Sen. Richard Lugar, R-Ind., spoke Wednesday in Washington Hall on Notre Dame's campus about energy policy.

By AARON STEINER
News Writer

The United States' current energy dilemma will require "game-changing policies," Sen. Richard Lugar said Wednesday. He added that the country must work to overcome technical obstacles and societal inertia to address the growing energy supply problem. Lugar spoke to students, faculty and administrators at Washington Hall during a daylong visit to Notre Dame's campus.

"America's voracious appetite for energy exists in a world of unpredictable competition for increasingly scarce supplies of energy," Lugar said.

As a nation, he said, the United States must put high emphasis on the energy issue, which is tied to a multitude of other issues including foreign policy and the economic crisis.

But with the challenge Visit includes time with students, Jenkins and a trip to ND Energy Center

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Sen. Richard Lugar, R-Ind., got an inside look at Notre Dame's work — both on-campus initiatives and academic research — on energy issues Wednesday, and he praised the University for that work.

"This University continues to make a difference everyday," he said during opening remarks at a speech at Washington Hall, after visiting with University President Fr. John Jenkins, speaking with student leaders and visiting Notre Dame's Energy Center, a research institution on campus.

Lugar formally recognized the student group GreneND by presenting the group with a Lugar Energy Patriot Award after his speech. Lugar and his team spent the day working on day recycling initiatives, nominating plasma sustainability commissioners and installing over 1,400 energy efficient light bulbs.

GreeND president Lourdes Vacca thanked the senator for his continued support.

ELECTION 2008

Professors debate role of abortion in election

Catholic committee members for McCain, Obama argue about role of moral responsibility

By MADELINE BUCKLEY
News Writer

Notre Dame law professors Gerard Bradley, a member of the Catholics for McCain National Steering Committee, and Vincent Rougeau, a member of Democratic presidential candidate Sen. Barack Obama's Catholic National Advisory Council steering committee, debated the role the abortion issue should play in the voting decision of a Catholic citizen in a packed auditorium in McKenna Hall Wednesday.

Bradley, a supporter of Republican candidate Sen. John McCain, spoke first, representing the pro-life side of the issue. He said the pro-life stance is based on two beliefs — human life begins at conception, so aborting a fetus is killing a person, and it is morally wrong to kill an innocent person.

"You can figure out that killing is wrong by reflecting on the natural law ... or any society's legal code," Bradley said.

The moral responsibility for the injustice of abortion is not limited to the pregnant woman and those immediately involved in the action, he said. The responsibility extends to the society that allows the act to happen and the voter that puts pro-choice candidates in office, Bradley said.

"It is wrong, in my opinion, to support a political candidate that approves or supports these abortion policies," he said. "It is wrong to support this sinful structure."

In order to determine if, as a Catholic, a person should consider voting for a pro-choice candidate, Bradley said the person should apply the Golden Rule — to treat others as you would like to be treated — to the situation. He said this rule makes people "walk in others' shoes."

"We have the tendency to dis- see ABORTION/page 6

Community celebrates Yom Kippur

By ROBERT SINGER
News Writer

Starting at sunset Wednesday, members of Notre Dame's Jewish community will officially begin observing Yom Kippur, also known as the "Day of Atonement," one of the most important holidays in the Jewish faith.

Traditionally, Jews observe Yom Kippur by spending time in prayer, abstaining from work and fasting for the day.

Notre Dame junior Damian Sharratt, who is Jewish, said he will be observing the holy day by fasting and praying at a synagogue in South Bend with the local Jewish community.

Sharratt explained that today's holiday marks the conclusion of the "10 Days of Repentance," which began last Tuesday with Rosh Hashanah.

"Rosh Hashanah is the Day of Judgment — the Jewish New Year," he said. "It means that for Jews, the entire year is evaluated on that day to see how they did."

On Rosh Hashanah, Sharratt said, the first of the
A girl’s guide to football

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Skiny-dipping tailgater

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Skinny-dipping tailgater accused of kneecap

AMHERST, Mass. — A tailgater skinny-dipping inside a truck bed at a University of Massachusetts football game has been charged with assault for allegedly kneecapping a campus police officer in the groin.

Deputy Chief Patrick Archbald said a 21-year-old man was among several fans splashing around in the back of a pickup truck before Saturday’s game against the University of Delaware.

When police told him to stop, the man refused to get out. He then approached an officer and kneed him twice in the groin, Archbald said.

The officer, whom Archbald did not name, was given morphine at a hospital. He could miss up to two weeks of work.

Polygraphs proposed for

ind. congressional debate

JASPER, Ind. — Two challengers for an Indiana congressional seat have agreed to be hooked up to lie detectors during a debate, but an official with the incumbent’s party disputes the idea’s legality.

The three are scheduled to debate Oct. 21, but an official with a debate co-sponsor said lie detectors won’t be included.

“Our planning committee worked up the format and rules, and we are not inviting negotiations from the candidates,” Alan Johnson, dean of Vincennes University’s Jasper Campus, told The Herald of Jasper.

Information compiled from the Associated Press.

Corrections

The Observer regrets such a professional publication and strives for the highest standards of journalism at all times. We do, however, recognize that we will make mistakes. If you have made a mistake, please contact us at 631-5454 so we can correct our error.

In Brief

Free flu shots will be provided by University Health services today from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Joyce Center in Notre Dame students, staff, faculty, retirees and spouses of retirees.

Notre Dame Law School will host a lecture by Columbia Law School professor Kent Greenwall called "Religion and the Constitution: Volume 2: Establishment and Fairness" today at 4 p.m. in the Eck Visitors Center auditorium.

"Bach’s Lunch: A Noontime Concert," a short classical concert featuring advanced students from the Department of Music will take place Friday at 12:10 p.m. in Preme Performer’s Hall in DeBartolo Performing Arts Center. The audience is welcome to bring their lunch to this event.

The Institute for Latino Studies will host the “Celebration of Hispanic Heritage Month: Fiesta del Sol Thursday at 7 p.m. There will be music, dancing and food available at Fieldhouse Mall for all students.

The Kenough-Naughton Institute for Irish Studies will host a lecture called "The Formation of the Irish Historical Consciousness" Friday at 3 p.m. in DeBartolo 118.

There will be a walk of solidarity called the "Gulu Walk" Sunday from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. to raise awareness for child soldiers in Uganda. Transportation will be provided at Main Circle starting at 12:30. Donations are encouraged.

To submit information to be included in this section of The Observer e-mail information about an event to...
Professor lectures on racial color blindness

Speaker addresses American misconceptions of race, ethnicity held by white society

By EMILY DABISH

White American society experiences "color blindness," in that white society commonly believes that racism no longer accounts for the hardships experienced by black society, said professor Charles Gallagher, the chair of the Sociology, Social Work and Criminal Justice Department at LaSalle University, during a lecture Wednesday at Saint Mary's.

"Color blindness creates an illusion, even though we know race still shapes life," he said. "What people say and do are unbelievably different things...If you're in a minority the playing field isn't level.

White Americans think "a level playing field now exists," Gallagher said. "Success, like failure, is a choice. You can run a race or you can be a prisoner." Gallagher said. "You can run a race or you can be a prisoner.

"Success, like failure, is a choice," he said. There is a hands-off approach to racism now, and government has no involvement. This is known as "laissez-faire racism," he said.

"Fundamentally, Americans know opportunity structure is not the same," he said. "Since [racism] is below the surface they get to keep their privileges."

Power is concentrated within a very tight window in American society, "People live in bubble, a bubble," Gallagher said. They are segregated.

Whites do not know ethnicities through personal interaction but through examples shown on the television, he said. People explain racism by talking about something else.

Gallagher said people convince themselves that "everyone has equal opportunity, [and ask] why do we need to do something about race?"

"Whites have unbelievably rosy view of racial structure," he said. Gallagher has received various awards for his work including the Martin Luther King, Jr. Torch of Peace award. He has published multiple articles about race theory.

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10 holy days, a person's fate is "inscribed" based on God's evaluation of that person during this period. Lugar said: "There is no coming to reconciliation with people we're close in," he said.

Professor Curtis Franks, a practicing Jew and member of the Hebrew Orthodox Congregation in South Bend, further explained the holiday's importance.

"It's not just a time of prayer, but it's also a time of coming to reconciliation with people we're close in," he said.

Franks translated the meaning of one of the Hebrew greetings that is commonly used on the holiday, "Lehama tovikesu." The phrase means, "May you be inscribed for a good and enjoyable New Year."

"The idea behind that saying is that our fate is being inscribed in a book by God," Franks said. "It's a moment when free will and predetermination realign annually."

Sharratt explained the biblical significance of Yom Kippur, specifying the origin of its themes of penance and redemption.

"During Yom Kippur, the sin of the golden calf happened," he said. "The basic idea is we have these 10 days to make resolutions and try to correct what we've done wrong in the past and continue to grow."

It is traditional for Jews to avoid wearing jewelry on Yom Kippur, Sharratt said, so as to not remind God of the golden calf.

Although there are few Jewish Notre Dame students, Sharratt said he usually feels comfortable practicing his faith on a predominantly Catholic campus.

"It is hard at times, but that's natural wherever you go when you're a minority," he said. "People are very respectful here.

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BOG news,
As of a part of Saint Mary's National Coming Out Week, there will be a panel discussion at Dalloways at 6 p.m., Faunre said. Faculty, students and alumni will be speaking at the event hosted by SAGA.

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The Core Council for Gay and Lesbian Students

Women's Issues commission Board decided to let the vandalism is occurring primarily in LeMans Hall, with people writing negative comments on the posters.

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GOLD WALK

OCTOBER 19, 2008

1:00 p.m.

Indiana University South Bend

Join the South Bend community in a mile walk in solidarity with our friends in Northern Uganda.

Presentations to follow at the University classroom.

Cars from Main Circle, 1230.

Sponsored by Africa Faith and Justice Network.

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comes opportunities, Lugar said, and said he should recognize that addressing the energy problem comes in fact that "energy is our 'pro-growth' solutions."

"The president must make sure that our legislation brings jobs and economic growth and that also saves American money" a top priority.

"The next president must be more than thoughtful and attentive," Lugar said. "The president must be relentless. He must be willing to take his administration on how successful it is on this issue."

Future energy policy will require investment by the government, Lugar said. "The U.S. government can use its purchasing power to jumpstart new energy technologies," he said.

In addition, the costs of research and development must be decreased, and unfortunately, the market hasn't driven down these costs, Lugar said. In this situation, he would resort to mandates to improve research and infrastructure development.

"I suggest with some reservations, that these are areas that need to be mandated," he said.

"I don't agree," said Lugar said that he feels there is now enough understanding within Congress that practical action can be taken.

"It just seems to me that we are at a threshold point," he said, calling the energy crisis "a fertile ground" and an opportunity for the United States.

The solutions though, will be complex, as the problems are complex, he said.

Lugar said at the current rate of growth, demand for some energy would increase 50 percent by 2030. Much of the demand comes from fossil fuels, Lugar said, noting that in China over 80 percent of the energy is supplied by fossil fuels.

"Countries rich in oil gain significant amounts of wealth," Lugar said. The wealth generated by oil flows to many of these countries — including Russia, Iran and Venezuela — that is used to finance objectives that hurt American foreign policy objectives, Lugar said.

"We try to foster global respect," Lugar said, but the money flowing from oil purchases often goes to foster corrupt practices. Likewise, the United States tries to fight poverty, but energy subsidies are becoming impoverished by the high cost of importing energy.

The energy problem is complex, Lugar said, but working towards energy independence should take priority.

"Our first priority should be to develop our energy independence on foreign oil," Lugar said, calling that dependence our "most intense short-term vulnerability."

The next president, he said, should set a national goal of making competitively priced biofuels available to all motorists in America as one way to combat dependence on oil.

Cars should be equipped to be flex-fuel capable, Lugar said, and manufacturers must address the poor fuel efficiency of American-produced vehicles.

Lugar said that all forms of alternative energy — biofuels, wind, solar, nuclear, clean carbon and others — must be a part of developing energy independence.

It will take serious action on the part of the leadership and society, he said. "Making meaningful progress requires dogged devotion," Lugar said, and the country has to work fast.

"All of this has got to be done with a degree of urgency," he said.

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Office of Campus Ministry
(Annual retreat for gay/lesbian/questioning students and their friends; pertinent library resources in 3rd floor)

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

NATO defense ministers set to meet U.S. - When side-by-side defense ministers meet in Budapest on Thursday, they will face a worsening situation in Afghanistan and vexing questions over the war in Iraq.

Increasingly, military commanders and political leaders are asking: Is it time to talk to the Taliban? With U.S. and NATO forces suffering their deadliest month in Afghanistan, a rising chorus of voices, including Defense Secretary Robert Gates and the incoming head of U.S. Central Command, have endorsed efforts to reach out to members of the Taliban considered willing to seek an accommodation with President Hamid Karzai's government.

"That is one of the key long-term solutions in Afghanistan, just as it has been in Iraq," Gates told reporters Monday. "Part of the solution is reconciliation with people who are willing to work with the Afghan government going forward."

Gen. David Petraeus, who will become responsible for U.S. military operations in Afghanistan as of U.S. Central Command on Oct. 31, agreed.

Security agreement still not in place BAGHDAD — A U.S.-Iraqi security agreement spelling out how American troops and contractors operate was supposed to be in place over the summer, but the thorniest issues remain unanswered.

Time is running out. The deal must be finished and ratified by Iraq's parliament before Dec. 31, when the U.S. military is scheduled to withdraw. If it does not arrive, the U.S. military mission expires. Otherwise, there will be no legal basis for the U.S. presence.

For President Bush, some of the pressure to get a fast deal has faded since Iraq is no longer a dominant issue in the presidential campaign.

NATIONAL NEWS

Ike damages beaches, homes GALVESTON, Texas — The rains here doesn't have the whitest sand or the clearest water, but to millions of Texans and visitors this is the beach. And thanks to Hurricane Ike, it's also a mess. The remains of houses, rotting cattle carcasses and other debris are scattered along Galveston Island. In some spots, all the sand was sucked back out to sea. The island, which is 36 miles long, 5 miles wide and is crowded with residential homes, is home to about 50,000 people.

Galveston-area officials are scrambling to clean up the sand, which drags through of out-of-towners who have flocked to the island for the weekend. They say they're relieved that the most destructive part of Ike passed by without causing a major storm. But residents say they're worried that the island has received a new nickname, "The Bahamas.

McCain, Obama talk about trust WASHINGTON — With the deepening U.S. economic crisis, President Barack Obama and Republican John McCain seem to be questioning each other's policies.

"All we heard from Sen. McCain was more of the same Bush economics that led us into this mess," Obama said in Indianapolis the day after their second debate. "The truth is, we won't be able to turn around this economy until we have a plan that's going to put the American people first."

In Bethesda, Md., McCain shot back: "I don't need lessons about telling the truth to American people." And, McCain said, if he ever did, he "probably wouldn't seek advice from a Chicago politician."

LOCAL NEWS

Governor candidate hits the road INDIANAPOLIS — Democratic gubernatorial candidates时机 and Jill Long Thompson are traveling the state — occasioning an advertisement to campaign after about a month without television advertising.

If the candidates can't afford to hit the airwaves, it makes sense for her to hit the road in hopes of earning news coverage from local newspapers and television stations, said political analyst Brian Vargus. "It's do or go out and just do what she can," Vargus said. "What else can she do?"

U.S.-based scientists win Nobel Prize

Team discovers, develops green fluorescent protein to win Chemistry Prize

Associated Press

Three U.S.-based scientists won a Nobel Prize on Wednesday for turning a glowing green protein from jellyfish into a revolutionary way to watch the tiniest details of life within cells and living creatures.

Osamu Shimomura, a Japanese citizen who works in the United States, and Americans Martin Chalfie and Roger Tsien shared the chemistry prize for discovering and developing green fluorescent proteins, or GFP.

When exposed to ultraviolet light, the protein glows green. It has become a marker on otherwise invisible proteins within cells to trace them as they go about their business. It can tag individual cells in tissue. And it can show when and where, and particular genes turn on and off.

Researchers worldwide now use GFP to track development of brains and the growth of tumors and the spread of cancer cells. It has let them study nerve cell damage from Alzheimer's disease and see how insulin-producing beta cells arise in the pancreas of a growing embryo, for example.

In awarding the prize, the Royal Swedish Academy compared the impact of GFP on science to the invention of the microscope. For the past decade, the academy said, the protein has been a "guiding star" for scientists.

GFP is a genetic cousin pro­duce other colors, which let scientists trace multiple, cells or proteins simultaneously.

"This is a technology that has been transformative in biological research," said Dr. John Frangioni, an associate professor of medicine and radiology at Harvard Medical School. "For the first time, scientists could study both genes and proteins in living cells and in living animals.

Last year, in what the Nobel citation called a "sweeping order the government to free the detainees by Friday."

Associated Press

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The pair, along with a dozen
other Notre Dame students and
a few faculty members, had the
chance to talk with Lugar in
depth about the issue over lunch
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that through his talks with vari-
ous groups on campus he got a
better idea of the work going on
at Notre Dame.

"I had a wonderful opportunity
to catch up on what was occur-
ing at N.D., talk about what's
occurring in our country," he
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Lugar told The Observer after
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of coordination among uni-
versities in Indiana and across
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Abortion

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count the harms we visit on other
people by what we do," Bradley said. "The Golden Rule is essen-
tial if justice is to be done."

Bradley often offered counter-
points to several common asser-
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just" to vote for a pro-choice can-

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Bradley said many believe they
are justified in voting for a pro-
choice candidate if they think the
candidate is superior in other
positions. But Bradley said if the
voter would not support a candi-
date who put two million immi-
grant immigrants in prison, even if
they agreed with the candidate on
other issues, the voter is just
morally justified in voting for a
pro-life candidate.

Bradley also said many people
support abortion because they
believe it furthers women's abili-
ty to participate equally in soci-
ety. However, Bradley asked. "I
don't think we would."

"I think this is a point in per-
fuse for changes that are going
to have to be made, in our coun-
try, in our lives and in our world," he said.

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parties," he said. "That's really
important, and that's reassuring
to note that this is not an exclu-
sive problem, but this knowledge
... is widely shared, and so are
some of the professors."

Lugar has visited colleges
across Indiana and seen first-
hand the work they do on energy
issues. He said his work in Congress has at times been
related to gaining support for
research projects at institutions
like Notre Dame.

"I want to encourage this.
We're trying to get appropria-
tions from Congress that are
applicable to these projects," he
said. "I think the possibilities
at Notre Dame are huge — this
University has an international
reputation, it has a national con-
stituency," Lugar said. "People
love Notre Dame, but they're
surprised, I think, to understand
how much is occurring in these
laboratories, how many people
right here are now devoted to
this, how many gifted professors
[are here]."

In addition to speaking about
Notre Dame, Lugar also com-
mented on the presidential ele-
cation in comments to the media
following his speech.

As a Republican, Lugar has
endorsed Sen. John McCain, but
he said he has had good rela-
tionships with both candidates.

"I've had a very good associ-
ation with Senator McCain in the
U.S. Senate for over two
decades," Lugar said. "I've seen
him almost every day at the
Senate sessions for all of these
years."

Sen. Barack Obama is a more
recent figure in the U.S. Congres-
s, but Lugar said he
quickly made a positive impres-
sion.

"He has been a very good
member of the Foreign Relations
Committee, and we've intro-
duced legislation together to
help with arms control," Lugar
said.
In Brief

Federal Reserve loans $37.8 billion

WASHINGTON — The Federal Reserve on Wednesday agreed to provide insurance giant American International Group Inc. with a loan of up to $37.8 billion in return for cash collateral. These securities were available for loans under AIG’s securities up to $37.8 billion, on top of one made to the troubled company last month.

Under the new program, the Federal Reserve Bank of New York will borrow up to $37.8 billion in investment-grade, fixed-income securities from AIG in return for cash collateral. These securities were approved by AIG’s insurance company subsidiaries to third parties.

The arrangement will help AIG secure funds on an as-needed basis, the New York-based insurer already doing through the $700 billion financial industry rescue enacted last week. As of Monday, about $37.2 billion of securities were available for loans under AIG’s securities lending program.

On the brink of failure last month, AIG was hard-pressed to unravel and buy. sliced, diced and repackaged into complex financial instruments that the government would have to pay far more than $37.8 billion for.

Experts skeptical of mortgage plan

NEW YORK — American consumers were buoyed in September, leaving retailers with dismal sales and an uncertain future well beyond the holiday season. As the fallout from the financial meltdown pushes spending even lower.

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As the debate wrapped up, I was imme-
diately impressed with about four hun-
dred analyses ready to tell me all about
what had just happened. I immediately
turned off the T.V. not because I
didn’t care, but precisely because I
was afraid that I myself would be too
influenced in an attempt to make an honest
judgment of what had happened.
This would be diffi-
cult with the
“point” scoring and instant replay analysis
so common to the major news network
follow-ups. As an amateur journalist, my
stabi, of this, will be amateur,
but it will be my honest reaction.
To begin, I think it is necessary to out-
line what each candidate needed to achieve
during the first debate. Since the beginning of the financial cri-
sis, Obama has slowly been pulling away in a number of important battle ground
states. Because of this Obama’s goals
were not, as needed to be, quite so lofty,
so we will start with him.
Obama truly needed to hold steady,
as he had in the first debate. He had
to keep to the issues that he does well on,
the economy and healthcare, and show
fluency in the issues that he has done well
on, such as foreign policy.
Conversely, John McCain needed to turn
in an excellent performance. The election
was (and still close enough not to
necessary any sort of Hail Mary-type of
tactic, but he would have to hit a few runs
to slow Obama’s momentum. McCain also
needed to avoid himself from Bush, and
continue to push the “naïve” but-
ton, as he had done successfully in the
first debate. Of course, neither candi-
date could afford to make any major
mistakes.
While I wouldn’t declare either candi-
ate the winner, it seems that Obama
achieved his goals a little bit more clearly
than did McCain. As soon as the topic
turned to the economy, Obama wasted no
time in taking the first jab, repeating
McCain’s oft-repeated statement on the
fundamentals of the economy. This works
towards Obama’s advantage.
McCain swung back with an awkward
comment on Obama and his “cronies,” in
regards to some sort of Fannie Freddie
regulation. It was a bit unclear, but it
seemed that the cronies to whom he was
referring would have been his fellow sen-
ators. If this is the case, this line worked
against McCain’s general argument that
he is the greater steward of lie partisan-
ship. If it’s not the case, McCain’s argu-
ment came out a bit convoluted.
One of the few weak points for Obama
came soon thereafter, however, when the
discussion turned toward government
spending and taxing. When pressed,
Obama made a fairly large claim—that
all of his proposed spending would be
covered by increased revenue—without
offering much in the way of support.
Regardless of whether this is true or not, I
felt the statement was too large to end the
takes.
While I wouldn’t consider it a misstep,
McCain failed to press this issue at all,
and turned instead to earmarks, a
favorite topic of his. In both debates so
far, this topic has seemed to completely
flatten McCain on the CNN viewer reac-
tion graph. I’m just not sure that
Americans see this as an issue essential
to the state of the economy.
One of the more interesting sequences
occurred later, with McCain chastising
Obama for being too hawkish on attack-
ingterrorist using Pakistan’s borders. He
had invoked Teddy Roosevelt’s famous
adage, “Speak softly and carry a big
stick,” in respect to Obama’s policy.
Obama promptly turned the situation
around, calling to mind far more bellwether
statements made by McCain on bombing
Ira and annihilating North Korea. If there
was any sort of serious headshot in
the debate, this was it. McCain was
unable to respond effectively, nor made a serious attempt to explain what he meant.
In regards to how they carried them-
se, I thought Obama did a little better
in looking and acting presidential.
McCain’s few attempts at humor fell flat
(in part because the audience was not
permitted to respond) and a few of his
comments seemed reminiscent of the kid
who sits in the back making wise cracks—
“We never heard the size of the fine?”
While Obama did not make too many seri-
ous attempts at wit, he seemed more
presidential and in control. I’m not sure
how much this sort of perception plays
into voter preference, but I think it is
important to note.
Honestly, I don’t think either one blew
the lid off this debate. Obama was able to
focus the topic back to the economy on a
number of questions, which could only
help. He also held his own within the
town hall format that many believe
favor McCain.
McCain also did all right. Although he
was unable to really hit any home runs,
he did seem to have a clearer plan for the
economy and pushed it a bit more effec-
tively than in the first debate. He also
left out a lot of the gimmicks from his
campaign (the suspension last week, for
instance) that seemed to be holding him
down.
My prediction: little movement in the
polls. We’ll move on to next Wednesday
domestic policy issues.
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BRAV THAT SAFE, NON-PRIVATIZED, SLOW GROWTH SYSTEM SHELTER LOOKS PRETTY GOOD RIGHT NOW...
Froze bubbles and the mysteries of God

By Fr. Tim Scully

As an enthusiastic Irish fan and a member of the band of the Fighting Irish, I love playing and hearing the Victory Clog. "Dambusa," at Concert on the Steps, is wonderful.

I find it a tradition of the Congregation of Holy Cross' founder, Blessed Brother Jean Baptiste de la Salle, and makes me wish the school had more music for the football team.

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Letters to the Editor

Respect Life week

Dear Observer Reader,

The week of October 5-11 the Notre Dame Campus, in union with the University of Notre Dame's faculty and the Notre Dame community, will celebrate Respect Life Week. The aim of the week is to promote prayer for an end to abortion and all issues that offend the dignity of human life, to educate campuses on the issue of human life, and to pray for the lives of those in which students can help to address these issues.

I can imagine that you, Observer reader, might fall into one of three camps. You might be avidly pro-choice, and with the best of intentions might believe that while abortion is a tragic thing, a woman ought to have a right to make a choice about her future and her body. In that case, the true spirit of a university — which comes from the Latin universitas, meaning "the whole, the total, the universe, the world" — I invite you to come and hear the "whole." I invite you to hear what we have to say. Your claim that you care for women — and I believe you do — is true. But I invite you to come and exactly how it is that we claim to care for the dignity of women.

Pardon if I'm entirely misrepresenting you, Observer reader, and the above might not be you at all. You might be a joyfully pro-life, and very much in line with the cause of life. For that in mind, you might wonder: 'I know what they're talking about, why ought I to go?' True, you might know exactly all that we be addressing, but you might have a friend who does not. Further, you might not have heard this or that particular point of view. Finally, as a one who truly cares about promoting a culture of life, it is your responsibility to form yourself in the best way to uphold and defend this culture, and a huge part of this week is meant to be just that: formational.

Finally, Observer reader, you might be neither A nor B, but rather C. 'It's not really that big of an issue, people get too worked up about it.' Maybe that's not quite it either. "I'm personally opposed, but I know it's not a big deal, one way or the other — and this University is giving you the chance to find out why. And ultimately, a university education is about finding out the 'why.' I invite you to come and see for yourself.

If you've made it this far in this letter, I commend you; you've already been far too generous with your time. That's exactly what I want to finish with. You are all tremendously busy, and busy with many good things; friends, service, studying, etc. But this year's Respect Life Week I want to speak to you seriously about these life issues. Think seriously — whether you fall into A, B, C, above or even none of the above — if you could do something for yourself by attending one of our events this week.

Will everything entirely collapse, will you not get into law school, will you not get into medical school, will you not get into the band? You drug yourself up with these worries if you spend between an hour or an hour and a half one day of this week to seriously engage life issues? Probably not, but you might end up doing something, quite literally life-changing, I promise, and was convinced a friend.

Please recycle The Observer.

Mary Kate Daly

Editor

The Observer

October 7
Bringing Radio Back

By STEPHANIE DePREZ
Assistant Scene Editor

For most members of our generation, the "radio" is what is used when the iPod is out of battery, you can't find a good CD on the floor of your car or you're taking shower late at night. It is a music provider for the moments when no other distraction is available, or a last resort when you've run out of music of your own.

But it wasn't always that way. The birth of radio meant mass communication in real-time. It meant that everyone across America could tune in and listen to a program together. There was a sense of unity in listening to the radio, a comfort in knowing that by listening to it you were connecting to other people in far away places. One of the biggest draws of early radio was that it was performed live in front of an audience, so the listener could hear a crowd laughing, clapping and being actively involved in the performance.

This weekend, L.A. Theatre Works seeks to bring back that early radio feel with their presentations of "War of the Worlds" and "The Lost World." "War of the Worlds" is well known for its phenomenal first reception, when Orson Welles (pre-"Citizen Kane") broadcast the adaptation of H.G. Wells's story and caused widespread panic. 6 million people heard it, and 1.7 million believed it. Many went to ask their neighbors about it during the broadcast, spreading a word-of-mouth rumor that aliens from Mars were attacking the world. People who then turned on their radio heard a series of news flashes, uninterrupted by radio commercials, and were convinced they were all going to die.

L.A. Theatre Works was founded in 1974 to preserve great dramatic works through audio presentation. They broadcast weekly on the Internet and have many troupes traversing the country in different forms bringing old-fashioned radio theatre to life.

On Friday, Saturday and Sunday a six member group of cable and television veterans will take the stage at the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center to present "War of the Worlds," along with their version of Arthur Conan Doyle's "The Lost World." It will be true to the radio style with limited sets and an emphasis on telling the story through sound. The performance will star Jerry Hardin ("The X-Files," "Star Trek: The Next Generation"), Josh Clark ("Heroes," "Star Trek Voyager"), Kenneth Alan Williams ("Will and Grace"), Jen Dede ("Entourage," "Gilmore Girls"), Peter McDonald ("Lois and Clark: The New Adventures of Superman") and Kyle Colerider-Krugh.

This is a unique opportunity for anyone to experience what it is like to be part of a live radio audience. This theatrical offering once again demonstrates the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center's commitment to bringing the Notre Dame community performances that are culturally relevant and yet unique in their once-in-a-lifetime appeal.

Tickets are $45 for the public, $36 for faculty and staff, $34 for seniors and $15 for students.

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**Dining Hall Dish**

By MICHELLE FORDICE
Assistant Sports Editor

This week, we're aiming for a healthy best. Sometimes it's hard to stick to the food pyramid when you're surrounded by some of the less-than-optimal but-so-addicting foods you can find in the dining hall, whether it's the French fries, the oh-so-delicious hummus and give a good dash of pepper. Mix.

4. Dip away! Didn't I tell you that was easy?

Quick Tip

Try this challenge: make a salad without using dressing. Dressing is usually the least healthy part of the salad, and the best thing about a dining hall is that there are so many options that would normally take considerable effort to slice and dice. And don't limit yourself to the salad bar. Explore the dining hall for fruits, vegetables, beans, cheeses and meats (got to have that protein) to make your salad explode with flavor without drowning in dressing.

**Have your own dining hall recipe? We would love to feature it! E-mail mfordice@nd.edu.**

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**Weekend Events Calendar**

**Thursday**

**Gary Cosay FTI Talk** 5 p.m.

**Browning Cinema**

Gary Cosay will speak at the latest in a series of talks presented by the Film, Television and Theater Department at the Browning Cinema. Cosay, a veteran of the industry with over fifty years of experience in media entertainment, will discuss his life as an agent, beginning with his first job in the business as an agent trainee. During his career he has represented a variety of entertainment figures, including producer David E. Kelley. The event is free but ticketed; call the ticket office at (574) 631-2800 to reserve tickets.

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**Friday**

**College Humor Live Tour with Neal Brennan and TJ Miller** 10 p.m.

Legends

Are you a fan of the videos, pictures and articles at collegehumor.com? Check out the best College Humor has to offer at Legends on Friday night. The College Humor Live Tour will feature a group of stand-up comedians. Neal Brennan has written for "Chapelle's Show" and you may recognize TJ Miller as the cameraman from the movie "Cloverfield." In the past the tour has included the likes of Dan Levy, Aziz Ansari and others, and also has permanent shows in New York and Los Angeles.

**Saturday**

**"The Butler Did It!" 7:30 p.m.**

**Everest-Rohrer Chapel at Bethel College**

**Who dunnit? Students at Bethel College are asking audiences to figure out the mystery in their performance of "The Butler Did It," a spoof play by Tim Kelly. In "The Butler Did It," a society dowager named Miss Maple stages a murder mystery party with a group of detective writers, only to find the mystery turned real when a real murder takes place. Tickets are $12 for the public and $10 for seniors and students. For ticket information, call (574) 807-7763 or visit www.arts everywhere.com.

**Sunday**

**"Maxim Kantor: Selections from the Wasteland and Metropolis Print Suites" at the Snite Museum of Art.**

Lazy Sunday afternoons got you down? Get yourself some culture by visiting the Snite to check out their fall exhibit on the etchings of Russian artist Maxim Kantor. Kantor's "Wasteland" print suite examines the late Soviet era and the chaos of the new Russian state, while "Metropolis" is a blend of images inspired by art, print and photography and encompassing a powerful blend of mythology, society, history and geography. The exhibition will run until Nov. 23.

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华盛顿左翼Alex Ovechkin上周五晚在斯坦利杯半决赛中

Ovechkin在本周五对阵Bengals的比赛中在两个30码线之间发威，并在下一轮比赛中以1-0领先。

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Lance Armstrong, left, speaks at a press conference at the annual Interbike International Bicycle Expo in Las Vegas on Thursday, September 25. Armstrong is attempting to return to cycling in January in Australia.

Armstrong comeback approved by ICU

Associated Press

GENEVA — Cycling’s governing body is relaxing its rules to allow Lance Armstrong to make his comeback at a road race in Australia in January. The International Cycling Union said the seven-time Tour de France champion can compete in the Jan. 20-25 Tour Down Under, his first race since coming out of retirement after three years.

A strict application of testing rules would not have allowed the 37-year-old Texan to compete until Feb. 1, 2009, six months after he filed paperwork with the U.S. Anti-Doping Agency.

But the UCI said Wednesday that Armstrong could return early because its drug-testing standards have improved since the rule was drawn up four years ago.

"Riders are now subject to a much-reinforced system of monitoring compared to that of the past," the governing body said in a statement. "Lance Armstrong has and will be the subject of very strict monitoring throughout the period running up to his return to the peloton."

Armstrong’s comeback is meant to draw attention to his global campaign to fight cancer, a disease he survived before winning seven straight Tours from 1999-2005. It is also a defiant stand against critics who doubt he could have achieved those victories without the use of performance-enhancing drugs.

Now he is liable to be tested at any time without notice and will have his own biological passport as part of a UCI-backed initiative to monitor possible doping offenses.

Riders must give a series of blood and urine samples that allow a World Anti-Doping Agency-accredited laboratory to establish a baseline. Fluctuations from those readings afterward could indicate doping.

Armstrong said last month he was tested in late August, and has enlisted personal anti-doping expert Don Catlin, who will make his test results available to the public.

Catlin, who ran the first anti-doping lab in the United States at UCLA for 25 years, will freeze and keep samples of Armstrong’s blood to be analyzed in the future.

Armstrong will not be paid for returning to the saddle and the testing costs will be covered by his Kazakhstan-based Armstrong Foundation.

**In Brief**

**Tuberville fires coordinator after seven games on offense**

**AUBURN** — Auburn coach Tommy Tuberville fired offensive coordinator Tony Franklin on Wednesday just seven games into his tenure, pulling the plug after the Tigers’ rocky attempt to adapt to his spread offense.

The 20th-ranked Tigers have struggled offensively all season after entering as the favorites to win the Southeastern Conference Western Division. They have dropped Southeastern Conference games to LSU and Vanderbilt after beating Mississippi State by a score of 3-2.

"After evaluating where we are, I felt it was in the best interest of the Auburn football program to make this change," Tuberville said. "I’m not satisfied with where we are and I am personally going to take a larger role with the offense the remainder of the season.

Ulrey and Howard lacking any production in playoffs

**PHILADELPHIA** — For all their big hits and long homers during the regular season, Chase Utley and Ryan Howard have to provide the Philadelphia Phillies with more offense in October. The slumping stars were a combined 4-for-26 in the first round of the playoffs against Milwaukee, but strong pitching and timing hitting from other Phillies carried the team into the NL championship series against Los Angeles. Utley and Howard also had troubles in their postseason debuts last year, and Philadelphia was swept out of the first round by Colorado.

If the Phillies are going to beat the Dodgers and advance to the World Series for the first time since 1993, they’ll need their 3-4 hitters to break out of their funk. Game 1 of the NLCS is Thursday night at Citizens Bank Park.

**QB Brady has successful surgery on his left knee**

**BOSTON** — New England Patriots quarterback Tom Brady underwent surgery on his left knee this week, a month after he was sidelined with the season-ending injury, the Boston Globe said.

The paper reported Wednesday that the operation was performed Monday in Los Angeles. Brady’s replacement, Matt Cassel, said he tried calling him. "I haven’t gotten a return phone call yet," he said. "I’m sure he’s just resting."

Patriots spokesman Stacey James declined comment. Coach Bill Belichick refused comment during his regular news conference Wednesday at San Jose State, where the team is practicing for Sunday’s game at the San Diego Chargers.

"We’re not going to comment on anybody’s situation," he said. "We’re not going to get into a daily update."

**NSCAA/Adidas Division I Soccer Rankings**

**Men’s**

1. Kansas
2. Louisville
3. Penn State
4. Missouri
5. Texas Tech
6. Penn State
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8. Brigham Young
9. USC
10. Georgia
11. Ohio State
12. Florida
13. Penn State
14. Vanderbilt
15. Kansas
16. Boise State
17. Oklahoma State
18. Boise State
19. Auburn
20. South Florida
21. Michigan State
22. Northwestern
23. Auburn
24. California
25. California

**Women’s**

1. Penn State
2. Texas Tech
3. Missouri
4. Kansas
5. Ohio State
6. Florida
7. Georgia
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In cycling, Lance Armstrong, left, speaks at a press conference at the annual Interbike International Bicycle Expo in Las Vegas on Thursday, September 25. Armstrong is attempting to return to cycling in January in Australia.
Matsuzaka will be on the mound for the Red Sox when the AL championship series begins Friday night against the Tampa Bay Rays. That doesn't make him Boston's ace.

Josh Beckett is still No. 1 in the Red Sox rotation — especially during the playoffs — even though he had the worst outing of the three Boston starters who faced the Los Angeles Angels in the first round. Beckett, coming off a strained side muscle, is scheduled to pitch Game 2 in the best-of-seven series against the Rays.

"Before Beckett's last start, he was the best post-season pitcher maybe in the history of the game," Red Sox manager Terry Francona said Wednesday after announcing his rotation. "He had the audacity to be a little rusty after two weeks. We don't need to run away from Beckett, we need to get him on a run."

Francona chose Matsuzaka to start against the Rays in Game 1 not because of Beckett's injury, and certainly not because the team lost any faith in a guy who won five straight postseason outings before Boston's Game 3 loss to the Angels. Even with his off night versus L.A., Beckett is 6-2 with a 2.09 ERA in his postseason career.

Instead, Francona said, the Red Sox scheduled Beckett for the second game because it would give him, Matsuzaka and Game 3 starter Jon Lester essentially the same amount of rest. Tim Wakefield will start Game 4, with Matsuzaka, Beckett and Lester ready to pitch Game 5 in Game 5-7 if necessary.

"Nobody's going to throw three," Francona said. "So having those three twice is really what it's all about, regardless of how it's lined up."

Matsuzaka was 18-3 with a 2.90 ERA this season, best among the Boston starters in both categories. But he also led the rotation with 94 walks, raising his pitch count and limiting him to 167 2-3 innings.

"We're going to have to wait him out and see how he's throwing," Rays rookie Evan Longoria said. "It's a little bit different when you're playing in a playoff game. Walks are so important, and if he's going to come out and do what he normally does, he usually walks a ton of guys and throws a lot of pitches early. If we can get him on the ropes early, we've really got to take advantage of that."

In the NL, Philadelphia and the Los Angeles Dodgers begin their series Thursday night, with Cole Hamels facing Derek Lowe. The Phillies haven't made it to the World Series since losing to Toronto in 1993, and the Dodgers haven't been there since their victory over Oakland in 1988.

The Red Sox have won twice since 2004, sweeping the series both times. But the Rays had never finished above .500 before this year, posting the worst record in the majors in '07. All season long, the Rays were described as "surprising," and some thought they would falter down the stretch. But with the AL East lead on the line in September, they rallied against Boston closer Jonathan Papelbon at Fenway Park one night and then took the series finale the next in 14 innings to turn back the Red Sox charge.

The Rays again took two of three from Boston a week later at home to content their hold on the division lead, going on to win by two games and leave the Red Sox as the wild card.

The Rays then dispatched the Chicago White Sox 3-1 in the best-of-five first round. And they no longer qualify as surprising.

"It shouldn't be a surprise 162 games and a playoff series that they're good," Francona said. "I understand some of the story behind this. They haven't had any success going into this year and all of a sudden they went from the bottom to the top. It's a great story for baseball. It made our life a little bit more miserable this year."

"They have a real good thing going. Our job will be to derail that."

Matsuzaka will face James Shields (14-8) in the opener, with Beckett (12-10) going against Scott Kazmir (12-8) on Saturday night. Lester (16-6) will face Matt Garza (11-9) back at Fenway Park in Game 3 and Wakefield (10-11) will pitch against Andy Sonnanstine (13-9) in the fourth game.

Beckett would have six days off before starting a second time in Game 6, if necessary. Boston catcher Jason Varitek isn't worried about the 28-year-old right-hander being able to rebound from a rough start against the Angels, when he allowed four runs in five innings and got no decision.

The strength in Josh's pitching, invariateVaritek said. "He hadn't been on the mound in a while and it just led to a little sharpness issue."

Francona said the decision to go with Wakefield over midseason acquisition Paul Byrd in Game 4 allows the Red Sox to match their knuckleballer with Kevin Cash, his regular catcher during the season. Byrd also was more easily moved to the bullpen, the manager said after the team's workout at Fenway on Wednesday.

The rest of the 25-man roster, which could change from the first round because of an injury to third baseman Mike Lowell and the need for an extra reliever, will be discussed after Thursday's workout at Tampa Bay.
McNabb calls meetings after losses

Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA — Donovan McNabb decided it was time to speak up.

After a pair of disheartening losses dropped the Eagles to 2-3 and the bottom of the com-

petitive NFC East, the veteran quarterback called a team meeting earlier this week.

I tried to let them know that's it's easy for us to sit and say we could be undefeated right now or we should be 4-1, whatever it may be, but we're not," McNabb said. "So, in or order for us to correct that and put these four or five games behind us, we have to do it right now.

A gainst Washington last week, the Eagles jumped to a 14-0 lead but were dominated on both sides of the ball the rest of the game. In the fourth quarter they had to settle for a field goal after driving to the Washington 2-yard line and eventually lost, 23-17.

Against the Bears the prev-

ious week, the Eagles snapped out of a second-half offensive full-lung enough to drive inside the Bears' 5-yard line in the closing minutes. But Philadelphia failed to score the go-ahead touchdown on three runs from the 1 in a 24-20 defeat.

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Even so, the Bears won eight straight following a 1-3 start, throwing 17 innings but averaging nearly 100 pitches per outing. "He's had to take care of this thing for a long time," Hendry said, adding, "There's an appreciation for Harden's effort late in the season. "I'm sure there were some pitches that got by with some discomfort." Against the Dodgers in Game 3, Harden allowed three runs over 4 1-3 innings and the Cubs were ousted quicker than any team in the playoffs after having the N.L.'s best regular-season record. After that loss at Dodger Stadium ended the short playoff run, a pipe in the Cubs' dugout was broken, flooding the walkway in the visitors' room, the Chicago Sun-Times reported Thursday.

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"We hope to finish the regular season strong," sophomore captain Kathy Popolski said. "And establish momentum for the playoffs.

This game will definitely affect several of the women's playoff spots. But each team is more focused on setting a pattern for the playoffs and building momentum.

The teams kick off tonight at 7 at the Riehle Fields.

Lewis vs. Breen-Phillips

Though a win is a win, no matter when it comes, a team's first win can set the tone for the rest of the season.

Tonight at 8 at Riehle Field, Lewis (0-4-0) and Breen-Phillips (0-2-2) will face off to determine which team gets its first taste of success.

Chicks captain Kairi Sushinsky believes her team is close to breaking through.

"We have improved a lot in the last few games," Sushinsky said. "In practice we’ve focused a lot on camaraderie and trying to improve on our consistency. If we are able to come out of this game and play two good halves of football like we know we can, we’re going to be successful. We feel confident going into this game."

All eyes on the Chicks will not be able to make the playoffs, they are still motivated to finish strong.

"We are always excited to play, no matter the outcome," Sushinsky said. "It’s really important for us to end the season on a high note and gain some momentum heading into next year."

Meanwhile, the Babes are also looking to rebound, coming off a tough loss to Walsh in which they led 21-7 at halftime but ended up losing on a touchdown pass on the last play of the game.

"In several of our games, we just haven’t been able to finish," Babes captain Melissa Meagher said. "We’ve come as close as you possibly can to winning without actually winning. We are definitely right on the brink.

Sushinsky believes her team working hard, and she recognizes that it still has a lot to play for.

"Our practices have been intense this week," Meagher said. "We’ve run through our offensive playbook, and we’ve focused on two kinds of defense to give our defense a chance to see some different looks. We may still have a chance to make the playoffs if we win out, so the time to step up is now."

Welsh Family vs. Badin

After an emotionally charged comeback win last week against Farley, Welsh Family finds itself positioned for a potential "trap game" against Badin at 9 tonight at Riehle Fields.

Despite having a standout quarterback in Jenni Gargula and a defense which supplements its tenacious pass rush with a ball-hawking secondary, Welsh Family (4-0) hopes to avoid tripping up in a game against the Bullfrogs.

"Even with the big win over Farley, we’re just going to try and stay focused and concentrate on winning tomorrow," Gargula said.

Badin (1-2-1) is hungry to keep its playoff aspirations alive after a scrappy 7-6 victory over Lewis last week. With only one game left on the schedule, the Badin bullfrogs are not about to drop another game, and with Welsh Family on the horizon, the Bullfrogs will need to pull out all the stops if they want to topple the powerhouse Whirlwinds.

The Bullfrogs played stingy defense against Lewis but the Whirlwinds, even with a few mistakes against Farley, will provide a stiffer test. The outcome will be on Badin senior Katie Rose Hackney not only to motivate her team, but also to pick apart the Whirlwinds’ opportunistic defense.

"The things we’ve worked on in practice this week have been the same as the previous weeks. This consistency has really helped us put together such a good season thus far," Gargula said.

Relying mostly on young players, Badin will have to play like veterans tomorrow if it wishes to take down the Goliath that is Welsh Family.

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nine players who have shown, at times, that they are very capable of winning in the lower lineup slots.

The Irish are coming off an impressive showing at the Wolverine Invitational, where they took five of the seven singles matches from a Michigan team that advanced to the Sweet 16 a year ago. Even more impressive about the five victories over the Wolverines was that none of those victories came from Highland, who was out with an injury.

Bayliss also noted that the way the showing against Michigan was a good sign of things to come, and a testament to the potential the team has.

This weekend the team, minus Helgeson will host the Tom Fallon Invitational. The tournament field includes Harvard, Wisconsin, Michigan State, Western Michigan and Ball State.

“We approach this tournament on two fronts,” Bayliss said. “One, to see how we can have a little bit of a break from the week and come back and really focus on two fronts,” Bayliss said.

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The Irish will look to show the rest of the teams at the Tom Fallon Invitational how dangerous they can be, with the tournament opening on Friday. The revised schedule will appear today at the All-American Championships.

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two-week stint on the sidelines with an ankle injury. Much of the rest of the team has been banged up as well.

"We've had the injury bug already," Brown said. "Hopefully we will be able to come back strong, but injuries happen sometimes. Luckily we have been able to compensate for it so far.

With the Irish sitting atop the Big East despite all these injuries, there should be a renewed energy when the team finally starts to get healthy.

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What worries Brown, however, is the state of the defense and the lack of opportunities that are being generated for their potent offense.

"Our hitting percentage is very good, but our defense is not so good," Brown said. "We've struggled with our serves, our blocks and our defense in general. We need to practice our serves.

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Thomas finished off the scoring in the 86th minute when he headed home a Dike cross. Notre Dame's offensive outburst was accompanied by an equally impressive defensive performance.

The Irish did an especially good job shutting down the Spartans for- ward Doug DeMartin, who entered the game ranked second in the nation in averaging 1.11 goals per game. DeMartin had no chance of reaching that total as the Irish defense held him to only one shot on the evening.

"DeMartin is one of the best strikers in the country in my opinion, and we held him to only one shot," Clark said. "I thought [Aaron] Maund, [Matt] Besler and [Matt] Armstrong did a great job because three guys cover the area that DeMartin works in."

"We talked about playing smartly and not getting caught in transition because that was what killed us against Michigan. We kept the game in their half. It was a good bounce back."

The Irish defense shut down not only DeMartin but the entire Spartans offense, holding Michigan State to only six shots on the evening. Notre Dame keeper Andrew Quinn was up to the challenge of stopping the few Spartan chances in the game.

The senior goalie made four saves to register the shutout and improve his record to 7-2-1.

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**THE FORBIDDEN DOUGHNUT**

Pat Gartland

So, how do we break up this party?

Well, we need to actually see some underage drinking.

How do you tell who’s underage?

I just look for typical things freshmen wear around.

What kinds of things do you mean?

Illegal incursions or the shirt or Northface packets! Go go!

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**CROSSWORD**

**ACROSS**

1. Feature of an ash tree
6. 1986 show biz autobiography
11. W.W. W. has, for short
14. Historical biography that won a 1935 Pulitzer Prize
15 & 16 Boxing rival, often
18. Slow
20. Delightfully
22. Hawaii’s annual bowl
23 & 24 Curious.
26 Free
28 Watch brand
32 Where Nixon went to law school
36 Life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness
37 Married
38 & 39 Instant
40 Ned, say short
41 Spool (by)
43 G.R.E. taker, generally, Abbr.
44 Locale for four World Series
45 The last 10% of 110%
46 Three-wheeled Indian taxi
48 & 50
51 Wrestling
54 Quiet cough
55 Wrestling
57 Incapacitated
59 Patent holder’s income
60 Quiet cough
63 & 65 Go Dutch
66 They’re usually reached very rarely
67 Medical row enhancing
68 Acoustic
69 Operating
70 Sun Devils for short
71 Diable battler
73 Irish singer with eight platinum U.S. albums
79 Tramp for example
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82 Former E.P.A. chief
86 Ellipt calculator
87 It’s produced by a Tesla coil
89 Singly
90 Attire
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92 Not be alert
93 Tanner’s locale
94 Attire that often includes a hood
96 Stayed after
98 More minutes
100 Rip-Rops
102 Jazz’s Earl
104 Grammy-winning reggae-orientet Paul
106 Promotor
107 TV planet
109 A.M.
110 Skull alternative
111 Kool alternative

**DOWN**

1. “The Sound of Music” name
2. Sokrates
3. “Will till you’re (parent’s reply)
4. Bing Crosby’s
5. “White Christmas,” again and again
6. Hawk, maybe
6. Lay off
7. Pubescent, say
8. Make-shift
9. American-born Juggler
10. The Sun Devils for short
11. Anodyne
12. Sweeetie
13. Irish singer with eight platinum U.S. albums
14. Attire that often includes a hood
15. Stayed after
16. More minutes
17. Rip-Rops
18. Jazz’s Earl
19. Grammy-winning reggae-orientated
20. Promotor
21. TV planet
22. A.M.
23. Skull alternative
24. Anodyne
25. Ellipt calculator
26. Former E.P.A. chief
27. It’s produced by a Tesla coil
28. Singly
29. Attire
30. Where Melville’s Diable battler went
31. Not be alert

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**EUGENIA LAST**

Celebrities Born on this Day: Nick Cassavetes, Matt Damon. St. Simplicity Fantasy, W.S. Church Clay.

Happy Birthday! Take control and you can get the phases that have been bugging over for the past few years and to. If you continue to treat someone who does the dirty work, it will help get to a disappointing you. You know what it’s like to get what you want, you’re just not sure if you’ll keep your emotions in your opinion. Most likely.

Taurus (April 20-May 20): Make a statement that will you on edge and get what apart from everyone else. Your past quest and direct the suit you prefer will be of all your coordinates. You can stand on your ability until things happen. ★★★

Gemini (May 21-June 21): Everything will fall into place and sudden but unexpected changes will be a personal sorrow. A business or personal will ring your ear and things have been a sudden change. Offering you loudly. You will remain alert with your attitude. Your straight talk and production will pay off. *-*★

Cancer (June 22-July 22): Don’t let negativity and the bane of you. Enjoy the moment by spending time with someone you love. Take action and be proud of your accomplishments and anxiety to follow through. Relaxation, nutrition and display your best.★★

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22): Be prepared to put money behind your ideas. Move ahead slow. If successful. Once you show everyone here your plans exist, things will be a change of attitude. Your honest talk and production will pay off. ★★★

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sep. 22): Keep going. The least you here you, the better. Decide women’s look at your models or change. Don’t be afraid to ask the people what they think. Be prepared to put money behind your ideas. Move ahead slow. If successful. Once you show everyone here your plans exist, things will be a change of attitude. Your honest talk and production will pay off. ★★★

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Your just out of the mouth of a men if you can rule
10 percent of people to the ground. Someone will complain and make a fuss if you don’t live up to your promises. It will be hard to please everyone on or as much as you can on your own. ★★★

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Set up a year plan and stick to it if you want success. Your future in a hands. Perfection is a wish. Aego-wish is asorgery, so prepare to honor even if things aren’t perfect or 100 percent fin.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You love and you are going to expect respect for the future in a hands. Perfection is a wish. Aego-wish is asorgery, so prepare to honor even if things aren’t perfect or 100 percent fin.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Don’t put others into someone else’s emotional mix. Keep to the world and return from viewing your opinion. Arguments will leave you at odds about what to do next. Focus on your own projects and plans.★★

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Start the ball rolling by opening a dialogue with others who need in order to quality a matter or business mission. Be straightforward and give them you are trying to protect the peace and conflict of the co-run coordination.★ ★★★

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20): You will end to respect someone else’s emotional mix. Keep to the world and return from viewing your opinion. Arguments will leave you at odds about what to do next. Focus on your own projects and plans.★★

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ND VOLLEYBALL
Irish tie for first in conference at midpoint of season

Coach says squad must improve defense

By JARED JEDICK
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After reaching the midpoint of their season, the Irish find themselves tied atop the Big East standings with St. John's, Pittsburgh and Georgetown in position to have a very good second half.

"You can ask anyone on the team, and they would all say that they would like to have a better record," head coach Debbie Brown said. "But we are definitely going in the right direction.

According to Brown, the Irish (8-8; 3-1 Big East) six primary goals at the beginning of the season — to go undefeated at home, win two of their non-conference tournaments, and win the regular season title in the Big East. Although the first two goals were not achieved, the third and most important goal — winning the Big East regular season title — is right within their grasp.

"It's still pretty early," Brown said. "But to have your first four Big East games on the road and come out 3-1 puts us in pretty good position.

The Irish have already defeated two of the Big East favorites in convincing fashion on the road this season — South Florida (11-7; 2-2 Big East) and Louisville (6-8; 2-2 Big East). Louisville was picked by the Big East coaches to win the conference this year.

"Although it was great to beat them, we can't rest on the past," Brown said. "Against [South Florida] we played very well with a lot of intensity, and against Louisville I didn't think we played as well, but we still found a way to win. Going forward it is not going to be easy.

Adding significance to these victories is the fact that they have all been on the road in hostile environments. The Irish will finally get a travel break this weekend and play West Virginia (5-10; 0-4 Big East) and Pittsburgh (10-8; 3-1 Big East) in front of their home fans for the first time in three weeks.

"It's not really easier to play at home," Brown said. "But it does give you a lot more control over everything. Everything is more familiar and you don't have to travel, so you hope you play well at home.

The first half of the season has been partly characterized by a severe case of the injury bug. Junior outside hitter Serenity Phillips has just returned from a severe case of the injury bug. Junior outside hitter Serenity Phillips has just returned from a severe case of the injury bug. Junior outside hitter Serenity Phillips has just returned from a severe case of the injury bug.

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This confidence will be put to the test Thursday, as the Irish host the Tom Fallon Invitational for the first time in three weeks.

Men's Tennis
Young squad will host Tom Fallon Invitational

Helgeson heads to ITA Championships

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Senior Brett Helgeson will head to the ITA All-American Championships this weekend, while the rest of the team will stay in South Bend to host the Tom Fallon Invitational.

"We are excited to see Brett Helgeson to the All-American Championships," head coach Bobby Bayliss said. "He has ranked highly enough nationally to get into the main draw of the top 64 collegiate tennis players in the country. He has worked hard this fall and has improved on his transition skills and his ability to get to net and finish there."

Bayliss also noted that this year's squad is very young and inexperienced. The Irish have four freshmen and six sophomores currently on the roster.

"There are two words to describe our team: young and deep," Bayliss said. "We are lacking in experience and upper loop players. Our depth is strong. It is difficult to know how many will start this year in singles because we have eight or nine players in the country, who can have some times start doubting yourself. You've got to hold to your beliefs, and I think we did that."

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Women's Interhall
Phoxes, Finest square off

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Last Sunday, Farley lost 15-7 to Welsh Family in a tough defensive battle. If not for two deflected interceptions going in Welsh Family's favor, Farley could still be undefeated.

"It is definitely a goal of ours to make it to the playoffs," Farley senior captain Jenny Rolfs said. "And we would love to get a chance to play Welsh Family again.

Rolfs herself is especially hungry for a win. Sunday was her first game back from a rib injury. While not at full strength, she will play the rest of the season. A second matchup against Welsh Family, next time in the playoffs, is inspiring, Rolfs said.

Farley will collide with a team stronger than its 3-2 record indicates in Pangborn. The Phoxes began the season 2-0, but have since reeled off three dominating victories.

In the past three games, the Pangborn defense has seen eight interceptions, including four by safety Kathleen Furrey. Sophomore quarterback Gabby Tate has had four rushing touchdowns and four more passing in the past two games alone.

Appreciating their recent string of victories, the Phoxes are intent on keeping the season rolling.

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