Students show less passion despite win

Enthusiasm lower than usual in game against winless squad

By PATRICK CASSIDY
News Writer

October began on a positive note for the Irish and their fans, as Notre Dame emerged Saturday with a respectable 4-1 record through five games. But while the Irish came out on top of the winless Cardinal, the victory could have been much more.

By ROHAN ANAND
News Writer

It seemed that most dorms on campus were offering some extra incentive to encourage students to attend Friday's pep rally at the Joyce Center. Siegfried Hall offered its residents free pizza. Men from St. Edward's Hall dressed up in togas. Zahm Hall marched in carrying its mascot dressed in a royal treatment.

Queen to honor educator

Royal Society of Arts to induct SMC prof

By KIM ABEEL
News Writer

Dr. Cyrie Pullapilly is getting the royal treatment. Next February in London, Queen Elizabeth will induct Pullapilly, a history professor at Saint Mary's, into the Royal Society of Arts.

SIBC advisor endures Kuwait

Former staff member misses times with family, Notre Dame students

By BECKY HOGAN
News Writer

Walking at 5:30 a.m. each day to a blazing sun in 130-degree weather, taking a quick shower on rotting floors and enduring both the stench of outdoor bathrooms and a 16-hour workday is the reality that Susan Soisson now faces. A mother of four from South Bend who served as a former assistant program manager for the Mendoza College of Business and advisor to Notre Dame's Student International Business Council (SIBC),

Photograph: A member of the Royal Society of Arts poses.

so is Susan's current position.

Lecturer scrutinizes judicial independence

Personal beliefs deemed unacceptable in court

By MEGHAN WONS
News Writer

In the appropriate setting of Notre Dame Law School's Law School, the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals Judge Darmuid O'Scannlain spoke to Notre Dame Law School's Federalist Society and members of the South Bend community Friday about the history, myths and implications of judicial independence. His talk, entitled "The Federal Legal Dictory Today," explained judicial independence — a difficult-to-explain concept, he said, that is necessary to support "our great nation and our great tradition."
Forever young (and online)

The other day I was shocked when my dad asked me how I did on my Constitutional Law midterm. It wasn't the question itself that surprised me. It was the fact that he asked me over Instant Messenger.

My siblings and I have used IM practically since we learned how to use the computer. We've mastered the lingo, we've perfected the art of the away message, but we did not expect our parents to enter the AIM domain.

"My screen name is more permanent. And "Studying for finals."" Message into a documentation of life's times vague — usually just gives mundane response. It's so convenient to have it now, even if I don't need to know how each and every one of my buddies are feeling, where they are and what they are doing every minute of the day.

I think I will still use AIM after I graduate. I want to be able to keep in touch with my friends. In a few years I won't ask them what time dinner is, but I can find out what's new in their lives.

Will I ever sign off for good? Maybe we've perfected the art of the away message can be changed quickly, but a screen name is more permanent. The fact that my father has successfully jumped the generational divide into the land of "I am 21," and "Weird, huh?" she replied.

"Benjamin Franklin, because he got all the ladies." News Writer

"The people I'm stalking for Assassins, because then I'd finally know where they were." Steve Tortorello

"Professor Seth Brown, because I'd love to be that smart for once." Kirsten Elzic

"Molly Smith, because she can actually come up with answers for these questions." Molly Smith

"A kindergartner, because then I'd have nap time and a much lighter workload." Joe Macielba

"The Rock's wife, because he is the most perfect specimen of man there is." Candace Montgomery

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The Bayawan Philippines National Dance Company will perform various dance music and performances of the Philippines Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. in the College Center Hall of the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center. Tickets are $11 for students, $30 for faculty, staff and seniors, and $36 for the general public.

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

Special to The Observer

Dr. Zilda Arns Neumann, a pediatrician who founded and leads Pastoral da Criança (Pastoral of the Child), an innovative public health program that works with more than 265,000 volunteers to help poor families in her native Brazil, will receive the third annual Opus Prize in a Nov. 8 ceremony hosted by the University of Notre Dame.

The $1 million Opus Prize is affiliated with the Opus Group, a $1.4 billion national real estate development company headquartered in Minneapolis, and is given annually to honor a person who "combines a driving entrepreneurial spirit with a strong public service ethic to confront poverty, illiteracy, hunger, disease and injustice.

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Neumann began to organize the Pastoral of the Child in 1983 at the urging of her brother, Cardinal Paulo Evaristo Arns, a native Brazil, and archbishop of Sao Paulo, Brazil. Although an ecumenical project, it takes advantage of the Brazilian Catholic Church’s eclesiastical infrastructure, uniquely combining local community organizing and large-scale public health initiatives to promote the health of children and to reduce infant mortality.

"Children are the seed for peace or violence in the future, depending on how they are cared for and stimulated," she says of her work. "Thus, their family and community environment must be soon to grow a future and more fraternal world, a world to serve life and hope."

Nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize last year, Neumann has received numerous other honors for her work, including special awards from UNICEF, the Pan American Health Organization Prize, Brazil's National Order of Educational Merit, the University of Sao Paulo's Human Rights Prize, Lions Club International's Humanitarian of the Year Prize, Rotary International's Jean Harris Prize, B'nai B'rith's Human Rights Medal, the National Council of Brazilian Women’s Tribute of Respect, the Simon Bolivar Medal and the United Nation's Human Rights Prize.

Enlisting some 265,000 volunteers, more of these poor women working in their own communi ties, the Pastoral of the Child annually serves more than 100,000 pregnant women and nearly two million children in every state in Brazil. In the impoverished communities it serves, the infant mortality rate has been reduced to 15 deaths per thousand, roughly half the national average. The Pastoral's numerous and varied activities include education, counseling and support of pregnant women; breast-feeding incentives; nutritional guidance and monthly weight monitoring of small children; instruction on the preparation and consumption of inexpensive, but highly nutritional products and foods discarded leaves, peels and seeds; the control of preventable illnesses such as diarrhea and respiratory diseases through the use of homemade serums and the organization of community pharmacies; vaccination programs; natural family planning instruction and counseling, educational programs for the prevention of AIDS and other sexually transmitted diseases; literacy and recreational programs for children and parents; and catechetical programs to encourage non-violence in families and communities.

Other exemplars of entrepreneurial community service receiving honors from the Opus Prize Foundation during the Notre Dame ceremony will be the Office for Farmworker Ministry (OFFM) in Apopka, Fla., and the Cristo Rey Network. Since 1971, the OFFM has established several non-profit organizations — including health care clinics and a credit union — to support some 6,000 farmworker families in the rural Apopka area. The Cristo Rey Network, founded in 2001, is a national association of Catholic high schools providing college preparatory education to economically disadvantaged young people through work study and other programs.

University plans to enhance coursework

Special to The Observer

The Carnegie Academy for the Scholarship of Teaching and Learning (CASTL) has selected the University of Notre Dame, along with 86 other higher education institutions and networks worldwide, to participate in a program to improve undergraduate and graduate education. Notre Dame's area of focus will be on enhancing undergraduate research.

The CASTL Institutional Leadership Program is a three-year partnership between Carnegie and selected colleges, universities and organizations with a strong commitment to the examination of teaching and learning. Participants were selected for their ability to influence work in 12 areas, ranging from assessment and accountability to undergraduate research.

All selected institutions have developed and implemented innovative strategies to strengthen teaching and improve student learning on their own campuses. Through participation in the Carnegie program, they will collaborate with other institutions to further examine that work and expand activities in those same areas.

"Our participation in the Carnegie program provides a wonderful opportunity for us to explore and document the distinctive value that undergraduate research adds to a Notre Dame education," said Dennis Jacobs, Notre Dame vice president, associate provost and professor of chemistry and biochemistry, who was named the Carnegie U.S. Professor of the Year in 2002.

Notre Dame offers numerous effective undergraduate research programs, including laboratory research projects within science and engineering, the Undergraduate Research Opportunities Program (URP) in the College of Arts and Letters, community-based research and international study grants that allow students to pursue abroad a line of scholarly inquiry in collaboration with Notre Dame faculty.

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Ushers
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row 36, and the stairs are pretty narrow. He just went down headfirst and hit his head on the concrete," Clynn said. "I signaled for medical attention and kept everybody clear of the way till the medics came."

When the game was over, Clynn returned to his room at the Motel 610, where he stays between his recent home games — it’s not worth going back to his hometown of Dubuy, Conn, for such a short time.

While Clynn has four years under his belt, Morris Zink has nearly 50 more.

Zink cut his teeth as an usher in 1953, the year Frank Leahy coached the squad. An unplanned half-century later, Zink remains.

"I didn’t know I’d be here for this many years, but I’ve enjoyed it, so I’m still here," he said. "I’m still enthused about working and I have no plans to retire soon."

"Cappy’s going to have to put up with me for a while more."

Of all the games Zink has seen, one stands out in his memory. In 1980, Notre Dame played Michigan. Down two points with very little time left, the Irish drove to within several yards of Michigan’s goal line. On fourth down, a field goal would win the game — but the wind was blowing hard against kicker Harry Oliver.

"The minute they lined up, the wind died down. It really did! The flags fell still," Zink said.

Oliver kicked the field goal and Notre Dame won the game.

"That was probably the most amazing thing I’ve seen," Zink said. And while Zink has seen marvelous things, other ushers — like Ajax Arvin — have done them. A 44-year veteran who drives 156 miles to usher on game days, Arvin recalls the medicine bottle he once found in post-game litter.

"It was quite important for a terminal disease. But it had the address on it, it was somewhere in Pennsylvania, so I mailed it," he said. "I got a call thanking me because the medicine was so expensive."

While Arvin signed up to usher because he couldn’t buy football tickets and wanted to see the game, usher Sue Adent just wanted an excuse to return to Notre Dame Stadium after her son Joseph, a football walk-on, graduated in 1996.

"We wondered, what do we do on game weekends? We heard Cappy was hiring women... hence, here I am. Almost 10 years later," Adent said.

Gagnon opened the usher position to women when he was hired in 1995. Since his arrival, he’s also established stricter uniform rules — all ushers wear white shirts and ties for for ladies, "neck-wear") — and depending on where they’re located, they wear either a yellow vest or a yellow jacket. All wear colored hats signaling their ranks; gold is reserved for the highest-ranking ushers.

Ushers said Gagnon has also established "Welcome to Notre Dame" as the official usher phrase, and asks his staff to say it as often as possible.

"I guess (ushering) is mainly just being friendly and open, smiling at people." — Sue Adent, usher

The Irish are now ranked in the top 10 going into their bye week. With students looking forward to a fall break of their own, the entire Notre Dame community will have a chance to return with renewed enthusiasm.

"With the bye week coming up, both the Notre Dame fans and team will be able to rest and come back for the UCLA game with much more energy," Newcomb said.

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more decisive.

"We played well, but we could have done a lot more," freshman safety Altenburger said. "It looked like Stanford was overmatched but we just couldn’t capitalize as much as we wanted or expected.

"The game was still very much in question after a close first quarter, in which Stanford showed an unexpected ability to drive down the field on the Irish defense, which senior Heidkamp saw as a sign of weakness.

"The key to our defense is the play of the front four," Heidkamp said. "If they can penetrate and put some pressure on the backfield it makes up for our lack of athleticism and experience in the secondary.

Freshman Andrew Saville expressed concern over Notre Dame’s failure to answer Stanford’s trick play — a halfback pass that wound up in the end zone.

"It seemed that in the fourth quarter we were a little more hesitant than usual," Saville said. "I’m sure there were more likely to answer their trickery with a couple more touchdowns and a loss for us.

With the combination of low attendance at the weekend’s pep rally and a wireless opponent, some said the student section seemed unenthusiastic.

"We [the student] didn’t seem into the game — maybe because it seemed like an easy win," freshman Jenna Newcomb said.

According to Gagnon, who has spoken with ushers from that era, Rockne gave them a pep talk on the field before their first game. He showed them how to lead a lady to her seat: grasp her hand and guide her up the steep stairs.

"It was a courtlier time back then," Gagnon said. 

Sixty-six years after it began, Clynn says he’s thrilled to be a part of the tradition of greeting people in a friendly atmosphere.

"It’s like being in heaven," he said.

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Professor Chazan is the ND Provost’s Distinguished Woman Lecturer. She is a renowned professor of Political Science and Africana Studies and heads the School of Government and Society, Academic College of Tel Aviv. From 1992-2003, she was a member of the Israeli Knesset. An author of numerous publications, Professor Chazan received the Freedom and Human Rights Prize from the Foundation for Freedom and Human Rights in Switzerland in 2003.

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Denmark grapples with anti-Islamism

The Danish daily newspaper Nordsleskiden on Friday, gave a warning on fresh spinach grown in California's Salinas Valley, a popular brand of lettuce grown there has been recalled over a growth has slowed. The company initiated a voluntary recall of the broader population, now down on the president and Congress as the unpopular Iraqi war drags on and economic growth has slowed.

Lettuce recalled after E. coli scare

NORTH CAROLINA — Less than a week after the Food and Drug Administration lifted its warning on fresh spinach grown in California's Salinas Valley, a popular brand of lettuce grown there has been recalled over concerns about E. coli contamination.

In another clip, a man held up a drawing depicting a bearded man wearing a turban next to a plane and a bomb with a nuclear mushroom cloud. The politicians appeared to have been drinking.

Iran undeterred by sanction threat

NEW ALBANY, Ind. — After winning over moms in back-to-back elections, Republicans have lost their advantage among married women with children this year.

GOP loses ground with mothers

Lettuce does not appear to have caused any illnesses, Salinas-based Nunes Company Inc. said in a statement.

The shift among married moms was reflected in the competitive House races.

The deaths brought to 29 the number of Americans killed in Iraq this month — one in the country. Two soldiers were killed Friday in western Anbar province, the military said without elaborating.

Police also found 51 bullet-riddled bodies in a sub­urban Cincinnati park with one of her children, a niece and a nephew in tow. A Republican, she voted for Bush in 2004. She said she was not sure whether she would again if she had the chance or whether she would vote with her party next month — a sentiment echoed by others.

For years, the GOP has held a slight advantage with this group of voters. Republicans made additional gains leading up to and through the 2000 presidential election, in part because, according to analysts and exit polls, married moms were attracted to Bush's emphasis on social conservatism and had a general fondness for the man himself. In the 2002 congressional elections, more than half of married moms sided with Republicans while only 35 percent voted with Democrats.

The GOP has lost ground with mothers this year.

The renewed protests from Muslim members — the U.S., France, Britain, Russia and China — stopped short of demanding Iran be punished because of the restrictions. He said, "It wasn't a decision that any rational person would have made."
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islative and judiciary — sepa-
rate as means of balancing powers.
One of the biggest complaints from judges serving
under King George was that they were without
living and salaries were sub-
ject to the whims of the ruler as
well they followed his opinions, O'Scannlain said.

The founding fathers wanted to safeguard against this non-
independent judiciary found in
Great Britain.

But the system set up in the Constitution was not impre-
table, said O'Scannlain, who explained that judicial inde-
pendence has been threatened in the past and is still threat-
et today.

Justice Samuel Chase, the only Supreme Court justice to
date to have been served with articles of impeachment, was
charged — and eventually acquitted — of "political bias"
in the handling of the trial of John Fries, O'Scannlain said.

The early impeachment of Justice Chase may have been the
first attack on the judi-
cracy, but it certainly wasn't the last," he said.

More than 100 years later, President Franklin Delano
Roosevelt proposed a bill that
would allow him to replace
judges over the age of 70 even if they did not want to
step down. If passed, this bill
would have allowed Roosevelt
to "stack the court" and gua-
rantee support for New Deal legislation, O'Scannlain said.

The bill was not passed, but
with the "switch in time that
saved nine" — the name given to Justice Owen Roberts' shift
from the conservative to the liberal wing of the Supreme
Court in a Case decided short-
ly after Roosevelt's court
stacking bill proposal — may
believe feelings of threatened
dependence have been threat-
ed to Justice Roberts' switch.

O'Scannlain said there is
still an "enduring political
power on judicial independ-
ence."

Two "myths" about judicial
independence, O'Scannlain said, is that it "protects judi-
cicial activism" and "protects
judges from criticism of their
opinions."

Judicial activism is opinion
based on politics or personal
opinion, O'Scannlain said —
not the faithful upholding of
laws. He said judicial activism
and judicial independence are
"wholly incompatible."

"Judges are independent," he
said, "but not independent
from the law."

In regards to the second
myth, O'Scannlain said criti-
cism of judges must be pro-
tected by the First
Amendment.

"It is a prized American
day to speak one's mind," he
said.

Judges must not, however,
bow to public criticism. In
cases where judges do seem-
ingly succumb to criticism, "appellate review should occur," he said. He stressed that "idolatry to the law should
exist in the first instance."

In his concluding remarks, Judge O'Scannlain quoted
another judge: "Leave to the
people an independent judi-
cracy and they will prove that
man is capable of governing
himself."

A question and answer peri-
d followed the lecture, extending the conversation to topics such as judicial strip-
ping, the effect of criticism on judges and what rules personal
convictions or morality plays in
the professional lives of judges.

Expanding on earlier comments he made about criticism directed
towards the judi-
cracy, O'Scannlain said,
"The courts are not immune
from criticism. ... It is impor-
tant because reasonable
minds can differ."

"Hopefully criticism can be
done in a climate of maturity
and in a way that respects the
institution."

Personal con-
victions should not affect how a
judge applies the
law, he said.

"There are lots of
laws with which I disagree
that I have to enforce on a
daily basis. ... I don't
have the power to
strike it down
unless it is not within
the Constitution," O'Scannlain
said.

If he believes a law is unjust,
O'Scannlain said he can bring
it to the attention of the legis-
lature. A judge can also
rebuff him or herself from a
case if he or she feels there is a
conflict of inter-
est.

In response to a question about judicial activism,
O'Scannlain said he viewed the judge as a "neu-
tral applier of the
law.

He said it
would be appro-
priate for judges to provide
data to Congress regarding
opinion on certain legislation
or make suggestions for sys-
temic change only after apply-
ing sentencing guidelines as
defined by law.

O'Scannlain was appointed to the 9th Circuit Court by
President Reagan and con-

firmed by the Senate in 1986.

Notre Dame law professor Anthony J. Bellia Jr. intro-
duced O'Scannlain Friday.

"He has been a leader in
working to ensure the quality
of opinions on the 9th Circuit
Court of Appeals ... and he has been a tremendous friend to
the University," Bellia said.

O'Scannlain received an
honorary degree from Notre
Dame in 2002.

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**Booksellers seek niche markets**

Independent store owners struggle to attract customers from chains, online outlets

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MySpace to organize benefit concerts

NEW YORK — The online hangout MySpace.com will organize 20 concerts featuring bands promoted on its site as part of a campaign to raise awareness and money for humanitarian relief in Sudan.

The site, which grew in popularity thanks to its early adoption by emerging bands and their fans, has in recent months taken a more active role in the unusually chilly fall air.

"The crisis in Darfur is a global concern and as a global community we have a responsibility to take action," said Eric Pirogowicz, 50, a executive, said in a statement. "MySpace's reach is a big advantage to us. We have a responsibility to organize benefit concerts and to raise awareness and money for humanitarian causes." But MySpace is also part of a growing number of independent bookstore owners refusing to give up. He's closing his store this month but plans to reopen as a discount book store. Others are luring customers by putting in cafes or opening specialty shops that cater to a specific audience, like mystery lovers.

"There are so many of the public television and selling memberships. Or they're being saved by investors who can't bear the idea of losing these local institutions," he said.

Not only that, but even as 200 to 300 independent bookstores close a year, the number of independent book stores opening is creeping up.

"For a long time, from 1992 to 2002, you barely could count on two hands the number of openings," said Eric Plaisance, an operating officer of the American Booksellers Association. "In the last three years there are 60, 70, 80 and it's already going into double digits," he said.

"There are a lot of ways to make money in the business," said Brent, whose father, Chicago bookseller Stuart Brent, closed the city's most famous bookstore after a half century in 1996. Gary Kleiman, who owns Bookleaf in the northern California community of Fairfax, decided the way to do it was to get rid of the clutter and make his store a gathering place.

"We had 10,000 or 13,000 books in the store," said Kleiman. "Now we have maybe 1,500." Last fall, Kleiman gave all but a handful of his used books to charity. Then he tore down shelves and in their place put tables and chairs and a small stage for live performances. He started offering free wireless Internet access. And to help convince people to take advantage of it all he got a beer and wine license.

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Goodyear, union prepare for strike

AKRON, Ohio — Legend has it you used to be able to smell the rubber in this blue-collar city, home to the world's third largest tiremaker.

But these days the most noticeable smell near Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co.'s hulking headquar­ters is the smell of wood burning in metal barrels that keep striking workers warm from the unusually chilly fall air.

As of Saturday, days after United Steelworkers and the union.

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"We've had a market that wants to see bad news as good news with a "respective to the Fed," said Bryan Piskorowski, a market analyst at Wachovia Securities LLC. "Now the economy is slowing, the housing mar­ket is slowing, consumer spending is starting to slow. You run that tightrope where bad news eventually becomes bad news.

Investors concerned about the jobs report Friday were also disappointed by news of the resignation of a General Motors Corp. board member who lobbied unsuccessfully for an alliance with other automakers.

But hopes for a Fed rate cut as well as a further decline in oil prices helped drive the 30-stock Dow Jones industrial average to three straight record high closes this week. The blue chips also set new intraday highs. Broader indexes also showed robust gains, though they remained well below their all-time highs.

The Dow was down 16.48, or 0.14 percent, at 11,850.21 Friday, slightly below the record close of 11,866.69 set the day before.

Broader stock indicators also fell Friday. The Standard & Poor's 500 index was down 3.64, or 0.37 percent, at 1,349.58. And the Nasdaq composite index fell 6.32, or 0.28 percent, to 2,299.99.

The week was a memorable one for investors, with the Dow finally recover­ing from the dot-com meltdown early in the decade, recession and then the Sept. 11, 2001, terror attacks.

**Stocks drop from all-time highs**

**Associated Press**

NEW YORK — Wall Street ended a record-breaking week quietly Friday, edging lower after the Labor Department said employers added far fewer jobs than expected last month. The Dow industrials fell all scored big gains for the week.

While the jobs report gave investors further confirmation that the economy is slowing — employers created just 51,000 jobs in August instead of the 120,000 Wall Street expected — the market is now concerned that the economy might be moderating too much.

Even the prospects of a rate cut by the Federal Reserve came as little comfort for the week. They're confined to the perimeter walls. While he's selling about the same number of books as he used to, new books are selling better. And his store has a lot more customers — eating, drinking and listening to music — than he did before. About 60 percent of the store's profits come from the cafe. Kleiman's dramatic move after six years of business was to open Friday, is reflected in one of the store's security mirrors Sept. 27.
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England, working on his fourth book, "The Catholic Reformation entitled "The Intellectual History of the Catholic Reformation." Pullupally received several Fulbright Grants and one grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities. He founded several organizations in India for the education and welfare of youth and the politically oppressed.

"I am always amazed at the extent of G.K.'s contacts around the world," Swemoe said. "He has had personal meetings with a wide array of world leaders - from popes to presidents."

Pullupally said he is honored to be a member of the ISA and is enjoying his opportunity to interact with other scholars at Cambridge.

He hasn't forgotten South Bend, however.

"I look forward to getting back to my students and colleagues at [Saint Mary's]," he said. "ISA members are allowed to continue working in their current professions, but are expected to contribute to the maximum extent in their fields for the welfare of the society at large."

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Soisson is on military leave in Kuwait as a lieutenant colonel in the U.S. Army's 336th Transportation Group.

While stationed in Camp Arifjan, Soisson's transportation unit performs missions in Iraq. Most of Soisson's tasks are computer related, and while she has become accustomed to frequent power outages in her camp, she may never get used to missing her family.

The greatest challenge she faces everyday, Soisson said, is being so far away from her husband, Tom, and children Allie, Adam, Claire and Annelyse.

"I miss impromptu hugs with my husband and kids, I miss having dinner together... watching a video on a Friday night and especially, lately, fall and Notre Dame football," Soisson said. "It is the normal part of life that I crave."

But aside from her husband and kids, it is the small amenities - like indoor plumbing - that Soisson misses most.

"The temporary bathrooms here really stink, and there is no indoor plumbing in the work or sleeping areas," she said.

In November 2005, Soisson was notified to transfer to Camp Arifjan. Initially, she didn't think the deployment would become a reality. She had received similar notifications several times before, and usually the circumstances didn't require her to leave.

But after four months of training, Soisson arrived in Kuwait in July. Reflecting back on her deployment, Soisson said, "I believe that God has a plan for us all and I am still trying to fully understand my role here."

Soisson joined the Army in 1980 as a scholarship cadet. She later left active duty to move to South Bend with her husband so that he could open his pediatric practice. In 1992, she joined the Army Reserves as a way of meeting people and making some extra money.

Besides longing for an Irish football game, Soisson also misses her contact with the Notre Dame community. In her role with the SIBC, Soisson said she enjoyed working with some of the University's most dedicated and intellectually gifted students.

And she realizes now, she said, how fortunate she was to have kind and devoted coworkers at Notre Dame - something she doesn't encounter in her current work environment.

"I work with some nice people, but I would say this has been an experience of isolation," she said.

Soisson attributes this sense of isolation to the intensity of the mission that the service members endure each day, she is not willing to accept it. In addition to her regular duties, she receives quarterly training as the "Consideration of Others" program officer.

"This is a real program, which reminds people to remember we are all of value," Soisson said. "The message may get out, but the practice of kindness is far from perfected."

Given the lack of facilities in Arifjan and the intense working conditions that constantly challenge Soisson, she said it is difficult to be certain whether her sacrifices are truly improving the world.

"I would like to believe that I am making a difference in the units we serve, but I am totally unclear on the strategic level if we are making a difference," she said.

During these trying times, Soisson said her faith provides her with strength to "make each day a possibility."

Her fellow service members, Soisson said, are what keep her strong during her time in Iraq and Kuwait.

"The service members I work with are my heroes in many ways," she said. "Most risk their lives for their country every time they leave post, and they are completely dedicated to their mission."

Two members of Soisson's group have died, and she said attending the memorial services for these soldiers would be "a real test of emotions."

Soisson plans to return to her family in July 2007, just in time for her youngest daughter, 11th birthday. She said she hopes to continue working at Notre Dame in some capacity, not directly with the SIBC, and plans to apply for a Kroc Fellowship.

"I have learned here we can all serve humanity on different levels and finding the right place for your service is essential," she said. "We will see about God's plan for the next phase."

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Besides a pendant-sized wireless GPS tracker, there are light sensors and thermometers that help distinguish between indoors and outdoors. Cameras gauge how far away objects and obstacles are. A compass establishes direction. And an inertia detector tracks the roll, pitch and yaw of the user's head.

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The sounds are sent through bone-conducting headphones, specialized devices that are worn behind the ears to apprise users reluctant to have their ears covered.

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Navigation system adapted to aid the visually impaired

Associated Press

ATLANTA — Satellite-based navigation gadgets can guide motorists from high above, saving lumbering drivers countless hours and extra trips to the gas station. But directing people on a much smaller scale, inside an office — is a much greater challenge.

Locator equipment based on Global Positioning System satellites is accurate to about 10 feet — fine for drivers searching for the next right turn but not for pedestrians seeking a front door.

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The non-ESPN national media delights in chastising Division I colleges for their over-emphasis on the latter half of the phrase "student-athlete." These criticisms have ranged from a recent New York Times piece on the unbalanced spending on athletic facilities at Rutgers University to the annual mockery of the pathetic graduation rates of all top-25 football teams not named Notre Dame to the downright embarrassing class schedules of all former USC quarter-backs named Matt Leinart. While many of these attacks on America's universities are undoubtedly merited, there is a crucial aspect of this lop-sided treatment at "jock schools" that gets about as much press coverage as the war in Afghanistan. Yes, this deviant system of unequal rewards for athlete-students is so sinister and mani­cal that even the lofty ideals of the utopian NCAA fail to acknowledge its existence. Like steroids in baseball before the late 1990s and the entire female gender under the Taliban, these things are known to exist but never spoken of, and, for the most part, ignored entirely by the authorities. I'm talking, of course, about jersey chasers.

Defined as the always-reputable online Urban Dictionary as "a girl that only goes for guys on a certain sports team," these strumpets of the sidelines get their kicks not by watching an ath­lete's game, but by watching an ath­let­ic competition and cheering for their peers, but by blatantly attempting to hook up with said peers after their game-day heroism has solidified their greatness in the eyes of the cheering thousands.

At some schools, the primary activi­ties of these institution-of-higher-learn­ing Lolitas are purely sexual in nature. At the University of Miami — the Harvard of south Florida, if you will — former football stars like Tavares Gooden, Darnell Jenkins and our own Greg Oden achieved cult-status sat­is­fied for bravely exposing the lewd and disgusting activities that these jersey chasers often forced helpless athletes into doing in their pseudonymous "7th Floor Crew" rap. At other schools, these varsity-letter vixens are not always as ob­li­g­ingly motivated, and even waiting outside of a locker room with a plate full of baked goods or doing an athlete's laundry and homework on a daily basis are frequent forms of acceptable jersey chasing.

Still, the mysterious and underhand world of jersey adulation does not end there. Perhaps the most disturbing cases of this obsession can be found in college classrooms, even at Notre Dame, where the most dogged and determined jersey chasers are not sit­t­ing at student desks wearing black mini skirts and red snakeskin boots, but standing behind podiums giving aca­dem­ic lectures. Professors across cam­pus — and particularly in several ath­let­e-loaded classes in the Mendoza College of Business — are famous for spending half an hour on Mondays and Fridays either praising players for their previous week's victories or gearing them up for their upcoming games. Some go so far as to bring in newspa­per clips highlighting a star player's performance — as if these con­stantly glorified individuals really already knew that Googling their names would yield more than four mil­lion results. Clearly, the fervor and passion with which these sport-star stalkers go about their business deserves greater acknowledgment than which that the traditional news media currently gives them. For that reason, the time has come for the NCAA to finally recognize jersey chasing as an official varsity sport. Perhaps then these adoring fans will at last be legitimized in the eyes of a cruel America who currently views them as the crud of the collegiate cos­mos.

Imagine: Scantily clad girls stepping across the mound of lost XXX heels and sweatshirts on their apartment floors, reaching above their front doors, and slapping a gold "Chase Like a Champion" sign before they head out for a night of drinking at the ath­lete Mecca of Fitz­mann's. Sports reporters sending in their ballots every Sunday to decide which school's jersey chasers put up the most impressive numbers over the weekend. Reply officials analyzing a girl's pathetic pickup line to a basket­ball player from an upstairs booth, then throwing a yellow flag after determin­ing that "You can bounce your balls off my backboard any day" is an unaccept­able use of athletic sexual metaphor.

Yes, when this great day arrives and legitimacy is at last restored to the recreational activities of these misun­derstood students (and professors), all of our lives will surely change for the better. I already know where I'll be sitting: at a table in Fitzmann's, patiently awaiting my chance to become America's first jersey chaser chaser.

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U.S. Supreme Court Justice Harry Blackmun, in his famous dissenting opinion of February 1994, expressed dismay over capital punishment in America's judicial system. "From this day forward," Blackmun wrote, "I no longer shall tinker with the machinery of death." Almost 20 years after Blackmun's reinstatement of the death penalty in the U.S., Blackmun believed he was "morally and intellectually obligated simply to concede that the death penalty experiment has failed." Yet 12 years later, as "the death penalty experiment" continues to prove a procedural and legal nightmare, Justice Blackmun's reference to capital punishment as "the machinery of death" has become literal. Justice Blackmun's reference to capital punishment as cruel and unusual punishment has been literalized.

The ethics of medical participation in executions reveals one of the many complexities of capital punishment in the U.S. In an effort to maintain ethics within the legal system, judges are increasingly calling for medical personnel to supervise executions. However, with medical ethics in mind, doctors and anesthesiologists assert that physicians are healers, not executioners, and therefore cannot participate in the administration of lethal drugs.

If states, like North Carolina, feel they must purchase devices to carry out the death sentences of their inmates, can this punishment be considered ethical and humane? Medical codes of ethics aside, I believe that the reluctance of a state or a juror to employ any human being in taking the life of another person reveals the inherent aversion to killing that has been present as long as capital punishment itself.

In recent months, states are stalling and abandoning executions due to a flood of lawsuits framing lethal injection, especially without a medical practitioner present, as a violation of the rights of a U.S. citizen. The execution of Joseph Clark in Ohio in May demonstrates some of the issues surrounding lethal injection that are currently being examined. Prison technicians had trouble finding a suitable vein through which to administer lethal chemicals to Clark. After multiple attempts, the lethal dose began, but minutes later Clark raised his head and said, "It's not working." Another vein was painstakingly located, and drugs administered, in an execution that lasted almost 90 minutes in all. The American Medical Association, prohibit doctors and other health professionals from participating in executions — a position that makes a statement about morality and the death penalty.
El Gran Combo spices up evening at DPAC
Salsa band energizes student-filled crowd with song and dance

By LAURA MILLER
Scene Writer

Internationally acclaimed salsa band El Gran Combo offered a lively and stimulating performance at the DPAC on Wednesday, entertaining a relatively full audience with its energetic beats and flavorful salsa sounds. The group tours all over Latin America and made a special stop at the DPAC on Wednesday. Right, lead singers Charlie Aponte and Jerry Rivas sing and dance for the interactive audience. Photos by CHRISTIAN SAGARDIA/The Observer

Left, El Gran Combo entertains a relatively full audience with its energetic beats and flavorful salsa sounds. The group tours all over Latin America and made a special stop at the DPAC on Wednesday. Right, lead singers Charlie Aponte and Jerry Rivas sing and dance for the interactive audience.

El Gran Combo has rocked the world of Latin music ever since its formation in 1962. After the release of its first album in 1963, the group quickly rose in stature, touring all over Latin America. Despite a somewhat constantly changing membership, the band has managed to overcome internal problems and continue to produce good music. It was awarded the "Aguyyanka de Oro" prize in 1969, indicating its status as the best music group in Puerto Rico. Since then, it has continued to produce songs that top the charts.

The three also had choreographed dance moves that partially explain their success in the entertainment industry. These days, it is unusual for popular music groups and singers to fully understand how to produce a good concert. Dancing is usually either distracting or barely enough to keep the audience interested.

El Gran Combo's expertise in show business was clearly evident in its ability to produce a captivating performance. They successfully engaged a college-aged audience — a crowning achievement considering the young age of the group itself. Many of El Gran Combo's members are middle-aged or older, but the group had the talent to bridge generational gaps and make the performance entertaining for people of all ages.

This was very well reflected in the diversity of age in those attending the concert. Student attendance is a consistent problem at the DPAC. This problem was partially remedied for El Gran Combo's performance, because unlike other DPAC events, free tickets were available through several venues for students who took the time to preorder — and the difference in attendance was astounding. While the DPAC was not sold out, there was a larger amount of students present than in many sell-out crowds. Beyond the numbers, the students in attendance were all extremely excited about seeing El Gran Combo, which was apparent in their participation. Not only was the performance vibrant, but the Notre Dame students also reflected and intensified the energy coming from the stage. During the first song, most of the students had stood up and were dancing by their seats. By the second, most moved down in front of the stage, around the aisles and to the boxes in order to show their salsa skills or have a good time learning some moves.

Although most of the older members of the audience remained seated throughout the performance, it was apparent that they enjoyed watching the students dance. For the final song, El Gran Combo requested everyone to join in the dancing. The DPAC felt alive and electrified. Between the top-of-the-charts performance from El Gran Combo and the energy from the audience, Wednesday night was more like a party than just one of the days before midterms.

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Win at the half
Quinn throws three touchdowns to three receivers as Irish drop the Cardinal

Stanford quarterback Trent Edwards is crushed by Irish linebacker Anthony Vernaglia (54), defensive end Chris Frome (75) and defensive tackle Derek Landri during Saturday’s 31-10 win over the Cardinal. The Irish compiled 436 yards of total offense and sacked Edwards five times in the victory.

By CHRIS KHOREY
Associate Sports Editor

Junior tailback Darius Walker ran for 153 yards on 26 carries as No. 12 Notre Dame improved its record to 5-1 with a 31-10 win over Stanford Saturday at Notre Dame Stadium.

“It was a good team collective effort,” Walker said. “Everyone played really well, especially the offensive line. It was good day all around for us.”

As a team, the Irish rushed for a season-high 204 yards on 39 carries.

“I'd always like to call a game that's balanced 50-50,” Notre Dame coach Charlie Weis said. “It puts the defense in a mental blind when they know you can run or pass.

Irish quarterback Brady Quinn completed 27-of-37 passes for 232 yards and three touchdowns. His counterpart, Stanford signal-caller Trent Edwards was 7-of-15 for 68 yards. Edwards was also sacked five times.

“We weren't able to make the plays we needed to make when we needed to make them to keep it a closer game,” Stanford coach Walt Harris said.

The Cardinal, who have struggled running the ball this year, managed 72 yards on 38 carries, led by 64 yards on 15 carries by junior Anthony Kimble. Harris said, “We've been struggling with (third downs) all year.”

The Irish opened the game with a 12-play, 91-yard drive that took more than seven minutes off the clock and ended with a pass from Quinn to receiver Jeff Samardzija for the touchdown. It was the longest drive of the season for Notre Dame in terms of yardage, plays and time.

“Everyone played really well, it seems like we make something happen,” Quinn said. “It's not a go-to thing for us, but we know when we use it we can be successful.”

The Irish added a field goal with a 57-yard halfback pass with 1:02 left in the quarter, but Notre Dame extended its lead to 21-3 on the team's first possession of the third quarter, going 76 yards on six plays. Walker scored the touchdown on a 32-yard run, his longest carry of the season.

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player of the game
Victor Abiamiri
The senior defensive end had three sacks and a tackle for a loss as Notre Dame shut down the Cardinal offense.

stat of the game
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The number of tackles — five solo, four assisted — made by freshman strong safety Ray Herring.

play of the game
Rhema McKnight's touchdown
The wide receiver's touchdown reception with 29 seconds remaining in the first half gave the Irish a comfortable 11-point lead.

quote of the game
“That was phenomenal. I thought the ball was overthrown, to tell you the truth. Of course when he came to the sidelines I said, ‘Two hands next time, please.’”

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Confidence factor huge in Irish win

Charlie Weis brought one thing with him two years ago. One thing that's more important than his Super Bowl rings, his big playbook or his talented coaching staff. It's the one thing that ensured Notre Dame of a win over Stanford and assured those in the stands that they didn't have to suffer from frayed nerves or chewed fingernails as they filed out of Notre Dame Stadium Saturday evening.

That one thing is confidence — the belief that Notre Dame doesn't have to worry about losing to Stanford anymore. The Cardinal was less talented, less motivated and not as prepared as the Irish. In between dropping passes and playing asphalt to Victor Abiamiri's steamroller, Stanford managed to get run over by a Notre Dame team with no time for 0-5 football teams.

It wasn't always this way. Back in 2004, Notre Dame was fresh off a huge upset of Michigan, a rout win over Michigan State and a blowout of Washington. Former coach Tyrone Willingham and the Irish looked like they were on their way toward a successful season as they awaited that week's game with Purdue.

Forty-one points and four Kyle Orton touchdowns later, Notre Dame had suffered its first home loss to Purdue in 30 years and saw its season take a nose dive. It had caved in front of 90,000 home fans to a team with less talent but a better coaching staff. It had failed to execute and forgot how to tackle. It did everything this year's Notre Dame team doesn't do.

Against the Cardinal, the Irish played smart. They didn't throw interceptions. They didn't make many mental errors. And, except for one flaky double pass, they didn't give up a big play.

Weis deserves credit for keeping the team focused in the face of a wireless PAC-10 opponent and a tempting fall break. He and Quinn are the biggest reasons for Notre Dame's success — that's obvious. But there's another guy that shouldn't be forgotten. The guy who does nothing spectacular and nothing wrong — Darius Walker.

Without Walker, maybe Stanford would have come up with a few more grabs and if Notre Dame made a few miscues, the outcome could have been different. Of course, give credit to Weis. The Irish came out focused and made sure the more talented team won the game — a completely different performance than the one two long years ago against Purdue.

Just don't forget about Walker. Because, in calmly grinding out 153 unspectacular yards on an early October afternoon, he moved the Irish one step closer toward a pretty spectacular game in early January.

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Abiamiri devours Cardinal passers

Senior defensive end torches Cardinal O-line for second straight year

By FRAN TOLAN
Sports Writer

Notre Dame strong safety and captain Tom Zbikowski did not play in Saturday's 31-10 win over Stanford after suffering a lower back injury on the opening kickoff, returning a punt against Purdue on Sept. 30.

"I think he thought he had total strength back," Weis said. "But I thought he was doing pretty well but he didn't have a concussion. I don't feel he had total strength back," Weis said. "I think he has a little bit of wobble in his play but he didn't have a concussion. I don't feel he had total strength back," Weis said. "I think he was doing pretty well but he didn't have a concussion. But I thought he had total strength back," Weis said. "I think he had total strength back," Weis said. "I think he did pretty well but I wanted to hold him off because he can be back after the two weeks off." Weis said Zbikowski, who was dressed for the game and walked out for the coin toss with fellow captains Brady Quinn and Travis Thomas, wanted to play.

"Zibby, I know, will never tell me the truth when it comes to how he feels," Weis said.

Nineteen freshmen saw the action Saturday, including a career-long 11-yard reception by freshman tailback James Aldridge to set up Notre Dame's second touchdown with 9:25 remaining in the second half. Weis said the game could help Abiamiri springboard into a strong second half of the season.

"We might just try to get him to see a psychologist and see if we can put him in a routine where he knows that some guys around him can't wait to help him develop," Weis said.

But Abiamiri is not fully satisfied with the way his teammates played.

"We have yet to play our best game," he said. "It was a good day. But I'm going to evaluate the film tomorrow and find some things wrong with the way I played." Abiamiri added.

Irish defensive end Victor Abiamiri sacks Stanford quarterback Trent Edwards during Saturday's 31-10 win. Abiamiri had three sacks and a tackle for a loss.

Abiamiri, who now has five sacks this season and 16 for his career, said he realized that he and the rest of the defensive front needed to set the tone for the Irish, especially since the secondary has been weakened by injuries lately. Along with starters Zbikowski and Thomas, cornerback Ambrose Wooden was also sidelined Saturday.

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Notre Dame scored a touchdown on its opening drive for the second time this season and never relinquished the driver's seat. Brady Quinn threw three touchdown passes and Darius Walker rushed for 157 yards as the Irish offense tore through the Cardinal defense for 436 total yards. Victor Abiamiri sacked Trent Edwards three times as the defense limited Stanford to a first-quarter field goal and a fourth-quarter touchdown.
Trishelle, for left, raised the bar for promiscuous behavior and later posed for "Playboy." spends the entire jealousy-filled episode bickering and trying to upstage one another.

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Teck's naked escapades in the first episode season's groundbreaking episodes and crew documented the roommates' behaviors have been clouded by its cast members, sexuality and alcoholism, these problems have been clouted by its cast members' salacious behavior and melodrama. All of the show's meritorious attempts at social commentary are often overlooked or hard to find amid the hot tub hook-ups and binge drinking.

As much as "The Real World" was a revolutionary series in its fledgling years, it has sent the rest of American television—especially MTV—down a slippery slope. Due to the success of "The Real World," reality series have saturated the network's lineup and continue to cheat their audiences out of wholesome entertainment. Reality television has marred MTV. Instead of attempting to make social commentaries through documentary-style filming, MTV has opted to focus on the lives of melodramatic suburban teenagers in television shows like "Laguna Beach: The Real OC," "The Hills" and "My Super Sweet 16." In 2004, the success of FOX network's "The O.C." led MTV executives to adapt the hit show into their own reality series, "Laguna Beach: The Real Orange County." The show documents a group of gorgeous, wealthy, Orange County teenagers throughout the course of a year. Viewers are privy to the backstabbing and heartache that characterizes the lives of these privileged adolescents.

The first season focuses mainly on the heated love triangle between Stephen Colletti, Kristin Cavallari and Lauren Conrad. The gossipy, feuds and juicy love triangles that pervade the show's plot made "Laguna Beach" an immediate success.

The show's second season keeps most of the same characters while introducing some new ones. Most of the same dramatic situations and relationships continue into the new season, but one noticeable alteration in the second season is the shift in the show's narration from Lauren to Kristin. Accordingly, Kristin becomes the show's central character and the "girl we love to hate." Audiences remained faithful to the show throughout its first two seasons, despite that its "documentary-style" filming seems more scripted than reality. Many situations seem altered and contrived with thorough editing. Nevertheless, MTV producers and executives firmly defend the authenticity of their documentary, acknowledging only minor interference on behalf of production.

Following the success of "Laguna Beach," MTV created the spin-off, "The Hills," which chronicles Lauren's new life in Los Angeles. The reality show, which premiered in May 2006, follows Lauren as she attends the Fashion Institute of Design and Merchandising and works as an intern for "Teen Vogue." While "The Hills" highlights the new aspects of Lauren's life, it also integrates old components of her "Laguna Beach" days. Lauren's ex-boyfriend, Jason, reemerges as a main character when he surprises her by moving to L.A. The show's plot is refreshed around Lauren and Jason's rocky relationship, which becomes the main allure to audiences.

"The Hills" is similar to "Laguna Beach" in many aspects, but it lacks the spark that made "Laguna" so popular. While Lauren's new life provides fresh and more interesting situations that relate to an older audience, the comparatively smaller cast of "The Hills" limits the number of subplots that made "Laguna Beach" so irresistible.

The saving grace of the show is the audience's pre-invested interest in its protagonis, Lauren. As viewers follow her through the ups and downs of early adulthood, they share in her embarrassment, heartache and shining moments while witnessing divisions that make them want to pull out their hair. Lauren's decision to rent a beach house with Jason is in line with her character's struggle—rather than work in Paris for the summer.

The next step in the digression of MTV reality shows is its creation of "My Super Sweet 16." The show features teenagers that are spoiled and narcissistic, lifestyles that are unrealistic and memorable quotes such as, "Stop telling me the world doesn't revolve around me because today, it does." "My Super Sweet 16" cannot relate to its audience—the original hallmark of reality TV. Yet, viewers are still intrigued by the over-the-top lavishness and colorful characters.

Each episode follows a privileged teenager who plans and attends her 16th birthday party. The show begins with an introduction of the featured teenager as she takes the cameras on a tour of her hometown, mansion and her designer-picked closet. Viewers accompany the bratty birthday girl as she hands out invitations, previews the ball and shops for the perfect dress. Predictably, her favorite rap artist and a brand-new Mercedes shows up as a surprise. An average "Sweet 16" can cost upwards of $100,000.

It is clear that "My Super Sweet 16" has completely deviated from any resemblance of reality. However, MTV has successfully ascended what its target audience wants to watch—how the other half lives. Riding on the success of reality shows such as "The O.C." and "Laguna Beach," MTV aims to expose the lives of the young, beautiful and wealthy. Viewers don't want to watch the reality that they live everyday—they want drama and extravagance. This is the type of "reality" that "My Super Sweet 16" and other MTV reality shows now present to an eagerly accepting audience.

Regrettably, this type of reality television has established itself as a main staple in this network's lineup of shows. While some of its documentary shows, like "True Life," have some redeeming qualities, the genre of "reality" has regressed tremendously from the innovative documentary-style genre that started it all. The new wave of MTV reality may be a passing fad, but for now, the network has found a formula to sacrifice music entertainment and personality.

Are the early days of "The Real World." Lauren and Kristen will make sure they never return.

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After consecutive losses, Jaguars pummel Jets

Manning leads Colts’ escape, Giants shut down Redskins offense

Associated Press

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. — The Jacksonville Jaguars must have been in a hurry to end their two-game losing streak.

The Jaguars scored touchdowns on four of their first five possessions, quickly rebounding from consecutive losses and beating the New York Jets on Sunday.

Maurice Drew ran for two touchdowns, Fred Taylor added another and Byron Leftwich capped the fast start with a 1-yard TD pass to George Whittger.

The Jets (2-3) provided plenty of help along the way.

Chad Pennington threw two interceptions that resulted in two scores, and some questionable roughing the passer penalties made it even worse.

The result was exactly what the Jaguars wanted after losses at Indianapolis and Washington. The offense, almost nonexistent in the first two games, came up with several big plays against New York’s woeful defense. Jacksonville’s defense, emboldened after giving up 443 yards and 36 points to the Redskins, clamped down on Pennington & Co.

Pennington finished 10-of-17 for 71 yards. He was picked off three times and sacked three times. His friend and former college teammate Byron Leftwich in their third meeting. Leftwich was 7-of-17 for 140 yards and two touchdowns.

Leftwich had the better supporting cast, too, Taylor ran 25 times for 111 yards, and Drew added 59 yards.

Colts 14, Titans 13

Pennington finished 10-of-17 for 140 yards and two touchdowns in the fourth quarter, giving the Titans a 10-point lead. The Titans closed out the game with a field goal from Phil Dawson.

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Manning finished 28-of-54 for 166 yards with one interception. When it mattered most, Mr. Reliable pulled another one out.

Giants 19, Redskins 3

Don’t write off the New York Giants’ defense just yet. For that matter, don’t write off the defending division champions, either.

Shrugging off intense criticism and the always treacherous bye week, the Giants rediscovered the team that won a division title a year ago. For at least a week, New York also renewed its own hopes that this team is still capable of big things.

Michael Strahan and the much-maligned defense limited Washington to 164 total yards, and Eli Manning threw a touchdown pass and set up three of Jay Feely’s four field goals with long passes to lead the Giants to a victory over the Redskins on Sunday.

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Cards first baseman Albert Pujols, right, celebrates with second baseman Ronnie Belliard after scoring on a triple by outfielder Juan Encarnacion in St. Louis' series-clinching 6-2 win over San Diego Sunday.

ST. LOUIS — Just like last year, the St. Louis Cardinals breezed by the San Diego Padres and into the NL championship series.

Chris Carpenter recovered from a shaky start for his second victory of the series, Juan Encarnacion hit a tiebreaking triple and the Cardinals beat the San Diego Padres 6-2 Sunday night to win their best-of-five first-round NL playoff 3-1.

St. Louis nearly wasted a seven-game lead in the final two weeks of the season but rebounded against the Padres, a team they swept in the first round in 2005. Escaping trouble in each of the last two innings, the Cardinals sealed the win when Adam Wainwright got Dave Roberts on a ground-out with two on, with Albert Pujols stepping on the first-base bag for the final out.

Back in the NLCS for the third straight year, the Cardinals open the next round Wednesday night at the New York Mets, who won five straight NL playoff games.

Two years after being swept by Boston, the Cardinals won the NL pennant in 2004 before getting swept by Boston, the Cardinals lost last year's NL championship to Houston in six games.

San Diego manager Bruce Bochy, whose team won the division for the second straight year, dropped to 1-9 in the postseason against the Cardinals, who also swept the Padres in the opening round in 1996. The Padres were 2-2-2 (.063) with runners in scoring position in the series.

Carpenter, who won Tuesday's opener 5-1, fell behind 2-0 in the first inning when he walked Russell Branan with bases loaded and Mike Cameron followed two pitches later with an RBI grounder.

But that was all the NL West champions would get off him. Carpenter got Josh Barfield to hit into a forceout and followed with six innings of shutout, five-hit ball, leaving him at 2-0 in the series with a 2.02 ERA.

Because Cardinals manager Tony La Russa pitched him Sunday instead of saving him for a possible fifth game, he likely won't be available until the third game of the NLCS.

Ronnie Belliard, 6-fo-13 in the series, tied it in the bottom half with a two-run, two-out single against Woody Williams. The game stayed tied until the four-run sixth.
Tennessee scored more points than that in the second half, finishing with the second-most points of the season against the Volunteers. Only Florida, which won 22-17 in 1965, was scored on for more points on the Bulldogs in Athens.

No. 5 Florida 23, No. 9 LSU 10
Florida doesn't have a quarterback controversy. It's more like a quarterback coalition.

Backup quarterback Tim Tebow threw two touchdown passes, including one on a play that could have come from basketball coach Billy Donovan's playbook, and ran for a score to give the fifth-ranked Gators a win against No. 9 LSU on Saturday.

"You've got to be creative in this league," Gators coach Urban Meyer said.

Florida improved to 6-0 for the first time since 1984 — the school's last national championship season — and extended its home winning streak to 13 games.

The Gators (4-0 Southeastern Conference) also beat the Tigers for the first time in 21 years and won their 18th straight homecoming game.

Fellow made it look relatively easy.

The highly touted freshman, who teams with starter Chris Leak to give Meyer the nation's top backfield combo, ran nine times for 35 yards, including a 1-yard plunge for the fourth touchdown that evened the score at 7 in the first quarter.

No. 18 Georgia Tech 27
Maryland 23
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No. 18 Georgia Tech senior Gordon El-Kelso in Tennessee's 51-33 win Saturday.

The Midshipmen have yet to win a Conference game this season.

Against Maryland, he learned something else just as important.

"This football team has a lot of character," he said.

The No. 18 Yellow Jackets routed the Terrapins 52-17 in 1995 during Spurrier's Fun-n-Gun offense, ranking fourth in the nation in scoring at 35.1 a game and winning the SEC West.

Tuberville said. "We've got to find ways to get it done, especially at home. We're disappointed but this is not over."

This was the first half of the season.

Navy 24, Air Force 17
The Midshipmen defense held as Rashawn King broke up a pass by Shaun Carney to Victor Thompson on a fourth-and-6.

Navy's (5-1) takes its first step toward retaining the Commander-in-Chief Trophy, given annually to the school with the three service academies.

Navy has won three straight. Navy's senior class is one step away from becoming the first in school history to go 4-0 against both Air Force (2-1) and Army. All that stands in the way is a win over Army on Dec. 2.

Hampton bounced off Falcons tacklers all afternoon, rushing for 105 yards and two touchdowns. His 1-yard touchdown dive in the second quarter marked the sixth straight game he's scored.

It's the fifth-longest streak in the nation.

Ballard had 27 carries for 134 yards, all on fullback downs.

For a change of pace, the Midshipmen gave the ball to Reggie Campbell, who had 58 yards.

The last three Navy-Air Force games have been decided by three points, but this one

Huskies fail to run final play, lose to Trojans
Tennessee topples Georgia with second-half surge, Georgia Tech holds off Maryland, Navy beats Air Force in thriller

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — No. 3 Southern California, ranked second in the Associated Press Top 20, which had three Top-10 teams as the Trojans opened the season against 15-point underdogs Washington State.

The Trojans yielded 243 yards and a touchdown, and Mario Daniele kicked four field goals and the Trojans outlasted visiting Washington State 26-20 on Saturday.

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Gray leads Belles to fourth-place finish

By KATE GALES
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Megan Gray built upon her strong season this weekend, finishing second overall at the Eagle Invitational. Her effort was part of the reason the Belles finished fourth overall in the event, held in Lisle, Ill., and hosted by Benedictine College.

The six-kilometer race ran through scenic Lisle Community Park. The race featured 23 women's teams and 25 men's teams. The women's first-place team was Division-I Northern Illinois. The individual first-place finisher was Goshen College's Petrasa Potkova, who came in at 22:45.5 minutes.

Gray finished with a time of 23:18.6 to lead the Saint Mary's squad. Sara Otto was 19th overall, coming in at 24:45.0. Megan McClowery finished with a time of 26:02.2 and Caitline Stevenson with the 27th best time of 27:19.6.

The total team score of 137 put Saint Mary's behind Northern Illinois, Goshen and St. Joseph's. The Belles were the only participant from the MIAA conference.

The total team time was 1:25:58, good for a Belles average time of 25:12.

The strong showing at the Eagle Invitational follows a 17th overall team finish out of 33 teams at the Sean Earl Lakefront Invitational. Saint Mary's was fifth overall at the first MIAA Jamboree of the season on Sept. 23.

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ND will play host this week

After three weeks off, Irish welcome 12 teams to Gridiron Classic

By FRAN TOLAN
Sports Writer

The Irish will host the Gridiron Golf Classic today and tomorrow on a course they know very well — their own.

After finishing ninth in a field of 12 at Minnesota's Gopher Invitational Sept. 17, the Irish hope to rebound with a strong showing at Notre Dame's Warren Golf Course.

The 12-team field includes four squads ranked among the top 50 by Golfweek, including No. 28 Lamar, No. 31 Florida State, No. 44 Augusta State and No. 49 Vanderbilt. But even though these teams are ranked higher than Notre Dame, Irish coach Jim Kubinski believes that his team has a distinct edge.

"The home course gives us a big advantage," he said. "This is true in golf, even more so than other sports."

Senior co-captain Cole Isban agreed and said playing at Warren is a significant benefit.

"It's a huge plus to know the course," he said. "Realistically, I think that this week we have a good chance to win."

Kubinski said he hopes his team can record one of the top three scores for two rounds of play.

"If you get in the final group Tuesday, there are 18 holes to go and anyone can win," he said.

The Irish are very balanced, Kubinski said, optimistic that his team will be able to remain near or on top of the leader board throughout the event. Senior Adam Gifford, the team's number five player, holds the lowest stroke average at Warren.

While the Irish will be on their own course today, they understand the possibility of the three-week break affecting their play in this tournament.

"The problem is we're not tournament-sharp," Isban said. "Hopefully, we aren't too unsettled out there."

Teams will play two rounds of 18 holes each today, with the opening round teeing off at 9:15 a.m. The second round will begin within an hour of the conclusion of round one. The third and final round will be held tomorrow morning.

The Irish are eager to return to competition in the only event they will host this season.

"We're excited to be close to school," said Isban, who will play in his final home tournament. "We're looking forward to having some fun."

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Hinton takes down Olivet

Saint Mary's scores two late goals to come from behind Saturday

By DAN MURPHY
Sports Writer

Senior captains Colleen Courtney and Ashley Hinton both scored clutch second-half goals in a come from behind victory against Olivet Saturday.

The 3-2 win boosted the Belles to second place in the MIAA with wins over Kalamazoo, contender in the conference them selves as a legitimate threat. The program also is on the rise with wins in three of its last four games, MIAA with a 3-1 conference record. Last weekend the Belles to second place in the conference victory against Olivet clawed their way back.

Courtney scored her first goal of the season in the 64th minute on a pass from Hinton.

Hinton found the net herself 10 minutes later on a shot from over 30 yards out. The midfielder lobbed it over the head of Comets goalie Shane Brady to regain the lead for good.

Hinton also started the scoring for the Belles with 15 minutes remaining in the first half. Like the game-winner, she was unassisted on a long shot.

Her five points in the game put the senior in first place in the MIAA in that category. She also leads the conference with four assists and is tied for the lead in goals with three. Hinton also caught her sister Lauren Hinton with six goals on the season including three. Hinton also caught her seventh goal of the season including three minutes after to tie the lead in goals with seven.

Saint Mary's has now won three of its last four games, MIAA with a 3-1 conference record. After falling behind early in the second half, Saint Mary's has now won three of its last four games, MIAA with a 3-1 conference record.

The Belles belled Hope College Saturday in another MIAA matchup. The Flying Dutch are 3-6-2 in 2006, and they are still searching for the first victory in the conference.

No members of the team were available for comment following the game.

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Men's Swimming

Irish cruise to easy win at Dennis Stark Relays

The Irish picked up where they left off last season with a dominating victory in the Dennis Stark Relays at the Rolfs Aquatic Center Friday night. Notre Dame blew the competition out of the water, outsizing all other teams by at least 100 points. The Irish racked up 264 points by winning 11 of the 13 relays. The next closest school, Oakland College, registered 158 points to place second. South Bend by two points for second place out of the six teams in South Bend.

"We just wanted to give every guy a chance to race in that environment before we got started with our dual meets," assistant coach Matt Tallman said. "It worked out well, and we were pretty happy with the results.

The 200-yard freestyle team of Luis Cavadini, Tim Kellogg, John Lytle and Ray Toomey started the season off with a victory with a record-setting time of 1:25.46. The race was one of five record-breaking performances for the Irish in the meet. The swimmers also set new marks in the 400-yard butterfly relay (3:23.76), 400-yard backstroke relay (3:28.36) and the 400-yard freestyle relay (3:07.01). Toomey, a freshman, was on three of the four relays in his collegiate debut.

"We are expecting Toomey to keep doing more of the same and just work hard everyday and he should really help us out this year," Tallman said.

The fifth meet record came from diving duo sophomore Michael Biffin and junior Sam Stoner. Their synchronized diving score of 244.20 placed them in the record books. The pair — who each received All-Big East conference honors last year — also combined for 643.35 points in the diving relay to win that event for Notre Dame as well.

The most impressive streak of the night came when the Irish swimmers rolled off seven consecutive first-place finishes starting with the 1000-yard freestyle relay. Sophomore transfer Jeff Wood joined fellow sophomore Daniel Lukas and juniors Jay Vanden Berg and Rob Seery to finish in just under seven minutes.

"We are pretty deep now," Tallman said. "We have been able to bring in more quality guys over the years which has made each relay a little bit stronger."

Vanden Berg and Seery also finished off Notre Dame's streak with a win in the 1000-yard freestyle race. They raced to any easy victory, finishing 20 seconds ahead of Ball State's Kyle Hembree and Ben Karwowski.

Oakland College, the only other club to win a race, stopped the hot streak with a win in the 200-yard medley by beating out the Irish team by less than a second.

The win was Notre Dame's 10th in the past 11 years at the Dennis Stark Relays. The annual meet has been held in South Bend for 38 years, and the Irish have been the top squad in 22.

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Belles take care of business
Saint Mary's collects first win over Alma since 1999

By SAMANTHA LEONARD
Sports Writer

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Junior captain Adrianna Stasiuk led the Irish in kills with 28 for both games and tallied 31 digs, including a 20-dig match against Marquette.

“She is our best all-around player,” Brown said. “Both matches this weekend, I think she’s leading with a lot of confidence, a lot of passion and just being very competitive.

Notre Dame is now 9-0 and 14-1 all-time against Marquette and Syracuse, respectively.

Notre Dame 3, Marquette 1 The Irish beat the Golden Eagles (7-9, 2-2 Big East) 30-17, 30-17, 21-30, 30-24 in a match prior to the pep rally Friday.

The score was tied at 17 in the third game, before back-to-back blocks allowed Marquette to put together a five-point run for an 18-24 lead. After a kill from sophomore Marissa Croall, a block from both Croall and junior膝盖 Johnson, sophomore Marquette scored four more points to seal the game.

Marquette recorded six unanswered points to begin the fourth game. With Notre Dame leading 12-10, a kill from Stasiuk kicked off a nine-point run that put Notre Dame ahead for the rest of the game. Croall’s ninth kill of the evening gave Notre Dame its fourth Big East victory.

Notre Dame came out strong in the first game, establishing an 8-3 lead early. A 5-1 run that ended with a Stasiuk kill closed the first game.

The Irish outscored the second game, Marquette took a timeout to regroup.

Immediately following the timeout, a kill from freshman Megan Fesl reversed the game’s momentum. Another Fesl kill ended it.

Notre Dame led, 13-11, before the third game, the Irish were tied, 13-13, after a Marquette kill. A Marquette block allowed Stasiuk to put together a seven-kill streak from Stremsick — a hitting percentage of .338.

Notre Dame 3, Syracuse 0 The Irish defeated the Orange (7-17, 1-4 Big East) 30-25, 30-22, 30-23 in a match that saw freshmen Serenity Phillips and Fesl each put on 11-kill performances.

Phillips had three kills and one block for a point in a back-and-forth third game, and Fesl added several crucial kills to end a late Orange comeback.

The whole match Serenity played really, really well,” Brown said. “She’s obviously our best blocker. She hit very efficiently and smart, I think she was our most consistent player throughout the day today.

The two teams exchanged the lead numerous times in the first part of the third game, and Syracuse called its final timeout with the Irish leading 21-19 to regain its composure. Instead, Notre Dame came out of the timeout with the momentum and went on a 9-2 run to take the match.

Phillips had kills on the 23rd and 26th Irish points before Notre Dame took the game point on a ball hit out of bounds by the Orange.

“The girls were really talking to me, and first of all the passing was there, the set was there,” Phillips said. “We were hitting well and the serve was good. Syracuse took a 13-11 lead halfway through the third game, but the points were taken away when it was ruled that the Orange served out of rotation. The call reversed the Syracuse run and knotted the game at 12 apiece.

A Stasiuk kill ended the first game that had been close until the Irish went on a nine-point run after the score became 12-10.

Stasiuk put away the second game as well with another kill against the Syracuse defense.

Notre Dame will next play Friday against DePaul at 7 p.m. at the Joyce Center.

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**Hoyas**

about its performance has changed.

"We've played all year, but we're just waiting for our chances now," Clark said. "This team deserves a lot of credit for believing in themselves and their teammates. A lesser team would have lost confidence, but things seemed to have turned around for us."

Notre Dame didn't wait long to open the scoring during the first half. Midfielder Justin McGeeeney, who gave the Irish the lead in the 13th minute of McGeeeney's fifth goal of the season, but his first since he scored Notre Dame's lone goal against Cincinnati Sept. 17.

The play started when sophomore midfielder Cory Bellas slotted a through ball into the path of McGeeeney, who fired the ball into the corner of the net from 12 yards out. Bellas has assisted on the first Irish goal in three consecutive games. George was responsible in the 30th minute when forward Birky Schramm received a pass from Daniel Grosso, eluded Irish goalkeeper Chris Cahill and deposited the ball into the net. Schramm's goal was the first scored on Cahill in 342 minutes. Cahill has now allowed just four goals in his nine games since defining the team's starting goalie responsibilities Sept. 10 against DePaul. Cahill's record on the season stands at 8-2-1.

"My only concern right now is Michigan State. We're taking it one at a time," Bobby Clark, Irish coach, said. "Confidence and composure are the best things to describe Cahill," Clark said. "He's been there before, and he knows what he's doing. A goalie needs to have a calming effect on the defense, and Chris's experience gives him a calmness and composure to guide his team.

Notre Dame didn't wait long to respond to Georgetown's goal. Less than five minutes after the Hoyas tied the game, Lapira gave the lead back to the Irish as he one-timed a low hard cross from freshman Justin Morrow into the net. "Our opening 25 minutes were as good as we've played all year," Clark said. "For the rest of their game, their team took a little wind out of our sails," Clark said. "To get one back quickly helped a lot." Lapira would double Notre Dame's lead in the 60th minute off a misplay from Georgetown keeper Devine. Irish defender Jack Traynor sent a long ball towards the Hoyas penalty box, but Devine's clearance rebounded off Lapira, who proceeded to collect the ball and deposit it into the empty net.

Lapira, who entered the game leading the nation with 15 goals, now has 17 on the season.

Senior co-captain Greg Dulby scored Notre Dame's final goal when he headed a cross from Hanks into the corner of the net. It was Dulby's second goal on the season.

Notre Dame will return to action this Wednesday at home when it plays Michigan State at 7 p.m. The team has just four regular season games remaining, but Clark refuses to look too far ahead. "We're obviously getting better every day, but my only concern right now is Michigan State," Clark said. "We're taking it one game at a time."

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**Solidify**

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"As long as we're winning, that's all that's important right now," she said.

Waldrum said he was impressed by Rutgers and added that they were tough to beat in the conference tournament.

"They'll be right there at the end in the Big East standings," he said.

The Irish outshot the Scarlet Knights 14-9, but Rutgers' shots on target to Rutgers' none since allowing a score against West Virginia Sept. 29. The Irish have allowed just nine goals this season.

"Four back four have really started to gel and come together," Waldrum said. "I don't keep track of streaks or shut toals, but we're doing something right here.

Senior defender Christine Shreiner credited the defensive success to chemistry.

"A lot of that comes from the great leadership that we have in the back four," she said.

Sophomore forward Brittany Bock opened the scoring for Notre Dame, taking a centering pass from Hanks and drilling it past Rutgers keeper Erin Guthrie in the 13th minute of the first half.

Early in the second half, junior forward Amanda Cimaralli extended the lead to 2-0. Taking a similar pass from Hanks, she blasted a shot into the corner barely three minutes after the break.

Although the Irish scored considerably less than the five goals they had put up in their previous game, Waldrum was happy with the offensive effort and said the team had 10 of those shots on target to Rutgers' none since allowing a score against West Virginia Sept. 29. The Irish have allowed just nine goals this season.

"You worry about these Sunday games, being tired, but though we're having an up week with great energy today," she said.

**Notre Dame 5, Seton Hall 0**

Hanks helped No. 1 Notre Dame jump ahead of Seton Hall early with two first half goals before adding another and an assist on route to an Irish win.

Hanks' two first half goals marked the most the Irish had scored since netting six during a 9-1 win in the season opener against Iowa State.

Eighteen minutes into the game, Hanks received a pass from senior midfielder Jill Krivacek just outside the right side of the box. With her back to the net, Hanks dribbled around her defender and found Hanks sneaking down the left side, who was before smashing a low left-footed shot past Pirate keeper Amanda Becker for the second score.

"The last week and a half we've been working with [Bock on] playing with her back to the goal," Waldrum said. "She's just so good at holding the ball. You saw it on the first goal how she screened her player. She made a great play to get Hanks in there.

Krivacek hooked up Hanks six minutes later, sending a ball into the box between two Pirate defenders that the forward tracked down and slipped underneath a charging Becker.

Given Notre Dame's second biggest first-half lead this year and a boisterous crowd of 3,000 plus, the game was never in doubt. In addition to a strong show of support from O'Neill Hall, the Irish received a boost of noise from Goshen College men's soccer coach Tavi Moustiibra and his players, who brought drums and organized chants to energize the crowd.

It certainly energized Hanks, who added her third goal of the game and an assist minutes into the second half.

In the 55th minute senior midfielder Jen Burkowski sent the ball back past Becker, who put a leg on it and redirected it just inside the post. Minutes later, Burkowski crossed another gem to Hanks, who passed it off to freshman forward Michele Weissenhofer in the box, who touched it past Becker.

Coming off a two-goal, one-assist game last Sunday against Pittsburgh, Hanks was excited.

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**ND SOCCER**

**The comforts of home**

Irish women solidify grip on top spot in Big East with two wins, men tied for second in division after 4-1 victory

By CHRIS KHOREY and TIM DOUGHERTY
Sports Writer

No. 1 Notre Dame just keeps on winning.

The Irish (13-0, 6-0 Big East) moved into first place in the Big East's National Division with a 5-0 win over Seton Hall Friday and a 2-0 victory over Rutgers Sunday at Alumni Field.

"The last two weekends we've really started to come into our own," Notre Dame coach Randy Waldrum said. "Before we were playing well enough to win, but now I think we're playing up our potential."

The Scarlet Knights (11-2-1, 5-1-1 Big East) came into Sunday's game in first place in the National Division by one point, thanks mainly to having played one more game than the Irish. Sunday's victory moved Notre Dame into the top spot, but sophomore forward Kerri Hanks downplayed the achievement.

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**ND VOLLEYBALL**

Team records two weekend wins

Irish drop one game against the Orange and Golden Eagles

By KYLE CASSILY and DEVIN PRESTON
Sports Writers

Notre Dame returned home this weekend after more than a month on the road, dominating Marquette and Syracuse in two conference matches to remain tied with St. John's for first place in the Big East.

The Irish (12-4, 5-0 Big East) defeated Marquette 3-0 Friday and followed it up with a 3-0 win Sunday over Syracuse. It was the first match in the Joyce Center for the team since a 3-0 loss Sept. 3 to Santa Clara.

"It's a tough thing where St. John's is the only other team that is undefeated right now and every match is critical to win the regular season," Irish head coach Debbie Brown said. "And that is certainly one of our strengths, winning at home."

**HOCKEY**

**Irish start strong in exhibition victory**

By CHRIS KHOREY
Associate Sports Editor

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