Professors question recruitment approach

While University has no quota for Catholic faculty members, ND scholars stress caution

By KATLYNN RIELY
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Editor’s Note: This is the third story in a three-part series examining the role of Catholic faculty at Notre Dame.

Notre Dame may be beginning a heightened push to recruit Catholic professors, but during his Sept. 26 address to the faculty, University President Father John Jenkins was quick to assure the non-Catholics in attendance of their importance.

"Faculty members who are not Catholic are indispensable to assure the non-Catholics in attendance of their importance," Jenkins said during his address.

While some of those non-Catholic scholars say the University’s new recruitment efforts may have an alienating effect, and other professors warn against taking an overly numerical approach to the project.

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College addresses homosexuality

SMC panel discusses being gay on campus

By MEGHAN WONS
News Writer

As activists across the U.S. spoke out Wednesday in honor of National Coming Out Day, members of the Saint Mary’s community gathered in Dalloway’s Coffeehouse to discuss the issues facing gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgendered communities both at the College and within society.

The Wednesday night panel discussion was sponsored by Saint Mary’s officially recognized student club Straight and Gay Alliance (SAGA).

While several of the five women on the panel — who represented a range of ages and academic disciplines — contributed to Catholic-Jewish dialogue at the University, said Father Jenkins in his address, "I think that the University, under Father Jenkins’ leadership, poses a challenge to itself to seek out what he considers to be a critical number of Catholic faculty and make non-Catholics feel welcome." Signer said. "I think that Father Jenkins is absolutely sincere when he indicates that non-Catholics contribute to the Catholic mission of the University of Notre Dame," Signer said. "However, when one talks about numbers, and special hiring efforts, there is always a shadow cast over those who are not Catholic."

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Sixth annual Blue Mass honors emergency personnel

Notre Dame, South Bend communities celebrate dedication, commitment of local firefighters, police officers post-Sept. 11

By EMMA DRISCOLL
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The Notre Dame community took time Wednesday afternoon to honor local firefighters, police officers and emergency response people at the sixth annual Blue Mass.

University President Father John Jenkins presided over the Mass and called these occupations "special expression[s] of Christian service and generosity."

During his homily, Director of Campus Ministry Father Richard Warner emphasized how easy it is for many people to take certain things in life for granted until they are altered or removed.

"Since Sept. 11, [citizens have] a much deeper appreciation for everyday commitment and dedication from each of you," Warner told the officers and emergency personnel in attendance — a feeling, he said, that will continue to resonate in the future.

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Awkward?

Dearly beloved, we gather here to mourn the loss of a friend who (according to the Oxford English Dictionary) had been at our sides, for better or for worse, since 1530. A friend who, throughout the years, had both insulted us and made us ache with laughter, a friend who both publicly embarrassed us and alleviated said humiliation, but above all, a friend who never observed the cruel fairness allowed upon it in recent years.

Who is this friend, you ask? None other than the word “awkward.” Of course, awkward certainly isn’t the word to meet such a fate. Time and time again, rampant overuse of a word makes it lose all but the most general meaning, like a spice left too long out of the jar and soon devoid of flavor. We’ve seen many a respectable and perfectly innocent term fall from glory to definition-limbo — nice, fine, cool, awesome, interesting, sweet, actually, definitely, seriously, literally, anyway.

And don’t even get me started on “awkward!” In fact, just how “awkward” those silent seconds were, we kicked awkward in the shin and told it how fat it looked in those jeans.

And every time we placed one of our hands over the other, stuck out our thumbs and wiggled them to simulate the “awkward turtle,” we were being really quick-witted and inventive.

Wait, sorry, my bad. We were actually just spitting in awkward’s drink while it wasn’t looking.

The list of offenses goes on and on, including adding insult to injury by spelling the word itself as “akward” or joining any of the 276 Facebook groups centered around that syntactic succinctus dubious titled “the awkward turtle.” And don’t even get me started on what that remnent of word-usaged, Ayn Rand Morristette did to the word “ironic” in a three-minute song. But awkward is a word for whose flavor, you won’t even want to overuse it and let it rest in peace.

I’ll leave you with the eternal words spoken.

"You must be putting something in the water."

"You shouldn’t have been staring there!"

"Do me a favor and lose five pounds immediately or get out of my building, LIKE NOW!!"

"Oh, my God, you hit that guy!"

Awkward? Quite.

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Joe McBrayer

Lauren Albign

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Mike Fletcher

Core Council members Cal Neblett, left, Casey Scott, middle, and Virginia Torres distribute candy and informative fliers Wednesday in LaFortune in honor of National Coming Out Day.

OFFBEAT

Police kill emu that bugged motorists

GRANITE CITY, Ill.

Packing 100 pounds on its 5-foot frame, the big bird gave police in this St. Louis suburb a mighty run, confounding them all six times someone reported the ostrich-like beast bugging motorists last weekend along busy Illinois Route 3.

Police finally caught up to the claw-footed menace Monday and ended the ruckus once and for all, corning the emu, a cousin to the ostrich, and shooting it dead out of fear it’d again wander into traffic and kill someone.

Two days later, police on Wednesday still were pecking away at the vexing question: Where did the bird come from?

“We figured someone would call and say, ‘That’s my bird!’” Police Chief Rich Miller said. “But we still haven’t heard from anybody.”

300 monkeys to be banished from New Delhi

NEW DELHI — The Supreme Court ordered wildlife authorities to catch hundreds of monkeys that roam the Indian capital, often terrorizing residents, and relocate them thousands of miles away, a newspaper reported Wednesday.

The roughly 300 Rhesus macaques will be shifted from New Delhi to the dense jungles of Madhya Pradesh state, whose government will receive $54,000 from the federal government to cover the cost of reintroducing the monkeys to the wild, the Hindu reported.

Government buildings, temples and many residential neighborhoods of New Delhi are overrun by an army of macaques, the monkeys scare passers-by, and occasionally bite or snatch food from unsuspecting visitors.

BRIEF

A Columbus Day lecture “Dia de la Raza, Columbus Day: Two names for an event that changed the Americas” will be held today at noon in Vander Vennet Theatre.

Notre Dame women’s basketball head coach Muffet McGraw will host “Angels Night Out,” an education and awareness fair for women’s health today in the Joyce Center Concourse and Monogram Room. Exhibits will be open and refreshments served at 5:30 p.m., and presentations begin at 6:30 p.m.

AesouCafe will be held tonight at 10 p.m. in the basinment of LaFortune.

The United States Air Force Band will play at 7:30 p.m. tonight in Leighton Concert Hall in DeBartolo Performing Arts Center.

The lecture, “What Women Bring to Peace: A Comparative Look at the Role of Women in Conflict Resolution Today” will be held today at 4 p.m. in the Hesburgh Center Auditorium.

Notre Dame hockey will take on Minnesota State today at 7:05 p.m. at the Joyce Center Ice Rink.

The film “Wal-Mart: The High Cost of Low Price” will be shown at 7 p.m. Friday in Hesburgh Center Auditorium.

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Consul general explains Lebanon

Israeli representative visits campus, discusses Hezbollah conflict

By STEVE KERINS
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Israel has a definite plan for its role in the Middle East following this summer’s short but controversial war against Hezbollah forces in Lebanon, an Israeli government representative said Wednesday.

Barukh Binah, Israel’s Consul General for Chicago, gave a lecture entitled “In the Wake of a Summer of Conflict: An Israeli Perspective.” The lecture was sponsored by Notre Dame’s Helen Kellogg Institute for International Studies, along with the Jewish Federation of St. Joseph Valley and the Department of Political Science.

“There’s a lot of talk right now... about how this war was started, and what was achieved and was not achieved,” Binah said, before giving an overview of the events leading up to the conflict.

Binah said Israel’s advance into Hezbollah-controlled southern Lebanon occurred as a response to the kidnapping of two Israeli soldiers, after numerous failed kidnapping attempts over the past several months.

Because Hezbollah is directly connected to lead-ership in Iran and Syria, he said, officials in those countries would have had to manage Hezbollah’s actions against Israel.

“They thought that the kidnapping of Israeli soldiers would draw attention from Iran’s nuclear pro-gram,” Binah said. “They were surprised by the Israeli reaction.”

“IIsrael’s reaction, Binah said, showed its neighbors the country “can retaliate” and “not tolerate attacks” on its territory.

“In view of the provocation, which was quite a major one, there have been a response in a very measured way,” he said.

The intent behind Israel’s actions against Hezbollah, Binah said, was “to bring Hezbollah down to a certain level... which we hope that we have achieved.”

Binah applauded recent measures taken by the U.N. Security Council to establish what Israel says is a more sustainable situation in the region.

“(The Security Council) has mandated an (army) embar-g for every member of the United Nations on Hezbollah,” he said.

The other factor, he said, is that Hezbollah “will not be able to deploy in the south and taken and then no longer poses a threat to Israel.”

Hezbollah also said the release of the kidnapped soldiers remains unconditional, a matter for which Israel assigns responsibility to the Lebanese government.

“Everything is hinged on the performance of the international community” in implementing the U.N.’s res-olution, Binah said.

Binah addressed criticisms raised against Israel’s treat-ment of Lebanese civilians and infrastructure during its attacks. He said the Israeli army did everything possible to ensure civilian safety while protecting Israel from Hezbollah’s terror-rism.

“We have taken up the advantage of... surprise to alert (Lebanese) public of an impending attack,” Binah said. “We used the radio to alert people, and we even called them every single day on cell phones, when we knew they had to get down.”

Although Israel won a decisive victory in this sum-mer, binah said, the political situation in that troubled region remains diffi-cult.

“We bequeath to our children a country that still has to be fought for, and we can’t take anything for granted,” Binah said. “They [Israel’s military] have fought against Israel. We bequeath to our children a country that still has to be fought for, and we can’t take anything for granted.”

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By MARY KATE MALONE
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The Student Senate breathed through a 20-minute meeting Wednesday as committee chairs briefly updated senators on the progress of their initiatives.

Several committees did not meet at all this week due to midterm exams. Residence Life committee chair Pat Knapp told senators he met with University architecture officials last week regarding the University’s plans for a “College Town” just south of Notre Dame’s campus.

Last April, student body presi-dent ‘08 Alissa Baggott, former stu-dent body president Dave Barren, former Residence Life committee chair Mark Seller and then-senior Brett Hummel helped create a student survey to gauge what type of develop-ment students would like to see on the land between Angela Boulevard and Napoleon Boulevard.

Knapp said they received about 130 surveys back last spring. Now, University officials are asking Knapp to help distribute additional sur-veys, this time for faculty and staff as well as the residents of the South Bend community.

"We don’t want them to be just students,” he said. "We want to determine the needs and preferences of South Bend residents so we can align ourselves with the needs of the students,” Knapp said.

In other Senate news:

• Senior Lindsay Hero spoke to senators about “Gulu Walk Day,” an event to raise aware-ness about Gulu in northern Uganda, where Hero said about 50,000 children are forced to work on跳舞 fields every day to avoid being abducted by the Lord’s Resistance Army.

The event is jointly coordinat-ed by Indiana University South Bend and Notre Dame. Hero told senators they would receive e-mails with more information in the coming days. She asked them to forward that informa-tion to their constituents.

• University Affairs committee chair Aly Baumgartner said the second student-alumni recep-tion will now also be the “first one,” which was on Saturday. She noted that it will be a major improvements to ensure the third and final reception has a strong turnout.

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Library open 24 hours

By AARON STEINER
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release another album, "supersunysspe photographic," on Oct. 24. After the release of "Songs for Silverman, Volds' most recent album, he has been touring with bassist Jared Reynolds and drummer Lindsay Jamieson, who will also be performing with Volds at Notre Dame in November.

The process for bringing Fighting Irish fans began last April when SUB had its annual turn-around. "As soon as we heard in April that [Folds] was going to do a concert," Vassel said, "we contacted the agent." Vassel said that "usually we are able to get bands months and months, but we were able to make it happen".

Folds has performed on other college campuses, including Purdue, Vassel said. Due to legal and contractual issues, SUB could not reveal how much Folds’ fee will be for performing. The total cost, however, will include security, hospitality, transportation, and production, Vassel said.

The University concert budget "just under $55,000," Vassel said. "(SUB) plans basically is to spend all of that concert budget and then use the ticket revenue from it to fund the concert in the spring. SUB has made an effort, he said, to minimize the cost of attending the concert for students. "Basically, we could charge, whatever we want therapeutically," Vassel said. "But we always try to keep our shows affordable for students." The ticket price will be $15 — a $5 increase from ticket costs for last year’s Better Than Ezra and Pat Green concerts, Vassel said. The increase is "really just reflective of the fact that it’s a more expensive concert for us," he said. "We think it’s a fair price, and we’re hopeful that it sells out. To sell out, SUB needs to sell nearly 1,800 tickets, the Joyce Center’s capacity for that night. Vassel said last year’s concert capacities were only 1,500.

"Bring a more popular artist, we were able to work with Notre Dame Security Police and Risk Management getting the capacity increased to 1,800," he said. While Vassel admits the increased capacity in the fall, he thinks it’s the best option. "We wish for something bet­ ter, but it’s kind of the best of what we’ve got," Vassel said. "I say it’s the best location with the understandings that obviously it’s not ideal." Stepan Center is the best location because the Performing Arts Center is not available for SUB. Joyce Center requires a whole new level of produc­tion and operation, Vassel said.

Concerts held at the Joyce Center are "significantly more expensive," Vassel said, and scheduling anything at the Joyce Center is difficult. "Because Stepan Center is a Student Activities venue, it’s much easier to book in advance (and) it’s a lot easier to be Desirable with the sched­ule," he said.

Tickets for the concert will go on sale on Oct. 26 at 9 a.m. in the LaFortune Box Office and will be valid at Notre Dame, Saint Mary’s and Holy Cross College students with valid IDs.

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munity is difficult and requires vigil­ance, he said. He also assured the workers who "we would be in the community with them." Offi­cers and emergency response personnel served as a barrier and took part in the presentation of the gifts.

The Blue Mass "started in 2001 in the wake of the Sept. 11 attacks," Basilica Rector Father Peter Rocca said. "I think our first [Blue Mass] was about a month after the Sep­ t. 11 attacks," he said.

It is called the Blue Mass, Rocca said, because of the color of the uniform, worn by police and firefighters, as well as the blue ribbons that were pinned to cows to remember those lost in the Sept. 11 attacks.

As a result, he said, he had a number of firefighters and police officers who came actually from New York to join us for this Mass," Rocca said.

The first few Blue Masses were "usually only a speaker who actually experienced the Sep­ t. 11 attacks," Rocca said.

On Wednesday, the Blue Mass placed more of an emphasis on the local com­ munity, "not so much geared toward inviting people from New York," Rocca said.

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status. BOG researched the need for such a club and approved it on April 7 — only to have it deferred by then College President Bill Bicer.

He vowed to make an administrative decision about ALBSQ by the conclu­sion of the school year. Bicer deferred to do so, how­ever, and retired at the end of May, leaving the decision up to his successor, Marliun Eldred.

Almost one year after ALBSQ’s original request for club status, Eldred denied the group official College sponsorship on Feb. 27, 1998. This decision caused major student protests across campus. Student supporters covered their mouths with duct tape and camped outside of Eldred’s office in Le Mans Hall for up to eight hours at a time.

Following Eldred’s rejection, the group renamed itself the Feminists Collective. Members rewor­te their constitution and reapp­proved it for approval by BOG. On March 5, 1998, they uncontroversially received club status and held their inaugu­ral meeting on March 19.

But just a few years later the group failed to properly file paper work with Student Activities, and The Feminists Collective dissolved.

Today, however, SAGA is as strong as ever with approx­imately 50 members who aim to educate and promote respect for each other and being able to respect differ­ences — even if that means you have to agree to disagree," SAGA President Kristi Allmandinger said.

SAGA has not faced the backlash of its predecessors — only warn­ings from a "couple of administrators telling us to be careful what we do," Allmandinger said.

Coordinator of Women’s Studies Astrid Henry said most feedback has been posi­tive, if only with a "little apprehension" from BOG, which voted to grant SAGA club status in spring of 2005. SAGA, led by then senior Megan Schaffner, was originally granted club sta­tus when it first requested it on March 15, 2005. SAGA reviewed the proposal for one week before its March 21 vote of approval. The acceptance of SAGA as an official club did not come without resistance. Allmandinger said some students ask to be removed from the campus-wide e­mails SAGA sends, and the group’s posters have been ripped down. She said, however, she "respects" the wishes of stu­dents who do not wish to be involved.

Junior Sara Nelson said she hopes more students will become aware of SAGA in the future and that "more people will come to be accepting on this campus." "It is a life skill to accept that other people are different than you and to be able to deal with that in some way," she said.

Ultimately, SAGA welcomes people at Saint Mary’s to "have somewhere to go on a good or bad day — to have a place to go where they can be accepted."

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**INTERNATIONAL NEWS**

**5 killed in French train collision**

ZOUFFTGEN, France — A passenger train collided Wednesday with an oncoming freight train in northeastern France, killing at least five people and injuring 16, two seri­ously, police said.

The impact of the crash killed one of the passenger train's cars on top of another, compressing it. Several cars of the freight train were either crumpled, bent skyward or overturned on their sides. More than 300 police and rescue workers from both France and Luxembourg were at the scene.

Rescuers had retrieved five bodies by evening, police said, and did not believe any survivors were trapped inside the twisted wreckage, although rescue efforts were expected to continue through the night.

**Police cases restrictions on Latin Mass**

VATICAN CITY — Pope Benedict XVI has decided to loosen restrictions on use of the old Latin Mass, a Vatican official said Wednesday.

An elevated commission to ultracons­ervatives who split with the Vatican to protest reforms.

The decision is part of Benedict's efforts to woo back Catholics who joined a rebel arch­bishop in protest over the changes.

The pope's intent is to "help overcome the schism and help bring [the ultraconserva­tives] back to the church," said the official, who asked that his name not be used because the papal document has not yet been released.

It was not immediately clear when the pope will make his decision public, but the official said it was expected soon.

**Election fraud reported in St. Louis**

ST. LOUIS — Election officials say hun­dreds of potentially bogus registration cards, including ones for dead and underage people, were submitted by a branch of a national group that has been criticized in the past for causing confusion.

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Invalid registrations solicited by ACORN would include illegal immigrants, illegal aliens, a 16-year-old voter, dead people reg­istering, and forged signatures, Mathis said.

**Troops to stay in Iraq until 2010**

WASHINGTON — For planning purposes, the Army is gearing up to keep current troop levels in Iraq for another four years, a new indication that conditions there are too unstable to foresee an end to the war.

Gen. Peter Schoomaker, the Army chief of staff, cautioned against reading too much into the planning, which is done far in advance to provide the right mix of combat units for expected deployments. He noted that it is easier to scale back later than to scale up, and that it would be published in the next few weeks.

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Invalid registrations solicited by ACORN would include illegal immigrants, illegal aliens, a 16-year-old voter, dead people reg­istering, and forged signatures, Mathis said.

**Troops to stay in Iraq until 2010**

WASHINGTON — For planning purposes, the Army is gearing up to keep current troop levels in Iraq for another four years, a new indication that conditions there are too unstable to foresee an end to the war.

Gen. Peter Schoomaker, the Army chief of staff, cautioned against reading too much into the planning, which is done far in advance to provide the right mix of combat units for expected deployments. He noted that it is easier to scale back later than to scale up, and that it would be published in the next few weeks.

**LOCAL NEWS**

**Worker sues Wal-Mart over accident**

BLOOMINGTON, Ind. — A worker who was critically burned in an electrical fire at the new Walmart warehouse in Bloomington, Ind., August has filed a lawsuit alleging Wal-Mart and two other companies did not provide proper safety equipment.

A lawyer said he is preparing a similar suit on behalf of two other workers who were criti­cally injured in the Aug. 26 fire.

The men were employees of Electromation, Inc., of Muncie, and were burned when elec­trical panels they were working on became charged with up to 12,000 volts of electricity and shorter.

**SOUTH KOREA**

**N. Korea warns of more nuke tests**

Associated Press

SEOUL — North Korea on Wednesday threatened more nuclear tests and urged the United States to withdraw addi­tionals sanctions an act of war, as Japan balked at considering more sanctions against the imports — such as clams and mush­rooms — and barred the North's ships from ports.

Amid the deepening unease, South Korean officials said their troops were prepared for atomic war­fare and said it may bolster its conven­tional forces as well. The top U.S. gen­eral in the South said American soldiers were poised to repel any attack.

"I would urge the North Korean authorities not to escalate the situation any further," U.S. Secretary-General Ko Jong Nam threatened in an interview with a Japanese news agency that there would also be more nuclear tests if Washington continued what he called its "hostile attitude."
Faculty continued from page 1

maintain the level of Catholic faculty rather than increase it. "(He offers this as an example when there are real questions about the maintenance of the University's Catholic identity.) He said his office has no numerical goals, but he said he knew the number of Catholic faculty members and would know if this year and probably will not have any new face in the future.

Quality versus quantity

Even without defined quotas, some professors said they are skeptical of how recruitment of Catholic faculty members will proceed. Last year, philosophy professor Kenneth Sayre wrote an essay entitled "Assessing Notre Dame's Catholic Character" that he addressed to Provost Thomas Burish regarding concerns that Notre Dame was losing its Catholic identity. In his essay, Sayre cautioned against measuring Catholic- related contributions to the formation of students' Catholic character. Sayre went on to question whether the University's attempt to assess the contribution of the Catholic faculty is even meaningful. He concluded that it is the way to strengthen or maintain that mission. "It's kind of a blunt instrument in some of these non-Catholic contributions to the Catholic mission, and in some Catholic departments, the Catholic identity may fall to either extreme — he may fall to the other extreme and is divisive in adherence to doctrine and dogma, Sayre said.

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year highs.

based company for the past six years.
The resignation of co-founder Shelby Bonnie,
news and entertainment Web sites, accepted
market has further to run.
ous record, set Thursday, was 11,866.69.
0.08 percent, to close at 11,867.17. Its previ­
gains in advance of Alcoa' s after-the-bell
indexes also rose slightly, p u ttin g  the
weeks Tuesday, finishing less than a point

The Dow Jones industrial
McAfee, a leading maker of anti-virus soft­
The Dow Jones industrials rose 9.36, or
Investors nudged stocks slightly higher in
McAfee named board member Dale Fuller

San Francisco — The chief executives of

The Trans-Alaska pipeline was shut down Tuesday due to heavy rains and dust storms that created electrical shorts.

AT&T to acquire BellSouth Corp.

WASHINGTON — The Justice Department
department found no potentially adverse
effects on competition.
The decision was immediately
criticized by FCC member
Michael Copps, the commission's
other Democrat, said the "Justice
Department has packed its bags
and walked out on consumers and
crime, the largest U.S. provider
of telephone, wireless and broad­
band services and technology.
The decision cheered company
executives, but outraged consumer
advocates and two members of the
Federal Communications Commission. The five members scheduled a vote Thursday on
whether the $78.5 billion deal
should go forward, but that could
be pushed back and one commis­sioner may sit out because of a
conflict of interest.

If the deal wins final government approval, the merger would give
San Antonio-based AT&T Inc. total
control over the nation's largest
cellular provider, Cingular Wireless, a joint venture of the two
companies that serves 57.3 million
customers.

"After thoroughly investigating
AT&T's proposed acquisition of
BellSouth, the antitrust division determined that the proposed
transaction is not likely to reduce
competition substantially," said
Assistant Attorney General
Thomas O. Barnett. He heads the
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Movies, makeouts, moldable minds

Everyone knows that when a member of the opposite sex asks you to "watch a movie," you will — more likely than not — watch a bit of the opening credits. Everyone also knows that when a professor announces that you're "likely to make a movie in class," you will — more likely than not — once again watch the opening credits (this time, of course, because you will fall asleep).

In instances, movies merely provide the background noise for a good make-out or write the make-up of a sleepless night, this is not the extent of movies' effect on society. After all, there's a critical age group out there that does watch movies from opening credits to closing credits. Humans are visual and aural learners. That's why the Schoolhouse Rock series are given elementary school teacher's best friend. And over a decade after elementary school, can't we still sing the jingles?

"Conjunction Junction, what's your function?" Hey, there's a telegraph line. You got yours, and I got mine. It's called the nervous system. Or even "I'm just a bill, yes, I'm only a bill, and I'm sitting here on Capitol Hill." Always better yet — years later, we still remember a conjunction's function.

Movies work the same way. In the wake of the highest grossing movie of all time, "Titanic," people bided out Celine Dion's "My Heart Will Go On," whispered, "I'll never let go. I'll never let go," and papered their bedroom walls with posters of Hollywood's newest heartthrob, Leonardo DiCaprio. And better yet — years later, the lessons of "Titanic" are still with us.

Case in point: Spring break. I heard about a girl who found herself on a ship in the middle of the ocean, where she met a Leonardo DiCaprio-like boy from another cabin. The girl then brought the boy to the back of the boat and made out under the stars, as she later reported, "just like in Titanic."

But in real life, college students don't typically make out under the stars on the back of a boat, do they? Not exactly. Remember, they tend to make out during movies that they don't watch. But maybe this girl's spring break experience is a sign of a changing of the tide. Think about it. It's simple logic, read: For the most part, movies are based on real life. To attract an audience, however, they must be slightly more dramatic than real life. Young moldable minds watch these movies, up drink and sex and believe that they paint an accurate picture of life. These young minds are likely than not to be slightly more dramatic than those before them, and their behavior thus follows the norm. Then to hold an audience, movies, become even slightly more dramatic.

And the cycle continues.

Remember middle school? It was when you'd announce that you're "going out with so-and-so, and your parents would ask, "So you're going out, huh?" and you'd announce that you paint an accurate picture of life. These young minds are likely than not to be slightly more dramatic than those before them, and their behavior thus follows the norm. Then to hold an audience, movies, become even slightly more dramatic.

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...but even then, you had to leave so much room for the Holy Spirit that it wasn't really dancing.

When we were in middle school, we watched "Titanic." But what about those who are just a few years younger — those who watch "The Notebook" during their formative, mind-molding years? Will they grow up believing that their summer fling is their one true love? Will they pine away for that person about whom members of the "Titanic" generation would simply say, "Uh, that was just a summer thing." Or what about those middle schoolers who watched "Love Actually"? Will they pine away for that person about whom they share a special connection with the Portuguese exchange student with whom they've never shared an intellectual word, and then learn an "uncomfortably close to real-life scenario"? Do these movies, and more importantly marriages couldn't hurt it too much.

We just need to keep track of middle schoolers away from daytime television. After all, it's good if kids want to see a film like Rock'n Roll. It's even all right if they learn from makeouts.

But if they start learning from soap operas, then we'll all be in trouble.

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The views expressed in this article are her own and not necessarily those of The Observer.
Immigration rhetoric exploits fear

We write to express our deep concerns about two recent commercial products produced by Rep. Joe Donnelly, each concerning immigration. In both commercials, the candidate attempts to stir up certain segments of the electorate who are committed to the same solution to the current state of immigration law in this country, but one that does so while acknowledging the dignity of immigrants and their contributions to our nation and indeed to our own cities and towns. We need facts, not fear, and we need to know that the leaders we elect are committed to the same careful, considered approach that we encourage both candidates to give the voters of this district the respect that we deserve; we deserve more than shameless rhetoric that plays on our weakest impulses.

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Band should call students to pep rallies

One more point about pep rallies from an old timer, one who experienced the rallies in the old fieldhouse as a member of the marching band. In those days the band marched around campus past all the dorms on north and south quad, playing the school songs and gathering the students as they passed. There was a "meat squad" of big dudes who marched alongside the band to protect the bandsmen from the raucous students. Toilet paper flew everywhere, not infrequently into the horns of the bandsmen and rattling teeth.

Upon arrival at the fieldhouse the band and students simultaneously squeezed through the doors into what seemed like an already packed arena (I have no idea where all those people came from) to the sounds of the Victory March. It was a minor riot inside from the time the team arrived until they exited after the Alma Mater. Why can't the band march again and call the students out of their dorms to the rally?

Jack Fremeau
alumnus
class of 1980
Oct 10

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Rethink stadium seating

I have read with great interest the call for the return of pep rallies to the Stepan Center. I, too, was an ND student of the 70s, and I agree the Stepan pep rally experience was great. But I just think the place is too small, and I thought the same thing back then. It is also difficult to get to for alumni, with limited parking in the area.

My recommendation is the first stadium pep rally last year. I knew it had to be the truth and to the detriment of whoever had the misfortune to play the Irish the next afternoon.

As you left, you knew that you had been a part of an event. You were at a level of preparation for the game that you felt you could have played. (Lucky for most of us that there was still 17 or 18 hours before the start of the game) I know. I'm just another alum (triple donor) reminiscing about "the good old days" when we walked five miles uphill both ways in the snow to class in September. I know things change. But do they have to change that much? A '70 Dodge Challenger is still a great car ... or a '68 Camaro. That's why Dodge is bringing back the Charger (and the Challenger). That is why there are so many covers of the songs that were new back when pep rallies were pep rallies. It works for music and cars. why not pep rallies? Go ahead. Ask Coach Weis about the rallies. Then bring them back!

Jim Blase
alumnus
class of 1981
Oct 11

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Calls for pep rally reform

Let the band fire up the students

Regarding pep rally spirit, another feature of the rallies of the 60s and 70s was that the campus was completely silent on Fridays at 6:30. When the huge doors from the old band building would swing open loudly by the Irish Guard (in "civies") Fridays at 6:30. When the huge doors from the old band building were already lit up for a fight. Turn the guard and the band loose again!

Terry Butz
Pro Dane fan
Oct 10

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The Killers frontman Brendan Flowers performs songs from the band's first album during the summer of 2005. The Killers are now on tour to promote their new album.

However, with their run at the top, the band faced a significant challenge with their follow-up effort: would they be able to sustain their hip indie-rock revolution, or are they victims of their own success?

Now that the album's out, the answer is a little bit of both. The band's winning combination of catchy synthesizer tracks, dance-rock guitar riffs and the warbling vocals of lead singer Brandon Flowers hit home again, as evidenced with the success of the album's first single, "When You Were Young."

However, "Sam's Town" doesn't quite measure up to "Hot Fuss." To be fair, it appears the band chose a 50-50 philosophy in building "Sam's Town" — half of the tracks are in the tried-and-true formula of the first album, and half are musical forays into the unknown.

Flowers remains a poet on a mission, delivering his soulful lyrics through a megaphone to the congregation of rock and roll. With inspired lyrics and the driving guitar of Dave Keuning, the indie-rock band has the perfect blend of nostalgic feel-good and the flash and pizzazz of the bright billboards of their Las Vegas hometown.

That being said, the sophomore album has a much more introspective feel as compared to the fresher fan of the first record. To borrow lyrics made famous from their first album, they may not be soldiers, but they nonetheless have a soul. The Killers definitely employ a more creative approach with songs such as "Uncle Jonny," "Bones" and two rather bizarre "Enterlude" and "Exit-ludes" which welcome the listener to the album and bid them a fond adieu, respectively.

The band takes some risks and uses more instruments, but undoubtedly some of the tracks will receive mixed reactions, with some people liking the new stuff and some responding to a few out-there connections with reactions like, "Whoa, easy there Killers."

It is particularly interesting to note the various influences on the record. The Internet has been ablaze with critics chipping that "When You Were Young" is an outright mimicry of Bruce Springsteen. In addition, some of the tracks have a Queen-esque feel to them. Without a doubt, this is a hybrid album, both in terms of its influences and its half-anthem, half-实验性 nature.

However, the true test of a great album is its playability — the ability to listen without wanting to skip over songs. The first album had it, but this one isn't quite up to the same standard. That being said, "Sam's Town" isn't quite an album to die for, but still has more than enough killer singles to keep campus quads rocking from now until well into 2007. For diehard Killers fans, the band is performing at the Congress Theatre in Chicago, Ill. Oct. 17.

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The Killers album receives lukewarm reaction

THE KILLERS STRIKE AGAIN WITH SECOND ALBUM

By TAE ANDREWS
Scene Critic

Prior to the Oct. 2 release of their second album, "Sam's Town," the Killers' lead singer Brandon Flowers pronounced the LP "one of the best albums of the past 20 years." From the track list through to the record, is a solid second go-around, although it fails to live up to Flowers' flowery language.

Breaking onto the scene in May 2004, the Killers quickly resolved questions of what the commotion was all about with the release of their smash album, the appropriately-named "Hot Fuss."

The Killers quickly went on a spree — landing two Billboard Hot 100 singles with instant anthems "Somebody Told Me" and "Mr. Brightside." The success rolled over into 2005 with the Killers releasing two more hit singles, "All These Things I've Done" and "Smile Like You Mean It." By the time the dust cleared and the body count was tallied, the Killers had claimed millions of victims in going platinum three times over.

After gaining notoriety with "Hot Fuss," the Killers strike again in "Sam's Town," their second LP album.

The Killers
Sam's Town

THE KILLERS FAIL TO STOP HEARTS WITH LATEST ALBUM

By NATHAN HOGAN
Scene Critic

What's more challenging than taking multiple tests and turning in a project during a stress-filled midterm week? Trying to create a second album that follows a very well received, three-times platinum debut offering would certainly fall into that category.

This is the task the Killers faced after the success of their 2004 release, "Hot Fuss." Hailing from Las Vegas, the Killers made their mark on the industry with a unique blend of synthesizer, guitar, drums and distinct vocals from lead singer Brandon Flowers. Their latest release, "Sam's Town," attempts to continue their success.

The opening title track, "Sam's Town," features the expected Killers sound — a mix of synthesizer and guitar colliding to form the driving beat of high-energy rock song. Flowers does not disappoint, as he again brings his personal flair to the tune's melody.

Following the title track, the Killers decided to add a clever little piece entitled "Enterlude." Together with the closing track, "Exitlude," these tracks serve as handy bookends for the album. Although these two tracks, especially "Enterlude," could be dismissed as filler tracks, they are amusing in their own respect and enhance the overall flow of the album.

In doing so, "Enterlude" leads right into "When You Were Young." The choruses and the major riffs are noticeably repetitive, but the bridge and instrumental breakdown segments add to the value of the song. However, don't expect this single to match the extended success of their previous singles, "Somebody Told Me" or "Mr. Brightside."

"Uncle Jonny," with its heavy repeating guitar riffs and drums, heightens the Killers' roots in '80s rock, while fusing it with lyrical components reminiscent of David Bowie. The ending features a choral segment similar to "All These Things I've Done," except abbreviated and lacking the level of crescendo.

The second single to be released from the album is "Bones." The music video was directed by Tim Burton, and will feature references to his movies. The song itself is upbeat and somewhat quirky, with a blaring synthesizer born toitation.

It fails to stand out as single-worthy, but a music video by Tim Burton can make any song instantly better.

Given the success of their first album, this offering is not a failure. It has enough notable tracks to make it worthy of purchasing.

The most interesting and appealing tracks are definitely not the singles in this case, as "Read My Mind" and "Uncle Jonny" offer much more musically.

The Killers' catchy and zany lyrics added to the enjoyment and success of "Hot Fuss." Their latest release fails to match the same level of lyricism, and this detracts from the overall value of the CD. The signature tracks lack the same level of punch found in the first album.

Overall, this release is relatively safe — aimed more at perpetuating the basic Killers sound of the first album.

Fans will enjoy the CD based on the Killers' brand of music alone, but newcomers would be much better off getting the original album.

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Arguably, the trend gained notoriety on the silver screen during a four-year tenure. Likewise, television has seen a significant increase in crossover events, with feature films, television series, and movies combining to tell a single story. The combination of these mediums has led to what is often referred to as a "crossover." This phenomenon has produced some excellent television shows and movies, but it has also faced some challenges.

One of the most notable examples of a crossover event is "Buffy the Vampire Slayer," the television series that aired on Fox from 1997 to 2003. The show followed the adventures of Buffy Summers, an Slayer who was granted the power to fight evil after the death of her sister. The series was a huge success, and its popularity led to the creation of a feature film, "Buffy the Vampire Slayer," which was released in 1992.

Another example of a crossover is "Stargate Atlantis," the television series that aired on Sci-Fi Channel from 2004 to 2009. The show is a spin-off of the original "Stargate" series, which aired on Sci-Fi Channel from 1997 to 2007. "Stargate Atlantis" follows the adventures of a team of scientists and military personnel as they travel through the universe to find new planets and explore unknown territories.

Crossovers have been a common occurrence in the world of entertainment, and they are a testament to the power of storytelling. Whether it's a movie, television show, or video game, the goal is always to entertain and engage the audience. Crossovers can be a way to bring together different franchises and create a new, exciting experience for fans.

However, crossovers can also face criticism. Some fans feel that they take away from the original story and can be a distraction. Others feel that they are a way for studios to make money by combining popular franchises.

Ultimately, whether or not a crossover works is up to the audience. If it brings people together and creates a fun experience, then it has been successful. If it fails to deliver, then it may be criticized. But one thing is for sure: crossovers are here to stay, and we can expect to see more of them in the future.
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Reactions to Lidle's Death

"Spending the last few months as Cory's teammate, I came to know him as a great man. While he was known as a baseball player, he was, more importantly, a husband and father and, at a time like this, I want to share my deepest sympathies with his wife Melanie, his son Christopher and all those who knew and loved him." — Yankees captain Derek Jeter

"I have no words. I just have very strong emotions. It's just colder than sad. He was a very hard worker, very competitive. ... You want to find out that he's not true. — Mets pitching coach Rick Peterson

"It just kind of gave me goose bumps. I was real good friends with him. We played all the time when we were on the road. ... When you lose a friend like that, it makes you realize how quick things can go." — Cardinals pitcher Mike Hohler

"When I heard the news, I was shocked. ... Cory was a true professional who gave his all every time he went to the mound. My deepest sympathy goes out to his family." — Phillies manager Charlie Manuel

Around the Dial

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Yankees pitcher Cory Lidle Inspects his Cessna 312LN aircraft at the St. Petersburg-Clearwater International Airport in February. Lidle was killed Wednesday when his Cirrus SR-20 crashed into a skyscraper in Manhattan.

**MLB**

Yanks, former teammates mourn Lidle

Associated Press

NEW YORK — When Cory Lidle walked into the New York Yankees' clubhouse for the first time this summer, Jason Giambi was elated to see his old friend. The pair were teammates at South Hills High School in West Covina, Calif., and Giambi was among the first to express sadness and condolences Wednesday after the pitcher apparently died when his plane crashed into a Manhattan high-rise condominium.

"Right now, I am really in a state of shock," Giambi said in a statement. "I have known Cory and his wife Melanie for over 18 years and watched his son grow up. We played high school baseball together and have remained close throughout our careers. We were excited to be reunited in New York this year and I am just devastated to hear this news." Lidle also was mourned by Yankees owner George Steinbrenner, who lost Yankees captain Thurman Munson in a 1979 plane crash.

"This is a terrible and shocking tragedy that has stunned the entire Yankees organization," Steinbrenner said.

Former New York City Mayor Rudolph Giuliani had watched several of Lidle's games with the Yankees after the team acquired him from Philadelphia on July 30.

"Having seen him pitch for the Yankees in Detroit just four days ago, it is very difficult to comprehend that I was seeing a young man in the prime of his life play his very last game," Giuliani said.

Yankees manager Joe Torre said he was with pitching coach Ron Guidry and bench coach Lee Mazzilli when he heard the news, "and we were just stunned."

"Cory's time with the Yankees was short," Torre said, "but he was a good teammate and a great competitor. My heart goes out to his family." — New York Mets coach Manny Acta said he lived in the East Side building that Lidle's plane crashed into.

U.S. Open champ tops fellow Russian in Kremlin Cup

MOSCOW — Maria Sharapova, playing her first match since winning the U.S. Open, beat fellow Russian EKaterina Blychova 6-4, 7-5 Wednesday to reach the quarterfinals at the Kremlin Cup.

Among the men, third-seeded Nikolay Davydenko defeated Teimuraz Gabashvili 6-4, 6-2 to advance to the quarters in another match between Russians. Davydenko, the 2004 champion, is looking for his third title this season and a spot in the eight-player Tennis Masters Cup in China in November.

In the day's big upset, second-seeded Dmitry Tursunov and Vera Zvonareva defeated Kuznetsova 6-1, 6-3, and Ukraine's Sergiy Stakhovsky downed Tursunov 7-5, 4-6, 7-6 (4).

Detroit fan in famous brawl gets bad rap in court

DETROIT — A Pistons fan involved in the infamous brawl at The Palace of Auburn Hills two years ago was painted as a disruptive drunk by a defense lawyer in the fan's lawsuit against Indiana Pacers forward Jermaine O'Neal and the team.

Pacers lawyer Steven Potter, of Auburn Hills, told jurors in the first day of testimony Wednesday that Palace security had repeatedly confronted Charles Haddad, 23, of Burt, about his behavior at Pistons games and had decided the night of the brawl to revoke his season tickets.

O'Neal admitted that he punched Haddad during the Nov. 19, 2004, brawl, which was sparked when another fan threw a cup of beer that hit Pacers player Ron Artest, who now plays for the Sacramento Kings.

O'Neal said he was trying to protect another teammate, former Pacers player Anthony Johnson.

In Brief

Philadelphia finds answer for CSKA Moscow, Landgo

COLOGNE, Germany — Allan Berson scored 28 points Wednesday to help the Philadelphia 76ers defeat CSKA Moscow 85-71 and win a four-team basketball tournament.

Samuel Dambre added 15 points and 18 rebounds for the 76ers. Iverson had more free throw attempts (17) than the entire Moscow team (15). He made 12 and added nine assists.

"We just want to get used to winning games," Iverson said. "Our confidence is up a lot more after losing the first game. So was our defense." The Sixers were in command in the entire game, except briefly in the second quarter when Euroleague champion CSKA Moscow took a 24-23 lead. But the 76ers went on a 15-0 run and held CSKA scoreless for more than five minutes.

Trajan Langdon led CSKA with 16 points.
Hockey

Condrea will lead Irish in opener

By DAN MURPHY
Sports Writer

It's time to fire up the Zamboni. Notre Dame begins the regular season tonight when it takes the ice against Minnesota State-Mankato at 7:35 in the Joyce Center.

In his second year at Notre Dame, coach Jeff Jackson leads an Irish team with eight returning seniors in the lineup. Last year, the team finished with a record of 13-19-4, which earned it a 0.313 play-off berth.

"Notre Dame got off to a strong start this season with a 9-0 exhibition rout of the University of Windsor. The match was the only game atmosphere the Irish have seen going into tonight's contest, as a shortened preseason prevented them from scheduling other scrimmage games or even a Blue and Gold game.

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Men's Interhall

Dawgs, Mob face off with playoff implications

Morrissey and Keenan, both undefeated, to play for top seed in Gold League

By JAY FITZPATRICK and JOHN TIERNEY
Sports Writers

Although the forecast calls for a wintry blast, both O’Neill and Keenan are ready to heat things up on the field tonight in a game that will determine the fates of their respective sea-

sons. Last week, Alumni suffered a disappointing 21-14 loss to its South Quad rival from Dillon. Now, in the Alumni defensive line, allowed Dillon to successfully execute its running game, giving it the edge it needed to come out with the victory. "We came off a disappointing loss, but with playoffs on the bubble, our team is focusing even more," Alumni junior Eddie Villa said.

With hopes of a playoff berth, the Dawgs have been practicing especially hard this week. Villa said the team thinks it solved its problems on defense and is hoping it will be enough to stop the Angry Mob tonight. "O’Neill finds itself in a similar situation as Alumni, having lost its last game two weeks ago to Keenan. The Knights shut down the Mob offense in the 10-0 win. Although it lost the contest, O’Neill played tough the entire game. The defense managed to stop a lot of big Keenan drives, and the offense was able to get within scoring position multiple times — but wasn’t able to take advantage.

Since the team had a bye last week, it has had two weeks of practice to make adjustments it hopes will help it get the better of Alumni. With one loss, the Mob is likely to make the playoffs, so this week it is fighting for its seed. "We’ve got an important game ahead of us this week," O’Neill junior captain Pat Conley said. "We want to get the momentum on our side heading into the post-season." While playoff positions at stake, the showdown is set for 8 p.m. at the Birdie Fields.

Morrissey vs. Keenan

Both Morrissey and undefeated Keenan will play tonight to determine the top seed in the Gold League. Both teams expect to face their most formidable opponent of the year.

Each squad will look to use its running game to move the ball downfield. The Knights ran the ball well Sunday in their win over Stanford. Sophomore running back Alex Gonzalez rushed for 101 yards on 15 carries and scored two touchdowns, including rushing for 80 yards on one drive alone against the Griffins.

According to Manorite senior captain Steve Klein, Keenan’s running game will be difficult to stop. "Keenan has a very good team," he said. "We have to play our best and try to outwork them to win."

Both the Manorites and the Knights are looking forward to playing an intense game against another top-tier team to get ready for the playoffs.

"This is a really big game for us," Gibson said. "We’re really excited for the challenge."

Klein also recognizes the importance of the game to claim the top seed in the Gold League. "We’re both going to the playoffs, but this game still has big consequences," Klein said. Gibson believes that the key to the Knights’ success will be to stay focused. "We want to prepare the same as we do every other week," he said. "It’s a big game, but we’re just going to take it one week at a time and play hard."

A potential distraction for both teams may be the quick turnaround between games, as the squads only have three off-days this week.

"You don’t get as much accomplished with the short week, but we can’t let it bother us," Gibson said.

Klein does not think that distractions will be an issue tonight from what is on the line. "We just have to play hard and play our game, and we’ll be ok," he said.

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Jackson in trouble with law yet again

Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — Stephen Jackson's apology wasn't enough.

The Indiana Pacers' guard was charged with the felony and misdemeanor counts of battery and disorderly conduct Wednesday by the Marion County Prosecutor. Five days after he fought with another group of men outside a strip club.

On Tuesday, Jackson apologized for the fight, saying he was "happy to be alive." His comments came hours after police arrested another man on several charges related to the fight.

Pacers president Larry Bird said Jackson was upset by the charges. The felony count carry with it a maximum of 20 years in prison, the misdemeanor counts could result in three years.

Despite the Belles' efforts, the Flying Dutch spoiled Senior Night at Saint Mary's with a 3-2 comeback victory.

The Flying Dutch got out to a fast start, taking the first game 30-24. The Belles showed their resilience, however, winning six points in a row to come from behind, take the second game and tie the match.

Saint Mary's used another hot streak to take the third game, employing a 9-2 run to break open a 16-16 tie. Going for the victory in the fourth game, the Belles kept a close lead until late in the game, when the Flying Dutch pulled away for a 30-28 equalizer to take things at two games apiece.

Hope then used its momentum to control the final game, posting a .499 hitting percentage to Saint Mary's .400 in a 15-8 win to take the match.

With the win, Hope improved to 15-6 and extended its conference winning streak to five games. Saint Mary's dropped to 7-5 in the MIAA, 14-7 overall. Currently fourth in the conference, the Belles look to improve their seeding for the MIAA tournament in the final stretch of the regular season.

Scoops Winer

Saint Mary's seniors were honored before Wednesday's game. But Hope didn't care.

"We just need to take things one game at a time and finish strong," Julie Schroeder-Biek, Belles coach.

By MICHAEL BRYAN

Saint Mary's drops last game to lose 3-2 at home to Flying Dutch

"I cannot say enough about how proud I am of our seniors," Bird said. "We just need to take things one game at a time and finish strong."

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Hanks nets Player of Week honor

Forward now fourth to earn award for Irish

By TIM DOUGHERTY
Assistant Sports Editor

Soccer America named sophomore forward Kerri Hanks National Player of the Week Wednesday after Hanks’ nine-point performance last weekend in 2-1 wins over Rutgers and Seton Hall.

After a three goal, one assist weekend, Hanks became the fourth Notre Dame player to receive national player of the week honors — the second in as many weeks. Soccer America gave the award to freshman forward Michele Weissenhofer following a three goal, one assist weekend.

“I think the thing it really helps us is in national visibility from a recruiting standpoint — kind of being at the forefront,” he said. “I’m proud of (Hanks) from that standpoint. She scored nine points over the weekend. It wasn’t a surprise she got it.”

After learning about the honor during practice Wednesday, Hanks downplayed its individual importance and looked upon it as a compliment to the team’s success.

“I really don’t pay very much attention to it,” Hanks said. “Anyone on our team could have done it based on the weekend. We did really well all together. So I just think as long as we play well as a team, that’s all that matters.”

Wednesday marked the second time Hanks earned Soccer America player of the week honors, harping back to the first weekend of her soccer career, in which she scored seven goals and one assist in wins over New Hampshire and Vermont.

Junior forward Amanda Cinalli and sophomore defender Carrie Dew were named National Player of the Week earlier in the year by Soccer America.

This week marks the second consecutive week Notre Dame has swept the Soccer America honors, as Notre Dame men’s forward Joseph Lapira was named National Player of the Week last two weeks after scoring two goals in each of Notre Dame’s past five games.

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Irish co-caption Breona Gray plays defense against Panther guard Xenia Stewart in ND's 72-65 win Feb. 28 at the JACC.

**Muffet**

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on our schedule is good," McGraw said. "It's really hard. We can't overlook anyone.

Notre Dame hosts NCAA Tournament No. 4-seed Purdue Dec. 6 before traveling to Knoxville to take on perennial power Tennessee. After winter break, Notre Dame will begin a Big East schedule that includes a road game at Connecticut, which ended last season ranked No. 8, and a home game against Rutgers, which finished No. 9.

"Last year we were in some games, but this year I am fearless," Irish sophomore guard Lindsay Schrader said. "When Tennessee came into this building last year, sellout crowd, I was scared ... but this year it's all gone."

For returning players, that might be the mentality. But with Notre Dame's schedule and four freshmen on the team, McGraw said: "It's really hard. We are going to have to find a role. ... I think they would be tough to break into the starting lineup, but I'm excited about both of them."

McGraw is also excited about the Irish freshmen who will be playing on the inside. Danielle D'Amico likely will play a key role on the inside for the Irish this season, but Ben-Tsvulun and Williamson both bring adequate size to the position. "We're going to have a lot more depth and we'll be able to run people in and out," McGraw said. "We're probably going to play a four-guard lineup. We don't want to play a lot of double posts, but with [guard Ashley] and [guard Williams] we are playing well, and that's what it takes for us to match up against the opponent, that's what we're going to do."

Notes:  
- Irish junior guard Charle Allen, who missed the beginning of last year after suffering a torn ACL and MCL in Notre Dame's 70- 61 loss to Virginia State in the second round of the 2005 NCAA tournament, said she was "100 percent" healthy to start the 2006-07 campaign.  
- "I worked a lot off one leg again (for layups) because I know a lot during last season I was going off two feet," Allen said. "It feels very good. Very seldom do I have pain."

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**HINTONS**

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with you?"

The Hints have had plenty of moments to enjoy together — the two sisters have combined for 30 goals this season. "It's almost like an experience of the 2005 season."

In their first 10 games this year, the Belles have netted 15 goals — all of them scored or assisted by the Hints. The pair has also taken more than 50 percent of the team's shots so far this season.

Most of their success can be contributed to the unselfish play of captain Ashley. The four-year senior and career leader with six goals in her freshman season. In her sophomore year, Hinton broke out with 12 goals in 19 games to give her the second most in Saint Mary's history.

But at the beginning of her junior year, Hinton moved from forward to midfield and allowed her younger sister, Lizzy, into the limelight. Ashley became an assist machine for the Belles, and Lizzy took over the scoring role, burying 14 goals in her rookie season. "As Ashley goes, we go as a team," Mackenzie said. "When she is motivated our team seems to fall in line with her quite a bit."

Saint Mary's will continue to look to Ashley Hinton for guidance and support as it enters the toughest part of their schedules. The team will take on Hope and Adrian before facing off against undefeated Calvin in the near future.

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"We have to use last year as a reference point or a teaching tool," Kyle McAlarney said. "Going up and down the floor seems to be the best fit for our team."

"I feel like everyone's looking to me the way [the team] looked to Chris Quinn," Kyle McAlarney Irish guard

Irish sophomore guard Kyle McAlarney was also looked to as the point vacated by Quinn, who led the Irish back in the half court."  I love chaos," he said. "It's just

I'm very comfortable with the talents of quick guards like Cartier," Brey said. "I think that's what we're going to do."  

"I was able to use his slashing style of play in more transition opportunities this season."

"When you're in transition, it's like running through chaos, and I love chaos," Brey said. "I'm a 5-foot-7 native of Mishawaka (St. Joseph High School) and Melissa Lechlitner, a 5-foot-7 native of Mishawaka (St. Joseph High School) joined the team at guard. Barlow and Lechlitner will start the season behind Notre Dame's co-captain senior Breona Gray and junior Tyahsh Gainer at guard."

"I think that our two freshman guards, Ashley and Melissa, are going to see a lot more playing time this year," McGraw said. "Initially, we have a veteran group of guards, so they are going to have to find a role. I think I would be tough to break into the starting lineup, but I'm excited about both of them."

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**MEN’S SOCCER**

**Record rests**

Lapira’s spartan one-goal performance snaps multi-goal streak, leads Irish over Mich. St.

By ERIC RETTER
Associate Sports Editor

Notre Dame forward Joseph Lapira had a slow game Wednesday night — slow, for Joseph Lapira.

The Irish junior scored one goal and added one assist as he helped No. 8 Notre Dame (10-3-2) win 3-0 over Michigan State (6-5-2), ending his record streak of five straight games with at least two goals.

Irish head coach Bobby Clark was proud of his striker after the match.

“Joe Lapira actually had several opportunities when he could have shot [the ball] himself and he squared to other people,” Clark said. "There he is, possibly leading scorer in the country, but he’s still prepared to pass up chances. That says a lot for him.”

Lapira maintained his lead atop the national scoring list and increased his NCAA-best total to 18. Lapira also increased his total points tally — which also leads the nation — to 39.

He did all of his scoring in the second half, as he left the game in the seventh minute with a hamstring injury and didn’t play the remainder of the first half.

Clark doesn’t expect the injury to linger.

“Hopefully, (he’s) fine,” Clark said. “(Taking him off) was really more precautionary than anything else.”

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**INTERHALL**

Fisher wins wood, stays undefeated; Zahm blanks St. Ed’s

By MATT HOPKE
Sports Writer

Fisher fought through cold, rainy weather Wednesday to give archival Carroll its first loss of the year in a battle of the best the Blue Division has to offer.

While both teams will make the postseason, the win vaults Fisher into the No. 1 seed in the playoffs and allows the Green Wave to take back the rivalry trophy, the Crooked Stick.

Fisher (4-0) came out very strong on its opening drive, marching 63 yards down the field on 11 plays and finishing with a 9-yard touchdown run by freshman running back Jamie Ellis.

After an injury sidelined Fisher starting running back Tom Sullivan, Ellis stepped up and played like a veteran, ripping off runs of 12, 9 and 8 yards on the drive. A missed two-point conversion kept the score tied at 6-6.

Green Wave lead to 6-0. But Carroll (5-1) had seen too much success this season to let one drive get in the way. The Vermin came right back with a lengthy drive of their own.

Senior running back Mike Johnson, senior quarterback Cory Wilmont and senior wide receiver Paul Tassinari proved to be a formidable threesome, taking the Vermin 45 yards down the field on seven plays. Carroll scored on a 20-yard touchdown pass from Wilmont to Tassinari, but a missed two-point conversion sent the game to halftime tied 6-6.

The third quarter was all defense with both the Vermin and the Green Wave making big stands. Perhaps the most important defensive play was a third down sack of Fisher junior quarterback Kevin Rahil, who left in an ambulance due to an apparent leg injury.

Rahil’s backup, junior Pat Gotebski, was clutch in the fourth quarter, helping the Green Wave mount a six-play, 49-yard drive that ended in the Vermin’s first win over Carroll in three years.

“Tonight’s performance was pretty big for our team,” Fisher junior captain Tom Bufalino said. “We lost three starters but we are set to tackle one of the toughest schedules in the country, but he’s still prepared to pass up chances. That says a lot for him.”

Clark doesn’t expect the injury to linger.

“Hopefully, (he’s) fine,” Clark said. “(Taking him off) was really more precautionary than anything else.”

**ND WOMEN’S BASKETBALL**

McGraw ready to start season as underdogs

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The gym is open, and Notre Dame coach Muffet McGraw is confident her young, new team is ready to fill it with victories.

Unlike years past, the Irish will enter these contests as underdogs, as they are set to tackle one of the toughest schedules in the country. According to McGraw, the schedule is an opportunity for the Irish to prove how good they are.

“We don’t deserve to be ranked,” McGraw said during Notre Dame’s media day Wednesday. “I think we’ve got to earn it this year. That’ll be better for the team to come in as the underdog. I think the pressure will be off of them.”

On the field, she is constantly

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Yankee teammates mourn the death of pitcher Cory Lidle.

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Tigers substitute designated hitter Alexis Gomez hits a two-run homer to help Detroit take a 2-0 series lead.

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