Pension act expires with new year

Provision that makes contributions from IRAs tax-free helped University collect $2.5 million

By MARCELA BERRIOS
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Notre Dame may have to find a new way to encourage senior alumni to donate a part of their retirement savings to the University starting next year, because the piece of legislation that currently makes these contributions tax-free will expire at the end of 2007.

A provision of the 2006 Pension Protection Act allows people 70.5 years or older to direct up to $100,000 of their Individual Retirement Account (IRA) to qualifying charities and tax-exempt organizations, like Notre Dame — and with a tax benefit.

Since President Bush signed the Act into effect in August 2006, Notre Dame has received more than $2.5 million in IRA contributions, said John Butkovich, assistant director of planned giving at the University's development office.

"These are dollars we might've not received otherwise," Butkovich said.

But the provision will expire on Dec. 31 as different groups in Congress have expressed con-

Alumnae offer their career tips

College graduates host Expo, Insights Day

By LIZ HARTER
News Writer

Saint Mary's alumnae from 21 majors returned to campus Tuesday to offer students advice on post-graduate employment and educational opportunities in the first annual Alumnae Career Exposition and Career Insights Day, sponsored by the Board of Governance (BOG), the Division of Academic Affairs and the Center for Career Opportunities.

The alumnae participated in major-based seminars throughout the day, discussing their careers and how current students can understand the process in those fields.

The main event of the day was the Career Exposition in the Student Center Lounge.

About 75 students participated in the networking event, where the visiting alumnae spoke about their profession experiences.

"The alumnae have been so supportive," BGC alumnae commission member Christine Darche said.

"Even those who couldn't attend the career expo wrote back saying this is a great program."

Many of the alumnae said they wish there had been a similar program in place during their time at the College.

"When I came to school here there was only one bank that introduced [the post-graduate employment]." said Katherine Wolner Hargt, a 1977 graduate.

"We had to do everything after college on our own."

Wolner Hargt is the executive director of the Illinois region of the BOG.

Male feminist tackles gender issues

Anti-sexism activist Jackson Katz has told members of the New England Patriots and the U. S. Marine Corps that men need to stand up to a culture that allows the physical and psychological subjection of women.

On Tuesday, Katz delivered the same message to a Notre Dame audience.

Part of the trouble with society's treatment of gender issues is that these matters are widely considered to be "women's issues," he said.

So long as issues of rape, sexual harassment and sexism considered women's issues, Katz said, it is easy for men to opt out of the discussion.

"Opinion polls show that both women and men think violence against women is an important issue, but that it's an important women's issue," he said.

And with 99 percent of rapes committed by males, a widespread refusal among men to engage in problem-solving debates will not help.

Diplomat wants female peacemakers

Sorensen: Women have untapped potential

By THERESA CIVANTOS
News Writer

A former United Nations diplomat told a Notre Dame audience Tuesday that 80 percent of the world's refugees are women and children — and she wants women, including female refugees, to become "architects of peace."

Gillian Sorensen, a senior adviser to the United Nations Foundation who is known as "the diplomat's diplomat," delivered the lecture "The State of Women Internationally" in the Mendoza College of Business to help students Tuesday night in the Hesburgh Library.

"Women are often marginalized, pushed to the edge," Sorensen said in an interview before the lecture. "The United Nations is at the center of so many things. We could have focused on any number of topics. But women's rights, women's issues, are very important."

She said women have been throughout history victims of war, but they possess the tools that make strong peace builders. The opportunities to act in this capacity, however, have been denied to them for centuries.

"Although women are half
**INSIDE COLUMN**

**Protest this**

As it is with many students, the 21-year-old drinking age, our one-year losing streak to Navy, people who cut in line at the Dining Hall and slow walkers can annoy me.

But nothing so far this year has managed to irk me more than the unbelievable number of people who have yet to learn how to socialize.

You know—that joy at the football game who claims he could single-handedly defend against our offense.

The seniors who still enjoy dorm parties and frequent them despite their ability to procure their own alcohol.

Anyone who, on more than one occasion, has found humor in commenting on the appearance of Stepan Center.

Kaleidoscope McDaniels all-girls-at-ND-are-femi-

While I’ll admit these are the few problems I’m sure we can fully devote ourselves to other causes.

When their voices are drowned out by the crackdown on off-campus partying is just one of many problems.

Moments in the gym are now common place. We’ve as a student body have little insight into new topics of conversation.

Recently, however, a new debate arose: that of the lack of student activism on campus. If we appear to be on is foreboding. We have yet to notice and take action.

The fact is only hampered by the Excise Police’s insistence on strict enforcement of the drinking age. There’s that impression that no one under the age of 21 can set foot at TC from normalcy.

People are out protesting for a living wage, anyone who, on more than one occasion, has found humor in commenting on the appearance of Stepan Center.

Forbiddance. It’s scary as hell.

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Until students begin to notice and take action, there appears to be no end in sight. But maybe there is a simple solution—an interview requirement for admission. Then we can all examine your resume and your driving record.

At any rate, it probably would have kept my excessively awkward engineering brother out.

The views expressed in the Inside Column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.

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**QUESTION OF THE DAY:** What is your favorite horror movie and why?

- **Brian Muller**
  - Sophomore
  - Lyons

- **Minsoo Kang**
  - Sophomore
  - Carroll
  - "The Exorcism of Emily Rose. It's a scary."

- **Ed Yap**
  - Sophomore
  - Keenan
  - "Amityville Horror. It's too close to home."

- **Puja Parash**
  - Freshman
  - Farley
  - "The Descent. It didn't need the gore to be scary."

- **Danny Wheeler**
  - Sophomore
  - Keenan
  - "Shark Attack III. It's so realistic."

**In Brief**

Ohio State University professor James Bartholomew will deliver the lecture "Is There Anything Unique About Modern Japanese Science?" Thursday at 4:15 p.m. in 215 Bellarmine Hall.

Heather Stoll, a professor at the University of California, Santa Barbara, will deliver the lecture "Presidents, Powers and Parties: The Sources of Legislative Congressional Coordination in Presidential Regimes?" Thursday at 4:15 p.m. in Room C-103 of the Hesburgh Center.

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**Freshman Lilly Civanton reads her original poetry at Student Literary Night in the Hammans Lounge of the Coleman-Morse Center Tuesday.**

**OFFBEAT**

**Police station no place to smoke weed**

**URJ, Conn. — A man is facing drug charges after he allegedly walked into the Dunbar police station puffing on a marijuana-filled cigar. Capt. Robert Myles says Scott Wilson walked into the station early Saturday and blew smoke from his cigar into a small opening in the bullet-resistant glass separating desk officers from the public.**

Myles says the 24-year-old man was told there’s no smoking inside the building and he allegedly stubbed out the cancer on the counter. Officers came out and smelled the distinctive odor of marijuana and arrested Snow.

Boy, 13 blames dad after joy ride wreck

**PHOTO, Idaho — A 13-year-old boy who went for a weekend joy ride in his parent’s car lost control of the vehicle and crashed into a tree — and then blamed the wreck on his father.**

Springville police say the boy took the car Saturday and picked up a friend. About 7 p.m. he hit a street sign and a tree.

Ed Caron says when officers arrived the boy said his father had crashed and left the scene to find a tow truck. After continued questioning the boy confessed.

Police aren’t sure how long the boy had the car or where he had been. They’re investigating the accident.

The boy’s name is being withheld because of his age. Police are referring the case to juvenile court, where the boy could face charges for joyriding and driving without a license.

Information compiled by the Associated Press.
SMC students learn self-defense

After friend's murder, founder started workshops for young women

By MEG MIRSHAK
News Writer

Erin Weed, founder and executive director of Girls Fight Back, an organization that provides personal safety and self-defense information for young women, presented her program to about 20 students in Saint Mary's Carroll Auditorium Tuesday night.

Weed founded Girls Fight Back in 2001 after her best friend, Shannon McNamara, was murdered in her college apartment near Eastern Illinois University. Inspired by the way her friend fought back against her aggressor, Weed said she realized young women must learn practical methods to protect themselves if necessary.

"Nothing changes your sense of security more than seeing what violence does to a woman," said Weed, who witnessed the trial of McNamara's murderer.

After working with violence-prevention experts and self-defense trainers, Weed began traveling the country presenting her self-defense initiatives at middle schools, high schools, major corporations, colleges and neighborhoods.

Weed said the most shocking part of her friend's murder case was that many people in the apartment complex heard McNamara's screams as she was being attacked, but no one did anything to help her.

"Specifically in college campuses, we ignore sounds," Weed said. "Girls Fight Back is Weed's most popular program, but she also teaches courses on spring break safety, campus crime and workplace safety for internships to the lifestyle of an urban professional woman."

Through Girls Fight Back, Weed said, she hopes to teach young women that "fighting like a girl is a very good thing." Weed said she tells women the best way to learn about personal safety is through empowerment, not fear or intimidation because they may be known as the "weaker" sex.

A Girls Fight Back program covers reducing risk factors, paying attention to one's intuition, home security measures and tips for Internet safety. Weed put that and more information for campus safety in her book, "Girls Fight Back: The College Girl's Guide to Protecting Herself." It is really a guide for a safer lifestyle, said Carrie Quaglia, president of the Residence Hall Association, which sponsored Weed's presentation.

"Girls Fight Back gives our students practical knowledge to apply to everyday living," Quaglia said. "It is not just about the self-defense aspect.

"Quaglia said small changes help make everyday life safer, and Girls Fight Back reminds that to students to avoid tragedies like McNamara's death.

The second half of Weed's presentation includes a program Weed calls "three steps to a safe and empowered life." The first step, "learning to trust your intuition," could have prevented McNamara's death, Weed said.

She also warned women against being a sitting duck for attacks. "All of us know what it looks like to be an easy target," she said.

The presentation ended with a short demonstration of self-defense moves that a woman could put to use if she is ever attacked. When found in a violent situation, women who have never been taught proper ways to defend themselves pause because they do not know how to react, Weed said.

She also showed the audience how to use everyday objects, like a cell phone and a high-heeled shoe, as an "improved weapon," if circumstances allow.

"It is my hope that you will see something in today's program that will make you want to go and take a self-defense class," she said.

The Girls Fight Back Web site, she said, has a directory women can use to find listings of self-defense classes near them. Some in the audience said they would consider Weed's suggestion.

"Weed was encouraging because you never think you will be in a situation like [McNamara's] and it was nice to know women can defend themselves," freshman Stacy Bledsoe said.

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cern about the tax revenue lost through the Act. There are, however, in Washington who are trying to extend the IRA provision.

Butkovich said the Act's tax benefits, he said, acted as an incentive that encouraged older alumni to use their IRA funds to make contributions to Notre Dame during 2006 and 2007 and usually at the $100,000 level.

"We've had a significant amount of gifts at the $100,000 level, which is the maximum contribution the Act allows. These alumni are happy with the provision, because it allows them to make donations to the University without tax implications, but at the same time this gift doesn't count against the benefactor's allowable tax deductions that year," he said.

Withdrawals from IRAs are normally reportable as taxable income. But with the Pension Protection Act, individuals can directly transfer those funds — free of taxes — to a charity without having to itemize the gift to receive a tax reduction.

Butkovich said as soon as the legislation was passed, his office sent alumni whose graduation years put them in the 70-year range information about the Pension Protection Act. And the University has made full use of it during the two years the provision was in effect.

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prevent any true progress toward prevention. It is essential to involve men in the discussion, both in the academic and activist settings, Jackson said. He was impressed that men comprised about half the audience Monday.

"We need more men with the guts to break out of this complacent silence."

Jackson Katz
Anti-sexism activist

That realization made him angry. As he became more involved with gender issues, Jackson found out that many women close to him had been victims of abuse.

His experience is hardly abnormal, he said. Jackson insisted that every male in the audience knew at least one female that had been sexually assaulted. He cited a Department of Justice statistic that one of four women will be the victim of rape or attempted rape during college.

"True prevention is going to the root of the problem: men and boys," he said.

"But what has been called 'prevention,' as far as I'm concerned, is risk reduction for women, like 'watch your drink' and 'don't go out alone at night.'" Silence in the face of sexism is a form of consent and complicity," he said.

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Today, women who refuse to Refer to male authority are routinely labeled "bitches," he said.

"We've come 500 years, but we've changed one letter?" he said.

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KELLY MCGREGOR/Observer
Alumnae Autum Gill, right, Dana Dreher Schrader, center, and Kaitlyn Matthews Langager talk to a student at the Alumnae Career Expo Tuesday.

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**INTERNATIONAL NEWS**

**Attack targets Afghan politicians**

Baghlan, Afghanistan — A bomb attack struck a group of lawmakers Tuesday, as they were being greeted by children on a visit to a sugar factory in Afghanistan's normally peaceful north. At least 28 people were killed, including five parliament members as well as children.

U.S.-backed President Hamid Karzai blamed the "the enemies of peace and security," a euphemism often used for the militant Taliban. But such a spectacular attack could also have been the work of al-Qaida. The Taliban denied providing video obtained by AP Television News of the scene just before the blast showed schoolchildren, tribal elders and government officials lining the streets to greet 18 lawmakers as they were about to enter in the sugar factory in Baghlan, a town about 96 miles north of the capital, Kabul.

**Instability casts shadow on elections**

Islamabad, Pakistan — Pakistan's deposed chief justice called on lawyers Tuesday to resist against President Gen. Pervez Musharraf's imposition of emergency rule and a crackdown on the opposition that has left thousands under arrest.

The government considered a delay in parliamentary elections despite Western demands they be held on schedule in January to bring democracy in a nuclear-armed country dogged by political uncertainty and rising Islamic militancy.

**FRIDAY'S TELEVISION NEWS**

Armored vehicles and roadsides mines and rocket-propelled grenades fired into a crowd of about 1,000 people in Baghlan province were among the worst of 850 in 2004.

**Shuttle commander voices concerns**

Associated Press. "I don't know what it would take, but Husband says it could take weeks to finally coming to a close, Discovery's commander, has been a Plan B or Cord," he told The Associated Press, "I don't know what it would take."

As they prepared for an early Wednesday landing, the seven astronauts recalled the dramatic highlight of their 15-day space station construction mission.

Saturday's emergency repair of the torn wing that will play a key role in ensuring that American families have confidence in roadside bombings that Washington attributed to Iran.

**New Orleans population sees rebound**

New Orleans — Nearly two-thirds of the city's pre-Hurricane Katrina population has returned, a new report released Wednesday showed.

But Greg Bigman, the demographer with the nonprofit, said Tuesday that he expects the growth rate may not continue, Bigman said.

Two of the Iranians who will be freed "in the coming days" were among five captured in January in a U.S. raid on an Iranian government facility in Irbil, the capital of Iran's autonomous Kurdish region in the north of the country.

The Americans said the five were members of Iran's elite Quds Force, an arm of the Revolutionary Guards. Iran said the five were diplomats working in a facility that was undergoing preparations to be a consular office.

"This is a very important step to enhance relations and facilitate the commerce between the two sides," Barzani told reporters.

The Iranian ambassador charged the United States ran roughshod over Iraqi sovereignty in conducting the raid in January.

"The Americans breeched Iraqi sovereignty by detaining the five Iranians who were released," he said.

New Orleans Community Data Center used Postal Service data to estimate that New Orleans' population has reached 70 percent of its pre-Katrina level.

"The rebound appears to be "a hard decision, but we're not extending it," Bigman said, and not driven by a single event drawing people back.

The rate of repopulation appeared to increase during the past few months, possibly due to families returning for the school year or people-finishing their rehabs. - GCR senior planner Rafe Ruehlman said.

"There's a tangible difference, if you compare now to a year ago, in terms of commercial activity, traffic on the streets, people walking around, cultural events," he said.
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Dougherty’s exercises, “Even if I’d never helped my students, it really helped me relax. I’m definitely going to try and make another one of Dougherty’s sessions,” she said.

The best way to view hypnosis, he said is in a state of intense relaxation and concentration, in which the mind becomes remote and detached from everyday cares and concerns.” You aren’t asleep or unconscious, he said.

You are in an alternate state of consciousness in which you let things happen through your subconscious mind, rather than trying to make them happen with your conscious and critical mind.” Sophomore Malia Makowski said she was hesitant to try Dougherty’s methods.

“I was skeptical at first about trying hypnosis after everything I’ve heard about it,” she said at Tuesday’s session.

But she was pleasantly surprised by the level of relaxation and harmony she reached with Dougherty’s exercises, “Even if I’d never helped my students, it really helped me relax. I’m definitely going to try and make another one of Dougherty’s sessions,” she said.

And stressed students aren’t the only ones taking advantage of Dougherty’s services.

“Change your mind, change your perception, change your entire life.”

Dale Dougherty hypnotist

Dougherty sent letters to all Notre Dame sports teams encouraging them to try hypnosis, but he said he has only received a response from the women’s golf team.

“Sports are 90 percent mental. You spend four hours a day working physically but do nothing to help the mental game,” he said. "Tiger Woods has a hypnosis coach."

Sports hypnosis can assist with pain management, the ability to eliminate outside distractions and anxiety control, Dougherty’s Web site says.

“Change your mind, you change your perception, you change your entire life,” he said.

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the human race, men around the world seem to seize authority and power and decision-making, and they sometimes use it to hurt women,” she said.

“It wasn’t really until this century that the rights of women have been seen as equal to the rights of men.”

And though their rights may be the same, women’s inherent traits differentiate them from their male counterparts in the way they both deal with conflict, Sorensen said.

“Women make a real difference in building peace,” she said. “That’s not to say they can’t be as tough as men. They can, if they choose. But many women have a perspective and experience that gives them a special ability as peace makers and peace builders.”

She said that, although many of the world’s war refugees are female, men have dominated peace-making diplomacy in the past.


“Men have been doing this for centuries. Women could do it as well, if not better. Give it to the women and see what they can do,” she said with a laugh.

But Sorensen was serious when she said women have untapped potential as peace-makers.

“Tapping that potential, however, will require drastic changes in almost all institutions worldwide,” Sorensen said.

“My dream is that women receive respect and education, health care — even they can safely give birth — and opportunities. That’s not so different from men, I guess,” she said. "I’m wishing they had the same opportunities as men."

Globalization, she said, posed a threat to that dream as it “has increased social and economic inequality” between poor and wealthy countries. Religious fundamentalism, as well, is detrimental to the advancement of women as diplomats as it “literally tries to veil and hide women.”

Sorensen emphasized the need for strong role models for young women to combat these barriers and bring their talents to where the need is very great. How can we make a difference in the world?” she said.

A former U.N. assistant secretary-general for external relations, Sorensen has also tried to make a difference as a U.N. special adviser for public policy. She is now traveling the country talking about her experiences with the United Nations and describing herself as “the U.N.’s national advocate.”

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In Brief

Coors Brewing sees 3Q drop in profit DENVER — Beer giant Molson Coors Brewing Co. on Tuesday reported a dip in third-quarter net income because of one-time charges that offset a 7 percent increase in sales.

The company's Canadian and U.S. operations both turned in stronger results in sales to retailers while the European business was affected by rainy weather and newly enacted smoking bans.

The Denver-based brewer showed overall improvements in brand strength, pricing and retailing, while the European business was affected by rainy weather and newly enacted smoking bans.

The company announced lower sales for the quarter, with earnings falling 4.1 percent to $342.4 million, or 60 cents per share, from $356 million, or 61 cents per share, for the same period a year earlier.

The company said it sold 3.9 million barrels of beer and predicted that it will sell between 15.5 million and 15.9 million barrels for all of 2007, compared with 15.8 million barrels sold in 2006.

The results were released as Molson Coors is in the midst of a large restructuring plan.

CEO Kevin Akin said the company will focus on reducing costs, improving sales of its biggest brands, and increasing its advertising spending.

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Facebook announces targeted ads

User profile information to be used to generate commercials with personal interests

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Facebook has reference it to a transforming itself from an online hangout into an online business district.

Companies can now create their own targeted ads based on Facebook's data for the first time, under a new program announced Tuesday.

Advertisers also will be able to know users' pitches in the guise of friends' endorsements, based on what the friends buy and do online.

For example, if a friend has booked a vacation on Travelocity, the online travel agency will be able to display the friend's photo as part of an ad to entice the user to buy a hotel in the same location.

The friend will have some control over whether they share that information, but the user will have fewer choices over whether to receive it.

As Web companies look to boost advertising revenue by offering to target ads based on users' hobbies, interests and behavior, Facebook's move could change the tone of the site and revive privacy complaints it faced last year.

Facebook relies on information in users' profiles and friends' online activity to determine what ads might appeal to users.

The company's chief privacy officer, Chris Kelly, said users can opt out of the new targeting program.

"If users are displeased with this, we will hear from them," said Kelly, the company's chief privacy officer.

Privacy concerns aside, many Facebook members may be reluctant to endorse an advertiser for fear of alienating friends who bad experiences with the same company, said Chris Winfield, who runs (02e20), an online marketing speciality.

"They are relying a lot on their users to make this happen, and that's going to be tricky," Winfield said.

Facebook Chief Executive Mark Zuckerberg, who founded the company three years ago, said marketers must respond to the changing nature of communications, driven in part by social networking sites like his.

"Pushing your message out to people is no longer good enough," Zuckerberg told about 200 advertising-industry executives, many already in New York for the adtech conference. "You have to get your message out to the conversations."

Crude oil barrels rise to record high

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Oil futures jumped to a new record above $97 a barrel Tuesday after bombings in Afghanistan and an attack on a Yemeni oil pipeline compounded the supply concerns that have driven crude prices higher in recent weeks.

Those concerns were also fed by a U.S. government prediction on Tuesday that domestic oil inventories will fall further this year while consumption rises.

Oil prices jumped, meanwhile, gasoline prices also continued to rise, following oil's 9 percent price rally since August. The national average price of a gallon of gas jumped 2 cents overnight to $3.244 a gallon, according to AAA and the Oil Price Information Service.

Separately, the federal Energy Information Administration reported that diesel fuel prices reached a national average of $3.303 a gallon, a new record.

If oil prices continue to rise, it might be some time until consumers, see relief at the pump. Some analysts predict prices could rise as high as $3.50 to $4 a gallon next summer.

The Energy Information Administration is predicting gas prices will remain above $2.90 a gallon for the rest of the year, and will set a new record national average of $3.255 a gallon by May. In May 2007, prices peaked at $3.227 a gallon as refineries, faced with a series of unexpected outages, struggled to produce enough gas to meet demand.

On Tuesday, oil was already up before news of the attack in Yemen and the blasts in northern Afghanistan that killed at least 28 people. Severe weather forecasts for the North Sea, expectations that domestic crude supplies fell last week and the weak dollar all contributed to the latest move upward.

While Afghanistan does not produce much oil, traders watch for the possibility that any escalation in the conflict there between U.S.-armed forces and Islamist militants could spill over into other countries, disrupting oil supplies out of the Middle East.

John Kilduff, vice president of risk management at MF Global UK Ltd, noted that the attack in Yemen "has disrupted a pipeline that carries 155,000 barrels a day of crude.

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There are some things in life that you can always count on: Lindsay Lohan going to jail a few months, hearing "Don't Stop Believin'" at the Barczer on Saturday night, the Cubs choking in the playoffs, Notre Dame being Naxi (too soon?) and to name a few. Such occurrences make life worth living. It's good to know that no matter how much the world changes, some things never will. In much the same way, I feel I must confess dishonesty, flip-flopping and sliminess as necessary qualifications for politicians.

That was before I discovered Ron Paul. One need not look further than the 2008 presidential field to see that Ron Paul is the exception to the rule. Hillary Clinton, the media appointed "front-runner," was every likely with her party's nomination, certainly plays the part. As of late 2006, she refused to admit that she made a mistake in voting for the Iraq war in the Senate, instead suggesting that she regretted "the way the president used the authority that Congress gave him," as though she was shocked that the president would actually use the authority to attack Iraq that she had just handed him. Almost a year later as public opinion for the war waned, she claimed that, "If I knew then what I know now, I would not have voted that way."

It even sounds vaguely reminiscent of John Kerry's infamous utterance that he voted before he voted against it. Not to mention her statements that she supported the war but didn't like Bush's handling of it. It could not be any more obvious that she is attempting to "reposition" herself from a war supporter to an "anti-war" candidate in order to win the anti-war vote as if she is a legitimate anti-war candidate.

Barack Obama and Dennis Kucinich seem to be the only two Democratic candidates that actually seem to mean what they are saying. This is why they win.

The Republican side is probably even worse. Rudy Giuliani, the (God forbid) Republican front-runner, seems to have had as many "changes of heart" as he'd had wives. Giuliani recently declared that he no longer supports making it all but impossible to own a gun as he did in New York, but now is a "strong supporter of the second amendment" and "understands that every law-abiding American has an individual right to keep and bear arms that is guaranteed by the Constitution," according to his website. What is coming from the man who argued that the Brady Bill didn't go far enough, supported national gun registra­tion and tried to mandate that all gun-owners have trigger locks in New York, rendering all but useless in an emergency. Please.

A few months ago, a 1989 video surfaced on the internet of Giuliani expressing his support of federally-funded abortions. The Guiliani damage control unit went into overdrive and shockingly enough, declared that he no longer supports such a policy.

Even more shockingly, Giuliani has "seen the light" on all these touchy Republican principles. As he decided to run for president, and of all his changes of heart, he made him a more attractive candidate to the Republican base. Giuliani is the embodiment of all that is wrong in American politics: Self-serving, power-hungry, dishonesty, flip-flop­ping and sliminess as necessary qualifications for politicians.

Respect for Navy appreciated

I just want to say that I am very proud of the student body for leaving out the "suck it" portion of the game chant on Saturday. I had visitors with me at the game, and I explained to them the normal line but told them since this was a service academy that Notre Dame students knew better than to insult our future servicemen. I was especially happy to actually hear cheers as Navy took the lead for the first time in years for their alma mater after the game. Thanks to the students for remembering who we are protecting our freedom in the next few years.

Tony Perkins
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As if the end of summer weren't bad enough, it also marks the beginning of the tedious wait until Oscar season. In the months between August and November, studios release their least desirable movies, with a few exceptions, in anticipation of the bombardment of Oscar—worthy films come November and December. This year's winter movie season marks the return of Julia Roberts and Disney 2—D animation, as well as the continued dominance of Judd Apatow and the yearly Oscar—worthy performance of Will Smith. There're blockbusters and indies and musicals (oh my!) and a whole lot of awards buzz. The following are the films that will offer you the most entertainment for your increasingly costly movie ticket this winter.

**"Enchanted"**  
**Release date:** Dec. 21  
**Starring:** Amy Adams, Patrick Dempsey, James Marsden, Susan Sarandon  
Combining live action, 2—D animation and the magic of Disney, "Enchanted" is set to warm the hearts of anyone who has ever loved a Disney princess movie. The latest fairy tale from the House of Mouse follows the journey of Giselle (Amy Adams), a young maiden engaged to marry Prince Edward (James Marsden), a prince from the 3—D, live-action world of Manhattan. Soon Giselle finds herself being hunted by huntsmen (Robbie Coltrane, Patrick Dempsey), whose queen engage to Nancy (Natalie Dormer, Sarandon) to marry into the Giselle world.

The movie is filled with references to past animated Disney features, and the musical numbers pay homage to the music of past films. But Giselle faces a frightening situation when the prince's evil step—mother, Queen Narissa (Demi Moore, Sarandon), casts her into the 3—D, live-action world of Manhattan. Soon Giselle finds herself being hunted by huntsmen (Robbie Coltrane, Patrick Dempsey), whose queen engage to Nancy (Natalie Dormer, Sarandon) to marry into the 3—D, live-action world of Manhattan.

"Walk Hard: The Dewey Cox Story"  
**Release date:** Dec. 21  
**Starring:** John C. Reilly, Jenna Fischer, Kristen Wiig  
Director and screenwriter Judd Apatow owned the summer of 2007 with "Knocked Up" and "Superbad," but now he's changing directions from the world of slackers comedies with heart to the world of the music biopic — the德尔金 music biopic, that is. "Walk Hard," a parody and draws inspiration from hit biopics such as "Ray" and "Walk the Line," stars John C. Reilly as Dewey Cox, whose life and voice are a significant resemblance to Johnny Cash. Apatow co-wrote "Walk Hard" with Jake Kasdan, who worked with Apatow on the TV series "Freaks and Geeks." Kasdan directs the project that reunites many from the Apatow crew such as Paul Rudd, David Koechner and Harold Ramis. New to Apatow's crew is Jenna Fischer ("The Office"); who plays Dewey's true love in a character reminiscent of June Carter. And just as the music of Johnny Cash was vital to "Walk the Line," the music of Dewey Cox also plays a significant role in the comedy. Listen closely to the lyrics of some 25 songs for some extra laughs as Dewey rises, falls and rises again.

**"Juno"**  
**Release date:** Dec. 5  
**Starring:** Ellen Page, Michael Cera, Jennifer Garner, JK Simmons, Allison Janney  
"Juno," directed by Jason Reitman of "Thank You for Smoking," looks to be both hilarious and meaningful as it presents a personal, and less melancholy, view of teenage pregnancy. Juno, an obsest and smart high school student, decides to find her own solution for unplanned pregnancy by locating parents for her unborn child. She discovers an affluent suburban couple desperate for a child played by Jennifer Garner and Jason Bateman. Throughout the pregnancy, Juno, along with her mother (Allison Janney) and father (JK Simmons), deals with her recognition back at school, the newly awkward but not ruined relationship with the boy her father of her child, and the difficulty of understanding who you are supposed to be when you are forced to grow up so fast.

In her own words, Juno is "just out dealing with things way beyond [her] maturity level." This film is also exciting for the new talent it contains. Ellen Page, of the last two X-Men movies and "Hard Candy," and Michael Cera, of "Superbad," are both emerging as strong and appealing actors.

**"National Treasure: Book of Secrets"**  
**Release date:** Dec. 21  
**Starring:** Nicholas Cage, Diane Kruger, Jon Voight, Ed Harris, Helen Mirren, Justin Bartha  
"National Treasure" wasn't historical accurate. It wasn't deep. It wasn't even plausible. But it was terribly fun. And the sequel, "National Treasure: Book of Secrets," looks set to do it again. To clear his family name after his great grandfather is accused of being a conspirator in the assassination of Abraham Lincoln, Thomas Gates (Nicholas Cage) is back not only to steal more stuff, but to add kidnapping (or the president, no less) to his list of misdemeanors in the search of truth and, yes, treasure.

This time around, there's even a "book of secrets" that contains everything from information about Areas 51 to the missing Watergate minutes. Much of the original cast — including Nicholas Cage as Thomas Gates, Diane Kruger as Abigail Chase, Jon Voight as Patrick Gates and Justin Bartha as Riley Poole — is back and will be joined by the astounding Ed Harris and Helen Mirren. So maintain your disbelief, and have a grand old time.
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**Lions for Lambs**

*Release date: Nov. 9*

*Starring:* Derek Luke, Michael Pena, Robert Redford, Tom Cruise, Meryl Streep

New Hollywood talent combines with old in "Lions for Lambs," a new political thriller.

After meeting with West Coast professor Dr. Stephen Mallory (Robert Redford), Arian (Derek Luke) and Ernest (Michael Pena) leave to serve in the armed forces in Afghanistan.

On the other side of the country, Senator Jasper Irving (Tom Cruise) remains on the verge of disclosing a groundbreaking story to television journalist Janine Roth (Meryl Streep). The information Irving reveals may well determine the fate of Arian and Ernest.

Back on the West Coast, Dr. Malley debates student (Andrew Garfield) over ideologies and national policy.

"Lions for Lambs" chronicles events unfolding on both coasts and abroad.

**Golden Compass**

*Release date: Dec. 7*

*Starring:* Daniel Craig, Nicole Kidman, Dakota Blue Richards, Eva Green

Young Lyra Belacqua (Dakota Blue Richards) embarks on an adventure of epic proportions in "The Golden Compass." Based on Philip Pullman's novel of the same name, the movie follows Lyra's adventures as she leaves Jordan College in Oxford and steps out into a world of intrigue.

Before leaving, Lyra is given a mysterious instrument known as an Alethiometer (described as the titular "Golden Compass") that is said to be capable of telling the truth. The beautiful but cold Ms. Coulter (Nicole Kidman) takes young Lyra to come live with her.

Following his newfound movie star status as James Bond, a bearded Daniel Craig (who also stars as Lyra's enigmatic and powerful uncle who is obsessed with discovering the secret of a strange and powerful substance known as Dust) takes the role of Lyra's costar in "Casino Royale," combining with him again on "Compass" as the enigmatic witch Serafina Pekkala. The "Golden Compass" involves all manner of magic and mystery and tropes across alternate universes as Lyra begins her quest.

**I Am Legend**

*Release date: Dec. 14*

*Starring:* Will Smith

Ever feel like you're the only person around? In this winter's sci-fi thriller "I Am Legend," Will Smith gets the opportunity to experience just that, and to the extreme. Some time in the near future, a deadly virus sweeps through New York City and takes everyone but brilliant scientist Robert Neville (Smith). In time, Neville discovers that he is not, in fact, alone in the world — rather, he's slowly joined by the infected, zombie-like mutants who were exposed to the virus that nearly destroyed the city. As the lone uninfected survivor, Neville carries the only immunization from the virus in his blood, putting him vulnerable and friendless.

Based on the 1954 novel by Richard Matheson, "I Am Legend" has been adapted from one book to screen twice previously. With Smith's versatility as an actor — few in Hollywood could play Muhammad Ali, a dating guru and the prime time Fresh Prince as successfully as Smith can — bodes well for this version to be the strongest one yet. Plus, nothing says "Merry Christmas" like virally infected zombies roaming the streets of New York.

**Beowulf**

*Release date: Nov. 16*

*Starring:* Angelina Jolie, Ray Winstone

Old English epics aren't exactly the stuff of movie magic, right? Anglo-Saxon taglines tend not to narrate the previs we see on television. However, "Back to the Future" director Robert Zemeckis seems set on bringing the 8th century into the 21st with this month's "Beowulf."

Animated much like Zemeckis' film version of "The Polar Express," Beowulf features the voices of Angelina Jolie as Grendel's mother and Robert Winstone (TV's "Henry VIII") as the eponymous epic hero.

The prognosis on "Beowulf" seems iffy at best, as an animated, near-Direct-to-DVD version of the story is unlikely to be dark enough to capture the proper flavor, and an overly violent version will probably omit the real substance of the original. Still, it will be interesting to see how Zemeckis' vision pans out, even if it means watching Grendel's mom flirt with Beowulf like in an Old English version of Fountains of Wayne's "Stacey's Mom."

**Sweeney Todd: The Demon Barber of Fleet Street**

*Release date: Jan. 17*

*Starring:* Johnny Depp, Helena Bonham Carter, Alan Rickman

"The Demon Barber of Fleet Street" may not seem like a hefty epithet to lev on a criminal, but this murderous moniker is more than fitting for Sweeney Todd, the main character in Tim Burton's new film version of the Stephen Sondheim musical. Starring Johnny Depp as Sweeney Todd (aka Benjamin Barker) the film tells the story of Barker, a barber wrongly imprisoned by the evil Judge Turpin (Alan Rickman). Upon his release, Barker learns that Turpin has schemed to seduce his now—dead wife and take his daughter, and he decides to exact revenge. Joining forces with meat pie—maker Mrs. Lovett (Helena Bonham Carter), Barker slowly evolves into Sweeney Todd, with deadly results.

Sondheim's "Sweeney Todd" is a much—beloved play, and seeing the talented use their rarely heard singing voices should be interesting at the very least. Burton, with his distinctive, slightly creepy directing style, also seems to be a perfect fit for this macabre musical. Time will tell as to how successful of an adaptation "Sweeney Todd" turns out to be, but making an appointment with the Demon Barber seems like a very good idea.
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**NBA**

**New York guard Stephon Marbury soars over Denver’s Eduardo Najera at Madison Square Garden in New York Tuesday. The Knicks finished with a strong kick to defeat the Nuggets 119-112.**

Knicks give Nuggets payback from last year

Associated Press

NEW YORK — The Knicks found a better way to fight back against the Denver Nuggets.

Zach Randolph had 22 points and 17 rebounds, three other players scored more than 20 points, and New York erased a series of double-digit deficits to win 119-112 Tuesday night in Denver's first trip to Madison Square Garden since last year's trawl.

Seemingly on the verge of being run off the floor in the same way they were before losing their cool 11 months ago, the Knicks instead blew double-digit deficits to win the first meeting against the Nuggets since last year's brawl.

Jamil Crawford led the Knicks with 25 points and nine in the fourth quarter. Stephon Marbury had 21 and nine assists, and Renaldo Balkman led a spirited bench effort with 11 points.

"Our whole team, I like the intensity that we played with," Knicks coach Isiah Thomas said.

Allen Iverson scored 32 points and Carmelo Anthony had 24 for the Nuggets, who were down by as many as 15 and were still ahead by 10 going to the fourth quarter before dropping their second straight.

Iverson briefly had to leave the floor after bloodied his lip defending Marbury with under 2 minutes left, but everything else about the game was clean — unlike Denver's last trip here.

In that one, the Nuggets were 1-5 away from finishing up a 123-100 victory last Dec. 16 when Knicks reserve Marbury took down J.R. Smith by the neck to stop a breakaway. Nate Robinson soon jumped in, and he and Smith tumbled into the front row while fighting. Anthony, leading the NBA in scoring at the time, dropped Collins with a punch and was suspended 15 games.

Seven players were suspended, each organization was fined $500,000, and the Nuggets sorely needed to find more scoring. So they stepped up their efforts to get Iverson, acquiring him from Philadelphia just after the suspensions were announced.

There were no incidents this time, even when Smith had another breakaway late in the third quarter and Robinson was forced to foul to stop him. And though players from both teams insist everything about the brawl in is the past, the icy relationship between George Karl and Thomas hasn't gone anywhere.

**IN BRIEF**

Titans' 'Pacman' Jones plea for playtime rejected

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — NFL commissioner Roger Goodell told Titans cornerback Adam "Pacman" Jones in April to sit out the 2007 season. On Tuesday, the commissioner informed Jones he still hasn't changed his mind.

Jones had met with the commissioner last week in New York, pleading for some leniency and an early return. But the cornerback whose biggest community service was buying wrestling tickets for Atlanta students to watch him at a pay-per-view event last month didn't convince Goodell.

The commissioner told Jones his suspension will last through the conclusion of the team's season, which would include the playoffs if the Titans (6-2) qualify.

"He will be eligible to begin working out at the Titans' facility following the conclusion of the team's season," the league said in a statement.

Maddux wins prestigious Gold Glove for 17th time

Padres pitcher Greg Maddux won his record 17th Gold Glove while Boston first baseman Kevin Youkilis earned his first award Tuesday for fielding excellence.

Detroit catcher Ivan Rodriguez won for the 13th time and outfielders Andruw Jones, Ichiro Suzuki and Torii Hunter added to their totals.

The Colorado Rockies, who set a major league record for fielding percentage, did not have a winner.

Maddux broke a tie with Baltimore third baseman Brooks Robinson and pitcher Jim Kaat for the most Gold Gloves.

Known for his quick reflexes on the mound even at 41, Maddux won his first Gold Glove in 1990 with the Chicago Cubs. The 347-game winner has taken home the honor every year since except for 2003, when Mike Hampton broke his streak.

**World Series of Poker involved in gambling ring**

KINGSPORT, Tenn. — A divisional winner of the World Series of Poker was arrested with 15 other men during a gambling raid that yielded almost $20,000, police said.

Paul McKinney and the others were sitting around a table playing poker Friday night when the raid occurred, police said. Authorities said they seized cash, playing cards and poker chips, as well as gambling slips for the weekend's sporting events.

McKinney, 82, of Weber City, Va., won the 2005 Seniors Division of the World Series of Poker tournament in Las Vegas, taking home $202,725, series spokesman Dave Curley said.

At the time he was the oldest winner in World Series of Poker history.

Police in Kingsport, in eastern Tennessee, conducted the raid after getting a tip. All those arrested were charged with gambling.
MLB

Chronicle reports Guillen, Williams had steroids

Mariners outfielder Jose Guillen, who according to a San Francisco Chronicle report Tuesday purchased steroids and HGH, strikes out Sept. 16. Associated Press

Power-hitting outfielder Jose Guillen bought nearly $20,000 worth of steroids and human growth hormone from 2003-05, the San Francisco Chronicle reported Tuesday. Former major leaguers Matt Williams and Ismael Valdez also purchased performance-enhancing drugs in 2002, from Florida anti-aging clinic that was raiding in February as part of an investigation by the Albany, N.Y, district attorney into illicit illegal drug sales, the newspaper said.

Major League Baseball began testing for steroids in 2003. HGH was banned in January 2005. The Chronicle received details of the players’ orders in records from a source the newspaper didn’t identify. Those records contained shipping and purchase orders, payment information, Social Security numbers and customers’ birthdays, the paper said.

A report by former Senate Majority Leader George Mitchell into the use of performance-enhancing substances in baseball is expected before the end of the year. An unidentified active player has agreed to speak with Mitchell in the next few weeks, SI.com reported Tuesday. The Yankees’ Jason Giambi, who was pressured by commissioner Bud Selig, is the only active player known to have spoken with Mitchell, a director of the Red Sox.

Guillen, 31, spent last season with the Seattle Mariners, batting .290 with 23 home runs and 99 RBIs. He split the 2003 season between Cincinnati and Oakland, and the Chronicle said business records indicate he had some of the drugs shipped to the Oakland Coliseum that year. He played for the Anaheim Angels in 2004 and Washington Nationals in 2005. Attempts by The Associated Press to reach him via cell phone were unsuccessful Tuesday.

Last week, the Mariners declined their $9 million option on Guillen’s contract for next season. He has until Wednesday to decide if he wants to exercise his part of the mutual option at $5 million. If he does, the club can void the deal and pay him a $500,000 buyout. That would make Guillen eligible to become a free agent.

Mariners president Chuck Armstrong told the AP the team remains interested in keeping Guillen.

“We thought he was an outstanding teammate. We were happy to have him. We know nothing about what happened in the past,” Armstrong said. “I continue to admire and respect him greatly.”

“I feel anything negative about Jose, I need to see something tangible or real.”

Armstrong also said if Guillen exercises his option, the Mariners would need to investigate the allegations.

“If I were to talk to Jose about this,” Armstrong said.

Guillen just completed his 11th season in the majors. Records show he ordered more than $79,000 worth of drugs — three kinds of human growth hormone, two types of testosterone and the steroids stanozolol and nandrolone — from the Palm Beach Rejuvenation Center between May 2002 and June 2005, the Chronicle said.

Williams was a five-time All-Star during his 17-year major league career with San Francisco, Cleveland and Arizona. He was playing for the Diamondbacks in 2002 when records indicate he purchased $11,600 worth of growth hormone, steroids and other drugs, the Chronicle reported.

Williams’ final season in the majors was 2003.

The Chronicle reported that Williams, in an interview Monday, a doctor advised him to try growth hormone to heal a severe ankle injury he sustained during spring training in 2002.

Williams is now a broadcaster for the Diamondbacks.

“We obviously just learned of this,” team president Derrick Hall said in a statement Tuesday. “Matt informed us that a doctor recommended its use to help heal his ankle injury. It was a substance that he was not familiar with at the time, and according to him, did not like its effects after sampling. He discontinued the use of it and retired the next season.”

“Matt is a stand-up guy, who without hesitation, admitted using it and not liking it. There is no doubt in our minds that Matt would decline such a recommendation today, knowing what we all know about enhancing substances.”

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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.”

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**MLB**

**GMs recommend replay use on boundary calls**

Associated Press

ORLANDO, Fla. — Baseball could soon have a new position: replay judge.

General managers recommended for the first time Tuesday that instant replay be used to help umpires on boundary calls so whether potential home runs are fair or foul, whether balls go over fences or hit the tops and bounce back, and whether fans interfere with possible home runs.

The proposal was approved by a 25-5 vote. There was no specific time frame on when such a system might be put in place.

“We’ve taken the first step. The question will be now, what do we do?” said Jimmie Lee Solomon, executive vice president for baseball operations in the commissioner’s office. “We have glacier-like movement in baseball, so I’m hopeful that we can at least start meaningful discussions about it. I think that this will be something we’ll have to go very deliberately on.”

Solomon said the next step will be to speak with commissioner Bud Selig, who opposes the use of replays but said last month he was willing to let GMs examine the issue. If Selig gives the go-ahead, Solomon and the staff in the commissioner’s office would draft a detailed replay proposal that GMs could vote on when they gather next month at the winter meetings in Nashville, Tenn.

“All anybody is interested in is getting it right,” Chicago White Sox GM Ken Williams said. “It will be a lot easier and less time to get that right than some of these arguments that ensue when a call is disputed.”

Replay potentially would have to be approved by the unions for players and umpires, and possibly in a vote by owners.

“It’s very important that we get Bud’s agreement on this,” Solomon said. “It seems to be softer, at least, on the consideration of the subject lately. I would not consider him an advocate of instant replay. He will have to be convinced.”

Bob DuPuy, baseball’s chief operating officer, said it would be an “aggressive time frame” to have replay in place next year.

“There’s a lot that’s going to have to be studied with regard to the technology, with regard to how it could get implemented,” he said. “I don’t think it’s likely, frankly, that all of that could be accomplished over the course of the next several months.”

He suggested that it could be tested during spring training or next year’s Arizona Fall League. He also didn’t see a wider use of replay than what GMs recommended.

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**NCAA WOMEN’S BASKETBALL**

**Vols’ Parker leads All-America team**

Associated Press

Candace Parker helped Tennessee win a national title and the United States qualify for the Olympics. Now there’s one more honor to add to this run the last few months: a unanimous choice for the preseason All-America team by The Associated Press.

The Tennessee junior was joined on the squad Tuesday by Oklahoma’s Courtney Paris, Stanford’s Candice Wiggins, LSU’s Sylvia Fowles and Maryland’s Crystal Langhorne.

Half of Fame coach Pat Summit of Tennessee already knew Parker could score. It’s the other aspects of Parker’s game that impress her.

“If there is one thing to separate her out, it’s her commitment to defending,” Summit said. “Her intensity on the defensive end is so much better. She’s also much better attacking the basket.”

Parker sparked the Lady Vols to their seventh national title last April and the national team to a spot in the Beijing Games. She was the top scorer on the U.S. team that won the FIBA Americas tournament in September.

Parker was on every ballot of the 21-member national media panel. The only other previous unanimous selection were Chamique Holdsclaw, Diana Taurasi, Alana Beard and Seimone Augustus.

“That’s a special group,” Parker said. “I wouldn’t be who I was without my teammates or coach-es support.”

Paris came close to a unanimous selection, getting 48 votes. Wiggins drew 41, Fowles 41 and Langhorne 28. Paris and Parker were All-Americans last season. Langhorne, Wiggins and Fowles earned second-team honors.

Summitt saw Parker, Paris, Wiggins and Fowles play with the U.S. national team this fall.

“I thought just watching them play, they are impact players on their respective teams,” she said. “They did some amazing things for the U.S. team.”

The four have known each other for years, playing on various U.S. teams. Their friendship was evident in a discussion with the AP at the national team training camp.

“We’ve been friends for a long time,” Wiggins said. “I’ve known Candace since she was in high school and I’ve known Candace forever and 5½.”

When they aren’t facing each other on the court, the four always check out how the others are doing.

“I’m a fan of our game,” Paris said. “It’s hard not to follow everyone’s career. The media does such a good job. It’s easy to pop on the TV, or open up the newspaper and follow them.”

The 6-foot-4 Paris was third in the nation in scoring at 23.5 points and second in rebounding with 15.9 last season en route to becoming AP Player of the Year.
Schilling agrees to one-year deal with Red Sox

Associated Press

BOSTON — The Red Sox might lighten the load on their starters, especially Josh Beckett, when they keep their weight down.

The Sox have announced that Schilling will accept his $13 million for 2008. The Red Sox preferred to file for free agency.

The right-hander turns 41 next Wednesday.

"I can see how much attrition in baseball. I think the minute we start counting on having a six-man rotation or give it any serious consideration, that's what we lose a pitcher or two in spring training," Epstein said. "I'm sure that topic will come up a lot in our internal discussions between now and spring training."

"We're working at it," he said. "You just keep putting a lot of work forward a little bit each day."

Relief pitcher Mike Timlin also filed for free agency.

During spring training this year, Schilling said he would haveaccepted $13 million in 2008. The Red Sox preferred to wait, and Epstein called the post-season negotiations "a smooth process."

Schilling went 9-8 with a 3.87 ERA during the regular season, then added to his impressive postseason resume by going 3-0 with a 3.00 ERA. He is 11-2 with a 2.23 ERA in his postseason career. Both sides seemed happy with the deal in a lean free-agent market for pitchers. Schilling also would get $1 million next year if he receives at least one vote in his first Cy Young Award balloting.

"I'm excited," Schilling said. "I've played through thick and thin. I've got friends and families to support and I've got to be healthy through the year, and I'm just glad to be going.

"I made over $100 million playing baseball. We're happy." The Sox won the World Series in 2007 and have improved defensively since.

"I think that affected him in spring training," Epstein said. "I think that he was doing a rare thing and we're proud of it."

Schilling said he and Epstein talked on the day before the Red Sox won the World Series.

"After initial discussions, the important thing was I was going to get to stay in Boston. I wanted Schilling," Epstein said. "That got it going.

In 2004, Schilling went 21-6 and helped lead the Red Sox to their first World Series title since 1918.

He would get a $375,000 bonus for pitching 130 innings, and an additional $37,500 for every 10-inning increment up to 200.

The rotation was a bargain even before Schilling took a cut in his guaranteed salary.

Beckett, a post-season star and the only 20-game winner in the majors the last two years, is due $9.5 million in next season.

Matsuzaka will make $8 million, Wakefield $4 million and Loney $3.85 million. Lester made $384,000 last season.

The $8.5 million Boston paid Matt Clement, who missed the whole season after shoulder surgery, comes off the books.
Grades
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points of the season.
"It's nice to be recognized
for being able to not only do
well on the field, but a big
part of being at Notre Dame
is being able to graduate and
do well in your studies," Reffas
said.

The junior, a double major
in history and finance, holds a
3.634 GPA through two
years of his college career.
Reffas was also named the
team's scholar-athlete of the
year in 2006.

"During the season when
we're traveling we have long
trips and it's easier to sit
down and do work then than
when we have more free
time in the spring," he said.

Both players said their
work in the classroom and
performance on the field
build off one another. The
time-consuming schedule
during the fall keeps them
well-organized. Miller, who
is pursuing his master's
degree in Accounting, said
that playing soccer has also
helped him create better
relationships in things like
group projects and other
classroom settings. He grad-
uated from the Mendoza
College of Business last May
with a GPA of 3.409.

"I think that at a school
like Notre Dame, if you can't
keep your academics in line,
your athletics will suffer," Irish
coach Bobby Clark said.
Clark, who has previously
coached at Dartmouth and
Stanford, is used to playing
with high academic stan-
dards.

He also pointed to the
strong support network at
Notre Dame as a reason for
the consistently high grades
of athletes. Mary Ann Spence
is the team's academic advis-
or and helps the players
from the moment they arrive
on campus as freshmen.

"Mary Ann helps us out
quite a bit especially coming
in as a freshman," Reffas
said. "She is kind of like a
mom for the team. Anything
you need she can do for you."

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Weis said he is taking into account the potential of his quarters back at this point and how it will affect their play.

"Well, the kid is hung up, the other kid is not hung up, so you don't have the kid who's healthy," the coach said.

"There's a difference between selecting a guy's potential for how they play, healthy versus hung up."

Weis said the quarterbacks split snaps evenly in practice Tuesday, which he will make a decision about practice time for the rest of the week.

"I'm not really sure how [Wednesday] will go," he said.

"We'll be able to do it after I get through [Tuesday] — I'll be able to see a more definitive answer."

Weis said by Wednesday night he will have decided on a starter and will give that player the majority of the practice snaps for the rest of the week.

"What we're not going to be doing is having a little bit closer in that today, but it's not going to end up that way."

For the season, Sharpley has completed 57 percent of his passes for 575 yards and five touchdowns with three interceptions. Clausen, in one more start, is completing 52 percent of his passes for 363 yards with one touchdown and four interceptions.

Weis said he wants to have Shrine quarterback quarterbacking over the next three games in an attempt to build some upward momentum.

"I don't think what you want to do is go against the flow," he said, "Win's going to play the game for us against Air Force, who's going to play the best for us against Stanford, so against Stanford?" he said. "I'm at the point right now where I'd love to win this game and simultaneously, I want to start building some upward momentum."

"I don't think this is going to be anything new to them as freshmen," Waldrum said.

"I think they've gone through the pressure of having to win. The team focuses on itself rather than opponents, Waldrum said, and worries only about the next game. Both are characteristics he likes to see.

"It's a funny group. You don't hear them too much talking about the opposition, you don't hear them too much talking about the pressures of big games," Waldrum said.

"They're a really focused group of kids. They don't get too high, they don't get too low.

The Irish have had offensive success, defensive stability and solid playmaking while steamrolling 11 opponents since the Penn State game. But the opposition is hardly what they're thinking about.

"Right now, let's just get all of our 27 players focused on Notre Dame," Waldrum said of his team's mentality.

"More importantly than anything, we've just kind of of anything, 'Right now, it's all about us,'" Waldrum said.

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Irish freshman forward Tyrone Nash goes to the hoop in Notre Dame's 109-53 exhibition win Friday over St. Ambrose.

Strait Jesuit College Prep in Houston, Tex., committed to Notre Dame after visiting campus this weekend. Meanwhile, Tyler Zeller, brother of Irish junior forward Luke Zeller, turned down a scholarship offer from Notre Dame and verbally committed to North Carolina Monday.

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ND Women's Soccer Analysis

Waldrum's early-season tough love payed off for team

After Notre Dame's loss to Penn State on Sept. 23, the Irish were 3-4-1 and had lost four of their last six games. That was a crucial moment, a fulcrum on which the result of their season balanced.

The team simply couldn't afford to lose. A deviation from the standard was necessary, so Irish coach Randy Waldrum took a chance. He sat the team down for what he called a "come to Jesus" talk about the rest of the season — and told his players that from that point forward, losing could sink their hopes of postseason success.

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