ELECTION 2008

Thin line between debate and advocacy

Do election politics have a place in the classroom?

By JENN METZ
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Editor’s Note: This is the first in a series examining the place of politics in the classroom.

This semester, many courses at Notre Dame-in many different disciplines, share one topic of discussion—the 2008 presidential election. The Democratic and Republican national conventions dominated the media for the first two weeks of the semester and became grounds for discussion in the academic setting. The election will continue its presence in the classroom even after Election Day. In a classroom setting, there’s a thin line between academic discussion and overt advocacy for a certain partisan belief. The political views of professors may influence the readings they assign, the manner in which they teach their courses, and the direction of discussion in the class. While professors have certain freedoms, too much emphasis on strongly political beliefs may make students, who might not share those beliefs, uncomfortable in class.

A question arises, then, that could cause debate in its own right: Should political discussion be banned from the classroom?

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Rain soaks campuses, sets record

By ROBERT SINGER
News Writer

No official provisions have been made for the construction of an ark, but the rain, falling from Notre Dame’s campus, has been record proportion.

According to the National Weather Service, South Bend was drenched by a record 6.58 inches of rain on Saturday, breaking the previous record of 4.69 inches for a single day, set 40 years ago.

Early in the afternoon, Saint Mary’s Lake overflowed, and waters across the intersection of Holy Cross Drive and St. Mary’s road and becoming one with St. Joe’s Lake. The town was shown helpless.

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“The first quarter was the
best quarter of football I’ve
seen from the Irish in a while,”
freshman Joey Horan said.
Freshman Reggie Henke
agreed, adding he could see
the fans’ excitement bubbling
over after the game.

“A lot of people were
done with Michigan by the
second quarter,” Horan
said. “But we really
played well, and we were
able to get the ball back in
the fourth quarter.”

The Irish were happy
with the victory despite a
cold, which had one
international student
remaining to watch the
game. “It was great. Everyone
was in a good mood overall, and I
don’t think the rain contributed
to that,” senior Michael
Wodarczyk said.
Horan said he was happy to
stand in the rain to watch the
Irish victory despite a cold.

“I was sick, and the rain didn’t
help, but it was still great,”
he said.

As a senior, Woodracyk
said he was happy to see the
team’s effort during its final
season as a member of the stu-
dent body.

“It was a really fun game
with a lot of big plays, especially
considering last year’s sea-
son and the rough game last
week,” he said.

However, while he was cer-
tainly happy with the win,
sophomore Scott McIntosh

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Students celebrate win over UM

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Howard-install light bulbs

CFL’s use 75% less energy than incandescent

By MADELINE BUCKLEY
News Writer

Howard Hall will take the first steps to becoming a greener dorm by putting a Compact Fluorescent Light Bulb (CFL) in every room in the hall, Environmental Commissioner Lauren Henderson said.

General Electric donated 130 energy smart CFL light bulbs to the dorm, Henderson said.

According to General Electric, their CFL bulbs last up to 10 times longer than a normal incandescent light bulb and they use up to 75 percent less energy than nor-

mals bulbs, Henderson said.

“We are excited about taking on new initia-
tives this year,” she said.

Henderson said she was
partly inspired to use CFL
bulbs by Al Gore’s “An
Inconvenient Truth.”

In the book, Gore states that every
U.S. household could save enough
energy to reduce pollution as much as
removing one million cars.

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Howard Hall Environmental Commissioner Lauren Henderson installs a Compact Fluorescent Light Bulb.
INSIDE COLUMN

Facebook face-lift

Facebook got an update. Personally, I like it. To be honest, there's little I could do about it if I hated it. And actually, I jumped on the bandwagon a few weeks ago when they began the "trial period" before the final switch occurred.

But of course, glancing at my News Feed over the weekend, in between the "GOOD IRISH won!! IRISH 2-0!!" and weather-related status updates, there are quite a few "so-and-so hates the new Facebook" or "so-and-so wants the old Facebook back." People are resisting the change and want the old way back.

Like every good non-issue that somebody wants to protest, there are already multiple Facebook groups about it. Seriously, I think I've only ever joined one or two Facebook groups, and I don't ever remember hearing that the group achieved it's "five million members in one week!!" goal, or that they had any effect whatsoever. Something tells me the guy who believes you can get millions of people to sign up to your petition in a few days probably isn't able to organize actual change.

But I understand the complaints. It's natural to resist change when the current setup seems to be working fine. Maybe the old Facebook worked for you, but it wasn't perfect.

The biggest problem the new version solves is the "app-obsessed user's profile page. The new version cleans up the profile page, moving the clutter to various tabs. You may find it inconvenient to use, but believe me, the real inconvenience was searching for five minutes just to find your wall. By that point, I'm likely to have given up looking. You probably missed the change because you got my message just so you could show me your 62 bumper stickers, your favorite drinks, your record lieutenant score, who thinks you're a hottie, your Zombie type, your Shakespeare quote of the week, and the dumb graffiti about inside jokes I don't understand.

Now I can find your wall in a few seconds. That alone is worth the change.

Plus, the menus are cleaned up and condensed. The News Feed gives me more information faster and is supposedly "more relevant." On the face, these are all good changes, and in on the face, these are all good changes, and in action, they are. Ultimately, there's little you can do. Users were outraged when the News Feed was introduced, but aside from tweaking the settings a little bit, they didn't do much about it. People adjusted. I bet you'd be outraged today if your News Feed disappeared.

This move gives for the most recent face-lift. Most people are thrown a curveball by the change, a few hundred thousand will protest, but the change will stay. Perhaps they'll take some suggestions and tweaks. Maybe they'll love it. I'm sure the discourse on Facebook is even more robust, but it won't even make a dent in the 300 million user base. Give it a few days, and the outrage will subside.

And I would bet that a few months from now, I'd be going back to the old version that would make you really outraged.

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IN BRIEF

Mendoza College of Business will be hosting a Berges Lecture: "Values and Decision Making" from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Monday in Jordan Auditorium.

A live video interview with Philip Roth, Pulitzer Prize and National Book Award Winning Author will take place in the Hammen Notre Dame Bookstore on Tuesday at 8 p.m. The interview will celebrate the release of his novel "Indignation" and he conducted by professor Benign Taylor.

There will be a lecture entitled "How We Can End the Genocide in Sudan" given by John Prendergast in the Henbury Center for International Studies Auditorium on Thursday from 12:30 to 2 p.m. Lunch will be available prior to the lecture. It is sponsored by the Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies, DeBartolo Performing Arts Center, and the Center for Social Concerns. This event is free and open to the public.

In "The Wonderbread Years," Pat Hazell finds humor in the experience of growing up in America. This event will be Thurs., Fri., and Sat. at 7 p.m. in DeBartolo Performing Arts Center, Deco Maitland Theatre. Tickets are $40, $32 faculty/staff, $30 seniors, and $15 students and can be purchased at the Ticket Office.

To submit information to be included in this section of The Observer, email details to obnews@nd.edu or post a comment on event to obnews@nd.edu.

OFFBEAT

Dog saves owners life by calling 911

PHOENIX — "Man's best friend" doesn't go far enough for Buddy — a German shepherd who remembered his training and saved his owner's life by calling 911 when the man had a seizure.

And it's not the first time Buddy has been there for owner Joe Stalnaker, a police officer said Sunday. On a recording of the 911 call Wednesday, Buddy is heard whimpering and barking after the dispatcher answers and repeatedly asks if the caller needs help.

"Hello, this is 911. Hello ... Can you hear me? Is there somebody there you can give the phone to," says Stalnaker's home, and after about three minutes Buddy is heard barking loudly when the officers arrived.

Pilfered Primate returned a little battered

EAST MACHIAS, Maine — An 8-foot-tall mechanical gorilla is back home at an eastern Maine flea market-style store two weeks after it was stolen and later dumped in a cornfield in Vermont.

A pickup truck carrying the somewhat battered and torn gorilla arrived Saturday afternoon at Sandy's Sales, a day after being picked up at a Vermont police barracks. Owners Sandy and Lowell Miller were delighted to see the gorilla dubbed "Seemore," which was stolen from outside their store over Labor Day weekend. But they agreed the gorilla needs some tender loving care for its injuries: a head severed from its body, holes and rips in its face, and a broken arm.

Information compiled from the Associated Press.

QUESTION OF THE DAY: HOW WET WERE YOU AT SATURDAY'S GAME?

Michael Floyd tries to catch a pass during Notre Dame's 35-17 win over Michigan Saturday.

Caroline Green
Julie Romano
Michael Ryan
Matt Fanous
Kelly Kraus
Pat Sturm
Sophomore
McGinn
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"Really wet, just how I like it."
"Not that wet, I was layered."
"Super-dee-duper wet."
"Mother nature made me plenty wet."
"I'm still dripping."
"I wasn't the wet one, someone else is a good thing."

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SMEAC opens Free Store

By LIZ HARTER
Saint Mary's Editor

If students at Saint Mary's are looking for any gently-used clothing, shower caddies or binders, they now have a chance to get them for free at the Saint Mary's Environmental Action Coalition's (SMEAC) Free Store. SMEAC has been planning the Free Store since Dr. Louise Weber, a professor of biology, mentioned it to Jamie Thordesen during the Free Store since Dr. Louise Weber, a professor of biology, and environmental studies at Warren Wilson College, spoke at Saint Mary's during the spring semester last year. Warren Wilson is "an almost 100 percent green college," SMEAC public relations coordinator Jamie Thordesen said. Weber gave us many tips on how we could take steps towards becoming a greener campus and one happened to be the free store.

"We're going to have to go heavy on promoting donation because we've been cleared out [today]," Thordesen said. "The clothes were donated, but there are the proceeds for the Free Store.

"The store opened for business yesterday with the first hour being open to SMEAC members only. This is only for the grand opening," Thordesen said. "It's our way of saying thanks to our club members for their support and encouraging them to be active in our club this year.

"The SMEAC hour also provided opportunities for the students who are part of exchange program veterans of the Free Store," the store is open. "We're going to have to go heavy on promoting donation because we've been cleared out [today]," SMEAC vice president Monica Aguirre said. "The store is going to need donations in order to keep running.

"Both officers said there were a lot of students who stopped by the store to see what it had to offer. "I'm really surprised with the turnout," Aguirre said.

Junior Kate Doozbos was one of the students who stopped by; she picked up a blonde wig that someone left in the dorms last year that she said she'd find a use for around Halloween. "I think the Free Store is a really great idea," she said. "I plan on coming back.

"The Free Store will be open twice a week starting this Wednesday from 5-8 p.m. and Sundays from 12-2 p.m.

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"I was impressed, but I'd like to see more consistency in the running game," he said. "Although the offensive line has played spectacularly so far," Sophomore Chris Schirafiti said he was even impressed by the halftime show, which featured the Michigan band playing some songs by once popular boy bands such as "NSYNC. "I think they had some really good song choices," he said. Though neither team is currently ranked, McIntosh said he was happy to see Notre Dame beat Michigan. "It doesn't matter that we're both not ranked, a win against Michigan is still a big deal," he said. "This game is college football."

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bend, but is now back in Japan. "When she was here, we had the chance to talk to her," he said. "Her application will be coming in for the fall of 2009."

In addition, Saint Mary's is working with the Department of Defense and the Department of State, Meyer said. The Department of Defense oversees schools on military bases and the Department of State "runs similar schools in various locations where the United States has embassies," he said.

"Saint Mary's made a conscious decision to reach out to them," Meyer said.

The increase from last year to this year is a trend that the College would like to continue, he said.

"We want to continue to expand this and see if we can get to the point where we're enrolling 16-15 first years that are international," Meyer said.

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play an integral role in the classroom?

The easy answer, University Vice President and Associate Provost Dennis Jacobs said, is yes. But that yes comes with certain caveats, both for professors and students.

Academic freedom

Professors in all fields of study have certain obligations to uphold with their students, outlined in a University document called the Academic Articles, Jacobs said. The most relevant part of this document, in terms of political discussion in the classroom, he said, has to do with academic freedom that, like every other freedom, comes with expectations.

"I think there are certain responsibilities that faculty have in the practice of academic freedom, to be respectful of others and to understand the boundaries of their expertise or their particular discipline," he said.

Academic Freedom and Associated Responsibilities," says principles of academic freedom include the "freedom to teach and to learn according to one's obligations, vision, and training" and "respectful allowance for the exercise of these freedoms by others." A third principle calls for the "avoidance of using the University to advance personal opinion or commercial interest."

These three principles are crucial in any discussion regarding political debate at an academic level, Jacobs said. "There should never be an issue of advocacy - a professor should not be an advocate of a particular position politically," he said.

Individuals at the University, faculty and students alike, have an opinion on a political topic. A question for professors, however, is "to what extent in the profession of being a professor do you reveal that," Jacobs said.

In terms of relevance to the subject matter, Jacobs provided the example of a mathematician expressing an opinion around a political subject. "That would be inappropriate," he said.

"There are many courses across the University, however, where political debate would be appropriate," where policies decided on either the national or international level, global level would be absolutely at the heart of what the course is all about," Jacobs said. Individuals in the classroom should express their ideas and opinions in those cases, but in a respectful manner "that in the end would make us all better informed citizens," he said, and political debates, where appropriate, should remain present in the academic setting.

"We want students to be actively engaged citizens, to be citizens of the political process. And so to say that those kinds of discussions or debates are barred from the classroom would be doing something damaging," Jacobs said.

Debate at an academic level is one thing, he said, but advocacy for a particular side is improper. "It would be naive to say, that when any of us speak, what we say does not reflect our personal beliefs," Jacobs said. "Faculty members are not there to advocate for a position, but to help students understand how reasonable debate in a political sphere takes place."

Where is the line?
The line between political advocacy and debating a certain position at an academic level is a hard one to draw. Political Science Department Chairperson Michael Zuckert said, "It is hard to draw the line between political science - political analysis - and political advocacy because what's involved in political analysis is the judgment of the adequacy or inadequacy of various political proposals," he said. "And that may or may not end up favoring particular positions."

The evaluation of a political position, an integral part of the study of political science, is different than the evaluation of a work of art, Zuckert said, because it may seem appropriate for a teacher of art to make a distinction between better or worse. "It's not as controversial," he said.

However, controversies related to politics are unavoidable, due to the nature of the discussion of differing opinions regarding a position, he said. In the field of political science, he said, there is sometimes an "aspiration to be completely value free."

"But I don't think that generally works out or in what political science should do or be," Zuckert said. Professors should keep in mind the power differential between their position and the position of students in the classroom when deciding the amount they integrate their own beliefs into their curriculum, he said, and their "ability to make people feel uncomfortable."

Drawing the line, though difficult, is a mark of good teaching, Zuckert said, and different professors may take different strategies in presenting political opinion in the classroom setting. "You can't just draw this line in a firm way - but I think there are ways of presentation which are more sensitive to the classroom situation," he said. "However, sometimes, in moments of heated partisan debate, it can be easy for people to forget where they are and what they're doing."

The next part of this series will present professors' strategies of preventing politics in their courses relating to the 2008 election.

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Protesters' revolt kills 15, injures 55

T he Associated Press

A group of violent government foes of killing his supporters. All the deaths occurred in

President Alfredo Rada said. The Associated Press by telephone that 15 people had died and 55 were injured.

Pope preaches love will prevail


NATIONAL NEWS

Curfew issued in devastated city

GALVESTON, Texas — Houston officials have issued a weeklong curfew for the city devastated by Hurricane Ike.

Officials announced that a 9 p.m. to 6 a.m. curfew would begin Sunday night and last until Sunday. Most of the city has lost electricity and gasoline and basic communications. A weeklong curfew and millions of people from the waterlogged streets are littered with debris, and police are working slushy streets.

Police said residents should not be on the streets during the curfew unless it's an emergency.

Ike slammed the southeast Texas coast on Saturday, trapping many people in homes who had to be rescued and crews are still canvassing neighborhoods inundated by Ike's storm surge.

Evacuees wait to return home


LOCAL NEWS

Three killed from midwest storms

MUNSTER, Ind. — A father and son drowned in northwest Indiana while trying to save chickens from a flooded ditch as heavy rains from Hurricane Ike forced hundreds of evacuations across the Midwest on Sunday.

The two men were killed while helping keep chickens in a chicken coop from a flooded ditch as heavy rains from the hurricane forced hundreds of evacuations across the Midwest on Sunday.

 habernak said. All the deaths occurred in Pando province, where Morales declared martial law on Friday, dispatching troops and accusing political groups of supporting the country's economy.

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Rescuers save 2,000 following Ike


U.S. Airforce Senior Airman Brandon Smith searches for victims in Galveston, Texas, Sunday after the landfall of Hurricane Ike.

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THAILAND

Thailand calls for a compromise

Associated Press

BANGKOK — The Thai government ended a state of emergency imposed in the capital to deal with a political crisis, saying on Sunday it had only served to scare away tourists and mocked the country's economy.

Emergency rule was imposed by the government on Sept. 17 after a night of violent clashes between anti-government protesters and opponents left one man dead and dozens injured.

Images of the mayhem were broadcast around the world, prompting travel advisories from several countries.

Somsri said after meeting with the army chief and other senior security officials.

The stock market has fallen about 25 percent since anti-government protests started their campaign with street demonstrations in May.

"We should bring back the smile to the country once again, as we are called 'The Land of Smiles.' We have to restore out image," Somsri said. "I am confident that all parties concerned will soften their stance and come to a compromise."
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from U.S. roads, she said. "We are trying to do what he said on a smaller scale," Henderson said.

This project started last year when Howard Hall decided to create an environmentally friendly dorm. The commission calculated its energy use and then "kicked in" the room, Henderson said.

"Doing something like this might seem insignificant, but it's the little changes that add up." - Lauren Henderson, Environmental Commissioner, Howard Hall

McNaught said she is happy to see so much environmental awareness on campus.

"I took an environmental science class in high school and got involved in a lot of environmental action there," she said. "I was really excited to see something in Howard pertaining to the same idea."

Virginia Benz, another freshman, said she is excited to join the environmental committee and compete in the upcoming energy competition in which every dorm attempts to be the greenest dorm on campus.

"I am excited to see if we can win [the competition]. I think we have a good chance," she said.

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these are "Lake Dillon," located in front of the dorm on South Quad.

A group of men from Surin Hall made an afternoon visit to "Lake Dillon" for a little adventure.

One threw a football to the middle of the lake, while the others took turns sprinting in and making diving catches.

"Nothing beats a face full of mud, a mouth full of water, and a touchdown catch. This is where heroes are made, this is where legends live, this is the middle of South Quad." - Kale Frank, Sophomore

Kale Frank said. An NSP officer eventually halted the group's activity.

Students from the Houston area, which has been hit hard by Hurricane Ike, compared campus conditions to their hometowns.

Junior Ryan Dzwarscyk said, "It's better than Houston. We're underwater and right now."

Freshman Natalie Lester has experienced Hurricane Ike's effects twofold.

"I'm from Houston, so we got hit there, and now here," she said.

Many students found ways to adjust to the rainfall, cancelling plans and choosing to stay inside and study.

"I had plans of going to play basketball," said freshman Caleb Atwood. "Not now."

Sophomore Nicole Ruiz from Paqueraula East has been forced to cope with the rainfall.

"Yesterday, I was working at a concession stand and the rain was the most horrible thing ever," she said.

She added, "I haven't had to change my plans much, but I have had to change my clothes."

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Gas prices jump due to hurricane

HOUSTON — Pump prices jumped above $5 per gallon in some parts of the country Sunday as Hurricane Ike, which caused less destruction than feared, left refineries and pipelines idle. The storm destroyed at least 10 offshore platforms in the Gulf of Mexico.

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Beside areas struck directly by high winds and flooding, Ike left behim a mes of prices at gas pumps, with disparities of more than $1 a gallon in some states, and diesel shortfall even more.

"We're on the other side of the looking glass," said Claire Raines, who lives near Knoxville, Tenn. "I just passed three gas stations with prices that run from about $3.50 to close to $5 within walking distance.

Average prices exceeded $4 per gallon in Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, South Carolina, Hawaii and Alaska, according to auto club AAA, the Oil Price Information Service and Wright Express.

States faced directly by refineries along the Gulf Coast were particularly hard hit and supply may be sporadic for the next few weeks with refineries shut down, said Tom Koza, chief oil analyst with the Oil Price Information Service.

A station in Knoxville, Tenn., was asking $5.19 for a gallon of regular gas. In Nashville, about 180 miles away, gas was going for $3.30.

Whatever pain is being felt at U.S. refineries may be even more acute in Mexico, where a planned shutdown of 35 refineries, which the government said was to be a temporary measure, has added to the country's fuel shortage.

If no deal were reached, it raised the specter of a bankrupcy and liquidation of the investment bank, which in turn could have a ruinous effect on world markets. Late Sunday, Dow Jones industrial average futures were down 276 points, or 2.4 percent, at 11,882. Traders and bankers across Wall Street caimed the bank's decline could not help close the Lehman deal, and it could lay off its 25,000 workers.

Lehman declined to com-
Along with the Tasmanian Tiger, the Lindbergh baby and the Soviet Union, the intellectual might someday be regarded as one of the great disappearances of the twentieth century. The term "intellectual" — a learned woman whose life is dedicated to informed discourse in order to influence public opinion — first came into popular usage with the Dreyfus affair in the 1890s. They defended the common good, appealed to human rights, national sentiment, justice, humanity and so on — the self-appointed public moralists of liberal societies that placed a premium on free speech and, ostensibly, principled debate. In the world of universities, there are still some last flacks of public engagement, but you would be hard-pressed to find them: Whether due to the scarcity of academic jobs, the publish-or-perish mentality, the intense specialization of each discipline or some combination of these and other factors, academics have too much to risk — tenure and other professional considerations — to venture outside of their own small patch of academic turf. It’s certainly not the case that academics aren’t smart, thoughtful, passionate and engaging, just that the academic environment provides too many disincentives to doing anything other than focusing on lab reports, lectures and the next article or book.

For their part, universities typically justify their existence and quality based on stated commitments to academic excellence (whatever that means), small class sizes, selective admissions and skills development. Once again, there is too much to risk — donations, quality applicants, faculty satisfaction and prestige — to do more than store, increase and pass on knowledge. After all, universities make it clear that their mission is education and any attempt to apply that education to political, social or cultural issues is extracurricular. It’s not a bad thing by any means. But the closest thing most university professors will ever experience to real political engagement in the classroom will be a "why?" political wisecrack that connects the topics du jour to some current event or public figure. And in every case, it is an ironic (probably unintentionally so) acknowledgment of the inconceivably vast distance between the academic world and the world of public discourse — about as wide, it turns out, as the distance between knowing facts and real understanding. As uncomfortable as these observations may be (and they are observations, not criticisms), it seems to be not an isolated problem, but rather a malaise that runs deeper than the groves of academe. Here’s an example that’s probably familiar to most graduates, or for that matter, humanities majors in general. When I decided to begin my Ph.D. program here in history, one of my college roommates, who is now working for Microsoft, casually bemoans why for two reasons: First, because the pay was comparatively lower than what someone of my age would be making working in the public sector; and second, because in his mind I was going to waste my life doing something as irrelevant as history. This scene, as you can imagine, has played out and continues to play out with anyone working in the sort of job that involves poor compensation and dedication to an ideal, whether it’s academia, the arts, an NGO or the like.

The point, simply, is that money, not ideas, seems to be the driving force in most people’s lives nowadays. In fact, people probably act on emotion rather than reason most of the time. It takes less effort to be moved by emotion and economics, and it’s much harder with ideas. A glance at political debate, at the news or at pop culture should be proof enough that we think of ourselves and our lives mostly in economic terms — How much is a college degree worth? How much do I need to retire comfortably? — and that we are moved by emotions foremost. We let ourselves be blinded to principles and ideas just because it’s easier to declare upfront that all ideas are equally valid and not have to think about them altogether, and let ourselves be moved by our passions or whether we like the proponents or opponents of one or another argument. And, in another probably unintentional irony, we forget that the result of all this talk of relativism, tolerance and political correctness — none of which are necessarily bad — has in the end turned into anti-rationalism, anti-intellectualism and the demotion of the value of ideas and principles. Trained intellectual might someday be regarded as one of the great disappearances of the twentieth century. The intellectual might someday be regarded as one of the great disappearances of the twentieth century.
Bad game day behavior a disgrace to football tradition

A rare visit to a Notre Dame football game a week ago with a fellow alum revealed to both of us the degradation of what was once a festival we could celebrate. Standing outside the Stadium, we witnessed a student clad only in shorts, with a t-shirt contraption on his back: "Suck dozen Notre Dame girls scantily clad, their bodies painted green and gold. The student was dancing around and engaging older alumni with their families, lifting his arms up saying: "Come on, let's get it up." As the alumni fans walked by they nervously gazed him and joined him in his revelry.

Unfortunately this behavior was not an isolated incident that day. It grieved me to see the Notre Dame football team being prostituted by a spirit of lewdness and revelry. My thought is: Enjoy Notre Dame football tradition but leave the crease, drink, but do not get drunk, clown if you like but do not be lewd. Let's not lose Hunchen over earthly festivals.

Raytheon's money is blood money

In response to Matt Florian's Sept. 11 Letter to the Editor ("Notre Dame presence essential in CIA, Raytheon"), he may have a point when he said that Notre Dame students should pursue jobs in the CIA in order to change it, but he has no case whatsoever in claiming that Notre Dame students should pursue a career with Raytheon, a weapons manufacturer. Although it is doubtful that one would have the power to "think twice" when making a tough decision in the CIA, an organization that has little room for moral problems and places emphasis on obedience to orders with little respect for human rights, it is ludicrous to suggest that taking a job with a weapons manufacturer would change it in any way. Raytheon would continue to manufacture its bombs and other weapons for its own benefit and its investors' at the expense of countless innocent people. It would be like taking a job at Starbuck's when you are morally opposed to coffee. Although Raytheon may use the euphemism "technology leader specializing in defense, homeland security and other government markets," let's not deceive ourselves: They are making weapons that will kill other people, and any Notre Dame student who takes a job with them is intrinsically part of that mission.

In addition, Notre Dame should not accept the blood money given to sponsor its Class of 2009 Senior Kick-off Event by Raytheon. I am ashamed that this Catholic university has done so, despite the pope's condemnation of torture and the arms trade. Notre Dame does not allow Planned Parenthood at its Career Fair, so why should it allow Raytheon and the CIA — Are all not responsible for the deaths of innocent people?

"That weapons of war are bought and sold almost as if they were simply another commodity like appliances or industrial machinery is a serious moral disorder in today's world... Jobs at home cannot justify exporting the means of war abroad," U.S. Catholic Bishops, 1993 "Sowing Weapons of War"
"Saturday Night Live" has had a slew of memorable moments in its history. The quotable sketches have often worked their way into the pop-culture lexicon of America. When did the cowbell become cool? When Bruce Dickinson said it was. Here, we count down the top 10 most memorable moments in the past 20 years of "SNL" history.

10. Five-Timers Club (1990-present): Ever since Tom Hanks referenced the exclusive number in hosting "SNL" for the fifth time, it has been known as home to some of the most notable celebrities and musical guests, including Steve Martin, Tom Petty and Drew Barrymore.

9. Lazy Sunday (2005): Chris Parnell and Andy Samberg appear in this two-and-a-half minute digital short, rapping about their exciting afternoon trip to see "The Chronicles of Narnia: The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe" and teaching us that "Mr. Pibb plus Red Vines equals crazy delicious." "Google maps is the best!"

8. Iran So Far (2007): Following Mahmoud Ahmadinejad's speech at the United Nations, Andy Samberg, along with Maroon 5's Adam Levine, serenades the Iranian President in a clever attempt to mock his denial of the existence of homophobia and the Holocaust.


6. Brian Fellows' "Safari Planet" (1999-2003): This recurring talk show features Tracy Morgan as Brian Fellows, a man with a sixth-grade education and no license in zoology, asking nonsensical questions of wildlife centers and zoo representatives, such as "Why do sea lions like to go clubbing?"

5. Celebrity Jeopardy! with Sean Connery, Burt Reynolds, and Jerry Lewis (1996): This Celebrity Jeopardy parody categories like "Potent Potatoes" and "S'Words," misread by the contestants as "swords." The contestants' incompetence becomes more apparent as the show progresses, prompting the final clue: "This body of water gives Salt Lake City its name."

4. Harry Caray's "Space: The Infinite Frontier" (1997): Will Ferrell portrays the Cubs announcer as an astronomy talk show host, who asks a guest scientist if he would eat the moon, his pet elephant or himself. Ferrell's hosting style made him a fan favorite, whether he would be the top scientist in his field or contract Mad Cow Disease.

3. "The Hanukkah Song" (1994): Adam Sandler writes this song about Hanukkah for all those nice little Jewish kids who don't get to hear any "Jewish songs" and teaches us much about who in the celebrity world is Jewish and who is not.

2. Wayne's World with Aerosmith and Tom Hanks (1990): In this classic sketch, Wayne Campbell and his best friend, Garth, play the "Wayne's World" theme song with Aerosmith on their TV talk show, broadcast from the basement of Wayne's parent's house.

1. More Cowbells (2000): This recurring talk show features Tracy Morgan as Brian Fellows, a man with a sixth-grade education and no license in zoology, asking nonsensical questions of wildlife centers and zoo representatives, such as "Why do sea lions like to go clubbing?"

The show went downhill from there, with a predictable sketch titled "Quiz Bowl," a question-and-answer game show between public school Richmond High team and Amish home school Japer Family team, depicting the home-schooled team as ill-informed and extremely religious.

A commercial for Jar Gloves also disappointed, with a ridiculous and exhaustive chain of events, stating that problems opening jars leads to injuries, suspicion and eventually trial and conviction — is more cowbell!" The music overshadowed the vocals to some extent, but otherwise, the rapper lived up to expectations. During "Lollipop," Wayne unexpectedly pulled out a guitar at the end of the song and played a few chords.

"Weekend Update" was spattered with weak political jokes and stabs at Governor Palin, including the introduction of a new guest named Alaska Pete, played by Will Forte. Nicholas Fehn, the recurring guest political comedian, also appeared to the audience's disappointment, as his incomplete sentences and thoughts were not funny the first time and certainly are not funny now.
When it rains it, it pours. On a wet and ugly field, Notre Dame capitalized on six Michigan turnovers to beat the Wolverines 35-17 on Saturday. Michigan led in every offensive category, but four fumbles and two interceptions put the Wolverines behind on the scoreboard.

The Irish scored two touchdowns in the first four minutes of the game to take a commanding lead they didn’t relinquish. The first came after Wolverine running back Brandon Minor dropped a swing pass behind the line of scrimmage on the fifth play of the game. Sophomore linebacker Brian Smith came up with the ball at the Michigan 11-yard line, and the Irish scored less than a minute later on a 2-yard run by sophomore Robert Hughes.

“When a team allows you to put points on the board, you definitely have to have points on the board,” Hughes said. “That’s how you win games.”

The ensuing kickoff was dropped by Michigan’s Michael Hughes, but the Irish turned a 10-yard touchdown pass to sophomore Duval Kamara.

“All over the locker room and all over our meeting last night, this morning, and before we came out, was turnovers we were going to determine the outcome of the game,” Irish coach Charlie Weis said. “You’re not going to turn it over four times like we did last week and walk out the winter. Fortunately, we won the turnover ratio rather significantly.”

With 5:06 remaining in the first quarter, Michigan turned the ball over on downs. After a pass interference call put Notre Dame in the territory, Hughes pum p faked and threw the ball 48 yards downfield, where sophomore wide receiver Golden Tate was waiting. Tate ran it in for his second touchdown on the season. After kicker Brandon Walker’s PAT, the Irish were up 21-0.

The play was the longest completion of Clausen’s career until the second quarter, when he found Tate on an underneath route and the young receiver broke two tackles and ran for a 60-yard gain. That play was part of an 87-yard drive for the Irish that ended with Hughes in the end zone for the second time in the game. Hughes carried a total of 19 times for 79 yards and two touchdowns.

Clausen finished the game 10-for-21 passing with two touchdowns and two interceptions. Wells noticed a difference in his quarterback’s ability to deal with defensive pressure.

Coming into Saturday’s game, the Michigan defense led the NCAA with nine sacks in its first two games. However, it was unable to record one against the Irish.

“(Clausen) is running, growing, improving, throwing the ball away instead of doing something stupid,” Weis said. “Avoiding turnovers was the key to a win for the Irish on Saturday. They were able to limit their own while cashing in on the Wolverines’ mistakes. Several of Michigan’s turnovers came when the Wolverines were close to scoring. Senior safety David Bruton intercepted a pass by Michigan quarterback Nick Sheridan on the Irish 5-yard line in the fourth quarter. Bruton also forced a fumble on the Notre Dame 2-yard line in the third quarter.

“Instead of going seven for us, it’s seven for them,” Michigan coach Rich Rodriguez said.

Bruton is making a habit of grabbing turnovers on the goal line. He also helped force a fumble on the 1-yard line against San Diego State in Notre Dame’s opener.

“You do whatever you can to keep them from scoring,” Bruton said. He also had 10 solo tackles and five assists in the game. Wells said that he knew going in that his team would need to play a “complementary game” to get the win.

“We made big plays on special teams, we made big plays on offense, and we made big plays on defense,” he said. “All three units have to step in and do their jobs and make some plays.”

Michigan’s offense relied almost exclusively on freshmen Sam McGuffie and Mautiuvious Odoms. McGuffie ran around and through the Irish front seven, finishing the day with 25 carries for 131 yards. He also made four receptions for 47 yards and a touchdown. Odoms had six receptions for 56 yards.

Notre Dame’s win moves the series record to 20-15-1 in favor of Michigan and it ends a two-year spell of Wolverine blowouts.

“For our team, and for our students, and for our alums, and for our fans, today was a big win,” Weis said.

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quartbacks: Clausen threw two more
touchdown passes and did a good job
of avoiding big losses. But the rain
delayed the game to 10:21 and he threw
two interceptions.

running back: Hughes hit pay dirt twice
and Alldredge ran hard in his season
debut. The Irish were able to move the
ball and, more importantly, hold on to
it in the slippery conditions.

receivers: Tate showed off his speed in
another solid game and Kamara
looked more comfortable this time
around. Floyd also picked up some
yardage with pass interference calls.

offensive line: For the second week in a
row the men in the trenches didn’t
give up a single sack. They handled the
Wolverine line and gave the backs
enough room to get the job done.

defensive line: McGaffie torched the
Irish for 113 yards on the ground. The
team held their own but could not get
much pressure on Threet in the
passing game.

tacklers: Byrnes Smith recovered two
fumbles and took over 30 yards into
the endzone. Crum played well despite
an injury, but McGaffie was able to cut
into the second level several times.

defensive back: Bruton played lights out
for the second week in a row and
McCarthy now second led him with
10 tackles. Gray grabbed his first career
pick.
special teams: A fumble recovery
sparked the team, but kickoffs were
weak and Michigan’s punter racked
up 13 yards on a successful fake.

timelines: The team looked more
prepared than any game last year and they
were fired up to play. Weis fought
through injury and the rest of his staff
were up to play. Weis opted to keep
the offense on the field.

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Zoltaan Mesko. He was the team’s sec-
ond leading rusher.

3 Times in the past four seasons under Weis
that Notre Dame has started 2-0.

Times of Michigan’s punter

Timetable

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Irish comebacker Gary Gray leaves some Wolverines in the dust on his fourth-quarter interception return. It was the first pick of his collegiate career.

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Irish coach Charlie Weis followed in Brady’s footsteps that year in a 20-14 game against Southern Methodist University.

By CHRIS HINE
Sports Writer

Charlie follows in Brady’s footsteps

There’s a new fad sweeping the Notre Dame football team.

Michigan coach Rich Rodriguez said, “Turnovers will hurt you at anytime and it’s been said a million times by every coach.”

"We just have to step up our play and make plays.”

"But before Bruton’s pick, Brian Smith grabbed his second fumble off a mishandled snap from Wolverines quarterback Steven Threet and took it 35-yards for a touchdown.

But in forcing their third turnover, the Irish continued a trend from last week’s game against San Diego — causing a turnover inside the defensive red zone.

Down 28-17 in the third quarter, Michigan was driving down the field in the pouring rain and seemed poised to cut Notre Dame’s lead. But Brian Ryan forced a fumble on the Notre Dame 4-yard line. The slippery ball slid around the field for a few seconds before defensive back Sergio Brown scooped it up.

In Notre Dame’s first win against San Diego State, Bruton started with safety Kyle McCarthy to force Aztecs running back Brandon Sullivan to fumble on Notre Dame’s 1-yard line. The Irish were down six at the time, and the touchdown saving play gave the Irish a much-needed boost in their way to a 21-13 victory.

It’s what we preach,” Bruton said. “We always talk about stripping the ball, especially in the wet conditions. It’s an opportunity to get the ball out.

"I’m obviously disappointed in our execution, we certainly didn’t help ourselves early,” Michigan coach Rich Rodriguez said. “Turnovers will hurt you at anytime and it’s been said a million times by every coach.”

"We used them yesterday,” Weis said. “And as a defense we want to set the bar that we want to get at least three or more and score.”

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Irish safety

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Irish coach Charlie Weis suffered a torn MCL and MCL during the second quarter of Saturday’s game against San Diego State. But Weis' backup John Ryan blindsided the coach after he was knocked out of bounds by a Michigan blocker.

Weis wore a brace in the second half and said it would forego surgery at this point in order to stay on track with his coaching duties.

""I’ll show up as a coach, but the floor for the year as a player. Tommy Brady’s got the job,"" Weis said. ""We’re just trying to keep him on track while joking with reporters at the post game press conference."

Weis then added: ""I feel like an athlete for the first time in my life.""

Weis said that he would hold off although he’s had a promising future so that he does not miss any time at work.

Knock on wood

For the second game in a row, the Irish offensive line did not give up a sack after giving up an NCAA-worst 4.8 sacks per game in 2007. At the post-game press conference, when asked to comment on the turnaround, Weis began knocking on his woodwork, then said, ""Let’s leave it at that."

Going deep

Golden Tate’s 60-yard reception in the second quarter was the longest offensive play for the Irish since former tight end John Carlson made a 62-yard reception against Michigan State in 2006.

The 300 Club

This weekend’s win was the 300th victory at Notre Dame Stadium for the Irish. The stadium first opened in 1930 and the Irish won their first ever game on Oct. 4 of that year in a 20-14 game against Southern Methodist University.

Floyd on the field

Freshman wide receiver Michael Floyd started and saw most of the snaps at receiver for the Irish in his second game at Notre Dame. Floyd played in place of David Grimes. ""What got [Floyd] on the field so much was David’s back,”” Weis said. ""Michael’s behind him and the last couple of games, that week David’s back tightened up.”

Floyd had two catches for 10 yards in the game but also drew a pair of pass interference class that put the Irish in good field position.

Three-headed monster

The Notre Dame backfield continued to rotate with Robert Hughes, James Aldridge and Armando Allen all receiving carries. Hughes led the way with 19, but Aldridge who did not see any action against San Diego State also had nine carries.

Allen was the main back in week one but only picked up four yards on two carries against a stout Michigan defense.

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Rain Dance

Players and fans joined together in the pouring rain Saturday at Notre Dame Stadium to celebrate a victory for the 300th time in the building. After two years of embarrassing losses to the Wolverines, Charlie Weis and his gang came ready from the get-go. Defense and special teams set things up early on and Notre Dame never looked back. Clausen stayed safe behind a solid wall of offensive linemen as he found Golden Tate and Duval Kamara for big plays in the end zone. Expectations were low following a questionable victory over San Diego State, but the Irish exceeded even Lou Holtz’s lofty prediction — who was on hand to witness the win. Holtz and his 1988 National Championship team looked on as a new era of Irish players moved to 2-0 in 2008.

-Dan Murphy

Clockwise from top left: Michael Floyd jumps on one of Saturday’s many fumbles. Senior Pat Kuntz celebrates near the student section. Duval Kamara hauls in his first touchdown of the season. David Bruton runs through a tackle during his interception return. Robert Hughes sheds tacklers as he scoots to a Notre Dame first down.
By ANALISE LIPARI
Scene Editor

I recently realized that it's been over a year since "Flight of the Conchords" first aired on HBO. In my mind, June 17, 2007, will go down as an historic day in the canon of American television, a day when "New Zealand's fourth most popular guitar-based digi-bongo-a-cappella-rap-funk-comedy folk duo" first hit Stateside airwaves. They are ridiculous, quirky and wonderful, and I love them. Oh, and you should, too.

"If You're Into It": Bret's invitation to Coco (Tony winner Sutton Foster) to join him in a variety of romantic activities: "It could be a dream come true/ Providing that's what you're into." Jemaine provides some key vocal commentary.

"Leggy Blonde:" Murray (Rhys Darby), the somewhat self-important manager of "Flight of the Conchords" who runs the band during his menial day job, gets his day in the spotlight with this ode to the leggy blonde in his office. Note the lyric poeticism of lines like, "Leggy leggy leggy leggy leggy leggy/ blondey blondey blondey blondey blondey blondey blondey blondey blondey blondey blondey."
A-Rod hits grand slam to propel Yankees past Rays

Maddux allows two hits in seven, Dodgers still fall after Tulowitzki's game-winning home run in 10th

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Derek Jeter didn’t waste any time after he flew into the fifth inning on Sunday. He quickly traded a bat and is ball for a reminder of the day. In the 10th, he tied Lou Gehrig for the most hits at Yankee Stadium.

“It’s definitely special,” he said.

Jeter collected three hits for the second straight game, and Alex Rodriguez belted a grand slam and the New York Yankees beat the Los Angeles Dodgers 7-4 to win the weekend series against the AL West leaders. The Rays went 3-6 on their 10-day trip to Toronto, Boston and New York and will tip off with a one-game lead into their three-game series against the second-place Red Sox beginning Monday night in Florida.

“I’ve never said a series, ” manager Joe Maddox said. “It was obviously a tough road trip — not easy at all. The Yankees are one team that we haven’t played well against this year.”

Jason Giambi hit a two-run homer for New York, still clinging to faint playoff hopes during its nine-game stand at its long-time ballpark. Mariano Rivera entered with two on with two outs in the ninth inning and struck out Erick Aybar for his 35th save. The chauffeur and All-Star closer also moved into a tie with Lee Smith for second on the career save list, Giambi saves.

“Every time I have the team, tied for first place,” Rivera said.

Mike Shanahan, who went to nearby Columbia University, hit a three-run drive for Tampa Bay and threw a 1-2-3 game in Week 1 of this year’s college football.

“Even with Greg Maddux turning in one of his best outings in a decade, the Dodgers’ surge toward the NL West title hit a speed bump.

Troy Tulowitzki singled home the winning run with one out in the 10th to help the Colorado Rockies end the Los Angeles Dodgers’ four-game winning streak with a win on Sunday.

The Dodgers, who had won 12 of 13, began the day with a 4-1/2-game lead over Arizona in the NL West.

The win spoiled a terrific outing by Maddux. Maddux gave up two hits, struck out three and didn’t walk a batter in seven shutout innings.

“Who ever thought that it would be a good day to pitch at Coors Field?” Maddux said.

Maddux retired the first 13 batters and had a perfect game until Tulowitzki singled through the hole at short with one out in the fifth. He threw 40 pitches through the first five innings and faced one batter over the minimum through six innings. Rockies manager Clint Hurdle said it was tough watching Maddux shut down his team.

“Tulowitzki’s the last person that I really want to face in the middle of the order,” he said.

Maddux didn’t stick around for the ending, which came after reliever Hong-Chih Kuo (5-3). The Rockies loaded the bases on singles by Matt Holliday, Garrett Atkins and Ryan Spillborogh, and Tulowitzki lined a 0-2 pitch down the right-field line to end Colorado’s seven-game losing streak.

“I wasn’t looking for anything in particular, I just wanted to put the ball in play,” Tulowitzki said.

“I liked my chances if I put the ball in play,”

Manny Corpas (3-3) pitched the top of the 10th to get the win.

It was the first time in the 14-year history of Coors Field that a game was scoreless after nine innings.

“It’s a very uncomfortable ballpark to try and relax,” Dodgers manager Joe Torre said.

“Tulowitzki looked at everything I threw in the back of your mind, and then he really misses his spots.”

Maddux was denied a win because Aaron Cook was nearly as dominant. The Rockies starter allowed eight hits over eight innings, struck out two and walked none. His most troublesome inning was the second when he allowed three hits and the Dodgers had runners on first and second with two outs. Cook walked out of the jam by getting Maddux to ground out to second.

It was the deepest Cook has pitched in a game since July 25, but he failed to notch his 17th win, which would have tied the franchise’s single-season win total.

“I felt pretty comfortable out there,” Cook said. “I felt like I wasn’t trying to do too much, mechanically just trying to stay within myself.”

From the third through the seventh inning, Cook was as tough as Maddux. He allowed two singles in that stretch, but both runners were wiped out by double plays, and he faced the minimum number of batters.

“Cookie threw a good game,” Maddux said. “He had his stuff going. Got a couple of double plays when he needed it. He made big pitches.”

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McFadden scores first career TD in win

Seahawks lose backup QB and WR in warmups

Biffle opens Sprint Cup Chase with New Hampshire win

Jeter home run breaks Yankee Stadium hit record

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MLB

Zambrano hurls no-hitter for Cubs

Associated Press

Milwaukee — Carlos Zambrano pitched the first no-hitter for the Chicago Cubs in 36 years, returning from a recent bout of rotator cuff soreness to shut down Houston in a 3-0 Sunday night in a game rehashed because of Hurricane Ike.

Zambrano pitched a Houston team that had not played since Thursday. The storm forced baseball to move two games from Texas to Miller Park, home of the Brewers, and the Astros flew hours before they took the field.

Zambrano, known for his emotional displays on the mound, kept himself in control until striking out the Erstad to finish off his first start since Sept. 2. The big right-hander dropped to his knees and pointed to the sky with both hands after getting Erstad to swing and miss. Zambrano (14-5) was immediately mobbed on the mound by his teammates.

The crowd of 23,441 — mostly Cubs fans — erupted in a wild ovation after chanting “Let’s go Z!” throughout the final inning. Zambrano struck out a season-high 10 and walked one in the Cubs’ first no-hitter since Milt Pappas pitched one against San Diego in 1972.

This was the second no-hitter in the majors this season. Boston’s Jon Lester did it against Kansas City at Fenway Park on May 29.

The Astros only once came close to a hit. David Newhan lined a drive that first baseman Derrek Lee jumped to catch to end the fifth inning.

Zambrano helped himself, too, by charging off the mound and across the first-base line to catch Hunter Pence’s foul pop for the second out in the eighth.

Zambrano began the ninth by getting Humberto Quintero to ground out one-one. It was his 100th of the game. After pinch-hitter Jose Castillo also grounded out, Erstad chased a full-count pitch low-and-away for Zambrano’s first shutout since 2003.

With his jersey untucked, Zambrano paraded triumphantly through a series of interviews in front of the Cubs dugout, then waved to the still-cheering crowd.

Michael Bourn in the fourth inning. He allowed only one more baserunner the rest of the night, hitting Pence in the back with two outs in the fifth.

Zambrano also made an offensive contribution in the Cubs’ four-run third inning, singling and then chugging home from first on Lee’s double. The Cubs chased Randy Wolf (10-12) in the third, his shortest outing of the season.

It was the first complete game for Zambrano since June 16, 2007, at home against the Padres. He hadn’t thrown a shutout since April 7, 2004, a two-hitter at home against the Rockies.

Alfonso Soriano led off the game with a home run, his 28th of the year.

SMC CROSS COUNTRY

Four Belles finish in top twenty

McClowry finishes 12th, team garners fourth place overall

By KATE GRABAREK

Four Belles runners finished in the top-20 of Friday’s 111-person, 11-team Bradley University Open in Peoria, Ill., sending St. Mary’s a fourth place team finish with a score of 93.

Junior Megan McClowry paced the Belles effort with a 12th place finish with a time of 20:57.

Freshman Adriana Rodriguez (13th place, 21:05), sophomore Catie Salyer (17th, 21:10), freshman Joanne Aimond (20th, 21:19) and senior captain Caitlin Bredmerek (30th, 21:37) rounded out the scoring for Saint Mary’s.

Everyone is stepping up,” Belles coach Jackie Bauters said. “We have a great group that is working hard to push each other beyond their comfort zone. I don’t know that any one is taking charge, rather the team is realizing their roles and their potential.”

Freshman Hanna Vicary (32nd, 21:44), sophomore Clare McVey (39th, 22:04), senior Becca Mason (43rd, 22:09), senior Aileen Miller (52nd, 22:30) and senior Caitlin Stevenson (60th, 22:53) all finished in the top-60 and broke the 23-minute mark.

“So far I believe [the girls] are handling the balance of being a student-athlete well,” Bauters said. “I believe the team and myself really try to create a supportive, positive environment for everyone to succeed in.”

While the first week was a little bit of a jet back to reality, they have all continued to be 100 percent on their game at practice and from everything I hear, also in the classroom.

Illinois-Wesleyan won the meet in dominant fashion, with each of its five scorers finishing in the top-11 for a team score of 36. Monmouth College (87 points) and Lewis University (901) also finished ahead of Saint Mary’s.

Lewis’s Kathryn Hogue took home the individual title with a time of 19:07, and Monmouth’s Mary Kate Beyer finished second in 19:22.

The Belles will head to Grand Rapids, Mich., on Sept. 20 to run in the Calvin Invitational.

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MLB
Bannister gets first win in three months

Associated Press

CLEVELAND — Brian Bannister finally got a win as his Kansas City teammates kept piling up hits and runs.
Bannister won for the first time in nearly three months and Ryan Shealy homered twice and drove in five runs as the Royals totaled 17 hits to defeat the Cleveland Indians 13-3 Sunday.
Bannister (3-15) gave up four hits and three runs in the first inning, then settled down and won for the first time in 14 starts to snap his nine-game losing streak. He had not won since beating Colorado in an interleague game June 23. His last win over an AL club was June 1, a 6-3 triumph in Cleveland.
"Over the last couple of months, it seems like my confidence has been tested every time out," Bannister said. I felt that today in the first inning, but it was nice that the offense exploded and took some of the pressure off my shoulders."

The right-hander improved to 3-1 with a 1.91 ERA in five career starts against the Indians after allowing three runs and six hits over six innings. He had been pounded for 10 hits and seven runs over 3 2-3 innings by Minnesota in his previous start Tuesday and had a 7.79 ERA during his losing streak.
"It will be much more fun going into my next start with the confidence of my belt," Bannister said. "The offense stuck it to them and didn't shut it down. It was fun to watch."
Shealy had his second career multihomer game, giving him four homers and nine RBIs since being recalled from Triple-A Omaha on Tuesday. The five RBIs tied a career high.
"I'm getting pitches to hit and even the balls I'm not hitting hard are finding holes," Shealy said. "I'm going to try to ride this out."
Brady-Less Patriots beat Favre's Jets

Associated Press

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NFL

49ers upset Seahawks with late field goal

Associated Press

SEATTLE — Times appear to be changing in the NFC West.

Joe Nedney shook off a missed field goal as time expired in regulation and kicked a 40-yarder 4:40 into overtime Sunday, sending the San Francisco 49ers past the Seattle Seahawks 33-30.

The loss left the four-time defending division champions 0-2 for the first time since 2002. San Francisco (1-1) overcame eight sacks of J.T. O’Sullivan to beat the Seahawks for just the third time in 11 games, in the first overtime game of the 19-game series between the two teams.

O’Sullivan was 20-for-31 for 321 yards and one touchdown in the second start of his six-year career. Seattle’s Patrick Kerney and rookie top pick Lawrence Jackson sacked him two times each, but the journeyman passer kept coming back.

The 49ers got the ball to start overtime. On third-and-7 from the San Francisco 23, O’Sullivan found Isaac Bruce over the much shorter Josh Wilson for 33 yards. Bruce caught four passes for 153 yards, his most since 2004, one week after O’Sullivan never even threw his way in a loss to Arizona.

O’Sullivan then threw a quick jump pass for 5 yards to Arnaz Battle on third-and-3. That set up Nedney for redemption.

San Francisco nearly won it when O’Sullivan frantically escaped a ninth sack and found Frank Gore for an improvised 17-yard completion. They set up Nedney for an overtime chance. San Francisco nearly won it when O’Sullivan frantically escaped a ninth sack and found Frank Gore for an improvised 17-yard completion. They set up Nedney for a 41-yard kick, but he missed wide right by a few feet, forcing overtime.

The Seahawks turned over the ball three times, two on deflected interceptions of Matt Hasselbeck. Patrick Willis returned one of those 86 yards for a touchdown. Hasselbeck, missing his top six receivers after two more injuries Sunday, was 18-for-36 for 189 yards — the second consecutive substandard game for the three-time Pro Bowler.

After Olindo Mare kicked his third field goal, from 32 yards, to put Seattle ahead 30-27 with 7:41 left, O’Sullivan drove the Niners deep into Seahawks territory. San Francisco settled for a 28-yard field goal by Nedney that tied it with 2:42 left.

Julius Jones, whom the Seahawks turned to largely out of necessity when they sustained more injuries at wide receiver, started his first game for them with Maurice Morris hurt. He led a 15-play drive that ended with T.J. Duckett’s first touchdown with Seattle, from 1 yard to tie it at 27.

Jones had 127 yards on 16 carries, his biggest rushing day since Dec. 24, 2005, for Dallas at Carolina. It was first 100-yard rushing day since Dec. 13, 2006, for the Cowboys against New Orleans.

The 49ers rallied from a 17-6 hole late in the first half to take a 27-20 lead in the third quarter. They tied it when Hasselbeck’s pass to Billy McMullen, signed Wednesday and playing his first game since 2006, bounced off him and cornerback Walt Harris near the 5. The deflection floated to Willis at the 14, and the 2007 Defensive Rookie of the Year weaved 86 yards with his first career interception and touchdown.
DENVER — The Denver Broncos were on such a lucky streak, why not roll the dice?

Showing ultimate confidence in his offense and maybe an equal dollop of distrust in his defense, Mike Shanahan went for the 2-point conversion with 29 seconds left and Jay Cutler hit rookie Eddie Royal over the middle to give the Denver Broncos a 39-38 win over San Diego on Sunday.

"Sometimes you have to go with your gut," Shanahan said. "I just felt like it was a chance for us to put them away. I didn't want to count on the coin flip. I wanted to do it then, and obviously it worked out."

It was the third successful 2-point attempt from a team going for the win instead of a tie in the waning seconds of a game since the 2-point conversion was added in 1994, and the first since Tampa Bay beat Washington 36-35 on Mike Alstott's run on Nov. 13, 2005.

The Chargers (0-2) were both stunned and steamed at their second straight loss in the waning seconds.

The Broncos (2-0) had the ball because an errant whistle had erased Cutler's lost fumble two plays earlier.

Trailing 38-31, the Broncos reached the 1 but on second-and-goal, Cutler reared back to throw and the ball slipped out of his hands, bounced off the grass and into linebacker Tim Dobbins' arms.

"Fumble, I think," acknowledged Cutler, who blamed the slick, new ball.

Referee Ed Hochuli blew his whistle when the ball came out, ruling it an incomplete pass. A review showed that it should have been ruled a fumble. Instant replay rules, however, don't allow the opponent to gain possession in such situations.

"All we can do to fix it is put the ball at the spot that it hit the ground, which is why we moved it back to the 10-yard line and the down count and it becomes third down," Hochuli said afterward.

That explanation wasn't good enough for Chargers coach Norv Turner.

"On the last play, it was clearly a fumble," Turner fumed. "Ed came over, the official, and said he blew it. And that's not acceptable to me. This is a high-level performance game and that's not acceptable to have a game decided on that play."

The call the Broncos wanted to talk about wasn't the referee's but their coach's.

"You don't play this game to tie," fullback Michael Pittman said. "You play this game to win."
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60 Like players in a toy train (11)
61 Vegas (6)
62 “Little player in the tail-on-the-donkey” (8)

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1 Comic Kaplan (8)
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7 “If... be the food of love, play on” (9)
8 Onetime dental anesthetic (9)
9 “... you sleeping?” (5)
10 Feisty-tempered sort, they say (8)
11 Loses it (7)
12 Ayn who wrote “Atlas Shrugged” (5)
13 Follow orders (8)
14 Casual for stitches (11)
15 “I’m going on your emotions. Don’t give in to pressure when you should be having fun,” e.g. (5)
16 Put your money, your resources and your trust in what you, yourself, can do. Check out courses or deals that interest you or discuss a donation or loan when you have the facts (9)
17 Put your money, your resources and your trust in what you can afford. You may be tempted to take a trip or contribute to something that you can afford (9)
18 Go over your financial situation and see what you, yourself, can do. Check out courses or deals that interest you or discuss a donation or loan when you have the facts (9)
19 You'll make progress if you face issues head on. Review your personal relationships. Familiarity will count for something, so delve into your past for answers and to revive old friendships (9)
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22 Experiment site (9)
23 Coastline feature (11)
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25 “Don’t tase me, I won’t shoot” (5)
26 Make aware (9)
27 “Don’t tase me, I won’t shoot” (5)
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29 As a library book (9)
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32 Weighed down (9)
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35 “... you...” (9)
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38 Furnace output (11)
39 Western treaty (9)
40 Car with a logo (11)
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46 Give out, as a library book (9)
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51 Eats by the pound (9)
52 Galas (6)
53 Norwegian coastal feature (9)
54 On the Nile (5)
55 Car that comes with a driver (11)
56 Retailer’s goods: for short (5)
57 Opera set along (11)
59 Little upgrading and dating, you should be able to make it work. If you have to refinish or paint a box or car, enjoy some of life’s little blessings. A secret, well-planned and executed, will be worth more than money can buy (5)
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Senior forward Kerri Hanks earns 60th career assist to become sixth player ever with 60 goals, 60 assists

By FRAN TOLAN
Sports Writer

Freshman forward Melissa Henderson scored twice in No. 2 Notre Dame’s 5-0 victory over SMU Friday, but it was senior Kerri Hanks’ night.

Hanks notched her 60th career assist when her cross into the box found Henderson, who put it home in the 54th minute to make Hanks just the sixth player in NCAA history to have 60 goals and 60 assists in a career.

“We’re so proud of everything Kerri has been able to accomplish in her career and what she’s meant to our program,” Irish coach Randy Waldrum said to und.com. “Her initials are all over the school and NCAA record books, and we were absolutely ecstatic that she was able to hit this milestone in front of our home fans.”

Hanks joins two Irish players — Jenny Streiffer (70 goals, 71 assists from 1996-99) and Cindy Daws (61 goals, 67 assists from 1993-96) — in the exclusive 60-60 club.

“It was good that [Hanks] got the assist and got it off her back,” Waldrum said. “I’m sure now she’ll be aiming for 70-70. It also says a lot that the assist that put Kerri over the top went to Melissa Henderson, who has a really bright future in her own right.”

Henderson’s second goal may not have been as historic as her first, but it wasn’t any less impressive. Just six minutes after her first tally, Henderson sent a rocket off the crossbar and into the goal to seal a game that highlighted the depth on the Irish roster.

“The two goals didn’t have anything to do with me,” a humble Henderson said. “Both times my teammates made great plays and I was just in the right place at the right time.”

Waldrum, however, didn’t hesitate to praise one of his program’s rising stars.

“She had a great night tonight and she’s going to be a name on the team leaderboards as well after this tournament,” Waldrum said.

Waldrum said to un.d.co.

Irish senior forward Kerri Hanks dribbles toward the net with two SMU defenders in pursuit during Notre Dame’s 5-0 victory over the Mustangs Friday.

ND Women’s Soccer

Previously winless Belles run table to win tournament

By MIKE GATIMER
Sports Writer

Saint Mary’s entered this weekend’s Sal Vaccaro Tournament at North Central College in Naperville, Ill., with a win. The Belles (1-3-1) left as tournament champions after a 2-0 victory over Mount Mercy College Saturday and a 1-1 (4-2) shootout thriller over host North Central Sunday to take home the title.

The Belles got on the board first Saturday when senior co-captain Lauren Hibson found the back of the net in the 24th minute. Freshman Julie Hamilton increased the Saint Mary’s lead to 2-0 goal 10 minutes into the second half.

Junior goalkeeper Patty Duffy played the entire game, and her two saves helped earn Saint Mary’s its first win of the season. The win was the coach Ryan Crabbe’s first win as the Belles coach.

And the win put Saint Mary’s in the title game of the tournament for the second consecutive year.

The Belles scored first in the rainy game against the host Cardinals on a free kick as junior co-captain Bridget Ronayne scored her first goal of the season. Saint Mary’s took a 1-0 lead into halftime, but North Central tied the game 1-1 on a free kick of their own in the 65th minute.

For a moment, it appeared as if the Belles would take a 2-1 lead in the second half, but what would have been the game-winning goal was disallowed.

The 1-1 tie forced overtime, and neither team got a shot off in the first overtime. In the second overtime and the shootout, Duffy took over and recorded three of her seven saves in the second period.

With a 4-3 lead, Duffy made a save on North Central’s final shot of the shootout that clinched the Belles’ second consecutive tournament title.

The Belles return to the field for their home opener on Wednesday against Hope College in a non-conference game.

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ND Women’s Volleyball

ND loses to 3 top-25 teams

By SAM WERNER
Sports Writer

Notre Dame went toe-to-toe with three top-25 teams in as many days at the Diet Coke Classic in Minneapolis, but the Irish (3-6) came up short against No. 16 Cal Poly, No. 4 Cal and No. 11 Minnesota.

“We do believe that we can play with anybody in the country,” Irish coach Debbie Brown said. “The problem we’re facing right now is that we’re just entirely too inconsistent and a little too error-prone.”

Against Cal Poly (5-2), the Irish started off sluggishly, dropping the first two sets, 25-20, 25-16.

Junior Megan Fesi, left, and sophomore Kellie Sciacca go for the block during Notre Dame’s 3-1 win over Nevada Aug. 30.

SMC Soccer

Casey Carney/The Observer

SMC Women’s Golf

Irish tied for eighth after one round in S.C.

By FRAN TOLAN
Sports Writer

Notre Dame opened its season with a 9-over-par team score of 297, good for an eighth-place tie after one round at the Cougar Classic in Hanahan, S.C., at the Yeamans Hall Golf Club.

Senior Lisa Maunu and sophomore Becca Huffer led the Irish by each carding a one-over 73, placing them in a tie for 66th place as individuals.

Georgia’s Mallory Iletzel and Virginia’s Whitney Neuhauer each shot four-under 68s to take the first-round lead.

Junior Annie Bruphry, along with Maunu and Huffer, scored three birdies on the day, placing her in 39th-place with a three-over 75.

Junior Kristin Wetzel shot a four-over 76, good for 53rd, and sophomore Su-Hyun Park’s eight-over 80 placed her in 87th to round out Notre Dame’s round-one competitors.

The event’s 22-team field includes five top-25 teams. Four other teams, including the Irish, received votes in the Golf World/NCGA pre-season Coaches Poll.

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