**NDFCU members hit by e-mail scam**

By MARCELA BERRIOS
Associate News Editor

Students with Notre Dame Federal Credit Union (NDFCU) bank accounts may have been victims of what appears to be a complex, multi-part Internet scam.

On Friday, NDFCU’s Web site posted a message that warned members against clicking on certain links in e-mails that appeared to be from the credit union.

"If you have received an e-mail message that appears to have originated from Notre Dame Federal Credit Union telling you that 'your access has been limited' or asking you to participate in a survey, please do not click on any links that ask for your personal information," the warning said.

That warning, it appears, could have played into the hands of the hacker’s scheme. By late Friday, some members received fraudulent e-mails — from an address that appears to users as alert@ndfcu.org — telling them to “sign in to our online account.

The second wave of e-mails told members to “sign in to our secure server at onlinebanking.ndfcu.org and review your account(s) for any irregular activity. If you do not recognize any transactions, please contact us immediately at 800-835-5373.”

Some members, perhaps concerned after seeing the warning posted on ndfcu.org, may have given more credence to the fraudulent e-mail that appeared to come from the NDFCU.

The phone number listed on the second set of e-mails is the correct national number for NDFCU, but the hyperlink redirects users to a non-NDFCU Web site designed to look exactly like the real NDFCU homepage — except that, as of press time, it lacked the warning message carried on the actual site.

**Sbarro employee publishes memoirs**

‘A Boy Amidst The Rubble’ offers Porter-Young’s childhood perspective of London Blitz

By JENN METZ
News Writer

Grewing up in World War II-era London, George W. Porter-Young faced innumerable sufferings and sacrifices. The LaFortune Sbarro employee has worked for 13 years to record his memories in the semi-autobiographical novel “A Boy Amidst the Rubble,” which was published in March.

Porter-Young, now 73, struggled to get his novel on the shelves in the bookstore of the university he had served for seven years. As a self-published book, the novel was not originally accepted for sale at the Hammes Bookstore.

Porter-Young said, a response he found alienating. “I felt a bit like well, my name’s not Charlie Weis or Rudy or Knute Rockne, but I still should be recognized at the University,” Porter-Young said.

So he wrote a letter to the book’s printer, Xlibris Corp., a subsidiary of Random House. “I knew something needed to be done to help authors get their books out to the public,” he said.

The outcome of his letter was a return-ability program that would allow bookstores, like Hammes, to carry self-published books. Without this program, books could not be for sale.

By LIZ HARTER
News Writer

Saint Mary’s students, faculty and staff gathered at the Church of Our Lady of Loretto Sunday to celebrate Mass and ring in the new academic year.

Father John Pearson, CSC, presided over the Mass at which President Carol Ann Mooney, SMC’s president, and its new building, but he emphasized his added insight into the Midwestern college experience. “I do a lot of colleges, but it was a lot of fun to come back to a school that I have a connection to,” he said. “I am super psyched about the football game tomorrow.”

In his discussion of Notre Dame in particular, Meyers noted Touchdown Jesus and the fear...
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INSIDE COLUMN

Notre Dame and the Rover of Dream

The other day, I had the misfortune of reading the Aug. 30 edition of The Irish Rover. While gleaning the Cheers and Jeers section of that seldom-read paper, I came across a column entitled "One Dining Hall Does not Make a University." — Joecelyn Claycomb, Scene Editor

I’d give the Rover the Golden Sombrero, a paper doesn’t have its uses: It’s a great fire-starter. A good joke on the foreheads of children. Perhaps having copies of “The Da Vinci Code” banned in a university with a Harry Potter advocate on staff might make a student or two more aware of the reach of the university. Perhaps the university –- and students too –- have not read the books and screamed out the ending, just to know how government jobs pay. (Illis father was a working-class father. Illis father worked for the Ministry of Magic, and we all know how upper class, any Harry Potter fan would know that Weasley comes from a working-class family. His father works for the Ministry of Magic, and we all know how upper class.)

Regardless of how contended or confused you may have been before, I hope you’ll agree that your opinion is not all of The Observer.

Column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer. Contact Tee Andrews at tande@nd.edu

IN BRIEF

The Summer Shakespeare company will perform “Love’s Labour Lost” tonight at 8:30 p.m. in the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center. Tickets are $20-$35 for faculty/staff, seniors and $12-$15 for students. Performances will run through Sept. 2.

The rosary will be said tonight at 6:45 p.m. at the Grotto. This event is open to the public.

There will be free Illini classes offered at Rolfs Sportsbar Center this week starting at 7:30 a.m. tomorrow. Schedules can be found online. Space is limited.

The Snite Museum will show “Between Figurative and Abstract,” paintings by Gao Xingjian Tuesday at 10 a.m. Admission is free.

The Notre Dame volleyball team will play the College of Charleston in the Shamrock Invitational on Friday at 7 p.m. at the Joyce Center.

The Snite Museum will show “The Camera and Rainbow; Color in Photography on Wednesday. Admission is free.

Notre Dame men’s soccer will play Rhode Island Friday at 7:30 p.m. at Alumni Field.

The Public Policy Lecture Series will hold “Latino Immigrants in America: Our Past and our Future on Wednesday at 4:30 p.m. in 226 McGhee Hall. President and general counsel of the Mexican American Legal Defense and Education Fund, John Trassini will speak.

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

OFFBEAT

Maine sand castle builders seek record

CASCO, Maine — The creator of a sand castle built nearly 32 feet high to raise funds for terminally ill children and their families hopes the structure will be named the world’s tallest.

Organizers said Saturday the elaborate sand castle measured a height of 31 feet, 7 inches. Plans called for verification paperwork to be sent to the Guinness Book of Records, which will determine whether the castle makes the record book.

Ed Jarrett, who created a 29 1/4-foot sand castle in Falmouth in 2003 that was declared the world’s tallest, organized the “Castle to the Sun” event to raise funds for Camp Sunshine.

More than 1,000 people volunteered over the past two months to help build the castle, which used 40 dump truck loads of sand, organizers said.

Wisp of a woman is a whiff at wing eating

BUFFALO, N.Y. — When it comes to wolfing wings, Sonya Thomas is a whiz.

The 10-pound competitive eater who goes by the “Black Widow”5.17 pounds of “The Black Widow” bested a dozen beefy rivals Saturday night, scarfing 173 wings in 12 minutes to win the wing-eating contest at the National Buffalo Wing Festival.

That’s 5.17 pounds of wings, said Brian Kable, spokesman for the annual Labor Day weekend event in the city where Buffalo wings were born.

Thames, 40, of Alexandria, Va., also held the festival’s previous record of 161 wings in 12 minutes, set in 2004.

Information from the Associated Press.
University partners with laboratories, colleges to study nano-engineering

The University of Notre Dame has been a leader in nanotechnology for quite some time, with first-of-a-kind work in nano-devices, architectures that leverage such devices, and in developing course work to educate the next generation of students.

The newly established National Institute for Nano-Engineering (NINE) will function as a national hub for technological innovation and engineering education.

"It is an honor to be included in this new partnering model presented by NINE, but we believe it is also a natural evolution of our program," said Peter M. Kogge, Ted H. McCourtney Professor of Computer Science and Engineering and associate dean for research in the College of Engineering. "Notre Dame has been a leader in nanotechnology for quite some time, with first-of-a-kind work in nano-devices, architectures that leverage such devices, and in developing course work to educate the next generation of students."

The founding NINE members from academia include Harvard University, Harvey Mudd College, the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Rice University, the University of California at Davis, the University of Florida, the University of Illinois, the University of New Mexico, the University of Texas, the University of Wisconsin and Yale University. Initial industry members include Corning, ExxonMobil Corp., Goodyear Tire and Rubber, IBM, Intel Corp., and Lockheed Martin Corp.

"The goal of NINE is to broaden a student's education through a unique team research experience," said Duane Dimos, Sandia director of materials and lead for the consortium. "We want to be part of developing the next generation of innovators and innovators."

Pilot projects, which began this summer, focused multidisciplinary efforts in key aspects of nanotechnology — including business, legal, political and social issues — and encompassed students from first-year engineers to graduating seniors. As the program grows, partners anticipate outreach to high school teachers as well as pre-college students.

James L. Mezz, Frank M. Freimann Professor of Electrical Engineering and interim dean of the College of Engineering, believes it is exciting and appropriate that Notre Dame be among the initial university members.

"Several College of Engineering faculty have been active in the development of this consortium," he said. "Nano-engineering..." signature program here at the University, can both benefit from and make significant contributions to the activities of NINE.

Also anticipating new research opportunities for Notre Dame is Wolfgang Pored, director of the University's Center for Nano Science and Technology and the Frank M. Freimann Professor of Electrical Engineering.

"Our students will be able to use state-of-the-art facilities and instrumentation at Notre Dame and in national laboratories — where they will be working on problems of national interest. This is essential for the nation's future in engineering and science," he said.

The fake site, possibly as part of the scheme, prompted concerned members to re-enter sensitive information into the system, including their account number and password and their ATM card number, expiration date, security code and password.

NDFCU officials did not return Observer phone calls Monday and Tuesday, and the institution had not updated its warning to include an update about the second wave of the scam.

University spokesman Don Wyczyl had not heard of the scam and did not know how many students were affected. The impersonalized e-mail with the fraudulent link rerouted members to a Web site where they initially entered their member numbers and passwords. The thief then asked them to enter all the information related to their ATM cards.

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Ken Fowler contributed to this story.

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Meyers said. "It's a little harder to perform for Jesus because this university was always polite — and because the women's engineering program is one of the few CTE programs around suburbs, or destroyed three out of four countryside from France, carrying deadly weapons that hit or destroyed the homes of four houses in London and the surrounding boroughs. "We were at war," he said. "The older people knew what 'victory in the east' meant. We had no idea what was going on. It was very scary when the first bombers came over."

The novel opens with a question to the public: "What is the time?" According to Porter-Young, it contains imagery reflective of that time, like "tampant fires."

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

British troops withdraw from Basra
LONDON — British soldiers began with­
drawing with all haste from their last base in
the southern Iraqi city of Basra, paving the way
for fresh troop cuts and fueling worries about the
security of the country's second­
largest city and the surrounding region.
U.S. and Iraqi authorities have expressed concern that a broader British drawdown could jeopardize the region with oil
resources and the land supply line from Kuwait to Baghdad and beyond. Some anal­
ysts also fear that British withdrawal could
exacerbate a violent power struggle between
rival Shiite groups in the sect's southern heartland.
Around 550 soldiers were leaving the
downtown Basra Palace, one of the former
President Saddam Hussein's former com­
pounds, to join 5,000 other personnel at an
air base 7 miles away on the fringes of the
largest city and the surrounding region.

Athletes may face cardiac problems
VIENNA, Austria — Cardiac problems like an abnormal heartbeat are exacerbated
by rigorous exercise in a way that can be fatal in athletes, and regular testing for the
problem is essential, experts at a heart con­
ference said Sunday.
Italy is one of the countries that mandates
heart checks on all of its professional ath­
estics, Dr. Domenico Corrado of the University
of Padua said at the European Society for
Cardiology meeting in Vienna.
Since 1981, Italian authorities have run
heart checks on all competing athletes. The
incidence of sudden, fatal heart attacks has
dropped from four cases per 100,000 to 0.4
cases per 100,000.

Food recalls prompt safety questions
WASHINGTON — The number of Italian
cheese recalled in the U.S. this week — in the
90 brands caught up in the recent recall of canned chili, stew and other prod­
ocuts per 100,000.

For the Center for Science in the
Public Interest, a consumer group.

Picture boards help in emergencies
TRENTON, N.J. — With more ill and
injured people unable to speak English, hos­
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LOCAL NEWS

More Hoosiers have health insurance
Indianapolis — More than half a mil­
lion residents without health insurance fell by
about 84,000 last year, according to new Census
Agency figures that have left state officials puzzled.
The decline was welcome news, but it's hard to explain, said Mitch Roob, secretary of the Indiana Family and Social Services Administration, who called the numbers "surprisingly high.

Bush shortens stay at Asia-Pacific summit
WASHINGTON — President Bush is
shortening his stay at this year's Asia-Pacific
Council, but the fact that he's going — at a pivotal
moment in the debate over his Iraq policy — is a reminder he's not
neglecting the neighborhood.
Bush, who has been heavily
on his mind during the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation forum being held in Hanoi, Vietnam.
It will shadow his talks about
global warming, trade, and foreign policy challenges like North
Korea with the leaders of China, Australia, South Korea, Japan
and possibly others.

Bush will spend Tuesday night
through Saturday in Sydney. But he is leaving a day before the summit
ends to rush back to the White
House where advisers are scripting a report assessing his decision ear­
erlier this year to send 30,000 more
Troops to Iraq.

A day after Bush returns to
Washington, the top U.S. command­
er in Iraq, Gen. David Petraeus,
testifies to Congress. Then, Tuesday
marks the sixth anniversary of the
Sept. 11 attacks. U.S. ambassador to
Baghdad, Ryan Crocker, testifies on Capitol Hill on Wednesday. And
by Sept. 15, Bush must present his
Iraq progress report to Congress.
All the while, Bush's advisers will
continue to search for a replace­
ment for embattled Attorney
General Alberto Gonzales and fend
off congressional investigations that
are expected to follow Bush through his final 16 months in office.
This year's Asia-Pacific summit is being hosted by Australian Prime
Minister John Howard, a key U.S.
ally on Iraq, who has said keeping
Australian troops there could cost
him re-election later this year. Bush
hopes his visit gives Howard a
boost.
"He is a man of steel because he
is a person who stands on con­
viction and principle," Bush told
Australia's Sky News television.
GOP denies double standard

Group says admission of guilt in sex scandal sets Craig case apart

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — A GOP official alleged there is no double standard in suspending conditions for Democratic senator Larry Craig after he admitted guilt in a sex scandal, saying it was more difficult to ask Sen. David Vitter to withdraw from the Senate race.

The experience of having a loved one permanently entombed in a mountain is much like having a family member lost at sea or missing in action in war, said Dale Lund, a professor at the University of Utah who is an expert on bereavement with an escort service.

The girls, 13-year-old Rikki Howard and 10-year-old Casey Hicks, were out for a holiday weekend ride around 7 p.m. Saturday when their father, who was riding ahead of them on a dirt bike, noticed the girls were missing.

"They were driving along and they went into the mine. It was a total accident," Mohave County Sheriff's Department spokeswoman Sandy Edwards said.

The mine, believed to be inactive, is located in Chloride, about 17 miles north of Kingman. It was next to a dirt road, concealed by brush and had no signs or barriers.

Sheriff's personnel searched throughout the night, but they weren't able to follow the ATVs' tracks into the 125-foot mine shaft until 6:20 a.m. Sunday. The team walked by the site overnight because the hole was covered, she said.

When the entrance was discovered, the father called out and one of the girls answered, officials said. Crews later rappelled into the mine and found the girls and the vehicle at the bottom of the shaft.

A party fundraiser, Norman Hsu, had been a fugitive since his case different from that of Vitter.

Hsu, who had pleaded not guilty to charges related to a political action committee, was sentenced to 18 months in prison.

"The fact is that Sen. Craig pleaded guilty to a crime, and therefore was convicted of a crime. Sen. Vitter has not been charged with a crime, let alone convicted of one. So Craig's plea is a big distinction here," Gillespie said on "Fox." Despite Craig's decision to plead guilty, the Senate, Democratic Senate campaign chief Charles Schumer of New York, sought to keep the corruption issue alive. He accused Republicans of failing to support ethics reform when they were in the majority.

"What the American people are looking for is not a blame game, but who is trying to clean it up," Schumer said on "This Week."

"For six years, there was no ethics reform," he said.

"The New York senator defended Democratic actions in a new fundraising scandal. A party fundraiser, Norman Hsu, had been a fugitive since sentencing. He pleaded no contest in 1991 to grand theft, turned himself in Friday in California. He raised money for Democratic presidential contender Barack Obama and Newt Gingrich.

"We've already given money," Hsu said. "Nobody knew he was a fugitive. When we found out something was wrong, the party will not have candidates who have any kind of ethical consideration that will be a concern to the voters."

Gillespie agreed with Ensign that Craig's guilty plea made his case different from that of Vitter.

"One, I say there's a double standard," said Leahy. "Secondly, I don't think they'll ask him (Vitter) to resign because he's a Democrat. It's easier to ask Larry Craig to resign because he'd be replaced by a Republican."

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The 10-year-old girl was transported to University Medical Center in Las Vegas. Edwards said. She was in stable condition Sunday afternoon, a hospital spokesman said. The family was planning to comment through the hospital.

"It's an awful shock," Johnson said. "Their parents are very distraught."

Cathy Kelson, a bus driver, said she has been driving the two girls to school for a year and a half. "They're little sweethearts," she said. "I just keep hoping it's not true, but it's horrible."

Laurie Swartzbaugh, deputy director of the Arizona State Mine Inspector's office, said that the mine had not been used for some time, and that the office was investigating. She said abandoned mines are common in the state, and that since Jan. 1, the office has secured 108 of them.

"There's a significant amount of abandoned mines out there that are hazardous to the public's health," she said. "Most of those mines are from old prospectors who would go in and they wouldn't mine and they'd just pick up leave."

It was not immediately clear who owned the mine. Swartzbaugh said many abandoned mines date back to the early 1900s and that it's not possible to track down owners who

Miners’ families mourn at Utah site

Associated Press

SALT LAKE CITY — The Crandall Canyon Mine become a tomb, leaving the families of the victims inside with no clear way to say goodbye.

The search for the miners lost in an Aug. 6 collapse suspended, relatives are now faced with finding a way to grieve for and remember Kerry Allred, Don Erickson, Lisa Gifford, Carlos Payan, Brandon Phillips and Manuel Sanchez — even though the men's bodies were never found.

The experience of having a loved one permanently entombed in a mountain is much like having a family member lost at sea or missing in action in war, said Dale Lund, a professor at the University of Utah who is an expert on bereavement with an escort service.

"It's pretty hard to go into that closure when you don't see the body and don't have the certainty of what really happened," he said. "In this particular case, you probably would have experienced even more. Even if you believed the person is deceased at this point, it's understandable that this doesn't seem to have closure."

Edgar King, a lawyer and spokesman for the United States Senate, said one way for the family and community to move forward is a memorial.

"I think (a) memorial may be a good way for the family and community to move toward closure and healing," said Huntsman's spokeswoman, Lisa Beckley.
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China accused of illegal subsidies

GENEVA — The World Trade Organization opened a formal investigation Friday into allegations by the U.S. and Mexico that China is providing illegal subsidies for protecting intellectual property rights. But China accused of illegal subsidies for a range of foreign products in China.

The two countries accuse Beijing of using WTO-prohibited tax breaks to encourage disputation by the U.S. and Mexico that China is opened a formal investigation Friday into allegations that China is providing illegal subsidies for a range of foreign products in China.

Leveraging Beijing's leverage as a way of protecting intellectual property rights. But the move will probably only delay the creation of a panel until the next meeting of the WTO's dispute body in September, when Washington can bring up the issue again.

Wall Street closes out erratic week

NEW YORK — Wall Street closed out another erratic week with a big gain Friday after investors took comments from President Bush and Federal Reserve Chairman Ben Bernanke as reassuring signs Wall Street won't be left to deal with problems in the mortgage and credit markets on its own.

Investors balked early in Friday's session when comments from Bernanke didn't indicate the benchmark federal funds rate was imminent. However, they moved past some of their initial disappointment and appeared to concentrate on comments that the Fed would step in if needed.

Bernanke, speaking at the Fed's annual conference in Jackson Hole, Wyo., said the central bank would "act as needed" to prevent the credit crisis from hurting the national economy.

The major indexes fluctuated but by midday extended their gains after President Bush extended their gains after President Bush extended their gains after President Bush extended their gains after President Bush.

Hollywood revenues up 8 percent

LOS ANGELES — Hollywood lived its own second-charge "Rocky" story this summer as movies that looked to be going down for the count two years ago rebounded with record revenue and an unparalleled string of blockbuster hits.

The movie industry had its first $14 billion movie year and a haul of about $14 billion from the first summer in May through Labor Day, according to box-office tracker Media By Numbers.

That was up 8 percent from last year and surpassed the previous high of $13.95 billion in summer 2004, according to box-office tracker Media By Numbers.

Hollywood did not set a movie attendance record, though. Factoring in annual rises in admission prices, about 600 million tickets were sold this summer, a 3 percent increase from 2006. But the season was only the sixth-best for modern Hollywood, whose biggest summer for attendance since the golden age of the 1930s, 40s and 50s came in 2002, when $5.2 million tickets were sold, according to Media By Numbers.

Still, it was a sharp turnaround from summer 2005, when attendance plunged 11.5 percent compared to the previous summer and critics predicted the movie industry would continue to decline as consumers turned to home theaters, video games and other entertainment choices.

"Everyone should be very happy with the result. The movie industry is alive and well, in comparison to maybe what we were saying a few years ago," said Rory Bruer, head of distribution for Sony, which started the summer with a record-breaking $151 million opening weekend for "Spider-Man 3" and also released "Superbad," which is on its way to becoming a $100 million hit.

"Spider-Man 3" was quickly followed by DreamWorks Animation's "Shrek the Third" and Disney's "Pirates of the Caribbean: At World's End," the third installments in those three franchises all shoo n 300 million domestically.
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You gotta fight for your right

The day after the Senate voted to authorize easel-dropping without warrants on international communications, including those involving Americans in the U.S., the heads of Notre Dame's student government alerted their constituents to an alarming threat to constitutional rights in our daily lives: a new

Commom Council ordinance regulating "special events" in South Bend.

Nothing short of a revolution — on the scale of Notre Dame student activism, that is — has ensued.

Notre Dame students have organized in unprecedented numbers, as evidenced by chains of outraged e-mails, planning responses and action, multiple articles in the South Bend Tribune quoting concerned students and the Facebook group, "Fight the new South Bend City Ordinance," which has gathered over 2,400 members in a matter of days since student government's proposal in early August.

The online group's profile calls the ordinance "a directed effort to hamper the living quality of a group of people who are an easy target and don't have a lobbying interest in the government." The group's creators question the legality of an ordinance "restricting a private gathering on private property," and "targeting a specific subgroup of the population."

The anti-fascist Facebook group even raises the possibility of aid from our American Civil Liberties Union: "The ACLU, as much as they are misguided, does some good work and may be able to help us in this situation." But most ACLU representatives in the news in recent weeks have focused on the new wiretapping measures as a major violation of civil rights, somehow overlooking those fighting the good fight at Notre Dame.

And so, while Democrats like Hillary Clinton and Barack and newspapers like the New York Times express their outrage and dismay at the failure of a Democratic Congress to resist another "stamped" by the Bush administration, and while the founding fathers presumably roll over in their graves at the trampling of the basic values of our nation, Notre Dame students fight for their right to party.

It's not that I fail to see the absurdity of a city ordinance that addresses "special events" of 25 or more guests at "boarding houses" or that I don't recognize that the South Bend Common Council's proposal intentionally targets student parties.

I simply can't help but ask, where was this type of activism as stories broke about abuses of detainees — including American citizens — held without charge at Guantamano Bay?

Where were our student leaders discussing "a group of people who are an easy target and don't have a lobbying interest in the government" when Hurricane Katrina revealed shocking levels of poverty and a pitifully inadequate federal response? Yes, hundreds of Notre Dame students have spent time repairing homes along the Gulf Coast, but where was the political savvy and willingness to protest that we're demonstrating now?

Where was this level of awareness when a classified CIA agent's identity was exposed to the press by core members of the current White House, putting at risk the agent's life and mission of protecting our country?

One explanation is that these national issues do not affect our daily lives as students. It follows, according to this mentality, that students get most involved when something impacts their campus — something like the Common Council ordinance.

But I don't buy it. If impact on campus is what fuels such a heated, student-led response, where were Notre Dame students when eminent Muslim scholar Tariq Ramadan was denied entrance to the U.S., and therefore the opportunity to teach at Notre Dame, over several hundred dollars of contributions he made to Islamic charities?

Where were these coalition-building efforts when last week's episode outside Club 23 revealed a need for dialogue with members of the South Bend community over an incident and issue that certainly impacts the lives of Notre Dame students?

Where were Notre Dame students? At special events and social gatherings in residential areas and at homes assumed as boarding houses, where over 25 guests could have access to alcohol.

That's just one answer, but I think it explains a lot about the current student opposition and political battle in South Bend.

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Is boredom anything less than the sense of our bodies slowly dying?"

John Berger
author
Quality of Notre Dame education has risen

I commend Professor Charles Rice for proposing that Notre Dame move to adopt a “no-loan” student aid policy ASAP.

However, in his most recent column (“Addressing the tuition increase,” Aug. 29), he repeats one of his recurrent themes, that somehow an undergraduate education at Notre Dame has lessened in quality since 1978, when he says the University first moved to a search for status as a nationally recognized Catholic research university. (I graduated from Notre Dame at the end of Father Hesburgh’s first year (1952-1953) as president, and before the 1950s were through, the handwriting “monumental changes ahead” was clearly on the wall, discernible by all but the most myopic. “Bachelor dons,” some of them monk-like, some of them good drinking buddies, were on the way out. An increasingly professionalized faculty, recruited as “best available” to fill the open slots, was becoming the norm. I’m sure Professor Rice was one of them.

My oldest child graduated from the University in 1978, my youngest in 1992. There simply is no question that the education they received was infinitely superior to that available here in my generation, particularly in the College of Science, from which I graduated. All the evidence available to me indicates that upward trend in the quality of undergraduate education at Notre Dame has accelerated over the last 15 years. Whether its dollar value is currently greater than Princeton’s is another matter, and Professor Rice and I agree that Notre Dame’s move to a “no loan” policy is imperative.

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Bumper sticker may send wrong message

The final shot of a video featured on the revamped Notre Dame Web site is distressing. It draws attention away from the University’s impressive incoming class, which the rest of the three-minute video highlights, and should be edited to remove the political bumper sticker it includes.

The video, entitled “A New Home Under the Dome,” spotlights the arrival of the incoming first-year class. The class, the video tells us, consists of just under 2,000 students from an applicant pool of 14,500 — an exceedingly exclusive and bright bunch indeed. Impressive, too, is that the class is distinguished by greater ethnic diversity than any other group in Notre Dame’s history, with over 25 percent of the students being minority. Both signs of progress, to be sure.

Unfortunately, though, the video ends in the following way: The camera holds on a close-up of the vanity license plate on the back of a recently unloaded SUV. As the car drives away, we see the “Bush/Cheney in ’04” bumper sticker next to the Notre Dame vanity license plate. As graduates of the University who also grew up a mile from campus, we are well aware that there is nothing decidedly false or inaccurate about the contingency of a Republican bumper sticker. However, as alumnae who do not approve of many of the Bush administration’s foreign or domestic policies, we hate to think that this shot in some way signals the University’s endorsement of the Bush/Cheney administration and its past or future decisions.

As alumnae from the Classes of 1994 and 2003, we too applaud this year’s incoming class and look forward to the promise of the future they can help create. We hope that their Notre Dame education will provide them with the tools to think critically, to act as engaged citizens of this country and the many other countries they represent, and, most importantly, to be guided in their work to act justly toward the most vulnerable members of the global community. At its best, this is what four years of a Notre Dame education afforded each of us, thanks to so many excellent and committed Notre Dame professors and staff members.

We urge the University administration to continue striving to make Notre Dame a place that is open-minded, a place of thoughtful exchange, a place where many viewpoints are welcome and a place whose identity, fortunately, is not tied with any particular political or religious party. (And we urge the Web site administrators to review this video and consider editing the shot before the partisan bumper sticker appears!)

Mary Kate Goodwin-Kelly, Maura Kelly alumnae
Class of 1994, Class of 2003
Aug. 30

Educational Cartoon

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This year’s version of Madden is the third year the immensely popular series has appeared on next-gen consoles. Fans of the series will remember choppy animations, control issues, reduced game play options and awkward character models have plagued the series for the last two years. So how does Madden '08 fare on third down?

The issues above have been addressed and tweaked, with mixed results. Veteran players will notice a much revamped control system that is admittedly a little too complex at first. It will take some time to master all of the pre-play defensive/offensive controls. Traditional defensive playmaker controls remain relatively unchanged, as do most of the post-snap defensive controls.

When playing the game, a new addition you will notice is that little icons surround major players and designate what type of “weapon” that player is. There are tons of designations, including multiple per position. Running backs suited for pounding the ball inside, such as Rudi Johnson, are “Power back” weapons. More shifty backs, like Stephen Jackson, are designated “Elusive back” or “Stiff Arm Ball Carrier” and are more adept at breaking and avoiding tackles. In addition, each weapon has a complementary weapon opposite. For example, big play receivers are vulnerable to big hits.

Some players are given the “smart” quarterback or defender designation. After a certain play has been called multiple times, a meter fills up, and when activated, these “smart” QBs, such as Peyton Manning, can see the defensive formation on the fields and attack these holes. “Smart” defenders, on the other hand, are able to react with greater probability to where the ball is going to be. This is especially helpful with corners like Champ Bailey, who are much more likely to get the drop on a pass and create an interception.

One notable change is the Hit Stick. Flicking the Hit Stick up or down with your right thumb will cause you to hit a player high or low, and the choice of which to choose can mean the difference between a fumble and a missed tackle. It is better to hit Power Backs low to throw them off their center of gravity, while you should almost always hit Elusive Backs high to try and cause them to cough up the ball.

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Franchise mode is finally back, with most previous features completely intact and with a few new wrinkles thrown in. The best new feature here is the ability to train individual players each week. For example, you have a quarterback who has a “Cannon Arm” designation, like Rex Grossman, but has some accuracy issues. You can fix this by forcing “Sexy Rexy” to practice accuracy drills. The amount of points you accumulate in these drills converts directly into that player’s ability ratings. Therefore, you can upgrade Grossman’s accuracy from “sub par” to “almost competent.”

New this year is the off-season finance mode, in which you can manage finances, purchase stadium upgrades, choose sponsors and many other options. You even have the possibility of moving your team to a new city and changing its uniforms and logos. This is a novel feature that fits into the game very well.

All things aside, Madden NFL ’08 is a solid addition to the Madden lineage. While certain shortcomings such as the massive amount of turnovers during game play, no true in-game commentary (why is this so hard if EA has the ESPN license?) and weak online play hold this title back from being truly innovative, Madden NFL ’08 is still a great game.

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Madden 2008
Developer: EA Sports
Consoles: XBox 360, Playstation 3

Here Come the Irish
After being drafted 22nd overall, quarterback Brady Quinn has traded in Notre Dame blue and gold for Cleveland Brown and has a chance to start at quarterback sometime this season. Now you can put yourself in his cleats and play as him in Madden 2008.

Assessment: While he doesn’t have the earth shattering ratings that Irish fans have enjoyed for the past few years in EA’s NCAA College Football, Quinn is given a lot of love for a rookie quarterback. High marks in power and accuracy means he will be able to hit a streaking Braylon Edwards downfield, but low marks in awareness make him very susceptible to sacks. Overall, the virtual QB is a solid player, much like his real-world counterpart.

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Tennessee Titans quarterback Vince Young is featured on the cover of Madden 08 after winning the Rookie of the Year Award last season.

Although he’s no longer under center here at ND, you can play as NFL rookie Brady Quinn and air it out in Madden 2008. After all, chicks dig the long ball.
A Ramblin’ Wreck
Georgia Tech crushes Notre Dame 33-3 in season opener

By GREG ARBOGAST
Sports Writer

The post-Brady Quinn era at Notre Dame began Saturday with a failed spread option experiment against a stout Georgia Tech defense. Three quarter­backs saw the field in a 33-3 defeat — the worst opening-game loss at home in school history.

"Obviously you have to give credit to Georgia Tech because they are a good football team," Notre Dame coach Charlie Weis said. "But the Sidebar of that is that the team is not ready to go, OK, which we obviously weren't. OK. Who else are you going to blame but myself? I'm the head coach. It's my responsi­bility."

After weeks of suspense, the curtain was finally lifted to reveal Demetrius Jones as the Notre Dame starting quarterback, but Georgia Tech's Tashard Choice stole the show, running for two touchdowns and a career-high 196 yards.

"We knew we could win the game," Choice said. "But we wanted to come out and make a statement, and I think we did that."

For most of the first half, Weis played the dual-threat Jones over Evan Sharpley and Jimmy Clausen. Jones' running ability suited to take advantage of Georgia Tech's 3-4 personnel scheme. Defenders couldn't provide us some plays and a tendency to abandon the ground game when struggling, used the run almost exclusively in the first half, choosing to keep the ball on the ground in 10 of Notre Dame's first 24 plays. The majority of those runs came out of the shotg­ue spread formation — an off­ense suited to take advantage of Jones' running ability.

"I knew they have a very sound defensive scheme, and they have very good players," Weis said. "Especially with our experience level, we thought that the best way to go against them was to run the football. And we felt that Demetrius as an additional run­ner could provide us some plays where we would be able to move the ball."

Despite their persistence in running the ball, the Irish achieved little success in the first half, gaining 53 yards in 26 attempts. Weis, however, was determined to establish a run­ning game, and Jones threw only three passes in the first half.

"What we are trying to do is we felt we could keep the game relatively close and play in a more intermediate type of game," Weis said. "We figured they were going to be getting after us pretty good and one of the ways we felt we could try and slow down and neutralize them is try to run the football and try not to have negative plays."

While the Irish struggled greatly to run the football, Georgia Tech had few problems. The Yellow Jackets ran Choice early and often, entering the Notre Dame red zone on their first four possessions, but the Irish defense limited the damage to only nine points.

The game turned late in the first half after a personal foul penalty on Notre Dame defensive lineman Justin Brown. The Irish had stopped the Yellow Jackets on third down, but Brown's penalty extended the drive. Choice then took a direct snap, found the edge of the Irish defense, and scrambled 22 yards down the sideline for the first touchdown of the game that put the Yellow Jackets up 16-0. Choice would add a seven-yard score early in the fourth quarter.

"Our veteran offensive line did a great job of opening holes for me," Choice said. "The receivers had a couple of key down-field blocks as well. They made my job easy. By the second half, everything seemed to be wide open."

Choice's performance also eased the burden of first year Notre Dame quarterback Jimmy Clausen. Playing in his first true road game, Bennett completed 11 of 23 passes for 121 yards with no touchdowns or interceptions, and he drew mixed reviews from Georgia Tech head coach Chan Gailey.

"He did some really good things, and he missed some throws that I've seen him make 50 times in practice," Gailey said. "The great thing is he didn't have to play great today."

While Bennett had his struggles, they were nothing compared to the trouble Notre Dame's three quarterbacks faced against the blitz-happy Yellow Jacket defense. Defensive coordi­nator John Tenuta sent constant pressure after the Irish signal callers, resulting in nine Georgia Tech sacks.

"They're a really aggressive defense," said Notre Dame center John Sullivan. "When a really aggressive defense that blitzes a lot, moves a lot, executes well, it can be a long day for an offense."

The majority of the Yellow Jackets' sacks came after Jimmy Shanvery entered the game with just over two minutes left in the first half. Running Weis' more traditional offense, Sharpley completed 10-of-13 passes for 90 yards, but Georgia Tech's seven sacks on Sharpley prevented the Irish from mount­ing any sort of comeback. Sharpley did lead Notre Dame's one scoring drive, taking the Irish as far as the Georgia Tech two-yard line before settling for a 22-yard Brandon Whitaker field goal.

Highly-touted freshman quar­terback Jimmy Clausen did enter the game with just under nine minutes to play, drawing cheers from fans despite the 33-3 score­board. Clausen went on to com­plete 4-of-6 passes for 34 yards with no touchdowns or intercep­tions.

Weis said he did not know which quarterback would start next week at Penn State.

"I think I'm going to need 48 hours," Weis said. "We're going to watch the tape tomorrow and critically evaluate where the problems are and go about fixing them so that when we go to Happy Valley, we are not having this same conversation next Saturday night."

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Notre Dame quarterback Demetrius Jones is brought down by a Georgia Tech defender in Notre Dame's 33-3 loss Saturday to Georgia Tech. Jones was pulled late in the first half in favor of junior Evan Sharpley, who was later replaced by freshman Jimmy Clausen.

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Charlie Weis, where are you?

Brady Quinn and Jeff Samardzija graduated. Darius Walker left, and the offensive genius disappeared — at least for now.

And the reason seems to be totally un befitt ing of the über-confident Weis. Notre Dame's head coach, though he spends most his time as the de facto offensive coordinator, decided to stick with a cock-a-mamie idea to compensate for a lack of confidence un befit ting of his self-proclaimed New Jersey bravado.

Weis was afraid. Because of elbow surgery and rehabilitation, Jimmy Clausen was not ready to start at quarterback, and Demetrious Jones beat Evan Sharpley for the job. But it's clear that Weis wasn't comfortable with his most important player. After the loss — Notre Dame's worst since the abysmal 2003 campaign — Weis talked about how he wanted to minimize the passing game to avoid turnovers.

Weis thought he could run all day on Georgia Tech's heavy-blitzing defense. John Tenuta, the Yellow Jacket's defensive coordinator, shut down opponents last year with up-front pressure. There was one major exception to Tenuta's success: West Virginia.

The Mountaineers used the spread option to tear through the Georgia Tech defense in the Gator Bowl, which West Virginia won 38-35. The Mountaineers used the spread option to tear through the Georgia Tech defense in the Gator Bowl, which West Virginia won 38-35.

Weis decided he could beat Georgia Tech without throwing passes to keep the Yellow Jacket front seven off-balance. Wrong jet. Weis didn't give Jones a fair chance to prove himself. Twenty-seven plays, five called passes, three attempts, one completion. That's not the way to let your new "starter" know you have confidence in his passing ability. Nor is playing all three scholarship signal-callers in the first game.

When it came down to crunch time, Notre Dame's three quar terbacks threw 22 passes, with fifteen completions — with no interceptions. A scared Weis — maybe unsure in himself, maybe unsure because of what he saw in practice — ham mering his team.

"We were hoping not to get into a game where we had to throw it a whole bunch of times," Weis said. "You know, we thought that going against Georgia Tech, especially with our experience level, we thought that the best way to go against them was to run the football."

And why was that?

"I know that they have a very sound defensive scheme and they have good players," Weis said. "So we figured they were going to get after us pretty good and one of the ways we felt we could try and slow down and neutralize them is try to run the football and try not to have negative plays."

"But in reality what we are trying to do is we felt we could keep the game relatively close and play in a more intermediate type of game, rather than, you know, throwing bomb's away and turning it into a home run game.

That doesn't sound like the "nasty," confident, "6-6 is not good enough" Charlie Weis who replaced a middling coach with a penchant for gadget plays against the Trojans in 2006 and reckless fake punts against LSU in the Sugar Bowl this January has seen his team blown out three times in a row.

The old Charlie Weis needs badly to come back if Notre Dame wants to be successful. And he needs to come back now.

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Weis gave all three a chance to prove themselves at the position. Even though Clausen was the starter, he was able to get some experience in Evanston trying to make a statement.

It was obvious when Jones led the Irish out of the locker room onto the field that he would get his first collegiate start. With the crowd behind him, he took the field attempting to make a statement. Just a minute into the game, Jones' first drive was over after Georgia Tech's defensive front four forced the third down. The following two offensive drives gained only 13 total yards and resulted in two three-and-out.

As the second quarter began, Jones was able to lead the offense down the field, but another Georgia Tech strip forced Jones' second fumble of the day, ending the surge.

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After the next two offensive possessions resulted in a net gain of zero yards, Weis decided to give Sharpley a shot. Jones finished with 12 rushes for 28 yards and only completed one pass on three attempts for four yards. He showed the ability to avoid the rush, but that is something that you have to make sure you watch the tape so you don’t make the wrong conclusion.

Notre Dame’s first drive of the second half proved to be the longest and most sustained of the game. Sharpley took control of the reins once again and led the team down the field to score the first and only points of the game, a field goal from freshman Brandon Walker.

In the drive, Sharpley went 5-of-6 for 42 yards, completing several key passes, one of which was fumbled during the snap. He adeptly recovered the ball and threw it to senior tight end John Carlson to create a gain out of a broken play.

However, the scoring drive was largely sustained by two defensive penalties that resulted in first downs.

Most of Sharpley’s plays were from both singleback and shotgun sets. However, the main difference between Jones and Sharpley’s time under center was the fact that the sophomore only attempted three passes, whereas the junior relied on his arm to make plays.

“They had a great defensive scheme,” Sharpley said. “Now we have to watch film, make our adjustments and make them pay off.”

With the game somewhat out of hand, Weis gave Clausen a chance to display his talent to the nation. The freshman looked poised and confident while showcasing his decision-making.

On one play, he stayed in the pocket until he had to escape. Once he was flushed out, he attempted to signal sophomore wide-out wide out Georgia Tech West to alter his route and make a play. Although West did not see the signal, Clausen simply ran out of bounds instead of forcing a throw. Clausen went 4-of-6 for 34 yards showing composure and accuracy in the pocket. However, it is worth noting that Georgia Tech had largely backed off their blitz schemes and was going with a conservative coverage plan that gave the freshman more time in the pocket. Additionally, some of the substitute defensive back for Georgia Tech saw time while Clausen was under center.

So as the Irish go into Happy Valley to face No. 17 Penn State, Weis must go back to the drawing board and figure out who gives the team the best chance to win.

The quarterbacks were mixed as to who would start next week.

“…”That decision is not up to me, it’s up to the coaches,” Sharpley said. “Yes. I do anticipate starting next week,” Jones said.

As the week progresses, and the type of the upcoming game builds, Weis will have to answer questions about the position and make his decision. Let the speculation begin.

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Notre Dame entered Saturday with many question marks. It left with even more. All three quarterbacks competing for the starting job saw time Saturday, but none could effectively handle Georgia Tech's quick and confusing defense. Notre Dame's experiment with the spread-option offense under Demetrias Jones failed, while Evan Sharpley could not find the time to throw under Charlie Weis' normal offense. But Notre Dame has more problems to solve before it travels to No. 17 Penn State next week. The offensive line let blitzers past them all day and the defense allowed 276 rushing yards. The Irish looked unsure and a step too slow Saturday, but need to be sure of themselves before heading into Happy Valley — one of the most intimidating road atmospheres in college football.
true beauty shines through in ugly betty

by cassie belek

the success of the show can be traced to the humorous dichotomy between betty’s work and home lives. the series strikes a perfect balance between betty’s two worlds so that we never tire of the settings and characters.

ugly betty: season one

starring: america ferrera, vanessa williams, ana ortiz, daniel meade

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Blue Jays hand reeling Mariners ninth-straight defeat

Glavine outduels Smoltz as Mets sweep Braves; Ankiel's homer leads Cardinals over Reds in NL Central battle

Associated Press

TORONTO — Manager John McLaren is amazed that a nine-game losing streak hasn't killed Seattle's playoff hopes.

Matt Stairs and Gregg Zaun each hit two-run homers, A.J. Burnett pitched seven sharp innings and the Toronto Blue Jays beat the Mariners 6-4 on Sunday, the nine-game losing streak Seattle's longest since an 11-game skid in August 2006.

"We're still in good shape," McLaren said. "It's amazing. We have the ability to streak the other way but we've hit a big bump in the road."

Seattle, which begins a critical three-game series at New York on Monday, has not won since Aug. 24 at Texas, a victory that put the Mariners a season-high 20 games over .500.

The Mariners began the day 6 1/2 games back of the Yankees in the AL West New York lost to Tampa Bay on Sunday, keeping Seattle two games back of the Yankees in the wild-card race.

"It's not getting any easier and we know that," McLaren said. "All I can say is we've got to do it our way through this. There's no easy way out of this."

Infelder Jose Vidro said the Mariners' season likely rests on the outcome of the coming three-game series.

"It's not been easy these last nine games," he said. "We've got to do it like this is it for us."

Felix Hernandez will start against New York on Monday, seeking his third win in four starts.

"We need big Felix to pick us up tomorrow," McLaren said.

Seattle has won seven of its last 10 and, at 70-66, is a season-high four games over .500.

"Everything is kind of clicking right now," Burnett said. "We're hitting, we're playing defense, and the pitching staff is doing a good job."

Burnett (8-7) retired the first ten batters in order and struck out five of the first six. He allowed a leadoff single to Mike Sweeney, who, after four hits, walked one and struck out seven to win for the first time in six starts.

"He got ahead and when a guy with that kind of stuff gets ahead of you, you know you're in for a dog fight," Raul Ibanez said.

Left-hander Scott Downs pitched to two batters in the eighth and right-hander Brian Wolfe finished the inning before Casey Janssen worked a perfect ninth for his fifth save in nine opportunities.

Mets 3, Braves 2

Randy Glavine allowed just a "fleeting 15 seconds" Sunday to consider his past in Atlanta and his future in baseball.

"During the course of the game I thought this could be the last time I pitch here," said Glavine, who has said he hasn't decided if he will retire after the season.

A long-awaited win over longtime teammate and friend John Smoltz, in the midst of a playoff run, could be a fitting Atlanta finale for Glavine.

Backed by David Wright's two-run homer, Glavine won for the first time in four starts this season against Smoltz, beating Atlanta 3-2 on Sunday as the Mets completed a three-game sweep.

New York, which dropped four straight in Philadelphia and led the Phillies by only two games before they were recovered to push the NL East lead back to four games.

"We're extremely proud of what we've accomplished," Wright said. "After one of the low points of the year, we hit one of the high points of the year. That was pretty special."

The sweep dropped the Braves to seven out of 12 and 22-26 since the All-Star break. Atlanta began the day 6 1/2 back in the wild-card race.

"We got our butts kicked," said Chipper Jones, who was 1-4. "I just didn't see a ball over the plate the whole series until my last at-bat. That was the one hitable pitch that I got. Those guys were really dealing."

Glavine and Smoltz were teammates in Atlanta from 1998 through the 2002 season. They remain good friends and golf rivals.

"It won't be the last competition between us," Glavine said of Sunday's game. "For bragging rights it was nice to finally beat him. He's certainly had my number."

Cardinals 3, Reds 2

Rick Ankiel homered for the second time in three days to snap a six-game losing streak by the former pitcher in the St. Louis Cardinals' victory over the Cincinnati Reds on Sunday.

Braden Looper allowed four hits in seven scoreless innings and Aaron Miles added an RBI double in the sixth as the Cardinals finished a four-game sweep against Bronson Arroyo.

Looper (12-10) is 7-1 with an NL-best 1.74 ERA in day games and 4-9 with a 6.52 ERA at night.

The Cardinals are 15-4 in their last 19 games at home and swept the Reds in St. Louis for the first time since 2005, when they closed the final regular season at old Busch Stadium with three straight from Sept. 30-Oct. 2.

The defending World Series champions (67-66) are above .500 for the first time since April 15, when they were 6-5.

Jeff Keppinger's RBI single in the eighth of righty Frankie , the third straight hit by the Reds, cut the gap to 4-1. With runners on first and third, Franklin recovered to strike out Ken Griffey Jr. and cleanup hitter Brandon Phillips to end the inning.
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STUTTGART — The Americans were already planning a little party back at the hotel to celebrate Shanya Worley's 17th birthday. That, though, seemed a tad tame.

"There's no better gift than to be able to compete at a world championships on your birthday," Worley said. "Well, maybe competing at the Olympics. We'll have to work on that for next year." Worley said.

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Las Vegas — LeBron James and Carmelo Anthony finally earned the reward that used to await U.S. players. James scored 31 points, most by an American player in an Olympic qualifier, and the United States capped its dominance in the desert by beating Argentina 118-81 on Sunday to win the FIBA Americas championship.

Then James and Anthony climbed the podium and were given gold medals — a first for the two players whose international careers had consisted of nothing but bronze.

"I'm tired of bronze," Anthony said. "I'm speechless right now. This is my first time ever winning the gold medal." Dwight Howard made all seven of his shots and scored 26 points, and Anthony added 16 points for the Americans, who were never challenged while winning 10 games in 12 days and will head to Beijing next summer as one of the favorites.

The Americans averaged 116.7 points in the tournament. The game was largely meaningless, because both teams had already clinched spots in the Bejing field by winning the Olympic qualifying games Saturday.

The Americans didn't let up, remaining perfect in four Olympic qualifiers, including 7-0 against Argentina. James and Anthony played on teams that finished third in the 2004 Olympics and '06 world championships. The latter disappointment turned the Americans to play in the qualifying tournament this summer, but it proved to be just a minor roadblock.

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Division I-AA Appalachian State shocks Michigan

Associated Press

ANN ARBOR — Chances are, most of the 110,000 fans at the Big House had no idea exactly where Appalachian State is located. By the time they saw a blocked field goal in final seconds, this much was certain: The little Mountaineers pulled off one of the greatest upsets in college football history.

Appalachian State 34, No. 5 Michigan 12

The team from Boone, N.C., took the lead with 26 seconds left when Julian Rachal kicked a 24-yard field goal. Carey Lynch blocked a 37-yard try on the final play, and the Mountaineers sealed a jaw-dropping upset that might have no equal.

"It was David versus Goliath," Appalachian State receiver Dexter Jackson said.

Michigan's three stars on offense and its coach came back this season, putting the NFL, and retirement on hold, with high hopes.

Big Ten title. National championship. It didn't take long to notice his players.

Mike Hart, Chad Henne and Tejada, who slid in headfirst.

"He's somebody you don't want to see running at you, full-speed," Buchholz said.

No one stopped cheering until Buchholz appeared on the scoreboard with the ball in his right and dove. He backhanded the ball, stood up and fired to first, where the throw easily beat Tejada, who slid to headfirst.

"I jumped up as fast as I could and I threw it as hard as I could," Buchholz said.

"We're still sort of shocked," Hart said.

Still, it wasn't over.

"Terry would have had to come down there and had to take him out because that would have been very difficult." Buchholz, who turned 23 on Aug. 14, pitched the third no-hitter of the season — following Mark Buehrle of the Chicago White Sox against Texas on April 18 and Justin Verlander of the Detroit Tigers against Milwaukee on June 12.

Buchholz was called up from Pawtucket on Saturday when the 18 as the final seconds ticked off. His teammates rushed across the field to pile on as the coaching staff and cheerleaders jumped with joy.

"It is one of the biggest losses ever, but give all the credit to Appalachian State," Hart said. "I've been dreaming about that kick every day," Rachal said.

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"You think of going up to Triple-A," Red Sox manager Terry Francona said.

Buchholz was called up from Pawtucket on Saturday when teams were allowed to expand their 25-man rosters.

"There's no going back to minor leagues," Buchholz said. "It wasn't a whole lot of help," Francona said.

"He wasn't a whole lot of help," Francona spoke to Epstein after the seventh and eighth innings.

Buchholz started Nick Markakis with a ball, then went ahead 1-2 when the batter fouled one off with a check swing. The crowd stood through the entire ninth inning, cheering every pitch and taking pictures of the righty in his windup and as he paced around the mound.

Buchholz enveloped the rookie in a Plate umpire Joe West hesitated, but catcher Jason Varitek rose from his crouch in time to run to the mound. The rest of the Red Sox soon joined him there, and David Ortiz enveloped the rookie in a bear hug.

"There's no way you don't want to see running at you, full-speed," Buchholz said.

"He wasn't a whole lot of help," Francona said. "We feel like we have a huge responsibility to this kid. But somebody else would have had to put on a uniform and take him out because that would have been very difficult."

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The Boston newcomer became the third pitcher since 1900 to throw a no-hitter in his first or second major league start, according to the Elias Sports Bureau. Bobo Hollomon did it in his first start on May 6, 1953, for the St. Louis Browns at home against the Philadelphia Athletics, and Wilson Alvarez did it in his second start on Aug. 11, 1991, for the Chicago White Sox at Baltimore.
Belles win season opener, finish fourth in tournament

By SAMANTHA LEONARD
Spectrum

The Belles opened their 2007 season this weekend with a fourth-place finish at the Monmouth College Volleyball Invitational.

Saint Mary’s began the year on a high note by taking down Robert Morris 3-1 (30-25, 30-24, 30-18). The Colonials finished the six-team tournament in last place after losing to Hannibal-LaGrange and Loras.

The Belles also took on Loras in their second and final match of pool play, and fell in four games (21-30, 30-21, 28-30, 30-25). Loras then went on to defeat Principia, 3-2, to take home the championship.

Saint Mary’s took on the champs on Thursday, in Monmouth, in its consolation game. The Belles won the opening match (30-20), but lost the next three (30-27, 30-26, 30-19) and finished fourth in the tournament.

Although the Belles came up short in their final two games, head coach Julie Schroeder-Biek called the tournament a success. “I felt this was a great opener for us. We got a glimpse of our potential as a team, which is very exciting.” Schroeder-Biek said. “We have strong talent returning and strong talent in our two new additions to the squad, freshman middle hitter Andrea Saagen and freshman outside hitter Jaczee Watson.”

One key player and returning talent Schroeder-Biek mentioned is sophomore outside hitter Lorna Genzczynski, the 2006 Freshman of the Year, who was named to the all-tournament team for her performance in the three games and is expected to be a great asset for the Belles this year as she steps in to replace 2007 graduate Kristen Playko.

The Belles hit the courts again Tuesday night at 7 with MIAA conference play against Adrian College in Adrian, Mich. Saint Mary’s dropped both conference matches against the Bulldogs last season, and will look to improve on last year’s fourth-place MIAA finish.

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The Belles hope to fix those problems this week before beginning conference play. “This is an incredibly important week for us, opening up with our conference play against Adrian College on Tuesday and then Hope College on Thursday,” Schroeder-Biek said. “We will be working on tightening up our defensive positioning and finding our connections on offense.”

She was also excited about the young talent that just joined the team. “I am so excited for this season. We have strong talent returning and two new additions to the squad.”

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“This season was okay. We aren’t particularly tough competition.”

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Belles runners take five of top nine times; freshman Wieczorek places first in debut

By KATE ARNOLD
Spectrum

Back on the course for the first time this year, the Belles showed out Saturday’s 3K Tri-State Invitational held in Angola, Ind., taking first place.

The top five runners on the team all placed no lower than ninth, posting a total of 27 points, resulting in a win over Grace College and Tri-State University.

Freshman Nam Wieczorek picked up a first-place finish in her first collegiate race, completing the 2.1-mile course in 22:58. “She’s a very mentally tough, determined, feisty girl,” coach and former Belles runner Jackie Bauters said. “She set the tone for her teammates to follow.”

Wieczorek did not have to wait long at the finish line to celebrate with her teammates. “The girls came in good shape, just where I wanted them.”

The team needed to be at peak performance to tackle the course at Tri-State.

“It was a difficult course, so it’s nice to race against conference teams,” Bauters said. “The competition was okay. It was nice to race against conference teams, although it wasn’t particularly tough competition.”

The Belles will face a bit faster course — and faster teams — next week when they travel to Grand Rapids, Mich., for the Aquinas College Invitational. That race is scheduled to begin Friday at 4 p.m.

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SMC Golf

Gore leads Belles in debut tourney

By CHRIS DOYEN
Spor Wiz

Saint Mary’s shot a combined score of 697 this weekend at the Ferris State Invitational in Big Rapids, Mich., to earn a 13th-place tie with Northwood University.

The Belles jumped up one spot in the standing Sunday after finishing the first round of play in 14th.

Senior Katie O’Brien shot a 74-over-par 78 in the first round to lead the Belles. Freshman Emily Gore was only one stroke off O’Brien’s pace with an 88, fresh man Amanda Mainstone shot a 90, and freshman Megan Lehr and junior ferri Hamma both shot 91 to give the Belles a first-round score of 356.

Gore had an impressive second round Sunday, posting a score of 80 that gave her a 168 overall. The rookie’s performance was good enough for 45th on the individual leaderboard, the best showing of any Saint Mary’s player.

O’Brien, Mainstone and Hamma also had good showings, shooting 88, 90 and 87, respectively, giving the Belles a second round score of 341 and enabling them to move up into 13th place.

Ferris State won its own tournament with a 40-over-par 616. Ferris State senior Jacqueline Benzinger was the lowest-scoring individual of the tournament, shooting an even 144.

Head coach Mark Hamilton was very pleased with the performance of his freshmen, who fit in nicely with uppersclassmen scorers O’Brien and Hamma.

“It helps us a lot,” Hamilton said. “They played really well despite it being their first tournament at a difficult course and against tough competition. Emily Gore played especially well [Sunday].”

Hamilton acknowledged, however, that the Belles’ performance over the weekend was not quite as good as it could have been.

“We scored a little higher than we would have wanted in the first round,” Hamilton said. “The front nine was tough on Saturday. Once everyone got their feet under them, we played really well, but then the damage was already done.”

The Belles broke MIAA conference play next Saturday as they get back on the field following their brief rest period.

“I was impressed with the calmness of the freshmen,” Hamilton said of his freshmen, who we would have wanted in the tournament.”

Mark Hamilton Belles coach

Fest Invitational from Sept. 7-9 in the Joyce Center. The action starts Friday night against the College of Charleston and will continue throughout the week-end when Notre Dame takes on Alabama and No. 23 Ohio State on Saturday and Sunday, respectively.

“Getting that win under our belts really helps with our confidence,” Megan Fest Irish outside hitter

“Shutout continued from page 20

The Irish are coming off a huge win over No. 7 Florida on Friday night against Florida’s defense, which had given up two goals in its last 20 games. The team was able to keep Florida off the score-board despite being outshot 11-4 by the Gators.

Junior midfielder Brittany Rock opened the scoring less than seven minutes into the contest when she headed a cross from Weber into the left side of the net.

Weber then tallied a goal of her own in the 65th minute to give Notre Dame some breathing room. After receiving a pass from junior forward Kerri Hanks outside the penalty box, she beat one defender, then skipped a shot past Gators goalkeeper Katie Frain.

But the extra score was more of a cushion than the Irish and senior goalie Lauren Karas would need. While only saving one shot on goal, Karas helped Notre Dame overcome a 0-2 corner-kick deficit and keep Florida from finding the back of the net.

The win marked Notre Dame’s 27th straight regular season match without a loss, a streak that dates back to the 2005 season.

The win could not be reached for comment.

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4. Lute-shaped supporter 9 Stream
5. "My man!" 10 Scrabble clerk
6. Letter-shaped support 11 New Jersey
7. Ship from the Midwest 12 "Little"
8. Don't bother me 13 "You asked"
9. "Hey, what's the big deal?" 14 "Peek-a-
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Down
1. Pepper's partner 28 "You had us tripping"
2. "Good grief!" 29 "Take a hike"
3. Jerry Lewis telephone time 30 "Take a hike"
4. Andrei Carnegie's family 31 T assets
5. Investigator, perhaps 32 "You had us tripping"
6. Reef material 33 "You had us tripping"
7. Steals, with "of" 34 "You had us tripping"
8. "Silly stream ingredient"
9. New Jersey's highest
10. Places to see in a hurry
11. Company behind nylon and Teflon
12. Georges who composed "Romanian Rhapsodies"

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VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): For one in a long time, you appear to have everything falling into place. The unexpected will enhance what you are trying to do so will work for change.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Get involved in a new thing. Look at real estate or develop a business plan or concept with a partner who can complement your own attributes. Things are looking up and change is heading your way.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Finish what you started but don't be afraid to protect what you have done to date. Time is of the essence and you must be willing to share what you have to offer. You'll be surprised by the response and help you get a goal.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You will learn a lot if you listen to others whose horizon is a bit high. Avoiding a sense of confrontation will make it a more attractive approach to something you want to pursue. Keep your expenses to a minimum, 3 stars.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): A chance to put end to a grueling problem will come into play and result in your getting more respect. Money is trickling your way. Don't be afraid to do things a little differently, 5 stars.

QUARREL (Sat. 30-Feb. 18): Expect a lecture from someone who cares about you. Haters you have been living up to in your potential. There is probably a valuable friend to be found, 2 stars.

PICTURE (Sat. 3-Mar. 20): If you go to others for help it is going to be granted this week but your line of communication may not come into play. Your getting more respect. Keep your expenses to a minimum, 4 stars.

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ND Women's Soccer

Michigan forces 0-0 draw

ND beats Florida 2-0 after tie Friday night at Alumni Field

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