College launches identity campaign

‘She’s Saint Mary’s’ new tagline for publications in attempt to make College more well known

By KATIE KOHLER and LIZ HARTER
News Writers

On the heels of two national rankings — by US News & World Report and the Princeton Review — Saint Mary’s is taking steps to break into national collegiate surveys by launching the “She’s Saint Mary’s” campaign, a continuation of last year’s identity initiative, College officials said.

The identity initiative is an ongoing process to better understand the image the College must present to gain the attention of prospective students and parents. The initiative was part of College President Carol Ann Mooney’s inaugural platform to make Saint Mary’s a nationally known institution.

“What this [campaign] goes back to is the grand idea of the identity initiative and understanding what our key audience knows about the College and their perceptions of it,” said Karen McDonald, the events vice president of integrated marketing communications.

“She’s Saint Mary’s” campaign, a continuing effort to increase the awareness of Saint Mary’s, is one of the College’s ongoing initiatives as part of the College’s Respect Life Week.

“This can help us remember those children who never even had a chance to be named,” said junior Emily Toates, a vice president of the group. “Through this memorial we can help remember those children who never even had a chance to be named.”

The 600 crosses has been an annual tradition, and the group added 3,600 pink and blue flags on South Quad in memory of aborted fetuses Thursday, an annual tradition as part of the Club’s Respect Life Week.

“The identity initiative was held this week in the LaFortune elevator lobby. Students could send anything they chose in a gallon-size plastic bag.

Junior class president Bob Reish said most students got a bag, went to the HuddleMart and purchased food to send. Senior John Fahy said he intended to send a variety of candy, cards and some American magazines in her care packages.

“Any student on campus could send packages abroad, regardless of their class year, in an attempt to make College more well known,” said Reish.

Right to Life displays memorial

By JOSEPH MCMAHON
News Writer

Notre Dame’s Right to Life club erected 600 white crosses and 3,600 pink and blue flags on South Quad Thursday, an annual tradition, and the group added 3,600 pink and blue flags this year to represent the estimated number of abortions performed in the United States each year.

Saint Mary’s new Web site design shows the new “She’s Saint Mary’s” identity campaign slogan.

Seventeen SYRs planned for weekend

Slew of home football games in October, November causes pile up of fall season dances

By GENE NOONE
News Writer

Seventeen residence halls will hold dances this weekend in advance of a series of home football games.

With fall break, Thanksgiving break and five home football games in between, the next time a dorm could host a dance would be the weekend of Dec. 1 — nearly two months from now, an official in the Student Activities Office (SAO) said.

“In the fall semester, it’s common to see many dances occurring on the weekends of away football games,” said Peggy Haustusko, the director of programming for student activities.

The lack of available venues and campus resources prevents dorms from holding dances on home football weekends, she said.

Many dorms hold their dances on away football weekends, but this weekend has five times more dances — commonly known as SYRs — than any other weekend so far this semester, according to the SAO’s 2007-08 Residence Hall dances schedule.

There is no limit as to how many dorms can hold SYRs in a given weekend.
Dear Jimsie...

I'm sure there are many students out there who are seeking advice from classic outside sources such as Dear Abby and Dear Sara of the Daily or wherever they pick up The Chicago Tribune, or whatever other newspapers and magazines they read through the News Production Department programs on both campuses. Or maybe I'm just the only one.

"Dear Jimsie" is a hilarious advice column written by a Notre Dame student, mainly for his friends and acquaintances on Facebook.

"Dear Jimsie" is primarily driven by Facebook and text messages, which began flowing out in early September in response to a text message prank making fun of his nickname. After that text message, Jimsie became so much more than a nickname. It became an advice column for the history books, much like Abby is just a rumor. But "Dear Abby" doesn't have the kind of letters in the ilk of you, Virginia, there really is a Suits Class.

Those who know about "Dear Jimsie," who are also Jimsie's Facebook friends or know his cell phone number, have easy access to Jimsie's excellent advice.

One of the reasons why is "Dear Jimsie" is that it's fun. Jimsie's excellent advice is often crass, and sometimes inappropriate. But it's always exciting because he always keeps you wondering what advice he has given other people.

In the short history of the "Dear Jimsie" column, he has given advice on relationships, social drinking, managing time conflicts, sleep deprivation, Facebook and text messages, which is also part of the shtick. Only those who know about "Dear Jimsie" will realize that they live with him post and write to every-one else who is friends with Jimsie on Facebook can realize that post, they cannot always see his response. Due to the privacy issues of Facebook, it is impossible to see a specific person's world if he is not your friend. This makes "Dear Jimsie" that much more exciting because he always keeps you wondering what advice he has given other people.

For instance, when "Dear Jimsie" asked how to approach the girl who is friends with him and his long-time girlfriend, he was told to call her phone number, have easy access to Jimsie's excellent advice.

It's not the only such incident in south central North Dakota this year. Emmson County rancher Sam Gross recently reported a large beef mouse in his cattle herd, and a moose also was spotted in a cattle herd in Mcleod County.

"Smugglers try to use bugs as drug mules A M S T E R D A M, Netherlands — As drug mules, bugs don't carry much weight. And they didn't get by customs in the Netherlands. A customs officer who took a closer look at a consignment of more than 100 large, dead bugs sent from Peru to the Netherlands discovered cocaine had been stashed in their backs.

"We see a lot of things, but this was a first for us," customs spokesman Kees Nanninga said Thursday.

"It looked like they were cut open, the drugs hidden in their backs and then they were glued back together again," he said.

Information compiled from the Associated Press.

OFFBEAT

Confused moose thinks he's a cow

CANNONBALL, N.D. — When Beverly and Ernie Fischer gathered up their cattle this fall in Morton County, they rounded up a little more than they expected. We were moving some cattle, and we got a moose," Ernie Fischer said. "He thinks he is a cow," said his wife. Ernie Fischer said it was difficult to get the young bull moose away from the cattle, and workers put it in a separate corral until it could be released. The moose also broke fences on the ranch 20 miles south of Mandan. It's not the only such incident in south central North Dakota this year. Emmson County rancher Sam Gross recently reported a large beef mouse in his cattle herd, and a moose also was spotted in a cattle herd in Mcleod County.

IN BRIEF

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

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

An informal halloweencostume concert featuring advanced students from the Department of Music and pianist Katie Palumbo and Mark Cerenzia in "Promo Performers" Hall, DeBartolo Performing Arts Center today at 12:10 p.m. The audience is welcome to bring their lunch to the performance.

"No End in Sight," the first film of its kind to chronicle the troubles behind Iraq's descent into guerilla war, will have a screening at the Black Cultural Arts Council in late October.

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 and Tuesday from 8 p.m. to 10 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.
Ticket sales strong despite 0-5 record

By KRISTEN EDELEN
News Writer

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By NIKKI TAYLOR and KATHLYN SMITH
News Writers

Saint Mary’s hosted the South Bend “Light the Night” walk Thursday — a 2.3-mile walk to raise money for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society, with all funds raised going toward research to cure blood cancer.

Saint Mary’s freshman Kathy Chlebda, who was diagnosed with lymphoma in 2006 and finished treatment in April, e-mailed Saint Mary’s over the summer to see if the “Light the Night” walk took place in South Bend.

The walk is happening in South Bend before but this was the first year the event was held at Saint Mary’s.

Until Chlebda’s e-mail, “I had never heard of the walk before,” said Carrie Call, the director of the Office for Social and Civil Engagement at Saint Mary’s. “It’s beautiful.”

Call, along with head softball coach Erin Sullivan, helped organize the event at Saint Mary’s.

The walk took place at dusk, and each participant carried a red balloon with a light inside. Blood cancer survivors carried a white balloon.

“It was very moving, which I wasn’t expecting,” Call said. “Meeting people face to face is the really powerful stuff.”

“Light the Night” had 330 people registered this morning, but at walk time approximately 450 people showed up, said Crystal Jones, Indiana’s “Light the Night” director.

The youngest survivor present was an eighth and a half month-old girl. She was diagnosed at four and half months. The oldest survivor was a man in his seventies, Call said.

Many Notre Dame and Saint Mary’s students participated in the walk. Participants enter individually or as part of a team, Call said. “Team Kathy,” named for Chlebda, raised the most money, Call said.

Other student groups walking included athletic teams and the Saint Mary’s Board of Governance.

Saint Mary’s senior Maggie Jespersen walked with a team of other elementary education majors called “Team El-Ed.”

“The walk is really cool,” Jespersen said. “It’s a really good turnout. It’s really wonderful seeing all the T-shirts for the different teams.”

Notre Dame sophomore Bryan Hoffman also did the walk.

“My brother’s girlfriend is a survivor, and we did the walk in high school,” he said. “It was fun community building before the walk.”

Prior to the walk, survivors of blood cancers shared their stories. Each year’s event honors a person who has or has battled a blood cancer. This year’s South Bend Honored Hero was Paige Robinson.

Diagnosed with leukemia at the age of five, Robinson has been in remission for five years and will attend seventh grade at Trinity Lutheran School in Elkhart, Ind.

She encouraged students to raise money for research of the disease.

Founded in 1959, the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society has raised more than $550.8 million for research targeting blood cancers.

Jones summed up the evening’s events as a success.

“This turnout and this community really came our and wrapped their arms around us,” Jones said.

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Special to The Observer

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By NICK BOCK

In the early 19th century, the American public was in the middle of a fever outbreak that was sweeping through the country. The fever was dengue, and it was caused by a virus spread by the Aedes aegypti mosquito.

In the late 18th century, a European woman named Sleeper-Smith traveled to the Caribbean to study the effects of dengue fever on the local population. She conducted extensive research and collected data on the disease and its spread.

Sleeper-Smith was a prominent figure in the field of tropical medicine, and her work helped to establish the field as a distinct discipline.

She wrote several books on the subject, including "Ten Little Indians," which describes the spread of dengue fever in the Caribbean.

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In the mid-1800s, Sleeper-Smith's research continued, and she began to focus on the impact of dengue fever on the local economy.

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NATIONAL NEWS

Prosecutors prepare O.J.'s case
LAS VEGAS — A judge Thursday scheduled a hearing next month for prosecutors to present evidence against O.J. Simpson and five other men accused of kidnapping and robbing a sports memorabilia dealer at gunpoint.
Justice of the Peace Joe Bonaventure Jr. ordered the defendants and their lawyers to attend the hearing on Nov. 8 and possibly the next day.
Rejecting a request from one of the defendants' lawyers for a later date, Bonaventure said, "I have to consider the state, co-defendants, witnesses [and] the general public." Clinton County and one man from Scotland were arrested.

Safety questioned after factory fire
GEORGETOWN, Colo. — Federal investigators focused Thursday on working conditions and safety procedures inside the hydroelectric plant tunnel where five workers died after a fire erupted on the equivalent of two engines they were using.
Autopsies were pending, but authorities believe smoke and fumes from Tuesday's fire killed the workers as they sat trapped deep underground. Communication from the crew ended about an hour after the fire broke out.

LOCAL NEWS

Indiana to cut mercury emissions
INDIANAPOLIS — Indiana will cut mercury emissions from coal-fired power plants by two-thirds over the next two decades under a federal rule approved by a state panel that endorsed such steps as a way to ensure adequate health protection.
Environmentalists say the rule will help reduce mercury in the state's air and water, where it is found in trace amounts.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Iraqi official killed in bombings
BAGHDAD — A bomb hit the top Shiite official in a volatile area south of Baghdad and an anti-Salafis Sumri slept to the site of a suicide car bombing, according to police reports.
Abbas Hassun Hanza, a political moderate and the top official in the Iskandariyah district, was killed by a bomb that struck his convoy while he was going to work, a police officer said. Four of his bodyguards also were killed and one was wounded, the officer said, speaking on condition of anonymity because he feared retribution.

Stolen da Vinci painting recovered
LONDON — Detectives on Thursday recovered a Leonardo da Vinci painting that was stolen from a Scottish castle in a daring daylight raid four years ago.
Officers raided an address in Glasgow and arrested a man who had been on the run, the Yardwinder, "Scotland's Dumbries and Galloway police said. Three men from England and one man from Scotland were arrested.

Dozens arrested on child porn charges
TRENTON — More than three dozen people in New Jersey have been charged with sending child pornography over the Internet, officials said Thursday.
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South Korea

North Korea ready to disarm weapons

DPKR pledges at Pyongyang summit to shut down major nuclear facilities by end of year

SEUL — North Korea pledged Wednesday to detail its nuclear programs and disable all activities at its main nuclear complex by the end of the year, its firmest commitment to disarm after decades seeking to develop the world's deadliest weapons.

The agreement at talks in China came on the same day North Korea added 11 held talks in the communist nation's capital of Pyongyang with South Korean President Roh Moo-hyun at the first summit between the two countries in seven years.

In Washington, President Bush hailed the nuclear deal and said it reflected the "common commitment" of the talks to shut down North Korea's atomic weapons program.

Under an agreement reached in February, Pyongyang was required to shut down and seal its sole operating reactor at its main nuclear complex, which it did in July after the U.S. reversed its hard-line policy against the regime. The second phase required it to disable the reactor and provide a full description of all nuclear programs. Wednesday's agreement calls for that to happen by the end of the year.

The North said it would allow the U.S. to lead a group of experts to Pyongyang within two days "to prepare for disablement" of its nuclear facilities.

Environmentalists have said the reduction of hydroelectric plants would lower the intelligence of children whose mothers eat tainted fish during pregnancy and can lower the intelligence of children whose mothers eat tainted fish during pregnancy. Some women have said the reduction goal falls short because mercury is a potent neurotoxin that ends up in the food chain and can lower the intelligence of children whose mothers eat tainted fish during pregnancy.

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South Korean president Roh Moo-hyun, left, meets North Korean leader Kim Jong Il. North Korea said Wednesday it would disclose and discontinue its major nuclear operations.

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The investigation, dubbed Operation Silent Shield, encompassed 12 of New Jersey's 21 counties and numerous law enforcement agencies. The arrests began 10 days ago and continued through Thursday, state police said.

The 41 people, who range in age from 14 to 71, were charged with child pornography possession and distribution and face 18 months to 10 years in jail. They have jobs ranging from elevator repairman to car salesman to security guard to land mower to auto mechanic.

A Woodbridge man who was arrested was a referee for girls high school volleyball, state police said.

No one has been charged with creating the images and videos, though state Attorney General Anne Milgram said the investigation is continuing. She said officials will scour thousands of DVDs and more than 80 videocassettes confiscated during the arrests.

Milgram said the videos last up to 15 minutes and feature children estimated to be children in age from 4 to 9 years.

She said officials have identified some children involved. She declined to discuss any details about the children, but said the images are disturbing.
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The first phase and 'She's Saint Mary's' is a way for our students to represent themselves and their friends and the strengths and weaknesses.

The new tagline, 'She's Saint Mary's,' is now prevalent on all College publications, ads, mandatory and Web pages.

The campaign was co-organized by Vice President for College Communications, Shari Rodriguez and Vice President for Enrollment Management Dan Murray.

"We really were looking at our messages and they were all so different," Rodriguez said. "It wasn't the best practice for an institution like Saint Mary's, and we became concerned about our unified message and helping students understand all that is Saint Mary's.

Throughout the search for a new brand, the College used market research and surveys of alumnae, faculty and students to find out what Saint Mary's meant to them - the result was the two-word slogan.

"It really seemed to resonate in the broadest aspect of Saint Mary's constituents," Rodriguez said. "Everybody saw a way to connect."

The implementation targeted the personal stories of students and faculty at Saint Mary's to them.

"The alumnae love the stories of what students experience here," Rodriguez said. "We're focusing on the rigorous academic experience and relationships students have with each other and with faculty. Those are things that they felt really strongly about as they look back on their experience.

"The implementation of the campaign was a continuous improvement," McDonald said, sparked by the desire to cater to the needs of the student body.

"The catalyst for the research," she said. "This is a series of surveys and evaluations last year, we were able to pinpoint our strengths and weaknesses.

"Our strengths, we found, were academics. Our faculty is strong, we have small classes, our academic preparation is pretty amazing alumni. We found out that these were the things that are important to our prospects and we weren't effectively communicating it before.

"The main issue was communicating the benefits of the College in an effective manner," McDonald said.

"We didn't have an issue with the benefits," she said. "Those have not changed. We just didn't communicate them correctly. This is a campaign to bring these characteristics and quality to the forefront.

"The timing of the campaign is meant to attract the prospective applicant pool for the Class of 2012.

"This is a time when many young women are exploring colleges," McDonald said. "The Web can be used as a key resource for high school students who haven't had a chance to visit our campus yet.

"Brochures to recruit high school seniors were the first materials carrying the slogan. The brochures, known as "viewbooks," were first distributed in July.

"They were important because they included information the prospects wanted to hear about the College," McDonald said.

"The new slogan and the designs have a "more contemporary and cleaner look," McDonald said.

"We have already started using our new ads in the Notre Dame football programs and the South Bend Tribune," she said. "They already reflect our new image.

"One of the most accessible changes, McDonald, is the redesigning of the Web site, which officially relaunched Monday.

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"Our biggest next step is further refinement of the Web site that can work best for students," Karen McDonald, acting vice president, Integrated Marketing Communications

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University handed everything else, including shipping charges.

The event was a great way to introduce the full junior class, Reisch said, because most students studying overseas are part of the Class of 2009. The class council hopes to have the packages delivered before Thanksgiving would give enough time to sort out all the parts and get them to their specific destinations. Reisch said.

"It's a great way to let people who are studying abroad know their friends are thinking of them and sending them a little part of home," Behr said.

Kenspler said she sent six separate care packages.

"I decided not to tell my friends about sending those packages because I think it would be more fun for them to get a surprise," she said.

The opportunity to send care packages will also be available during the spring semester, Reisch said.

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weekend, Hnatuk said. But a large number requires a great deal of work from campus resources used for dances.

"The campus services, like Catering by Design, have been preparing for the busy weekend.

"We're attempting to work with students as fluidly as possible to accommodate the needs they have during these weekends," said Lisa Wenzel, Catering by Design, assistant director for special events.

Catering by Design tries to plan all events as early as possible when residence halls begin to coordinate their events.

Although demands on campus services will be high, Wenzel said, the catering service has enough staffers ready to work the events.

While campus services may not have a difficult time adjusting to busy SYR weekends, students, like sophomore Ryan Lavorgna, often find it difficult especially when it comes in finding a date.

"It's hard to find someone to go to SYRs with when it seems like every dorm is having its own SYR," Lavorgna said.

Three of the dances will be held off campus, Hnatuk said.

"Some of the themes of this weekend's SYRs include "Auburn School Girl" for Walsh Hall, "Rock star party O'Neal" for Keenan and "Party Like a Rock Star" for the dance co-hosted by the four dorms on Mudd Quad.

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2007-08 Season
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SYR Weekend Schedule
Monday, October 8 through Friday, October 12
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Chinese products with lead recalled
WASHINGTON — More than a half-million Chinese-made products were recalled Thursday, including "Pirates of the Caribbean" and Baby Einstein toys, because they contain dangerous levels of lead, the Consumer Product Safety Commission announced.

In the first such lawsuit to go to trial, the record companies accused Thomas of downloading the songs without permission and offering them online through a Kazaa file-sharing account. Thomas denied wrongdoing and testified that she didn't have a Kazaa account. Record companies have filed some 26,000 lawsuits since 2003 over file-sharing, which has hurt sales because it allows people to get music for free instead of paying for recordings in stores. Many other defendants have settled out of court by paying the companies a few hundred dollars.

The BIAA says the lawsuits have mitigated illegal sharing, even though much sharing is rising overall. The group says the number of households that have used file-sharing programs to download music declined from 6.9 million monthly in April 2004, before the lawsuits began, to 7.8 million in March 2007.

During the three-day trial, the record companies presented evidence they said showed the copyrighted songs were offered by a Kazaa user under the name "treestar." Their witnesses, including officials from an Internet provider and a security firm, testified that the Internet address used by "treestar" belonged to Thomas. Toder said in his closing argument that the companies never proved "Jammie Thomas, a human being, got on her keyboard and sent out these things."

"We don't know what happened," Toder told jurors. "All we know is that Jammie Thomas didn't do this." Gabriel called that defense "misdirection, red herrings, smoke and mirrors." He told jurors a verdict against Thomas would send a message to other illegal downloaders.

"I only ask that you consider that the need for deterrence here is great," he said. Copyright law sets a damages range of $750 to $30,000 per infringement, or up to $150,000 if the violation was willful. "Willful jurors ruled that Thomas's infringement was willful but awarded damages of $9,250 per song. Gabriel said they did not explain to attorneys afterward how they reached that amount.

Thomas, of Brainard, works for the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe's Department of Natural Resources. Before the verdict, an official with an industry trade group said he was surprised it had taken so long for one of the industry's lawsuits against individual downloaders to come to trial.

U.S. dollar falls after factory slump
NEW YORK — Gold and oil prices rebounded from three days of declines Thursday as the dollar resumed its slide against the euro and other major world currencies.

Metal prices fell, while agricultural futures ended mixed. The world's largest diplomatic mission, has been beset by construction and logistical problems. "They still substantially behind at this point," and it would be surprising if any offices or living quarters would be occupied before the end of the year, one official said The Associated Press.

Problems identified so far are related to the country's physical plant, including heating systems, and do not pose a security risk, said the official, who was not authorized to speak publicly.

The official also said the delays would have no direct cost to taxpayers because contractor First Kuwait General Trading & Contracting Co. had agreed to defer for a set $902 million price.

Gold and silver prices rose. December gold added $8.10 to finish at $743.80 on the New York Mercantile Exchange, reversing direction after three days of declines. Gold has added about $100 an ounce since mid-August.

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students are "not critically engaged" outside of classes and library-based reading.

He unfavorably contrasted this with some past forums on global health and religion. This forum has done "a poor job" of generating student interest, he said, and had been excited to learn that immigration had been selected as the topic for this summer, but said that publicity had been "poorly played." "It wasn't until [Tuesday] that I saw forum posters. And I'm really involved with this issue."

The Center for Social Concerns "knows how to do something like this," he said. "The administration knows how to put together a good forum this weekend."

Angulo said the forum's Web site "looks awesome" but lamented a lack of links. The forum had suggested articles, he acknowledged, but he said that reading articles was "like class.

"It's a forum for the public with this perfect left room for "debate." He contrasted that with the University's "notable effort" in grinning posters for each of about 15 "sponsored" immigration discussion sessions. These events are mostly "unstructured," hour-long conversations with University- sponsored immigration discussion leaders. The event drew roughly 15 students at Stanford Hall, which Fahy considered a "great number for an unstructured, straight academic event.

'This much more interested in the points that impress them from a lot of people there," Fahy said. However, that interest isn't always evident. At a Sept. 25 screening of a film on Jewish immigration, an award-winning documentary filmmaker had an audience of only two people — both Observer staffers with assignments to cover or photograph the event. Political science professor Tara Lavelle said she was encouraged, though, that the University was taking more steps to bring students in the immigration issue. She thought that it was particularly important for students to understand how immigration would affect America's foreign policy and economy. The U.S., she said, has a "real opportunity to increase its pluralistic character by serving as an immigration magnet, within the framework of the American political system."

Archbishop of Los Angeles Cardinal Roger Mahony, Arizona Gov. Janet Napolitano, Sen. Mel Martinez, Gov. Jeb Bush, Maricopa County Sheriff Joe Arpaio, and Louis Barletta, mayor of Hazelton, Penn., will speak in the forum's p.m. in the Joyce Center. Brian Bak, a junior in computer science and correspondent for The NewsHour with Jim Lehrer, will moderate the panel.

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Memorial

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season. "Two displays was a profound way of recognizing how large the numbers truly are," said senior Adam Hoock, the club's other vice president.

"Around the crosses and flags stood signs with statistics about abortion. One read: "In the time it takes to play one Notre Dame football game, 600 children are aborted."

The signs also advertised Project Rachel and the Women's Care Center — both groups that help women deal with emotional and physical problems that may arise from having an abortion.

Roses were collected in memory of the women who have suffered and died because of abortion or developed post abortion syndrome, a psychological disorder.

"The large crosses and the roses were dedicated to those women who have suffered," said Mary Walter, president of the Right to Life Club. "To be pro-life is not only about caring about the unborn. It's about the loss of life, across the entire spectrum. And that includes the women who have suffered."

The club's primary goal with the display was to raise awareness of abortion-related issues. "We know there will always be some negative feedback, we are not trying to start a controversy," Walter said. "We are just trying to raise awareness of this important Catholic issue as well as express our sorrow for those whose lives were cut short.

"To me it is a realization of the importance of it is about what people think," she said. "And whether their reaction is negative or positive, it still involves people from being passed over having an abortion."

"Student reaction was mixed. Some interviewed thought the display raised awareness and was tasteful."

"I really like the fact that it is a memorial, not a protest," said freshmen Sandra Nazareth. "It speaks for itself and really grabs your attention as you walk past."

Others thought changes could be made to the memorial. "I think it's a great show, but you need to display more information," said senior Brian Bak. "They have signs up, but they needed more in order to really inform people about the issue."

Other students simply disagreed with the presence of the memorial. "I think the pro-life supporters have a right to express their views with the crosses and flags, but I have a problem with the language on some of the posters," said freshman Lauren Weber. "They say X amount of women tragically get abortions every year and portray women who have abortions in a negative light. It's a tough choice that some women make, and they shouldn't be vilified for making the decision that's best for them."

This year, the Right to Life club received help from the University that it had never been able to receive. "In the past the University was not very proactive," Walter said. "Now, Campus Ministry is co-sponsoring Right to Life to week with us. In addition to giving us their full support, they will be distributing prayer cards and encouraging priests to say pro-life homilies on Sunday."

The Right to Life club will continue its efforts to encourage discussion on all anti-abortion issues. Right to Life Week's keynote speaker is Dawn Parko, a double Domer with multiple disabilities.

"We are trying to examine all different types of pro-life issues, and although abortion is the one we focus most on, we are trying to show recht. "But all we are trying to say in the short term is reaching out within the Notre Dame community and helping people learn about this important issue."

"Notre Dame students are proven leaders, and we know if we can raise their awareness now then, in the long term, they can help expand our work far beyond our community," she said.

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Engineering prof wins new medal

Ahlan Karene receives award for his research

Special to The Observer

The International Association of Civil Engineering and Geological Sciences at Notre Dame has inducted Karene, an associate professor of civil engineering, as a fellow. The award is one of only 15 presented worldwide each year, and he is the first civil engineer to receive it.

Three Days of Reflection on the Eucharist

Hammes Student Lounge-Coughlin Morse Center

Monday, October 8

Dr. David Fagerberg

Theology of the Eucharist

Tuesday October 9

Rev. Michael Driscoll

The Formation of the Eucharist

Wednesday October 10

Rev. Peter D. Rocca, C.S.C

The Liturgical Reform of St. Pius X

Vatican Council

Pizza and Soft Drinks will be available

A rectified Tridentine Mass will be celebrated on the campus of the Academic Year Program members of the Notre Dame Community at 8:00 a.m. in the Alumni Hall Chapel beginning October 14, 2007. Students are requested to come to the Alumni Chapel door which faces the South Quad.

The extraordinary form of the Roman Rite is offered in response to the directives of the motu proprio Summorum pontificum of Pope Benedict XVI issued July 7, 2007.

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Father Bill Christensen discusses how poverty he encountered in Bangladesh moved him to start organization

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"Working for Change: Empowering the Poor of Bangladesh.

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"They all have the connection with the poor people," Christensen said. One hundred professionals are experts in agriculture, finance, engineering and many other fields, help organize and run the Institute.

The services provided to each family are dependent on their income and the number of meals the working members can provide per day. The IHBD helps families with the cost of meals.

"We have the bottom poor, called one-meal-a-day families," Christensen said. "The next level is two meals a day. The third level is three meals for nine months and two meals during the difficult season. Then the fourth level poor are the less poor who have three meals a day but who are on the borderline."

The number of meals in the model refers to the number of families can provide for their income. Other organizations that use this model include the United Nations World Food Program and government directors from Bangladesh.

The IHBD also provides one-room schools that hold 30 children.

"The children are from the poorest families," Christensen said. "In order to make them enjoy school, we do poetry exercises. We teach them the bamboo and grasses necessary to build the schoolroom as part of their monetary contribution. The IHBD then pays for the labor to build the rooms, and it usually comes to $7 for the whole project." The biggest industry professionals, the silk industry. Christensen said. The IHBD also provides jobs for the woman in Bangladesh. The men and women make equal amounts. In addition, the IHBD provides families to increase their income by 40 percent. The jobs consist of embroidery and tailoring.

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Development institute founder describes work

By ASHLEY CHARNEY

The problem of poverty is "immense," Father Bill Christensen, who founded the Institute of Integrated Rural Development (IHBD), said at Saint Mary's Wednesday.

"We are working to aid the people of Bangladesh was the topic of Christensen's lecture Wednesday. He also discussed "Working for Change: Empowering the Poor of Bangladesh."

Christensen, who is also the founding director of the Institute, has been working in Bangladesh since 1986. In a global scale, 18,000 children and 12,000 adults die every day from lack of poverty and malnutrition.

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Secret papers allegedly authorize torture techniques for terror suspects

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Senate and House Democrats demanded Thursday to see two secret memos that reportedly explicitly authorized specific interrogation tactics approved by the Justice Department's acting attorney general saying the administration seemed to back away Thursday to say the memo was never authorized. The two Democrats also asked that Steven Bradbury, Bush administration's chief of legal counsel, "be made available for prompt testimonies." The memos were disclosed in Thursday's edition of The New York Times. They revealed that the first 2005 legal opinion authorized the use of head slaps, freezing temperatures and simulated drowning. Knowing that any of these Marines lost control or went on a rampage, "we've made the best decisions I could have at the time," Puckett said.

"The program, which has taken us to 13 different countries in U.S. law and policy, has produced vital information that has helped our country disrupt terrorist plots and save innocent lives," Little said in a statement.

"Neither Attorney General Gonzales nor anyone else with in the Justice Department or withdrew that opinion," Roehrke said in a statement. "Accordingly, any advice that the department would have ever authorized the techniques would rely upon, and he fully conformed with, any legal standards articulated in the December 2004 memorandums."

"This country does not torture," White House spokes­ man Tony Fratto confirmed. "It is a policy of the United States to not torture, and we do not."

Perino would not comment on Thursday on the 2005 opinion authorized specific interrogation practices, such as hood­ slapping and simulated drowning. She initially said the first classified opinion was dated Feb. 5, 2005, but White House spokesman Tony Fratto corrected Perino's statement later Thursday to say the memo was dated May 2005. Another administration official said it was dated May 2005.

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Charges for Haditha Marines may reset

Soldier faces murder charge for Iraq assault

Associated Press

SAN DIEGO — An investigating officer has recommended that a Marine who led a squad that killed 24 Iraqis may be acquitted of murder or cuffed, a deputy attorney defense attorney said Thursday.

That recommendation and an earlier one made by the same officer is accepted by the general over­ seeing the case, which is likely based on pardoning, no one will face murder charges in the biggest case involving civilian deaths in Iraq.

Lt. Col. Paul Ware recom­ mended that Staff Sgt. Frank Wuterich, charged with the unpremeditated murder of 17 Iraqis, be tried instead for negligent homicide in the deaths of five chil­ dren and two women in the Iraqi town of Haditha, marine's attorney Neal Puckett said.

Wuterich, 27, of Meriden, Conn., has admitted the deaths but had operated within combat rules and "made the best decisions I could have at the time," Puckett said. "We're both very pleased and also not surprised, given how the other cases have gone," Puckett said. "There has never been any inkling that any of these Marines lost control or went on a rampage."

A Marine Corps spokesman. Lt. Col. Gibson declined to comment. If convicted of murder, Wuterich would face a maxim­ um sentence of life in prison. A count of negligent homicide carries a maximum sentence of three years, Puckett said.

"This is a major blow to the prosecution," said Tom Umberg, a retired Army colonel and former military prosecutor. "Negligent homici­ de is at the lower end of the spectrum," he added, noting that Ware could have rec­ ommended manslaughter charges.

The killings occurred Nov. 19, 2005, when a bomb hit a Marine convoy, killing the driver of a Humvee and wounding two other Marines. Wuterich and Sgt. John M. Mattis, who was charged with murder, pleads guilty to negligent homicide.

Ware reviewed evidence against Wuterich in a preli­ minary hearing known as an Article 32. He recommended that the investiga­ tion is nonbinding, and the final decision about whether Wuterich should stand trial rests with Lt. Gen. James Mattis, the commanding gen­ eral overseeing the case at Camp Pendleton.

Puckett said Ware also recom­ mended dropping charges against Wuterich of making a false official statement and tainting a tape to the same degree.

Of four enlisted Marines initially accused in the case, charges have been dropped against Dela Cruz and Lance Cpl. Justin Sharratt, Ware has recommended that all charges, including murder, be dismissed against Lance Cpl. Stephen Tatum, but Mattis has yet to act on that recommendation.
Jenkins can take a stand

Fifty years ago, a young priest at the helm of a growing University took a stand.

Notre Dame President Emeritus Father Theodore Hesburgh claimed his seat on the inaugural United States Commission on Civil Rights. He would serve on the Commission for 15 years, acting as a public face for both the University and the fight for civil equality for all Americans.

Hesburgh's action, through political, was an essentially moral stand. On an issue that was sadly all too controversial, he stood by the courage of his convictions — and made his views known.

Half a century later, another young priest is at the helm of Notre Dame — now a nationally-ranked school that seeks to be the greatest Catholic university in the world. During his first year as president, University President Father John Jenkins prompted extensive debates about the balance of academic freedom and Catholic identity at the University. He has proved willing and able to support serious consideration of difficult issues that are crucial to this University's future.

But great leaders are more than mere moderators; they themselves must take stands.

Jenkins' position is precarious. His job will become much more difficult if he alienates any members of the University community, and he often treads lightly on controversial issues.

On Monday, Notre Dame will welcome four of this country's most visible leaders on the issue of immigration. The group represents very different sides of the debate. Notre Dame's current television ad claims the University is "fighting for immigration reform." But it is unclear what this commitment to immigration reform means. Social attitudes on this campus are subject to the dual influence of Catholic social teaching and a vocal conservative population.

The topic of immigration reform is sure to generate strong support and opposing responses from members of the University community — like it has in the nation as a whole. Though the University may not want to take a controversial stand because of marketing concerns, it must ultimately take such stances to legitimize its claim as a leader on both moral and intellectual issues.

Students and faculty who want the University to continue to improve must support the idea of having a president willing to take a stand on moral issues, regardless of what those positions are.

That doesn't mean disagreements should be swept under the rug; it means the community should truly support freedom of opinion and respect a leader who puts his name on the line for controversial, but important, issues.

To become a great leader — and cement Notre Dame's position as a truly elite university — Jenkins must push himself to the forefront of public consciousness on the moral issues of our day, even in the face of opposition from within and outside the University community.

In the hot racial tensions of the 1950s, Hesburgh forged himself a name as one of the great 20th century American moral leaders. On an issue that was sadly all too controversial, he took a stand.

Jenkins can do the same, standing strongly on the issue of immigration. His presidential position as a truly elite university — Jenkins must push himself to the forefront of public consciousness on the moral issues of our day, even in the face of opposition from within and outside the University community. Though it may not want to take a controversial stand — but the University's best interest is to have a nationally known and well-respected president with a history of displaying his strong moral fortitude. Jenkins can be that president.
The Cubbie bandwagon

Megan Rybarczyk
junior

Drinking debate continues

First-hand facts about the Irish language

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Bicycles
Swiftly and Deadly Killers?

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Interpol has a lot to live up to. Widely acclaimed from the major music publications to the online tastemakers, its first record, "Brightness," was heralded for its gloomy yet danceable songs and its tight rhythm section, but even its first record, "Turn on the Bright Lights," was complete. Critical acclaim? Check. Potential hitmakers? Check. Major label debut forthcoming? Check. All these loaded dice against Interpol, but luckily for the band and the listeners, they've decided to stick to what made them (hence) famous.

Throughout "Our Love to Admire," the listener hears much of the same sounds of the first two albums. Only occasionally does the band step outside what it knows, making sure that, when it does, its experiments actually work for the band. Interpol knows that a radical change in style will alienate fans and an unchanging sound will cause them to lose interest. Instead, it adds keyboards in small doses, varies its tempos from song to song, and sticks to what it knows works. Lead singer Paul Banks' vocals grow on you — it's hard encouraging them to "feel." This continues most notably on "Mammal," once again showing off the band's arena-sized ambitions. Such has always been Interpol's dichotomy — the atmospheric gloom contrasting with its slightly danceable pop. And similar to their prior work, it is present here in spades.

Another constant carried over from previous albums is obscure lyrics. Interpol has never been easy to interpret; its songs have always seemed to be about some combination of things — love, sex, women and New York City. This time around it looks like the reception of a rock 'n' roll lifestyle can be added to this, if song titles like "No Fun in Threesome" and "Rest My Chemistry" are any indication. Don't worry though, Interpol have not become Mylène Farmer, and the lyrics about such decadence are far and few between (and likely tongue in cheek anyway).

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McGlinn hosts Meal of Nations Sunday

By MICHELLE FORDICE

Observer Staff Report

McGlinn Hall hosts its annual Meal of Nations in Lafitte from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Sunday.

The Meal of Nations is a food tasting of different international cuisines. This year's event will also feature performances by on-campus student groups VSAND (Vietnamese Student Association of Notre Dame) and FASO (Filipino-American Student Organization). All proceeds from the event go to benefit the Our Lady of Fatima Parish in Hondo Valley, in the Dominican Republic.

McGlinn Hall Multicultural Commissioner Lai-Nin Wan urged students to attend.

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American rock band Interpol has attained both commercial and critical success with its past three albums.

INTERPOL STAYS TRUE AND KEEPS OUR ADMIRATION

By RYAN RAFFIN

Observer Writer

Interpol performs in New York City, where its members first formed their band while students at New York University.

Photo courtesy of skewy/skewyspace.com

The album opens to a slow burn of guitar and keyboard on "Pioneer to the Falls" which sets the listener up for nearly six minutes of Doors-influenced bliss. Easily the album's best song, it stands among the finest the band has ever written. Don't get the idea that this is an album with one good song though. The first single, "The Heinrich Maneuver," brings the dance-y up-tempo pop the band has always had, a la older songs "Obstacle" and "Evil." This continues most notably on "Mammal," once again showing off the band's arena-sized ambitions. Such has always been Interpol's dichotomy — the atmospheric gloom contrasting with a slightly danceable pop. And similar to their prior work, it is present here in spades.

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Is the album perfect? Not quite, but close enough to be called great. The album lags in its second half, but picks up nicely for the final three songs. Minor fiber issues aside, this is definitely one of the best albums of the year. Interpol should be proud to add such a fine piece of work to its already stellar discography.

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Women's Interhall Football

BP erases 18-point deficit to tie Pangborn at 24

Babes convert two 3-point conversions in second-half comeback; PW blanks Badin; Lyons and Lewis play to a draw

By Matt Gamber, Eugene T. Fazio, and Sam Werner

It was a tale of two sides after the final snap of Thursday’s tie between Pangborn and Breen-Phillips. While the Babes (12-2-1) who are all but ensured a playoff spot brought their game on both sides as if their season had ended, the Babes (14-1-1) celebrated as if they had won the title after miraculously erasing an 18-point deficit in the final minutes.

For much of the game, it looked like the Megan Bescher show, as Pangborn’s sophomore captain scored four touchdowns to put the Foxes in control and up 24-6. Bescher scored in a pair of 45-yard returns, a nine-yard return and a three-yard pass from freshman quarterback Golubski and freshman Katie Rose Rosenberg for a 13-yard touchdown.

"The defense was really struggling early on, and we could barely scrape out four points," Bescher said.

It looked as if Pangborn would cruise to an easy win, but the Babes hadn’t so much as threatened since junior quarterback Melissa Meagher and senior Gabby Tate (9-4) had thrown the first pass of the season.

"We work on our hurry-up offense in practice all the time, and today we finally got the hang of it," Bescher said.

"We checked out at the end of the game, it wasn’t giving up its playoff spot to anyone," Bescher said. "Give them credit; they got back to their game plan, and they deserve the tie." Bescher added.

"We’re already looking forward to our game on Sunday," Bescher said.

Passerella West 16, Badin 0

Passerella West proved Wednesday that it’s not giving up its playoff spot to anyone. An interception by senior Anne Fournie set the tone in the first half, and the Purple Weasels defeated Badin 16-0.

"We’re obviously good to get a win; we came into this pretty pissed off (because) we’ve had such close losses," senior Captain Tina Marinucci said after the game.

Passerella West went to score again in the second half, running in another touchdown and widening its lead over Badin. However, Badin didn’t let PW get its win that easily.

The Bullfrogs stopped the Weasels twice in the red zone in the second half. Freshman Anne Spont blocked multiple passes, and sophomore Melissa Youngman blocked a field goal at 15-6.

On the offensive side, Badin senior quarterback Katie Rose Hackney connected a few times with junior Courtney Raymond, but Badin couldn’t keep its flags from Passerella West.

"Passerella West has a very strong defense, and our defense didn’t make anything easy well tonight, (our) offense just couldn’t get stuff going," Hackney said.

Hackney looks forward to the team’s future since Badin ran a long shot to the playoffs.

"I think that since our team this season was young, we definitely had to make a lot of adjustments this year. Usually time runs out on us, but we got lucky that tonight we had just enough time."

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The Babs, however, had other plans. Freshman Christy Golubski and freshman Katie Meagher had interceptions that kept the Babes in the game until the offense could find its scoring touch.

On a fourth-and-19 from the Babes’ 23 following Bescher’s fourth touchdown, Meagher stepped up in the pocket and hit freshman Jasmine Williams in stride for a 60-yard touchdown pass. Forced to go for a two-point conversion point from the 15-yard line, Meagher threw it up to freshman Gabriela Moriel, who made a leaping catch in traffic to cut the lead.

"We almost rely on long plays as an offense because we feel like we have an advantage," said Meagher, who completed 16-of-38 passes for 229 yards. "The offensive line and wide receivers played flawlessly, which gave me a lot of time to make good decisions."

The Babes defense forced a quick three-and-out, and Williams returned the ensuing punt 15 yards to the Pangborn 26. Meagher’s next three passes fell incomplete and looked as if the Babes comeback would fall short until Meagher, again on fourth down, found Moriel, who got it all the way to the two.

On the next play, Meagher scrambled to the right and went untouched for a two-yard touchdown run. The Babes again went for three to make it 24-24, and Meagher again got the ball, who finished with nine catches for 93 yards — not including the two over the hundred three-point conversions.

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"We came out and we all had to execute and keep doing things," Meagher said. "Everyone did their job."

Babes’ senior Danielle Spellman, who threw for 13-for-32, 122 yards and two touchdowns to put the Phoxes on the board, said: "This game is our season."

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Marion Jones admitted to doping before '00 Olympics

Associated Press

Marion Jones admitted using steroids before the 2000 Olympics in a recent letter to close family and friends, The Washington Post reported Thursday.

Jones, a triple gold medalist in Sydney, said she took "the clear" for two years, beginning in 1999, and that she got it from former coach Trevor Graham, the newspaper reported. Graham told her it was flaxseed oil.

"The clear" is a performance-enhancing drug linked to BALCO, the lab at the center of the steroids scandal in professional sports.

Until now, Jones had steadfastly denied she ever took any kind of performance-enhancing drugs.

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MLB PLAYOFFS
Matsui’s grand slam lifts Rockies over Phils

Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA — Done chas ing that wild-card spot, Kaz Matsui and the relentless Colorado Rockies are playing like champs.

Matsui hit his first career grand slam and drove in five runs, leading the Rockies over the Philadelphia Phillies 10-5 Thursday for a 2-0 lead in their NL playoff series.

A day after taking a pitchers’ duel, Colorado outslugged the Phils and got a big effort from its bullpen. With 16 victories in 17 games, the Rockies are winning every which way.

“We believe we’re going to win every game,” manager Clint Hurdle said. “We’ve been playing in the loser’s bracket for a month.”

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Booted out of New York after 2 1/2 seasons with the Mets, Matsui is a perfect fit in colorado.

“I couldn’t make good results in New York,” Matsui said through a translator. “I’m glad I have a good environment and a good team in Colorado.”

The Rockies have plenty of talent returning from a 2006-07 squad that fell only 4 1/2 points shy of a third straight Big East championship.

At the 2007 conference championships, sophomore John Lyle set school records in the 800-yard freestyle relay, 200 freestyle, 100 freestyle and 400 freestyle relay. Junior Daniel Rave set a school record in the 200 breaststroke. Other returning all-conference swimmers are junior Wood, sophomore Andrew Hoffman, junior Sam Pendergast, senior Jay Vandenberg and senior Bob Beery.

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ND SWIMMING
Irish start season with Relays

Men and women defend last season’s victory over Ball State

By CHRIS DOYEN Special Writer

Notre Dame gets its season started today at 5 p.m. with the 43rd annual Dennis Stark Relays at the Aquatics Center.

At fast season’s edition of the event, both the men and the women claimed victory over second-place Ball State.

The men won the title for the 19th time in 21 years, and the women swept all 11 swimming events while claiming one of the two diving events.

Both the men and women have the personnel to defend their titles.

In addition to the returning performers — freshman diving duo of Tiffany Hobak and Natalie Stitt, who won the diving title — by 228 1/2 points shy of a third straight Big East championship.

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and getting our offense some momentum this weekend." 

But Keough said the contributions from Keough's strong defensive line as the offense struggled to succeed.

Allen had a bye last week, so he is 0-1 heading into this weekend's game after an opening weekend loss to Morristown.

"To beat Morrissey, Keough stopped the pass, which is something we could not do and is the reason why we lost on Thursday," senior
captain Bret Shapot said. "We expect to play a tough game on defense and put together several solid defensive drives," he continued. "Beating Morrissey does not give Keough an easy game against Alumna.

Shapot said senior linebacker Nick Fenslau and senior defensive
end Ethan Burns should be the solid contributors on defense.

On offense, quarterback Pat Flaherty was looking to keep the Keough defense on their toes.

"The offense has emerged as a strong dual threat signal caller.

Keough vs. Dillon

Dillon is the reason why we lost on three possessions, as well.

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eras.

Both teams are trying to get their offense on track and say for sure that they can maintain their success.

Keough is coming off its first loss in two years, after the Kangaroos beat West Quad 31-6 last weekend.

Although Duffy gives Keough its first loss and points out that they cannot afford another loss, senior captain Nick Bencomo said, "We have to win out in order to make the playoffs."

For O'Neill, this season has been a roller coaster. Starting Out-2 was expect- ed just one season removed from the 2006 title.

"Our team is coming off of a devastating-three-point loss. We were completely shut out of our playoff hopes alive. Last week's game was a strong indication that we cannot afford another loss," senior captain Nick Bencomo said. "We have to win out in order to make the playoffs."

Morrissey's strength this year has been its defense, which has allowing just three points total to opposing offenses this year. Its weakness, which was evident in last weekend's games, plays and its offensive executed.

Just as Morrissey's defense was putting together an inspir- ing performance, Keough was able to bring our strong, best." senior captain Patrick Conley said.

The Indians' playoff inexperience have shown that they're not ready.

"They just went out there and played the game," said O'Neill, a president of the members. "We don't have to have a whole lot of offense to play this game. We just need to keep it simple and play baseball.

"Our pass defense must improve as well," he added.

"We need to come out and hit someone in the mouth. Try to get them frustrated as much as possible," said O'Neill. "We just need to go out and play football."

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By JARED JEDICK
Sports Writer

Saint Mary’s travels to Bedford Valley Golf Club in Raymore, Mo. today to begin the two-day MIAA Championship meet that opens the team’s season.

"Our goal is to win the two-day tournament, that is it," Hamilton said. "We will have to maintain our second-place position in the conference, but because then we will be able to host a qualifying tournament next year."

The team is coming off a lackluster performance at the third season opener at Buck Run Golf Course, in which it was unable to overcome an opening deficit almost out of reach.

"It was a little disappointing. We started off well, but we defi-
nitely ended badly. We had a couple big scores that cost us," Hamilton said.

Parnevik fires career round in Texas Open

Associated Press

SAN ANTONIO – Jesper Parnevik spent two months this year trying to play with an injured toe. He broke it while scrambling around on his boat and jamming his foot into a case of beer.

No, Parnevik wasn’t drinking.

"That was the problem," he said. "The case was full."

Now Parnevik ran a colonel of play. He shot a career-best 63 on Thursday to take a five-stroke lead after the first round of the Texas Open, overcoming an opening bogey to birdie eight of the next 11 holes.

The 42-year-old Swede, winless since winning the 2000 and 2001 PGA Tour titles in 2001, also birdied his final two holes — Nos. 8 and 9 — to move up the back nine on the LaCantera Golf Club Resort Course. The 63 topped his previous PGA Tour best of 62, set last year in a secon-
day-place finish in the Bob Hope Chrysler Classic.

"Normally, that’s where the panic sets in. That’s going to be a really sorry day," Parnevik said.

"But I came into this week feeling well right now. We have been hampered with injuries, and there was a shot up in that window that we won’t beat unless we bring our best. After ending their last two games in a tie, the Belles are fired up to score, and ready after a week’s rest to show Hope the Belles are a fire that keeps burning.”

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Belles hope to down Dutchmen

Saint Mary’s seeks revenge after losing to Hope 1-0 last season

By MEAGHAN VESELIK
Sports Writer

Saint Mary’s will take the field against Hope Saturday at noon, looking to avenge its 1-0 loss to the Flying Dutch last season.

The Belles (5-1-4, 1-0-2 MIAA) tied their last two games in double overtime against conference foes Albion and Olivet. Hope (6-6-0, 2-1-0) last its game against Calvin 3-0 last Saturday, but defeated Tri-State University 6-1 Tuesday, putting itself in third place in the MIAA.

"I expect them to bring nothing less than their best," Saint Mary’s head coach CARYN MACKENZIE said.

Two of the Belles’ key players have been hampered with injuries this season, but both are healthy and ready after a week’s rest. Saint Mary’s is in second place in the conference, and ready after a week’s rest to show Hope the Belles are a fire that keeps burning.”

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Belles ready for first 6K of season

By MATT GAMBER
Sports Writer

Though today’s Benedictine Invitational in Lisle, Ill., won’t directly affect Saint Mary’s MIAA standings, the six-kilometer meet will serve as one of the Belles’ most valuable training experiences leading up to the six-kilometer conference championship on Oct. 27.

“This meet is important because it’s the first 6K that we will have run this season,” coach Jackie Bauters said. “Because it’s the only 6K we run before championships, we need to use it as a learning tool and hopefully come away with some success to feel better going into championships.”

A four-place finish in last year’s meet propelled the Belles to fifth place in the MIAA standings, the best result of her Senior captain falls in prestigious Intercollegiate Championships

By KATE ARNOLD
Sports Writer

Although Notre Dame captured multiple individual titles at last week’s Michigan Invitational, the Irish had no such luck this week at the Riviera/ITA Women’s All-American Championships.

Senior captain Brook Buck and junior Kelsey Tefft traveled west to participate in the tournament, held at the Riviera Tennis Club in Pacific Palisades, Calif.

No. 91 Buck started play on Tuesday, participating in the qualifying singles bracket against UNC’s Amanda Fink. It was a hard fought match, but No. 53 Fink proved too great a challenge for Buck, downing her in three sets.

Buck struggled to perform in her first set and eventually lost 6-0. Her second round showed improvement, and she managed a 6-3 win. However, Fink got the best of her, claiming the third set, 6-3.

In the consolation draw against Auburn’s Alex Hanney, Buck was once again unable to best her opponent. While she ended her first set victorius with a score of 6-2, she could not continue this performance, dropping the last two sets 6-7 and 6-4.

Although Buck was unable to win her matches, she can still be proud of her performance and set wins, Irish head coach Jay Louderback said.

“All of the top kids in the country are there,” Louderback said. “This is the best tournament of the fall, ranked just a little under the NCAA Tournament.”

On Thursday, Buck joined Tefft to compete in the doubles portion of the tournament.

WDN WOMEN’S TENNIS

Cali not so sunny for Buck

Senior loses singles match and doubles match with teammate Tefft

By KATE ARNOLD
Sports Writer

Irish senior Sheeva Parbhui lines up a forehand in Notre Dame’s 7-0 victory over Indiana on Nov. 24, 2006. Parbhui lost Thursday in the first round of the Intercollegiate Tennis Championships.

Parbhui drops first-round match

By KATE ARNOLD
Sports Writer

Men’s Tennis

Parbhui drops first-round match

Senior captain falls in prestigious Intercollegiate Championships
SMC VOLLEYBALL

Flying Dutchmen clobber Belles 3-0

By SAMANTHA LEONARD
Sports Writer

The Flying Dutchmen of Hope defeated any hope Saint Mary's had Thursday of winning, dominating the Belles 3-0.

Once Hope — which entered the match third in the MIAA — gained a lead in a game, it never relinquished it. The 3-0 sweep made it the seventh consecutive match Saint Mary's, which entered the match fifth in the conference, has lost to Hope.

Hope was unstoppable, sending kill after kill to the feet of the Belles. Leading attackers for Hope were junior outside hitter Nora Stroyczynski with 12 kills and junior middle blocker Kaera Hellman with 11. The Belles combined for 28 kills on the night.

Besides the deadly attacks by Hope, the Belles also faced some internal struggles.

"It was the mental part of the game, lack of trust, and lack of unity on the court, which was our greatest weakness," head coach Julie Schroeder-Biek said.

In order to fix these internal struggles, Schroeder-Biek said, the Belles are going to need to make some changes within their team.

"We need more desire to play to our ability," she said. "We need to bring our game."

The Belles head to Olivet College on Tuesday.

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Merris led the defensive effort with 11 digs. Other defensive leaders were sophomore outside hitter Lorna Stroyczynski with 12 kills and junior middle blocker Kaera Hellman with 11. The Belles combined for 28 digs on the night.

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Women's Crew

Rowers begin season at Head of the Rock Observer Staff Report

Notre Dame will open its season Sunday in Rockford, Ill., with the Head of the Rock Regatta, which traditionally opens the Irish schedule.

More than 1,700 rowers of all ages will compete in one or more of 42 events on a 2.75-mile course on the Rock River. Three Irish boats will compete with Marquette, North Central, St. Louis, Northwestern, Purdue, Iowa, St. Thomas and Wisconsin.

Last season, the Head of the Rock was canceled because of inclement weather. In 2005, the Irish took third in the open competition and sixth in the novice regatta.

The Irish finished ninth last season in the NCAA Championships. After this weekend, Notre Dame takes nearly a month off before renewing their quest to get back to the NCAAs. On Nov. 4, the Irish travel to Blue Island, Ill., for the Cal Sag Regatta, and a week later they host Northwestern in a dual meet on the Saint Joseph River.

After the spring thaw, Notre Dame will race several more times, including at the NCAAs — but those regattas do not have a scheduled date set.

The highlight of the tournament for Notre Dame was the play of sophomore Doug Forthune, who tied for second. Forthune's finish was the best of his Notre Dame career, and his 54-hole total of 210 tied for third lowest in Irish history.

Another bright spot for the Irish was the performances of several underachievers participating in the tournament as individuals. Sophomore Kyle Willis and freshman Tyler Bock finished in the top 20 for the Irish in the tournament.

"Tyler's been playing very well," Kubinski said. "He's going to be playing in his first travel event this week and I think he'll do very well.'"

Kubinski also said he expected junior Josh Sandman and senior Greg Rodger to continue their good play.

Many young Irish golfers will play this fall as Notre Dame looks to find its top performers.

"With so many players with so little experience, a lot of guys get a chance to contribute," Kubinski said.

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Gamecocks down Kentucky

Norwood sets NCAA record with two touchdown returns; Wildcats’ perfect season comes to end in 38-23 loss to SC

South Carolina’s Patrick DiMarco, left, celebrates with Mike Davis, center, and Jamon Meredith after scoring a touchdown during the Gamecocks’ 38-23 win over Kentucky Thursday.

Associated Press

COLUMBIA — South Carolina coach Steve Spurrier spoiled Kentucky’s perfect start and found himself right where he loves to be — in the thick of the Southeastern Conference race.

“Our guys are starting to believe the ball can keep bouncing our way,” Spurrier said.

It certainly did Thursday night in the 11th-ranked Gamecocks’ 38-23 win over previously undefeated No. 8 Kentucky.

Defensive end Eric Norwood tied an NCAA record with two touchdown returns and Spurrier stayed unbeaten against the Wildcats (5-1, 1-1 SEC).

While Spurrier was excited with South Carolina’s eighth-straight victory over Kentucky, he brushed aside talk of what could be ahead in the SEC race during the season’s second half.

“It’s way too early for that,” Spurrier cautioned.

Not true, coach, not with the Gamecocks (5-1, 3-1) poised for the top 10 and the lead in the SEC Eastern Division.

This was supposed to be the Wildcats’ chance to prove themselves worthy league contenders and finally give the sharp-tongued Spurrier some long overdue payback.

While at Florida, Spurrier beat Kentucky 73-7 in 1994, then 65-0 two years later. Even this summer, Spurrier ranked Kentucky fans with his words: “We thought we did something big beating Clemson, then Kentucky beat them, also,” the Wildcats beat Clemson 28-20 in the Music City Bowl last December.

With both teams ranked for the first time since 2002, there was no second guessing or the league and now we’re way back in the pack,” Brooks said.

It was the poorest performance of the season for Kentucky (5-1, 1-1), which was held to half its SEC-leading average of 46.6 points a game.

Andre Woodson, the hero of the Wildcats’ surprising start, was pressured into several errors.

He fumbled after Jonathan Williams’ sack on Kentucky’s first series, and Norwood picked it up for a 2-yard TD return that put the Gamecocks ahead 7-0. Then with the teams tied at 10 in the second quarter, Woodson drove Kentucky to the 9, but threw his second interception of the season to end the threat.

The mistakes continued after halftime. Woodson’s lateral attempt to fullback John Conner was muffed, and this time Norwood grabbed it and ran 53 yards for his second score and a 24-10 lead.

Norwood’s touchdown returns matched an NCAA record accomplished three times before, the last by Southern Methodist’s Alvin Snubille against Nevada in 2004.

Norwood had a blocked punt that changed the momentum in South Carolina’s 38-21 win over Mississippi State last Saturday. His play is even more critical since the Gamecocks have last defensive starters in linebacker Jasper Brinkley and free safety Nathan Pepper since Sept. 15.

“I knew it was time to step up,” Norwood said. “When they went down, I think it was pretty evident that I had to do it along with the other guys on defense.”

Woodson finished 23 of 40 for 227 yards, but was sacked three times. Rafael Little had 36 yards, but was sacked three times. Rafael Little had 36 yards and three times. Rafael Little had 36 yards and three times. Rafael Little had 36 yards and three times.

The Wildcats closed to 31-23 on Woodson’s 6-yard touchdown pass to Steve Johnson with 6:59 left, but Cory Boyd’s 27-yard TD catch on South Carolina’s next drive secured the Gamecocks’ eighth-straight win in the series.

“We definitely made a lot of mistakes, especially on defense,” Woodson said. “It’s something we haven’t been doing all year.”

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Sophomore middle blocker Tara Enzweiler goes for a kill during Notre Dame’s 3-0 win over West Virginia on Nov. 12, 2006.

Big East

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a target on us," Miller said. "They have a lot of pressure on them because they can’t really afford to be losing games at this point."

"The Big East season is coming to a point where you really need to be grabbing a position, and we’re standing in their way.”

West Virginia's defense has been nothing short of a brick wall this season. In its nine games, the Mountaineers have conceded only three goals, and their 0.33 goals-against average is the best in the Big East. Their tough defense will test the Notre Dame offense, which has been shut out only one time in its last 23 games. Irish coach Bobby Clark attributed West Virginia's defensive prowess to a combination of tactics and talent.

"They’re fairly cautious, and they keep their back four [defenders] at home plus their defensive central midfielder," Clark said. "Plus, they’re good players, and the bulk of their players are back from last year."

West Virginia returns eight starters from last year’s team that finished 15-3-3, but one player that graduated is Zach Johnson, who led West Virginia last season in goals (14) and points (12). The Mountaineers miss Johnson’s offensive prowess. West Virginia has not scored more than one goal a game this season, and each of its games has finished in either a 1-0 win or 1-0 loss.

"Where [West Virginia] needs success is the whole game, working hard as a team, but it’s just one little mental mistakes," Bock said. "They’re just little errors, little mental mistakes," Bock said. "We’ve been playing well, but it’s just one little mental breakdown on any part of the field that just leads in a whole sequence and then a goal. It’s just staying sharp the whole game, working hard at any moment and not letting down for one second."

"Just 10 seconds of the game can put you out."
Scoring the Mountaineers

Irish host No. 21 WVA in Blue Dino matchup

By GREG ARBOGAST
Sports Writer

After dispatching of rival Michigan State last weekend, Notre Dame will try to maintain its undefeated record in conference play and eight-game overall unbeaten streak when No. 21 West Virginia comes to town.

The Irish (7-1-2, 4-0-1 Big East) currently occupy first place in the Big East Blue Division—a half-game ahead of No. 2 Connecticut while the Mountaineers (6-3-0, 2-2-0) enter Saturday’s game No. 4 in the Big East Division. Given the rankings, Notre Dame senior Ryan Miller expects an inspired West Virginia team to show up.

“We’re No. 3 in the country and No. 1 in the Big East, so that puts us against a very good team,” Miller said.

“We’re just going to stick to our game plan and try to move the ball effectively,” Vermin senior captain Kyle Kownacki said. “We have a lot of potential to have a strong offense, we just haven’t found our rhythm yet.”

Kownacki also considers the rivalry a positive factor. “It elevates the intensity of the game because more is at stake,” he said.

Meanwhile, Fisher enters the game with a 2-0 record. After beating the Mountaineers 24-24.
Irish quarterback Evan Sharpley threw two touchdown passes last week but remains second on the depth chart. But his priorities are — and always have been — team first.
**Commentary**

**Aggression can be a team strength**

Nobody wants to see a team of thugs. A good football team has a balance of aggression and its fair share of confidence. And for good reason. That's the kind of personalities, by and large, we have.

But there's something refreshing about Smith's play. He was showing a little passion, a little emotion. It was an unusual sight out of the Notre Dame defense, which hadn't seen that type of play since the rain was coming down in East Lansing, Mich.

It was something of a good sight, but Brian Smith's aggression needs to be harnessed. Certainly, seeing a freshman make an impact on defense with a high-energy playing style is a positive. But that needs to be corralled into a positive, not a negative.

So there's room for hope. A bigger reason for hope is what happened in practice Tuesday.

Charlie Weis explained the situation this way: "We had one of our defensive players stone one of our offensive players right at the line of scrimmage, or even for a minus-one. And everyone walked back to the huddle. I stopped practice at that time and say, 'I don't get it,' I go, 'This guy just... stoned a guy at the line of scrimmage, panties him to the ground. You would think as a guy on that group, you'd be excited.' "I think that sometimes you just have to make them aware of the perception that they're worrying more."

Having a head coach instill in the team a desire for emotion is something Notre Dame hasn't seen since Lou Holtz was grabbing facemasks and worrying about the University of Navy. And it's even more important for Weis because he's been adamant about his skepticism for emotion-toying gimmicks before games. Weis still believes that uniform changes and pre-game plays last at most a quarter, but that doesn't mean he isn't a fan of emotion.

It doesn't matter what level it's on — pro, college, it doesn't make a difference. What happens is, that stuff lasts for the start of the game," Weis said. "Then, early in the game, whether it's pro or college, if you withstand the flurry that happens at the start of the game, then it's just a game."

And, as Weis knows, if you don't play with emotion, it doesn't matter — college or pro.

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By CHRIS HINE
Sports Editor

Reporters crowded around you're not named the starter, even though Clausen started for at least another week. Weis reiterated Wednesday — Clausen will get the start.

Weis’ comments before the Penn State game. But Sharpley still said all the right things.

"I think they made their decision and the way they feel and whatever decision they make is the one we have to go with," he said. "I'm not going to complain, I'm just going to keep working hard.

Hulkow’s disappointment Rich Hulkow, Sharpley’s coach at Marshall High School, didn’t criticize his coaches. He didn’t complain. He said all the things a true team player would say.

"I think there’s always going to be disappointment when you’re not named the starter, but at the same time I realize what our goal is," Sharpley said Tuesday. "I respect their decision and whatever sport he plays.

"You know he used to always work in the middle of basketball season," Hulkow said. "I think he would have handled things at that time,' Weis said.

Reporters asked Sharpley if he had a backup plan for if he should be the starter. After all, half of the quarterback candidates from spring practice are gone — Zach Frazer transferred to Connecticut over the summer, and Demetrius Jones transferred to Cincinnati.

Hulkow said Sharpley’s work ethic allows him to be successful in whatever sport he plays.

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"Well you know it’s disappointing to people that people aren’t up front with their athletes. You know, I wouldn’t do that with my high school kids and try to play mind games with them," Hulkow said. "I think everybody operates better from a point of honesty and say, ‘You know when Jimmy Clausen comes back, he’s going to be the guy,’ and let people work from there instead of building false hope.

Hulkow said he is proud of how Sharpayy is accepting his role.

"I think he handled it with a class a lot more so than the way it's been handled," Hulkow said. "It'd be easy for a 20-year-old to pull a Demetrius Jones and say, ‘You know what, I’m not patient and leave.’ I think he has more character than the situation that's been around him."
Notre Dame Fighting Irish

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| No. 2 USC                  | LSU            | USC           | USC            | USC                |
| No. 4 Ohio State at No. 23 Purdue | Purd. | OSU | OSU | Purd. |
| No. 6 South Florida at Florida Atlantic | USF | USF | USF | USF |
| Bowling Green at No. 7 Boston College | BC | BC | BC | BC |
| No. 10 Oklahoma at No. 19 Texas | Okla. | Okla. | Okla. | Texas |
| No. 12 Georgia at Tennessee | UGA | Tenn. | UGA | UGA |
| No. 13 West Virginia at Syracuse | WVU | WVU | WVU | WVU |
| No. 15 Virginia Tech at No. 22 Clemson | Va Tech | Clem. | Clem. | Clem. |
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| No. 25 Nebraska at No. 17 Missouri | Neb. | Missou | Missou | Missou |
| No. 18 Arizona State at Washington State | ASU | ASU | ASU | ASU |
| Kansas at No. 24 Kansas State | KSU | KSU | KSU | KSU |

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By CHRIS KHOREY
Sports Editor

Golden Tate has been on Notre Dame’s campus for a month — which is about the same amount of time he’s been playing wide receiver. He has three collegiate catches, and, so far, has yet to come off the bench to run go-routes.

But in those three catches, Tate has become a hot name in the dining hall.

"People can see he’s got some speed, people can see he’s got some explosion, and people can see he’s got some ball skills,” Irish wide receivers coach Rob Ianello said.

Tate hauled three of the four losses through his way in a 33-19 loss to Purdue Saturday, leaping and diving for the ball and blowing by defenders who probably knew by the third or fourth time they guarded him exactly what he was going to do.

In all, Tate amassed 104 yards receiving — and became a fan favorite in the process.

His circus catches are one of the few bright spots in an otherwise dismal 0-5 start for Notre Dame. Students are already thinking up nicknames for his patented fly routes, including "Golden Gos,

There is a group on Facebook.com selling T-shirts that read "Golden is thy Tate" and feature an Xs and Os diagram with a straight line pointing up field labeled "23" for Tate’s jersey number.

But on the practice field, Irish coaches are still working to get the freshman, who was mainly a running back in high school, used to playing receiver in a collegiate offense.

"When you’re a young guy, the first thing you’re trying to do is get lined up and learn the offense,” Ianello said. "He played multiple positions in high school, so settling in is one position, he’s growing with it.”

Head coach Charlie Weis said the Irish are trying to "fast track" Tate’s development so they can expand his role as quickly as possible.

"We all found out the other day that he can run routes and catch the ball in traffic,” Weis said. "Now we have to make sure he can run a handful of other routes and run them with some type of precision, so you’re not guessing where he’s going to be on different routes. That’s what we’re going to work on this week." Ianello said the staff will include Tate in more plays, but he declined to comment on specifics.

"If I told you that, you could e-mail it to [UCLA defensive coordinator] DeWayne Walker,” he said.

Despite Tate’s inexperience at receiver, Weis said, the freshman worked his way onto the field by hard work on the show team, initiating opponent’s plays for the starters.

"For the last two or three weeks he’s easily been the best player on the field going against our defense,” Weis said. "And when you watch the tape, and you see him make these plays, then you want to get him on the field on offense.”

Weis said he used Tate "as an example to the entire team as what you can do by running full speed on the show team.”

"We had this conversation on Sunday with the team,” Weis said. "Sometimes when people are running the ‘look squad’ to simulate the opponent’s offense or defense, they look at that like it’s a penalty.

While at John Paul II High School in Hendersonville, Tenn., Tate was named Mr. Football for his senior season. During his junior year, he had more than 1,100 yards rushing and added 800 receiving.

"I remember watching his highlight tape with my wife at my house,” Ianello said. "I said, ‘Can we get that guy?’”

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Bragg returns to ND becomes third-string QB

By JAY FITZPATRICK
Assoc Sports Editor

Five months ago, Darrin Bragg wasn’t on Notre Dame’s football team. Now he’s the third-string quarterback.

Over the summer, the senior film, television, and theater major was an intern at 20th Century Fox under Executive Vice President of Production Jim Sharp. Bragg said he was on the set when Notre Dame Director of Football Operations Chad Kluender called him in July and asked him if he would return to the Irish.

"I was in the middle of work and they said, ‘We need you to come back and play quarterback,” Bragg said. "And I’m like, ‘OK, sure. Why not? What am I going to say, no?’"

Former head coach Tyrone Willingham recruited Bragg as a quarterback out of Bellarmine Prep in San Jose, Calif. But when Willingham was fired after the 2004 season, new head coach Charlie Weis moved Bragg to wide receiver.

"I always wanted the ball every time the quarterback dropped back. I always thought, ‘I’m open,’ even if I was covered,” Bragg said. "(Being a quarterback) helped out playing receiver because you knew if there was a hot [read] or something you knew what to do.”

Bragg did not see any time as a wide receiver in his two seasons at that position and decided in May that he would leave the team. Bragg thought he was treated somewhat unfairly as a receiver before he left the team.

After the semester ended, Bragg went to Los Angeles to begin his internship with Fox, thinking that — even though he was still coming back to Notre Dame — he was done with football.

"When I left school in May I thought I was probably going to be done next year, he said. "But then I got the call, and it was exciting — and I thought, ‘Sure, why not?’"

Bragg said he was unsure if the call was true since he had been thinking that — even though he was treated somewhat unfairly as a receiver before he left the team. After the call, Bragg began training, he started his internship with Fox, and began to bring him back or if it was a transfer to Connecticut.

Five months ago, Darin Bragg was wondering what to do. He was thinking that — even though he was done with football — what he calls his more natural position.

"I started training, I started running and throwing and stuff like that because I hadn’t thrown a ball in like two or three years,” he said.

Bragg has made his mark on the scout team and has moved up to third on the depth chart. Again if he was playing they’d have 400 yards receiving,” Bragg said. "But it’s going to be fun playing them.

Bragg also said that his emotions haven’t changed much since he returned to the team, but that things will probably change by the Duke game Nov. 17 — his final home game at a Notre Dame student.

"I think it will be much more important for the last home game, suitling up instead of being in the stands watching it, so I’m really glad I came here for that last game,” Bragg said.

"I could never imagine going from being a quarterback to a new coach ... and moving to wide receiver, moving to quarterback,” he said. "In four years, that’s not how you really had it. It’s been fun. It’s been a great ride so far.”

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Irish third-string quarterback Darrin Bragg throws during practice on Aug. 29 in the Loftus Center.
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