This broad view of education in the underlying principle of the rules and regulations listed in the university regulations, the University's official guide to student life that was first issued in 1974 and today is often a target of student animosity.

"We can't educate this person anymore" du Lac outlines a host of potential sanctions the University has the power to administer: Verbal or Written Warning, Alcohol/Drug Assessment and/or Education, Psychological Assessment, Monetary Fine, Ban from Specific Area of Campus, Loss of a Specific Student Privilege, Community Service, Transfer or Loss of On-Campus Housing Privilege, Hall Probation, Disciplinary Probation, Disciplinary Suspension and the most severe — Permanent Dismissal.

"When the University says you should be permanently dismissed and not be permitted to return ... we consider it the worst that could happen because it's kind of a failure in the sense that we can't educate this person anymore," Kirk said.

While not irreversible, suspension still indicates a serious problem, Kirk said.

"Suspension" says you need to take some time away and reflect on your behavior," he said. "You need to understand the expectations of the community and the community, for the time being, can't tolerate your presence."

So what warrants disciplinary suspension or dismissal?

Students who engage in sexual misconduct, possess or use any controlled substance, provide illicit drugs to others, engage in sexual union outside of marriage, or accrue overnight parietals violations shall be subject to disciplinary suspension or permanent dismissal.

Other violations outlined in du Lac "may result in" disciplinary suspension or permanent dismissal — a phrase that Kirk said serves as "a way to give students kind of a heads-up (that) these are some of the more serious violations of the University expectation of behavior."

This second tier of violations, du Lac states, includes acts of physical violence or serious personal injury, theft, demonstrations of disrespect to University officials, damage to property, dishonesty, forgery, taking advantage of another for personal gain, hazing, willful damage to the reputation or psychological well-being of others and serious disturbances of the University community.

It's a long list of clauses and complexities, but one point pops up repeatedly — community.

While the wording might seem vague — "any actions which seemingly affect only the individuals involved but which have direct bearing on the University community and reflect upon the community's personal and academic growth" — Kirk said it is present not to be charged on its own, but to indicate the importance of community and how students whose actions play out in the big picture of campus life.

This big picture approach can mean that students who cause serious problems are forced to move off-campus, he said.

"Sometimes it's appropriate that the student can't live in the community or isn't living in the community well, and you don't want them to damage the community," Kirk said.

"Sometimes the student wants to see RULES/page 4"
**INSIDE COLUMN**

**Love don't cost a thing**

There are an infinite number of reasons why living off campus is better than living on, but one that is often overlooked is cable TV and the On Demand feature Comcast provides. It has allowed me to watch the movie masterpiece "Love Don't Cost a Thing" more than a dozen times. This 2003 remake of the popular "Can't Buy Me Love," is a movie that defies all bounds and laughs in the face of naysayers. You can't have success by taking a formulaic script and adding Nick Cannon and some Sean Jean. Hahaha, yes yes you can. "Christina Milian is a failed pop star, not a compelling actress." My good man, you couldn't be more wrong. It may have only gotten one star in the Comcast views to guide, but as an ex-film major I can confidently say that this movie was a R-Kelly theme song away from being an American classic. And the Kelly theme song away from being a box office smash. For those of you who haven't seen this film, allow me to enlighten you. Nick Cannon, a pool boy who struggles socially with simply getting a date, Milian, the funky fresh biddy of the city, to date him and in turn make him popular. Their escapades turn the pool boy into "Aqua Man" and in no time he is "shooping shortages" with ease.

Evenly, the deal is discovered and Cannon is once again reverted to a social leper. Just when you reach the height of your range from this social injustice Milian realizes she has been "frontin' her whole life" and decides to indeed become Cannon's "breezy." Not since Barry Gordy's The Last Dragon has a formulaic script and adding Nick Cannon and some Sean Jean."
COUNCIL OF REPRESENTATIVES

Members examine fiscal policy

By KAREN LANGLEY
News Writer

The Council of Representatives (COR) met Monday night to discuss recommendations for changes to the Student Union fiscal policy.

"As we are moving forward with a proposal to increase the student activity fee, this is a perfect opportunity to inspect the Student Union fiscal policy," Student body president Dave Baron said.

In the past week, Baron met with a small group of COR members to discuss the fiscal policy. These discussions produced a list of four recommendations.

It was suggested that Student Union treasurer Mike Marshall present a Student Union treasury report to COR each month. The report would cover monthly spending, fiscal policy, account updates, and business board updates.

"As far as business board updates go, I would recommend having the business board manager make that report following their monthly meetings," Marshall said.

Recommendations also called for a clarification of the scope and purpose of fund appeals, including carry-forward, COR collaboration, technology, contingency and charity funds. Marshall noted, pointing out the technology and contingency funds.

"This information is not exactly well known to all clubs and organizations," Baron said. "They need to know about the funds that are available for them to access."

Not all of these funds are part of the budget at this time, Marshall noted, pointing out the technology and contingency funds.

"Right now those don't even exist," Marshall said. "If you think they're important to develop and put in the budget, that's fine, but now they don't exist at all."

Dave Baron student body president

"This will give treasurers the ability to go to InsideND and figure out how much they've spent," Baron said. "It makes it easier because there's no delay."

Student Activities advisor Amy Geist said the administration is reluctant to give students access to financial information.

"There is a higher expectation for student government than for officers of individual clubs," she said. "I don't know that the University is interested in giving every club treasurer access to their accounts."

The group's final recommendation involved a potential cap on the carry-forward fund, which now contains $180,000. The account must have at least $15,000, but has no maximum cap.

"At one point a few years ago, a large sum was put in to make a safety net," Baron said. "But $150,000 is much more than we need to have in that."

If a cap is put in place, student government must decide what to do with the excess funds in the account at that time.

"My personal idea is that it has to be something permanent that students 20 years down the line can benefit from," Baron said.

Baron noted that the carry-forward fund is supposed to be used for capital expenditure, not to accommodate a deficit in the budget, though that is how it is currently used. Student government can currently withdraw $10,000 from the fund each year.

A number of COR members volunteered to serve on smaller groups for closer examination of the carry-forward fund recommendations and to clarify the scope and purpose of the fund appeals.

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BOARD OF GOVERNANCE

Group voices concern over e-mail wording

By KELLY MEEHAN
News Writer

Board of Governance members met Monday night to discuss recent e-mails sent by campus security regarding reported sexual assault by a Saint Mary's student while on Notre Dame's campus.

Women's Issues commissioner Katie Kelly said she was concerned that the wording of the e-mail that included warnings about assault prevention such as "never leave your beverage and then pick it back up, never accept a beverage from someone" could imply that rape is partly the victim's fault.

"I think it is great and important to know about sexual assault incidents on campus, but it is how they put it out there that is the problem," Kelly said.

"They should mention the counseling center, S.O.S. and the Women's Center as places where victims can get help."

Kelly's pursuit for a change in the e-mails intensified after she read an anonymous posting on the faculty-staff discussion forum on the College's "Virtual Village" blog that argued against the wording potentially insinuating the fault of the victim.

Kelly said the anonymous posting was written in a way that warned students to be cautious of their clothing, body language, and drinking habits while out.

"I was just particularly disturbed that the posting was found in the faculty-staff section, however, that does not necessarily mean the posting was done by a staff member," she said.

Residence Hall Commissioner Jenny Robbins was also disturbed by the posting and the wording of the warnings in the e-mails sent out by College security.

"It seems they are saying the problem is if you wear a short skirt, you might get raped," she said. "It is just the implication that you have control over the situation."

Kelly welcomed suggestions from the Board on how to resolve this issue.

Residence Hall Commissioner Jackie Wright suggested that she could speak with security about adding information about victim's counseling to the e-mails.

Kelly said that measure would be a beneficial change in the overall tone of the e-mails. To promote awareness for change, she encouraged the board to attend the Campus Allianor for Rape Elimination in the sexual assault victim vigil at 7:15 p.m. on Thursday in front of the student center.

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Bush responds to Iraq war critics

Facing contentious political climate and dropping polls, president speaks out

Associated Press

U.S. troops attack kills 50 insurgents

BAGHDAD, Iraq — U.S. and Iraqi troops launched a fresh attack Monday against an insurgent stronghold near the Syrian border despite calls by Sunni Arab leaders to halt such operations to encourage a big turnout in next month's election. The U.S. command said about 50 insurgents were killed. Two U.S. Marines were killed and at least seven were wounded in the fighting in the border town of Okhdah, according to a New York Times reporter embedded with the Marines. A Marine spokesman told The Associated Press that he cannot report casualties until 24 hours after they occur.

In Baghdad, a car bomb exploded near the main gate to the heavily guarded Green Zone, killing two South Africans and wounding three other people. The victims worked for State Department security contractor DynCorp International, the U.S. Embassy said.

Suicide bombers hit Kabul, killing 2

KABUL, Afghanistan — Suicide bombers rammed cars filled with explosives into NATO peacekeepers in two attacks in the Afghan capital Monday, killing a German soldier and an Afghan child and wounding at least a dozen other people. It was the first major assault on foreign troops in Kabul in more than a year.

Troops thwarted a suspected third bombing by shooting down three people in a car racing toward the scene of the blasts. Such seemingly coordinated attacks are unprecedented in Afghanistan, and resolved fears that Taliban insurgents are copying tactics used in Iraq.

The blasts occurred within 90 minutes of each other on a 500-yard stretch of road near the headquarters of Afghan-U.N. election organizers. In each case, the attackers rammed their cars into NATO vehicles.

Documents reveal Alito's abortion view

WASHINGTON — Reviewing action on reconfirming U.S. Supreme Court Justice Samuel Alito, the Senate Judiciary Committee's ombudsman on Monday released a report that Alito once supported abortion rights and later released an Iraqi whose name matches that of one of the three al-Qaida in Iraq militants and later released an Iraqi whose name matches that of one of the three al-Qaida in Iraq militants who carried out the attack.

Bush noted that some elected Democrats in Congress "have opposed this war all along."

"I disagree with them, but I respect their willingness to take a consistent stand," he said. "Yet some Democrats who voted to authorize the use of force are now rewriting the past. They are playing politics with this issue and sending mixed signals to our troops and the enemy."


"The war in Iraq is not over, and we will stand firm," Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice told Jordanian King Abdullah II on the phone.

"We believe that this is a battle worth fighting and we will continue to support you," Rice said during a tour of the Radisson. Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas also visited the Radisson, where he said the suicide bombers "deserve all of God's wrath."
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Henneberg acknowledged reporting may be slightly different today than it was years ago.

"It's a scary time for reporters with ad revenue and reader confidence down," she said. However, Henneberg remains devoted to journalism despite studies saying only 44 percent of readers believe what they read in newspapers is accurate.

"I'm not worried how things will shake out because people will always be interested in what is going on in the world. There will always be a need for people who can write," Henneberg said. Henneberg has traveled the world during her work as a journalist—covering such stories as the election of Pope Benedict XVI in the spring of 2005—and said being a female made no difference in her personal success.

"It's a very competitive business, but I have never been challenged or rewarded solely because I am a woman," she said.

After her speech, Henneberg fielded questions from the audience and provided tips for success in the industry.

"Don't make friends with your sources," she said. "Every reporter needs an editor. Internships are very important. Don't be upset when rejected from jobs, keep trying because persistence will show you are serious. It's been a great ride, and I would do it again in a minute."

Henneberg was an American Studies major at Notre Dame and a member of ROTC. She interned for the European Commission in Belgium and has worked for such publications as the Dallas News, New York Times, New York Times Magazine, Toronto Star and Kenyon Standard.

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CAMPUS NEWS

Seniors
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Students have complained about the differences in the registration format between InsideND and the old IrishLink. Although only seniors are currently eligible to register, some students still face problems with class availability because of limitations in class sizes. Some students, however, have found ways to work around such restrictions. By having friends who have earlier registration times register for classes that are filling up quickly, students with later registration times can essentially reserve a spot in a class.

"I am monitoring the number of seats left in classes I want throughout the day," senior marketing management major Patrick Kane said. "And in classes where it looks like it might be full, I will get my chance to DART. I am utilizing friends who are only taking twelve credits and are able to add classes before I am."

"It's really just a strategy to get the classes and schedule you want," he said. "A lot of students do this."

Also, despite the switch to five-digit course numbers, senior architecture major Jenn Block said registration was not difficult. "I couldn't DART into my architecture classes yet, but those don't really matter because they're set already, so DARTing doesn't matter too much," Block said. "It only took two seconds to register for my other classes."

Block did note one difficulty, however, with regard to the new format of InsideND.

"The only part that was annoying was adjusting to the new format because it keeps changing," she said.

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In Brief

Dollar rises against euro, hitting a high

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Business

Walmart expects holiday gains

Despite modest sales recently, retailer looks toward a healthy shopping season

Associated Press

HITLIE ROCK, Ark. — The world's largest retailer, Wal-Mart Stores Inc., posted a modest 3.8 percent in profit growth on Monday, but said it expects electronics and other general merchandise to prop it up to a healthy holiday season, though spending may slacken when the bills come due early next year.

Income rose to $2.4 billion, or 86 cents per share, for the quarter ended Oct. 31 from $2.3 billion, or 54 cents per share, a year ago. Earnings in the latest quarter included a few items, including hurricane related costs, which reduced results by $0.08 million per share.

Analysts surveyed by Thomson Financial had forecast 57 cents per share. Retailers were hit $2.7 billion with sales of $75.5 billion, an increase of 10.1 percent from $68.2 billion in sales for the third quarter of fiscal 2005. Sales at stores opened at least a year, known as same-store sales, rose a modest 3.8 percent. Same-store sales are considered an important measure of a retailer's health because they don't inflate overall growth from new store openings.

Wal-Mart rose 30 cents to close at $49.30 Monday on the New York Stock Exchange, where they have traded in a 52-week range of $42.31 to $57.89.

In a conference call with investors, Wal-Mart Chief Executive Lee Scott didn't address criticism the company has come under for labor and other practices except to note Wal-Mart's critics had some praise for how its Katrina

Scott said Wal-Mart sustained sales declines after the hurricanes, but that skyrocketed in the quarter and higher home heating bills. The hurricanes — Katrina, Rita and Wilma — closed hundreds of Wal-Mart stores, at least temporarily, but Wal-Mart's third-quarter numbers held up.

Scott called the quarter a "pretty good performance in a difficult environment.""I believe we will have a good holiday season," Scott said. He noted the hurricanes were in the longer term improve employment and the economy but said January and February could be difficult months when holiday bills come due and higher heating oil and natural gas prices have spiked.

Analyst Dan Hess, president and chief executive of Merchant Forecast, a New York-based independent research company, agreed that Wal-Mart should do well for the holiday. "With Wal-Mart, it's not just about the numbers and the forecast. All types of social issues play a role in the public perception of Wal-Mart," Hess said. So far, the public is yet to buy what the holiday season is likely to bring and spend even more with the season's first shopping weekend being December 1 and 2.

"The issues of confidence, science, right now at least, appear to be affecting the stock price more than affecting sales," Hess said. "At the end of the day, Wal-Mart is taking market share away from other retailers."

"I think Wal-Mart is gaining back some momentum in general merchandise," Hess said. "They push toward electronics is going to be successful.

After a slow start to the holiday season last year, with Wal-Mart having promised to be more aggressive with discounts and its push to buy early for the holiday 2005 season.

The company launched its holiday adverising campaign on Nov. 1, a few weeks earlier than last year.

Wal-Mart forecast fourth-quarter earnings of 82 cents to 86 cents per share, up from $2.64 to $2.68 for the year. Analysts surveyed by Thomson Financial forecast quarterly income of 84 cents per share and $2.64 per share for the year.

Knight Ridder Inc. considers selling

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Newspaper publisher Knight Ridder Inc., under pressure from an activist shareholder, said Monday it would consider selling the company and other steps to boost shareholder value.

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Knight Ridder also said it had changed its bylaws to allow shareholders to submit proxies at its annual meeting, currently scheduled for next April, and also to nominate directors.

In a prepared statement, Knight Ridder said there was no assurance that there would be a transaction. The company also said it didn't intend to provide any updates on the process "unless and until" it's board has approved a specific transaction. A company spokesman declined to comment beyond the written statement.

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Post-partum women at risk for blood clots

Experts encourage exercise to prevent clotting

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PHILADELPHIA — New moms should get up and start walking as soon as possible to prevent the risk of a potentially fatal blood clot, doctors advise.

Although the chances of such clots are rare, they are four times greater for pregnant women and new mothers, a large 30-year study found, confirming what doctors had observed.

Mayo Clinic researchers looked at medical records from 1966 to 1996 of 20,000 pregnant women who lived in Olmsted County, Minn., where data has long been gathered for a long-term health surveillance project. The study focused on blood clots in leg veins (known as deep vein thrombosis or DVT) that broke loose and lodged in the lungs (known as pulmonary embolism or PE).

The incidences of deep vein thrombosis and pulmonary embolism were small — only 105 cases occurred over the 30-year period, but the problem is of concern because it is frequently fatal when it does happen.

In roughly one-fourth of pulmonary embolism cases in general, there was no evidence of a recent or sudden death, said Dr. John A. Heit, lead author of the study appearing in Tuesday's Annals of Internal Medicine.

When doctors compared similar age groups, they found the pregnant women and those who gave birth within the past three months were four times more likely to have these serious blood clot problems than others.

Nearly all of the women in the study were white, so researchers said their findings might not apply to women of other races.

A study reported at an American Heart Association meeting in Dallas. heart failure occurs when weak hearts can't pump forcefully enough and fluid backs up into the lungs.

"They're all terrible sick. They come into the hospital severely short of breath, sweating, with varying blood pressures," said the chief researcher, Dr. Milton Packer of the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center in Dallas.

The usual treatment is intravenous drugs to help them shed water, but that works only about half the time.

Levosimendan works in a novel way to improve how strongly the heart contracts.

Doctors gave 300 emergency room patients in the United States, Israel and Australia the usual treatment and gave another 300 a one-day infusion of the drug.

They measured improvement according to a composite scale of things like worsening shortness of breath, kidney function, and lung and circulatory problems.

Four days later, 26 percent of patients given usual care needed additional treatment because symptoms had worsened, but only 15 percent who received levosimendan did.

The chances of improving were 33 percent higher and the chances of worsening were 30 percent lower in those on the experimental drug.

However, six months later, those who got levosimendan were no better off than those given traditional drugs. In fact, more had died (49 versus 40) or developed heart rhythm problems, though the difference between the groups was considered small enough that it might have occurred by chance.

"There were some worrisome trends," said Dr. Timothy Gardner, a cardiologist at the Center for Heart and Vascular Health at Christiana Care Health Services in Wilmington, Del., who has no ties to the study or the drug's maker.

Still, he said the drug appeared to have unique benefits to help very sick patients over existing drugs.

Another study to be presented Wednesday will reveal whether the drug lowered death rates in very sick heart failure patients on continuous intravenous medications at home.

Monday's study was paid for by Sanofi-Aventis, a Finland-based firm that markets the drug in Europe as Simvastatin, and is seeking approval in the United States.

Research on other heart disease treatments reported at the conference produced mixed results, including the largest test of whether improving cholesterol might help prevent cardiovascular problems in diabetics.

One study examined fenofibrate, a drug that lowers fats in the blood called triglycerides while raising levels of HDL, or "good cholesterol" in people with type 2 diabetes, the most common form. These people have three to four times the risk of heart disease as non-diabetics.

The 10,000 participants were not taking any cholesterol mediciine when the study began; four out of five had no previous cardiovascular problems.

Roughly five years later, the combined rates of fatal heart problems and non-fatal heart attacks were roughly the same for those on the drug and those given dummy pills.

"There were many positive findings," including less nerve damage that leads to loss of vision, amputations and kidney damage, said lead researcher Dr. Anthony Keech of the University of Sydney in Australia.

"I don't think these results would support choosing fenofibrate over a statin," a widely used type of cholesterol-lowering medication, but lots of reasons to add it, he said.

However, government regulations on reimbursement, including a higher risk of a rare muscle problem, when statins are combined with fibrates.

Georgia woman, 37, marries teenage boy

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FRANCE

Chirac calls for help to heal

In his first address since rioting began, president calls for diversity

Associated Press

PARIS—President Jacques Chirac said Monday that unrest in the poor neighborhoods of France is the sign of a "profound malaise" the entire nation must work to heal through job-training and employment opportunities for troubled youths.

In his first address to the nation since the rioting erupted, the president said companies, unions and the media must help bring diversity in French society and combat what he called the poison of discrimination.

French law must be obeyed, but values and hope also must be kindled in youths living in the poor, largely immigrant suburbs ringing French cities, he said.

"These events testify to a profound malaise. This is a crisis of direction, a crisis of reference points, it is a crisis of identity," he said. "We will respond by being firm, being just and being faithful to the values of France."

Chirac spoke after the Cabinet approved a measure to extend a state of emergency from 12 days to three months. The parliament was to debate the bill Tuesday.

There will be a possibility of ending the measure before the three-month term expires.

Chirac, who turns 73 later this month, was hospitalized in September for a blood vessel problem that many thought was a stroke. However, he showed no signs of an ailment Monday. Unusually, he wore spectacles, as he had done in his youth.

He announced the creation of a corps of volunteers to offer training for 50,000 youths by 2007, and told companies and unions they must encourage diversity and support employment for youths from tough neighborhoods.

French media, which are not very ethnically diverse, must "better reflect the reality of France today," Chirac said.

"We will not build anything enduring without fighting this region fearlessness, which is discrimination."

Speaking with a French trickster and EU flag behind him, Chirac said that discrimination — seen as a factor behind the violence — should be combated. But he appeared to rule out U.S.-style affirmative action.

"There is no question of entering into the logic of quotas," the French leader said. And he defended the French model of immigration which seeks to seed people of all origins into a single mold — and which many officials and experts now say has failed.

"At stake is respect for the law and fruit of our policy of integration," Chirac said.

The unrest has subsided over the past week. But the decision to extend the state of emergency until mid-February made clear that values and hope also must be reinforced.

First put in place last Wednesday, the state of emergency opens the way for recourse to extraordinary action by police authorities, such as calling curfews or conducting day-and-night searches of homes.

About 400 youths from the town, holding France's third-largest city, Lyon, have upset the measure so far, imposing curfews on minors.

The policy of firmness also includes deporting foreigners implicated in violence.

The magnitude of the unrest, marked by nightly the burning of vehicles, schools and warehouses around the country, has stunned France. The country's leadership and many citizens learned the depth of discontent in France's suburban housing projects, largely home to immigrants and their French-born children disillusioned by discrimination and joblessness.

The civil unrest is the worst since the student-worker results of May 1968 and the worst ever in the suburbs.

Chirac for a second time pointed a finger at parents, whom officials have blamed for failing to stop teenage youths from the destructive rampages.

"Parental authority is vital. Families must assume all of their responsibilities. Those that refuse should be punished as the law allows." 

While condemning the violence, Chirac also reached out to disturbed suburban youths.

"I want to say to the children of difficult neighborhoods, whatever their origins, that they are all the sons and daughters of the Republic," he said.

Chirac has provided a perfect forum for the far-right, which brings French lies on immigration. At a rally Monday that drew about 300 supporters, Chirac reached out to the Le Pen, who faced off Chirac in 2002, castigated the immigration policies.

"We let in 10 million foreigners over 30 years — it's wild insanity. No country can handle that inva­si­on," Le Pen said.

United Nations seeks aid for humanitarian crises

Associated Press

UNITED NATIONS — Countries rich and poor on Monday called for a $500 million fund to help impoverished nations after a year of devastating disasters from the Indian Ocean tsunami and earthquakes in Asia to drought in Africa.

General Assembly President Jan Eliasson said the current $50 million U.N. humanitarian assistance fund was insufficient, and the increase would help the United Nation respond quickly to sudden and unexpected crisis.

"More importantly, it is imperative that the U.N. should be provided with adequate financial resources," he said.

Munir Akram, Pakistan U.N. Ambassador, said Pakistan's U.N. Ambassador Munir Akram said the South Asian country, hit by killer earthquakes, has shown how the U.N.'s disaster coordination machinery must be strengthened, he said, but "more importantly, it is imperative that the U.N. should be provided with adequate financial resources to respond quickly and effectively to such disasters."

South African diplomat Andres Oosthuizen said that it was troubling that U.N. emergency resources in Africa received scant money, citing an appeal to help drought victims in Djibouti which received just 5 percent of the required $1.75 billion.

"The appeal to help drought victims in Malawi also received little funding," he said, "and now the situation has gotten worse. Money will be needed, he said.

Some Dakota citizens resent judges' rights

Associated Press

PIERRE, S.D. — A movement is underway in South Dakota to turn the tables on members of the bench. Activists are trying to put a radical measure on next year's ballot that could make South Dakota the first state to let people who believe their rights have been violated by judges take those judges to trial.

"Citizens could seek damages or criminal charges."

The measure would overturn a century of settled law in the United States by stripping judges of their absolute immunity from lawsuits over their judicial acts.

"The current system doesn't work because there is no adequate way to hold a judge accountable for improper behavior or to prevent them from judicial misconduct if they choose to do so," said businessman William Stegemeyer, a leader of the movement.

Legal experts warned that such a provision could d angerously undermine the independence of South Dakota's judiciary, plunge the court system into anarchy, and run afoul of the U.S. Constitution.

And they noted there are already remedies available to the public: Bad rulings can be overturned on appeal, and judges who break the rules can be punished by state disciplinary authorities. But for that to happen, money will be needed, he said.

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What will you do with that major?

Choosing a major can be one of the more daunting decisions facing a student early in his or her college career. Often, one has taken enough classes to be interested in a variety of subjects, but not yet enough to be sure as to what course of study to pursue. It is only too common that in this confused period, one of the lesser known, yet vitally important, majors gets forgotten.

The Classics and the Program of Liberal Studies (PLS) are two such disciplines that are crucial to the overall mission of a university. These majors frequently get lost in the fold as freshmen decide what to study, and many do not even know that they exist. More than once has my response to the question of what I study been accompanied by, "We have a Classics program?" or, "Really? What will you do with that?"

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My name is Joe Horton, and I am a junior at USC, columnist for The Daily Trojan, ardent Trojan football fan and son of Kurt Horton, member of the 1973 Sugar Bowl Irish National Championship team.

I am writing to you today to express my admiration of your football fandom. This year, ours was a game for the ages, and luckily for us, we eked out the closest of monumental wins. We'll take it.

But lucky for you, you have a terrific football team, and the meteoric ascent you have waited for is imminent (no Williamson phantom "return to glory" here).

But most importantly, you have continued to uphold the qualities of character that have so defined your school. Charlie Weis is the ultimate sportsman, and I know I don't need to tell you that.

The Southern California-Notre Dame rivalry has never been better. In a couple of years, when you are more likely than not trouncing the Trojans, come to L.A. and catch the game. They'll be plenty of seats.

Right.

P.S. Can you sneak Texas onto your schedule by any chance?

Joe Horton
junior
University of Southern California
Nov. 14

What should it be, a 'W' or a 'C'?

Drum beat. The all too familiar tune, like the flare gun in a race, sends 8,000 sets of pointer-finger/thumb combinations flying sky bound from the blur of the red and green of the student section. The "Ws" fan up and down pointing toward the field as the chant "Come on, "Catholics" "chooses" the stadium. Yet the same recognizable beat reverberating throughout the stands, empowered by the bowing "Ws" rings with relevance for some of the student body -- memories of performing the same action half-hearted last season following one disappointing loss after the next. It's a heavy case of deja vu many want to forget.

Yet did Coach Charlie Weis not recognize this potential negative connotation of the "W" in the minds of the fans at the USC pep rally when he requested that a "C" replace the "W"? Yet as Pavlov would predict, the music begins, and the "W" has come to subconsciously represent "Willingham." A "W" for win isn't what the fans truly want anyway — as a student, I want to see a hard fought, well-played, passionate, spirited football game (which consequently often results in a winning score) which our Notre Dame football team, fans, band, Irish guard and cheerleaders have quintessentially embodied this season. A word to repre­sent Weis, team is not "win," but "character," which can be symbolized in the "C." Alright, getting a little abstract, but back to the point:

Why have the cheerleaders not adapted to the "C"? The leprechaun? The band? A confused student section — now curiously mostly "Ws" offset by some non-conforming "Cs." Most hail "Weis" while few chant "Chuck." I’ve also seen a creative combination of a right handed "C" and three fingers on the left hand forming a "W." During this football season, constant debate has ensued over the shirt color, and now differences between cheerleaders. We all agree between the awesomeness of our 2005 Fighting Irish football team. They’re a pretty big deal, no one is denying that — and although cheers are not, for the sake of honoring a request made to the student body by Weis, and for unity in our last home game this weekend, may I ask that we, as a student body, conform of and ready to support a "win" with "character" this week­end, answer the question: Are we going to raise a "W" or a "C"?

Julie Putnam
junior
Pasquella Wise
Nov. 14

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But most importantly, you have continued to uphold the qualities of character that have so defined your school. Charlie Weis is the ultimate sportsman, and I know I don't need to tell you that.

The atmosphere was not that of a mere college football game but uplifting to memories that will last a lifetime as I watch every Notre Dame game on TV! Thank you for the memories.

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The ever-increasing popularity of games tion, as well as remaining true to what made the originals appealing to gamers. Sequels allow developers to flesh out gaming worlds, giving increasing infor- 
saturated with sequels, a double-edged sword. Developers must develop their franchises to keep a franchise alive and growing, yet remain true to what made the original appealing to gamers. Developer Rockstar has established a library of 
recurring characters upon which to draw and focuses heavily on character development. Since the entire game was taken out of the crypts and focused solely on Leon Kennedy, a new creature in Capcom’s “Resident Evil 4.”

Leon Kennedy wrestles with a new creature in Capcom’s “Resident Evil 4.” Capcom strives towards creating innovation within its franchises.

Resident Evil 4 “A Resident Evil” with no zombies! While that thought initially sent much of the gaming community into a fever, they need not have worried. Released early in the year for the Nintendo Gamecube, it became an immediate early candidate for Game of the Year, a possibility that still exists. The game is a continuation of the franchise, despite the different premise. Set four years after the last game in the series, it stars “Resident Evil 2” character Leon Kennedy. He is no longer a member of the Raccoon Police Department and now works for the government. Umbrella as a corporation has fallen, but that doesn’t mean an end to biological mischief. The controls for the game are tight and moving, with many environmental interactions being controlled by a single button. This is showcased early in the game, as the player runs himself from a group of deranged villagers. He has to block doors, kick over ladders and escape through windows, all of which is handled smoothly. The controls are perfect, however, though they stem more from gameplay decisions. The player is forced to stand still while firing, which while logical can get annoying after being used with enemies. There are also some segments that boil down to mashing a button, a trait that should have been killed in the 90s. The recently-released PlayStation 2 version has some bonus features that make it far superior to the GameCube iteration. Playing through the game from Ada Wong’s perspective, with some entirely new boss battles, makes the game worth picking up, even if you’ve already played through the Gamecube version.

A From Russia with Love Shaken, not stirred? More like stagn­ant. “From Russia with Love” brings relatively nothing new to the franchise. While a solid effort, it has little to offer to bring new fans to the genre. The game does mark a noticeable change in the Bond video game franchise. In a way, it is a return to Bond’s roots. It’s based off of the classic Bond movie of the same name, featuring a similar Cold War storyline. Accordingly, “Russia is the First Bond game to star the Sir Sean Connery version of Bond as opposed to the Pierce Brosnan version. Connery even lent his voice talents and expertise to the game, creating a more Bond-like experience. Appearances aside however, Connery’s Bond controls much like Brosnan’s from previous games. The in-game action is handled in a similar way to “Everything or Nothing,” the last game to star Bond. One button is used to ready the current tool or weapon of choice, and another fires. The aiming controls can be a little diffic­ult to use when firing at objects in the environment, but it is a minor complaint that can be overlooked.

Grand Theft Auto: Liberty City Stories” features a prequel to the popular GTA franchise. This means different but familiar locations such as the warehouse district. This is a good long-time fan will enjoy. The Johnson brothers were the dimwitted and dumbfounded of the Johnson family, but they were a vital part of the GTA universe. This is a great way to elaborate on an idea, and it should be noted that they could also be detrimental. “Tomb Raider” is a great example of a franchise that was driven into the ground by lack of real innovation. The majority of the games released felt like clones of the previous ones, with heroine Lara Croft having to adventure through some sort of tomb. While it remained true to the title, this didn’t translate to an ultimately fun experience for the gamer. The game is marred by technical issues, however, and was inevitably too little and too late. Another “Tomb Raider” is in the works, but it is safe to say that interest has reached an all-time low for the series.

Putting money into sequels also means that original, creative games tend to get overlooked. Their mega-budget cousins often overshadow games such as “Katamari Damacy” and “Call of Duty.” This can discourage developers from trying to break from the established norms and try something completely new.

With the X-Box 360, PlayStation 3 and Nintendo Revolution all looming on the horizon, developers will have more heavily on established brand names. It looks like sequels are going to play a major role in the industry for at least a few more years.

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X-Box 360
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Microsoft’s X-Box 360 marks the first console to enter the next generation of gaming. The deluxe package debuts at $400.

By MARK REMENDER
 Astronomy Scene Editor

Nov. 22 will herald a new age for gamers. It marks the arrival of the first of the next-generation of consoles, the X-Box 360. While it is too soon to make solid predictions, Microsoft looks like it is setting itself apart by releasing their console well ahead of some with solid launch-titles.

The sequel to “Perfect Dark” looks like it will be the system’s essential purchase, with development by Rare and a massive multiplayer component. Much like the original X-Box’s “ Halo,” the sequel that once again features heroine Joana Dark will probably be the system’s strongest launch title.

Fans of “Perfect Dark Zero” will probably also want to look into purchasing “Quake 4” and “Peter Jackson’s King Kong.” Both promise to be excellent first-person shooters, and early reviews for “Quake 4” have been positive.

Similar to these but more of a wildcard is “Condemned: Criminal Origins.” Developed by SEGA, the game places the player into the identity of a police investigator. The mix of action and forensic science should draw people in, but the actual execution is yet to be determined.

Racing fans will find “Project Gotham Racing 3” to be more suited to their desires, as well as “ Ridge Racer 6.” Screenshots show both utilizing impressive graphics and should boast a decent library of cars. A new “Need for Speed,” a series that has always been fairly solid in its delivery, will also be making its appearance.

Sports fans will have the largest library of games from which to choose at launch; their numbers including “Amped 3,” “FIFA Soccer 06,” and “ Madden NFL 06,” among a few other basketball and hockey titles. A grand total of 18 titles will be available at launch, with others announced and in development.

The X-Box 360 also features limited backwards compatibility, with the major sellers being the ones supported. That means it would be unwise to trade in the old X-Box, as there is no guarantee a game will be supported.

The system retains for an impressive $400 with the hard-drive and some decent accessories, or a $300 bare-bones package. The hard-drive is required for the backwards compatibility, however, and the accessories the $400 package gets make it the more economical choice.

Pre-orders for the system have been full for months now, with retailers like Game Crazy reporting having fully pre-sold their shipments as early as July. Interest is high, and with games like the first-person shooter “ Gears of War” on the horizon, the X-Box 360’s future looks bright.

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X-Stuff: Stubbs the Zombie in Rebel Without a Cause

Picture courtesy of gamewatcher.com

In a scene reminiscent of “Aliens,” the human marines prepare for combat against the cybernetic Strogg in “Quake 4.”
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NCAA BASKETBALL

Tournament produces no surprises

Redick and company look impressive in Duke's opening victory over Boston University

Associated Press

DURHAM, N.C. — J.J. Redick failed to make a 3-pointer and missed two free throws. Other than that, Duke's season opener went about as expected.

Despite those shooting anomalies, Redick scored 19 points and Sheldon Williams added 17 to help 24-2 Duke beat Blue Devils hold off pesky Boston University 64-47 Monday night in the first round of the NIT Season Tip-Off.

The Terriers took an early lead and held it for nearly 12 minutes, patiently running time off the clock during a scoreless 22-0 run to start the game. But Duke averaged 87.2 points per game last season, the nation’s third highest scoring average.

Duke improved to 24-2 in openers after winning in the annual preseason tournament after winning in 1984-85.

Getting through this one took a bit more than anyone could have expected. Duke opened a 40-26 lead at the break before BU rallied to within 49-42. Williams missed a 3-pointer with 29.7 seconds left, and for the first time all season, the Blue Devils saw a winning margin.

It was good enough to beat BU, which had seven players getting double digits the entire second half until they fell to the final minute, when Almighty Coach K called for the timeout with 2.1 seconds left.

The Hornets were led by Aliek Clack's 19 points. Butler's lead in double-digits, including a 3-point margin, after the shot, finished with a game-high 25 points — 17 of them in the last 14 minutes. He also had six assists and four rebounds.

Leigh Hills, Coppin State 64

LARAMIE, Wyo. — Jose Olivero hit a 3-point shot with 0.3 seconds left to lift Lehigh over Coppin State in the consolation round of the Black Coaches Invitational Monday.

Olivero, who was mobbed by his teammates after the shot, finished with a game-high 25 points — 17 of them in the last 14 minutes. He also had six assists and four rebounds.

Coppin State cut it down to the final 33 seconds, but Lehigh capitalized on the Wolverines’ 12 turnovers.

During the stretch, and Butler entered the tourney as the No. 15 team in the nation.

The turning point came midway through the first half after a 13-0 run by the Bulldogs. The Wolverines shot 35 percent from the field, turned the ball over 12 times, and held on for the win.

Duke's Lee Melchionni shoots through two Terrier defenders in the opening minutes of play. The Blue Devils held off pesky Boston University 64-47 Monday night in the first round of the NIT Season Tip-Off.
**BCS Standings**

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**Eagles' woes continue against Dallas**

**In Brief**

Maddon selected as new manager of Devil Rays

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. — The Tampa Bay Devil Rays hired Los Angeles Angels bench coach Joe Maddon as manager, adding another important piece to what they hope is a winning formula for the future.

Maddon finalized a contract Monday for his first full-time managing job in the major leagues. He replaces Lou Piniella and inherits a solid nucleus of young talent that ownership expects to blossom in the next few years.

The Devil Rays confirmed the hiring, scheduling a press conference for Tuesday to introduce Maddon as Piniella's successor. The St. Petersburg Times and Tampa Tribune reported in Monday editions that the team selected Maddon over incumbent Devil Rays bench coach John McLaren the day before.

"I'm very happy, excited, eager, all those things," Maddon told the Times. "It's a great situation and I'm really looking forward to it."


**B国王 levels fine against Kings for derogatory video**

NEW YORK — The Sacramento Kings were fined $30,000 by the NBA on Monday for showing derogatory images of Detroit on video screens prior to their home opener against the Pistons.

When the Pistons were introduced Nov. 4, the Arco Arena scoreboard flashed pictures of abandoned buildings, burned-out cars, piles of rubble and other negative images of Detroit. The Pistons won the game 102-88.

The Kings apologized that night and owners Joe and Gavin Maloof bought full-page ads that ran in The Detroit News and Detroit Free Press, expressing "great respect for Detroit's long and rich tradition as a landmark American city and the incredibly positive impact the Motor City has made over the course of our country's history."

**Former Red Sox Pitcher arrested on Monday**

JACKSON, Miss. — Former Boston Red Sox pitcher Dennis "Oil Can" Boyd surrendered Monday to federal agents in Tupelo to face charges he threatened a former girlfriend.

John G. Baucci, special agent in charge of the FBI in Mississippi, and U.S. Attorney Jim M. Greenlee said in a statement that Boyd allegedly made five telephone calls in which he threatened to harm the ex-girlfriend, who also was his business associate, and possibly her son. Authorities would not say why no firm accusation was made concerning the woman's son and did not reveal their names.

Boyd was indicted by a federal grand jury in Mississippi earlier this month. The 45-year-old Meridian native, now lives in East Providence, R.I.
NCAA FOOTBALL

USC, Texas two wins away from Rose Bowl

The country's two best teams are on pace to meet in the BCS championship game

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Only once before has a team been where Southern California and Texas are in the Bowl Championship series standings and not played for a national title.

The Trojans and Longhorns hold the top two spots Monday, and are both unbeaten with three weeks left in the regular season. With two more victories each, they'll lock up spots in the Rose Bowl for a matchup that has appeared inevitable for months.

USC is in first with a BCS average of 0.929 and Texas is seated at 0.971.

Miami is in third place with one loss, needing a upset by the top two to play for a national title.

BCS history says USC vs. Texas in Pasadena, Calif., on Jan. 4 is all but a sure thing.

In the seven previous years the BCS has determined college football's champ, 12 undefeated teams have held one of the top two spots in the standings with three weeks to go. Only one of those teams — UCLA in 1999 — didn't play in the BCS title game. Oklahoma was unbeaten and first in the standings heading into its final regular-season game two seasons ago, lost the Big 12 title game to Kansas State, and still played for the BCS championship.

That year USC was left out of the title game and eventually shared a national championship with LSU. The Trojans and Longhorns are such a solid 1-2 in the BCS standings, the question that can now be asked is: Could USC or Texas lose a game and still reach the Rose Bowl?

BCS analyst Jerry Palm said it's unlikely the Trojans or Longhorns could do what Oklahoma did in 2003 or what Nebraska pulled off in 2001, when the Cornhuskers lost their final regular-season game to Colorado and still played Miami for the BCS title.

"The formula now is so poll driven that if you lose late in the season you're pretty much dead," he said.

After Oklahoma was No. 3 in the polls but still played LSU in the Sugar Bowl two seasons ago, the BCS revamped its formula to make the polls worth two-thirds of a BCS average and the computer rankings worth only one-third. Also, the strength of schedule component was eliminated because computers and poll voters take strength of schedule into account.

"Oklahoma was the last of those teams in the polls, but the computers and strength of schedule moved them up," Palm said.

The key is the polls, and whether Texas or USC could hold one of the top two spots in the coaches' and Harris polls after a loss.

"That'd be a tough task for the schedule to do," he said.

The Trojans, who will be big favorites at Texas A&M (3-0) on Nov. 22 and in the Big 12 championship on Dec. 3 against either Colorado, Missouri or Iowa State.

"Worrying about anything but A&M right now is just foolish," said Texas tight end David Thomas, reciting the party line. "(USC), which has been No. 1 in the AP, coaches' and Harris polls all season, looks to have the toughest remaining opponents but both games are at home.

Texas wide receiver Liam Sweeney scores on a 45-yard touchdown pass against Kansas on Nov. 12. The Longhorns need only two more wins for a shot at the national championship in the Rose Bowl.

NCAA BASKETBALL

Chaney goes for 500th win as coach at Temple

The Owls look to advance in Preseason NIT with win over Army tonight

Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA — One of John Chaney's first decisions at Temple was letting his players decide when to start practice.

Some preferred the afternoon, others the morning. "I didn't care," he said.

"When no unanimous decision could be reached, Chaney flipped a coin. "He looked around and said, 'OK, I'll make one for you. Everyone be here by 5 o'clock — in the morning!'" former Owls standout Ed Coe said. "So that's how that all started."

Now, when Marty Collins and Duane Upshaw are sweating at the gym before most people sip their morning coffee, they can blame the players from Chaney's early years.

"I wish they would probably have done that anyway," Coe said.

Coe's probably right about that. Through 23 seasons, 17 NCAA tournament appearances have scattered with Top 25 teams like No. 1 Duke, No. 5 Villanova and No. 15 Alabama.

There's no way to compare Chaney's scheduling besides trying to toughen his schedule.

Don Casey, Coe consideredtransferring because he knew litt­le about his new coach. Coe did­n't even know Chaney led Cheyney State in suburban Philadelphia to the 1978 Division II national championship.

"He took it upon himself to put his hand out for me and that meant a lot," Coe said.

Having to watch for a season gave Coe insight into Chaney. The coach has always been tough on his players, quick with a rebuke after a turnover, but there with a slap on the back for a job well done.

Mark Macon, Temple's current leading scorer and now an assis­tant, was so awed by Chaney the first time they met that he com­mented to the school's athletic director. "I still have enthusiasm, I still have the passion," Chaney said. "I still love those kids.

"The Owls have made five NCAA regional finals under Chaney, but they've never reached the Final Four and have played in four straight NITs.

Still, when Chaney joined Temple in 1982, he took over a program that had only two NCAA tournament bids in the previous decade and wasn't widely known outside Philadelphia.

He recorded his first Temple win in the first game of the 1982 season, 68-67 over George Washington, though the Owls fin­ished 14-15 for his only losing season.

Coe said Chaney's first sea­son while recovering from a broken foot. When Chaney replaced the coach has always been tough on his players, quick with a rebuke after a turnover, but there with a slap on the back for a job well done.

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"When I look back at some of the ones that started off with me now, the ones that I'm with now are just as important," Chaney said. "When I look at it, I mean a lot to me. When I look at it, I mean a lot to me."

After the Preseason NIT, Chaney looks to advance in Preseason NIT with win over Army tonight.

"When Chaney replaced
Bengals ready for 9-0 Colts

Associated Press

CINCINNATI — Before they headed off for their week of R & R — rest and relaxing in first place — the Cincinnati Bengals made a wish. They wanted the Indianapolis Colts to be unbeaten when they returned after their bye week, giving them the chance to bump off a 9-0 team for the second time in three weeks.

"I would love it, and all the hype that comes with it running into Cincinnati," guard Bobbie Williams said, before heading home last week.

They didn’t even try to hide their rooting interest. "You always want to be the first to knock them off," running back Rudi Johnson said. "It’s tough to win in that building and we’re more interested in an unbeaten team coming to town." Their interest wasn’t anything close to the headlining effect the Indianapolis Colts’ 31-17 win over the Houston Texans on Sunday had in Cincinnati.

"Every time the Colts win, they stay two steps ahead of the pack," quarterback Carson Palmer said. "That’s going to be a huge game for us to go out and keep pace with several teams that are on pace, it’s going to be better for us." Wednesday.

Bengals quarterback Carson Palmer celebrates a touchdown on Oct. 23 against the Steelers. Cincinnati is 7-2 this season.

Carson Palmer said. "We’re still shooting to win the rest of our games and hopefully get home-field advantage and a bye week in the playoffs. We hope to beat them, and we hope they drop another game to give us that advantage.

"The Bengals are tied with Pittsburgh and Denver for the AFC’s second-best record at 7-2. The team with the best record in each conference gets home-field advantage throughout the playoffs, and the top two teams get first-round byes. Every time the Colts win, they stay two steps ahead of the pack. "We actually were hoping they would lose this past week or the next game for us to go out and keep pace with several teams that are on pace, it’s going to be better for us."

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NBA

Camby emerging as solid offensive threat

Associated Press

DENVER — When the coach started talking about last week’s victory, Marcus Camby took it personally.

"I’ve had three or four of my teammates and the team got what they wished for when the Colts won, but we’re more interested in an unbeaten team coming to town," guard Bobbie Williams said. "It’s tough to win in that building and we’re more interested in an unbeaten team coming to town."

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When the Nuggets traded Andre Miller to the Knicks in 2002 for Camby and Nene, Camby wasn’t anything close to the headliner in that deal. Considered one-dimensional and injury prone, many thought he might not last long with the Nuggets.

"I just tried to will my team to a victory," Camby said. "I just had to be more vocal and step up my level of play. K-Mart is a big part of what we do. I don’t know how long he’s going to be out. If he’s going to be out an extended period of time, I have to pick up my level of play."

"The big question is, how his offense will be a cornerstone of Denver’s game," Anthony said.

"He’s had three or four of his teammates and the team got what they wished for when the Colts won, but we’re more interested in an unbeaten team coming to town."

The Nuggets forward is scoring 16.1 points per game this season.

"He’s definitely one of the top four or five players in the league if he continues to play this way," Earl Boykins said. "Nuggets guard Earl Boykins said of the 10-year veteran. "He’s basically our anchor.""

Boykins points, Camby has never been a 20-point scorer and, after extensive work on his jumper, the 6-foot-11 center finally made it onto the list of the NBA’s elite centers.

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Boykins points, Camby has never been a 20-point scorer and, after extensive work on his jumper, the 6-foot-11 center finally made it onto the list of the NBA’s elite centers.

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"He had three or four of them all year where he was a dominant player around the basket," Karl said. "His offense has improved. I thought he showed he was a class player on the court. When you’re playing against Kevin Garnett, I think it was a pretty impressive performance. And we noted it."

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NEW YORK — Alex Rodriguez showed slick fielding, counts, winning his second American League Most Valuable Player award in three seasons by defeating David Ortiz in a vote that rewarded an all-around player over a designated hitter.

Rodriguez, in his second season as the New York Yankees' third baseman, received 16 first-place votes, 11 seconds and one third for 331 points from the Baseball Writers' Association of America in balloting announced Monday.

Ortiz, the DH for the Boston Red Sox, got 11 firsts and 17 seconds for 307 points. Los Angeles Angels' outfielder Vladimir Guerrero received the other first-place vote and was third with 106 points. "I think defense, for the most part, being a balanced player and also saving a lot of runs on the defensive side, I think was a major factor here," Rodriguez said. "To me, defense is foremost. It's always been. The White Sox showed us this year pitching and defense wins to this day."

Voting was done before the start of the postseason, when both the Yankees and Red Sox were eliminated in the first round. Rodriguez hit .321 with no RBIs in a five-game loss to the Angels while Ortiz batted .333 with a home run as the defending champion Red Sox were swept by the Chicago White Sox.

"I would certainly trade my World Series championship for this MVP trophy," Rodriguez said, thinking back to Boston's 2004 title. "That's the only reason I play baseball. It's what I'm consumed to do right now."

Rodriguez hit .321 with an AL-high 48 homers, 130 RBIs and 21 steals, breaking Joe DiMaggio's 68-year-old Yankees record for home runs by a right-handed hitter (46). A-Rod also won the award in 2003, his final season as the Texas Rangers' shortstop before he was dealt to the Yankees.

He didn't think the award would end criticism that he doesn't perform in the clutch or isn't a winner.

"We can win three World Series, with me, it's never going to be over. I think my benchmark is so high that no matter what I do, it's never going to be enough, and I understand that," he said.

"Maybe when I retire is when all critics and all that kind of stuff will end."

Ortiz batted .300 with 47 homers, a major league-leading 148 RBIs and one steal. Big Papi had 34 RBIs that put his team ahead, the most in the AL, and had eight RBIs from the seventh inning on that gave Boston the lead for good.

"He is the one special player that can change the game around simply with his batting," Rodriguez said.

Ortiz could not be reached for comment.

"Without David, we don't make the postseason. David made an enormous impact on this team, and you can't underestimate his impact in the clubhouse," Red Sox teammate Curt Schilling said. "Congratulations to Alex. Either one of them could have won it. Both had MVP years."

Rodriguez became the first Yankees player to win the award since Don Mattingly in 1985 and only the fourth player to win an MVP with two teams, joining Bonds (Pittsburgh and San Francisco), Jimmie Foxx (Philadelphia Athletics and Red Sox) and Frank Robinson (Cincinnati and Baltimore).

"I'm very pleased with the year he had," Yankees manager Joe Torre said. "He's getting more comfortable here in New York. Alex helped us win so many games, both offensively and defensively, and he continues to improve."

Still, A-Rod would have had a different approach in October if he had a chance against the Angels, who tried to pitch around him.

"My one regret is I thought I could have walked 10 or 12 times and really just passed the baton and been a little bit more patient," he said.

"Probably at the end, I got a little overanxious."

A-Rod also is the fourth to win at two positions, following Detroit's Hank Greenberg (first base and left field), the St. Louis Cardinals' Stan Musial (outfield and first base) and the Milwaukee Brewers' Robin Yount (shortstop and center field).

The Yankees have won the award 19 times, the most of any team.

"A-Rod demonstrates the talent, hard work, and dedication of a true winner," Yankees owner George Steinbrenner said in a statement. "I look forward to great things for many years from A-Rod as a Yankee."

Rodriguez also spoke publicly for the first time about a report in the New York Daily News this month that he was at a New York poker club. Playing at such clubs is not illegal, though it can be against the law to operate them, the Daily News reported.

"Obviously, it wasn't the right thing to do," he said. "In retrospect, it's probably a place I shouldn't have gone."

Rodriguez gets a $1 million bonus for winning the MVP for the second time during his record $252 million, 10-year contract. With Ortiz's second-place finish, the price of Boston's 2007 club option increases by $400,000 to $8.4 million. The buyout goes up by the same amount to $1.4 million.

Guerrero got $200,000 for finishing third and Boston outfielder Manny Ramirez gets $75,000 for placing fourth.

Cleveland DH Travis Hafner was fifth and earned automatic $200,000 annual raise to $2.7 million next year and $3.95 million in 2007, with the price of Cleveland's 2008 option rising to $4.95 million.
Irish defender Christie Shaner kicks the ball upfield against Connecticut on Nov. 2.

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minute game, its not 89 minutes long."

For a team that is known for its strong defensive attack, the defense has been just as consistent.

Notre Dame's defense has not given up a goal in the last six games, dating back to a 5-1 win over Georgetown in the team's regular season finale.

The Irish have outscored their opponents 55-1 since losing to Marquette on Sept. 30.

"I know for a while we were trying to not let the other team have any shots on goal," Shaner said. "And if they did get shots on goal, just keeping the shutout was another issue.

"Now we go into every game saying, 'This is our zone, and we are not going to let anyone in between.' Defense wins games for you, so if you are always one goal ahead, you're going to win every game.

But as well as Notre Dame continues to play on defense, it has not received the same recognition as the offense.

"As in any sport, the offense usually gets more of the attention," defender Kim Lorenzen said. "I mean, nobody really cares how many balls the backs win. The four of us in the back and even in the midfielders just really focus on limiting how many shots they get on goal."

Notre Dame finds itself in an unlikely quarterfinals match against Yale Friday. Yale defeated the No. 3-seed Duke 2-1 Sunday on a last-second shot.

"We all assumed that we'd be playing Duke, because we know Duke's a very good team," Shaner said. "By any means, we can't underestimate Yale because they obviously proved themselves, and anything can happen in the NCAA tournament."

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ND VOLLEYBALL

Irish ink five solid recruits

Notre Dame will go into next year minus five current seniors

By TOM DORWART
Sports Writer

In the middle of a very successful season, Irish coach Debbie Brown announced last Wednesday the signing of a highly-touted recruiting class.

Five current seniors are leaving the program, replacing the five seniors the team loses to graduation at the end of this year.

Outside hitter/middle blocker Megan Feil of Arlington Heights, Ill., outside hitter Christina Kaelin of Louisville, Ky., middle blocker Kim Kristoff of Carmel, Ind., setter Janelle Nicholas of Pittsburgh, Pa., and outside hitter/middle blocker Serinity Phillips of Valley Center, Calif., make up the heralded class.

They are labeled as one of the top recruiting classes in the nation according to prepvolleyball.com. Three of the athletes rank in the top 25 of high school seniors, while all five are ranked in the top 50.

"It's a very strong class," Brown said. "A lot of people rank them in the top 15 recruiting classes, and three of them in the top 25, so we're excited about it for sure."

Only Nebraska and Penn State can claim to have a better recruiting class as of good of a recruiting class as the Irish. Each of those current top 5 teams have signed two recruits ranked in the top 15 by prepvolleyball.com.

Other than that, the Irish have the rest of the NCAA top 25 beat.

"We recognize the incoming freshmen will need to contribute next season immediately, she doesn't want to get too far ahead of herself. She wants to savor the moment and enjoy the outstanding season the Irish currently are having."

"We're really excited about the class," she said. "It's a really good class. Obviously, we have an outstanding group of seniors right now. It's not like you can replace them because each class is going to be different.

Notre Dame is ranked No. 8 in the American Volleyball Coaches Association rankings and has won 24 of 26 matches this season. The Irish clinched the No. 1 seed in the Big East tournament and won the regular season for the 10th time in the past 11 years.

The Irish, who begin Big East tournament play Friday afternoon against Villanovas in Louisville, are thinking more about the five seniors they have now.

"We really haven't thought a whole lot, especially during the season right now, about how they're the five recruits going to fit in and all that kind of stuff because we're pretty preoccupied with what we're doing with the team right now," Brown said.

Still, this season's successes are already having a huge impact for the Notre Dame volleyball program.

And while this year's five seniors are irreplaceable, five top recruits certainly won't hurt.

"We feel good about each of the recruits and the things that they bring," Brown said.

Next season, the Irish will have junior Danielle Herndon and sophomores Adrianna Stasiak, Ashley Tarutis and Ellen Heinaman back as their core. In addition to those four, freshmen Mallorie Creal, Madison Clark, Justine Streemick and Annie Mokris will be back. Those four have all contributed throughout the season.

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Notre Dame over Georgia Tech, Virginia Tech and Florida. He's a big-time line­backer that Notre Dame really likes."

While Richardson is expected to play linebacker in college, he has also played defensive end for Westlake High School in Atlanta. He is listed at 6-foot-3, 235 pounds and has been timed at 4.75 sec­onds in the 40-yard dash. "He can run pretty well," Frank said. "He loves to hit

and loves to tackle people." Reuland would be a mar­quee recruit for the Irish if he chooses them over other schools recruiting him such as UCLA, USC, Miami (Fla.) and Stanford. He is 6-foot-6, 240 pounds and has a 4.70 time in the 40-yard dash. "I don't know if he's the biggest recruit (Notre Dame is after)," Frank said. "I think [Irish running back verbal commitment] James Aldridge is a pretty big name. But Reuland is probably one of the top tight ends in the country."

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assuming we win and move on to the next round," Dalby said.

Western Illinois finished the season with a 6-9-4 record. The Leathernecks captured the Mid-Con Conference title for the sec­ond straight season with a 4-3 overtime victory over Oakland Nov. 13.

Western Illinois is one of only two teams in the NCAA tournament with a losing record. Nonetheless, the Irish expect the Leathernecks to pose a stiff challenge. "I know they didn't have a winning record, but they won their conference tournament so they are a team that's coming in on a hot streak," Dalby said.

Seven teams from Big East conference made the tourna­ment. The only conference with higher representation in the tournament is the ACC with nine teams in the field of 48. Playing in such a com­petitive conference coupled with Notre Dame's tough non-conference schedule should benefit the Irish in the tournament.

"I think this team has faced a lot of things that other Notre Dame teams of the past two years haven't faced," Dalby said. "I think our schedule helped us get into the tournament and hopefully it's going to help us stay in the tournament."

If Notre Dame defeats Western Illinois Friday, it will then take on Indiana in Bloomington on Tuesday, Nov. 22. The Hoosiers, who have won the past two NCAA championships, enter the tournament as the No. 3 seed. The Irish lost 2-0 to

Indiana at Alumni Field Oct. 20.

Notre Dame is anxious to get the start the tournament after an up and down regular season. "I think we are all excited and looking forward to it," Dalby said. "It doesn't matter what happened in the past. We are in the tournament and hopefully we can make a run."

Notes:

♦ Three Irish players were recognized by the Big East coaches when the conference awards were handed out Friday. Dalby and junior mid­fielder Ian Etherington were fourth team all-Big East selec­tions, while sophomore for­ward Joe Lupiz was named third team all-Big East. Dalby, who was unani­mously chosen to the first team, felt honored by the selection, but said he was happier for his teammates. "[Lupiz] has the potential to be offensive player of the year next year," Dalby said. "And I think [Etherington] has done a great job this year so far."

"Hopefully both those guys can really come through in the postseason because we are going to need both of those guys to be big." Contact Kevin Brennan at kbrenna@nd.edu

SCU IN THE BIG EAST

Sophomore Kurt Martin looks to beat a Cincinnati defender during a 2-1 Irish loss to the Bearcats on Sept. 25.

CLUB SPORTS

Squash club falls in Northwestern

Special to The Observer

Notre Dame's shorthanded squash club dropped a pair of matches at Northwestern this weekend, falling to Northwestern, 8-1, Purdue, 7-1, and Penn State, 8-1. At No. 1, James Zhang, a former member of the Singapore National Junior team, estab­lished himself as one of the top players in the Midwest as he remained undefeated on the season. Zhang avenged last year's 3-1 loss to Northwestern's Ed Gadien, with a 9-5, 7-9, 9-7, 9-7 thriller in the weekend's fea­tured match. Jose Palomo, Ben O'Brien, Randy Rainosek, Alex Forshaw, Leigh Chapman, and Chris Schals all dropped 2-0 matches to the No. 27 ranked Wildcats.

Zhang defeated Purdue's Justin Woo, 9-3, 10-9, 9-4, and Penn State's Aditya Shastri, 9-6, 9-4, 9-7, to highlight the weekend. The Irish competed without their No. 2 and No. 4 players, Javier Palomo and Matt McNab, for the weekend, and starters Mike McConnell and Eric Sabelabsa are abroad this semester. This tournament was an opportunity for new players to move up in the line­up and improve their games against experienced oppo­nents. A full squad will look to reverse these decisions after semester break.

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Irish quarterback

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believes Notre Dame needs to make in its final two regular season games against Syracuse and Stanford.

"We're sitting with a record of two losses," Quinn said, referring to a 44-41 loss to Michigan State on Sept. 17 and a 34-31 defeat by No. 1 USC on Oct. 15. "When it comes down to it, [Irish coach Charlie] Weis has ingrained into our heads that idea of perfection — where you want to go into every game and come out victorious."

Notre Dame came out victorious this past weekend, thumping Navy 42-21 behind four touchdown passes from Quinn. But the junior quarterback instead talked Monday about the interception he threw against the Midshipmen and the mistakes the offense made.

"Our goal this past weekend was to not have any three-and-outs, and I think we found ourselves punting one time and not converting on a fourth down," Quinn said. "I think that's how we look at every game. We want to be nitpicky about things. Obviously it's a good thing, I think, if you're talking about what you are trying to look at as your goals and objectives."

One of the goals Quinn set for Saturday's game against Syracuse (1-8) was sending the Irish seniors out on a successful note in their last game at Notre Dame Stadium.

"You develop such close bonds," Quinn said. "This year, you almost feel like we're a family. You realize how important it really is when you want to send those guys out on the right note. The guys who will be playing their last home game in this stadium, I think, will be our biggest motivation."

And despite Syracuse's losing record and No. 6 Notre Dame being an overwhelming favorite, Quinn believes the Irish will still need to make strides in practice this week to be fully prepared for the Orange.

"There's a ton of improvement we need to make," Quinn said. "When it comes down to it, fundamentals you can always improve on. Finding ways to make things happen when maybe you're at a standstill."

Notes:

♦ Notre Dame occupies the No. 9 spot in the latest Bowl Championship Series (BCS) standings released Monday. The Irish are sandwiched between No. 8 Alabama and No. 10 Oregon. Southern California maintained the top spot in the poll with Texas, Miami (Fla.), Penn State, Lsu, Virginia Tech and Ohio State rounding out the top seven, respectively. Two of the three polls used as part of the BCS rankings formula — the Harris Interactive poll and the USA Today coaches poll have Notre Dame at Nos. 6 and 7, respectively. However, the composite computer rankings are bringing the Irish down, rating Notre Dame at No. 13.

♦ Quinn has been named to the Walter Camp Foundation's "Players to Watch" list for the foundation's 2005 Player of the Year award. Quinn is one of four quarterbacks on the 10-player list, joining UCLA's Drew Olson, USC's Matt Leinart and Texas' Vince Young. USC running back Reggie Bush also made the list, along with UCLA running back Maurice Drew, Louisville defensive end Elvis Dumervil, Washington State running back Jerome Harrison, Ohio State linebacker A.J. Hawk and Penn State linebacker Paul Posluszny. The winner will be announced Dec. 8 at 6 p.m. on ESPN.

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No ex-'Cuse-es

Irish quarterback not looking past Syracuse to future bowl game

By MIKE GILLOON

Brady Quinn just had to laugh.

"Is there a bowl you'd rather play in?" asked a reporter.

"No, the only thing I'm worried about right now is just Syracuse," Quinn responded. "Any thoughts on possibly playing Ohio State [in a bowl?]," asked the same reporter.

"Right now I'm just focusing on Syracuse," Quinn said with a chuckle.

Quinn is not letting the media know if he has any intentions of looking forward to the possibility of Notre Dame's first Bowl Championship Series (BCS) appearance since 2000.

The Irish quarterback and offensive captain instead focused on the progress he and his team have made this season.

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"It certainly was a relief," junior Irish captain Greg Shaner. "But I think, at the end of the day, I would have been really surprised if we didn't get in. Notre Dame will host Western Illinois Friday at 5 p.m. at Alumni Field. The Irish are excited to be playing at home in the first round.

"I think us getting a game under our belt at home will definitely give us confidence," Quinn said.

ND WOMEN'S SOCCER

Defense strong all year

Irish defender Jill Krivacek moves the ball upfield during the Big East final Nov. 6 against Connecticut.

By BOBBY GRIFFIN

The Irish do not give up many shots on goal, and they like it that way.

In Notre Dame's 3-0 win against Michigan State Sunday, the team only gave up one shot on goal, and that didn't come until late in the second half.

Michigan State was in Notre Dame's zone with less than two minutes left when Spartans forward Emily Weigand found herself in front of the net. Weigand fired a shot at Irish goaltender Lauren Karas, who dove and deflected the ball.

The Irish defense quickly took control.

"We don't want to give up that goal," defender Christie Shaner. "It was a pride issue. Especially with one minute left in the game, that's when you gotta stay focused. It's a 90-

MEN'S SOCCER

Irish earn berth in NCAAs

By KEVIN BRENnan

The Notre Dame men's soccer team breathed a little easier Monday after learning it had been included in the 48-team NCAA Tournament field.

With a 10-7-3 record overall and a 6-4-1 conference mark, the Irish were on the bubble heading into the 5 p.m. unveiling of the bracket on ESPNEWS.

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FOOTBALL RECRUITING

Weis, coaching staff closing in on Reuland

By MIKE GILLOON

Unlike Notre Dame's game against USC on Oct. 12, there were not many recruits making official visits to campus to see the Irish beat Navy 42-21 Saturday. Almost 30 players made official or unofficial visits the weekend of Notre Dame's first Bowl Championship Series (BCS) appearance since 2000.

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