CSC hosts annual post-graduate service fair
Students meet representatives from volunteer organizations, discuss options to contribute to global community

Party bust leads to 57 arrests
Indiana Excise Police ticket minors on Corby Blvd. early Saturday

SMC students benefit from band membership

A tale of two state schools

Hail to the victors! Victory for MSU!
We have heard both these phrases under losing circumstances. I have witnessed the Irish hail to Michigan and Michigan State in their respective backyards. I have also always regarded our two neighbors to the north as bitter rivals and never knew whom to root for when they played each other.
Now, I have a team to root for in the annual Michigan-Michigan State game. Go Wolvehines. Below all Irish fans reading this jump on me like the Oklahoma State coach at a press conference, let me make one thing clear. Notre Dame will always be my favorite team. Always. Instead of hoping for a tie or nuclear holocaust in a Spartan-Wolverine game, I will be rooting for Michigan for the same reason we go to college class (right?).
At the Big House last week, I witnessed a terrible blowout loss while surrounded by Michigan fans in an area close to the Michigan student section. When your team loses 38-0 to one of your bitter rivals in their house, you are verbally pelted by taunts, mocking, and belittlement. They even chanted, "Michigan, Michigan, Michigan," over and over again.
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Award-winning filmmaker Stephanie Black, a pioneer in documenting migration, will speak about her work in Room C 103 of the Hesburgh Center today at 4:15 p.m.

The men’s tennis team will compete in the Tom Fallow Invitational Friday, Saturday and Sunday at the Eck Tennis Pavilion/Courtesy Tennis Center. Matches will take place at various times throughout the weekend.

Franco Truffaut’s French language film “Jules and Jim” will be shown Friday at 7 and 10 p.m. at the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center. Tickets are $3 for students.

As part of the “Worldview” film series, the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center will show "From a Silk Cocoon," a Japanese American reenactment story, Saturday at 7 and 10 p.m. Tickets are $3 for students.

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

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Offbeat

Parents say lab technician bit their son

INDIANAPOLIS — A laboratory technician has been fired after the parents of a 2-year-old boy claimed he bit his shoulder while drawing blood from his arm, a hospital spokesman said.

Faith Buntin took her son Victor to St. Vincent Hospital on Friday for a blood test because of recent recalls of toys involving lead. She said she saw the worker put her mouth on Victor’s shoulder. "I looked at her like that was the craziest thing that I’d ever seen," Faith Buntin said.

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"Oxfam or City Year – those organizations represent a commitment to social justice, not just charity."

"Colorado Vincentian Volunteers because it’s in Denver."

"I would do it for the Peace Corps because they are the best."

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Question of the Day: If you could do a year of service, for whom would you work and why?

Corrections

Due to an editing error, the article titled "Book of letters to Hesburgh released" in the Sept. 26 edition of The Observer and the ND Alumni Association sponsored "Thanking Father Ted," The Thanksgiving Ted Scholarship Dinner published the book. The Observer regrets the error.
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Bill O'Reilly denies accusations of racism

**NEW YORK** — Fox News Channel's Bill O'Reilly has hit back after a new study titled "The O'Reilly Factor" criticized his radio show for "perpetuating" racial stereotypes.

"We didn't call him a racist. We said his comments were ignorant and racially charged, and we stand by that," said Karl Frisch, assistant director of Fox News personality Bill O'Reilly's show.

**New Study:** The Associated Press said its new study found that O'Reilly's show was the most racially charged among the top ten radio programs in the U.S.

**Criticism:** The study, conducted by the Media Matters for America, a liberal media watchdog group, found that O'Reilly's show had the highest percentage of racially charged comments among the top ten radio programs.

**Response:** O'Reilly has said that the study is "fabricated" and "insensitive." He has also said that his show is "based on facts and research, not on personal beliefs or opinions."

**Analysis:** The study found that O'Reilly's show had the highest percentage of racially charged comments among the top ten radio programs, with 92% of his comments being racially charged.

**Conclusion:** The study concludes that O'Reilly's show is "the most racially charged among the top ten radio programs in the U.S."
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**INTERNATIONAL NEWS**

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**NATIONAL NEWS**

**IRAQ**

Prime Minister seeks international support

Associated Press

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**LOCAL NEWS**

Indianspolis airport concourse closed

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Judge rules two Patriot Act provisions unconstitutional

Associated Press

PORTLAND, Ore. — Two provisions of the USA Patriot Act are unconstitutional because they allow too much latitude to warrants to be issued without a showing of probable cause, a federal judge ruled Wednesday.

U.S. District Judge Ann Aiken ruled that the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act, as amended by the Patriot Act, "now permits the executive branch of government to conduct surveillance and searches of Americans without satisfying the probable cause requirement.

Portland attorney Brandon Mayfield sought the ruling in a lawsuit against the federal government after he was mistakenly linked by the FBI to the Madrid train bombings that killed 191 people in 2004.

The federal government appealed and settled part of the lawsuit for $2 million after admitting a fingerprint was misread. But as part of the settlement, Mayfield retained the right to challenge parts of the Patriot Act, which "greatly expanded the authority of law enforcement to investigate suspected acts of terrorism.

Mayfield claimed that secret searches of his house and office under the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act violated the Fourth Amendment's guarantee against unreasonable search and seizure. Aiken agreed with Mayfield, repeatedly criticizing the government.

"For over 200 years, this nation has adhered to the rule of law with unparalleled success. A shift to a Nation based on extra-constitutional authority is prohibited, as well as ill-advised."

Ann Aiken
U.S. District Judge

Mayfield under 24-hour surveillance, listened to his phone calls and surreptitiously searched his home and law office.

The Mayfield case has been an embarrassment for the federal government. Last year, the Justice Department's internal watchdog faulted the FBI for sloppy work in mistakenly linking Mayfield to Madrid's bomb attacks. That report said federal prosecutors and FBI agents had made inaccurate and ambiguous statements in a federal judge to get arrest and criminal search warrants against Mayfield.

ITALY

Doctor: Pope violated Church teaching

Vatican denies euthanasia allegations against John Paul II

Associated Press

ROME — A doctor alleged Wednesday that Pope John Paul II violated Catholic teaching against euthanasia by refusing medical care that would have kept him alive longer — a charge immediately dismissed by Vatican officials.

In an article in the Italian journal Micromega, Dr. Lina Pavanelli, an anesthesiologist, questioned why John Paul was only suffocated with a nasal feeding tube on March 28, 2005, three days before he died. She said he clearly was in need of artificial nutrition well before then.

John Paul was rushed to Rome's Gemelli Polyclinic hospital twice in February 2005 with breathing crises related to his Parkinson's disease; he was released for the last time March 13. He died in his Vatican apartment on April 2, from what the Vatican said was septic shock and cardiac and respiratory failure.

The Vatican announced March 30 that John Paul had been outfitted with a nasal feeding straw to improve his nutrition so he could recover strength.

But she maintained her main argument that he was not given adequate nutrition soon enough. Confronted with evidence that the nasal tube had been inserted sooner, she then changed her core accusation, charging that John Paul should have been given a stomach feeding tube, since it has been proven to be more effective than a nasogastric tube, since it can be disproportionate to the normal care due to the patient's condition.

Catholic teaching holds that it is morally wrong to refuse "proportionate" or ordinary care, which includes water and feeding tubes; refusing such care amounts to euthanasia.

"He was fed neither at the right time, nor in the right way for the correct amount of time," Pavanelli said. That created a situation in which the pope was too weak to fend off the urinary tract infection that ultimately killed him, she charged.

In the article, Pavanelli concludes that "when the patient knowingly refuses a lifesaving therapy, his action together with the remissive or omisive behavior of doctors, must be considered euthanasia, or more precisely, assisted suicide."

The Vatican recently repeated its position on euthanasia and feeding tubes. A document issued Sept. 14 from the Vatican's Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith reconfirmed that it considers the removal of feeding tubes from people in vegetative states to be an immoral act.

The Vatican distinguishes between feeding tubes, which it considers proportionate care, and "aggressive medical treatment" which can be disproportionate to any expected results or pose an excessive burden on the patient.

"In such situations, when death is clearly imminent an inevitable, one can in conscience refuse forms of treatment that would only secure a precarious and burdensome prolongation of life, so long as the normal care due to the sick person in similar cases is not interrupted," according to John Paul's 1995 encyclical "Evangelium Vitae."
Toyota, Nissan announce safety recalls

GM, UAW tentatively reach agreement

**associated press**

DETROIT — General Motors is in line to unload $51 billion in retiree health costs and improve competitiveness in the latest round of contract talks with the United Auto Workers, but not without a short-lived strike that wrung promises out of GM to keep jobs at U.S. plants.

The two sides tentatively agreed Wednesday to a groundbreaking agreement that allows GM to move its unfunded retiree health care costs into an independent trust administered by the UAW. The union also agreed to lower wages for some workers. In exchange, the UAW won commitments from GM to invest in U.S. plants, boost U.S. membership and hire thousands of temporary workers to boost UAW membership, according to a person who was briefed on the contract. The person requested anonymity because the details haven’t been publicly released.

Wall Street applauded news of the deal, sending GM shares up more than 9 percent.

The union said the agreement and the potential for the largest automaker was reached shortly after 2 a.m. The UAW canceled a two-day strike about an hour later and workers were back in GM’s 80 U.S. facilities Wednesday afternoon.

GM, the world’s No. 3 automaker, outlined a plan around 1.8 million for those who got the standard treatment.

The treatment, given as a pill, is so early in development that it doesn’t have a name. It must pass muster in much more rigorous testing before the company seeks U.S. approval.

Synta’s drug is one of several in development by other companies trying a new strategy against cancer — killing tumor cells by overloading them with oxygen.

“Perhaps we’re taking advantage of the Achilles heel of cancer cells,” said Dr. Anthony Williams, vice president of clinical research at Synta Pharmaceuticals.

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**market recap**

**Dow Jones**

- **up 1,387.15**
- **99.50**

**Treasury**

- **10-YEAR NOTE**
- **115.43**

**Commodities**

- **GOLD ($/oz)**
- **735.50**

**Exchange Rates**

- **YEN**
- **115.4300**

**stocks up as large companies stabilize**

NEW YORK — Stocks rose soundly Wednesday following word that one of the problems dogging big companies like General Motors and Bear Stearns Co. could be on the mend.

GM, one of the 30 stocks that makes up the Dow Jones industrial average, led the market higher from the outset with word that it had struck a tentative contract agreement with the United Auto Workers that would allow the company to shed some of its burdensome health care costs.

While GM was able to get on track with its annual meeting in the final hour of trading with a report that said its board has selected Warren Buffett as a potential suitor.

“Certainly it’s good to have problems that have been hanging over Bear Stearns off the table, if that can be done. That should help the financials,” said William Rutherford, president of Rutherford Investment Management in Portland, Ore., referring to the recent failure of two Bear Stearns hedge funds.

“IT takes a lot of risk out of Bear Stearns stock. It doesn’t mean that the fears that investors had yesterday were misplaced. It just means there is a new piece of information to be considered,” he said of any interest Buffett might show.

The GM and Bear Stearns news lifted investor sentiment, sending the Dow up 99.50, or 0.72 percent, to 13,878.15.

Broader stock indicators also rose.

The Standard & Poor’s 500 Index advanced 8.21, or 0.54 percent, to 1,525.42, and the Nasdaq composite index increased 15.36, or 0.58 percent, to 2,699.03.

The Russell 2000 index of smaller companies rose 6.12, or 0.76 percent, to 809.12.

Treasury prices turned higher Wednesday after there was surprising-ly strong investor demand in a govern­ment­ sale of $18 billion in new 2-year Treasur­ies. The yield on the bench­mark­ 10-year­ Treasury note, which moves opposite its price, fell to 4.62 percent from 4.64 percent late Tuesday. The dollar recovered slightly against major currencies Wednesday despite lackluster economic data, but not before hitting another record low against the euro. Gold prices fell.

Oil futures ended higher Wednesday, closing above $80 a barrel as a turbu­lent day ended with a late rally led by investors who saw an early price dip as a buying opportunity. Light, sweet crude settled at $80.30 per barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange.

**in Brief**

Drug might slow spread of melanoma

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration issued a consumer advisory about motorists pump gas.

The administration said it was taking the step “because we believe the U.S. average for March was $3.11 a gallon, compared to $3.64 last March.”

The agency is urging motorists to pump gas a day earlier and worry less about gasoline prices.

The agency is also urging motorists to “check their tires, find a nearby gas station, and buy gas.”

The agency is expected to set a pattern for contracts that now will be subject to a vote of GM’s 74,000 rank-and-file members. Voting is expected to begin this weekend, Gettelfinger said. If members vote against the agreement they could go back on strike, but Gettelfinger said he’s confident it will be ratified.

“We’re very comfortable with this agreement and we’re happy to be able to recommend it to our members,” Gettelfinger said.

Tom Brune, who works at a GM plant in Wentzville, Mo., said he was happy to go back to work.

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Acclaimed director Gregory Nava will be present to introduce and discuss his award-winning film, *El Norte*. Nava’s moving—and often harrowing—film about two young Guatemalan refugees who endure numerous hardships in order to reach the American border was one of the first contemporary films to honestly and compassionately address the modern immigrant experience in America.

Thursday, September 27 at 7 p.m. and 10:30 p.m.
Browning Cinema, DeBartolo Performing Arts Center

FROM A SILK COCOON

Woven through their censored letters, diary entries, and haiku poetry is the story of a young Japanese American couple whose shattered dreams and forsaken loyalties lead them to renounce their American citizenship while held in separate American prison camps during World War II.

Saturday, September 29 at 7 p.m. and 10 p.m.
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FBI searches for charter boat

MIAMI — A boat trip that began as a routine charter to the Bahamas turned horribly wrong somewhere on the high seas when four crew members vanished and the two men who hired the vessel were plucked out of a life raft.

Kirby Logan Archer and Guillermo Zarabozo are in custody on federal charges while rescuers conduct a massive search in heavy rain for the crew of the 47-foot fishing charter Joe Cool. Neither Archer, who was a fugitive, nor Zarabozo is charged in the disappearances.

"All I can say at this point is that the investigation is continuing," FBI spokeswoman Judy Ortner said.

The pair were found in a life raft Monday about 12 miles from where the fishing boat was drifting. Authorities found no one on board and no mechanical problems with the vessel.

A key to some handrails was found on the boat, and a substance appearing to be blood was found on the vessel's stern, according to an FBI affidavit.

Archer and Zarabozo paid $4,000 cash to charter the Joe Cool on Sunday to Bimini, Bahamas, where they told the boat's operators they had female companions waiting for them. The Coast Guard says that GPS navigation devices on the boat show that it veered sharply south from the Army four years ago. Zarabozo is a Cuban immigrant. Archer is a former soldier once stationed at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba; his ex-wife has told several media outlets that he met Zarabozo as a boy in that country and may have helped him and his family reach the U.S.

Archer, 35, of Strawberry, Ark., had been living in the Bahamas for four years before he went AWOL from the Army in January. Zarabozo, 19, of Hialeah, is a Cuban immigrant. Archer is wanted in his home state on federal charges while Zarabozo is wanted in Argentina, with an arrest warrant from the U.S. for fleeing prosecution in Arkansas.

Both men made initial court appearances Wednesday. Archer is charged with lying to federal agents. Zarabozo is charged with fleeing prosecution in Argentina with lying to federal agents.

According to the FBI affidavit, Zarabozo told his former Coast Guard rescuers that "unknown subjects" had hijacked the boat, shot and killed the four crew members and then ordered Zarabozo to throw the bodies into the sea. Zarabozo later told the FBI he had never been on the Joe Cool, even though his state identification card was found on the boat.

The vessel was found "in disarray," according to the affidavit. It said that aside from the apparent blood and the key, investigators found six marijuana cigarettes on the boat, as well as a laptop computer, luggage, clothes and a cell phone.

Archer and Zarabozo were being held without bail at a federal detention center in Miami. Neither the FBI nor the Coast Guard would comment on what they have told investigators.

Meanwhile, Coast Guard ships and aircraft searched hundreds of miles of open ocean in heavy rain for the boat's captain, Jake Branam, 27; his wife, Kelley Branam, 30; his half brother, Scott Campbell, 30; and Samuel Kairy, 27, all of Miami Beach.

"The weather is very, very nasty," said Coast Guard Petty Officer Dana Warr. "It makes searching very difficult, both in the air and the sea."

The search includes a C-130 aircraft and helicopters. It was expanded as far north as Cape Canaveral on Wednesday to account for possible drift caused by the Gulf Stream current. Coast Guard searchers also checked out on foot some of the dozens of small uninhabited islands that dot the Bahamas to the east of Miami.

Archer, a former military police investigator, had been stationed at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, during the 1990s, according to court records. He went AWOL in 2003 and received a less-than-honorable discharge as a result, according to Arkansas records from his 2005 divorce.

In court, Archer and Zarabozo were both told they would get court-appointed lawyers. When asked whether he had any assets to pay for a lawyer, Archer said all he had was $2,200 that investigators confiscated after his arrest.

A bail hearing for both men was set for Friday. Prosecutors said they would seek to keep both in detention.

Several of Zarabozo's relatives attended the hearing. They declined to talk to reporters.

Archer and his ex-wife, Michelle Rowe, have had no recent contact, according to her attorney, Chaney Taylor of Batesville, Ark. Rowe has custody of the couple's two young sons.

"We don't know where he's been since January," Taylor said.

Court records show that Archer has since remarried, to another woman named Michelle. In court Wednesday, Archer said he is now separated.
School responds to suicidal threats
Wisconsin students pleased about being informed of danger ahead of time

Associated Press

MADISON, Wis. — Students at the University of Wisconsin-Madison offered nothing but praise Wednesday for the school's sweeping response a day earlier to threatening calls from a suicidal man who claimed to have a gun.

The university canceled some classes and activities, warned students to stay home and avoid parking lots and other public places, anddigits the caller, believed to be a 19-year-old male inmate.

Authorities had circled the man as a Wednesday evening, when there was evidence that he was on campus or had actually been there.

Still, students said they were glad the school had acted on campus, and that they were glad the school kept them informed, especially in light of the massacre at Virginia Tech.

"If he had been a danger and we decided not to blow it out of proportion, it could have ended ugly," said Martha Saywell, 32, a doctoral student who lives two blocks from the hospital.

In his first call to authorities, about 4:40 p.m. Tuesday, the caller — identified by police as Jesse Miller — claimed to have a weapon, was on top of a parking ramp at the UW Hospital and wanted police to kill him.

Miller was serving a jail term with work-release privileges after pleading no contest last year to second-degree robbery with the use of force. He left the jail for a medical appointment Sept. 8 and never came back.

About 20 minutes after the first call, police say Miller called to report there were shots fired near the hospital and a fire alarm was going off in every direction. Shortly after that, he called again to report a bomb threat at the hospital under a fictitious name. Both of those calls were hoaxes, police believe.

Police searched the parking ramp for Miller and started blocking the entrances to the hospital. As their search extended through the emergency rooms, officials canceled night classes and a soccer game and closed academic operations.

The hospital started diverting emergency patients to other hospitals and told visitors to stay away. About three hours after the university sent the first mass e-mail warning students of a potential suicidal gunman and to stay indoors, the university sent a second mass e-mails, updating its Web site through the night and posted alerts on Facebook, the popular social networking site.

By late Tuesday, students said they knew that classes and normal hospital operations would not be held Wednesday, but police continued to search for Miller.

Dr. Stephen Caldwell, 21, said she stayed in her apartment the rest of the night after receiving a text that Miller was in the hospital to tell the to stay home and lock their doors. And she followed the text message "and really don't know how much better you can handle a situation like that," said Caldwell, a senior.

UW-Madison Police Sgt. Jason Whitney acknowledged that all students learned of the threat immediately if they were checked into the hospital or watched TV news. But he maintained the university reached many of the students, faculty and staff on campus.

"They were not going to reach everyone. But we reached more of our population than any city would have," he said.

UW-Madison Assistant Police Chief Rhonda Geib said the university had reviewed its security policies since the Virginia Tech killings.

"I don't think any of us have been on guard," he said. "But we put these things into play quite quickly. School officials and the FBI are not going to reach everybody. But we reached more of our population than any city would have."

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Portuguese 3-year-old Madeleine McCann had their hopes dashed Wednesday, but police say it was not until after receiving a police text message "clearly, if those reports that Madeleine is alive moreMarch 12, 2006.

Investigators have been studying the photographs since May 3, just days before her disappearance.

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Engineers: Bridge collapse causing undue alarm

Associated Press

ST. PAUL, Minn. — State highway officials around the country want the government to stop scaring the public by using dire-sounding phrases such as "structurally deficient" and "fracture critical" to describe bridges in need of repairs.

In interviews and government documents obtained by The Associated Press, some engineers say the terms are making America's bridges sound shakier than they really are, and would prefer less alarming phrases, or perhaps a "Health Index" for the nation's spans.

"People seem to think a bridge is within a hair's breadth of collapse when they hear these terms," Montana's chief transportation engineer Loran Frazier vented in an e-mail survey of his peers after the Interstate 15 bridge collapse that killed 13 in western Utah on Thursday, Sept. 27, 2007. "There seemed to be borderline hysteria regarding the bridges.

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Frazier is one of many transportation officials around the country who have taken umbrage over the labeling system used by Congress and the Federal Highway Administration, part of the Transportation Department.

The department would not comment directly on the survey, but acknowledged bridges' state of repair.

"Until we change terminology, I see us all generally talking about the bridges," said Montana's chief transportation engineer on the survey. "There is really a lack of understanding when the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials holds its annual conference in Milwaukee this week. The association conducted the survey, and its members are meeting as part of a government records request.

"People seem to think it's like trying the industry understood how big of a disaster the bridges are, if we started trying to explain it to the media and to the public," said Kelley Rehm, the association's program manager for rating bridge conditions. About 12 percent of the nation's 607,363 bridges are classified as structurally deficient, according to 2006 figures from the Federal Highway Administration.

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An inconvenient truth

By Andrew Nesi

In true Notre Dame form, I spent one of my summer afternoons belting out the resplendent melodies of Jon Bon Jovi. For once, though, I wasn’t “Livin’ on a Prayer” during the throes of Catholic education that are Morreyson Manor SYBs. No, I was singing along to Bon Jovi live from the very last row of Saint Stanfill.

Live Earth was a great show. I spent 10 epic hours of my Saturday at the U.S. version of the 24-hour concert series meant to promote environmental awareness. Global mega-concert events, though, are bound to fall flat. Simply put, they don’t take seriously enough the causes they supposedly promote.

I’ll remember the Live Earth concert for years to come. But I’ll remember it for the “Live” — not the “Earth.” I’ll remember Jon Bon Jovi and Roger Waters. I’ll remember John Mayer, The Police and, yes, Kanye West all combining for a bring-down-the-house version of “My Sharona” to which I’m still listening on repeat.

Ultimately, though, the showmanship of the concert overshadowed the cause. Case in point: Midway through the concert, Al Gore came out to announce the “Seven Point Pledge” he wanted the audience to make that day. It was easy to confirm your commitment to the pledge. All I had to do was text — yes, text — “SSN” to 82004. Standard text messaging rates apply. Like the live soldier I am, I promptly texted the number. After all, I got 50 free texts a month. Two minutes later, Live Earth texted me back.

“Tha, U have answered the call! U’ll get wtly Live Earth news, artist schedules & green tips. More info at get wkly Live Earth news, artist schedules & green tips. More info at www.earthday.org. Reply STOP 2 end.”

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

“Reality is not always probable or likely.”

Jorge Luis Borges

Argentine writer
Amid the local and global interest in the beatification last week of Blessed Basil Moreau, C.S.C., I enjoyed periodical moments that shook me out of my comfort zone and reminded me that not everyone lived on "all Moreau, all the time" track that many of us here on campus felt part of for a while. As my early-morning running partner and I made our way along one of our routes around campus, she asked me, "Who's the guy on all the blue signs?" I found myself trying to explain the story of Blessed Basil to her, a devout non-Catholic Christian, in a way that also made sense out of our church's unique tradition of naming people saints.

Kenneth Woodward wrote in his high praise of Malachi Martin: How the Church Decides Who Becomes a Saint. Who Doesn't and Why" that "A saint is always someone through whom we catch a glimpse of what God is like—and of what we are called to be. Only God 'makes' saints, of course. The church merely identifies from time to time a few of these for emulation. The church then tells the story."

We've had a chance to look back and celebrate now for a while, to "catch a glimpse of what God is like" through Basil Moreau, to remember how Moreau fit into the French church and politics of his time, and how clearly the Congregation of Holy Cross, which he founded, has been in the very fabric of Notre Dame ever since he sent Father Sorin and his young helpers on their missionary journey.

So, where do we go from here? Surely we would do an injustice to Blessed Basil, and to our very understanding of holiness, if we let all this fuss drop into mere memory until a final miracle boosts him up over the threshold into official sainthood. It seems to me our next step ought to at least include asking ourselves the question, "How can Moreau's example of holiness help us open our hearts to God's love and our lives to God's activity here on earth?"

Ironically, perhaps, we are surrounded as students, faculty and staff with the temptation to believe that it's all about us: that through our hard work, our strength of character, our devotion, our generosity, we somehow create our holiness through our own efforts. After all, it works in the rest of our lives, right? We're here, right? As top students, scholars, teachers, administrators, we somehow "make it" to Notre Dame. Why shouldn't God recognize our efforts in the same way, right? Wrong.

And what a relief it is, actually, to be wrong. Saints offer us examples of people who, through whatever the circumstances of their lives, appreciate and cooperate with God's faithful love. We certainly must work at being holy, but even our ability to do so is God's gift. The church recognizes saints as folks particularly adept at knowing that it's not all about them, but about God's love showing forth in their times and lives. This quotation from Moreau himself seems perfect for bumping us out of our illusions that we should get all the credit or the glory for our successes: "If God has given me a mind, it is so that I may know him. If he has given me a heart free to love, it is so that I may attach myself to him... If I am all that I am, it is only for him, and I must strive unceasingly towards him as my center."

Maybe Moreau was inspired by the example of St. Vincent de Paul, whose feast day we celebrate today. Vincent lived in France also, about 220 years before Basil. He organized the wealthy of Paris to serve the poor, and worked zealously to ensure that clergy were well-educated and trained. He established charitable societies in every parish to serve the needs of the poor and sick at the local level, which today are known as Societies of St. Vincent de Paul.

How will we, inspired by the example of Blessed Basil Moreau, change our world? This Sunday's gospel will tell the story of the rich man and Lazarus, who lay at the rich man's gate, starved and covered with sores, while the rich man either didn't notice or choose to ignore him. We are undoubtedly over-flowing with abundance, as was the rich man. We have caught a glimpse of what God is like. We must not fail to respond in love, as Basil did, with lives of whole-hearted attention, gratitude, and service.

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By CHRIS HINE
Scene Writer

When two sitcom superstars — Patricia Heaton (Everybody Loves Raymond) and Kelsey Grammer (Cheers, Frasier) — star in a new sitcom, expectations are high. Unfortunately, the writing and supporting cast of Back to You (Wednesdays, 8 p.m., FOX) fails to rise to the talent level of its two stars. 

Grammer plays Chuck Darling, a womanizing anchorman whose career began in Pittsburgh and led him to Los Angeles, where he was fired after an on-air outburst of his because a hit on YouTube. Darling returns to Pittsburgh and reunites with the feisty Kelly Carr (Heaton), his former co-host, to anchor the evening news at WUBS-9. 

But "Back to You" finds its heart in five-time Emmy winner Grammer and two-time Emmy winner Heaton. The pair have undeniable chemistry. The funniest and best parts of the show's first two episodes were the times Grammer and Heaton were on camera alone together, infusing their own comic styles into their characters' prickly interaction. But there's more to "Back to You" than just newscroom comedy. Darling's return has more in store for him than he thinks. Before he left, Darling and Carr had a drunken one-night stand. Nine months later, Carr had Darling's child and tried to phone Darling to tell him the news, but he refused to answer her call. The pilot episode takes a turn to the dramatic when Darling finds out that Carr's child is actually his, but Carr refuses to let Darling have a place in her daughter's life.

But right now, "Back to You" is rigged with problems. It devotes too much time trying to make the newscroom funny and not enough time dealing with the urgent problem that exists between Carr and Darling. Maybe it should focus on the latter issue. 

Grammer, playing a character for-removed from Frasier Crane, still manages to make the most predictable farce funny with his facial reactions and line of voice. Heaton played the unappreciated Debra to perfection on Raymond, and here she plays the independent Carr with the same verve and energy. Even in the heavy storyline involving Carr and Darling's daughter, Heaton and Grammer bring laughs.

"Back to You" is nowhere near the quality of other newscroom comedies such as The Mary Tyler Moore Show. Christopher Lloyd and Steven Levan, the co-creators of Back to You, who worked with Grammer on Frasier, forgot one of the main lessons of Moore, "Frasier," and "Raymond" — it takes fully developed, well-cast supporting characters and well-written scripts to make a great show. "Back to You" has none of those elements, but Grammer and Heaton make it watchable.

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Banhart's choice of genre and subject seem to be a natural progression of young culture and music, especially folk and underground. The tradition that began with a common man like William Billings is fittingly being carried into today's turbulent world by Banhart, an extraordinary artist.
To crank or not to crank, that is the question.

Across campus, students have been practicing their spins, and freshmen have been teaching them. As the dance known only as "Crank That Soulja Boy" becomes the latest craze to sweep the nation, propelling Soulja Boy and his ubiquitous song to No. 1 on the Billboard Hot 100 singles chart.

Every so often, a signature dance moves along that defines an era. It all started back in the days of the Electric Slide and continues to manifest itself with songs such as Fat Joe's "Lean Back." A few years ago and more recently, "I'm Still Rockin' Wit' It" by DMX, Franchise Boys. Of course, how could we forget last year's smash single "We Fly High" by J-Pop. The song is built to join in with the ubiquitous cries of "Ballin'!" accompanied by a wrist-flicking "fun run." We've had people telling us to finger snapping and synchronized stepping. We've had people telling us to jump on it at Club Fever or at your next SYR, exhale the hump 'n grind in lieu of the latest dance. Instead of awkwardly stepping on toes and sweating all over your prospec-
tive partner, do what feels natural and crank that Soulja Boy.

I must admit, if misguided colleague Marcela Berrios advocates in the column opposite mine that we all should do the Cupid Shuffle in lieu of the Soulja Boy, I feel bad for her.

The Stupid Cupid is a no-talent travesty of a dancer, which requires no talent for coordination and will allow any pedestrian dancer exactly zero points in street cred-

ibility (and exactly zero points in street credibility). The song has made its way onto the Billboard Top 100 in mid-September.

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COUNTERPOINT: CAN THAT SOULJA BOY

"Crank That (Soulja Boy)" was the number one song in America last week. And people wonder what's wrong with the music industry today.

At Notre Dame house parties, kids lose all control when the song comes on. Their frenzied attempts to reproduce the Soulja Boy dance only confirm the fear that music listeners — like movie-
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By CASSIE BELEK

Season four of "The Office" premieres tonight on NBC at 9 p.m. with "Fun Run," the first of four hour-long episodes to start the season.

"Fun Run" wraps up some of last season's loose ends and answers a few of the burning questions.

Tonight's episode follows the Dunder Mifflin employees after a freak accident in the office prompts Michael to organize a charity "Fun Run." In the even before tonight's episode, fans can go to NBC.com for brief clips of what "The Office" characters did this summer.

Jim left Karen crying next to a fountain in New York, Pam finally let her hair down, and now 30 percent more unpredictable, Ryan forgot his entire life in Scranton but thinks he dated a black girl, Angela went to the Poconos with a gentleman friend, and Jan moved in and made Michael watch "I Tu Mama Tambien."

"The Office" steers each new season in a particular direction while staying on the cutting edge of comedy. In its first season, the show was just trying to find its legs. "The Office" broke out in its second season and found its comedic direction that was separate from the "30 Rock" origi-
nal. Season three remained excellent and successfully took a huge risk focusing on two different branches.

Season four will focus not only on further developing the relationships between Jim and Pam and Dwight and Angela, but also on the profes-sional struggles of Dunder Mifflin Scranton as new corporate boss Ryan tries to take the company into the 21st century and into the end of the night.

The cast of "The Office" poses in between filming for the fourth season's pre-
miere, "Fun Run." The episode airs tonight at 9 p.m. on NBC.

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Bonds likely plays last game in Giants uniform

Slugger misses 10 games due to injured toe; the 43-year-old home run king is still unsure of playing next season

Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO — Barry Bonds stepped in for what probably were his final rounds of batting practice in a Giants uniform Wednesday, cameras clicking at every move.

Some of the San Diego Padres even came out early to catch a glimpse — with manager Bud Black, a former teammate of the San Francisco slugger, perched on the front of the dugout rail.

Bonds dirname, hitting with teammate Dave Roberts outside the cage between rounds, and hollered to greet Black, too.

After missing 10 games because of a sprained big right toe, "it's worse than initially thought," Bonds was in the starting lineup and batting in his regular cleanup spot Wednesday. But he isn't scheduled to play this weekend in Los Angeles.

"This will be the only game I play in, yes," Bonds said.

So, this was it. The end of a history-making era for the 43-year-old home run king, seven-time NL MVP and 14-time All-Star — in the very city where he used to bounce around the clubhouse as his late father, Bobby, and godfather, Hall of Famer Willie Mays, got ready for games.

Manager Bruce Bochy took notice when he wrote Bonds into the lineup for the last time, a special piece of paper set to go into safe keeping in the Giants archives. Bochy knew Bonds might not ever play again, too, despite the slugger insisting he wants to suit up next year somewhere.

"When you write his name into the lineup for the final time, you realize what you're doing," Bochy said. "I know it's a possibility (he's done)."

Talking to him, he wants to play some more. He might change his mind and we could see this tremendous tal-
ent play for the last time.

About a dozen fans waited outside the player parking lot for a final chance at the slugger's autograph. Inside the ballpark, a large logo reading "BONDS 25" was painted on the field in black over Bonds' left field spot.

A series of video clips were scheduled to be shown during the game as a tribute to No. 25. Bonds was told last Thursday by owner Peter Magowan, who also watched Bonds' last at-bat, he would not be re-signed for a 16th season with the Giants.

"I think there's a lot of sadness," executive vice president Larry Baer said Wednesday.

"When you step back from the sadness, you challenge yourself to think at any other run — 15 years in one city. It's a very simple two words, but thank you. The 15 years ran deep for all of us. He's had a lot of fun, we've had a lot of fun. He's had success. We've had success.

Larry Baer
executive vice president
San Francisco Giants

Giants outfielder Barry Bonds swings at a pitch thrown by Padres starting pitcher Jake Peavy in the first inning of Wednesday's game.

"I don't think he'd get cheered in L.A. when he came off the field in his last game," said teammate Rich Aurilia, who along with Bonds fell short against the wild-card Angels in the 2002 World Series. "I think it's fitting. I'm sure the fans will send him off in a great way."

Rich Aurilia
Giants shortstop

next season in the American League, the club might consider signing him briefly so he could retire as a Giant.

Mays had to leave the Giants late in his career before retiring with the New York Mets. The Say Hey Kid was in the clubhouse for Bonds' farewell in the waterfront ball park where he helped bring in 3 million in all eight years.

"Whenever the retirement is, we'll talk and see what he wants to do," Baer said.
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Billy Martin, Michael Vick's attorney, talks to reporters Wednesday after learning Vick tested positive for marijuana in September. Vick will be sentenced Dec. 10 and faces up to five years in prison for dogfighting charges.

Judge issues tighter restrictions for Vick

Associated Press

RICHMOND, Va. — A federal judge placed tighter restrictions on Michael Vick on Wednesday after the Atlanta Falcons quarterback tested positive for marijuana.

Because of the result, the U.S. District Judge Henry Hudson placed special conditions on Vick's release, including restricting him to his home between 10 p.m. and 6 a.m. with electronic monitoring and ordering him to submit to random drug testing.

The urine sample was submitted Sept. 13, according to a document by a federal probation officer that was filed in U.S. District Court on Wednesday.

Vick, who has admitted bankrolling a dogfighting operation on property he owns in Surry County in his written federal plea, is scheduled for sentencing Dec. 10. He faces up to five years in prison.

Because Vick violated the conditions of his release, Hudson could take that into consideration when he is scheduled for sentencing Dec. 10.

Hudson's order also requires Vick to participate in inpatient or outpatient substance therapy and mental health counseling, if the pretrial services officer or supervising officer deems it appropriate.

Vick must pay for the treatment.

Vick's attorney, Billy Martin, also represents Idaho Sen. Larry Craig, who pleaded guilty in an airport sex sting.

IN BRIEF

Record-breaking HR ball to be branded with asterisk

NEW YORK — The ball Barry Bonds hit for his record-breaking 756th home run will be branded with an asterisk and sent to the Baseball Hall of Fame.

Fashion designer Marc Ecko, who bought the ball in an online auction, set up a Web site for fans to vote on the ball's fate, and Wednesday announced the decision to brand it won out over the other options — sending it to Cooperstown unblemished or launching it into space.

Ecko said he believed the vote to brand the ball showed people thought "this was shrouded in a pretty serious if they feel that the defendant has flouted the conditions for release," Malone said.

"It's certainly not a smart thing to do."

Tuesday, Vick also was indicted on state charges of beating or killing or causing dogs to fight other dogs and engaging in or promoting dogfighting. Each felony is punishable by up to five years in prison.

The 27-year-old former Virginia Tech star was placed under pretrial release supervision by U.S. Magistrate Dennis Hudson in July. The restrictions included refraining from use or unlawful possession of narcotic drugs or other controlled substances.

The random drug testing ordered Wednesday could include urine testing, the wearing of a sweat patch, a remote alcohol testing system or any form of prohibited substance screening or testing.

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Struggling Cubs drop another to last place Marlins

MIAMI — Panic, Cubs fans. The Cubs' grip on the NL Central lead became shaky Wednesday night, when they were shut out over the final 5 2-2 innings and lost for the second night in a row to the last-place Florida Marlins, 7-4.

Chicago began the night with a two-game lead over second-place Milwaukee, which played St. Louis. The Cubs' magic number for clinching the division remained at four with four games left in the regular season.

A two-out RBI single in the fifth inning by backup catcher Matt Furman put the Marlins ahead to stay. Miguel Cabrera added a two-run homer, his 34th.

In the wake of the Cubs' loss Tuesday, players patiently endured a fresh round of questions about the franchise's history of collapses.
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U.S. women's soccer goalkeepers Briana Scurry, left, and Hope Scurry practice grabbing shots during a training session Wednesday.

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Thomas testifies in harassment trial

Coach denies making degrading remarks about MSG coworker

Associated Press

NEW YORK — New York Knicks coach Isiah Thomas testified Wednesday that he never cursed at a fired team executive who has accused him of sexual harassment.

In his second day on the witness stand at a trial in federal court in Manhattan, Thomas denied allegations in a $10 million lawsuit that he repeatedly addressed the plaintiff, Anucha Browne Sanders, as "bitch" and "ho" while they worked together at Madison Square Garden.

"I've never cursed at Anucha. I've cursed around Anucha." He also calmly played down a videotaped deposition in which he suggested he would be more troubled hearing a white man calling a black woman a "bitch" than if a black man said the same thing.

"It's very offensive for any man — black, white, purple," he said under questioning by one of his lawyers.

Thomas, 46, also contradicted earlier testimony by Browne Sanders that during a conversation about season ticket holders, he snapped: "Bitch, I don't give a (expletive) about these white people."

Season ticket holders "are the backbone of how we all make a living," he said.

The jury was sent home early Wednesday after Thomas concluded his testimony. Closing arguments at the trial, now in its third week, were set for Thursday.

In Browne Sanders' suit, the 44-year-old former Northwestern basketball star says she was dismissed in 2005 because she dared to accuse Thomas of routinely using vulgar language in his first year and of later making unwanted sexual advances toward her.

She seeks reinstatement to a job as vice president of marketing, which paid as much as $260,000 annually.

Thomas testified that in the two years he worked with Browne Sanders, their contact was infrequent — he estimated a total of three hours — and usually friendly and respectful.

Sometimes they would greet each other with hugs and kisses on the cheek, but there nothing romantic about it, he said.

"She was a co-worker, and that's the way I treated her," he said.

Asked about an exchange with Browne Sanders following a Knicks game in 2002, Thomas smiled and asked, "Is that the 'No love' hug?"

Interested? 29 or younger? Have you now (or will you have by the end of May, 2008) an ND degree? No east-Asia experience? For more information, contact Mrs. Nancy O'Connor (nme@nd.edu)
NHL

Beloved Chicago hockey owner dies

Wirtz passes away at age 77 after 41 years as Blackhawks president

Associated Press

CHICAGO — William W. Wirtz was a philanthropist and family man who owned the Chicago Blackhawks through years of sweeping changes in the NHL and was chairman of the league's board of governors for nearly two decades.

Amaizing a fortune in real estate, liquor distribution, banking and other enterprises, he was also a tough bargainer, given the nickname "Dollar Bill" for his tightfisted approach to contracts for big-name players.

Wirtz died Wednesday at age 77. The team's Web site said he lost a battle with cancer in Evanston.

Wirtz was remembered for both his contributions to the sport and charity and for his stubborn management style that included a refusal to televise the team's home games, infuriating fans, many of whom had stopped watching altogether the last several years.

Wirtz's family purchased the team in 1954 and he became team president in 1966, a position he held for 41 years.

Asked in a 2005 TV interview about his legacy, Wirtz said: "I have been remembered very nicely in the U.S. Hockey Hall of Fame and the National Hockey League." NHL commissioner Gary Bettman said in a statement, "His 41 years as President of the Blackhawks and 18 years as Chairman of the Board leave an incomparable legacy of contributions to the game and to the League."

Together with Chicago Bulls owner Jerry Reinsdorf, Wirtz backed the construction of the United Center, which replaced the Chicago Stadium, the longtime home for Blackhawks.

When Chicago Stadium was knocked down by the wrecking ball, Wirtz came to the parking lot, stood, watched and wept because the building that image changed some­what when the club signed goaltender Nikolai Khabibulin to a four-year, $27 million contract in 2005.

"I think that was a great move," Dollar Bill. "But they forgot to put the 100,000 or million in front of it, because that's what he gave out," Mikita said Wednesday. "I can honestly say from my experi­ ence, because of the hockey camp that I run, every year I got a nice check from him." Despite his reputation for paying close attention to the bottom line, Wirtz was known for his philanthropy.

Since its establishment in 1993, Blackhawk Charities has donated millions of dollars to worthy causes in Chicago, including the Boys and Girls Clubs and the Amateur Hockey Association of Illinois.

"We have lost a great owner and a great steward of the sport," said Hawks' owner Jeremy Jacobs, who is the chairman of the NHL Board of Governors.

"No one did more for hockey on both the professional and amateur levels than he did. He will always be remem­bered as a dedicated leader in the sport and for the legacy he has left in his community, especially his humanitarian efforts through his founda­tion."
The Chicago White Sox defeated the Kansas City Royals 3-0 on Wednesday night. It was the White Sox's 15th victory in last 20 games against the Royals, who moved into a tie with the Tigers for last place in the AL Central.

"At this moment, it's not even in my hands," said Garland, who has pitched for the White Sox for eight seasons. "There is nothing I can do about it. I would like to be back here."

On Blackburn's second pitch, B.J. Upton hit a lead-off double. The next batter, Andy Marte, doubled, and that ended up being enough for Garland. He struck out two and walked two.

"He was good enough to win, he really was," said Blackhawks' head coach Claude Julien. "He was good enough to win, but this thing is really special."
MIAMI — Alfonso Soriano dressed slowly. Aramis Ramirez hunched over his postgame meal. Mack Delkosa sprawled on a couch. All focused on the TV in the corner of the clubhouse, hoping for help.

The Chicago Cubs need it. They trail the St. Louis Cardinals, who took Game 1 of the best-of-five NL Central playoff series 4-2 on Thursday. And they need it badly. The Cardinals got 11 hits, drove in eight runs and outpitched the Cubs 2-1.

"We have to play better," said Derrek Lee, who was ejected along with Matt Treanor.

But the Cubs acknowledged it was right there within their power to change the night's events.

"If we can do what we did in the ninth game in a row over the Milwaukee Brewers, that's what we're doing," said Cliff Floyd.

"It's a lot of fun," Soriano said. "You have a lot of pressure, but you have to block it out."

The Phillies started to roll despite a 7-4 loss at the Florida Marlins.

The Cubs already lost, the game had been decided, allowed three home runs in six starts but left with the score 4-4 at the end. They came in after Chicago's game 7-4 loss Wednesday.

"Any time you can see that the Cubs already lost, the game wasn't right there in our reach," Shouse said. "For this to happen, it was very disappointing."

A night after Jeff Suppan threw a high, inside pitch at Ryan Braun, who drove in all three of Milwaukee's runs. Braun was hit by a pitch.

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"That wasn't intentional," he said. "I was just trying to throw the ball in to him."}

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Football

California, Oregon meet again in Tedford Bowl

Associated Press

BEAUKLEY, Calif. — Brandon Hampton has a grading policy for the Oregon students who pack Autzen Stadium, even while he gets his teeth at the incessant yelling and the mean jeering — and those confounded, monotonous duck calls.

"These students are just behind you, all the time, right on your back," the California safety said. "They're great. It's like they're always on the sideline with you."

Hampton didn't even know that the real Oregon student section is over behind the Ducks' own sideline, near the west end zone of that remarkably boisterous field. Those noisemakers behind the vis-à-vis similarly programs with inter-ted histories, coaching staffs and strategies and management skills honed in Eugene.

For example, Tedford immediately redesigned the Bears' uniforms when he arrived in Berkeley. Last season, the Bears debuted their garish yellow jerseys — just like something the fashion-forward Ducks would wear — for their 45-28 win over Oregon.

Most of the key players on both teams were recruited by both schools, with Cal gradually denting Bellotti's long-standing pipeline to the East Bay's richest talent. Tedford's biggest coup was keeping running back Marshawn Lynch home four years ago despite a big push by Oregon, but many others got away.

Tedford and Bellotti are still perfectly friendly, but both would love to gain a decisive edge in a rivalry that's featured two wins apiece for the home team since Tedford defeated in 2002 (the schools didn't play that year). All the players that Tedford recruited to Oregon finally have left the school, making this meeting a bit less personal — but still just as tough to away.

"Twenty-year streaks have nothing to do with these guys," Tedford said. "Some of them weren't even born 20 years ago, so it has nothing to do with them. It's all about this year. That's what counts. That's all that matters."

There's no shortage of motivation this season, however. Oregon could be jealous of the national attention and higher ranking bestowed on Cal, while the Bears were surprised to hear they're a point-spread underdog despite their lopsided poll.

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California running back Justin Forsett breaks free against Tennessee Sept. 1. The Bears take on Oregon Saturday.

MLB

Umpire out for remainder of season

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Umpire Mike Winters was suspended by Major League Baseball for the remainder of the regular season on Wednesday because of his confrontation with San Diego's Milton Bradley last weekend.

The Padres claimed Winters hailed Bradley, who has a history of losing his temper, Bradley tore a knee ligament when his manager spotted him tampering with his bat.

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Umpire Mike Winters officiates a game in San Diego Sept. 23. Winters was suspended for the season Wednesday.

Padres manager Bud Black declined to comment.

"In this case, I think it's best for my umpires to just stay away from it," he said by phone from San Francisco, where the Padres were to finish a series against the Giants on Wednesday night.

The Padres have seen their last two games against the Giants.

Winters became a major league umpire in 1990 and worked the World Series in both of the last two years.

Winters was suspended because the commissioner's office concluded he had used a profanity aimed at Bradley, a baseball official said, speaking on condition of anonymity because the reason for the suspension was not announced.

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"There are different philosophies in every organization. We had a main back when we run a one-back system, but if LSU, however we rotated backs in, and when one back got hot he stayed in and the other backs understand. At Texas, Cedric Benson carried 95 percent of the load," Haywood said.

"Here, at the University of Notre Dame, we have the opportunity to have multiple guys that can do a lot of different things. We have a couple power backs that as you can see from the game we rotated those guys in various situations, and each one of them had some success in their own rights."

Against Michigan State, Notre Dame's more physical running backs, Aldridge and Hughes, combined for 24 of Notre Dame's 35 rushing attempts. Haywood said the number of carries Hughes and Aldridge received is indicative of the direction Notre Dame is trying to go with its running game.

Aldridge

"I think we're trying to play a little bit more of a physical, downhill game and those guys are probably a little bit better downhill at this time," Haywood said.

Aldridge ran for 103 yards while Hughes added 33 yards and 1 touchdown.

"Once you're in the game for a while, you get a little worn out and kind of know what the defenders are going to do so you can kind of play that flow," Aldridge said.

"But that also just comes from watching film and preparing for the game also." 

Aldridge said the rotation helps all the running backs maintain that rhythm when getting rest between carries.

"It gives you an opportunity to kind of get your legs back for a couple plays, get your wind back," Aldridge said. "And whenever your personnel is called again you get back out there and get back right into the flow that you're in."

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6 defensive struggle with Badin. Junior captain and quarterback Melissa Meagher was the sparkplug for the Babes offense, scoring the only touchdown of the game. Junior receiver Tara McCarron was a valuable member of the offense as well, and tonight's outcome will depend upon the chemistry of the two juniors.

"We have really improved as a whole with each game, especially the defense, which is getting a lot better," Meagher said. "We are going to win and go 4-2, starting with a win Thursday night."

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having the greatest competitive impact in the USYA National Championships that year and again when the Texans were the 2005 runner-up.

"Hanks played for a great youth club, so she's definitely not used to being on the losing side," Irish coach Randy Wulffrun said. "This is a first for her, like most of our players.

After graduating from the youth soccer ranks, Hanks continued her winning ways at Notre Dame. As a freshman, she had the most U.S. soccer player of the year award-winning seasons.

"We've just been playing better, outplaying teams but rarely getting the results they hope for.

"This year has been frustrating because we've outshot teams and outplayed them," Hanks said. "We've just been giving some careless mistakes on the back end and not finishing up front."

Hanks said that the team is not struggling because of a lack of skill.

"We shouldn't compare us to [the 2006 team]," said Hanks. "But we have plenty of talent and know we're capable of playing a lot better than this."

Hanks, for one, has scored in each of Notre Dame's last four contests and Waldram said that she has played even better than she did in her two award-winning seasons.

"Her energy level is incredible," said Waldram. "The last few seasons she hasn't had to carry us but, this year, she's certainly elevated her game."

While she has scored 36 goals in more than two collegiate seasons, Hanks and Waldram both cited defense as the area in which she has improved most.

"She made big strides chasing and defending," Waldram said. "When everyone sees a forward tracking back, it's a huge lift for them. And Kerri has shown that commitment to fighting."

"We have really improved as a whole with each game, especially the defense. We are going to win out and go 4-2..." Melissa Meagher

Breen-Phillips quarterback was unable to lead an offensive scoring drive. Lewis will look to senior captain Alexandra Persley to rally the team against Breen-Phillips, since her co-captain, junior quarterback Katie Rose Hackney,

In their opener, the Lions looked very impressive on both sides of the ball. The tandem of sophomore quarterback Claire Connell and freshman running back Neva Lundy ran and passed their way to 20 points.

The next week, however, they were blanked by a tough Panghorna defense. To succeed, the young Lynns offense will have to bounce back from the shutout loss and rekindle the explosive offense it showcased opening weekend.

Badin vs. Lewis
Lewis will battle Badin tonight at 9 on Beebe Field in a game between two teams with disappointing seasons so far.

Badin is fresh off an intense 7-6 loss to Breen-Phillips, which dropped the Bulldogs to a record of 0-2. The Chicks are not faring any better, after losing to Welsh Family 26-13, although they managed two late scores to make the final tally more respectable.

Both teams are lead by their seniors, but several of them have had tough seasons.

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for one, has scored in each of Notre Dame's last four contests and Waldram said that she has played even better than she did in her two award-winning seasons. The rest of the Irish will need to imitate that dogged attitude if they hope to play deep into the NCAA Tournament. For now, the team will focus on building on last season's defensive woes, holding both of its last two opponents to one touchdown each with the help of junior Kelsey Young, the team's free safety.

Lewis must do the same, or it runs the risk of allowing Hackett to find Sobolewski or junior Courtney Rains — two talented offensive threats.

Likewise, Badin must keep sophomore quarterback Katherine Guarneri from staging another offensive onslaught like she did against Welsh Family in the second half.

Both teams look to tonight's game to put them back into the running for the playoffs.

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Running to daylight

ND tailbacks rotate for improved yardage in rushing attack

By CHRIS HINE
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Notre Dame gained 117 yards on the ground Saturday against Michigan State by employing a situational rotation of running backs — and this week, offensive coordinator Michael Haywood said to expect more of the same against Purdue.

Haywood said the rotation calls for different backs to come in during situations that would maximize their strengths in the running game.

"All of those decisions are made prior to the game. We get into a situation and their rotation is already set," Haywood said. "In the game the other day, there was a big run, and understanding the individual who made the big run, I just turned to the sideline and said, "33 [freshman Robert Hughes], you're in.' The rotation is already set.

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Undefeated Welsh Fam and PW meet at Riehle

Breen-Phillips looks for 2nd straight win; Badin takes on Lewis

By ERIC PRINTER, Sports Writer

Pasquerilla West vs. Welsh Family

Two undefeated teams meet tonight at 6 on Riehle Field as Pasquerilla West takes on Welsh Family.

The last time the two teams met, in last year's semifinal, the Purple Weasels defeated the Whirlwinds.

Welsh Family, though, is trying not to think about the past.

"We remember that PW ended our season last year, but we're more concerned with this year's playoffs rather than with what happened last year," Welsh Family's captain Kelly Bushelle said.

Both teams have experienced great offensive success so far this season, outscoring their opponents by a combined 81 points in five games.

"Our offense has been successful because of the combination of good coaching and the chemistry we have on the offense this year," Bushelle said. "I think our defense deserves credit too for consistently giving us great field position to work with.'

Whirlwinds junior quarterback Jenni Gargula, who has scored 12 touchdowns in three games, and Pasquerilla West's Grace Orians, with seven touchdowns of her own, lead their respective offenses.

Bushelle called tonight's matchup "the toughest regular season game we play this year.

Pasquerilla West captain Tina Martinek could not be reached for comment.

Breen-Phillips vs. Lyons

Trying to keep its momentum going, Breen-Phillips (1-2) takes on reeling Lyons (1-1) tonight at 6 on Riehle Field.

Breen-Phillips had a rough start to the season, losing to defending champions Pasquerilla West 33-18. Lyons started off with a strong 20-0 win over Badin but was shut out by Patterson 16-0 last Sunday.

Last weekend, however, the Babes improved significantly, nabbing their first win in a 7-

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Hanks not used to losing

Irish forward determined to get squad back to winning ways

By FRAN TOLAN
Sports Writer

In the first game of her collegiate career, Kerri Hanks racked up three goals and an assist in an 11-1 win over New Hampshire.

For most of her freshman and sophomore seasons, Hanks and the Irish continued rolling over opponents in a similar fashion.

This year has not been so easy for Hanks and her teammates. Despite notching six goals in her team's first eight games, the junior has lost as many games this season as she had in her first two seasons combined.

The Irish stand at 3-4-1 as they begin the meaty part of their Big East schedule Friday at Louisville.

"It is hard for me because I've never been on a team with a losing record before," Hanks said.

Before arriving at Notre Dame, Hanks starred for the Dallas Texans, the 2003 United States Youth Soccer Association national champion. Hanks received the Golden Boot Award for

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Ken Fowler

Sports Writer

Irish forward Kerri Hanks passes the ball ahead in Notre Dame's 4-0 win over DePaul on Sept. 21.