champion finished outside the top 10 in points was his rookie season of 1993.

Gordon, who won three of the season’s first nine events, has recorded as many top-10 finishes (9) as results of 30th or worse this year. He joins Dale Earnhardt Jr. as NASCAR’s biggest names out of the championship hunt.

“It’s disappointing, but it’s been a disappointing year," Gordon said. “There are so many moments throughout the year where you can look back and say, ‘Boy, if this could of happened, we could have been in the Chase.” But lately, things haven’t gone our way, and we haven’t performed.”

Though angry and frustrated, Gordon put missing a shot at his fifth series championship into perspective.

“Maybe some far more disappointing seasons than this one," Gordon said. “Life is still pretty darn good for me right now. Racing is not everything. I’ve put my heart and soul into this team and we want to win. But we also know at the end of the day, that it’s not the number one thing in our lives.”

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### Santa Clara shocker

Notre Dame falls to No. 5 Broncos in an early-season thriller

By BOBBY GRIFFIN

Something very strange happened to the Irish Friday night — something most of them are completely unaccustomed to as Notre Dame players.

For the second time in their last 49 games, dating back to late 2002, the Irish lost a soccer game.

Traveling to Santa Clara, Calif., for the Santa Clara Adidas Classic, the No. 3 Irish fell 2-1 to the No. 5 Broncos after failing to capitalize on numerous scoring chances.

Notre Dame outshot Santa Clara 14-5, and missed a critical penalty kick in the 39th minute of the loss.

"It just wasn’t going our way," Irish defender Carrie Dew said. "We had a lot of really good chances. It was one of those days."

Notre Dame fell behind 1-0 at 20:03 when Megan Snell passed the ball behind her to Jordan Angel, who ripped a shot into the right side of the net.

Angel’s goal was the sixth time that the Irish have given up a goal in the first half in the previous 32 games.

In the 32nd minute, Kerri Hanks was moving towards the right box when Broncos’ defender Michaela Poquell tackled her from behind.

Senior Annie Schefter took the penalty kick, but it was stopped by Santa Clara goalkeeper Julie Ryder.

At 37:50, Notre Dame finally scored when Katie Thorlakson found Hanks from the left corner near the net. The ball found its way to the back of the net, and a score that was originally credited to Hanks was afterwards ruled an own-goal.

Santa Clara’s go-ahead goal came at 53:05 when Angel’s shot ricocheted off the left post into the goal.

Despite the loss Friday, coach Randy Waldrum was not terribly upset when viewing the loss in the context of the season as a whole.

"(Waldrum) said that it’s a long season, and we’ll be fine," Dew said.

Notre Dame was without see SPLIT/page 34

### Irish beat Gators for Rally title

Team takes out two top-10 teams in big weekend tournament

By TOM DORWART

They did the unthinkable. They defied the inevitable. And now they’re believers.

Over the weekend, the No. 19 Irish (6-0) swept through the University of Texas San Antonio Dome Rally — a tournament stacked with imposing competition — at the Alamodome. Notre Dame rallied to beat No. 8 Southern Cal 23-30, 32-30, 30-26, 30-27, 30-27 Friday, breezed past Oklahoma 30-28, 30-27, 30-17 Saturday and fought by No. 6 Florida 30-28, 31-29, 30-28 Sunday.

Notre Dame’s midfield tandem motto is “raising the bar.” And this weekend, the Irish met their bar.

“We’re really proud of ourselves,” said senior co-captain and middle blocker Lauren Breuer, who posted a total of 52 kills in the three matches.

So far this season, Notre

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**ND WOMEN’S GOLF**

Nakazaki leads Irish to big win

Junior golfer earns first place at home Warren Golf Course

By CHRISS KHOREY

The hard work paid off for Noriko Nakazaki.

The Irish junior, who practiced all summer in lieu of a paying job, shot a 223 over three rounds Saturday and Sunday to share the tournament championship and lead her team to a nine-stroke victory over St. Louis and ensure a first-place finish for the team at the Mike Berticelli Memorial Tournament.

"It was frustrating," Lapira said. "I probably had about seven or eight balls that I should have finished easily. It just finally fell in the second overtime."

Notre Dame kicked off the weekend with a 1-0 defeat of Boston University Friday night at Alumni Field. Early in the second half, Bright Dike found a streaking Norman, who split two defenders and fired a shot past the goalie from the top of the box.

The goal would be the only scoring the Irish would need, as

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**SPORTS AT A GLANCE**

**M CROSS COUNTRY**

Freshman Chris Rodriguez led Notre Dame to a win in Valparaiso.

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**W CROSS COUNTRY**

Notre Dame’s young team ran well, finishing in third at the Valparaiso Invitational.

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**SMC VOLLEYBALL**

The Belles captured fifth place this weekend in the Wooster Invitational.

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St. Mary’s dropped a tough road game to conference foe Hope.

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Rick Helling beats Roy Oswalt in battle of NL Central teams

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**IRISH INSIDER**

Notre Dame 17, Michigan 10

A strong defensive performance propelled the Irish to a victory in the Big House.