Police investigate Linebacker larcenies
Numerous auto break-ins occurred in recent months; women's purses and luggage targeted

By KAITLYNN BIELY
Assistant News Editor

More than a dozen car break-ins have occurred in the parking lot adjacent to the Linebacker Lounge since April — and five of them have police said Wednesday. Four break-ins were reported over a three-day stretch in September, said Capt. Phil Trent, the spokesman for the South Bend Police Department. One car was broken into on Sept. 23 and another on Sept. 24. In the past 12 months, Trent said, 19 larcenies have been reported involving vehicles outside the Linebacker, located at 1631 South Bend Ave. Twelve of the larcenies involved women's purses being stolen from the car, Trent said.

"Somebody's there looking in cars, and when they see a purse exposed, they break into the car," Trent said. "Laptop computers, cell phones, cash and a piece of luggage have also been taken during the break-ins."

In addition, Trent said, seven larcenies have been reported inside the bar in the last year. The police reports

International students utilize resources
ISSA provides information on laws, offers help for maintaining immigration status

By ROHAN ANAND
News Writer

With increasing numbers of international undergraduate and post-graduate students from Asia, Europe and Latin America, the International Student Services Association (ISSA) is working to keep those individuals updated on their legal immigration status while studying in the United States. Typically, international students possess one of two types of visas: the F1 or J1.

The majority are F1 visa holders, which is the standard student visa. J1 visa holders are usually sponsored either by the student's country of origin or the U.S. and are generally short-term. Most of the J1 visa-holding students at Notre Dame are post-graduate visiting scholars or non-degree undergraduate students pursuing an exchange program, according to the ISSA. Though the rules of maintaining legal status in the

ND welcomes non-Catholic faiths
Eastern Orthodox prayer service held in Coleman-Morse Center

By KATIE PERALTA
News Writer

On a campus where more than 80 percent of the student body is Catholic, Notre Dame’s Campus Ministry continues to reach out to students of other faiths. About 13 percent of students are of non-Catholic Christian denominations, said Brett Perkins, the director of student resources for Campus Ministry. The remaining two percent come from other religious backgrounds.

"One of the goals of Campus Ministry," Perkins said, "is to offer outlets to all

FACULTY SENATE
Group recommends student advisors

By JOSEPH MCMAHON
News Writer

The Faculty Senate recommended Wednesday adding student representatives with votes on the committees that review the dean of the School of Architecture and the dean of the Law School.

The Senate made the suggestions to the Academic Council, which is currently in the middle of its review of the University's Academic Articles, something that occurs every 10 years.

Both amendments passed with mild opposition from faculty members. All the other colleges have student members on their dean review committees.

"We need to have consistent principles across all of the colleges," said Tom Noble, a representative from the history faculty members. "The membership has not been finalized. Student leaders — including the head of the Student Diversity Board, president of the Residence Hall Association and other members of student government.
QUESTION OF THE DAY: IF YOU WERE IN A BEAUTY PAGEANT, WHAT WOULD YOUR TALENT BE?

Angie Schad
freshman
Walsh

Chelsea Moore
sophomore
Welsh Family

Devin Preston
sophomore
Alumni

Heather Markle
freshman
Watch

Juliana Pinnao
sophomore
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Katie Woodward
sophomore
Pangborn

I can judge dairy cows.

"Free-style rapping."

"Building igloos."

"I can convert oxygen into carbon dioxide."

"Waterglasses."

"Dane Cook."

OFFBEAT

Man goes fishing, gets stuck in mud

DURHAM, N.C. — Add another victim to North Carolina's prolonged drought.

Donald Meeks set out Monday morning with bow and arrow in hand to hunt for

crabs on Falls Lake. He almost didn't return. The retired land manager from Durham

went one foot out on the lake because the drought had left the water level so low.

Using thermal-imaging equipment, the helicopter crew found Meeks at 2:11 a.m.

Tuesday, about 300 yards north of Interstate 85.

He was surrounded by tall grass and "buried up to his chest in some mud, quick-
sand-type matter," Andrews said.

Deputies created a walkway with plywood and used some "elbow grease" and

finally freed Meeks about two hours later, Andrews said.

Newday missing Pulitzer medals

NEW YORK — When three gold medals said to be Newday's own Pulitzer Prizes

were auctioned off, it was news to the newspaper.

Newspaper officials thought the awards for public service in 1954, 1970 and 1974 were

given to a lockbox within the safe where the medals were supposed to be kept

but, in fact, officials called in a locksmith Tuesday in drill into the smaller box. Not only

were the medals missing, but so was a silicone mold used to make reproductions of

the awards, the paper said.

Newspaper officials are asking for more information about the medals.

Information compiled from the Associated Press.

IN BRIEF

The Feast of St. Francis Mass will be held today at 5:15 p.m. at Alumni Hall chapel. The Mass is sponsored by the Orestes Brownson Council.

A conference on "Knowledge and Religious Identity: Isolations of Higher Learning in Judaism, Christianity, Islam and Beyond" will take place all day today at the Hesburgh Center Auditorium.

The men's and women's swim teams will take part in the Beanie Stack Relays at Rolfs Aquatic Center at 5 p.m. Friday. Admission is free and open to the public.

Film maker Leandro Firmino daHora will present a screening of the film "City of Men" at 10 p.m. at the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center. Tickets are $3.

Army ROTC will host its annual Firm Fit Challenge Saturday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. The triathlon will kick off outside Lyons Hall. Proceeds will benefit the Wounded Warriors Project.

The men's soccer team will play West Virginia Saturday at 7 p.m. at Alumni Field.

The Black Cultural Arts Council is holding auditions for its annual talent show, Black Images 2007. The auditions are Monday, Oct. 8 and Tuesday, Oct. 9 from 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. in the LaFortune Gold Room. All talents are welcome to audition.

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

**Student survey announced**

University Affairs Chair organizes student-faculty immigration debate

By KATLYNN RIELY  
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Student Senate’s meeting ran quickly Wednesday, adjoining after 20 minutes of committee and officer reports.

Academic Affairs chair Carol Hendrickson updated the senators on her continuing work to address the jump in the price of course packets, which occurred after the Halloween Bookstore became the sole vendor.

Hendrickson and her committee have designed a student survey about the course packets. They plan to distribute it after they receive final approval from Associate Vice President for Residence Life Bill Kirk.

The Academic Affairs committee is also looking into the possibility of suggesting a business course for non-business majors.

As a follow-up to the Notre Dame Forum on immigration last Monday, University Affairs Chair Callie Poege planned a student-faculty debate on the topic to take place next Thursday in the Booley Room of LaFortune at 7 p.m.

Poege is also organizing next week’s Energy Week. Community Relations chair Colin Feehan said his committee has organized an off-campus legal aid clinic, to be held Oct. 17 in LaFortune from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. Feehan said he will hang out posters for the event at next week’s Senate meeting.

“The event, which will give students a chance to sample foods from local restaurants, will take place later this year,” Poege said.

Multicultural Affairs chair Ninny Wan said her committee is brainstorming ways to commemorate Martin Luther King, Jr. Day next semester.

One idea her committee proposed was doing service on that day. Student body president Liz Brown said she has begun to plan her presentation to the Board of Trustees, which is scheduled for Oct. 18. Brown said she is finalizing the text of her report, which will focus on community relations, at the request of Vice President for Student Affairs Father Mark Poorman, she said.

Student body vice president Maris Braun said she met with Vice President and Associate Provost Dennis Jacobs to discuss joint University and student government objectives to make students more aware of the University Honor Code.

“We have some initiatives planned, so keep your ears and eyes open for that,” Braun said.

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**Gelchion wins Walsh Hall’s Mr. ND contest**

By MEG MIRSHAK  
News Writer

Walsh Hall crowned Matt Gelchion, a junior from Fisher Hall, as Mr. ND 2007. The dorm’s signature male beauty pageant parody was held Wednesday night in the LaFortune Ballroom.

The event was a fundraiser for the Catholic Worker House in South Bend, and each male residence hall paid $100 to sponsor a contestant for the Mr. ND title.

Women’s residence halls contributed $50 to have one representative participate in a singing bee competition. That was followed by a question and answer segment.

After he was crowned Mr. ND, Gelchion, who participated in the competition last year, said: “It was great to do it for a great cause.”

Schneider was pleased with his experience and plans on donating his $50 back to charity.

Clare Northway, a junior from Walsh Hall, organized Mr. ND 2007. Northway said the money donated to Catholic Worker House will help residents, who are otherwise homeless, to “be motivated by something, be in community and get back on their feet.”

Northway expects the proceeds to exceed the $700 raised by the event last year. With 12 male dorms and the judges from the women dorms contributing, the total should surpass $1,000, she said.

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U.S. remain relatively constant, international students have to follow specific precautions if they seek employment opportunities either on or off campus.

"They have to be enrolled full time every term before they graduate," said Zhu. "If they want to work on campus, I'm allowed to renew my visa whenever I want, or receive sponsorship if I decide to continue my education or get a job," he said. "Having a social security number helps, too, because I just bought a car," he said. Zhu added, "The problem is that there are lots of loopholes in the laws set by the government. It's harder than they thought to find a job," he said. Zhu said Hong Zhu, an advisor for International Students at the Immigration Services Office (ISO), is aware of many students who are unaware of just how much is required. If the internship is not for credit, it qualifies for OPT, which guarantees students options for summer internships must undergo a training program called Optional Practical Training (OPT) sponsored by the ISSA. 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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

3,000 miners trapped in South Africa

JOHANNESBURG — About 3,000 miners were trapped underground Wednesday when a water pipe burst and probably caused a coal dust explosion in a South African gold mine, union officials said.

An official with Harmony Gold's Elandsrand Mine near Johannesburg said the company would be able to evacuate the trapped workers over the next 24 hours. Harmony's acting chief executive, Graham Briggs, said on MSNBC that officials have been in contact with the trapped miners and have been sending them food and water.

He said the company could evacuate the miners over the next day using a smaller capsule, but the process would be a slow one.

"It's a case of getting a large number of people up in cages," he told MSNBC, according to Dow Jones news service.

Israel, Palestine move toward peace

JERUSALEM — After a series of informal talks, the Israeli and Palestinian leaders took a first small step Wednesday toward long-elusive peace talks, asking aides to draft a joint statement on the principles that will guide negotiations.

The declaration won't be as detailed as the Palestinians had hoped, but Palestinian negotiator Saeb Erekat said it is expected to address all the tough issues — borders, Jewish settlements, Jerusalem and Palestinian refugees.

The statement, which the teams will begin working on next week, is to be the centerpiece of a U.S.-hosted Middle East conference in November, which is intended to relaunch peace talks that collapsed in January 2001.

National News

Landslide destroys home, highway

SAN DIEGO — A landslide swept away a chair, an upscale hilltop neighborhood Wednesday, destroying a home, damaging five others and opening up a 50-yard chasm in a four-lane highway.

Forty-six homes in the La Jolla neighborhood were evacuated but no one was hurt in the collapse, which happened the morning after city officials warned residents of four homes not to sleep in the neighborhood.

The collapse shortly before 9 a.m. toppled power lines and left a 15-foot-deep ravine of crumpled concrete columns and sections of big concrete pipes set in the fissure stretching across the wide boulevard.

Underground fire kills five workers

LEOMINSTER — When fire broke out deep underground at a hydropower plant in the Rockies, officials at the surface dropped a radio down to five trapped men in a tunnel and were relieved to learn they were alive. But by the time emergency crews reached them six hours later, they were dead.

On Wednesday, a day after the tragedy more than 1,200 feet underground at Xcel Corp.'s Cahlin Creek power plant, investigators struggled to figure out what went wrong.

It was unclear whether the five maintenance workers were burned, suffocated or overcome by fumes from the fire. Investigators also said they planned to release the inside of the empty, 12-foot-wide water pipeline.

Local News

New food factory to create 1,000 jobs

Lance W. Robinson, the mayor of Fort Collins, Colorado, said officials are considering a proposal to replace an upstream electric power plant at a site that makes fresh organic meats for grocery stores with a factory that will produce black walnuts. The site is about 2 miles from downtown Fort Collins.

But it's not clear whether officials are interested in the proposal or whether the city will approve the project. A new power plant is needed to meet its electric needs, and officials are considering several options, including building a new plant in Fort Collins or purchasing power from another source.

Iraq

Polish ambassador injured after attack

Associated Press

BAGHDAD — A daring ambush of bombs and gunfire left the Polish ambassador to Iraq pinned down in a burning vehicle Wednesday before being pulled to safety and airlifted in a rescue mission by the elite Blackwater USA security force.

At least three people were killed, including a Polish bodyguard.

The attack — apparently well planned in one of Baghdad's most secure neighborhoods — raised questions about whether it sought to punish Poland for its contributions to the U.S.-led military force in Iraq. But Poland's prime minister, Jaroslaw Kaczynski, said his nation would not retreat "in the face of terror." The diplomatic convoy was hit by both bombs and fire from attackers opened fire in the Shi'ite-controlled Karrada district.

Polish guards returned fire as the injured ambassador, Gen. Edward Pietrzyk, was pulled from his burning vehicle. At least 10 people, including four Polish security agents, were wounded.

U.S. Embassy officials dispatched Blackwater helicopters to evacuate the ambassador and others. Blackwater was not involved in protecting the Polish convoy.

Pietrzyk, who was commissioned as a general officer in Poland before taking the ambassador post in April, suffered minor burns over 20 percent of his body, including his head, back, arm and leg, said Polish Charge d'Affaires Kazimierz Pietrzyk.

"They were waiting for us," FIGAJ told The Associated Press as he gave details of the attack.

Shortly after the assault, 73-year-old President Lech Kaczynski, who is also the acting chief executive under al-Maliki's government, renewed his government's offensive against Blackwater.

"There have been 190 victims of Blackwater ... The kind of accusations leveled against the company mean it is not fit to work in Iraq," he told a news conference.

It was not known if al-Maliki knew Blackwater resided in the Polish envoy. It was also not clear if the 190 victims represented a new figure arising from an Iraqi investigation or a reference to the 195 incidents involving the U.S. security company outlined in a House report earlier this week.

Congress is looking into Blackwater's role in a Sept. 16 shootout that left 11 Iraqis dead in a west Baghdad intersection and other incidents by the Moyark, N.C.-based company, which protects U.S. diplomats and others in Iraq.

Diplomatic missions or foreign envoys in Iraq have been attacked at least seven times since the war began, including the July 2003 kidnaping and murder of Egypt's ambassador.

Poland, a staunch U.S. ally, contributed combat troops to the 2003 U.S.-led invasion and has since led a multinational division south of Baghdad. About 900 Polish troops remain in the country training Iraqi personnel. 23 Poles have died during the conflict.

Last year, the Polish government extended its mission in Iraq until the end of 2007, but has made no decision on next year.

Pietrzyk was treated at the U.S. military hospital in the fortified Green Zone and later flown to Warsaw.

"He is going to be fine," Figaj said. "He is stable, but he needs rest.

Two Iraqi passers-by also were killed in the 10 a.m. attack, according to a Iraqi police official who spoke on condition of anonymity because he was not authorized to release the information.

A Polish military guard, Bartosz Orzechowski, 29, died at the hospital, said Poland's Interior Minister Wladyslaw Sasiuk. The slain guard had been employed by the service since 2004.

Robert Szaniawski, a spokesman for the Polish Foreign Ministry, said officials "don't have the reasons for the attack," which destroyed three armored vehicles just a few hundred yards from the Polish Embassy.

Bush says U.S. should negotiate with Iran

Associated Press

LANCASTER — President Bush warned Wednesday that a leader who has made very provocative statements and who has made it clear he will not allow the United States to negotiate with Iran.

Bush said his policy is to "work with our friends to help the Iranian people," and that he is committed to "do more than just contain Iran." He also said that the United States is not interested in "do more than just contain Iran.

Bush was responding to a question about whether he would negotiate with Iran if they showed signs of flexibility.

"We are going to continue to negotiate with Iran," Bush said.

"But if we left the job done, there would be chaos," Bush said about withdrawing U.S. troops prematurely from Iraq. "Chaos would embolden not only the extremists and radicals that would like to do us harm, but it would also embolden Iran. What you don't want is to have a nuclear arms race taking place in the Middle East."

"In Iran, we're dealing with a country where the leader has said that he wants to destroy Israel," Bush said.

"Yes, it's his choice, it's not mine anymore. So I believe that's the best way to achieve an objective," the president added.

"If your question is, will you ever sit down with them? We've proven we would with North Korea. And the answer is yes, just so long as we can achieve something, so long as we are able to get our objective."
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— will represent the student body, Mooney said.

Paula G. Roth, who is vice president and dean of faculty, was appointed last spring as a permanent chair at the Council and is charged with forming the council over the next few weeks.

"Dr. Fleming's experience as an administrator and student faculty member makes her a good candidate for this position," Mooney said. "She was chosen both on her experience and because of the fact that she is the second ranking officer at the College."

The duties of the Council are many, Mooney said.

"The first charge is to monitor the racial and ethnic diversification of students, faculty, staff and administration. She will report to the Council from Human Resources and Admission regarding the College's efforts to create a more racially and ethnically diverse student body and workforce," Mooney said in her announcement of the Council.

The Council will also oversee the ongoing education and implementation of the College's cultural diversity and affirmative action reports on these efforts, she said.

Other charges of the Council are to recommend policies and procedures on harassment, propose initiatives to improve the campus climate, and to oversee the diversification of the College community.

While Mooney will only be meeting with the Council biannually, she is responsible for implementing policy changes.

"My job is to form the Council and give it general direction," she said. "I expect the Council to set its own goals once it gets underway. It is their job to prioritize their work."

But the Council will be allowed to do exactly what Mooney said — to be the catalyst behind those changes.

"Their recommendations are what will be the basis for the changes," Mooney said.

Increasing College diversity among students and faculty was one of the main pillars of Mooney's inaugural platform in 2005.

The platform focused on increasing diversity to raise academic standards and be competitive with nationally known schools, adapting to the more diversified demographic of the United States, and developing a new hiring policy to have a more diverse staff.

"This will be a body with ongoing goals for the College," Mooney said. "Goals that will ultimately help us achieve the look of diversity we set for ourselves a few years ago."

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Committee will seriously limit the ability of faculty members to speak candidly." Julian Velasco Law Professor

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The Senate 20-7-3 majority was opposed to the addition of a student member to the Architecture review committee, but one student, Andrew Banks, opposed the motion. "We do not want to have the sense that the only student without a student representative," he said.

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indicate the stolen items were purses, wallets and items within purses.

"Every one of these things have been through a smashed-in window. In most cases, the student said, items of value, like a purse, or some luggage, attracted the thief.

"If you are going to park your car in a parking lot at night, or overnight, make sure you put valuables in the trunk," Trent said.

Saint Mary's senior Jenny Anderson found her car broken into early on May 12. Trent was next to the Linebacker when the car was broken into.

Trent said the break-ins have been a "constant" issue.

"We all walked back over around the parking lot," Trent said.

Police have not arrested any suspects, but Trent said it was "reasonable to believe it was the same person or people committing the crimes, especially during the larcenies of Sept. 22-24," he said. He said police have "people of interest" that they are investigating.

"We've got suspects that routinely catch, we put them in jail, and they go right back to doing these larcenies," he said. "The police have not contacted the owners of the Backer about the larcenies in the parking lot, Trent

"We wouldn't contact the police because someone had a loss in the parking lot," he said. The owner of the Linebacker did not reply to requests for comment.

Trent said the number of larcenies in the parking lot near the Linebacker is not unusual.

"Over the last couple of weeks, it's a pretty large influx of calls there, but I have to average about 15 larcenies per month," he said. "That's not totally out of range."

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Wall Street unsure rebound warranted

Investors eager to see Friday's employment report that may gauge consumer spending

NEW YORK — Wall Street extended its pullback Wednesday as investors, retrenching from an optimistic stance early in the week, waited to see how corporate earnings and the job market have held up in an uneven economy.

The market showed little conviction for a second day as economic readings offered few surprises and investors looked for signs — possibly from the September employment report due Friday — of whether the market's rebound from its summer lows has been warranted.

The decline Wednesday preceded earnings reports from the completed third quarter and Friday's jobs number, which some viewed as a harbinger of consumer spending will continue. Wall Street had little reaction to a report that the nation's service sector, whose industries account for 80 percent of U.S. economic activity, showed a decline last month.

Homebuilder stocks rose amid a sense among some analysts that the housing market might have hit bottom. Meanwhile, semiconductor shares mostly held ground on concerns about pricing pressures.

"There are a lot of cross currents," said George Geithner, chief investment officer at investment adviser & Stringfellow in Richmond, Va. "The general perception is that the U.S. economy is slowing." The Dow Jones industrial average fell 79.26, or 0.56 percent, to 13,964.03. The Dow moved back above 14,000 on Monday after spending 2 1/2 months below that level amid concerns about souring mortgages, tighter access to credit and the housing market slump.

Broad stock indicators also fell. The Standard & Poor's 500 index fell 7.04, or 0.46 percent, to 1,539.59, and the Nasdaq composite index fell 17.68, or 0.64 percent, to 2,729.43.

Bond prices slipped Wednesday as the economic readings. The yield on the benchmark 10-year Treasury note, which moves opposite its price, rose to 4.54 percent from 4.53 percent late Tuesday.

Wall Street appears to be taking many economic readings in stride, perhaps expecting some slowdown before the Federal Reserve's rate cut is reflected in economic data. Often, such cuts can take more than a year to fully work themselves into the economy.

The Institute for Supply Management reported that the service sector expanded at a slower pace in September than in August. The trade group's non-manufacturing index fell to 54.8 from 55.4 in August as expected; the index is now at its lowest point since March. A reading above 50 indicates economic expansion, while a figure below 50 signals contraction.

Wal-Mart workers' lawsuit pays off

PHILADELPHIA — Wal-Mart workers in Pennsylvania who previously won a $78.5 million class-action award for working off the clock will share an additional $23.2 million in damages, a judge ruled Wednesday.

About 125,000 people will receive $500 each in damages under a state law invoked when the Bentonville, Ark.-based company, which moved its operations to Arkansas, failed to properly pay time-and-a-half for extra work here and there was insufficient reimbursement.

"Just as highly paid executives' promised equity interests or put options or percentage of sale proceeds are protected fringe benefits and wage supplements, so too the monetary equivalents of 'paid break' time and other fringe benefits and wage supplements," Philadelphia Common Pleas Judge Mark Bernstein wrote.

Similar suits charging that Wal-Mart violated state wage laws are in play across the country. A California trial ended with a $172 million verdict that Wal-Mart is appealing while the Bentonville, Ark.-based company settled a Colorado suit for $50 million.

A trial opened last week in Minnesota while suits are pending in New Jersey and several other states. The Pennsylvania class-action suit involves 187,000 current and former employees who worked at Wal-Mart and Sam's Clubs from March 1998 through May 2006.
In this past Sunday’s Gospel, Jesus challenges us with the story of a rich man who lived sumptuously, all the while ignoring Lazarus, a destitute man who suffered just outside the rich man’s front door. When both men die, angels lift the poor man off to the bosom of Abraham, while the rich man descends into a pit of flames. When the rich man begs for Lazarus to come down and save him, Jesus delivers one of the harshest lines in all of his parables to the tormented rich man: “Between us and you, a great chasm is established to prevent anyone from crossing who might wish to go from our side to yours.”

What can Jesus possibly mean? Jesus was not a man who was often held back by chasms, boundaries or taboos. He, for example, regularly trespassed a firmly entrenched boundary between those who were healthy and those who were infected by the highly contagious disease of leprosy. A similar trench separated Jews and Samaritans — and women and men. Yet, in the fourth chapter of John, we find Jesus, a Jewish man, approach, sit down next to, and converse with a Samaritan adulteress. Neither her gender, race, sexual history, nor the fact that the two of them were alone seems to have deterred him from calling her to holiness. Just for good measure, he ends by commissioning her, reputation and all, to go into the town and tell everyone about him.

Father Lou Dellera

What, then, to make of this absolute “chasm” that Jesus depicts separating the rich man from the poor man? If Jesus spent his life as the Gospels say he did — crossing boundaries to save those who seemed beyond saving — why place the rich and selfish beyond all hope?

Furthermore, because they’re so rich. So rich that they don’t need anything. At least, they don’t think so. Perhaps the main difference between the leper, the Samaritan woman at the well, and the rich man is that the rich man alone is unaware of his poverty — that is to say, his need, no matter how rich he is, for the love of God, and for a life of serving others.

Though Jesus is unconnected with the social taboo of trespassing borders, he makes clear that there is an impenetrable boundary between those who recognize in Jesus the God whom they need for their salvation, and those — including the Pharisees, rich people, and the self-righteous — who prefer to try to “save” themselves by their own expertise, wealth, or virtue. These people fail to recognize that all humanity is born into a poverty that only God can overcome. The boundary that Jesus cannot cross, as it turns out, is not drawn by Jesus himself, but by those who understand themselves as self-sufficient, drawn by Jesus himself, but by those who understand themselves as self-sufficient, and thus are beyond saving — those who seemed beyond saving — and thus are beyond saving.

The Gospel of John makes explicit that Jesus came to save, not condemn, the world. There is no evidence that Jesus enjoyed telling the rich man of the impenetrable chasm. But Jesus seems to me not so much to be judging the man — “You go over there and I will build a wall between you and me as a punishment for what you’ve done” — as he is describing, in brutally honest terms, what the man has done to himself. “By declaring yourself self-sufficient, you have left no one any means of reaching you.”

It is not ignoring the harsh facts of Jesus’ words to say that there is much Good News in this parable, set as it is between the Prodigal Son and the cleansing of the 10 lepers. Throughout the Gospels, Jesus’ actions make clear that if there is a way to cross a boundary to reach us, Jesus will find it, no matter how great the cost, no matter how great the sin, no matter how under­ serving we might believe ourselves to be. It is only when we refuse to recog­ nize our poverty — our absolute need for God, regardless of our wealth, our intelligence, our gifts for our weak­ ness, limits or sinfulness — that we truly isolate ourselves from God’s love. The gospel of the rich man and Lazarus makes clear that Jesus does not stop at any chasm, except a freely made refusal to recognize our need for him.

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Letters to the Editor

Column's take on eating disorders sparks controversy

Tone belittles anorexia, abortion

Eating disorders are often described as "hell on earth" — and thus the sensationalism of the title of Greg Yatarola's "Anorexia and the devil" (Oct. 2). I was lost on my first impression. Mr. Yatarola's Flappery, disconcerting and in and of itself, reveals a detachment and coldness that warrants attention. He may indeed no longer feel the twinge of novelty when partial-birth abortion is associated with the "Culture of Death," but he, curiously, interprets this desensitization as carte blanche to showcase his witicism: "But I thought partial-birth abortion was too easy a target. "You could even say it's a no-brainer." John Paul II identified pride as the most sterile and hurtful of all the views, and indeed, the root of the Culture of Death. Pride manifested as unwarranted faculty or frivolity alienates those with a vested interest in the issue, and in the case of this article, intensifies the disconnect of Mr. Yatarola to the professors he addresses.

Mr. Yatarola clearly cannot empathise with those who have witnessed or experienced an abortion or an eating disorder. His chirpy description of eating disorders as "more pleasant than infanticide" is, at best, an attempt to change the face to all women who have been traumatized by either abortion or an eating disorder, and at worst, reveals a detached and coldly superficial calculus of suffering.

Theological implications of eating disorders are widely discussed, even here on campus. The Fifth Stock Conference, held each February, explores the issue, and in the case of this article, intensifies the disconnect of Mr. Yatarola to the professors he addresses.

Disgusted

It is not very often that I read something in the Viewpoint that has any major effect on me. However, when I read Greg Yatarola's column "Anorexia and the devil," Oct. 2, I thought I might vomit. Probably surprisingly to Mr. Yatarola, it wasn't because I felt a sudden passion to lose a few more pounds so that our tragically flawed society would accept me, or even because the main point of his column was so elusive that I got a bit dizzy after the fourth or so paragraph. No, he was being told by an apparently female-respecting writer that "I dress like an Amazon" simply to elicit male attention or that the reason he doesn't find me attractive is that my physique doesn't "correlate positively with fertility" (what?), the thing that really got me was his nonchalant reference to partial-birth abortions in the Culture of Death, which is indeed something much darker and more threatening than an unattractive tattoo.

Contemporary beauty standards are not solely to blame — they are but a reflection of a collective cultural aspiration, unstated or not. When we tap into self-inflicted pain of such magnitude, we can be sure that we are dealing with the infinitely unfathomable, unclassifiable, transcendent and sacred yearnings of a human soul ... and that, I ask, not be taken lightly.

Carolyn Murphy Class of '07 South Bend Oct. 2

Author ignores deeper causes

I begin this letter in response to Greg Yatarola's "Anorexia and the devil" (Oct. 2) by stating that I agree with the premise that the media attacks the sanctity and wholeness of women through the objectification of women. The author's means by which he attempts to critique this practice (namely that women who suffer from eating disorders are less attractive than those women who are healthy) demonstrates his shortsightedness and narrow understanding of the complex issue of eating disorders.

Women, I agree, possess a potent tool in their relationships with men that can be used for good or ill, namely their bodies. Further, I agree with Mr. Yatarola's understanding that women can and do improperly employ their body in attempt to influence the men around them. While the author understands that beauty may be used for the underlying purpose of controlling men, eating disorders should also be seen as deeper than external pettiness about appearance. Eating disorders are not simply the product of women vainly suffering as a "result of trying to look the way they think society tells them they should look." Instead, the understanding of eating disorders needs to be reframed in a holistic manner: Women who struggle with eating disorders are striving to find fulfillment for, peace in, and control over deep internal sources of emotional and spiritual unrest. The easiest path for outside observers to focus on is the readily apparent external manifestations, while passively dismissing the more important, more difficult to identify, and deeper internal elements of this emotional and spiritual issue. These women who suffer with eating disorders must be understood first and primarily as women; persons composed of mind, body, and soul that deserve love and respect. Focusing a critique on eating disorders and culture by stating that men find women without eating disorders more sexually attractive and thus implying the illogical nature of women having an eating disorder perpetuates the misunderstanding and misses the crux of the problem. We, as a society, must celebrate and advocate for the whole of women, not just focus on a comparison of sex appeal between those women with eating disorders and those who do not suffer from eating disorders.

Finally, I ask Mr. Yatarola to be more careful in his writing assessments of such critical and contentious issues such as abortion and eating disorders. If you believe abortion to be "infanticide," do not make a tasteless pun about sucking the brains out of aborted infants.

Further, if you believe that society is wrong to objectify women as it does, do not objectify women yourself by calling women who dress suggestively at the gym, the store or Mass a "silver lining."

Philip Lashutka law student off campus Oct. 2
"The bigger the bands, the greater the demands," said Aaron Perri, the general manager of Legends.

As the man behind the music, Perri books bands and arranges the logistics of concerts at the on-campus restaurant and club.

A South Bend native, Perri learned about the restaurant business from his grandfather’s restaurant, Pat’s Pub. He also owned and operated an audiovisual production company throughout high school and college and then ran it for two more years full-time after graduation. No stranger to the stage himself, Perri graduated from the University in 2002 with a Film, Television and Theatre degree.

"About four years ago, I saw a unique opportunity in Legends and made a difficult decision to wind down my business," Perri said in an e-mail Tuesday. "Legends provided a chance to return to my alma mater and to combine my previous experiences in management, the restaurant industry and the entertainment industry."

After his four undergraduate years here, Perri is used to doing his homework. "Finding out about bands is pretty easy," he said. "Many times students will stop me or drop an e-mail and say, 'You should get so and so, or 'XYZ band is awesome...check them out.'"

Perri finds himself inundated with an average of 25-30 press kits per month from various artists, in addition to available lists from promoters. He also conducts market research and finds potential new acts the old-fashioned way.

"More often than not, I like to find out about bands by simply reading magazines, watching TV, listening to the radio or going to shows," he said. "If you’re good enough to play here, chances are you don’t have to tell us, we already know."

Paring down the list of potential acts becomes a hit or a miss.

"I have to ascertain which acts will go over well here on campus," Perri said. "That can be a difficult task. Admittedly, Notre Dame is not well known for being on the cutting edge of up-and-coming music, although I believe Legends is helping to change that. There are a ton of great bands out there that go over very well in other markets or at other schools, but unfortunately just don’t have a good draw here. It seems as though the No. 1 factor in assuring a popular show here is name recognition."

While Perri also works to offer entertainment from all genres, the ultimate decision on who plays at Legends hinges on availability and affordability.

"I'll find out which agent from what agency represents a particular artist and then contact them," Perri said. "Sometimes the hard part is getting some of these guys on the phone. The beauty of it is, I’ve formed relationships with many of these agents over the past few years. They rest assured that when they look for a band to come play at Legends they will be treated professionally and will be given first-class accommodations on stage. Believe it or not, the crowd also factors into determining which talent comes to play at Legends."

"The fan base here at Notre Dame also plays a role in our ability to recruit well known acts," Perri said. "If agents consistently hear reports of capacity crowds, they’ll want to bring their artist here. Conversely, if they hear reports of apathetic crowds, they’ll think twice about sending their next band through."

Once Perri targets a specific band, the real work begins. First, he has to get managers to agree on a performance date. Then an issue known as "routing" comes into play. "If legends send an artist out to work, they don’t want to send them to L.A. and then to Chicago and then to Phoenix. They’ll take them from Mitten to Madison to Chicago to Notre Dame to Cleveland to Philadelphia and then to New York," he said.

"Agents are trying to make the most possible money for their artist and I’m trying to get them in here for a price that we can afford," he said.

Perri says he has fun with his job, although the work never ends.

"We have to find places for tour buses, living to load in more equipment, we have to cater to bigger egos, we have to provide more runners and more hospitality, we have to prepare for bigger crowds, the staff has to work longer hours," he said. "The list goes on."

"It’s worth every ounce of extra effort, though. Seeing this intimate venue packed with enthusiastic fans who are here to watch an incredible live show featuring the very best performers from across the country — it’s worth it."

"Sometimes," he said, "I even get to enjoy the show."

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The keys and drum duo behind 'Yea Yeah' is the latest act brought to Legends by Perri

Matt and Kim
10:00 P.M.

‘As our credibility increases, we’re getting more and more agencies who will bring bands to us, instead of me going to them first.’

Aaron Perri
Legends general manager

Legends general manager Aaron Perri has been at Legends of Notre Dame for the past four years. He works to attract big name talent to the club for students.

Blue October, Umphrey’s McGee, Motion City Soundtrack, Dementi Martin, Ben Kweller and OK Go among many others, it’s fair to say that Perri and Legends have had a good deal of success in attracting name-brand talent. That success has only bred more success, Perri said.

"As our credibility increases, we’re getting more and more agencies who will bring bands to us, instead of me going to them first. They want their bands to play Legends,” he said. “We’re being perceived as a must-play venue and that is really making my job much easier."

Another benefit that is coming with increased credibility is the fact that we’re no longer really classified as ‘college venue’ in most agencies’ eyes — we’ve been distinguished as a ‘club.’ This may sound like semantics, but the difference is night and day. College shows are often perceived as second-rate shows in second-rate venues — we’re not in that boat."

Despite the success Legends has had, Perri continues to look forward and refuses to let himself or Legends rest on its laurels.

"I’d like to think that Legends hasn’t seen its best concert yet. We’ve had some amazing shows, but as we enhance the facility and solidify our place in the national music industry, our shows will only get better, both in terms of concert experience and on-stage talent,” Perri said.

Perri says he has fun with his job, although the work
By TIM GALLO
Scene Writer

Bruce Springsteen has been a very busy man. Two years ago, he released "Devils and Dust," a solo acoustic album. He then came back last year to release a folk record, "We Shall Overcome," which covered the songs of Pete Seeger. Both compilations were great, but the Boss did not seem as busy. Luckily, Springsteen has come back again this year for "Magic." Surrounding himself with the E Street Band, the Boss finally sounds like he is back. "Magic" kicks off with "Radio Nowhere." The opening guitar riff is hard and distorted — and full of tension. Then comes the opening of Tommy Tutone's "867-5309/Jenny." Soon after the whole band kicks in and the song lifts off. The song symbolizes the new direction Springsteen takes with "Magic." It is a heavy, straightforward, rock'n'roll sound. The E Street Band creates a "Wall of Sound" behind the Boss to give the songs a forceful feel. On "Radio Nowhere," the band builds up to a crescendo when Clarence Clemons comes in on the saxophone and takes over. These sax solos are some of the highlights of the album, as Clemons is able to fill the room with his instrument's music to a dramatic conclusion.

Clemons is not the only member of the band to stand out on "Magic." Roy Bittan plays a glowing, dramatic piano on "I'll Work for Your Love." Max Weinberg (of "Late Night with Conan O'Brien" fame) pounds on his drum set, giving the music a strong, steady beat. And newercomer Soozie Tyrell's sounds as if she has found a niche in the E Street Band, gracefully playing her violin and a more dramatic feel.

Springsteen turns out another strong effort on this record. He will never impress anyone with his voice, which may be one of the worst in the history of rock music. It does, however, work with his lyrics and the E Street Band's music. He growls and screams with the same exuberance and intensity that he displayed on earlier classics "The Wild, the Innocent, and the E Street Shuffle" and "Born to Run." Lyrically, Bruce is less accessible than anyone the struggles to find an audience. But when they reach greater depth as the songs are heard more and more, Springsteen stands out on "Livin' in the Future," where his excitement makes the listener feel the same young love Bruce sings about.

It is not surprising that Springsteen gets political at times in this record, and it is in these attempts where "Magic" loses its momentum. Bruce removes the E Street Band from the exuberance it displayed in the album's first right songs, choosing instead to slow the band down. The political slow jams, like "Last to Die" and "Devil's Arcade" are fine on their own, beautifully written by Springsteen with wonderful violin backing from Tyrell. However, they feel out of place on this otherwise jovial record. "Magic" is another strong effort from a man who is approaching his sixties. Springsteen's lyrics show that he still has a lot more to say, and the E Street Band has taken the vibrant, uplifting sound it created on "The Rising" and has molded it to perfection. It makes one wonder why Springsteen does not collaborate with the E Street Band on all of his records, for it is clear that magic occurs when the two join forces.

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Seinfeld guest stars on premiere of Emmy-winning '30 Rock'

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"30 Rock," the best least-watched comedy on television, premieres its second season tonight at 8:30 on NBC. The series avoided cancellation last season through a combination of critical acclaim and former NBC president Kevin Reilly's good faith and now it has an Emmy for Outstanding Comedy Series to add to its comedy cloud. Tonight's episode follows the cast and crew of "TGS" as everyone returns from hiatus. Head writer Liz Lemon (Tina Fey) spent the summer getting over ex-boyfriend Floyd, best friend Jenna (Jane Krakowski) starred in a musical version of "Mystic Pizza" on Broadway, and Tracy Jordan (Tracy Morgan) separated from his wife after he was photographed doing a good act gone wrong.

Tonight also marks the return of Jerry Seinfeld to NBC and prime time. After bosses Jack Donaghy (Alec Baldwin) unveils his plan for SeinfeldVision, which will insert a digitalized Seinfeld in every NBC show from "Medium" to "Law & Order: SVU," Seinfeld shows up in person to protest the exploitation of his image. Playing himself, he negotiates with Jack (Jack's favorite activity) and counsels Liz as she quickly self-destructs after realizing she is not over Floyd.

By guest starring in tonight's episode, the sitcom giant has deemed "30 Rock" worthy. After all, from his own series struggles, Seinfeld understands better than anyone the struggles to find an audience and appease network executives.

Seinfeld's blessing may not save the show in the long run, but it should at least pique interest in "30 Rock," especially among dedicated fans of "Seinfeld." "30 Rock" has been given the NBC timeslot traditionally reserved for struggling shows. The series will hope to retain the audience of "My Name is Earl" while catching the eye of fans of "The Office" who tune in to the network early. If "30 Rock" can bridge the gap and keep the audience between "Earl" and "The Office," then it has a chance of surviving for a third season.

"The Office" and "Scrubs" survived in the 8:30 time slot, but failure is more common than success, as shows like "Last to Die" and "Devil's Arcade" are fine on their own, beautifully written by Springsteen with wonderful violin backing from Tyrell. However, they feel out of place on this otherwise jovial record. "Magic" is another strong effort from a man who is approaching his sixties. Springsteen's lyrics show that he still has a lot more to say, and the E Street Band has taken the vibrant, uplifting sound it created on "The Rising" and has molded it to perfection. It makes one wonder why Springsteen does not collaborate with the E Street Band on all of his records, for it is clear that magic occurs when the two join forces.

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A desperate Jack Donaghy (Alec Baldwin) takes action against Jerry Seinfeld in the season two premiere of "30 Rock," which airs tonight at 8:30 on NBC.

"Inside Schwartz," "Leap of Faith" and "Cursed" all perished relatively quickly. But "30 Rock" has an Emmy, and those other attempts at sitcoms don't. In a perfect world, an Emmy would be enough to save a series, but one mention of "Arrested Development" and it is clear that our world is far from perfect. For a series with high-caliber comedy and such lovable and endearing characters, failure to attract an audience is an exasperating mystery. Kenneth the Page should be incentive enough. But for now, "30 Rock" is banking on Seinfeld's appeal as it starts its second season as strong as ever.

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Rockies defeat Phillies in Game 1 of NLDS

Josh Beckett pitches Red Sox to shutout victory over Angels; Cubs fall to Diamondbacks in playoff opener

Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA — Bandbox or Bandstand? That was the way to go for hitters.

Jeff Francis held the league's highest-scoring team in check, and the Colorado Rockies took advantage of one shaky inning by Cole Hamels to beat the Philadelphia Phillies 4-2 in Game 1 of their NL playoff series Wednesday night.

"Who would've thought a good old-fashioned National League game would break out in this ballpark?" Rockies manager Clint Hurdle said.

Making just the second post-season appearance in their 15-year history, the Rockies played like October regulars. Colorado posted its second playoff victory, the other coming in 1995, and won for the 15th time in 16 games.

Matt Holliday, his chin still cut up from the Gore-max slide that won Monday's wild-card tiebreaker over San Diego, hit a solo home run.

"Any time you expect a slagfest, you get a pitching duel," Hurdle said.

Francis pitched six effective innings, but four基 hits, including an injured Steve Urias, stole an extra out of trouble, mostly by shutting down the Phillies' top hitters.

Charlie Manuel said, "I was ahead of a lot of guys," Beckett said. "They've got a lot of pitches off and I just didn't want to get wrapped up in trying to strike a lot of guys out, because those are the at-bats that end up killing your pitch count and you're out after 5-1-3 because you've got 120 pitches." Ortiz, who eliminated the Eagles with a 10-inning, series-ending homer in the first round of the 2014 playoffs, homered off John Lackey. Kevin Youkilis set the tone with a home run in the first inning against the Angels ace.

The victory was Boston's seventh straight in the postseason with runners in scoring position, including five in Wednesday night's victory over the Chicago Cubs.

"The most exciting game so far," Webb said. "I was able to keep them off balance. I had pretty good stuff tonight, great off-speed. Had some great strikeouts, key situations."

During the last 25 years, the Rockies have played in the opening round of the postseason just three times in their franchise history, and have come away empty.

"It was a tough loss," Cubs manager Lou Piniella said. "I took a move. I had him back Sunday on three days' rest," Piniella said. "I took a shot at my bullpen. It didn't work today. They've done it all year."

Not this time. Planning for Game 4 might have cost the Cubs in Game 1.

The Rockies defeat the Phillies in Game 1 of NLDS.

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### NFL

The Falcons are asking Vick to return up to $22 million from his contract.

**Falcons seeking $22 million from Vick**

**Associated Press**

FLOWERY BRANCH, Ga. — The Atlanta Falcons will try to convince an arbitrator the team deserves a refund on up to $22 million in bonus money paid to quarterback Michael Vick.

The Falcons will be represented Thursday by team president and general manager Rich McKay and three more team officials in the private hearing in Philadelphia.

"I don't expect it will go beyond a day," said University of Pennsylvania law professor Stephen B. Burbank, the special master who confirmed he will serve as arbitrator of the hearing at the law school.

Attorneys representing the NFL Players Association will argue against the Falcons' claim.

An expert in sports contracts said the Falcons face long odds in their effort to have bonus money returned to the team.

The Falcons are expected to contend that Vick knew he was in violation of the contract when he signed the $120 million deal in December of 2004, and that he used proceeds from the deal to fund his dogfighting operation.

"I think clearly it's a reach on the part of the Falcons," said Jerry Reisman, a contract and business attorney based in Garden City, N.Y.

Vick earned that money. He received the roster bonus given out if you are on a roster at any point. He was on the roster in 2004 and earned the money.

Reisman said he has followed the case closely because it is an unusual demand by the Falcons.

"The Falcons are claiming that if they had known of Vick's criminal activity on the date he signed his contract in 2004 they wouldn't have signed the contract and therefore there was fraud," Reisman said.

Reisman said under the NFL's collective bargaining agreement, bonus money earned cannot be returned.

"I don't know the Falcons have given back season tickets they sold," he said.

McKay was not available for comment Wednesday. Team spokesman Reggie Roberts said McKay is standing by his earlier statements that he would make no comment during the process.

On Aug. 27, Vick admitted helping to kill to six to eight dogs and bankrolling the dogfighting operation that was based in Virginia and extended into other states.

### IN BRIEF

**Franchitti makes move to NASCAR**

ST. LOUIS — Dario Franchitti is leaving Indy Cars for NASCAR next season.

Franchitti announced his move to NASCAR on Tuesday, one day after the team won the World Series for the first time since 1982.

Franchitti was set to return to the IndyCar Series in 2007 after skipping last season, but a deal to move into stock cars fell apart when Juan Pablo Montoya snagged his ride. So when Montoya signed with Chip Ganassi Racing, Franchitti said in a Wednesday telephone interview, "Then with Juan coming along, it didn't work out. And looking back, I am really happy it didn't work out. To win the Indianapolis 500 this year, and then the open-wheel title in my last race, it was a great way to sign off."
Bills rookie will make second straight start

Associated Press

ORCHARD PARK — Bills rookie Trent Edwards will make his second straight start when Buffalo hosts Dallas on Monday night after J.P. Losman missed practice Wednesday.

Coach Dick Jauron ruled Losman out, saying the quarterback is recovering steadily from a sprained left knee but it's not clear when he'll be able to resume practicing with the team.

Losman has been out since he was hurt during the first series of a 38-7 loss at New England on Sept. 23.

Edwards was inconsistent standing in for Losman against the Patriots, but shined leading the Bills to their first victory in his first career start, a 17-14 win over the New York Jets last weekend.

The third-round draft pick out of Stanford went 22-of-28 for 274 yards passing with a touchdown and interception, helping the Bills produce a season-high in yards passing yards (394), first downs (19) and points. Edwards' 78.57 completion percentage was the eighth best in team history and his performance raised speculation that he will retain the No. 1 job once Losman is healthy.

Jauron continued to sidestep questions about whether Losman would get his job back.

"The response to that question has always been the same for me, and it has been for a number of years," Jauron said. "Any position on our team is up for grabs. It always has been."

Jauron said he's pleased that "the best guy will be the guy that plays. Other than that, there's not a whole lot to say about that position right now because J.P. isn't able to practice.".

The Bills enter their bye week after playing Dallas, and then host Baltimore on Oct. 21.

Edwards is attempting to keep an even keel in preparing for a prime-time game.

"It's definitely been a fun experience so far, I never thought it would happen this quickly for me. But that's the way the pieces fall sometimes," he said. "I am going to just try and keep doing my job. I know I still have a lot to learn."

Buffalo remains a banged-up team as it prepared to host its first Monday night game since Sept. 26, 1994.

Backup safety Jim Leonhard (脚) and reserve linebacker Kevin Harrison (knee) were ruled out after both were hurt last weekend. Reserve cornerback Ashton Youboty's status is uncertain after he missed practice with an ankle injury also sustained against the Jets.

That further depleted a defense that already has three starters on the season-ending injured reserve list. And that doesn't include reserve defensive end Ryan Denney (broken foot) and reserve linebacker Korey Wise (sprained knee), both of whom aren't expected back until after the bye.

Starting linebacker Keith Ellison practiced Wednesday for the first time since hurting his knee in Buffalo's preseason finale, but it's not clear whether he'll be ready to play Monday.

The Bills could get back one player on Sunday: reserve defensive end Anthony Hargrove, who finished serving the NFL's four-game suspension for violating the league's substance abuse policy.

The Bills have not yet decided to activate Hargrove, although he has returned to practice. The Bills have until Monday afternoon to make a decision whether to activate or release Hargrove.

Jauron said he's pleased that "Hargrove stayed in condition while he was suspended, but added the player is not yet in game shape."

"We're pulling for him," Jauron said. "He's a very likeable guy, a guy you want to have everything go well for him."

Dick Jauron

Bills coach

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Backup safety Jim Leonhard
Bonds steroids probe continues five years later

The Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO — Barry Bonds has closed two big chapters in his baseball career. He's the newly minted home run king, and his break with the Giants is complete.

Yet the federal steroids probe in which he plays a starring role lingers on into its fifth year.

Bonds' former personal trainer is still languishing in prison for refusing to testify before a grand jury conducting the perjury investigation, which followed Bonds' 2003 testimony in the BALCO Investigation.

Two grand juries have spent the past three years trying to determine whether Bonds was lying under oath. And Anderson has spent a total of about a year in federal prison as authorities try to compel him to testify against Bonds, a childhood friend.

Anderson will remain locked up until he talks, the grand jury's term expires or the judge who sent him to prison decides to set him free.

"Greg is going to spend his third Christmas in prison," said Anderson's attorney, Paula Canny.

Anderson previously served three months in prison during the winter of 2005 after pleading guilty to illegally selling steroids. Canny said her client will never talk, and she's not optimistic that the judge will turn him loose anytime soon.

Another vital prosecution witness, former Bonds' former mistress. She told the BALCO grand jury in 2003 that Bonds told her he took steroids — his head grew bigger, he developed acne and his testicles shrank.

"There was a dramatic shift in his personality," Bell said. "She declined to say if she has been called before the grand jury conducting the perjury probe." Bonds told her he took steroids to set him free.

Rains said Bell's value as a witness might diminish somewhat when the latest issue of "Playboy" hits the stands Friday. Bell appears nude, wears panties emblazoned with Bonds' No. 25 and recounts her 2003 grand jury testimony in an accompanying article.

Bell declined to say how much she was paid for the Playboy deal, which was brokered by her agent, David Hans Schmidt.

He hunged himself last week in Phoenix, where he was under house arrest after agreeing last month to plead guilty in a plot to extort more than $1 million from Tom Cruise for the actor's stolen wedding photo.

"I think it is something that can be used to impeach her credibility," Rains said of Bell's "Playboy" deal. "It is probably just one more piece of impeaching information for someone who has already filled three banker's boxes in my office with impeaching information."

Rains said Bell is miffed that Bonds didn't pay her the nearly $200,000 she demanded when their 10-year relationship ended in 2003. Bell said she was asking Bonds to keep a promise to buy her house in Arizona, but Rains said the demand amounted to extortion.

He said he's confident Bell's credibility is damaged enough to make her a tough witness to believe.

"They have tried to turn over every possible stone to prove a perjury case against Barry," Rains said. "They don't have it. The government needs to move on to stalk someone else."

The 37-year-old Bell said it was obvious Bonds was doing steroids — his head grew bigger, he developed acne and his testicles shrank.

"There was a dramatic shift in his personality," Bell said. "She declined to say if she has been called before the grand jury conducting the perjury probe."

Bell did say she's declined to help Major League Baseball's steroids investigator, former Senate Majority Leader George Mitchell. "I haven't seen the purpose in it," said Bell, who said she feared a further erosion of her privacy if she cooperated. "The government investigation is the one that counts."

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Men's Tennis

Irish coach sends captain to Tulsa
Parbhu ND's sole rep in prestigious tourney

By KATELYN GRABAREK
Sports Writer

Irish senior captain Sheeva Parbhu left for Tulsa, Okla., Tuesday night for the Intercollegiate Tennis Championships, where Parbhu will be the only Notre Dame representative in the tournament.

"I am looking to continue to play at a high level," Parbhu said. "I want to keep the good season going, and get more experience against some of the best players in the country."

While Parbhu is in Tulsa, the rest of the Irish will continue to work on their games after the singles lineup went 24-14 in the Tom Fallon Invitational.

"We have a lot of talented players," Irish head coach Bobby Bayliss said. "Brett [Helgeson] and Parbhu are co-number ones and I can't peg either one as the better of the two. They have very different games and complement each other well.

Helgeson goes after opponents with a strong ground game and lots of firepower from both sides of his body. He also has a big serve but tends to shy away from playing at the net.

Parbhu, on the other hand, often comes to the net because he is not as big as Helgeson. Parbhu also doesn't have the same power on his ground strokes as Helgeson.

Due to NCAA restrictions on how long the doubles group can play in, Parbhu did not participate in last weekend's Tom Fallon, the team's home-opening tournament.

"The athletes are only allowed to play in 25 matches, and he would have had to make some dual matches because of this rule and that he is going to Oklahoma this weekend," Bayliss said. "It gave us a chance to see some of the younger players. We also got to see Helgeson play and he came up big."

Because of an injury, Andrew Roth also did not play in last weekend's tournament.

"Roth sprained his ankle in Chicago and has not played since," Bayliss said. "He did practice for an hour with the team on Monday. We're hoping to get him ready for regionals. The main goal is to have him at 100 percent when he does come back."

Bayliss said he was pleased with the way his team's newest players performed in front of the home crowd.

"The freshmen are very talented and they handled themselves very well," Bayliss said. "The tournament was a good way for them to break in with the round robin format — it didn't put as much pressure on them. There were a few times when the inexperience showed, but overall they played very well."

Despite the singles lineup's strong showing, Bayliss said the doubles group has yet to mesh.

"We need to work on court positioning, and strategy," Bayliss said. "There isn't enough poaching. [Assistant coach Ryan] Sacschire can help them with this. He was a very talented player in his time here, and went on to play in tournaments just outside the pro circuit. The guys can relate well to him, and he has a lot to teach them."

The Irish will be back in South Bend at 6:30 a.m. Sunday.

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[Thursday]," Weis said.

The Irish had not tackled to the ground during practice until the week leading up to the Michigan State game, when they had fallen to 0-3 after a 38-0 loss at Michigan.

Weis said he derived the formula for this week's practices as a way to increase early-game productivity and energy. Opponents have outscored Notre Dame 47-14 in the first quarter and 101-21 in the first half this season.

"I'm really concerned about how we start the game," Weis said. "So I'm trying to find another method to start the game better."

Notes:

♦ Weis insinuated that freshman Brandon Walker will take over the place-kicking responsibilities this week, after the team missed two extra point attempts and had a field goal blocked against Purdue.

In a live-hitting drill in front of reporters Tuesday, Walker made only one of four field goal attempts, while walk-on kicker Nate Whitaker made only one of four.

The one guy who missed one, he's probably going to be the guy who's going to be kicking," Weis said. "That's a pretty easy one."

Hitting

Recipient of the 2007
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The Observer

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Daniel J. Myers
Professor of Sociology
STILL KICKING

Sophomore kicker Nate Whitaker follows through during practice Wednesday.

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volleyball team.
The arena will be closed for most of the summer of 2009 and will re-open in October of that year, although construction will not be finished until January 2010, the statement said.

As part of Athletic Director Kevin White's $100 million "master plan" for improvements in athletics facilities, the University has already completed a $21.1 million, 10,000-square-foot indoor golf facility and the $23 million Guglielmino Athletics Complex for football.

Construction has begun on the Notre Dame Softball Stadium, and the University has secured the majority of the funding for a $25-30 million hockey arena within the north dome of the Joyce Center and a new lacrosse stadium.

Other portions of the master plan include a plan for a new soccer stadium, located almost adjacent to the east side of the Joyce Center, a new tennis facility and the renovation of the football team's practice fields. Plans call for the football team, which currently uses three natural-grass practice fields, to have two Field Turf-quality artificial grass fields and one natural-grass practice facility.

Irish coach Charlie Weis said Wednesday the main benefit of Field Turf practice fields is allowing the team to "practice outside regardless of the weather." It also allows the team to practice on artificial surfaces outside when the team prepares to play in places — like Baltimore's M&T Bank Stadium, where Notre Dame and Navy played last season — that have open-air stadiums with artificial turf.

"When we played Navy last year and you're playing in the Ravens' stadium, and they play on Field Turf, you don't want to practice inside if you're playing outdoors," Weis said. "But the other positive effect, to be honest with you, is it'd be nice to have the students to have surfaces they could use when we're not using them. And when you have grass fields, you can't really do that. But you have Field Turf fields, there'll be plenty of times in the year we're not using them that now, all of a sudden, RecSports could end up using them. And I think that everyone wins in that situation.

The athletic department has raised more than $28 million for athletic facility improvements as part of the University's $1.5 billion "Spirit of Notre Dame" capital campaign.

The north dome of the Joyce Center, which houses the hockey team and is also slated for renovations, was not mentioned in Wednesday's release.

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Martinek hopes to prove
defenders wrong tonight
to the Bullsfrog during the

Game.

Lions vs. Lewis
Lyons and Lewis meet
tonight in a game that will be
crucial to both teams' playoff
aspirations.

Lyons currently sits in
eighth place in the Gold
League standings, ahead of

Lyons senior captain
Judith Kaczmarek
was reluctant
to put too much
emphasis on any one
player but said the unit plays
well together.

"Our defense, as a
group, is really pretty
strong. We're definitely
looking to get some
turnovers,"

Judith Kaczmarek
Lyons captain

The Bullsfrogs
have been
preparing
to face the
Passaquilla
West's
intimidating
offense.

"We have worked on being
more aggressive on defense
in terms of going after the
ball," Hackney said. "Our
offense plans to be a bit
more efficient this week.
PW is a very strong team
and they have great hustle on
defense that will test the Belles
in a big way."

With a record of 2-2,
Passaquilla West
is confident it will make it to the
playoffs.

"I still definitely think
we can make it to the
playoffs, it's a whole new ball game," Martinek said. "Bangborn and Welsh Fam better expect to see us again with better results."

Badin, too, wants to make
a statement in tomorrow's
game.

"We think that our record
does not indicate how
good we are as a team," Hackney said. "With a win on Thursday, we are hoping to increase our chances of making it into the playoffs."

SMC VOLLEYBALL
Belles set for Hope rematch

By SAMANTHA LEONARD
Sports Writer

Saint Mary's averaged last month's loss to Adrian with a five-set victory Tuesday. Tonight, the Belles will look to win another rematch, this time against Hope.

Hope swept Saint Mary's 30-14, 30-20, 30-17 Sept. 6. Head coach Julie Schroeder-Biek said she hopes her team will show the same drive against Hope that it did Tuesday over Adrian, which one month earlier, beat Saint Mary's 30-25, 30-28, 30-11.

"In our win against Adrian, we really brought our game to the next level," Schroeder-Biek said. "The intensity and drive to win was amazing. We now only carry the confidence gained from that win along with the momentum into our Hope match."

Hope, which ranks third in the MIAA standings, has a strong defense that will test the Belles often.

"Hope has a strong outside attack and they have great hustle on defense," Schroeder-Biek said. "These will be the big threats to watch for in facing them."

The Belles will look to eliminate the unforced errors that have plagued them in their last three matches. They average nine servic­es errors per game during that span.

"Consistent serving is our biggest weakness," Schroeder-Biek said. "We are definitely working on our focus when it comes to serves."

Against Hope, Schroeder-Biek does not plan to make changes in her starting lineup. "We have been working on this type of play all season," she said. "The mental game has been our biggest battle from the beginning. We are making huge strides in mastering it and we can't let up now — just keep working at being a great team."

The Belles are 4-5 in league play and 7-10 overall while Hope is 6-2 in the MIAA and 11-5 overall. The teams will face off tonight at 7 at the Angela Athletic Facility.

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HENRI ARNOLD MIKE ARGINON

Unscramble these four jumbles, one letter per square to form four ordinary words.

LAST, THE "MENU"

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ARIES (March 21-April 19): Don't make words or think you can talk your way around situations you want to avoid. Arguments will break out, and avoiding issues will be impossible. 2 stars

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): You can get to the bottom of things if you are persistent and willing to put in the work. Emotional matters can be resolved and healing fun with friends, children and relatives. Experimental situations will prove to be enlightening. 4 stars

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Put yourself in a position that allows you to learn and expand your intellectual and knowledge. A change in your environment is needed for a lucrative venture. Someone from your past is likely to disrupt your world. 3 stars

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Don't be shy when you have so much to offer. Look at the possibilities and make changes for a better, more interesting future. A change is in order, so don't procrastinate. Your ideas will be backed up when you voice them. 3 stars

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Love, romance, having fun and exploring new people can change your life for the better. Today if you see someone who interests you, carry on your own way and jump in with both feet. 4 stars

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Be careful what you say. You have the right idea but someone may try to steal your thunder and take credit for your hard work, plans or ideas. You don't need to take credit if you want to come out ahead.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Travel, adventure and on-the-town should part of your day. You will have a close friend who can tell you what others think of you and whether or not you can get away without saying you are doing it. 2 stars

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Now is the time to launch, presents and look at what you want to do and ask for it. You can construct something bad but you can buy into what you already own.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Emotional matters will surface, leaving you a little off balance and feeling uncertain about what to do next. Make sure you are happy with where you have made in the past. 3 stars

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Not everything will be cut out in the open. You'll have to be on your toes. Approach every deal with caution if someone is coming on too strong. An opportunity to make a professional move will be to your advantage. 4 stars

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Collect an old debt or pay off something that has been hanging over your head. Now is the time to fix a few personal changes that will boost your confidence or help you get into a better position. 3 stars

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Miller time

Fifth-year senior nets two goals as Irish beat Michigan

By DAN MURPHY
Sports Writer

Fifth-year senior forward Ryan Miller scored two first-half goals as Notre Dame shut out No. 19 Michigan 3-0 at Alumni Field Wednesday night.

The Irish (17-1-1) extended their unbeaten streak to eight games overall, and it was their seventh straight game without a loss against the Wolverines. Notre Dame is 6-0-1 in its most recent games against its regional rivals.

"It's our rival in just about every sport, and they're a great soccer team," Miller said. "It feels good to beat them, no matter what."

The senior needed less than two minutes to get the Irish on the board Wednesday. He intercepted a pass around midfield and dribbled to within 20 yards of the net before beating Wolverines junior goalkeeper Patrick Sporri to the lower right side of the goal.

Irish senior forward Ryan Miller fights for the ball during Notre Dame's 3-0 victory over Michigan Wednesday. Miller scored two first-half goals in the win.