U.S. Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia made a surprising appearance to a conference at the Law School Web site. Scalia's name appeared only on the conference schedule not on the official list of conference participants. The University community was not notified that a Supreme Court justice would speak in accordance with a request by Scalia, said Law School spokesperson Melanie McDonald.

"The reason we did not publicize it was because that was Justice Scalia's preference," McDonald said. "He wanted the conference to be an educational endeavor, and if it was publicized that he was going to be there, it would have become a mob scene."

In addition, it is common protocol not to widely publicize the event when a Supreme Court Justice will be attending, said law professor A.J. Bellia, a cosponsor of the conference.

"This really was not a public lecture," Bellia said. "It is the preference of the U.S. Marshals, who are responsible for Justice Scalia's security, that we didn't openly publicize that he would be there."

Organizers also desired to keep the conference's focus on law rather than politics, he said.

"It really was not a political conference where we just discussed Justice Scalia's viewpoints, and it involved many other highly controversial leaders," he said.

McDonald said. "But, if it was publicized that he was going to be there, it would have become a mob scene."
**INSIDE COLUMN**

**I wanna be made**

"Katie, you make these sweeping generalizations about us. I love it," says my friend Jen, a sophomore PLS major. This statement, like all those made by PLS majors, is a true one, but my observational expertise comes from a solid year of experience at Notre Dame. PLS, the popular acronym for the Program of Liberal Studies, is a unique liberal arts degree in which some of my smartest friends are majoring. I decided early on that I was not cut out for it, and ever since have admired those who brave the thousands of novels, poems, and musical compositions required to be read.

Another PLS Friend of mine, Madeline, routinely discusses with Jen various PLS assignments that I cannot even pronounce. It seems not even to peralta@nd.edu

**QUESTION OF THE DAY: WHAT WAS THE BEST THING YOU DID DURING FALL BREAK?**

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Angelica Pangilinan, left, Maura Caufield, center, and Jeannine DiCariantonio, all juniors, decorate the entrance to Howard Hall. Pangilinan is hall president, while Caufield and DiCariantonio are hall vice presidents.

**OFFBEAT**

Couple dead serious about selling their house

WEAREFORD, Pa. — It could be the deal of a lifetime. A Pittsburgh-area couple, Bob and Ricky Husick, are offering anyone who buys their home full cash-back upon their death and even their full inheritance, currently worth at least $500,000.

The Husicks have been trying to sell their home for almost a year, but have failed to do so in the current shaky market. Bob Husick said he's asking $399,900 for the four-bedroom, three and a half bath home about 20 miles north of Pittsburgh.

According to the Husicks' offer, the buyer would get the money back when the couple dies. If the buyer agrees to care for them in old age, they could also inherit their retirement home in Arizona, bringing the estate's current value to about $500,000.

Baby giraffe named in honor of Red Sox

BOSTON — To honor the Red Sox four-game World Series sweep of the Colorado Rockies, staff at the Franklin Park Zoo on Monday named a baby giraffe "Soox."

In a statement, Zoo New England President and Chief Executive Officer John Luhane said the choice of the name because of the female calf's long, lanky legs.

Other names considered were "Red," "Fenway," "Champion," and "Boston." "Soox" weighed 154 pounds at birth, standing 6 feet 2 inches tall.

The calf was born after Boston's Game 1 victory, but the staff held off naming it because they didn't want to jinx the team's chances, according to the statement.

Information compiled by the Associated Press.

**IN BRIEF**

A blood drive will be held at Ralphs Sports Recreation Center today from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Donors are asked to call HomeSports at 631-6100 to register. A number of qualifications apply.

Ernesto Verdejo, 2007-08 Kroc Institute Postdoctoral Scholar, will deliver a lecture on "Accounting for Evil: A Theory of Modern Genocide" today at 4:15 p.m. in the Reshburg Center for International Studies.

The Institute for Latino Studies and the Creative Writing Program will present Chloe's Cabaret tonight at 7 p.m. at the Phihbin Studio Theatre in the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center. It is a free but ticketed event. Anyone interested can call the Ticket Office at 631-2800 to reserve tickets.

The men's basketball team presents Leprechaun Legion Tip-Off tonight at 8 p.m. at the Joyce Center Student ticket basketball tickets will go on sale at 9 a.m. Student ticket booklets will also go on sale online beginning at 11 a.m. at www.und.com/tickets.

A collection of Douglas Kinsey's paintings is on display in the Great Hall of O'Shaughnessy Hall through Nov. 29.

The hockey team will play Lake Superior State Friday at 7:35 p.m. at the Joyce Center Ice Rink.

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

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**CORRECTIONS**

The Observer regrets itself as a professional publication and tienen for the highest standards of journalism at all times. We, however, recognize that we will make mistakes. If we have made a mistake, please contact us at 631-4541 so we can correct our error.
College to hold career expo

Fair to provide students with alumnae networking opportunities

By ASHLEY CHARNLEY
News Writer

Saint Mary's will hold a Career Insights Expo next week, alumnae commis-

sioner Christine Darche said Monday at the Board of Governance meeting.

The fair, to be held from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Nov. 6, will feature 25 alumni rep-

resenting 21 different majors, she said. The event will be an opportunity for

juniors and seniors to meet people in the business world, she said.

"These are our own women doing really powerful things," student body

president Kim Hodges said. The alumni will hand out business cards and talk-

ing about the work they do.

BOG members also dis-

cussed co-sponsorship pro-

posals. A representative of the

Monthly Anime Dosage: SMC Style Club asked for

support with their Halloween dance to be held

Wednesday night in Haggar

Parlor.

In other BOG news:

♦ "Recycled Percussion" will be playing Tuesday in

O'Laughlin Auditorium, said Cassie Callon, presi-

dent of the Student

Activities Board. Admission is free to students.

♦ Abby Hiney, Student

Diversity Board president, announced the Hunger

Banquet will be held on

Nov. 14 at 6 p.m. in the

West Wing of Saint Mary's

Dining Hall. Students will
give their ID numbers and
donate a meal to the needy.

The proceeds will benefit

South Bend

residents.

♦ Hinchy a l s o 

announced that in honor of Disabilities Aware-

ness Week, the S t u d e n t

Diversity Board will

collect pre-

scription ey-

glasses and

sunglasses for

people who cannot afford them.

The eyewear will be sent
d out and fixed before they

are given away.

♦ Colleen Killey, presi-

dent of the Class of 2008,
said a Saint Mary's cook-

book is being put together.

Saint Mary's students and

class members are asked to submit

to recipes by e-mail to Allison

Greene. Proceeds from the

cookbook sales will be
given to charity.

♦ Hodges told Board

members that Tuesday will be Soul Food day in the

dining hall for dinner. Off-
campus tickets will be sold

at the front desk.

♦ This week is Love Your

Body Week, said Renee

Woodward. Women's

Studies com-

missioner. A

Body Forum

Coffeehouse

will be held in the

Women's R e s o u r c e

C e n t e r

tonight at 8 p.m.

Thursday will be "Ditch

Your Diet Day!, and

there will be stickers and

candy available outside

the dining hall during lunch and din-

ner. The movie Real Women

Have Curves will be shown

Thursday night in Vander

Vennel Theater in the base-

ment of the student center

at 6 p.m. There will be a

belly dancing class Friday

at 12 p.m.

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OIT warns campus of
e-mail phishing scams

By DAVIS RHORER, Jr.
News Writer

Scammers who practice phishing, or attempting to gain

personal information by sending e-mails under the guise

of legitimate corporations, are increasingly targeting e-mail

users across the country, an Office of Information

Technology spokesperson said.

OIT warned University users through an e-mail Thursday to

be wary of phishing scams.

No data is available to OIT

about scams directed at campus

accounts, said Michael Chappie,

an information security profes-

sional for OIT, but general trends in phishing have been

increasing recently worldwide.

"(Phishing) is not something specific to Notre Dame e-mail

accounts," he said. "It is a
general trend on the Internet."

He emphasized Notre Dame

was vulnerable only in that it,

like other organizations, has an

extensive e-mail network.

Phishing is becoming a more

precise and dangerous practice,

Chappie said.

"We're seeing those attacks become more targeted," he

said.

Old styles of phishing relied

on sending out mass numbers

e-mails disguised as a legiti-

mate company to a large but

random group of people.

Chappie said. This was done in

hopes of encountering a small

percentage of the group associ-

ated with the company that would respond to the e-mails by

sending the requested personal

information.

Newer approaches involve

targeting a more specific group,

such as those people with

accounts all ending in "nd.edu.,"

Chappie said. A common dis-

guise that phishers use for

Notre Dame students has been

that of the Notre Dame Federal

Credit Union, he said.

While OIT spam filters direct

suspect e-mails to the quaran-

tine mailbox set aside for each

individual account, Chappie list-

ed several other signs of a

potential scam. An e-mail from

any business that asks for

personal information about

accounts including a social

security number, an online

password or a credit card num-

ber is most likely fraudulent, he

said.

"That's just not the way a

legitimate organization does

business," Chappie said.

He stated that links sent in e-

mails are potentially dangerous.

"I-mail in and of itself is not encrypted and not secure," he

Chappie said. "If you send an e-
m a i l across the internet, anyone

along the way can read it, simi-

lar to a postcard in the mail."

Tips for identifying potentially
dangerous e-mails are found at

secure.nd.edu

Contact Davis Rhorer, Jr. at

drhorer@nd.edu

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was filled with family members, students, citizens and scattered military personnel. University President Father John Jenkins celebrated the Mass.

The Blue Mass has been celebrated every year since Sept. 11, 2001, to commemorate the contribution provided by civil service personnel. This year's Mass was celebrated in remembrance of three Indiana civil safety officers who died this year. Cpl. Nick S. Polizotto of the South Bend police department and Indiana state trooper David E. Riche were both killed in the line of duty. The Mass also honored Notre Dame Security Police Director Rex Rakow, who died in March after a long illness.

The Mass began with a procession of active fire fighters and police officers. After reading the Beatitudes, Warner said those who died for other people that they do not even know, people who are willing to sacrifice for fire lighters, police officers "share a special bond because we have all faced the challenges of "being merciful and compassionate in the face of need" are ones we "all try and hope to emulate."

Healey said that civil service members "do everything with courage and confidence," and that they "respond with training at the professional level and with courage and integrity at a personal level."

"This is done so that we can have communities where "people can live safe and protected lives twenty-four hours a day," he said.

Stephen Healey, the chief of the Princeton police department, delivered a concluding message. He said fire fighters and police officers "share a special bond because we have all dedicated ourselves to a common cause and realize that we too may one day be called to make the ultimate sacrifice," referring to the hazardous and life-threatening situations inherent to their jobs.

Healey said those who died are remembered "not because of their deaths, but because of their lives."

"It was a meeting of some of the best judicial minds in order to discuss the relationship of the federal powers and what role the judicial system should play in that relationship," Scalia said.

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The conference, entitled "Separation of Powers as a Safeguard of Federalism," was sponsored by Bellia and the Notre Dame Law Review.

"These are not just questions of our day, these are questions of the American ages," Bellia said.

The conference also included prominent legal scholars from Yale Law School, Harvard Law School, Columbia Law School, Georgetown University Law School, USC Gould Schools of Law, George Washington University Law School and University of Texas School of Law.

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

IRAN, U.N. begin final uranium talks

TEHRAN, Iran — Iranian and U.N. nuclear watchdog officials began a third, final round of talks in Tehran on Monday aimed at resolving remaining questions on核查 that are used to enrich urani­num. The Tehran talks are critical because they will provide the basis for a progress report on Iran by the U.N. agency's chief, Mohamed ElBaradei, planned for mid- November. "If this new round of talks, we hope we'll be able to conclude our negotiations," Iranian state television quoted Mohammad Safi, deputy director of the Atomic Energy Organization, as saying. The discussions are the latest attempt by the Vienna, Austria-based International Atomic Energy Agency to address outstanding questions on the Iranian ura­ nium enrichment program in a 2005 agreement, which the United States and some other Western countries believe marks a shift away from nuclear weapons production. Iran insists its nuclear program is for peaceful energy production.

CHINA CRACKS DOWN ON FAKE GOODS

BEIJING — China said Monday that it had arrested 774 people in a crackdown on substandard goods, part of ongoing efforts to calm international worries over the quality of the country's products. The General Administration for Quality Supervision, Inspection and Quarantine said in a statement that it had conducted 200 criminal investigations nationwide into the manufacture and sale of fake or substandard food, medicine or agricultural products between August and mid-October.

NATIONAL NEWS

CRITICS FEEL TEEN SEX LAWS TOO HARSH

ATLANTA — The tough Georgia law that sent Genarlow Wilson to prison for having oral sex with a fellow teenager has been watered down. But in Georgia — and in many other Southern states — critics say the law's strict language still leaves teenagers to have sex, even if they're close in age. Local experts say it's rare for prosecutors to seek charges. But, as the Wilson case illustrates, they can and sometimes do.

In the nation's 50 states, criminal registries can often mean that a teen cannot rent an apartment or get a job.青少年 one year or two younger might face the same public stigma as a dangerous sexual predator. "It's ludicrous," Wilson's lawyer B.J. Reynolds said. "They're really talking about the possibility of sex, and it's criminalizing teen sex.

Wilson was freed Friday after the Georgia Supreme Court found that the 10-year mandatory sentence he received for having oral sex with a 14-year-old girl at her New Year's Eve party in 2003 when he was 17 was cruel and unusual punishment. He had served almost three years in prison.

Georgia's law has since been rewritten to make the same act a misdemeanor punishable by up to a year in prison. Across the country, ages of consent range from 14 to 18.

LOCAL NEWS

COURT RULES GUN LAWSUIT CAN PROCEED

The federal law grants the indus­try broad protections from lawsuits by fire victims. The agency has sent scores of neatly dressed FEMA disaster assistance offices to one-stop centers for victims to one-stop centers where victims can redirect their mail, apply for building permits and register for FEMA disaster assistance. But the scale of the disaster here is much smaller than in New Orleans, where hundreds of thou­ sands of people were left homeless.

HEROES DON'T KNOW WHAT TO SAY TO THEIR KIDS

"Some help can be offered quickly, but larger deci­isions about the future will take weeks, and be decided by federal workers shuf­flying mountains of loan applications," said B.J. Reynolds. The families have 14 percent of their income. A week ago, the Booths ran for their lives — carrying in one case, and left another 20 missing, officials said. Typical­ly, only homeowner­es are eligible for FEMA's maximum $28,200 payout for lost property. But Raphael said the agency may be able to bend the rules if they were paying the mortgage.

NICHOLE BOOTH EXAMINES HER RUINED HOUSE IN SAN DIEGO COUNTY ON OCT. 28. IT WAS BURNT TO THE GROUND BY THE FIRESTORM THAT HAS SWEEP THROUGH SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA.

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DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

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Schools and shops closed across the Dominican Republic and many roads were impassable. In Santo Domingo, the storm knocked down trees and signs and flooded streets, forcing people from their homes.

"For them, I think the wind, that's the real danger," said Raphael. "It's going to take many agencies, and proba­bly going to take volunteer agencies to step in, too," said FEMA spokesman Michael Raphael.

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Ramón Franciso of the Dominican Republic emergency services agency said at least 20 people were killed and another 15 missing.

Three of those killed died when they were swept up by a fast-moving river in San Jose de Ocoa, southwest of the capital. Three more — a couple and their child — were killed in a mudslide in the port city of Haina, officials said. Details of the other deaths were not immediately available.

International aid workers believe the death toll is certain to rise as reports come in from remote areas of the Dominican Republic and Haiti.

Haiti hardest but veered toward the Dominican Republic, apparently causing residents of the country little damage.

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Speakers

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kind of speakers does Notre Dame invite?

Several professors from different fields said that while the University has not had someone as controversial as Ahmadinejad visit, it does not mean Notre Dame does not welcome outside opinions that may challenge or conflict with its own Catholic character.

Stem cell research discussed on campus

While the Catholic Church has said certain types of stem cell research are morally wrong, professor Charles Kulpa, chair of the department of biological sciences, said one of the most successful lectures held by the College of Science in recent years was delivered last April by Elaine Fuchs, a leading cell biologist who specializes in researching stem cells, both embryonic and non-embryonic.

The Vatican has opposed embryonic stem cell research multiple times, and the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops has said the Church "opposes any research that exploits or destroys human embryos."

Though some of Fuchs' research goes against Catholic teachings, the moral angle was not the focus of her lecture, Kulpa said.

"She talked about her research using strictly scientific terms, and she went into both the pros and the cons," he said.

Fuchs focused primarily on skin stem cells and their production of skin and hair — a study the Conference of Bishops calls "ethically responsible adult cell research" because it does not involve the use of human embryos.

Fuchs' presence on campus, nonetheless, might have set a precedent for bringing to speakers to campus whose insight and work — though it may be at odds with the University's Catholic character — is considered a valuable academic addition to the campus' intellectual life, Fuchs' lectures, Kulpa said, are further proof that a resume that may not be 100 percent in line with Catholic tradition does not detract from a speaker's potential to bring to the University valuable and professional insights.

Immigration debates

The Notre Dame Forum, held on Oct. 8, focused on the topic of immigration by bringing together four public figures from various areas of leadership across the country to share their respective viewpoints with students and faculty members.

Keeping with the University's Catholic character, one of those figures was Cardinal Roger Mahony, the archbishop of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles. And though his perspectives on the heated immigration debate, modeled in light of the Gospels and Jesus Christ's message of compassion toward strangers and foreigners, were not inflammatory, Mahony has encountered controversy in his role as archbishop of Los Angeles.

In July, his archdiocese reached a $660 million settlement with Jim Lehrer, was quick to remind the attendees that the controversy it's merely incidental.

The consensus among the different professors is that if these invited speakers are public icons or the source of controversy, it's merely incidental.
Credit and oil concerns hurt stocks

Homebuilder discounts boost housing sales; barrel prices hit all-time high

Supreme Court to rule on Exxon case

NEW YORK — Wall Street closed slightly lower in erratic trading Thursday as investors shrugged off the credit markets record and high oil prices took little solace from reports on new home sales and durable goods orders.

The Commerce Department said sales of new homes rose 4.8 percent in September from August's levels. The market initially pushed the data, as economists had predicted a decline. But it eventually pulled back because the sales increase was due to a big downward revision in August's decline, and that homebuilders had offered discounts in September to boost now inventory.

"The sad part is, even with the discounts, we still have inventory overhang. And there's a problem," said Michael Strauss, chief economist at Champions. He noted that home prices are still falling, as are sales of existing homes, which make up the majority of the housing market.

Another report showed that orders of big-ticket items, one gauge of business spending, fell 1.7 percent in September, following the 3.3 percent increase in August. The economic data drew the attention of the Securities and Exchange Board as investors look for clues to determine if the Federal Reserve will lower rates at its meeting next week.

Meanwhile, investors also had to contend with higher energy prices — the price of crude spiked to an all-time high of $90.60 a barrel before setting slightly lower. Credit worries continued to dog the market. Spreading from the American International Group Inc.

might suffer credit costs weighed on the Dow Jones industrial average, which later rebounded from its lows.

The Dow fell 333, or 0.02 percent, to 13,671.92 after changing direction several times. The blue chip index was briefly down more than 100 points.

Broader stock indicators also fell. The Standard & Poor's 500 index fell 1.48, or 0.10 percent, to 1,514.40, while the Nasdaq composite index fell 23.90, or 0.86 percent, to 2,750.86. Treasury bond prices stalled as investors moved in and out of the stock market.

The yield on the benchmark 10-year Treasury note, which moves inversely to the price, was unchanged at 4.35 percent from its close on Wednesday and then rose to 4.38 percent in afternoon trading.

Investors appeared unclear about the direction of the economy and whether the central bank will be compelled to lower interest rates again to boost spending. The central bank reduced rates last month by a half-percentage point.

Many seem to believe the Fed will cut rates several times over the next six months to keep the economy moving forward, said Paul Nolte, director of investments at Hinsdale Associates. However, there does remain some doubt about the Fed's economic plan.

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In Brief

Two new nuclear reactors planned

WASHINGTON — The Tennessee Valley Authority has agreed for a meeting on Monday, and is the world's largest public power provider, plans to build the reactors at the site of the partially completed and then mothballed Bellefonte nuclear power station near Scottsboro, Ala. The TVA, in conjunction with an industry consortium called Nucor, has been working on the proposal for two years.

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Physicist accomplishes rare feat

Garg has two papers published in influential physics journal

Special To The Observer

It is not often when a physicist has an important paper published in Physical Review Letters, considered the most influential journal in physics. So consider the fact achieved by University of Notre Dame nuclear physicist Umesh Garg, who had not one, but two, papers published, back to back, in PRL in October.

His first paper, published Oct. 15, measures nuclear incompressibility. An important component of the Equation of State (EOS) of nuclear matter relates to measurements of neutron stars, the most dense objects in the universe. His second paper, published Oct. 23, offered a property of the nucleus of an atom, called chirality (pronounced ki — cally) and put to rest recent conflicting data that had cast doubts on this nature of chirality in nuclei.

"Having important papers published in two concurrent research initiatives means things are going extremely well with our research," Garg said. In chemistry, a molecule is chiral if its mirror image is opposite. It is achiral if its mirror image is the same as the object itself. In particle physics, the chirality of a particle in right-handed if the direction of its spin is the same as the direction of its motion. It is left-handed if the directions of spin and motion are opposite.

In chemistry and particle physics, space inversion changes left-handed into right-handed systems. For a long time, physicists have considered atomic nuclei as achiral. But the nucleus of an atom is not a simple, static object.

Garg’s Notre Dame colleague Stefan Frauenfelder showed some time ago that certain nuclei can be viewed more accurately as a clockwork of gyroscopes with all three axes being unequal. His new view of chirality of a nucleus is based on evidence that reversing time converts left-handed configuration of a nucleus into a right-handed one.

That view of chirality had been called into question. So Garg and his Notre Dame colleagues, including Somnudar Mukhopadhyay, a research visitor from India, went to the Gammasphere, Argonne National Laboratory’s premier facility for research with gammas-rays, and made precise measurements of electromagnetic transition probabilities. These measurements have affirmed the chiral character and put to rest the doubts expressed recently about the chiral nature of the observed bands in the nucleus of the element praseodymium (Pr) because the electromagnetic transitions did not conform to expectations from chiral bands,” Garg said.

SAINT JOHN BOSCO PATRON SAINT OF THE YOUNG

With good reason the Church made Saint John Bosco Patron of the young. He cared for the homeless youngsters who roamed the city streets, and founded a Society, the Salesians, to continue his work.

The Salesians are now the second largest Religious Order in the Catholic Church and help the young and the poor in 134 countries. To quote John Allen, the Vatican Correspondent for the National Catholic Reporter, "the great Orders have usually been born in response to some crisis — the Franciscans, for example, to urbanize and help the young and the poor, and the Jesuits to the Reformations, and the need for a Catholic counter-offensive. For the Salesians it was the Industrial Revolution, especially the zones of despe...""

Allen continues, “St. John Bosco became a tireless champion among the young, hearing confessions, saying Masses, and organizing ‘oratories’ where his boys could play, study and worship. Thus the Salesian pastoral model was forged: solid, orthodox Catholic pedagogy, an ‘in-the-trenches’ commitment to the young, the poor, and to education, and a simple closeness to the people.”

In describing St. John Bosco’s order today John Allen writes, “The Salesians are seen as robustly reliable — not theological innovators, but down-to-earth, pastors and educators, and generally with a good sense of humor.”

To read John Allen’s full article about the Salesians, visit: http://nationalcatholicreporter.org/word/pw063006.htm

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Catholic Digest names prof “hero”

Shrader-Frechette acclaimed for environmental justice work

Special to The Observer

Kristin Shrader-Frechette, F.J. and H.M. O’Neill Professor of Philosophy and concurrent professor of biological sciences at the University of Notre Dame, has been selected by Catholic Digest magazine as one of 12 “heroes for America” — laypeople living or working in the United States who are performing exemplary work in the spirit of the Catholic faith. The magazine cited her work on behalf of environmental justice.

Shrader-Frechette and the other honorees are profiled in the October issue of the magazine. The only other university professor selected as a Catholic Hero is Paul Farmer, the Harvard University physician and medical anthropologist who is the cofounder of Partners in Health and who was the recipient of an honorary Notre Dame degree last May.

“The environment is not necessarily a social justice issue, but environmental effects of pollution are social justice issues,” Shrader-Frechette said in an interview accompanying the Catholic Digest feature. “Environmental injustice — and by that I mean disproportionate pollution forced on children, poor people, minorities and workers — is a social justice issue, because unfair pollution burdens take away not only poor people’s money, but something that’s even more important: their lives and their health.”

The magazine also cited Shrader-Frechette for involving students in the fight against environmental injustices. “My students and I (in the Center for Environmental Justice and Children’s Health at Notre Dame) work mainly with poor, black, Latino, Native-American, and Appalachian communities,” she said. “We simply try to provide some scientific help so that the community can protect themselves, especially their children. We can do maybe 30 projects a year, pro-bono. That’s a lot, but only because the Notre Dame students are so generous, so brilliant, and so committed to social justice. They’re just wonderful.”

Although cancer annually kills 600,000 Americans, Shrader-Frechette says many cases are preventable by avoiding scientific errors in impact assessment and by enforcing pollution laws. Government and U.N. groups agree, noting that up to 30 percent of all cancer cases are “environmentally induced and theoretically preventable.”

Children are more sensitive to pollutants, Shrader-Frechette said, and their minor cancer rates are increasing 40 percent faster than those of adults. She points out that minority cancer rates also are much higher, partly because most industrial pollutants locate in poor or minority neighborhoods, and minorities must breathe air that is typically twice as polluted as in white neighborhoods.

Working with local community members, Shrader-Frechette and her students revealed both scientific errors and ethical problems in the impact assessment used when, without community consent, a multinational corporation attempted to site a substantial uranium-enrichment plant in the African-American community of Homer, La. The case is considered as the first major victory against environmental racism in the United States.

In 2004, Shrader-Frechette became only the third American to win the World Technology Award in Ethics. The U.S. National Science Foundation has continuously funded her research since 1982.

Shrader-Frechette, who is the daughter of Notre Dame’s Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies, joined the Notre Dame faculty in 1998. She has held senior professorships at the University of California and the University of Florida. An award-winning teacher as well as a researcher, she has published more than 350 articles and 15 books that have been translated into 11 languages. Her 2007 book, “Taking Action, Saving Lives,” published by Oxford University Press, has just been nominated for a National Book Award.

Shrader-Frechette earned her mathematics degree from Xavier University and a doctorate in philosophy of science from Notre Dame. She has done post-doctoral work in biology, in economics, and in hydrogeology.

University plans to honor Lenz, Lauck

Sister Jean Lenz, O.S.F., assistant vice president for student affairs at the University of Notre Dame, and the late Rev. "Tony" Lauck, C.S.C., professor of art at Notre Dame, will have their names added to the University’s Wall of Honor on Thursday at 1:30 p.m. during a ceremony on the ground floor of the Main Building.

Notre Dame’s president, Rev. John I. Jenkins, C.S.C., will preside at the ceremony, and Sister Lenz, along with family members of the late Father Lauck, will be in attendance.

The Wall of Honor was established in 1999 in the Main Building to mark its reopening following a two-year restoration project. It now features the names of 25 men and women whose contributions to Notre Dame life have been “lasting, pervasive and profound.”

A Chicago native and a Franciscan sister of the Congregation of the Third Order of St. Francis of Mary Immaculate, Sister Lenz, who earned a master’s degree from Notre Dame in 1967, was among the first women rectors on campus following the University’s transition to coeducation in 1972 after 130 years as an all-male institution.

She headed Farley Hall from 1973 until 1983, when she became the rector and chaplain of Notre Dame’s London Program. Since 1984, she has served as assistant vice president for student affairs, and for many of those years she also served as an adjunct instructor in theology. She is the author of "Loyal Sons and Daughters," an account of her years as an administrator, teacher, mentor, andaluah and alumna of the University.

Father Lauck, who died in 1991, was graduated from Notre Dame in 1942, studied theology at Holy Cross College in Washington, D.C., for four years and was ordained to the priesthood on June 24, 1946. Before joining the Notre Dame faculty in 1950, he studied sculpture at the Corcoran School of Art, Columbia University, State University of New York, the Cranbrook Academy and Alfred University and made a yearlong study tour of European art museums. From 1950 to 1973 he taught at Notre Dame and served on the staff of Moreau Seminary, where he also lived. He was chairman of Notre Dame’s art department from 1960 to 1967. After his retirement, he continued his art work and remained in residence at Moreau until his declining health required him to move to Holy Cross House in 1998.

He and his Father Lauck abounded on the Notre Dame campus. Among the most visible are a massive replica of his statue of the Visitation on the south side of the Eck Hall of Commerce and stained glass windows in the chapel and in the Cosby Library of Moreau Seminary, the statue of Our Lady of the University at the University’s Campus Chapel, and the statue of Blessed Mother Anthony of Mary Lakes, O.S.C., in the Basilica of the Sacred Heart.

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**Holiday movie extravaganza**

Tomorrow is Halloween, and that means the holiday season lurks right around the corner. Yes, it used to start with Thanksgiving, but the extra twenty-two days of November fresh out a lot of time for marketing. A lot of what could use the hype more than relentlessly ground out, tired Hollywood action films. In order to facilitate everyone’s enjoyment of the impending movie rush, I compiled this little list of promising features.

Here’s a taste of four upcoming visual masterpieces—three action films and a comedy—that will surely whet your appetite for the approaching holiday cinema season. I encourage everyone to look up the trailers for these movies on YouTube or their official sites. Whenever a two-hour film is boiled down to two minutes, chuck full of cheesy one-liners, overdosed special effects, and melodramatic voices, the best description cannot match up.

**Beowulf**

This one comes straight out of the “movies that should never be made unless perhaps the BBC does one of those television miniatures” department. Picture this: Take the most famous Old English epic poem ever, watch “300” a few times, and combine those two minutes of Chuck chuck full of cheesy one-liners, overdosed special effects, and melodramatic voices, the best description cannot match up.

**Forty Days**

The film’s director, Robert Zemeckis, is behind films like the “Back to the Future” trilogy and “Forrest Gump.” I love both of those. Unfortunately, he is now about to ruin one of the most ancient and hallowed pieces of English literature. Congratulations, Bob.

**National Treasure: Book of Secrets**

Nicholas Cage plays himself, unlocking some American secrets. But hasn’t he had this same role before? You know, in movies like “Gone in 60 Seconds,” “The Rock,” “Can Air,” “Face/OID.” “SMM,” “Matchstick Men,” “Lord of War,” “Ghost Rider,” “Next,” the first “National Treasure…” need I go on? Well, in this one, Cage once again finds himself on the wrong side of the law. He plans to kidnap the President of the United States of America in order to steal the “President’s Book of Secrets.” That book contains information on the JFK assassination, the Watergate tapes, and Area 51, or so Harry Keitel tells us. Apparently Nicholas Cage’s grandfather was involved in the assassination of Lincoln. He discovers this when Ed Harris—playing the same CIA dude he plays in every movie—reveals to him missing pages from the diary of John Wilkes Booth. Cage sets out on a quest to unlock the mystery “the world isn’t ready to believe.” No, I’m not sure we’re ready. Please, please, please not yet.

**Sorority Row**

Director Jentry Bruckheimer should probably not be allowed near a camera, nor should anyone else remotely involved in the creation of “Bad Boys II,” “Coyote Ugly” or this film.

Fred Claus**

Paul Giamatti, Vince Vaughn. The first plays Santa Claus, the second plays Santa’s brother Fred. I was willing to give this one a chance because I like Paul Giamatti. I was ready to ignore certain factors that would seem to foreshadow this movie. But this has never happened before. Apparently, Fred Claus is the chance to start killing things. He finds himself on the wrong side of the law. There are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.

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**Quote of the Day**

“With a stop light, green means ‘Go’ and yellow means ‘Slow down’. With a banana, however, it is quite the opposite. Yellow means ‘Go’, green means ‘Whoa, slow down’, and red means ‘Which truck did you get that banana?”’

Mitch Hedberg

**Quote of the Day**

“The only winner of the War of 1812 was Tchaikovsky.”

Solomon Short

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“Here at Blackwater, Tiny Tot Voucher School, our philosophy is that the private sector can do it better.”

Katie Kohler

Tuesday, October 30, 2007

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Tae Andrews
Reconsidering the Victory March

Dear Students: On behalf of the players and coaching staff, I’d like to thank you for your support last season. With your help, our team was able to prove many people wrong, as we took fourth place in the highly competitive Big East and earned a bid to the NCAA tournament. Don’t underestimate the impact that your presence and enthusiasm has on our team and on the outcome of the game. The Leprechaun Legion has been instrumental in helping us move towards the home winning streak record (20 games and counting)!

Upon return from fall break, be sure to save the date for Tuesday, Oct. 30. The Leprechaun Legion “Tip Off” will be held that night, starting at 8 p.m. in the Joyce Center. This year’s event will officially kick off the 2007-2008 season, featuring special guests, prizes, team introductions, contests, free food, and much more! The 2007-08 Leprechaun Legion shirt will also be available for free with your purchase of a student booklet. Thanks for all you do to make the Joyce Center a true home court advantage, and we look forward to seeing you on Oct. 30. Go Irish!

Mike Bey
Men’s basketball head coach
Oct. 15

Stay classy at games

During the second half of Saturday’s game with USC, Pete Carroll challenged a Notre Dame first down catch while his team was up 39-plus points. At the time, I felt like this was a petty thing to do on his part, and it upset me, as I’m sure it did a lot of Irish fans. But what upset me more was what I heard in the background on the TV broadcast of the game. During the review of the play, you could pretty audibly hear the students chanting an expletive about Pete Carroll. On a disappointing day, that was the only moment where I truly felt embarrassed to be a Notre Dame alum. We might lose football games — but we should never lose our self-respect and integrity. To those that were chanting — shame on you for not respecting yourself, your classmates or your future alma mater enough to refrain from being foolishly vulgar. And to those around them who let them chant — shame on you for not having the integrity to tell them to stop. Even when we lose, we should still strive to represent Our Lady well and that doesn’t include chanting classless things at opposing coaches. No matter how petty and annoying they might be.

Andrew Sama
Annapolis, Md.
Oct. 22

Immigration issue needs more consideration

“Give me your tired, your poor, your huddled masses yearning to breathe free...” This is the beginning of the inscription on the Statue of Liberty, one of the United States’ proudest monuments. It’s amazing how much our attitude has changed towards immigrants since this symbol of hope was erected in 1884. Today, presidential candidates’ strength on the immigration issue is judged by how tough their policies are on “illegal aliens,” rather than on how humanitarian or, at the very least, pragmatic they are.

Last year I went to El Paso on a trip with twelve other Notre Dame students to get a first-hand look at the immigrant issue, and I came back to South Bend with many insights. First, because of how bureaucratic and expensive the legalization process is, it is much easier (and makes much more sense) for immigrants to enter our country illegally. Second, a Border Patrol officer who we met with admitted that of the hundreds of thousands of potential immigrants apprehended by the El Paso border patrol over the past ten years, zero were suspected terrorists. Third, when fences went up in Tijuana in the 1990s to prevent immigration flows into California, Latin Americans began entering through the deserts of Arizona, New Mexico and Texas. This treacherous journey has led to hundreds of deaths annually in the deserts of the Southwest. While these facts are overlooked by the popular media in our country, we are constantly bombarded with supposedly false claims of how immigrants are putting a strain on our public resources.

What I remember most about my time in El Paso was our group’s meeting with two Mexican teenagers who had crossed from Mexico the day before. When asked why he risked so much to come to the United States, one replied that he needed to support his girlfriend who he had just gotten pregnant, and had no opportunity for work in Mexico. The proposed $7 billion dollar fence along the U.S.-Mexico border would attempt to keep thousands of desperate people like him out. However, history has shown that the fence would probably cause them to find another, more dangerous way into our country. Why are we willing to go to such lengths to deny help to those in the world who need it most?

Charlie Cummings
off campus
Oct. 29
By CORBIN HICKS

Scene Writer

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Washington, D.C. is not only the home of our nation’s capital, but it also produces really good R&B music from time to time. Following in the footsteps of Raheem DeVaughn, the next great artist to come from the political capital of our country is J. Holiday. Despite being deeply entrenched in his D.C./northern Virginia roots, J. Holiday has released an album that is devoid of any regional flavor.

Back of My Lac’

J. Holiday

Label: Capitol

Recommended Tracks: “Come Here,” “Suffocate,” “Betcha Never Had” and “Bed”

You won’t find any Go-Go music on “Back of My Lac’”, which has become a staple of D.C., Baltimore and the surrounding areas. You also won’t find any guest appearances on the album. On songs that seem to beg for a rap breakdown, Holiday provides his best attempt at rapping as to not disrupt the continuity of the project. This provides an easier listening experience and helps the transition of the album from song to song.

The album begins with the title track, which signifies the upcoming sonic experience. You are basically riding shotgun, in a song without your choice, with a young man who is not afraid to show different emotions.

Despite the usual suspects to feel the life of crime, gang banging, and other staples of today’s urban music, Holiday isn’t afraid to show a tender side and sing about love and happy emotions from time to time.

He follows up the first track with two introspective songs, “Ghetto” and “Thug Commandments.” With these songs, he separates himself from the other cookie-cutter pop acts and displays depth with his songwriting.

The next song is the chart-topping single “Bed.” This song has undoubtedly been added to every baby-maker play list, as J. Holiday does his part to combat low birth rates. He also tries his hand at making a few club hangovers, with the tracks “Come Here” and “Pimp In Me.” But he is able to make an entertaining track with the usual vulgarity, lewdness, and attempts to “make it rain.”

The next song is “Suffocate,” in which he is figuratively unable to breathe without being in the presence of his significant other. The song works well, without being overly mushy or soft, and provides a smooth touch after the upbeat tracks.

Another standout track is “Pimp In Me,” in which he claims to be willing to settle down monogamously after meeting the right woman. Holiday provides his best full vocal range on this track, opening up the entire musical scale on his voice.

Following in the footsteps of Raheem DeVaughn, the next great artist to come from the political capital of our country is J. Holiday.

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Fancy Footwork

Chromeo

Label: Vice Records

Recommended Tracks: “Momma’s Boy,” “Opening Up,” “Bonafied Lovin’” and “100%”

Imagine the guy from the hook on 2Pac’s “California Love” with the lyricism and style of T-Pain, and that gives you a taste of what P-Thugg brings to the table. On top of that, you have the traditional harmonizing and vocal skills of the other half of the group, which combine for a musical joyride.

“Fancy Footwork” is the duo’s second released album, and is the follow-up to their debut record “She’s in Control.” In the three years between releases, Chromeo became more comfortable with their genre-bending style of music and display their confidence proudly throughout the album.

With the album featuring more instrumentation and singing, and less of the talk box, you have to feel that Herbie Hancock is smiling somewhere, knowing that someone else is able to internalize his style of music and combine the same elements of jazz and electronic funk in a manner that feels natural.

The four-minute, 11-song offering that is “Fancy Footwork” begins with an intro track fit for the Super Bowl. The instrumental is reminiscent of the Chicago Bulls theme song during the year they went 72-10, and the chanting gives it, as Kanye West would say, “Stadium Status.”

This leads into the two singles that were released from the album, “Tenderoni” and the title track. The former does enough to keep your attention, gradually introducing you to the trademark sound of the duo. The title track, however, is Chromeo at its best, as the upbeat tempo is complemented by the singing of Dave 1. The lyrics don’t attempt to overpower the musical experience but are intended to add to the landscape of sounds that pleasantly swirl around your ears. The next song is “Bonafied Lovin’,” which the duo recently performed on “Jimmy Kimmel Live!” There are a couple of shorter tracks after this song, robbing Chromeo of the opportunity to get funky with the music. But then you reach another peak of the album.

“Opening Up” would have undoubtedly been a hit in the 80’s, with hints of the timeless catalogs of Madonna, Prince and Morris Day. The song has a melody and a groove that are sure to make anyone get up and start dancing and would be perfect for an early morning jazz workout.

The next song, “Momma’s Boy,” is Chromeo’s lobe attempt to stray from their groove formula. The song focuses on the lyrics and singing rather than the instrumentation, and it’s done very well. The singer harmonizes perfectly with the music, and the lyrics will undoubtedly put a smile on anyone’s face as he sings his heart out to a girl who called him a “Momma’s Boy.”

The subsequent tracks do well to close out the album on a high note, and the best is “100%.” It’s aimed as if Chromeo doesn’t want the party to end, and bails you into restarting the album due to the short duration of the songs.

While this type of sound may not initially be appealing to all people, the music takes over, and its excellence shines through.

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TAE ANDREWS

Scene Editor

Furor over the ongoing court cases of the Jena Six has ignited racial tensions throughout the South and made headlines across the nation throughout this past year. Now the commotion has reached Notre Dame.

EUGENE CHAMBERS was the chair of the Campus Life Committee of Student Government, paired with the campus chapter of the NAACP, hosts a shirt sale tonight in the LoFortune Student Center from 7 to 10 p.m. and on Thursday at 7 to 9:30 p.m. The red and white lettering shirts will cost $10 each. The proceeds from the red-with-white-lettering t-shirts will go to support the Jena Six Legal Fund through the Color of Change, an organization which works for social justice.

The two groups started planning on selling the shirts immediately after the Jena Six trials which began in mid-September, but due to the design process and having to plan the distribution of the clothing wasn’t finished until about two weeks before the fall break, prompting the Committee to delay the sale until after the recess.

“We didn’t want to have to rush it,” Lai-Nin Wan, chair of the Multi-Cultural Affairs Committee, said in an interview Monday afternoon.

The committee made 120 shirts for the sale, with plans to create and sell another batch should the first run sell out. This will generate between $600 and $800 in revenue after expenses should the t-shirts sell out.

“Student Government and NAACP would like to promote tolerance that extends past race and the view of a more accepting, global community,” Wan said.

According to the New York Times, the controversy surrounding the red with white lettering shirts will go to support the Jena Six Legal Fund through the Color of Change, an organization which works for social justice.

“Since we can’t be there physically, we want to help out as much as we possibly can,” Lai-Nin Wan, chair of the Multi-Cultural Affairs Committee, said.

In December of last year, the aforementioned “Jena Six” got into an altercation with a local white youth named Justin Barker and ended up beating him up. The injured Barker went to the hospital, received treatment and was later released on the same day.

Local authorities arrested the Jena Six, five of whom were then charged as adults with second-degree battery charges, but was later acquitted on the ground that he had been mistakenly tried as an adult, although a local judge refused to release him on bail.

On September 20 of this year, over 10,000 people thronged the streets of Jena, La., population 3,000, in protest of perceived unfair treatment of the six youths.

“While the sale will go well and sell out,” Wan said. “Since we can’t be there physically, we want to help out as much as we possibly can.”

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Protesters show their support for the Jena Six on Sept. 18 in Atlanta, Ga. The case has drawn widespread attention and support from around the country.
Jagr breaks teeth, then scores winning goal in Rangers win

Ovechkin scores two as Capitals rout defenseless Maple Leafs; Sharks come from behind over Stars with three late goals

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Jaromir Jagr lost his teeth then found the net.

Bloodied in the mouth in the second period by either the puck or an errant stick, the Rangers captain netted the winning goal in the third period of New York's 3-1 victory over the Tampa Bay Lightning on Monday night.

He almost had the goal removed as painfully as his teeth when NHL officials closely reviewed a video tape that showed an hour after the game to see if the shot got through cleanly or was deflected in by teammate Brendan Shanahan.

Either way, the hard one-timer snapped a tie and provided the winning margin.

The shot came close to Shanahan's skate, and both players would gladly take credit for the goal scored with 5:15 left. The pair of 600-goal scorers have been struggling offensively in the early going this season.

Shanahan scored an unassisted power-play goal 2:44 later to stretch the lead to 3-1 and give him his second of the season — fewer than Jagr.

"Broken skate, broken glove, broken teeth. What a night," said Jagr, who has two goals in three games. "I didn't see myself yet. It's Halloween tomorrow. I don't have to buy a mask."

There were smiles all around the Rangers when Jagr scored even after the game that produced as many goals as they did scored in four previous contests combined.

The late goals secured New York's second win in seven games (2-4-1). NHL wrestlers not the first for the Rangers, who have an NHL-low 29 in 11 games.

Vincent Lecavalier netted his second of the season, but the Lightning — 5-0-1 at home — fell to 0-4 on the road as they started a three-stop trip in the New York area.

Their best player was Johan Holmquist, who made 32 saves but couldn't overcome four penalties taken by teammates in the third.

"Our game gives us a chance after two periods and we can't put 20 minutes of disciplined, hard hockey together," coach John Tortorella said in an expletive-filled tirade. "We don't deserve anything. We spend too much time looking at referees for calls, instead of playing."

"It's very frustrating to see one go in," said Henrik Lundqvist, who rebounded from a 4-1 loss to Toronto on Saturday with a 21-save effort in the second.

Washington players got their first two goals in the Capitals' victory over Toronto.

Brian Sutherby, Matt Bradley, Jeff Jill, Matt Pettinger and Boyd Gordon all scored their first goals of the season for the Capitals while center Daniel Alfredsson had three assists.

"We played very well tonight, all four lines played well, everybody scored and our goalie played well," said Ovechkin, who has nine goals in as many career games against the Maple Leafs.

Setoguchi scored three of the Sharks' goals against the Maple Leafs, who have allowed an NHL-high 51 goals this season. They continued their poor play at home where they have won only three times in nine games (3-5-1). This was their second 7-1 loss at home, also getting routed by Carolina on Oct. 9.

"Just collectively, for some reason, we're very fragile at home," coach Ron Wilson said. "Just too many mistakes. We followed the latest ruling at Air Canada Centre.

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"We played a team that's like Tupperware. Once they close the lid and hup, it, you're done," Wilson said. "In the past, we haven't had games like this where we've stormed back on Dallas."

The Sharks came into the game 24th in the league with 25 goals, and they had scored just one in each of their last two losses.

The slump continued as San Jose trailed 2-1 despite bringing on a new goalie in the first period and losing the top two goalies to injury. But the 20-year-old Setoguchi scored twice in a span of 2 minutes and 24 seconds in the second period, only to see Pettinger give the Caps the lead for good at 5:26 when he flipped a rebound over Toskala's goal line.

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Former Yankees third baseman Alex Rodriguez celebrates a walk-off home run in an April victory over the Cleveland Indians. Rodriguez decided to opt out of his contract, which he announced during the final game of the World Series.

**MLB criticizes timing of A-Rod's announcement**

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Major League Baseball had this message for Alex Rodriguez and agent Scott Boras: Shame on you.

Boras announced during Game 4 of the World Series on Sunday night that A-Rod was opting out of the final three seasons of his contract with the New York Yankees. The timing left baseball officials livid.

"We were very disappointed that Scott Boras would try to upstage our premier baseball event of the season with his announcement," Bob DuPuy, operating officer, said.

'...it was inform ed the organization...'

Don Mattingly told the Yankees he wasn't the organization's choice to fill the managerial vacancy," Mattingly's agent, Ray Schulte, said in an e-mail. "Instead, he was informed the organization offered the position to Joe Girardi."

"We wanted him to stay a Yankee. We wanted to let him know how much we wanted him," he said. "The bottom line is ... do we really want anybody that really doesn't want to be a Yankee? How the heck can you do that? Compare him with (Derek) Jeter. Jeter, since he was a little kid, all he ever wanted ed to do was play shortstop for the Yankees. That's what we want."

In Brief

Girardi offered Yankees' vacant managerial spot

NEW YORK — The New York Yankees picked experience over popularity, offering the managing job to Joe Girardi at the risk of watching Don Mattingly walk away from the franchise.

"Beloved as our team captain, Donnie Baseball was the early favorite to replace Joe Torre and openly coveted the spot. After finding out Monday he didn't get it, Mattingly told the Yankees he had no interest in returning next year as bench coach or in any other coaching position."

"Don was extremely disappointed to learn today that he wasn't the organization's choice to fill the managerial vacancy," Mattingly's agent, Ray Schulte, said in an e-mail. "Instead, he was informed the organization offered the position to Joe Girardi."

Cowboys lock up quarter­back Romo for six years

IRVING, Texas — Tony Romo didn’t have to wait until the off­season to get his big payday from the Dallas Cowboys after all.

Romo has agreed to a six­year, $36.7 million deal that will be announced Tuesday, according to a person familiar with the deal who requested anonymity because the contact has not been announced.

The contract, which will become effective this week and provides salary cap relief for Dallas, includes $30 million in guaranteed money.

"It's a great feeling you have when the organization and the people stand behind you, and you can be the quarterback for a long, long time," Romo said. "It's a neat feeling that You're our guy, we like you.... It makes you feel good as a person and a player."

World Series celebrations cut short by 37 arrests

BOSTON — Police in riot gear cleared several large crowds gathered around Fenway Park early Monday after the Red Sox won their second World Series title in four years. Police said they made 37 arrests, mostly for disorderly conduct.

Thirteen people were arrested after they refused to leave the Kenmore Square area near Fenway Park, police said. After police told a large crowd to leave, several officers were struck by rocks and bottles. Sixteen cars in one area were vandalized.

No serious injuries were reported.

Young people sprayed each other with beer and some climbed street signs or utility poles.

"Two World Series in four years is pure heaven," said Andrew Dunas, a Boston University student from West Boylston.
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The Firm now playing on Channel 2.

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Men's Interhall Football
Alumni, Dillon resume rivalry

By ERIC PRISTER & JARED JEDICK
Sports Writer

Alumni and Dillon resume their game tonight at Biehle Field, as both teams met Oct. 18 due to a tornado warning at the half.

The Big Red has already clinched a playoff berth, but they want to make sure that both sides of the ball are ready to go when the postseason starts.

"We want to go into the play­offs clicking on all cylinders," Alumni captain John Butler said. "This game has to do with being the eighth or the seventh seed," Duffy said. "Either way we have a tough opponent, but I would much rather be a lower seed.

Duffy stressed the importance of keeping his team focused.

"Last year we came in as the Alumni 8 game and 3-point leader and ended up as the conference champion. So respect the game and it's interhall football. Anything can happen.

The Alumni game is coming tonight's game at 0-3, but a rivalry game against Dillon always gives them reason to come out and play.

"It's going to be a game that we have to play for everything," Butler said, noting that first-year coach Fred Shapot said. "What makes this game even bigger for us is it is Alumni vs. Dillon. When we play Dillon, it makes no differ­ence whether we are 3-0 or 0-3. Alumni will look to finish the season strong and begin to prepare for next year.

"All our younger guys are going to play a big role in this game," Shapot said. "At the same time, the veterans are going to play their roles to finish the field. Everyone’s going to make a contribution, and if we can come out and play with one that's all I can ask for. Then we can ride that into next year.

Keenan vs. Stanford
The Battle of the Chapel, orig­inally scheduled for Oct. 18 but postponed due to weather, will conclude tonight on Biehle Field as Keenan and Stanford play for the chance at an undefeated season.

"It is always good to beat Stanford. In fact, our record against Stanford is 18 due to a tornado warning at the half.


The Irish first traveled to Bloomington, Ind., to compete in the E.P. "Tom" Sawyer Invitational. The Irish had 10 or more kills.

"Keenan vs. Stanford)

Belles prepared for conference tourney

By SAMANTHA LEONARD
Sports Writer

After going 2-3 in their matches last weekend, The Belles will head into the MIAA tournament against Keough. The Belles are looking for some revenge, "This game has to do with revenge," Alumni captain Rob Duffy said. "It’s a rivalry game and there is still one more day off before taking on first­place St. John’s.

"We lost [junior middle blocker] Cathy Kurczak for the season due to illness. So, Kalamazoo was our first match with a lot of excitement for the day of break, Belles coach Julie Schroeder­Bieck said. "We have some options to do this. [Junior] Kieanna Hill moved from the outside attacking position to the middle and [sophomore] Kathleen Mills stepped into the middle position.

If we want to win this game, we are going to have to have a complete game," Duffy said.

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ND Volleyball
Irish drop three over break

By ELLYN MICHALAK
Sports Writer

Notre Dame easily won a conference game to start off its fall break schedule before dropping straight road games against top teams. The Irish were victorious in three straight games Oct. 19 by defeating DePaul 3-0 (30-12, 30-13, 30-15). The Irish dominated, and sopho­more middle blocker Kim Kristoff’s five assists, the Irish weren't able to pull off the win.

The Irish first traveled to Storrs, Conn., with hopes of beating No. 22 St. John's. The Red Storm is currently second in the Big East with a 9-1 conference record and an overall record of 24-3. St. John's outstanding .594 hitting percentage ultimately allowed them to dominate the Irish defense, and the Red Storm ultimately swept the match 3-0 (30-21, 30-24, 30-23).

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The Irish will continue their road schedule with a home match against the strong Huskies defense. Despite the strong defense, the Irish were able to win the match 3-2 (20-27, 27-30, 30-16, 25-15, 15-12), after battling for five games.

"I thought we played a game in a week and a half, but we could never make up for the first game," Statiski led the Irish in the match with 15 kills and 21 digs, placing her third in Notre Dame’s all-time dig history. Sophomore out­side hitter Serinity Phillips also recorded a career-high 20 kills and 17 digs. Despite senior setter Ashley Tararis aids 25 assists, the Irish weren’t able to win the third game.

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Belles had 13 kills to go along with her team-best 14 digs. Freshman outside hit­ter Andrea Sage notched 12 kills and tied Helfman with 14 digs. Sagesen also had two assists, while freshman middle blocker Wei Liu had 11 assists. Sophomore middle blocker Lori Naupaiszynki had 13 digs and two assists.

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Kalamazoo and Defiance. The Belles had only one more day off before taking on first-place St. John’s. No. 16 Calvion took out Marquette, but three Belles had 10 or more kills.

Burns said, "We do not want to change much, and we want to be ready.

Freshman Brian Castello will call the signals for Keough.

"He is really getting used to the whole interhall thing," Burns said.

Leaving the rushing attack is just part of the reason. Keough is talented enough to play ball on a varsity level ," Burns said.

The Knights have relied on their rushing attack this year, giving up only six sacks the whole season.

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ND Cross Country
Men take sixth, women place seventh at Big East

By CHRIS DOYEN
Sports Writer

At the Big East championship meet at the E.P. "Tom" Sawyer Invitational, the Notre Dame men’s and women’s teams finished fourth and sixth, respectively, in the first instal­ment of the postseason.

The men, who entered the meet ranked No. 13 in the USTFCCCA poll, finished with 393 points, 38 more than Delaware and 20 points behind Villanova. Georgetown (60 points) and Providence (74 points) also finished in front of the Irish. Junior Patrick Smyth once again led the way for his team, finishing with a time of 23:28.50 and finishing third on the individual leader­board. Senior Robby Curtis of Villanova won the individual title with a time of 23:45.85.

Senior Jake Watson finished second for the Irish and the 12th overall in 30:26.54. Both Smyth and Watson received All-Big East honors for their efforts.

Senior Brett Adams (20th), sophomore Jack Lysak (26th), and freshman Dan Jackson (32nd) rounded out the scoring for the Irish. Junior captain Alex Burns (33rd) and Mike Pogojoy (36th) posted two of the three fastest times in the meet that were not factored into team scores.

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**Codefendants may weaken O.J. case**

Associated Press

LAS VEGAS — Cutting deals with co-defendants to testify against O.J. Simpson and the others alleged to have robbed the former football star could cut the jail time for those charged.

"This is a basic prosecution tactic that is very effective," said Jody Armour, a criminal law professor at the University of Southern California. "Its greatest weakness is that the jury is going to hear from the defense that the only reason they're testifying is because they cut a deal that can benefit them." 

Simpson co-defendant Michael McClinton told a judge Monday that he would plead guilty to murder in return for testimony against Simpson. Blood stains on a hat Simpson gave McClinton were matched to the 49-year-old Las Vegas man'sDNA.

"Ultimately, it will come down to whether a jury will believe witnesses who have cut deals to testify," said Shapiro, who provided television commentary during the trial in which Simpson was acquitted of murder in the 1994 slayings of his wife, Nicole Brown Simpson, and her friend, Ronald Goldman.

"McClinton's agreement to enter a plea was not a surprise," said Simpson lawyer Yale Galanter, who said he believed McClinton will be the final cooperating witness.

Walter Alexander, 46, a Simpson golfing buddy from Mesa, Ariz., has pleaded guilty to conspiracy to commit robbery. The 49-year-old Las Vegas man could end up being the star witness.

McClinton's lawyer said he can testify that Simpson asked him to bring guns to a room at a Las Vegas casino hotel to get items that Simpson said was his.

"I think this was a good move because Renteria is a great player, who is a winner with a championship under his belt," Leyland said.

Detroit hopes this year's deal will help the franchise get back to the post-season after finishing short this year with 88 wins.

"We were able to address our biggest need, heading into the winter, with one of the best shortstops in the game," Tigers president and general manager Dave Dombroski said on a conference call.

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In exchange for the 32-year-old Renteria, Detroit gave up right-hander Jar Jurrjens and minor league outfielder Gorkys Hernandez.

"We gave up a couple of good players, but in order to acquire a player like Edgar we knew we had to give up some talent," Dombrowski said.

With Dombrowski running the front office and current Tigers manager Jim Leyland in the dugout for the Florida Marlins, Renteria ended a thrilling World Series Game 7 in 1997. His hit with two outs in the bottom of the ninth inning gave Florida its first World Series championship with a 3-2 win over the Cleveland Indians.

"I'm real happy to be a Detroit Tiger player," Renteria said. "I know Dave and Jim Leyland and I think I'm going to be comfortable in Detroit." 

Leyland said the Tigers are "thrilled to death" to add Renteria.

"He was a part of the biggest night of my life in 1997," Leyland said. 

"To be reunited with Edgar is a thrill." Leyland said. "To be reunited with Edgar is a thrill." Leyland said.

The Braves were willing to part with Renteria in what was Frank Wren's first major move since taking over as general manager because they have shortstop Yunel Escobar, who turns 25 later this week.

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Jennings catches 82-yard bomb in overtime for Green Bay victory

Associated Press

DENER - Greybear Brett Favre certainly isn't running low on arm strength or signature moments.

On the first play following the kickoff in overtime, Favre connected on an 82-yard touchdown pass with Greg Jennings and the Green Bay Packers defeated the Denver Broncos 19-13 on Monday night.

"I feel like I've been on some better teams, but it's hard to doubt this team," Favre said. "That was fun. I can't wait to watch the tape."

Denver had tied the score at 13 on Jason Elam's 19-13 field goal as time ran out in regulation, setting the stage for yet another Favre comeback.

Green Bay won the coin toss and on the first play, Jennings was matched up in man-to-man coverage on the left side. Favre, who threw a 79-yard touchdown pass to James Jones in the first half, hit Jennings in stride at the 40. Cornerback Dre' Bly had no shot at catching the speedy wide receiver who trotted into the end zone as Favre rushed to celebrate Green Bay's first 6-1 start in five years.

It was the second-longest TD pass in NFL overtime history. On Nov. 10, 1985, Philadelphia Eagles quarterback Ron Jaworski and wide receiver Mike Quick combined on a 99-yard TD.

"We know if we could get by them we'd have a chance to score," Jennings said. "That's what happened with James. Some people say we don't have speed but today we made it happen."

Some people were also saying Favre didn't have any more of those kinds of passes left in his arm.

Even Favre has suggested he's lost some zip.

"Brett will say, 'I don't know if I have anything left in the tank,' and we're thinking, 'What is this guy talking about?' He's 70 years old and overthrowing us in practice - a lot," Jennings said.

The Monday night stage has provided some of the best moments in Favre's career, from the incredible game in Oakland following the death of his father, to his game-winner to Antonio Freeman in overtime against Minnesota.

Add to this the list. Maybe it belongs at the top.

It was the Packers' first win in six trips to Denver and their first overtime win on the road since Dec. 12, 1983, at Tampa Bay in Howard Cosell's last television broadcast.

The Broncos (3-4) sent it into overtime with a drive that began at their own 7 with 2:27 left.

Out of timeouts, the field goal unit scrambled onto the field and Elam calmly nailed the kick, just as he did two months ago and Elam calmly nailed the kickof in overtime, Favre connected on an 82-yard touchdown pass to James Jones, who was widely considered the only man coverage on the left side.

Looking nothing like his 38 years, Favre outmaneuvered Cutler, widely considered the only other passer in the league whose arm strength can rival his.

Favre finished 21-of-27 for 333 yards and a 142.4 passer rating.

Associated Press

Belles fall in first round of MIAA tournament

By MEAGHAN VESELIK

Saint Mary's drew its season to a close Saturday after a 3-0 loss to Hope in the first round of the MIAA tournament. The Belles finished their season with a conference record of 3-4-2 and overall at 7-5-5, landing them in fifth place for the conference.

The Belles played their last game Saturday in their third match against Hope this fall, and had their third loss against the Flying Dutchmen. They didn't score, but junior forward Lauren Hinton had three shots on goal and sophomore midfielder Katie Wehrli and sophomore defensewoman Bridget Ronayne both came up with one.

Hinton finished conference play with four goals, placing her in the top 12 of the conference. She was followed by Wehrli and Katy Durkin, who both had three goals for Saint Mary's, and Bridget Ronayne and Julia Groggins with two.

The Belles scored 13 goals during conference play this season. Julia Groggins, Sarah DuBrow and Wehrli all had two assists in the MIAA.

Saint Mary's was led on offense by Lauren Hinton, who was side-lined with injury at the start of conference play, but made a strong comeback the rest of the season.

Her injuries, and those of sophomore Micki Hedinger, gave new players a lot of playing time and a chance to show their talent on the field. Freshman midfielder Grettmann was a key player for the Belles this season, with six goals and multiple assists.

Senior goalkeeper Amy Mahoney made over 60 saves and helped the Belles win a tough match against Kalamazoo at the beginning of league play, and the Albion, another strong team.

Scoring 29 total goals and a record of 7-5-5 is not a record-breaking season for the Belles, but they definitely showed themselves to be a team who didn't stop competing when they were down.

Senior Matty will say good-bye to seniors Justine Higgins, DuBrow and Amy Mahoney, but it has a powerful group of players remaining who are looking ahead to next year.

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Sports Writer
Golfers not in top spot for first time

By LORENZO REYES
Sports Writer

Notre Dame was kept busy over fall break, taking part in two tournaments, finishing in second and in a tie for fourth. The Lady Bulldogs Invitational, which took place Oct. 19-21, saw the Irish finish first place after 36 holes, leading them 11 strokes into Alabama.

After the first day, it looked as though the Irish would struggle at the Furman University Golf Course in Greenville, S.C. Shooting 311 leaving them in a tie for eighth place, Notre Dame, however, shot six strokes off during their second round and finished the invitational with a tournament best-round of six-over par 224 putting them in second place out of the field of 18. "In Furman, we really got off to a poor start and dug ourselves a pretty big hole," coach Susan Holt said. "We were able to recover from it though. We got better each round and finished the invitational with a tournament-best round of six-over par 224, putting them in second place out of the field of 18.

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In terms of her post-season expectations, Holt feels he though the team is where they want to be.

"We think we're going to be off the court after the first half of Notre Dame's season. The SEC held the top-three spots of the tournament as Arkansas took the title with an 886 (292-300-294), followed by Auburn's 894 (301-300-293) and Florida's 896 (307-300-289).

"We faced an extremely difficult course in Alabama," Holt said. "We're coaching golf for eight years now and that was the top-five toughest courses I've ever faced. It was demanding."

Park once again led all Irish golfers marking the third time this season with her two-over par 215 (73-72-70). In all of her tournaments this season, the freshman has finished in the top-ten. Maunu was the second top-10 finisher for Notre Dame as she carded a nine-over par 222 (75-74-73) on the tournament for 10th place. Conway's top score of the tournament on the final round helped place her in 46th with her collective effort of 231 (77-75-79).

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as well as a 10-game win streak.

During the streak, the Irish have outscored opponents 34-5 and taken 188 shots to their opponents' 67. Junior forward Brittany Bock scored 10 goals and had three assists during the streak, while Hanks scored five goals and had nine assists.

The Irish have played the last four games without senior captain and forward Amanda Cinalli and the last eight games without sophomore defender Haley Ford.

Notre Dame 4, Providence 0

Hanks opened the scoring in the 34th minute on a penalty kick. Friars senior keeper Laura Ellers slide-tackled Hanks in the left side of the box as Hanks chanced a through-ball, and Hanks put the shot past Ellers in the right-hand side of the net.

The score remained 1-0 until the second half, when junior midfielder Christina Pinnick slid a shot from the far side inside the near post in the 47th minute. Mendoza scored again, in the 54th minute, when the ball rebounded after a shot from sophomore midfielder Micaila Alvarez led Pinnick into the offensive third behind the defense, and Pinnick faked right before shooting the ball low and to the left of Ellers into the far side of the net.

Mendoza's goals doubled her previous career total.

Notre Dame 2, Connecticut 1 (OT)

Huskie sophomore midfielder Annie Yi struck first, scoring in the 18th minute. Connecticut found an opening on the right side of the box and put a tough shot through the Irish wall, and after a rebound off a penalty kick hit the crossbar.

The Huskies' stumbles continued in the 20th minute. Junior forwards Kristen Edmonds put a high shot past a charging keeper. Hanks brought the ball back to midfield.

The Irish were now 17-4-3 all-time against Connecticut.

Notre Dame 3, Seton Hall 1

Weber, Pinnick and freshman defender Lauren Fowlkes, who had combined for five goals before the game, each scored a goal in the victory.

Weber scored first in the 20th minute on a direct free kick from the left side. The ball skipped off the wet ground and found the right corner of the goal. Weber's goal came after Hanks forced a turnover from behind.

Pinnick scored just after halftime on a cross from Yi. Hanks driving down the right side found an opening on the right side of the box, and from the end line to Pinnick in front of the net. Pinnick's shot went inside the far corner to make the score 2-0.

Seton Hall scored after a handball outside Notre Dame's box in the 70th minute. The ensuing penalty kick hit the Irish wall, and after a rebound from freshman midfielder Nikki Gross' shot, sophomore forward Kate Andreski put the ball past senior keeper Lauren Karas to cut the deficit to one.

In the 83rd minute, Bock redirected a Hanks free kick from the far post, where Fowlkes controlled the ball and shot it inside the post to make the score 3-1.

Notre Dame 3, Rutgers 1

Rutgers didn't have a shot on goal until the second half during the latest of Notre Dame's wins against conference opponents.

Notre Dame was able to hold off a slim lead and the game ended after two scoreless overtime periods.

"We were playing well, and that's the key," Clark said. "If you play well, nine out of ten times you will come out on top."

The Irish played well in their first two games during the break coming away with a pair of shutouts over Seton Hall (3-0) and Pittsburgh (3-0).

Senior Alex Yoshinaga scored his second goal of the season, as well setting up a Seton Hall own goal in a win over the Panthers. Sophomore midfielder Justin Morrow buried two goals in the first five minutes of the contest to put it virtually out of reach for Pittsburgh.

"Morrow has two good feet and great wheels," Clark said. "He is really starting to become an impact player."

Bobby Clark Irish coach

Notre Dame 1, Rutgers 0

The Irish scored the lone goal of the game on a breakaway goal by sophomore forward intern Elisa Besler in the 83rd minute. The Irish took the lead in the 32nd minute to tie the game. Pinnick gave the Irish the lead in the 38th after a Hanks free kick. Junior defender Carrie Dew redirected the kick with a header that bounced off the post, and Pinnick put her own rebound into the back of the net.

Mendoza scored on another through ball in the 71st minute. Hanks brought the ball up the middle of the field and passed to Mendoza, who chipped the ball over the keeper.

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Providence notching a late goal to tie it up. Lapira found senior defender Ryan Miller for the second Irish goal in the 65th minute.

"Our destiny lies in our own hands, and you can't ask for anything more than that."

Bobby Clark Irish coach

Notre Dame 3, Seton Hall 1

The Irish took the lead in the 18th minute when Yoshinaga took a free kick from the left side that deflected off a Pirate and past Seton Hall keeper Paul McHenry for a 1-0 advantage.

Mendoza put one on his own in the second half when he tipped in a Besler throw-in. The long throw reached the front of the net and Yoshinaga deflected it low for his second goal of the season.

"It was good to see him get another goal, I hope there is going to be a few more of those before the year is over," Clark said.

The win ended a three-game winless streak for the Irish, who lost games to Indiana and Michigan State and tied No. 1 Connecticut.

The team stayed hot with another big individual effort in their 3-0 win over the Panthers. Sophomore midfielder Justin Morrow buried two goals in the first five minutes of the contest to put it virtually out of reach for Pittsburgh.

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Lapira picked up assists on both of the goals, bringing his season total to six assists and 18 points, both team highs.

Notre Dame will play its final regular season game at Georgetown on Saturday with a chance to guarantee a Big East Championship and top seed in the upcoming conference tournament with a win.

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irsheyes.com, said the coaching staff did a great job finding and grooming the Irish, who now have a large, bright, diverse group of freshmen and sophomores.

"It's really quite amazing to have a loss like that they were able to overcome. I'm just thrilled with these guys on an unselfish visit," Frank said. "I think that says a lot about the coaching staff and their ability to sell the future of the program. They had a great chance of coming over into that game, so they had to do a lot of work on their end, and I think they sold a lot of people on the future of the program."

Floyd was one of Notre Dame's top prospects this season. The 6-0, 200-pound receiver checked in at No. 22 last season, but graduated in December, giving him an extra year of eligibility.

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"They did a good job of letting these kids now that, 'Hey we're going through some times right now that really aren't a whole lot of fun, but look at the talent that we had coming in, look at our track record, look at what we're doing on defense. We're not afraid to play young guys, and if you come here, you can play right away," Frank said. "Of course, Notre Dame has a lot of advantages, with scholarships and things like that already built into the program, but Notre Dame has really liked the coaching staff and really liked the players and said 'I like what I see here,' and he went ahead and pulled the trigger with Notre Dame," Jackson said.

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The normal college schedule features weekend games allowing the players a chance to practice Monday through Friday, but so far this season Notre Dame has played mid-week games in each of the first two weeks of the season.

"Right now it's about getting a little bit more familiar with the puck and doing some things that are a little more competitive, practice things, Jackson said.

The offense had trouble getting on track in their first two games against Denver.

Pioneers forward Alex Maiani scored a goal midway through the second period to pull the Irish within one, but Notre Dame's second goal of the game was the source of two more bright spots for the Irish, finishing second in the 3-0 win.

"It's important that we get down to some basics. Next week will be our first full week of practice," Jeff Jackson coach.

"He is only one point behind Miami's Justin Mericier and Carter Cappeller for the conference lead in points."

"He went to Nebraska and really liked the coaching staff and really liked the players and said I like what I see here," and he went ahead and pulled the trigger with Nebraska," Frank said. "Then when things get a little bit shaky, Notre Dame said, 'Hey why don't you come take a look down here. Just take a look. I think we all had a suspicion that if they offered them. Notre Dame wouldn't be a tough school to beat because he just had such a high opinion of Notre Dame."

With the slow start and lack of offensive production this season, the coaching staff gained 23 verbal commitments from highly-touted recruits telling the aspect that they can come in and make a difference right away. It also helps Notre Dame to offer its recruits, "I thought we did really well," Notre Dame coach Carrie Nixon said. "Minnesota is a really tough team, and we knew it would be a tough meet. But we had some really great swims from a few girls."

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"I'm instantly proud of both," Nixon said. "She's enjoying the whole swim and has really liked the atmosphere and has stepped into a leadership role. She is a joy to coach and has been really receptive in making changes to some of her strokes."

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Freshman Sam Maxwell was the source of two more bright spots for the Irish, finishing second in both of her races in the 100-yard breaststroke, she clocked in at 1:03.48, 1.6 seconds behind Minnesota freshman Jillian Tyble. Tyler was also victorious in the 200-yard breaststroke, but Maxwell stayed closer, posting a time of 2:16.01, only .61 seconds off Tyler's pace.

Nixon said the Irish accompanied a lot of the Golden Gophers, even though they weren't able to pull out the victory.

"Obviously you always want to try to win," she said. "But we learned a lot, and it was important to come out of it with something good."

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ND WOMEN'S SWIMMING
Minnesota hands Irish road dual meet loss

By CHRIS DOYEN
Sports Writer

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Growing pains

Jackson says practice time will help team gel

By DAN MURPHY
Associate Sports Editor

No. 13 Notre Dame opened up conference play with two wins and a loss during fall break, another week in which the Irish have had little time for practice amid a game-punctuated early season schedule.

The Irish (4-3, 2-1 CCHA) beat Bowling Green 4-2 on Oct. 23 before splitting a weekend series with Ferris State last week.

The team also dropped a 3-1 decision in No. 5 Denver Oct. 19 to start the week.

Irish coach Jeff Jackson attributed the team’s early struggles to youth and a lack of practice time.

“It’s important that we get down to some basics,” he said. “Every week will be our first full week of practice.”

Irish center Kevin Deeth takes the puck up the ice during Notre Dame’s 4-3 win over No. 7 Denver on Oct. 18 at the Joyce Center.

ND WOMEN’S SOCCER

Hanks shines in Big East wins

By BILL BRINK
Sports Writer

Junior forward Kerri Hanks became the 19th player in NCAA history to reach 50 goals and 50 assists Sunday when she scored a goal and had two assists in Notre Dame’s 3-1 win over Rutgers.

Hanks is only the third player in Notre Dame’s history to reach 50 goals in a single season.

Belles take fourth at MIAA for best season ever

By MATT GAMBER
Sports Writer

It’s official — this season has been the best in Saint Mary’s history.

With a fourth-place finish in Saturday’s MIAA championship, the Belles secured the fourth spot in the final season standings, surpassing last year’s fifth-place finish.

Belles coach Jackie Bauters praised Gray’s performance, especially considering its setting in a crucial meet.

“Megan ran an amazing race,” Gray said. “I’d love to qualify again, but I just want to have a good race and feel strong.”

Floyd, Gray commit after loss to Trojans

By CHRIS HINE
Sports Editor

Following one of the most historic losses in Notre Dame’s history, Michael Floyd and Jonas Gray reminded Irish fans that shattering losses to USC and Michigan should be a thing of the past.

Floyd, a wide receiver from Saint Paul, Minn., and Gray, a running back from Beverly Hills, Mich., verbally committed to Notre Dame last week after USC’s 38-0 drubbing of the Irish, and added their names to the top-rated recruiting class in the country.

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FOOTBALL RECRUITING

Irish add recruits over break

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