College plans for conference

Science, religion to be topic of 2009 meeting

By MANDI STRIONE
News Writer

The John Templeton Foundation recently awarded Saint Mary’s a grant of $6,000 for the semester for a program called Spirituality, which will use the money for a new project to discuss the interface between science and religion.

Sister Kathleen Dolphin, director of the Center for Spirituality, and Ed Ackery, director of Business and Foundation Relations, worked together with other administrators to write the proposal for the grant.

“We had to write a very, very detailed proposal,” Dolphin said.

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Grants enable research abroad

By JENN METZ
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Holly Rivers, program manager for the Kroc Institute for International Studies, said students can receive up to $4,000 in the nine research grants the institute offers to juniors for summer research abroad, Rivers said, with special emphasis placed in developing countries.

“We need people to be willing to go the extra mile and not only have the interest but also the ability to take on the initiative,” Rivers said.

NDUFCU’s scammer identified

Chicago man arrested, could see prison time

By MARCELA BERRIOS
Associate News Editor

Police in Fullerton, Calif., released the name of the man arrested Tuesday in connection to the Notre Dame Federal Credit Union (NDFCU) e-mail scam and said he could face years in prison if convicted of online fraud.

Sgt. Linda King of the Fullerton Police Department said Thursday that officers at the scene were inspecting the vehicle when they discovered 18 American Express gift cards with a magnetic strip encoded with the debit card information stolen online.

On Aug. 31, many members of the credit union received a wave of e-mails that redirected them to a mock-up of the NDFCU web site and prompted them to enter sensitive account information and passwords.

NDFCU President Leo Ditcher said Tuesday more than 60 cards were traced to South Bend, Ind., and police there had also reported suspicious transactions during Labor Day weekend.

North Dining Hall turns the music on

By KATIE PERALTA
News Writer

While South Dining Hall has long had music playing in the serving area, North Dining Hall just started playing music quietly on the north side of the dining room as well as in the serving area where students fill their trays.

North Dining Hall Operations Manager Dan Patterson said the dining hall has had a sound system for years, but he just recently decided to turn the radio back on to see how students like the music.

“A little music adds to the ambiance of the dining room,” Patterson said. “Sort of like in a restaurant, where music is also common.”

Patterson began the trial run by turning on WARM 95.3, a local hard rock station.

“I had some complaints that it was too much early in the morning,” Patterson said.

So he later switched to Sun 101.5, a local station that plays a variety of more relaxed songs, from oldies to pop to country.

The music is only audible in the north side of the dining hall, Patterson said, and is turned off completely in Dining Room A, a room isolated from the bustle of the main dining room.

Patterson hoped to eventually

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Minor league madness

Have you ever been to a minor league baseball game? It probably lasted two and a half to three hours. Now think back, did you ever see those people in khakis with radios stuck in their ears? Well, those people are the front office staff. The typical workday for a front office staff member in professional baseball, is 14 to 16 hours.

During the game, the staff walks quickly down the concourse, watching everything imaginable. There are the group picnics and birthday announcements written to welcome the fans. Getting 2,000 bobble heads out to kids on the field is a task in itself. Throughout the day, the staff members running the behind-the-scenes operations are the glue that hold this crazy environment and am not sure how I survived.

It seems simple to prepare for a minor league baseball game, especially if you are not playing in it, but that is not the case at all. There are usually only 10 to 15 people running the behind-the-scenes operations, along with four to six interns.

Everyone in the office knows how to sell a ticket, and then there are tasks everyone only finds in minor league baseball, such as washing a giant bird costume. There is constant media presence, with phone calls from radio stations, press releases for the next promotion and commercials shot in the stadium.

Along with the regular 4,000 fans, there are the group picnics and birthdays, where sometimes 500 people show up in just half an hour by a staff of five or so.

Almost every game is sponsored by a local business or organization, and that sponsorship usually entails some sort of promotion or giveaway. Ever get a half an hour before a ball game to walk around the stadium, thanks to such and such company?

Getting 2,000 bobble heads out to 2,000 ancient adults and children is a task in itself. Throughout the day, the staff is making sure everything is correct for that sponsor, with the giveaways ready to go out and the announcements written to welcome the fans.

During the game, the staff walks quickly down the concourse, watching everything imaginable. There are the foul balls that seem to always aim for the 80-year-old woman or four-year-old boy who has stopped paying attention. There are the group picnics and birthday parties ready to go out and the announcements written to welcome the fans.

The Show will take place tonight at 8 in the Joyce Center. The Notre Dame men's soccer team will play Rhode Island tonight at 7:30 at Alumni Field.

There will be a Bithaloan (one half mile swim and two mile run) on Saturday at 10:30 a.m. Contact Bill Reagan for more information. Registration needed. Open to students only.

The film "Panther Panchal" will be shown Saturday at 3 p.m. in the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center. Tickets are $3 for students.

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The Show welcomes bands

OK Go, rapper Lupe Fiasco will play to audience in Joyce Center

By DAN JACOBS
Nov. 20, 2007

The Joyce Center will buzz with a different kind of energy tonight than during the usual Friday evening pep rallies when it hosts The Show, featuring band OK Go and rapper Lupe Fiasco.

Each year, The Show committee selects performers, then organizes and produces the concert. What makes tonight's concert special, said the Show chairman Steve Tortorello, is that it brings the cutting edge to Notre Dame.

"In two years, you're going to say, 'I saw OK Go before they blew up.'" Tororello saw OK Go before they blew up, he said.

Fiasco quickly moved to the top of the rap charts with his first record, "Food and Liquor," which was released through Atlantic Records in 2005, allowing students to experience artists before they blew up, Tortorello said.

The Show has a reputation for bringing in soon-to-be-big acts, such as The Black Eyed Peas in 2003 and Akon in 2005, allowing students to experience artists before they became a popular Internet sensation as well as producing music videos of the performers, The Show committee solicits donations from various departments and student clubs, which pay for the majority of production costs.

Tickets for The Show are $10, and are available at the LaFortune Box Office until 5 p.m. today for Notre Dame, Saint Mary's and Holy Cross students. Tickets will also be sold at the door before the show. Doors open tonight at 7, and the first act starts at 8.

More information about The Show 2007, including video of the performers, information on past concerts and days to get involved can be found at theshow.nd.edu

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Letterman to return to Ball State for ceremony

Associated Press

MUNCIE, Ind. — Ball State University is planning to welcome back its most famous graduate with academic fanfare and a touch of humor.

Letterman, the host of "The Late Show with David Letterman" on CBS, grew up in Indianapolis, moving on after college to work as a television weatherman and doing standup comedy. He moved to California and made many appearances on the "Tonight Show" during Johnny Carson's reign before getting his own late-night show.

The 75,000-square-foot building includes studios and office space and is open to students 24 hours a day. It features a $1 million production complex with five surround-sound editing suites and two sound recording studios.

Laverty said the new production facilities have the same sound recording studios as major recording studios and film sound studios in New York or Hollywood.

"This new building will enhance the university's efforts in recruiting highly talented students and faculty," he said. "Some of them, no doubt, will harbor dreams of following in Letterman's footsteps.

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gold hospital each year is difficult because of the large number of students admitted by school affiliation are not kept, hospital spokesmen said.
But anecdotal evidence from regional health services and the hospital shows that Notre Dame students are taken to the hospital for alcohol-related illness fairly regularly.

Siegfried reti re Fath er John Conley said he heard paramedics and hospital workers in dorms in other dorms in the area.
Siegfried received much of his medical training at St. Joseph's hospital for 27 years, where he was teaching, and said he has seen "a lot of things we see are related to alcohol consumption.

Kirsits, in addition to serving on the Common Council, is also a battalion chief at Fire Station No. 2 at 110 East Marion in South Bend. Over the course of his public safety career, Kirsits said at the Aug. 20 meeting, he has heard paramedics and hospital workers complain about the large number of Notre Dame students who are taken to the hospital for alcohol-induced illness.

"Working in the ER, I used to see a lot and wonder about Notre Dame. But really, working over here, we have a lot of great kids. I don't want to give the impression that all the students drink so much, but it is a problem that we see, and a lot of illnesses and actions happen because of this," said Patricia Brubaker, assistant director of Clinical Services at University Health Services.

"There are not very many universities out that offer these fully funded opportunities," said Holly Rivers, program manager at Kellogg Institute for International Studies.

"Students get their feet wet and get to experience another country," Rivers said. After students complete the Fellowships, Rivers said she hopes they will return for more.

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"We are expected to be working with a faculty member who can help guide in terms of methodology and research design. The ultimate goal is to use the research for the senior theses," said Patricia Brubaker, the assistant director of Clinical Services at University Health Services.

"At St. Joseph's, Brubaker said she saw how a night of drinking could result in a fatal accident, a head injury, a week in the Intensive Care Unit or multiple deaths. "It's just one night of revelry that has changed their lives.""
EGYPT

Bin Laden to release video on Sept. 11

Associated Press

CAIRO — Osama bin Laden will release a new video in the coming days ahead of the sixth anniversary of the Sept. 11 attacks in what would be his first new images of the terror mastermind in nearly three years, Al-Qaida media announced Thursday.

Analysts noted that al-Qaida tends to mark the Sept. 11 anniversary with a slew of messages, and the Department of Homeland Security said it had no credible information warning of an imminent threat to the United States.

Still, bin Laden's appearance would be significant.

The al-Qaida leader has not appeared in new video footage since October 2004, and he has not put out a new audiotape since June 2005, his longest period without a message.

One difference in his appearance was immediately obvious.

The al-Qaida media had a still photo from the coming video, showing bin Laden addressing the camera, his beard fully black, in his past videos, bin Laden's beard was almost entirely gray with dark streaks.

Bin Laden's beard appears to have dyed, a popular practice among Arab leaders, said Rita Katz, director of the SITE Institute, a Washington-based group that monitors terror messages.

"I think it works for their al-Qaida image that he looks young, he looks healthy," Katz said.

The announcement and photo appeared in a banner advertisement on an Islamic militant Web site where al-Qaida's media arm, Al-Sahab, frequently posts messages.

The anniversary has always been a major media event for al-Qaida — a chance for it to drum up support among extremists, tout itself as the leading militant group and show off its continued survival.

"They've always gone out of their way to commemorate it," said Ben Venzke, chief executive officer of IntelCenter, which is based in Alexandria, Va. "Historically the anniversary of 9-11 has never been drawn to attacks. It's drawn to video releases."

But the fact that bin Laden is delivering the message is significant, he said. Whether the message will indicate a potential attack will depend on what bin Laden says.

Homeland Security spokesman Russ Knocke said he could not confirm the existence of a tape, "and there is no credible information at this time warning of an imminent threat to the homeland." But he said increased activity overseas and recent arrests of militants in Germany reinforce the department's assessment that the country is currently in a period of increased risk.

If bin Laden does appear in new footage, it would be the first appearance of his face since an Oct. 29, 2004 videotape, just before the U.S. presidential elections. In that appearance three years ago, he said America could avoid another 9-11 style attack if it stopped threatening Muslims.

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"The signs are there to do that, and we have to take that dependency," he added in testimony before the Senate Armed Services Committee.

The study sparked ongoing debate among committee members on whether to pass legislation ordering troops home.
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sors on research projects, guest lectures, a Web site and a conference that will take place in April 2009. The Web site for the Quest Partnership has not launched yet, but it is likely that it would be up in early October. There will be aural and visual elements. The site and its development will be a reflection of the conference and the dialogue that came from that event.

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The transactions added up to over $2,000, Ditchcreek said. He said the Fullerton Police Department contacted him Wednesday to tell him about Wornerth’s arrest in connection to the scam.

Wornerth was charged Tuesday with auto theft, possession of stolen property and possession of a stolen properly. He had already been on a 10-day unpaid leave of absence because of his prior police record or how many years of jail time he could face if he was convicted.

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“The investigation is still under way,” King said. “We can’t know how long he could be in jail until we identify all the victims and the accounts the scam is associated with.”

Ditchcreek said Tuesday the credit union’s technology staff had traced the original e-mail and the Web site to a server in the Netherlands.

King said Wornerth had not been charged by the Fullerton Police Department Tuesday because investigators were still looking into his role in setting up the Web site and sending the e-mail.

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Apple slashes $200 off iPhone prices

Discounts made to spike holiday sales anger current iPhone owners; company's stock falls on day

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WASHINGTON — Worker productivity rebounded, growing at the fastest pace in nearly two years, while wage pressures eased sharply in the spring — developments that should reduce inflation worries.

The Labor Department reported Thursday that productivity, the amount of output per hour of work, jumped to an annual growth rate of 2.6 percent in the April-June quarter, even better than the 1.8 percent increase that was originally reported.

Wage pressures, as measured by unit labor costs, slowed to an annual growth rate of 1.4 percent, slower than the initial estimate that labor costs were rising at a 2.1 percent rate.

Rising wages are good for workers, but if those gains are not accompanied by increased productivity, they can trigger unwanted inflation. Productivity is growing, it allows businesses to pay their workers more out of the increased profits rather than by raising prices.

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WASHINGTON — After falling for two weeks in a row, 30-year mort­gages edged up slightly this week.

Freddie Mac, the mortgage compa­ny, reported Thursday that 30-year, fixed-rate mortgages averaged 6.46 percent this week, compared with 6.45 percent last week.

The rate last week was the lowest since 30 mortgages averaged 6.42 percent the week of May 31.

Analysts attributed the basically unchanged reading to the fact that economic data over the past week came in close to expectations.

Frank Nothaft, chief economist at Freddie Mac, said the continuation of housing is coming to depress price increases.

A Freddie Mac report found that house prices increased by 0.1 percent from April through June. That was the slowest three-month change since the fourth quarter of 1994.

Rates on 15-year fixed-rate mort­gages, a popular choice for refinanc­ing, averaged 6.15 percent this week, compared with 6.12 percent last week.

Rates on five-year adjustable-rate mortgages fell to 6.32 percent, compared with 6.35 percent last week.

Rates on one-year adjustable-rate mortgages, which had risen steeply last week, dropped to 5.74 percent from 5.84 percent.

Many economists believe the Federal Reserve soon will decide to cut a key interest rate in an effort to stimulate the economy from recent tur­moil in the housing and financial mar­kets.

The mortgage rates do not include add-on fees known as points. Thirty­year mortgages and 15-year mort­gages each carried a nationwide aver­age fee of 0.5 point. Five-year ARMs and one-year ARMs both carried an average fee of 0.6 point.

A year ago, rates on 30-year mort­gages averaged 6.47 percent. Fifteen­year mortgages were at 6.16 percent. Five­year ARMs averaged 6.14 percent and one-year ARMs were at 5.63 per­cent.

After a five-year boom, sales of both new and existing homes fell sharply last year. The slump has potted worse this year as lenders have tightened standards amid soaring foreclosures and late payments. Those problems began in the market for subprime loans, which are offered to borrowers with weak credit histories, but have spread to other loan categories.

The Mortgage Bankers Association reported Thursday that homeowners got hit with a record number of fore­closure notices in the spring as the crisis in subprime lending intensified.
California celebrity cases which resulted in acquittals: O.J. Simpson, Robert Blake and Michael Jackson.

She said the jacket was "pristine" to the naked eye and only a few miniscule blood spatters were found when it was examined under a microscope. He had shot Clarkson, she said, he would have been covered in blood and tissue.

Kenney-Baden also sought to rebut perhaps the prosecution's strongest point — Spector's words as related by a Brazilian immigrant chauffeur who said he saw him come out of his house with a gun in his hand. Adriano De Souza quoted Spector as saying: "I think I killed somebody."

Kenney-Baden said De Souza's problems with English — his second language — the noise of a fountain in Spector's courtyard, a car radio playing and music coming from the house, made the quote suspect.

"We, De Souza had the classic problem of a lot of witnesses," she said. "He was simply mistaken.

Jackson presented a long summation Wednesday that was heavy on drama with video clips of women who accused Spector of past threatening acts with guns. It concluded with a video accompanied by music showing the glamorous Clarkson dancing, singing. It was meant to show that the actress, the star of the 1985 cult film "Barbarian Queen," was not despondent, had plans for her future and would not have shot herself as the defense claims.

But Thursday's session began with the judge telling jurors there were misstatements in Jackson's closing argument.

"Argument is very emotional" and sometimes statements are made that should not be, the judge said.

Diller told jurors Jackson crossed the line by characterizing the defense case as having murdered or assassinated Clarkson's character. Diller said he approved all evidence admitted about Clarkson's background because it was relevant.

The judge also said the jury could not consider a suggestion that the defense and a witness got together concerning testimony.

"There's no showing whatsoever that defense counsel asked a witness to testify untruthfully in any way," he said.

Outside the jury's presence, he denied a defense motion for a mistrial due to the suggestion by Jackson that Clarkson had been "murdered twice."

Kenney-Baden responded to Jackson's claim of a "checkbook defense" which used Spector's money to hire high-profile forensic experts.

"For all their talk about a checkbook defense, it is the government who has a combined budget of billions of dollars," she said. "They had every forensic tool available to them as to who fired the gun that night — every forensic tool, every scientist, a crime lab, thousands of investigators, every forensic tool available to the government who has a checkbook defense, it is the government who has a combined budget of billions of dollars."
Henderson from Tuba City and Harrison from Chinle, about 100 miles east of Tuba City near New Mexico. After Harrison's initial court appearance Thursday, her mother, Janice Harrison, said her daughter had no history of violence. Noting the teen was injured and briefly hospitalized, she said her daughter must have been defending herself. "She never did anything wrong," she said, tearily and speaking softly and hesitantly. "She's a real nice person. She's never been away from home." Galareka Harrison had not discussed her roommate or spoken of any problems at school, Janice Harrison said. Janice Harrison said her daughter wants to become a pharmacist, participated in high school track, and is heavily involved in rodeo and horses. Harrison or she had devoted to her three quarter-life, "She's a real nice person. She's never been away from home." Galareka Harrison had not discussed her roommate or spoken of any problems at school, Janice Harrison said. Janice Harrison said her daughter wants to become a pharmacist, participated in high school track, and is heavily involved in rodeo and horses. Harrison and her roommate filed Aug. 28. Harrison had complained this week that her roommate was forking a note on which the victim purports to have been written after the stabbing and would not release the police report her roommate filed Aug. 28. "What do we want? Safe highways. When do we want them? Now," said Henderson. The U.S. Transportation Department issued the first permit Thursday to Transportes Olympic, based in a suburb of Monterrey, Mexico. It won the permit after Mexico granted authority to Selective Protection and Distribution Inc. of El Paso, Texas, to travel anywhere in the United States. Both companies can cross the border immediately but may not do so for several days while they determine new routes, said John Hill, who heads the U.S. Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, which regulates truck safety. 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NDFCU scam prompts security questions

What could have been a large-scale fraud ended up being relatively minor — a suspect was arrested within days, and the attack on Notre Dame Federal Credit Union appears to have caused only minimal damage. Still, the scam should give the University, NDFCU and its members pause.

NDFCU should be clearer explaining the warning messages it posts on the Web site, spelling out precisely what it cannot — and will not — ask of members. That information should be housed permanently on a prominent portion of the Web site as reference for members in the event of future scams. NDFCU also needs to have at least some workers on duty during holiday weekends. The scam began Friday, but few answers were available to affected members until Tuesday because of the extended weekend. A bank relies on the trust of its members, and displaying quick response to fraud is essential to maintaining that trust.

The University also has questions to answer. First, is there something wrong with the address recognition software for Webmail? It was essentially impossible for users to determine that the fraudulent e-mails did not originate from alert@ndfcu.org, as they claimed.

Second, what is the future of Notre Dame’s online directory? It appears that the e-mails students received were sent to their preferred addresses as listed on the directory. And some students who do not have NDFCU accounts received the e-mail, asking for NDFCU account information. These signs point to the scammer’s use of the directory in his plan. Whether that requires the University to alter its policies in regard to the directory — specifically, requiring a Notre Dame, Saint Mary’s or Holy Cross login before viewing contact information — is a discussion the Office of Information Technologies should initiate with students immediately.

Coming to a thought-out decision on the topic, with clearly delineated reasons, and keeping the process open would go a long way in convincing students they are protected as best as possible.

The Observer

Editorial Cartoon

**THE REALLY REALLY BAD PART OF MISS TEEN SOUTH CAROLINA’S JUMBLED RESPONSE TO A GEOGRAPHY QUESTION:**

"...children, today’s lesson is finding the United States of America on a map of the world..."

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**Is it safe to live off campus?**

- Yes 215 votes
- No 121 votes

**QUOTE OF THE DAY**

"As I grow older, I regret to say that a detestable habit of thinking seems to be getting a hold of me."

H. Rider Haggard

English novelist
Viewpoint

Bringin' back the high five

Recently, a certain tech/hip-hop beat master deuce of pop boldly stated, "I'm bringing sexy back. (WHAT?!)" Not to downplay the roof-raising kindness of this jam, but was there ever a point in time when sexiness was uncool? Were teens ever ridiculed at school for calling a scorein' hot babe sexy? Was ogling the limpet manicures at Victoria's Secret even on the same level as entering a Magic? The Gathering tournament at Games By James? Of course not. Being sexy has always been cool. Unfortunately, nothing has the staying power of sexy; some things have to be "brought back." There is one thing in particular that needs to be Timberlaked if we want to make the 2007-08 school year the sexiest ever ... the high five!

After a few long years in the spotlight, the fist pump has run its course. We all have some fond pounding memories, maybe after a big game, a sweet joke, or perhaps even a discrete pound when you saw something cool. People like the pound. You have the exploding pound, people locking their pounds, or a few other pound variations. But where do you go from there? The high five has infinite variations. We have the high five, the low five, the back and forth five, the up-high/down-low combo five, the high five that is caught on the flip side, the super low h-ball into five, the behind-the-back five, the over-the-shoulder five, the between-the-legs five, the Ninja Turtles group high five, the sit five, the "skin it" five and the jump high five ... just to name a few. If the situation calls for it, you can even unleash a massive body five, more commonly known as the chest bump. This type of versatility is just not available with the pound. The high five is a superior hand motion celebration, and it's time to bring it back.

The success of the high five revival depends upon strict adherence to a simple cardinal rule. A high level of confidence must be established. Nothing is more demoralizing to a potential high fiver than it's time to bring it back. The pound. Pulling back a high five after it has been offered is completely forbidden. On a lighter note, high fives are contagious. The only thing even remotely comparable to the high five fever is the feeling you get on Thursday nights at Mehiana's number one-bar-dash-dance club. Often times, a single high five with a single partner can leave a person feeling unsatisfied and wanting more, like only getting two tortillas on Fajita Friday. Since one high five is not nearly enough, usually a raucous high five "session" will ensue. These sessions consists of a willingness to participate in an area offering up high fives and everyone else slapping any open hand. Imagine that peace thing at Mass, where you don't just go for the hot chick sitting near you but instead everyone in the area. Then replace hand-shakes with nasty hand slaps, multiply it by 10, and you have a good idea of what a high five session is all about. During a successful high five session, no hand goes unsapped and even stolen offers are not removed until the intended recipient gives you some skin. After a great high five bonanza, everyone can go back seamlessly to enjoying the situation that ignited such a celebration of hands. It is possible to have a pound session with knuckle flying all over the room, but anyone who has seen one happen can attest that it looks more like a fight than a celebration.

Even though sexy is here to stay, the high five needs to be reintroduced, and in a big way. So next time you get your cup filled even though you don't know anyone at the party, throw up a five. When you get two crepes in that long line give the Dining Hall workers some skin. Most importantly, if you see a solitary five offered up, slap that hand and offer two more, expand the finger festa into an all out high five party because ... we're bringing it back.

Kessler and ... is a non-profit pharmaceutical organization in search of a cure for male pattern baldness. Put Canna, Fritz, Shadley, Rick Loening and Bill Ehrlich contributed to this column. They can be contacted at kevstagg@gmail.com

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By JAMES COSTA  
Assistant Scene Editor

While millions have taken delight in the eclectic music videos of OK Go as the band members dance around the backyard and across treadmills, few have taken the next step toward exploring the rest of their music. This is a shame.

Over the last few years, it has become harder and harder for energetic and poppy bands to gain widespread recognition and acclaim because of a glut of similar acts vying for mainstream appeal and fame. While it's tough to say that OK Go has been marginalized any more than any other similar band—think The Thrills and Phantom Planet—it's still a small injustice to the millions who might've heard them and loved them if only pop radio was a little kinder when constructing song rotations. Pretty simply, OK Go is as best as you're going to get if pop rock is what you want.

They are everything that a pop rock band could be—shaggy-haired guys singing shaggy-haired and enduringly upbeat tunes that are fun the first and fiftieth time you listen to them. OK Go's first studio offering, the self-titled "OK Go," was not intended to be the band's first album. Apparently, the band pulled a Green Day and recorded an entire album just to decide to scrap it and record a brand new one. The new set of songs we've received is a stellar offering from the Chicago band with plenty of range to the tone and feel of the tracks. They've found a way to be smart but not overly self-important, fun without sounding stupid and shallow. Indeed, it seems that the boys have made sure they've learned from the best, with the most obvious element of the album being its heavy draw on the band's musical influences—groups such as Weezer, Cheap Trick and the Beach Boys.

Sure, maybe it sounds a little bit too overproduced and radio ready, but aren't there are enough artsy and introspective bands to satisfy even the most needy pseudo-intellectual and discerning listener? OK Go gives us a little less in the deep meaning arena and a lot more in the raucous sound and energy department that'll actually get us humming along to the beat.

"Oh No," their second studio album, was recorded in Malmo, Sweden with the help of Tore Johansson, who produced the similar sounding record of Franz Ferdinand. After a listen it is clear that "Oh No" does not suffer from the sophomore slump. It has a natural feel, stripped a bit of the first record's polish, but still packing in the hooks. The record is balanced. It features the typical number of total party songs with chorus words anchored on a few shouts of "hey," but it also adds more subtle tunes that really show their strength after a few listens, when you start looking for what's on the record beyond the quick-appealing pop rock standards. Also—and this is a good thing—it's tough to find a favorite song on the record. Each one is exciting and fun, and you'll likely find that each listen brings a new favorite song to play on repeat. Right now it's "No Sign of Life," with its desperate message masked by crashing guitars and a lyrical performance that jumps between near-scream and subdued reflection.

The Show is tonight. OK Go will be there. You should go. At worst it'll be an evening of infectious music that'll be entertaining to witness live. At best it might get you dancing to a band you didn't know existed a few weeks ago.
REFRESHING LUPE FIASCO PROVIDES INTROSPECTION TO RAP GENRE

By CORBIN HICKS
Staff Writer

You might think that Lupe Fiasco's road to stardom has followed the tried and true method perfected by other big name rap stars. Start a label independently and perfect your rhyme. Create your own mixtapes, freestyling over other artist's instruments, and use this to create an industry-wide buzz. Once that buzz is big enough, capitalize on this fame and quickly get a record deal and put out an album on a major label.

Somehow forget that dropping a near-classic album, getting a Jay-Z feature on your debut, and skateboarding do not describe the typical rapper.

Fiasco represents a picture of hip-hop that was not possible 10 years ago. He is a video game aficionado, Japanese fan and just about every other stereotype of suburban middle school white kids. The only thing he doesn't do is play lacrosse or soccer. Fiasco is a black rapper from the tough streets of the West Side of Chicago, where these activities typically remain on the other side of the racial barrier. But Lupe's lyrical ability transcends that of most new artists and allows him to gain credibility from those who would discount him based on his hobbies. His flow, word choice and delivery capture your attention in a way that is less monotonous than an Immortal

In fact, Lupe's rookie effort—"Food & Liquor"—was produced by Shawn Carter, a name that marked a vote of confidence in a new rap artist. His 16-track opus begins with a three-minute spoken-word style intro about the city of Chicago. This leads into "Real," a reflection on making music of which he doesn't have to be ashamed. Real has many different definitions in today's music industry, with the influx of hardcore rap and monotonous 808-beat singles, but Lupe captures the essence of doing lyrically conscious music without having it sound like a lecture.

The next track "Just Might Be OK" is another standout, with the self-proclaimed "Cornel Westside" lyrically tearing to shreds a track filled with luscious live instrumentation.

The album seamlessly moves from one song to the next. This is a feat, as the original version of the album was leaked onto the Internet, and Lupe was forced to redo the entire album. He is not a one-hit-wonder artist, as he was able to turn up his focus in crunch time and bang out classic tracks such as "Hurt Me Soul." In this song, he talks about the demons that he faces on a daily basis and the dualism between what happens to someone and how he responds to it. The honesty and openness that he reveals throughout the album has to be admired not only for rap but also for someone who is able to internalize his surroundings and talk about them in a manner which is both appealing and enjoyable.

Tracks like "Sunshine," "American Terrorist," "The Instrumental" and "Daydreamin'" reveal the thought process of your average person. While this may not sound as appealing as "Partying Like A Rock Star," it offers a refreshing alternative at a time when one is desperately needed. Despite his rap personas, Lupe delivers an album that walks the thin line between songs crafted to play in your car speaker system at full volume while also being lyrical enough to present to your literature teacher. This duality is the key to Lupe's longevity in the music industry.

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**Ankiel homers twice in rain-shortened Cardinals win; Dodgers defeat Cubs with Ethier's ninth-inning homer**

Associated Press

**DETROIT** — One inning after being off the White Sox close in the ninth inning, leading the Tigers over Chicago 3-2 Thursday in Gary Sheffield’s return from the disabled list.

“Obviously, this is huge,” Tigers manager Jim Leyland said. “I’m not saying we can’t lose another game, but it is too late in the season to make up many of them.”

Detroit, which closed within three games of the wild-card-leading New York Yankees, trailed 2-1 entering the ninth, Sheffield, who hadn’t played since Aug. 21 because of an injured shoulder, went 0-for-3 with two strikeouts and a walk.

“I felt good, but my timing is still a pick in the amateur draft. Ankiel hit a Rebreaking, three-run homer in the ninth against Dempster (2-5), who gave up five runs and six hits in 2 2/3 innings and fell to 0-5 in 28 chances.

Cardinals center fielder Rick Ankiel dives for a fly ball during St. Louis’ 16-4 win over the Pirates Thursday. The ball, hit by Pittsburgh third baseman Matt Kata, fell in for a double.

Tigers second baseman Placido Polanco drives in the game-winning run in Detroit’s 3-2 win over the White Sox Thursday.

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NCAA FOOTBALL

Appalachian State coach Jerry Moore is carried off the field after the Mountaineers upset No. 5 Michigan 34-32 Saturday. Former Division I AA schools can now be voted into the Associated Press top-25 poll.

AP poll adds Appalachian State rule

Associated Press

After pulling off one of the greatest upset in college football history, Appalachian State is still shaking things up. The Associated Press said Thursday that lower-division schools — that means you, Mountaineers — are now eligible for its 71-year-old poll.

"It's great they opened the door," Appalachian State coach Jerry Moore said from his office in Boone, N.C. "Certainly we're not even going to be in the top 10. But if you have a win over a nice football team, I think it's not out of the realm of possibility for a school like us to be one of the top 20 or 25 teams in the country."

Several AP voters expressed interest in putting Appalachian State on their ballots after a shock 34-32 upset at then-No. 5 Michigan last weekend. But the poll guidelines, which mirrored the coaches' rankings conducted by USA Today, limited eligibility to teams competing in the former NCAA Division I-AA, now known as the Football Bowl Subdivision.

The Mountaineers competed in the Football Championship Subdivision, known before this season as Division I-AA.

The AP decided to make the change because schools that show they can compete with big-time teams on the field should have a chance to be recognized with them in the top 25, Sports Editor Terry Taylor said.

"Why not? The poll was always intended to measure teams that compete against each other, regardless of division, based solely on on-field performance," she said. "It was that way long before Division I was divided into I-A and I-AA in 1978."

One poll voter, Adam Van Bramer, who works for the Georgia-based Morris News Service.

In a previous job, he covered longtime Division I-AA powerhouse Georgia Southern, which, like Appalachian State, is a member of the Southern Conference.

IN BRIEF

Rugby World Cup coverage suspended

PARIS — A day before the opening of the showcase tournament, the world's three leading news agencies suspended coverage Thursday of the Rugby World Cup in a dispute with the sport's governing body over media restrictions.

The Associated Press said its journalists would not attend any World Cup events until the dispute over media credentials is resolved with the International Rugby Board. Reuters and Agence-France Press also said they were suspending coverage.

"It is more than two days since the suspensions were announced," she said. "It was a symbolic gesture. It was certainly be strongly considered," said Van Bramer, who works for the Georgia-based Morris News Service.

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Big Ten Network and Dish Network reach agreement

CHICAGO — The Big Ten Network reached an agreement on Thursday with satellite TV provider Dish Network, expanding the reach of the channel through early 2008. After that,

Big Ten customers who subscribe to Dish Network will increase from 3.5 to 6.2 million. In the eight states with Big Ten schools, the number will increase from 3.5 to 6.2 million.

Dish customers who subscribe to the America's Top 100 package or higher will have access to the channel.

Tom Brady misses practice

FOXBOROUGH — New England Patriots quarterback Tom Brady missed a portion of practice Thursday because of his chronic right shoulder injury.

Brady was on the field during the time the media was allowed to view practice, but the team later reported that had he "limited participation."

Patriots coach Bill Belichick was not available for comment.

For several seasons the two-time Super Bowl MVP has been a regular on the weekly injury report with the shoulder problem, which is believed to date to the 2002 season.

Nevertheless, Brady has started 108 straight games, the third-longest active streak among quarterback, trailing only Brett Favre (277) and Peyton Manning (156).

Brady turned 30 last month. At the start of training camp, he said he planned to rest his arm more.

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in the Football Bowl Subdivision.
Williams not satisfied, wants 10-plus majors

Venus currently has six and may win her seventh soon, but has to get past Justine Henin in the semifinal

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Venus Williams wants more.

It will be a good challenge for me to play both sisters in the same tournament," Justine Henin said, mastering the art of understate­ment.

Taking all tournaments into account, the Williams sisters have lost to the same player at an event a total of five times in their decade on tour. On 11 occasions, a woman made it past one Williams, then lost to the other.

After edging No. 3 Jelena Jankovic in a third-set tiebreaker Wednesday night, Venus Williams made a point of saying she was at her right shoulder massaged and pausing for a moment to get her powers in New York, Davydenko, while No. 3 Novak Djokovic will meet No. 15 David Ferrer.

Three-time defending champ­ion Federer took the day off Thursday, skipping practice and resting after beating 2003 Open winner Andy Roddick in a match that began Wednesday night and ended after midnight.

Djokovic defeated No. 17 Carlos Moya 6-7, 6-7 (7-6), 6-1 Thursday night to reach a third consecutive Grand Slam semifinal. Earlier, Ferrer — who upset Rafael Nadal in the fourth round — beat No. 20 Juan Ignacio Chela 6-2, 6-3, 7-5.

T h u r s d a y a f t e r n o o n, Venus Williams put in a practice session, pausing for a moment to get her right shoulder massaged by her boyfriend, pro golfer Hank Kuehne.

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Williams not satisfied, wants 10-plus majors

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Novak Djokovic celebrates his quarterfinal victory Thursday. Djokovic has beaten his semifinal opponent, David Ferrer, just once.

Associated Press

NEW YORK — As hilarious after his U.S. Open quarterfinal victory as he was good during it, Novak Djokovic treated an appreciative audience to his spot-on impersonations of Maria Sharapova and Rafael Nadal.

It was a scene most likely never before seen at a Grand Slam tennis tournament — or any sporting event of any significance, for that matter. First, Djokovic did Sharapova, hopping behind the baseline, the way she does, bouncing the ball the way she does, pretending to knock strands of hair behind his ears, and capping it off by doing a perfect rendering of the two-time major champion’s serve.

Next, Djokovic did his take on Nadal, sprinkling the way he does, even yanking at his shirt the way the three-time French Open champ does.

The act, prompted by USA Network’s postmatch report, was the most entertaining portion of Thursday’s activity in Arthur Ashe Stadium — and showed, without a shadow of a doubt, that Djokovic is poised to become tennis’ next star. He already is a bit on YouTube, where his imitations of fellow pros are posted.

The No. 3-seeded Djokovic’s game is quite impressive, too, as he showed by reaching a third consecutive Grand Slam semifinal by beating No. 17 seed Carlos Moya 6-4, 7-6 (7-1), 6-1.

“It’s funny. He does it very well. That’s a gift,” Moya said, referring to Djokovic’s renditions. “If he doesn’t succeed in tennis, he has a career in that.”

Even Djokovic’s pre-serve routine requires attention. When he faced a set point in the tiebreaker, for example, he kept dribbling the ball, 28 times in all.


Eventually, he tossed the ball overhead — and hit a fault.

Before his second serve, Djokovic cut his total to 13 bounces, hit a 113 mph offer, and won the point.

“This is just a matter of concentration. I’m trying to really focus and not irritate anybody. Sorry if I’m a bit annoying,” Djokovic said. “The thing is, I want to stay longer on this court, so that’s why I’m bouncing more and more.”

Unlike at the French Open, where he lost to No. 2 Nadal, and at Wimbledon, where he stopped because of an injury while losing to Nadal, Djokovic will finally face a different foe.

In Saturday’s semifinals, he’ll meet No. 15 David Ferrer — who just happens to be the man who ran Nadal ragged in the Open’s fourth round. Ferrer reached his first major semifinal by beating No. 20 Juan Ignacio Chela 6-2, 6-3, 7-5 Thursday.

Top-ranked Roger Federer is in his record 14th Grand Slam semifinal in a row and plays No. 4 Nikolay Davydenko on Saturday. Federer is 9-0 against Davydenko, and hasn’t faced too poorly against the semifinalists on the other side of the draw — he’s 7-0 against Ferrer, 4-3 against Djokovic.

Djokovic’s own victory over Ferrer came in their most recent meeting, in the final of a hard-court tournament in Montreal last month. It was at that event that Djokovic became the first man since 1994 to defeat men ranked Nos. 1-3 at the same tournament.

That counted as Djokovic’s breakthrough moment. It also gave him four titles in 2007, and his 57 match wins through Thursday rank second only to Nadal.

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Djokovic, though, was just better enough throughout. In the tiebreaker, he erased Moya’s set point, and then converted his second, bouncing the ball 23 times before hitting a 123 mph serve that set up a forehand winner.

Djokovic then broke to start the third set, and that was pretty much that against Moya, a former No. 1 who won the 1998 French Open.

Against Chela, Ferrer kept up his surprising run — and it turns out he hasn’t been eating as he’s been playing. It was a far shorter and less taxing match than in the previous round, when Ferrer was on court until nearly 2 a.m. while losing to Nadal.

After that rousing victory, the biggest of his career, Ferrer had a hard time finding something for dinner. So he wound up eating a fast-food burger.

“Yeah, really, at 4:15, my coach and me walk into the McDonald’s,” Ferrer said.

That said, Ferrer was not the only one in the major returning categories, and he was up to his usual tricks against Chela, compiling 16 break points. That count already was up to 12 by the time Ferrer earned his first break chance on Ferrer’s serve.

Chela converted it to take a 2-0 lead in the second set — then promptly got broken right back when he sailed a forehand wide.

“That, Chela acknowledged, was my only real chance.”

Before seeing off Nadal, Ferrer escaped a match point against 2002 Wimbledon runner-up David Nalbandian in the third round.

“The last three matches are my best tennis,” Ferrer said. “For me, it’s unbelievable.”

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Novak Djokovic stretches to return a volley during his straight-set win over Carlos Moya. Djokovic defeated Moya 6-4, 7-6 (7-1), 6-1 and will face No. 15 David Ferrer in the semifinals.
Varitek’s single lifts Red Sox over Orioles

Boston trails three times in game; Buchholz comes on in relief after Wakefield struggles through short outing

Associated Press

Baltimore — The no-hit rookie who kept the Baltimore Orioles scoreless in his entire performance, and a trio of veterans who can’t seem to catch a break, gave the Boston Red Sox a 7-6 victory Thursday night.

Pinch-hitter Jason Varitek singled in the go-ahead run in the top of the ninth inning, and the Red Sox left-hander cruised again as Wakefield and Ortiz and Coco Crisp in a 7-6 victory Thursday night.

Crisp had three hits and scored three runs, including a two-run home run on an 0-2 pitch to left, scoring on a single by Tejada.

"I mixed up my pitches well and made the pitches I needed to get out of situations," Buchholz said.

"They hit a lot of good balls but I had some good plays behind me," Buchholz said. "I mixed up my pitches well and made the pitches I needed to get out of situations." Boston manager Terry Francona said. "He did a great job getting out of the jam."
SMC SOCCER

Hope awaits unbeaten Belles
Saint Mary’s takes 3-0 record on the road to avenge last season’s loss

Sophomore midfielder Katryn Durkin, right, challenges an Albion defender for the ball on Sept. 6, 2006. The Belles are 3-0 to start the season and face Hope on Saturday.

By CHRIS DOYEN
Sports Writer

Saint Mary’s visits Hope Saturday in an attempt to win its fourth consecutive match to start the season.

The Belles are 3-0 after posting victories against Case Western, Saint Lawrence, and Manchester. Hope stands at 1-2-0 after losing its first two games to Dennison and Saint Joseph and then defeating Rochester.

In the teams’ lone meeting last year, Hope won 1-0, and the Belles will be looking to avenge that loss after a 1-0 victory of their own in their home opener against Rochester.

While the Belles will be paying close attention to those playmakers, Mackenzie sees no reason to panic. “It is a good introduction for our first-year players to get to know what it feels like before we get into our real conference schedule in a couple of weeks.”

Hope returns 14 letter winners from a team that finished second in the MIAA, including seniors Ellie Tresslar and Sarah Cochran — two players Mackenzie knows can be dangerous. “Tresslar and Cochran both have reputations for being able to put the ball in the back of the net, so we need to contain them as much as possible,” Mackenzie said. “But they have 10 freshmen too, so we’ll be able to find out just how dangerous they actually are.”

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NCAA FOOTBALL

Howard assault case sent back to trial court

Associated Press

DENVER — An appeals court on Thursday revived a lawsuit by two women who claim they were gang-raped at an off-campus party directed by University of Colorado football recruits, ruling there is evidence the alleged assaults were caused by the school’s failure to adequately supervise players.

The ruling by the 10th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals, which sends the case back to the trial court, said there is evidence the university had an official policy of showing high school recruits a “good time” and that it showed a “deliberate indifference” to any known sexual assaults.

“There is absolutely nothing in the ruling that the university can take comfort in.”

Balne Kerr
prosecutor

“The university used all its resources to silence, stifle and harass the victims of sexual assault without regard to the outcome of the student code of conduct.”

Kerr said the ruling “broadens the way the university can take comfort in.”

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PITTSBURGH — Duquesne University forward Stuard Baldonado, suspended from school Wednesday after being charged with drug violation, was arrested near the campus against a man later charged with a misdemeanor drug charge.

Baldonado, one of five Duquesne players onShown campus a year ago this month, was initially arrested Friday and charged with criminal conspiracy involving the manufacture, delivery or possession of a controlled substance. He was indefinitely suspended from the university and the basketball team on Wednesday after school officials reviewed the situation.

A few hours later on Wednesday night, Pittsburgh police said they spotted Baldonado smoking by himself on a street corner near the Duquesne campus. After being questioned, the 22-year-old Baldonado was told he would be mailed a summons charging him with misdemeanor possession of marijuana, officer David Honick said Thursday.

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NCAA BASKETBALL

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Saint Mary’s plays its second conference match of the week — and suffered its second defeat — Thursday at the hands of the Flying Dutch 3-0 (19-14, 30-20, 30-17). The Belles fell to 1-4 overall and 0-2 in the MIAA Conference.

The tough Dutch defense was dominant over the Belles. Junior defensive specialist Meghan Winer led the team with 13 digs. Not far behind was sophomore setter Andrea Helminiak, who contributed 11 digs along with 35 assists.

"We will be working on really coming together as a team and playing for each other," Belles coach Julie Schroeder-Biek said. "In these first few matches of the year, we have had individuals working through trying to find their fit while we are still defining roles; we have had individuals that had some setbacks and are working hard to make up ground."

The Flying Dutch also doubled the Belles in kills, 48 to 23, with 12 from junior outside hitter Nora Slupczynski.

Sophomore outside hitter Lerna Slupczynski led the Belles in defense and offense with eight kills and 11 digs. The Belles travel to Hiram, Ohio today for the Hiram College Tournament.

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**SMC VOLLEYBALL**

**Hope hands Belles second MIAA loss**

By SAMANTHA LEONARD
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Saint Mary’s will open conference play with the first MIAA Jamboree at Milham Park in Kalamazoo, Mich., Saturday.

The Belles will be squaring through the toughest conference opponents, including Olivet College, the 2006 MIAA champions.

In their opening event last weekend at the Ferris State Invitational, the Belles posted a two-round score of 697, which put them in a tie for 13th in the 18-team field. Olivet finished 11th with a score of 683.

Since this is the start of the conference schedule, the intensity level will be high for all participating teams, Belles coach Mark Hamilton said. Because each team gets a cumulative five-round score, Hamilton is stressing the need to finish well in these conference meets.

"Every round counts, and it is important to be consistent," he said.

While there will be four more rounds of conference play after Saturday, it will be important the Belles not to dig themselves into a hole.

"If we just play to our potential, we should be fine," Hamilton said.

One obstacle the Belles have to overcome is their lack of familiarity with the course. Host Kalamazoo played in a three-team match at its home course on Wednesday, finishing third just like we felt obligated, and enjoyed doing, to represent ours in 2005. All Highsmith is among the LSU starters who played for the Tigers two seasons ago.

A number of people displaced by Katrina — a storm that struck Aug. 29, 2005, and was blamed for more than 1,600 deaths and tens of thousands of damaged homes and business — were being housed at LSU when that season began.
NFL

Colts down Saints 41-10 in opener

Manning throws for 288 yards and three touchdowns, while Addai runs for 118 yards

Indianapolis receivers Marvin Harrison, left, and Reggie Wayne, right, catch touchdown passes during the Colts' 41-10 victory over New Orleans Thursday.

Harrison for 42 yards to set up a 2-yard TD run by Addai. Then the Super Bowl MVP came right back to throw a 28-yard TD to Wayne. "NFL games are 60 minutes long. We were a little out of sync in the first half," coach Tony Dungy said. "They played us defensively a little different than we thought. We knew we had to run the ball a little more." Another major player — for both sides — was New Orleans corner back Jason David, who started for the Colts in their Super Bowl win over Chicago, then left as a free agent. He was victimized by Harrison on a 27-yard TD pass in the first half and again by Wayne on both his scores, the second a 45-yarder in the fourth quarter. But David also produced the Saints' only TD, stripping Wayne away for a second-quarter completion, picking up the ball and returning it 55 yards for the score.

Wayne finished with seven catches for 115 yards. The game finally put the focus back on football after an off-season dominated by player discipline problems and long suspensions, most notably involving Michael Vick and Adam "Pacman" Jones. Commissioner Roger Goodell, who was at the game, said beforehand, "I think we're ready now to get the focus back on football." It took a little while before Manning got the Colts' offense focused.

Manning was just 8-of-17 for 101 yards in the first half, 66 of those yards on two completions: the 27-yard TD to Harrison, plus 39 on a throw to Dallas Clark that set up Adam Vinatieri's 33-yard field goal that tied the game at 10. But the Saints, who reached the NFC title game last season on a scoring run against a made-over Indianapolis defense, that unit included undrafted rookie Ed Johnson at defensive tackle in place of Anthony McFarland, out for the season with a knee injury.

Both finished with just 38 yards, Bush on 12 carries and McAllister on 10. Brees was 27-of-40 for 183 yards and two interceptions.

The only score by the New Orleans offense was a 34-yard field goal by Olimpo Mare in the second quarter after a nine-play, 36-yard drive. In between of that quarter, until the middle of the fourth, the Saints ran just one play in Indianapolis territory and that was for a 2-yard loss.

Sunny linebacker Freddy Keiaho, replacing departed free agent Cato June, was outstanding.

In the second quarter, he drove through a blocker, carrying him into Bush and dropping the runner for a 5-yard loss. In the third quarter, he picked off a pass that led to a 33-yard field goal by Vinatieri that made it 27-10 in the first minute of the final quarter.

The Colts took a 7-0 lead on the Manning-to-Harrison TD in the first quarter. David's play tied the game, and Mare's field goal put the Saints up 10-7. That lasted until the late drive keyed by the Manning-Clark hookup.

Then the Colts took over completely in the second half. The Manning-Wayne 45-yarder made it 34-10 five minutes into the fourth quarter and Matt Giordano's 83-yard interception return closed the scoring.

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INDIANAPOLIS — It took the Indianapolis Colts one half to shake off their post-Super Bowl hangover. Then Peyton Manning and friends came alive to beat New Orleans 41-10 Thursday night in the NFL's opener, running away in the final 30 minutes with a championship caliber performance.

Playing against his hometown team, Manning had three TD passes, two to Reggie Wayne and another to Marvin Harrison. Joseph Addai ran for 118 yards on 23 carries and a super-quick defense with four new starters shut down Drew Brees, Reggie Bush and the explosive New Orleans offense.

The game was tied 10-10 after a sloppy first half. But Manning, who finished 18-of-30 for 288 yards, led two quick TD drives in the first 8:49 of the second half as the Colts put up 24 points in 20 minutes after intermission. On the first drive, Manning hit

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kids an idea of how to compete, line up, and race a little bit," Connelly said. "Somebody always comes out of that meet who becomes a big contributor down the line and will end up being a big player for us throughout the season."
Amanda Clark had the task of watching Abdullah. Irish sophomore midfielders Amanda Clark had the task of watching Abdullah. Irish sophomore midfielder Michael Thomas tries to steal the ball during Notre Dame’s 2-0 loss to South Florida on Sept. 8, 2006. 

Waldrum said the Irish faced a similar threat against Florida in junior midfielder Ameera Abdullah. Irish sophomore defensive midfielder Amanda Clark had the task of watching Abdullah.

“She did a great job of handling [O’Hara] as well,” Clark said. “I think AC can be in trouble.”

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Irish midfielder Lauren Fowlkes, right, and midfielder Brittany Bock attempt a header in Notre Dame’s 0-0 tie with Michigan Aug. 31.

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contain.

“We’ve got to be aware of her speed,” Waldrum said. “We can’t give her the kind of time on the ball that she’d like to have.”

Waldrum said there are two ways to contain fast players like O’Hara: keep the ball away from her entirely, or play the defense deep in their own zone to prevent O’Hara from getting behind them.

“You’ve got to do one of the two things,” he said. “If you got caught halfway in between either of those you’re going to be in trouble.”

Although she made only one save, Waldrum said the way she handled the wet conditions and difficult situations elevated her above the others.

“It was a ball driven to the opposite post that she had to dive to get,” Waldrum said of the lone save. “Usually in the wet surface like this that the goalkeepers mishandle it or bobble it and the rebounds come out, and she held it clean. There were players all around that were just ready to tap it in.”

Waldrum said sophomore keeper Kelsey Lyons would make the trip as well in a backup role.

Junior Carrie Dew, still recovering from an ACL injury suffered last season, came off the bench in Notre Dame’s first game against Michigan, but started against Florida.

“She’s getting better and better,” Waldrum said. “I think she’ll be ready to go this weekend.”

The freshmen got their first taste of live action last weekend and are adjusting nicely, Waldrum said. One freshman, midfielder Lauren Fowlkes, started both games and said the college game differs stylistically from high school.

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coaching — good for fourth on the team. Retaining her All-Big East honors.

“Since it’s the first tournament of the season, we just wanted to get out there and play as much golf as we could,” Holt said. “We’ve been working a lot on our short game of 100 yards and bunker play and putting. … With the depth and the talent we have, as long as we get everybody on the same page — which I know we can do — we can achieve all our goals. But our strength is definitely each other.”

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player to post a high number.”

The lineup for the Cougar Classic will feature sophomore Kristin Wetzal from the No. 1 spot. Wetzal was a key contributor last season, participating in all 10 events during her rookie campaign. She became one of the most consistent golfers with her 78.22 scoring average.

The second and third spots of the lineup will belong to a pair of freshmen — Katie Conway from Wading River, N.Y., and So-Hyun Park from Seoul, South Korea. The rookies will face the pressure of their first collegiate performance this weekend.

Shooting fourth will be junior Lisa Maun. Maun was an important factor for the Irish last season with a 78.04 scoring average — good for fourth on the team. One of her most memorable performances was her 10th place finish in the conference championships, which earned her All-Big East honors.

Finishing off the group will be sophomore Annie Brophy, who looks to build on a strong freshman season in which she recorded the second-best scoring average on the team and sixth-best in program history with a 77.04. Her third-place finish at the Big East championship solidified her spot as a talented young golfer in the program.

Holt stressed the importance of practice, specifically on the short game.

“Since it’s the first tournament of the season, we just wanted to get out there and play as much golf as we could,” Holt said. “We’ve been working a lot on our short game of 100 yards and shorter — specifically our wedge shots, bunker play and putting. … With the depth and the talent we have, as long as we get everybody on the same page — which I know we can do — we can achieve all our goals. But our strength is definitely each other.”

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JUMBLE

THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME
by Henri Arnold and Mike Argirion

Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

PLUIP
SYRTT
GLUNJE
PIMNED

Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

Answer here: IN THE

Yesterday's Jumble: TRILL AIDER LOCKET TYCOON

Answer: What Junior got when he came home for a "dirty" look.

HOROSCOPE

Aries: Brace yourself for Billy Baldwin’s Ihren’s (that’s Greek for ‘scratches,’ for all you dummies). (2 stars)

Taurus: It’d be a nice day if it didn’t rain. (3 stars)

Gemini: Today you will feel the need to look for your horoscope in a different newspaper. (1 star)

Cancer: Remember September. (5 stars)

Leo: Go for the gold, baby. (5 stars)

Virgo: To whistle properly, you must make sacrifices and not be afraid what your neighbor will think if you spit on him or her. (3 stars)

Libra: After walking around campus and seeing some of the modern art, you will have a strong desire to become a modern artist, because in order to get NO to buy one of your pieces, you would merely have to lump some ugly metal together and give your creation a weird name. (2 stars)

Scorpio: You will encounter a pug today. And his name will be “Pug.” (5 stars)

Sagittarius: For advice on how to get a blonde, call (845) 729-0367 and ask for Jimothy. (2 stars)

Capricorn: You will be surrounded by monkey bungs at various points throughout the day. (1 star)

Aquarius: If you knew the real name of Tails from “Sonic the Hedgehog,” seriously considering making a run at becoming the President of the United States. The country needs people like you. By the way, Tails’ real name is... (5 stars)

Pisces: All the penguins from “Happy Feet” will be there. No, it’s your responsibility to find where ‘there’ is. (5 stars)

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Slumping squad tries to regroup

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Notre Dame will compete against three teams during this weekend's Shamrock Invitational beginning with the College of Charleston tonight at 7 in the Joyce Center. After facing the Cougars, the Irish will take on Alabama and Ohio. Last season, the Irish defeated Alabama 3-1, but they fell to No. 13 Ohio.

Irish coach Debbie Brown said that while Ohio will pose the toughest challenge to the Irish, the other teams in the tournament pose a considerable threat.

"These are the kinds of teams that are typically NCAA Tournament teams," Brown said. "This is the level of competition we need to be playing right now in order to prepare ourselves for the conference season."

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TRIAL BY FIRE

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Clausen won't be a great QB — yet

So it's Jimmy. To paraphrase Irish head coach Charlie Weis regarding last week's starter, you would have to be brain-dead at this point not to know freshman Jimmy Clausen will be the starting quarterback for Notre Dame against Penn State.

Stories about the decision ran on the front pages of the Web sites for ESPN and Sports Illustrated and in most newspapers that cover college football. Most Irish fans felt a titter of excitement when they read the news and felt that the season could be saved.

But don't get too excited just yet.

Clausen still has a lot of work to do, regardless of how great a practice player he is or how much upside analysts think he has. Clausen looked impressive in his limited time last Saturday against Georgia Tech — completing 4-of-6 passes for 54 yards — but in a mop-up situation.

Clausen entered the game when any forward progress would have been an improvement over the first three quarters of play. But Clausen will be in for a rude awakening when he heads to State College this weekend.

For starters, he will have to trade in the re-born Sea of Green for a Whiteout in Happy Valley — more than 100,000 strong, all wanting vengeance for last year.

Instead of facing a second-string defense that still found gaping holes in Notre Dame's offensive line, he will go against the newest class at Linebacker U — a defense that recovered five fumbles and allowed only 114 yards of total offense in a 59-0 shutout of Florida International Saturday.

But most importantly, Clausen's real potential is still very much a mystery.

Clausen already had surgery on his throwing arm before ever playing a down in college football. His long list of impressive high school records and statistics are meaningless now as he enters an entirely different brand of football.

Jimmy Clausen is the most highly-touted recruit in South Bend in a long time, on par with current Irish quarterbacks coach Ron Powlus. Powlus, after throwing four touchdowns in his Notre Dame debut, was projected to win two Heisman Trophies by the time he left college. Powlus never quite panned out to be a dominant quarterback, but he did leave as the Notre Dame record holder in most passing categories.

But fans may not be as forgiving if Clausen doesn't lead Notre Dame to glory — starting on Saturday. With his senior season in high school followed closely by Irish fans nationwide — including nationally-televised games — Clausen was already seen as the next great Irish quarterback before he ever donned the golden helmet.

So the real question is, how will he respond to pressure?

Weis said that Clausen got a chance to see how much upside analysts think he has and not necessarily those of the author column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.

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COACHING

Irish Rushing

Irish Passing

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Although Anthony Morelli has a reputation for bad decisions and turnovers, the Irish pass game will be extremely effective. He completed 23 of 38 passes for 295 yards and three touchdowns against FIU last week.

Penn State is known as "Linebacker U," for its history of ferocious linebackers, and Dan Connor is no exception. Connor and company held Florida International to -3 yards rushing last week, although the Irish do present a bigger challenge.

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**Crunching the numbers**

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Offensive line steps up intensity in practice

By CHRIS HINE  SporEd Writer

Notre Dame’s offensive line had the entire summer camp to prepare for Georgia Tech’s blinding defense. So, the Irish fans expect a loss and nine sacks. So, with only one week to prepare for No. 14 Penn State, what does the Irish line do to better this week?

“All the proof is that our offense played really well last week against Georgia Tech and that’s because of the Irish’s offensive line,” sophomore guard Dan Wenger said. “We have to show up this week. We can’t lay down."

In order to be more physical, the line has stepped up the intensity this week by simulating a game environment in practice.

“Really it’s not different,” Young said. “We’ve been running plays all week. You know it’s the same stuff all camp so basically the biggest thing is we really have to fine tune and perfect all the things that we did— it don’t well last week. And it’s not necessarily who’s behind us because whoever’s behind us is capable of leading us to a victory. It’s up to us up front, and we have to take our responsibility on our shoulders.

Chances will be making his first start Saturday against one of the nation’s top defensive programs in the country. But if you ask Young, there is only one thing the Irish have to do to help Clausen ease into the game.

“Protect the quarterback better, execute better,” Young said. “It’s pretty simple.”

In order to protect Clausen, the Irish will have to do a better job picking up the blitz. Notre Dame had trouble contending with Georgia Tech’s disguised blitz package last week.

This should be no exception against the Nittany Lions, who return two high-profile linemen in Sean Lee and Dam Connor. Fifth-year center John Sullivan said the Irish should be ready if Penn State tries to emulate Georgia Tech.

“That’s what the Penn State coaches,” Sullivan said. “I know we have to prepare for that. You know, if they feel that they have to change what they do just because they’re so physical, then you know, I think that’s a good sign for us.

In order to protect against the rush, the Irish have worked this week to improve their communication. Notre Dame coach Charlie Weis said last week that his team had to do a better job communicating with each other — which could prove to be a tough task in front of an estimated 107,000 fans at Beaver Stadium.

“But we practice for things like that. Any noise can be a factor,” Sullivan said. “I don’t expect it will be because I think we are prepared to handle that. Mainly we’re the only ones that can affect the offensive line. There’s nothing that 100,000 screaming fans in the stands can do to change the way we play.”

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“Me personally, I like noise, like the environment, and I think our offensive line has to learn to feed off of it,” Young said. “We have to really work this week — execution, knowing what the guy next to you is going to be doing — because 110,000 people you’re not going to hear that well so you have to be ready for that.”

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Irish center John Sullivan and Notre Dame’s offensive line prepares for the snap during the first half of Notre Dame’s 33-3 loss to Georgia Tech at Notre Dame Stadium Saturday.

Penn State’s 2006 Losses

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By KEN FOWLER  SportWriter

The scene a year ago was a portent of things to come: Penn State was offensive sputtering in a loss to a top-25 team.

With just over 12 minutes left in regulation in the first meeting between Notre Dame and Penn State in 1992 — the “Snow Bowl,” former Irish tailback Darrell Walker scored on a 12-yard pass, and Notre Dame took a 41-1 lead over the Nittany Lions. The Penn State offense, though it would score a 15-yard pass, and Notre Dame leading 10-3.

Against Georgia Tech, Notre Dame was a different story. Morelli, now a senior, was 10-of-19 for 189 yards and one touchdown against the Buckeyes, and 10 against the Wolverines and only three against Wisconsin.

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So do the fans, who began camping outside the stadium university on Tuesday, setting up tents to really work this week — execution, knowing what the guy next to you is going to be doing — because 110,000 people you’re not going to hear that well so you have to be ready for that.”

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“I think we’re a better football team than we were a year ago, I think Morelli is better, I think the wide-outs, the people who you hope would make some plays, are further along. So I think we’re in a little bit better shape.”

But the process has been a gradual one, with bumps along the way. Specifically, bumps against three Big Ten teams, all of whom were top-10 qualifi-
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