ELECTION 2008

Student groups debate platforms

Representatives from Notre Dame political clubs discuss merits of presidential candidates

By KAITLYNN RILEY
Associate News Editor

There was no debate Friday afternoon between Sen. John McCain, Sen. Barack Obama and former congressmen Bob Barr. There was no face off between Gov. Sarah Palin and Sen. Joe Biden and then later allowed the audience to ask questions from a moderator and then from an audience.

Junior Christine Romero, the co-chair of ND Votes ’08, a campaign run by the Center for Social Concerns, posed questions to the three teams of two and then later allowed the audience to ask questions of their own.

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Number of students taking GRE increases

By ELLYN MICHALAK
News Writer

According to Council of Graduate Studies, enrollment in graduate school has increased three percent annually over the past 10 years, leading to a spike in the number of seniors taking the Graduate Record Examination (GRE).

“The increase in doctorates awarded, particularly in key fields, is a necessary step in producing the highly qualified workforce required to enhance U.S. competitiveness,” said Debra W. Stewart, CGS President in a 2008 press release. “While the increased representation of minority students is another encouraging sign, we must continue to expand the domestic pipeline to ensure that America has the talent pool it will need in the 21st century global economy.”

Admissions departments use GRE Scores to determine admission into a graduate program. The test scores supplement an application.

The test consists of three parts — verbal reasoning, quantitative reasoning and analytical writing. The verbal reasoning and quantitative reasoning sections are

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Lyons hosts annual Mara Fox Run

By MADELINE BUCKLEY
News Writer

About 250 runners participated in Lyons Hall’s annual Mara Fox run Saturday, marking the 15th anniversary of the death of the Lyons Hall freshman who was hit and killed by a drunk driver in 1993, run organizers Jeanne Caminiti and Katie Sample said.

The run was successful and had more participants this year than last year, Caminiti said.

“We couldn’t have asked for more beautiful weather and we had such a great turnout,” Caminiti said.

The run raised a little over $3,000 through the $15 dollar registration fee and some personal donations, Sample said. While some of the money will pay for the T-shirts that were given to participants, most of the funds will go toward a scholarship fund to help a Notre Dame student study abroad in Toledo, Spain, she said. The scholarship fund was started in Fox’s name the first year after she died, Caminiti said.

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Bags tournament benefits children’s groups

By KATIE KOHLER
Assistant Managing Editor

In order to raise money for the fast-growing Big Brothers Big Sisters Club of Notre Dame and Saint Mary’s, senior Charlie Cummings hosted, organized and orchestrated the first annual Bags for Kids 2008 on Saturday.

More than 40 teams of two participated in the bag tossing tournament, which raised more than $300 which the University will match, bringing the grand total to $600. Cummings organized the event because he knew how much the club benefits the children of South Bend through mentoring.

“We wanted to raise awareness about Big Brothers Big Sisters. The club currently has a waiting list of children in South Bend that want to be matched up with Notre Dame students — especially boys — so we were hoping that the tournament would spark some interest in the club and lead some students to sign up to be ‘Bigs,’” Cummings said.

While the event was

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Skunks pose problems for both campuses

By LIZ HARTER and KELSEY FALTER
News Writers

With the apparent spike in the number of nocturnal creatures at both Notre Dame and Saint Mary’s, many students have reported seeing skunks around their residence halls, making them wonder if they should stock up on tomato juice.

Scott Knight, Industrial Hygienist of Risk Management for NDSP, said he hadn’t heard of skunks being a problem until early September.

“I had not heard of anything until [early September] when a student contacted us about a skunk,” he said. “Building Services typically handles those types of calls.”

Students have reported seeing the skunks between Main Circle and Beecrook, in front of Siegfried Hall, on God Quad and South Quad and on the Alumni Green at
Paris' new BFFs

For me, MTV's new show Paris Hilton's My New BFF is a must-see, because it succeeds in combining two of my guilty pleasures: trashy reality television and Paris Hilton. I'm a big fan of any kind of "reality" show. I started with the inner boyfriend on Parental Control, giggled uncontrollably at the gay-caste-club, pitchfork-waving man on Hell Date, and sing along to YouTube videos of Paula Abdul's sticker from American Idol.

There's just something about watching other people do embarrassing things that amuses me to the point even though their antics are most likely staged. My fixation with Paris is a bit harder to explain. It started when a boy tried to make me mad by informing me, via the misspelled facebook message that passes for communication now, "you act like your Paris Hilton.

My first thought was: "My Paris Hilton? How is she different from anyone else?" After realizing that he meant the contraction "you are," I glanced at his list of reasons, which I'm pretty sure contained "you are mean" and "you are using her to get their 15 minutes of fame.

Paris informing us, "I'm Paris Hilton, and I'm an amazing best friend." I've felt an odd sort of kinship with her ever since.

I watched the first episode on Wednesday. The show opened with Paris-informing us, "I'm Paris Hilton, and I'm an amazing best friend." I can honestly say that I'd rather be friends with Paris than with any of the contestants. Most were bland, easy, and clearly using Paris to achieve, as they put it, "instead of celebrityism." I almost felt bad for her.

The best part was probably when Paris had a scary man question her besties-in-training about their motives for establishing her BFF. As if those weren't obvious.

The awesome part was that the questioning took place in an abandoned warehouse. And the contestants were blindfolded. It was quite ominous.

After one of the girls was sent home, the credits rolled and I debated if I should go to bed or watch the next episode.

The show brought up one of life's greatest questions: who do I feel more sorry for, Paris or her wannabe friends? On the one hand, they've used her to get their 15 minutes of fame. But she's rich and famous, so she probably doesn't even care. On the other hand, those girls are so attention-starved they've resorted to the other hand, those girls are so attention-starved they've resorted to doing anything to become BFF. As if those weren't obvious.

In Brief

NDVotes will hold Pizza, Pop, and Politics: Social and Moral Issues today at 5 p.m. in the Coleman Morse Lounge. The event is open to the public and free pizza will be served. Professors Paolo Carozza, law, and Mary Keys, political science, will speak.

A panel discussion, "The Credit Crisis: What It Means for You and the World," will be held today at 7 p.m. in the Merchant Auditorium of the Menloza College of Business. The event is free and open to the public.

German Club and SIR will hold Oktoberfest on Tuesday, Oct. 14, from 7 to 10 p.m. at Legends. Free food will be served, t-shirts given away, and a live German band will perform. The event is free and open to all students of Notre Dame, Saint Mary's and Holy Cross.

A health information session, "The Credit Crisis: What It Means for You and the World," will be held Tuesday, Oct. 14, at 4 p.m. in Room 117, Shaughnessy Hall. The event is part of "Love Your Body. Love Yourself." All events throughout the week are free and open to students.

The documentary film, "The Price of Sugar" will be shown on Wednesday, Oct. 15, at 7 p.m. in the Carey Auditorium of the Hesburgh Library. The event is free and open to the public and is sponsored by the Class of 2009 Class Council.

To submit information to be included in this section of The Observer, e-mail detailed information about an event to obsnews@nd.edu.
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The debate, held in the LaFortune Student Center ballroom, lasted for about 20 minutes. There was much public discussion for at least another 20 minutes afterwards. As Romero and Fahey continued to debate, students turned to Get Rid of Things.com, if a student does get sprayed by a skunk, to learn how to wash it off as quickly as possible, but many students felt that the skunk smell lingered and had the impression that tomato bath

do the trick. Etheridge said she soaked Farley in tomato juice and that he was not the same cat over the course of a weekend. She said she still smelled bad, but at least she was tolerable,” she said. “My entire apartment was filled with that awful skunk smell.” Etheridge said Farley napped around for a few days but she fine. Although Farley still get a whiff of skunk when she gets wet, she said.

Brown said she wants to warn students that tomato does not work.

“My brother got sprayed when he was at college,” she said. “If we needed the midriff and the professor told me to leave immediately and he could make up the exam because he smelled so bad. I know that from my experience.”

GetRidOfThings.com said white vinegar or hydrogen peroxide should be used to dissolve the skunk oils instead of tomato juice. The victim should then be taken to a veterinarian for deodorizing or soap to be removed from clothing and skin. Bill Hambling, Saint Mary’s Director of Facilities, said the appearance of skunks on campus is ”a smelly situation,” but the Office of Campus Safety will send out a College’s Early Childhood and Development Center on the campus to avoid any trapped and released off-campus.

We gave Gariepy, director of the Department of Safety and Security at Saint Mary’s, said students can report skunks to the department.

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Russia test-launches missiles

MOSCOW — President Dmitry Medvedev watched a missile soar from Russia’s rain-soaked northern forests toward a target thousands of kilometers away on Sunday, capping a weekend of launches reminding audiences at home and abroad about the country’s nuclear might.

Prominent coverage of the tests on state-controlled television also boosted the bookish Medvedev’s credentials as commander-in-chief in the eyes of the Russian populace.

On Sunday, Medvedev saw what officials said was the successful test-firing of a 21-year-old Topol intercontinental ballistic missile. The missile hit its target thousands of kilometers to the east on the Kamchatka Peninsula, Medvedev told television in a dark bomber jacket, told servicemen in khaki blue uniforms in a clearing near the Plesetsk launch site.

Suicide bombers strike in Baghdad

BAGHDAD — Suicide car bombers struck twice Sunday in the northern city of Mosul, killing at least six people and wounding dozens of others, U.S. and Iraqi officials said. A car bomb killed seven other people in Baghdad.

Iraqi soldiers were killed in separate attacks Sunday in the capital’s Yarmouk district, police said.

Also Sunday, the government announced new security measures to protect Christians in Mosul after a spate of attacks against them by Sunni religious extremists.

The series of attacks shows the ongoing security crisis in Iraq as the U.S. shifts responsibility to this country’s own soldiers and police following the sharp decline in violence since last year.

NATIONAL NEWS

Nat’l debt clock runs out of digits

NEW YORK — A watched clock never moves — unless it’s a National Debt Clock.

In fact, the digital counter has been moving so much that it recently ran out of digits to display the ballooning figure: $10,150,603,734,720, or roughly $10.2 trillion, as of Saturday afternoon.

The clock was put up by the late real estate speculator and former Lincoln Savings & Loan chief Charles Keating Jr. during a news conference on May 12, 1989.

That same day, the Senate voted 89-3 to pass a bill to create a special committee to probe the savings and loan scandal.

But they have been involved in all kinds of crimes,” said Malik Moonmam Habib, a leader of the Taliban, one of the largest of at least five tribes who have formed lashkars in recent weeks. “We want them out of our area.”

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Pakistanische tribesmen battle militants

ISLAMABAD, Pakistan — Pakistanis tribesmen are raising armies to battle al-Qaeda and Taliban militants close to the Afghan border — a movement encouraged by the military and hailed as a sign its offensive against the Taliban is winning.

The often ramshackle forces lend force to the campaign in the hardscrabble and mountainous region, but analysis questions their effectiveness against a well-armed, well-trained and increasingly brutal insurgency.

The extremists are increasingly targeting the martial, an indication they believe them to be a threat.

On Sunday, two tribesmen were killed during an army-backed offensive against insurgents in the Bajaur tribal region.

Government official Haider Khan said helicopter gunships shellled militants’ bunkers, killing at least 10 people. Fifteen more suspected militants were killed in separate attacks, he said.

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The agency has existed since the 1960s to provide free or low-cost legal assistance to low-income residents of this and surrounding counties.

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SPRINGFIELD, Ill. — Scraping together anything to boost the presidential campaign’s waning days, John McCain and Barack Obama are introducing voters to a new cast of characters.

McCain would like people to know about a former 1960s radical who is the Republican candidate’s political devotee. And Obama is raising the Republican candidate’s connections to a disgraced savings and loan executive and a supporter of right-wing death squads.

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GRAND RAPIDS, Mich. — An Ohio man accused of plotting to bomb a U.S. military base in Iraq was sentenced to 18 years in prison.

Associated Press

Camps highlight foes’ old associates

As election draws near, campaigns try to prove guilt by association

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"What we are suggesting is that students consider taking the GRE if they do know what they want to do after graduation. We have information that shows that individuals under the age of 23 tend to do better because they are in the middle of using academic skills that they would use in graduate school and on the GRE." Dawn Piacentino, associate director in the GRE program at Education Testing Services (ETS), a non-profit research and standardized testing organization, said. People under the age of 23 earned an average score of 494 on the verbal portion of the test and 587 on the quantitative part on the test, ETS data showed. The scores dropped noticeably for people in the 23-25 year age group. In 2006, the 23-25 year old group scored an average of 477 on the verbal section and 558 on the quantitative section.

"What we see is generally individuals that are under the age of 23 do better than older student and the difference are significant on the quantitative measure" Piacentino said.

The quantitative section measures a student’s abilities in arithmetic, algebra, geometry, probability and statistics.

"The GRE does not have college level math on it, so you can think that the younger a person is, the closer they are to their high school courses," Piacentino said. "As people get further away from high school, they will need to do a review to refresh their skills."

Research done by the council of Graduate Studies showed there were a total of 1,698,445 graduate students enrolled in the United States in 2007. In addition to the three percent annual increase in graduate enrollment over the last 10 years, the data conducted by Council of Graduate Studies showed there was a four percent yearly enrollment increase among women and a five percent yearly enrollment increase among international students.

"There is published data that shows that the higher degree that you have the more money you make," Piacentino said.

Senior Elizabeth Nye took the GRE in order to gain a master’s degree in education through ACE. She also plans on using the scores in a few years to earn a master’s degree in psychology.

"I took the GRE because I am planning on pursuing a graduate degree in psychology. I also am interested in doing ACE like that it’s a combined program where you can provide service to children and get a master’s degree in education. I am hoping to combine my degrees in education and psychology in order to develop programs for our educational programs."

Because ETS encourages students to take the GRE, they offer free preparation for all who register to take the test. The GRE makes available free test prep material for everyone who registers for the general test because they think it’s important that a person be prepared and know what kind of questions are on the test. Being prepared and understanding what they are going to be tested on is very important," Piacentino said.

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**In Brief**

**Economic woes stall greenhouse laws**

WASHINGTON — The economic free fall gripping the nation may bring down one of the main environmental objectives: capping the greenhouse gases that are blamed for global warming.

Democratic leaders in the House and the Senate, and both presidential candidates, continue to talk tough tackling global warming as a chief goal next year. But the focus on stabilizing the economy will make it difficult to pass a law to reduce carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gases. At the very least, it will push back retooling the economy to do that.

As one Republican senator put it, the green bubble has burst.

"Clearly it is somewhere down the totem pole given the economic realities we are facing," said Jim Williams, a spokesman for Duke Energy Corp., an electricity producer that has supported federal mandates on greenhouse gases. Duke is a member of the U.S. Climate Action Partnership, an association of businesses and nonprofits that has lobbied Congress to act.

**Ira and Hamas ghost over crisis**

Cairo — America's opponents in the Middle East are gloating over the financial meltdown in the United States, painting it as divine retribution for past misdeeds against Muslims and the last gasp of a dying empire.

Hardline clerics across the region and groups like Hamas and al-Qaida took delight in America's economic woes even though it has not left the region unscathed, with stock markets across the Middle East falling more than 10 percent last week.

"We are witnessing the death of the American empire," Hamas prime minister in the Gaza Strip, Ismail Hannijeh, told worshippers during Friday prayer. "What's going on in America will be a result of the violation of the rights of people in Palestine, Somalia, Iraq, Afghanistan and Muslims around the world."

Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad said Tuesday that America was paying the price for its "economic wars," which he said were a "disaster for the world." He said the world was in crisis and that these problems have returned to the U.S. He said, "And finally they are oppressors, and systems based on oppression and unrighteous positions will not endure."

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**Lawmakers push bank stock purchase**

Treasury Secretary Paulson opposes free trade and protectionism

WASHINGTON — Treasury Secretary Henry Paulson met with congressional leaders on Sunday that isolationism and protectionism could worsen the spreading financial crisis. With a new trading floorawan, U.S. lawmakers urged quick action by the Bush administration on measures to make direct purchases of bank stock to help unlock lending.

Sen. Chuck Schumer, chairman of the Joint Economic Committee, said an administration proposal to inject federal money directly into certain banks, in effect partially nationalizing the banking system, "is galling."

"I am hopeful that tomorrow, the Treasury will announce that they're doing it. And they have to do it quickly," Schumer said. "There are markets waiting."

The administration has not announced what it would announce its next step.

Democrats also are lining up behind House Speaker Nancy Pelosi's plan to bring lawmakers back to Capitol Hill after the Nov. 4 election to work on a second economic relief plan. The idea is "to give the middle class the assurance the government is there kind of relief that we try to give the financial sector," Pelosi said.

"I'm very concerned that they fail to come forth with a plan to come to the table to work with us on jobs and on home foreclosures and on job creation," Pelosi said.

As the International Monetary Fund and World Bank held their annual meetings over the weekend, Paulson warned the bank's policy-setting committee of the dangers of "inward-looking policies."

"Although we would like the United States to take many extraordinary measures to ease the crisis, we are not pursuing policies that would limit the flow of goods, services, or capital, as such measures would only intensify the risks of a protracted crisis," Paulson said.

Meanwhile, the World Bank pledged to protect poor and vulnerable countries and nations with rapid-developing economies.

Mexico's Finance Minister Agustin Carstens, who heads the bank's policy-setting committee, said the bank and the IMF will draw on the full range of their resources to help these countries.

Bank President Robert Zoellick told reporters the financial crisis "has been a manmade catastrophe. The actions and responses to overcome it lie in our hands."

Jittery investors awaited the reopening of stock markets — the Dow Jones industrial average just completed its worst week ever, plummeting more than 18 percent — and hoped for bold, coordinated international steps to address the crisis.

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**Possible conflicts of interest in bailout plan**

While Treasury employees will oversee the plan, there does not appear to be anything in the rules that requires the government to make sure the applicants are being truthful.

"It basically says that these companies are responsible for disclosing their own conflicts of interest," said Laura Peterson, a senior policy analyst for Taxpayers for Common Sense, a private watchdog group. "And they are responsible for coming up with a plan to fix them. Nowhere in there does it say Treasury will also be doing the diligence."

Treasury can waive the conflict-of-interest standard directed by Congress in the legislation, but requiring it "is the latest in a string of steps and transparency. "Whatever the secretary does, the American people are going to get a chance to look at it," he said in a television interview Sunday.
Community building, common council-style

Last Friday (Oct. 10), The Observer ran an article entitled "University addresses community relations," from which you could easily have drawn the conclusion that all Notre Dame students — just off-campus ones — are irresponsible, lawless hooligans. Students’ self-control, according to some residents, is a chief of police, is inversely proportional to the performance of the football team. Judging from statements like "there’s no mention of the contributing factor of alcohol — and how that contributes to danger" or "you cannot walk down the street at 2:30 in the morning, sloppy drunk, singing and expect to be safe," the article may as well have reported that, according to those interviewed, the real public safety problem is people who are drunk. If they happen to get robbed or assaulted, well, they were being irresponsible in the first place; they basically deserved it. The chief of police even stated that "we will not turn our backs on the citizens that live here [year-round]" — which, I guess, suggests that policing the entire city necessitates a choice between ignoring either Notre Dame students or permanent residents. Between these kinds of attitudes and the dredging up of a few high-profile incidents, it seems that South Bend’s community leaders are in high demand discussing student behavior, so much so that they are expressing the sort of sentiment that probably wouldn’t fly if they were targeting anyone other than their college students.

Obviously, any town that boasts a university will have problems with its students; town-gown relations, especially concerning students’ extracurricular activities, have been a problem for as long as there have been universities. And certainly Notre Dame students bear responsibility for following local noise ordinances and other laws, as well as representing Notre Dame to the community as a whole. But there is also no excuse for the sort of rhetorical bluster that unfairly singles out Notre Dame students as irrational, antisocial, and a major threat to public order and safety on par with those who are actually committing crimes. Yes, there are a few parties hosted and attended by Domers that result in noise violations and underage drinking (which, on the whole, have been fewer this year than in previous years). But I’m willing to bet that the majority of the crimes appearing on the September Safety Stats have little, if anything, to do with Notre Dame parties, unless they happen to have been victims rather than perpetrators. And the city of South Bend — which are trying to live with, rather than proactively, their neighbors — cannot possibly reduce the uniformed police force by 15 percent over the next two years. Clearly there are larger and more endemic problems than student parties.

Fortunately, neither residents nor students believe that the students of Notre Dame are second-class citizens who are only here to be part of an intellectual enclave and otherwise have absolutely no interest in civic affairs or even being neighborly. After all, in the same paper, an article appeared about another student party that got out of hand, after which the students genuinely attempted to make up for an evening of bad judgment; their neighbors were content not to throw them under the bus for a single incident. They, like most off-campus Domers, are trying to live with, rather than provoke, their neighbors. So it would seem that official representatives of South Bend are largely blowing the actions of a few students out of proportion in order to attribute unfounded stereotypic behaviors of college undergraduates on all the student body, by way of lecturing them about their civic responsibilities. And this strikes me as completely absurd, if not self-defeating. Wouldn’t it be better to constructively include the student body of Notre Dame in the city’s attempt to promote public safety and community-building rather than antagonize it?

Darryl Campbell
Speak Up, Please

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Editorial Cartoon

"Those who don’t know how to weep with their whole heart, don’t know how to laugh either."

Golda Meir
fourth Israeli prime minister

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Quote of the Day

"Those who don’t know how to weep with their whole heart, don’t know how to laugh either."

Golda Meir
fourth Israeli prime minister
**LETTERS TO THE EDITOR**

**Athletic director leaves SMC**

Saint Mary’s College lost an outstanding role model this fall — athletic director Lynn Kachmarik. Lynn stepped down from her position, having served as圣玛丽学院的体育部长长达三届，以及在SRU游泳队担任队长长达六年。她于1976-88年间担任美国国家女子水球队的助理教练。Lynn很早就开始了自己的运动生涯，并在大学里担任了高水平比赛的角色。她于1999年被选入Slippery Rock大学的名人堂，并在圣玛丽学院的游泳池担任过教练。Lynn很早就在圣玛丽学院担任了教练，她的决心和努力使她成为了圣玛丽学院的骄傲。

Lynn was among the first group of women to be inducted into the Slippery Rock University Hall of Fame; she brought the Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Conference 2000 swim championships to Saint Mary’s home pool — Notre Dame’s Rolfs Aquatic Center — and directed a class-A event; she was named women’s collegiate water polo coach of the Year in 1999. Fortunately for Saint Mary’s, she accepted a job at Saint Mary’s College.

**Who has the Right to Life?**

It’s that time of year again. The sight of rows of simple white crosses and pink and blue flags greets me as I walk down South Quad. Yet again, I am moved to feel guilty, as I am pro-choice activist. But then, I look at the captions and quotes dispersed among the crosses — they all have to do with abortion. I think the bantering between the pro-life/pro-choice issue has always baffled me. It always seems to center around the morality of abortion, when, if anyone really cared to dissect the issue, they’d see that the real issue at stake has nothing to do with abortion per se. It has to do with whether a woman has the right to have domain over her own body and the right to do with it as she chooses. The pro-choice view-point dictates that it is a woman’s right to do with her body as she chooses. The pro-life view-point states that it is a woman’s right to do with her body as she chooses.

Naturaly, most opposing issues have opposing ideas: pro-choice believes every woman should be able to make her own choice, regardless of her financial status or the possibility of having children. However, if you really look at both issues, pro-choice and pro-life viewpoints don’t necessarily contradict each other.

We all know what the mininum of Right to LifeRespect Life Week is to get the message out to the student body that we should all respect the life of an unborn fetus and allow it to live a full, healthy life. But what about the right of would-be mothers to live that same, full healthy life? Is she expected to give up her rights over her own body the second she becomes pregnant? As a pro-choice ideologist, I say that she is entitled to act as she sees fit. If that entails abortion, while it is a negotiated situation, I accept it because in the end, it is her body, and therefore she and her choice. Abortion is a terrible predicament to experience for. As this election turns nasty, let’s not allow MSNBC and Fox News to provide our arguments or even worse, form our beliefs. We all face the same question: How can we best run our country? The truth is that if there was a “right” answer, we would have settled on it by now. There isn’t, so the debate goes on. At bottom, we all maintain the same goal: to move our nation toward goodness, equality and prosperity. My friend and I would have done well to remember.

**Who has the Right to Life?**

**Keep dinner discussions clean**

At a meal in South Dining Hall yesterday evening with a good friend, the topic of the election came up. My friend and I sat on opposite sides of the aisle. Our conversation started congenially enough, but quickly dissolved into accusations and name-calling. As this election turns nasty, let’s not allow MSNBC and Fox News to provide our arguments or even worse, form our beliefs. We all face the same question: How can we best run our country? The truth is that if there was a “right” answer, we would have settled on it by now. There isn’t, so the debate goes on. At bottom, we all maintain the same goal: to move our nation toward goodness, equality and prosperity. My friend and I would have done well to remember.

**Listen to Jimmy**

Our quarterback has done some great things on the field and is trying to assert himself as a team leader this year, but unfortunately the students and band let him down Oct. 4 when giving a chance to say “thank you.” At Friday’s Pep Rally, Clausen proposed that the students should give one “crank me up” on the hand’s cue to pump up the defender on the third down. When we tried it out in the JAG, it sounded great (I could tell from my seat that even recruit Zeko Metta was impressed). During the game however, not only did the band forget to give the cue on the first defensive third-down play, none of the students minded that Clausen’s request was ignored. I was disappointed to see how sure Clausen must have been too, because he was trying to help out a defense that has not been up to par with the offense he’s lead this season.

Most likely the third down “crank me up” didn’t happen because there was barely anyone at the pep rally to hear Clausen’s proposal, and that’s disappointing because it was the best one I have ever been to. Although the pep rally could have been cut short by half an hour by omitting the Notre Dame Olympias ceremony (which was nice but had nothing to do with beating Stanford and was repeated at the game in front of the same people who were at the pep rally), it was still worth going to because Terrail Lambert and Pat Kuntz gave two hilarious speeches. For the future, I hope that students attend the pep rallies if not to get pumped for the game, then for the players. There’s only so much Jimmy Clausen can ask from us as fans and it’s a shame that we couldn’t follow through on a simple request Saturday. Hopefully we can make up for ourselves at our next home game against Pitt, and hopefully in the future the University takes the appropriate measures to make pep rallies more concise and entertaining to the students.

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ICONIQUE MAGAZINE
www.iconique.com

Iconique is a striking online fashion magazine with beautiful presentation. Covering fashion, beauty and design, Iconique blends music, excellent photography and graphic design to create visual feasts for the fashion forward. Their virtual catwalk is great for those of us who can't get there. The Les Artes Digitales section is neat because it reminds us of the connection between graphic design and fashion. While most of its content isn't what anyone would actually wear or do with their makeup, the imagination it captures is inspiring. The magazine is about to be revamped, so we'll have to wait and see if it can get even better.

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STEET PEEPER
www.streetpeeper.com

Street Peeper is an excellent street fashion blog, covering over 23 cities, from Amsterdam to Zurich. Snapping pictures of anyone they think is making a statement, the ten photographers of Street Peeper leave it up to their viewers to decide what they think about the day to day ensembles of people on the streets, giving no other commentary than a list of the brands their spur-of-the-moment-model is wearing. One of the most intriguing things Street Peeper allows you to see is the fashion of different cities laid out side by side, each location has its own character, flair, and trends. Of course the best part about Street Peeper is that, like all street fashion blogs, these are the fashions of real people, making them much more accessible than anything you would find on a runway. In that way it is almost more inspiring than the highest fashion.

LOOK BOOK
www.lookbook.nu

Lookbook is unique because it gives control of its content to its viewers, kind of like a Facebook for the world's fashionistas. Members post pictures of their best outfits and rate the outfits of other members. Like street fashion blogs, Lookbook is great because of its accessibility; the outfits are all made to be worn, not paraded across a runway or left hanging in store windows. Also, because all of the members are your average person, the outfits are within the average price range. Many of the pieces come from thrift stores, but it is the creativity of the wearer that turns them into statements.

FASHION 156
www.fashion156.com

Fashion 156 is both an on-line fashion magazine and an excellent fashion blog. The blog is one of the best because of its diversity. It covers everything from high fashion, to rising designers, to bargain hunting. The writers cover London Fashion Week as well as they do the latest fads and their own personal inclinations. The magazine features new London designers and is mostly of a high fashion bent. It is fun to see what these designers are producing. Even better, Fashion 156 is one of the most frequently updated online fashion magazines to be found, releasing a new issue every 12 days. One of the best sections is "Must Have," which features their favorite items for men and women laid out side by side.
Irish Insider

Irish fall to 0-2 on road after North Carolina uses turnovers to mount fourth quarter comeback in Chapel Hill

By CHRIS HINE
Editor-in-Chief

CHAPEL HILL, N.C. — The clock bit zero before Notre Dame quarterback Jimmy Clausen could do one thing: The ball inside the 10-yard line. North Carolina players rushed the field. But Charlie Weis had thought there was still time left on the clock.

He was right. Replay officials said there were two seconds left — but they also said Notre Dame didn’t have the ball anymore. North Carolina did, giving the Tar Heels a 29-24 victory Saturday over the defending Irish.

“I’m not saying this to be disrespectful, but that team in the locker room today, it was the first time in a long time where I’ve looked in their faces against our good opponent and it was a team that really feels bad,” Irish coach Charlie Weis said. “And the reason they really feel bad is because they’re starting to get it — this is not the same team that everyone saw at the beginning of the year. This team is starting to get it.”

The officials initially said freshman wide receiver Michael Floyd was down before he let go of a fourth-down reception at the 7-yard line. North Carolina defensive back Jordan Hemby scooped it up. After review, the officials gave the ball back to the Tar Heels.

“The guys upstairs don’t know about when the whistle is blown, so they’re not there, whether the play is blown dead or not blown dead,” Weis said. “It’s a bitter ending, but it is what it is.”

Notre Dame had entered fourth quarter with a 24-22 lead, but North Carolina quarterback Cameron Sexton (18-for-32, 201 yards) set up a 4-yard touchdown run just a few seconds into the quarter to give the Tar Heels a 29-24 lead. The score capped a seven-play, 42-yard drive for North Carolina that was set up by a Clausen fumble that was recovered by Tar Heels defensive lineman Aleric Mullins.

Clausen set another career high for yards in a game, throwing for 383 yards on 31-for-48 passing with two touchdowns, but he also accounted for three of Notre Dame’s five turnovers. He also threw two interceptions against the Tar Heels, who lead the nation in picks.

“Too many mistakes,” Clausen said of his performance. “Too many mistakes to be able win a big game like this. North Carolina’s a great team, great defense and I give them a lot of credit.

Notre Dame had plenty of chances in the fourth quarter to re-capture the lead. On its first drive following Sexton’s touchdown, the Irish drove to the North Carolina 30-yard line, but a short run by sophomore running back Armando Allen, who had 60 yards rushing and 47 yards receiving, and a pair of incomplete passes, Notre Dame faced a fourth-and- seven on the 27-yard line. Weis opted to go for it, a decision he said was not based upon the recent struggles of kicker Brandon Walker.

“I thought we needed a tough down,” Weis said of the decision. “It had nothing to do with [Walker]... Obviously, I put the kid in before, but... I was concerned with them being able to run out the clock.”

Clausen found receiver David Grimes over the middle on the fourth-down play, but Grimes was tackled before reaching the first down marker, giving the ball back to North Carolina.

After forcing a punt, Notre Dame again drove into North Carolina territory before Clausen threw one of his interceptions on what appeared to be a miscommunication between him and Floyd.

“The clock was running down. It was late getting set up, we just barely got the play off and I think because it was running down so late, Michael and Jimmy weren’t on the same page because he couldn’t get a clean read on what the coverage is because we were rushed,” Weis said.

Clausen threw his first interception on Notre Dame’s first play of the third quarter on a pass intended for tight end Tyler Ewerth. But Tar Heels linebacker Quinton Sturdivant intercepted the pass and took it 32 yards for a touchdown to make the score 17-16 in favor of the Irish.

“Despite the x’s and o’s, you need an inspirational play, something good to happen,” North Carolina coach Butch Davis said. “[That interception] just electrified the whole football team, kind of got our mojo going again.”

Notre Dame responded with an 11-play, 72-yard drive, aided by aroughing the punter penalty, to regain its eight-point lead. On that drive, Clausen went 4-for-7 for 44 yards.

“I put the ball in his hands again,” Weis said. “And he drives us right down the field and scores ... which out of the whole game, probably showed the most moxy of anything.”

North Carolina countered with a long drive of its own, going 69 yards on 13 plays. On the drive, North Carolina faced a third-and-18 on its own 34, but Sexton found receiver Hakeem Nicks, who finished with nine catches and 141 receiving yards, including a 34-yard reception on Notre Dame’s first play of the third quarter.

“I think I just had some divine intervention on that one,” Tate said.

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quarterback: Jimmy Clausen eclipsed a career high in passing yards for the third straight week, but for three turnovers, especially the pick-six, were game-changers.

running back: Armando Allen led the team in carries and run well when he got the rock, and Robert Hughes and James Aldridge did their job running between the tackles. Aldridge ran for a TD.

receiver: Damarious Randall got back into the mix. David Girton continued to be steady, and Michael Floyd and Golden Tate continue to be electrifying. Kyle Rudolph looked like a seasoned pro today at tight end.

offensive line: Considering the Tar Heels used a four-man rush for most of the game, Clausen was under pressure a lot more often than he should have been.

defensive line: Pat Kuntz and his linemates were relatively quiet after a big day against Stanford. They forced Cameron Sexton out of the pocket on occasion but never rattled him much.

linebackers: Maurico Crum missed a chance for a tackle-for-loss on what turned out to be a big play — though it was called back for holding. Overall, lots of missed tackles.

defensive backs: The secondary failed to intercept Sexton, who has struggled in limited action. Raeshon McNeil, a North Carolina native, got burnt.ill day, and David Bruton was pretty quiet.

special team: Jonnu Grey booted a kick-off off and while Brandon Walker made his only field goal attempt, the Irish passed on a chance to try a 43-yarder in a late-game situation.

coaching: Charlie Weis and his staff prepared their team well for a tough road game against a ranked opponent. And you can’t blame the guys with headsets for turnovers and missed tackles.

overall: Another game filled with encouraging signs, but still another road loss. The Irish had a chance to win late, but the fact remains that they didn’t.

adding up the numbers

The difference in total offensive yardage at the end of the day. The Irish outgained North Carolina 472-322.

1 The number of times Notre Dame was forced to punt. The Irish would have had to kick it away a second time if not for a roughing the kicker penalty.

10:26 Notre Dame’s time of possession in the fourth quarter, when the Irish were outscored 7-6.

48 The number of the years since the Irish had last visited North Carolina. The Tar Heels won the 1960 matchup.

24 The number of passes of 20 or more yards Jimmy Clausen has completed through six games. He completed just 13 last season.

2 The number of third-down conversions Notre Dame managed in the second half. They had two in the second half after going 0-6 in the first.

42 The yardage of Brandon Walker’s field goal. He lost missed his last two of his last two, and the kick was the longest of his career.

4 The number of receiving TD’s for Michael Floyd through six games. Iving the freshman mark Davit Kamara set last season.

The Irish freshman wide receiver, right, is wrapped up by a pair of North Carolina defenders during what turned out to be the final play of Saturday’s game. After video review, Floyd was ruled to have fumbled the ball.

Time to play the waiting game

CHAPEL HILL, N.C. — Some stood, some sat, some tried to stay loose, but everyone on Notre Dame’s sideline was doing the same thing — waiting. With just under two minutes remaining in the fourth quarter, few words were spoken on that sideline, there was only waiting for the officials upstairs to either grant Notre Dame one last opportunity, or end its hope of a lasslesscnd victory.

Initially, the officials ruled that the Tar Heels wide receiver Brooks Foster had controlled a first-down catch that would have essentially ended the game. But the official upstairs wanted to take another look.

While they did, most of the offensive line sat on the bench, silent. Sam Young tried to keep himself loose. Jimmy Clausen stood, then crouched, then knelted away from the bench closer to the field, not sure what to do with himself while everybody waited, plotting what the Irish needed to do should they get one final shot.

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Irish wide receiver

“If they wanted to see for themselves what happened on the play, they were out of luck. The video board at Kenan Stadium didn’t show the play, just a revolving Tar Heels helmet.”

So they waited as the referee stepped onto the field. Once he did, he got about five words into his explanation that Foster did not have possession of the ball before the sideline erupted. The linemen sprang from the bench, Clausen threw his helmet, and they prepared themselves while North Carolina pointed.

There was 1:47 left, 82 yards to go and one timeout. There was also hope. The drive started off well, with completions of 30 yards to Tate, eight to Kamara, 12 more to Tate. Those catches were followed by a few incomplete passes and a sack where Clausen run out of bounds. Then, on a play that coach Charlie Weis said be “drew in the dirt,” there was the fateful penaltic route to freshman wideout Michael Floyd.

“He caught it, was hit and ruled over a defender. The ball came loose and chaos ensued.”

Notre Dame picked up the ball, but the officials on the field said Floyd was down. Out of time-outs, Notre Dame tried to down the ball with one second left. The clock hit zero, players rushed the field, but the officials quickly got them back to the sideline while the booth reviewed, well, just about everything that happened.

That meant more waiting. The offense got together with the coaches and got its play ready, thinking it’d have one more to run.

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“That’s all we were thinking about,” Clausen said. “I just wanted one more chance to help this team win.”

Again, the video board just showed that damned revolving helmet. But wait.

The referee trotted back out, only this time, the hope of victory was gone. Floyd was not down when he let go of the ball. North Carolina had the ball and the victory, a victory the Irish thought was going to be theirs.

But reality can get hold of you and can take away hope — but not all of it.

With that game, and that gutty drive, the Irish gave their fans hope for the future. Notre Dame’s last two wins were nice, but games the Irish should have easily won.

This one was more of a question mark — facing a ranked opponent, on the road, especially after Notre Dame’s dismal showing in its first road game, a 23-7 loss as Michigan State.

And Notre Dame was up to the challenge.

Clausen didn’t have a good second half, throwing a pick six, another interception and fumbling, but he nearly led Notre Dame to a comeback win and threw for 383 yards. Michael Floyd may be kicking himself over that last play, but he didn’t read Notre Dame’s game and he’s one of the top freshmen in the country right now with a brilliant collegiate career lined up.

And the defense may have allowed the go-ahead score, but it did get a key stop in the fourth quarter to give the offense a chance.

Notre Dame has a bright, BCS-filled future ahead of itself.

All that’s left is to wait.

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Young WR's continue to impress

By DEIRDRE KRASULA
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Irish wide receiver Golden Tate hangs onto the ball despite being upended by North Carolina safety Deunta Williams.

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scoring summary

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Notre Dame 7 10 7 0 24
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First quarter
Notre Dame 7, North Carolina 0
Jimmy Clausen 19-yard pass to Golden Tate (Walker kick) with 12:27 remaining. Drive: 11 plays, 82 yards, 3:29 elapsed

North Carolina 3, Notre Dame 7
North 41-yard field goal (Walker) with 2:49 remaining. Drive: 8 plays, 54 yards, 2:51 elapsed

Second quarter
Notre Dame 10, North Carolina 3
Brandon Walker 42-yard field goal with 10:53 remaining. Drive: 10 plays, 63 yards, 4:56 elapsed

Notre Dame 24, North Carolina 6
Clausen 20-yard interception return (Barth kick) with 14:08 remaining.

North Carolina 3, Notre Dame 24
North 44-yard field goal (Walker) with 14:31 remaining. Drive: 14 plays, 58 yards, 7:41 elapsed

Notre Dame 17, North Carolina 6
Jimmy Clausen 7-yard pass to Michael Floyd (Walker kick) with 52-second remaining. Drive: 6 plays, 89 yards, 4:30 elapsed

North Carolina 7, Notre Dame 17
North 42-yard field goal (Rudolph) with 39 remaining. Drive: 7 plays, 42 yards, 4:33 elapsed

Third quarter
Notre Dame 17, North Carolina 16
Clausen 20-yard interception return (Walker kick) with 10:17 remaining. Drive: 10 plays, 69 yards, 5:20 elapsed

Notre Dame 24, North Carolina 16
North 46-yard pass play (Rustin pass failed) with 7:16 remaining. Drive: 13 plays, 69 yards, 5:29 elapsed

Fourth quarter
Notre Dame 17, North Carolina 16
Notre Dame 4, North Carolina 4
North 41-yard field goal (Walker) with 14:45 remaining. Drive: 7 plays, 42 yards, 3:18 elapsed

Turnovers kill Notre Dame’s chances

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Irish coach

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North Carolina 25:40 Notre Dame 21:40
Notre Dame entered Saturday's contest with a plus-5 turnover margin on the year — 20th in the country. The Irish left dead even after giving the ball away five times, including one interception for a touchdown and a fumble on the game's final play. The offense was productive from the opening drive, when Jimmy Clausen led the Irish on an 11-play, 82-yard touchdown drive that finished with a 19-yard touchdown pass to Golden Tate. After field goals made it 10-7 Irish, Clausen led Notre Dame to its second 80-plus yard drive, this time using eight plays and finding Michael Floyd from seven yards out. But Notre Dame gave away almost all its 17-9 halftime lead when Clausen's first second-half was picked and taken to the house. After James Aldridge capped another long Irish touchdown drive, the Heels answered but failed on their two-point try, making it 24-22 Notre Dame. North Carolina closed the scoring on the first play of the fourth quarter, when Cameron Sexton plunged in from four yards out. The Irish drove inside the Heels' 10 with seconds to play but couldn't punch it in.
"Blindness" disappoints

By JIM MCGUIRE

What would happen if the world were struck with an inexplicable pandemic of blindness, and the "infected" were quarantined and left to their own devices? That is the question "Blindness," the new film by Fernando Meirelles ("The Constant Gardner"), explores with some degree of success. The film aims to be an artful commentary on the fragility of society and how our hazy instincts can corrupt with little provocation. We see instead is a grim post-apocalyptic tale that drifts into a fog — much like the milky white haze that the afflicted see in the film — without providing much substance.

The film begins with scenes of hectic, urban traffic and a man in a white sports car at a red light who inexplicably goes blind. The man and the onlookers who help him (and steal his car) are bewildered by the situation. There is nothing physically wrong with the man's eyes, and yet he is completely blind. Over the next day, a number of people who came into contact with the man in some way including the man who stole his car, a prostitute, a sports car at a red light who inexplicably goes blind... go blind. The government, about whose totalitarian measures the film thankfully does not concern, orders a quarantine of the recently blinded, and the doctor and his wife (Julianne Moore), who can still see but wants to stay with her husband, are taken to a converted mental hospital with the rest of the supposedly infected.

There, the newly blind are cut off from the outside world and forced to elect ward representatives and run their own affairs. The overreaching conditions, lack of aid, and general malaise of the people leads to the hospital becoming squalid, dirty, and — ironically — rife with disease. The doctor, aided by his wife who must keep her sight a secret, takes on the leadership role for their ward, but tensions between the community are worsen and help from the outside dissipates.

One day, things finally snap, and the self-proclaimed King of Ward Three (Gael Garcia Bernal) goes on a gun and hoards all the food rations from the rest of the hospital, demanding payment in the form of jewelry and other valuables. Later, he demands payment through the rape of women from the outside wards.

After one of the women in her ward dies, the doctor finally decides to take matters into her own hands, killing the King and stirring a war that leads to the burning down of the hospital. Those who escape the blaze find the gates locked and escape to the devastated cities on the outside where blindness has taken over all of society.

The last twenty minutes might remind viewers of many images of bleak, post-apocalyptic urban tales (e.g. "28 Days Later." "I Am Legend." even "WALL-E," once vibrant city streets filled with garbage and deserted survivors wandering aimlessly to informal, art-house music.

There is a bit of hope at the end of "Blindness," but after all the nihilistic behavior in the preceding half, viewers can't help asking, "What is the point?"

"Blindness," along with the original novel by Jose Saramago, has the distinct honor of being condemned by the National Federation for the Blind for the deprived and unrealistic portrait it gives of blind people. And it is easy to see why.

The one character in the film that was born legally blind is as deprived as anyone else, helping the King of Ward Three round up the other patients' valuables and women for consumption. Julianne Moore as the doctor's wife, the one who can "see," is portrayed as the voice of reason. While everyone else squabbles and swallows in their own filth, she is the one still cleaning, still moving, still fighting, i.e. the only one who is still productive member of society. Moore's character, for her constant presence in the movie, rarely says anything of any substance, only deep sounding things.

The movie is filled with great acting talent (Moore, Bernal, Danny Glover), but nobody gets to shine or grab your attention because the camera's focus is always lost in a cluster of people when it isn't floating randomly to the side. The essence of the film for both the characters and the audience is being lost in a fog, and neither group gets much gratification at the end.

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Blindness
Producer: Jim McGuire
Starring: Julianne Moore, Mark Ruffalo, Gael Garcia Bernal, and Danny Glover
Director: Fernando Meirelles

"Post-Apocalyptic "Blindness" disappoints"
Arizona receiver Larry Fitzgerald makes a one-handed catch in the middle of the field. Smith lifted Ryan in an off-like celebration near the midfield. During overtime, the Falcons erupted in a play-off-like celebration near the middle of the field. Smith lifted Ryan in an off-like celebration near the midfield. During overtime, the Falcons erupted in a play-off-like celebration near the middle of the field. Smith lifted Ryan in an off-like celebration near the midfield. During overtime, the Falcons erupted in a play-off-like celebration near the middle of the field. Smith lifted Ryan in an off-like celebration near the midfield. During overtime, the Falcons erupted in a play-off-like celebration near the middle of the field. Smith lifted Ryan in an off-like celebration near the midfield. During overtime, the Falcons erupted in a play-off-like celebration near the middle of the field. Smith lifted Ryan in an off-like celebration near the middle of the field. During overtime, the Falcons erupted in a play-off-like celebration near the middle of the field. Smith lifted Ryan in an off-like celebration near the middle of the field.
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**NBA**

NBA commissioner David Stern answers questions at a news conference in London on Sunday. The NBA announced that it would be part of a joint venture to design and develop multipurpose venues throughout China.

**NBA looks to develop arenas in China**

Associated Press

LONDON — The NBA has formed a joint venture with Anschutz Entertainment Group to design and develop about 12 multipurpose arenas in major Chinese cities.

The project was announced Sunday at the O2 Arena in London, where the New Jersey Nets and Miami Heat played a preseason game. AEG runs the O2, and the venture will be equally owned by the two parties.

NBA commissioner David Stern did not say when the plan would be starting, or where the buildings would be located.

"We're going to start construction in the next couple of weeks," Stern said at a joint news conference with AEG president and CEO Timothy J. Leiweke. "We anticipate that in a relatively short order we will have laid out a road map of a dozen buildings or so throughout China."

Leiweke said it could take decades to complete the project.

"We think of this over the next 20 years, not the next year or two," he said, adding some would be new arenas and others would be created by renovating existing facilities.

"You're going to see a combination," Leiweke said. "Most of them will be built and designed from the ground up."

Stern said he hoped the venture would not be affected by the global financial meltdown.

"In terms of finances, we will be making investment decisions on a building-by-building basis," the commissioner said, adding they did have some ideas about where to start building.

"We hope there's going to be a rapid determination made over a period of months which cities are the right ones for this venture," Stern said.

Stern has been looking to increase the league's marketability overseas for several years, and teams are touring Europe for the third straight preseason.

On Friday, Stern said the NBA was "an arena closer" to European expansion because of the 02 World in Berlin, which will host a preseason game between the New Orleans Hornets and the Washington Wizards on Tuesday.

The development of the same type of arenas in China is an indication Stern wants to see more NBA teams playing outside the United States and Canada.

In China, the NBA has a huge fan base, and Houston Rockets center Yao Ming was one of the biggest stars of this year's Beijing Olympics.

**In Brief**

Cheriyiot, Grigoryeva win Chicago Marathon

CHICAGO — Kenya's Evans Cheriyiot won his second marathon in two tries, pulling away late from countryman David Mwangi before finishing in 2 hours, 6 minutes, 25 seconds to win the Chicago Marathon on a warm Sunday morning.

A winner at Milan in December, the 26-year-old Cheriyiot grabbed the lead in the 24th mile and was all alone as he crossed the finish line for his first major marathon victory. Mwangi clocked in at 2:07:37 in his first major marathon, with fellow Kenyan Timothy Cherigat third at 2:11:39.

It was a good day for Russia's Iidiya Grigoryeva, too. Alevtina Biktimirova of Russia (2:29:32).

Georgia loses starting tackle, Vance to knee injury

ATHENS, Ga. — Georgia must find a new starting left tackle.

Again.

Vance will need reconstructive knee surgery and miss the rest of the season, coach Mark Richt said Sunday.

The successor to Vance will be the team's fourth-first-string left tackle since the preseason. Georgia lost left tackle Trinton Sturdvant to a season-ending knee injury before the first game. Khator Tripp moved up as the starter in the first three games before moving to tight end. Vance, a sophomore, made his third start before hurting his right knee in the second quarter of No. 10 Georgia's 26-14 win over Tennessee on Saturday.

Vance, a junior, was the only upperclassman among the five starting offensive linemen.

Bengals' Palmer to Mets' doctor about injury

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — Cincinnati Bengals quarterback Carson Palmer will have his ailing elbow examined by a New York Mets team doctor.

Palmer said after the Bengals lost 26-14 to the New York Jets on Sunday that he would remain in New York to be examined by Dr. David Altchek. Palmer was designated as the third quarterback for the game behind Ryan Fitzpatrick and Palmer's brother Jordan, the second game this season he has missed with the elbow injury.

"I'll play whenever they give me clearance," said Palmer, who injured his elbow against the New York Giants three weeks ago, missed a game against the Browns, then played against Dallas last week. He said he had been told that his injury is the kind common to baseball pitchers, one reason he decided to consult Altchek.

**AROUND THE NATION**

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Ballesteros ready to take on tumor

Associated Press

MADRID, Spain — After a career full of miraculous shots — including one from a parking lot during his first British Open win — Spanish golfer Seve Ballesteros was preparing for the hardest challenge of his life Sunday after announcing he has a brain tumor.

The 51-year-old Ballesteros was seen undergo a biopsy Tuesday before doctors determine how to proceed.

"Throughout my career I have been among the best at overcoming lengths on the golf course," the five-time major winner said in a statement released by Madrid's La Paz Hospital.

"Now I want to be confronting the hardest challenge of my life, with all my strength, counting on all of you who are sending me encouraging messages."

Ballesteros was admitted to the hospital Monday after briefly losing consciousness.

"Now I wish to ask for your patience and understanding."

Ballesteros has seen his doctors inform his three children, his wife and their mother. He can now communicate to the illness I am suffering from," Ballesteros said.

"An in-depth check up which has been carried out on me in the La Paz Hospital they have detected a brain tumour."

Ballesteros did not give any more details on the test results. It was unclear whether the tumor was benign or malignant.

"I have always shown my solidarity with those people who face illnes, including those whose (illnesses) are much worse than mine," said Ballesteros, who was also admitted to a hospital last year when doctors discovered an irregular heartbeat.

"Now my wish is to ask for your thoughts towards my family and especially my children. We will keep you informed."

The swashbuckling Spaniard was well known for being able to make a shot from just about anywhere — a feat that earned him the title "Car Park Champion" at the 1979 British Open. The Pedrena native found the green from a parking lot next to the 16th fairway at Royal Lytham & St. Annes before sinking a long putt on his way to his first major title.

During that final round, Ballesteros missed his driver only nine times and hit the fairways 87 percent of the time.

Jose Maria Olazabal, who visited Ballesteros after playing at the Madrid Masters on Sunday, said that his former Ryder Cup partner appeared in good physical shape.

"I saw Seve looking very well. We were speaking for quite a little while," Olazabal told Spanish news agency Efe. "I wish him a prompt recovery."

Ballesteros, who won a record 50 times on the European tour, won the British Open three times and the Masters twice before retiring last year due to a long history of back pain. He has since focused mostly on golf course design.

"He was one of the most talented, charismatic players the game has seen," Ballesteros said.

Sunday in Maryland after winning the Senior Players Championship.

"He had a great swagger, had a great short game, great creativity... He's truly one of the personalities of the game, especially the creativity and short game."

Many credit Ballesteros' spirit and flair on the golf course for transforming the European game.

When the Ryder Cup competition was expanded to include continental Europe in 1979, Ballesteros helped beat the United States in 1981 to open two decades of dominance. He also captained Europe to Ryder Cup victory on home soil in 1997 at Valderrama.

Ballesteros and Olazabal teamed up to produce the most formidable partnership in Ryder Cup history with an 11-2-2 record.

"I want to thank from the bottom of my heart everyone who has shown interest in my great fondness for my health," Ballesteros said in the statement. "Many thanks. A big hug."

Belles earn wins vs. Alma, Olivet

By MICHAEL BLASCO

After dropping consecutive conference matches for the second time this season, Saint Mary's had the chance to make a statement against one of the MIAA's best and worst.

The Belles (14-7, 7-5 MIAA) avenged an early-season loss against Alma and upset Olivet at an MIAA mini-tournament at Olivet on Saturday. The Belles claimed a tough, four-set victory (25-21, 29-27, 25-23, 25-20) over the Scots (17-8, 9-3 MIAA), while disposing of the Comets (4-19, 0-11 MIAA) in straight sets (25-23, 25-19, 25-21).

Saint Mary's coach Julie Schroeder-Blik praised the fortitude of her team, which has struggled offensively in recent matches.

"Our approach to this weekend was... (to) keep going forward and finish strong," she said. "I have been incredibly proud of my team for how well they have responded to teams that have defeated us, Adrian and Alma (for example), and turning around to beat them in the second (meeting)."

The Belles began play Saturday at 1 p.m. against Alma, who defeated Saint Mary's in a four-set match earlier this season. While the Belles burst out of the gate with a 25-13 attacking percentage, Alma held Saint Mary's to a .140 attack for the rest of the match.

In the 3 p.m. match, the Belles dropped worful Olivet for the second time this season, adding another three-set victory to their earlier win. In what is becoming a template for success, the Saint Mary's defense fueled the win, while the offense posted a pedestrian, 167 attacking percentage. Slupczynski again led the Belles offensively with 14 kills, while Rose added 20 digs. Brink tallied 13 assists, while Hellmann finished with 9 kills, a service ace, and 1.5 blocks.

Saint Mary's hosts conference-opponent Calvin Tuesday evening at the Belles' Angela Athletic Facility in Notre Dame, Ind. The 7 p.m. match will give Saint Mary's an opportunity to avenge a brutal three-set loss to the Knights three weeks ago.

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Pack snap losing skid vs. Seattle

Associated Press

SEATTLE — Aaron Rodgers turned his sprained shoulder into a lesson for any Packers who may still be missing his predecessor. The first-year starter is showing grit and leadership that would make Brett Favre proud.

Rodgers again ignored the shoulder injury and a crunching early bit Sunday to run for a tying touchdown, then threw two scoring passes in the second half to perhaps save Green Bay's season in a 27-17 victory over the sinking Seattle Seahawks.

Everybody plays with injuries in this league. But not practice for two weeks, to not throw the ball at all, I'm proud the way I was able to play today," Rodgers said with a shy smile after he was 21-for-30 with 208 yards. "The Packers (3-3) stopped a three-game losing streak and came out in the second half and determined to get back in the game. The Belles created chance after chance but were unable to capitalize on any opportunities. Saint Mary's best chance to get a first minute of the contest when Emily Ottenhoff added a goal in the 25th minute and another in the 34th minute to send Calvin into halftime with a 3-0 lead. Saint Mary's refused to bow out without putting up a fight and came out in the second half and determined to get back in the match. The Belles scored six saves in the match. Saint Mary's drops to 1-9-1 on the season and 0-4 in MIAA conference play. The Belles have four conference matches remaining before the MIAA tournament in November.

The Belles strong surge was promptly halted in the 80th minute when Knights substitute Michelle Koele provided the clinching goal.

Junior Patty Duffy played all 90 minutes in goal for the Belles recording six saves in the match.

Saint Mary's dropped its fourth game in a row against No. 8 Calvin 4-0 Saturday. Calvin took an early lead in the seventh minute of the contest when Elaine Schnabel scored off a rebound inside the penalty box. The Knights put a stranglehold on the match when Emily Ottenhoff added a goal in the 25th minute and another in the 7th minute to send Calvin into halftime with a 3-0 lead.

Saint Mary's best chance to get a straight goal came on a header attempted by Belles freshman Alex Mulven that went just inches past the net. The Belles strong surge was promptly halted in the 80th minute when Knights substitute Michelle Koele provided the clinching goal.
Overtime

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ning goal less than seven minutes into overtime Sunday to improve Notre Dame's record to 4-0-0, including 7-0-0 in Big East play.

"Rise had a good weekend for us," Waldrum said. "She was really good against Georgetown and then played well again (Sunday)... The [game-winning] goal was really a fitting way to end a good weekend for her."

The Irish got off to a fast start against the Wildcats, scoring twice in the first eight minutes to take a quick lead. But Villanova clawed back and eventually scored an equalizing goal with just nine minutes remaining in the contest.

Waldrum said he was disappointed that his team surrendered its lead.

"I was a little disappointed that we missed a chance to really put the game away," he said. "I think we were a little too relaxed and quit really pushing." But Augustine kept the Irish unbeaten when she took a bouncing pass from senior defender Elise Weber and volleyed it into the left side of the net.

"It was a great goal," Waldrum said. "The pass was coming from left to right in the air and it bounced a couple times. Rise took it on a bounce from about 12 yards out and really hit a rocket into the other side of the goal."

Against Georgetown on Friday, Notre Dame got important contributions from several underclassmen. Freshmen Melissa Henderson and Courtney Harg each scored a goal as the Irish notched a 3-1 win.

"Both of them had a really good game against Georgetown," Waldrum said. "They were both a little beaten up so we didn't use them as much as I would have liked (Sunday). I think that hurt us against Villanova."

Waldrum said he was pleased with his team's ability to bounce back after playing poorly during the second half against Villanova.

"One thing I'm really happy about is our response when we got into a little bit of a hole and our ability to dig it out of it," he said.

Note:

♦ Senior forward Kerri Flanks had another big weekend for Notre Dame, chipping in two goals and extending her goal-scoring streak to eight games.

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Fallon

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Sophomore Stephen Havens also earned a singles and doubles win.

Havens again came up with big wins in singles and doubles again on Saturday defeating players from Ball State in singles, and Michigan State doubles team in round two. Havens teamed with Watt in a loss in round one of the doubles matches on Saturday.

Davis and Anderson combined for two wins and one loss also on Saturday. Both Davis and Anderson earned a singles win, and Santiago Montoya added a doubles win with Callaghan in round one.

Havens finished with a 1-1 record on Sunday in the final round losing his singles match to Sasha Ermakov of Harvard and teaming with Watt to defeat a doubles team from Western Michigan.

Watt also earned a singles win over another Harvard player on day three. Stahl earned another win for the Irish at singles defeating Eduardo Pavia of Ball State.

David Anderson, Johnson and Callaghan all fell in singles to players from Western Michigan. Tan earned a victory over Pablo Olivarez of Western Michigan. Davis and Fitzgerald also earned singles victories on day three.

Tan and Anderson, and Stahl and Callaghan all earned doubles wins on Sunday.

The Irish will now compete in the Midwest Regional which opens on October 16.

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VIEW FROM AFAR

Quarterback Jimmy Clausen watches the final minutes of Notre Dame's 29-24 loss away from the rest of the team Saturday.
Denver
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enured a 0-39 stretch, Jackson said. "That's kind of deja vu a little bit," he said. "We had a few guys out of the lineup, which hurt our depth compared to a real good Denver team." Notably sophomore center Ben Ryan, who was banged up and missed the contest, Jackson is hopeful Ryan will be available for this weekend's home games against Sacred Heart.

"We have one more weekend to tinker with things before we get to our CCHA schedule," Jackson said. "But we have to be prepared for a team that's going to give us their X game in Sacred Heart. They're coming here to beat us, and they're not going to let us have our way." Contact Matt Gamber at mgamber@nd.edu

West
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its ability," Kubinski said. "We've seen it in all sports. Yet, often, that same team comes out a week later and gets back to showing good habits and performs to its capabilities. We're counting on that this week. We know we lost out at home but feel we can rebound with a solid effort this week." Frustration and hope in equal measure have marked Notre Dame's season thus far. The Irish began their campaign with a tenth-place finish at the USF Olympic Intercolleague, but the real story was the emergence of the team's young players. Sophomores Tyler Hock, Jeff Chen and Conner Alan-lee lead Notre Dame in scoring, while highly touted juniors Carlos Santos-Ocampo and Doug Forneter turned in pedestrian efforts. Santos-Ocampo was coming off an appearance in match play at the US. Amateur, the first Irish golfer in nearly four decades to make it. The Irish settled down and began to possess the ball and control the action. The first break-through came in the 23rd minute when midfielder Michael Thomas fed defender Matt Besler who beat Pittsburgh keeper Jordan Marks for his first goal of the season.

Notre Dame continued pressing the rest of the half dominating everywhere but the scoreboard as the teams would enter the locker rooms tied scoreless.

"We talked a lot about patience even before the game," Clark said. "That was our theme. We said you have to be patient because they're well-organized in the back. They sit a lot of guys, and try to counter and play for set pieces.

Clark's players heard the message loud and clear. After outstanding Pitt 9-4 in the first half, Notre Dame picked up the pressure right where it left off before the intermission, and the end result would be a flurry of goals that's becoming somewhat commonplace for this team's potent offense.

"It's a fabulous attacking team," Clark said. "It's hard to single out individuals, and on this day it's one thing to differ and can stop it. We've got to keep the momentum. We've got our four goals in a row. It was also the fourth time that the Irish have reached the four goal plateau in a game. It's a fabulous attacking team," Clark said. "It's hard to single out individuals, and on this day it's one thing to differ and can stop it. We've got to keep the momentum. We've got our four goals in a row."

NHL
Jets come off 'eye week with win
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EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — Bam Bam Favre and the New York Jets were far from flashy on offense, and they didn't need to be. New York dominated Cincinnati Bengals.

The Jets had two touchdowns, including a 1-yarder late in the game, and Commerce passed for score to lead the Jets to a 26-14 win Sunday.

"It wasn't our best performance on offense, but it was a win that we needed," Favre said. "We did some good things... Thomas Jones, he had one of those days."

The Jets (3-2) improved to 3-0 in the Meadowlands immediately following a bye week under coach Eric Mangini, but this was one far from easy. With New York holding a tentative 20-14 lead, the Jets needed a 10-play, 41-yard drive by Favre that ate up the clock to seal the victory over the Bengals (0-6).

"I don't believe in ugly wins," Favre said. "I believe in a win. That one felt as good as any win I've been a part of before." Favre finished with 17 carries for 54 yards and had a touchdown.

Rian Fitzpatrick couldn't get many chances for the Bengals in place of an illing Carson Palmer. He was 20 of 33 for 147 yards, four forced to a score for the lead to the Jets to a 26-14 win Sunday. Jones finished with 17 yards on 17 carries.

"I'm not here for stats," Favre said. "I'm here for wins."

Favre's first with 17 carries for the game.
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Finding ways to win

Overtime necessary for win over Villanova

By FRAN TOLAN
Associate Sports Editor

Notre Dame keeps finding new ways to win. A week after securing its first comeback win of the season, the No. 1 Irish picked up a 3-2 overtime victory at Villanova Sunday. The win capped a weekend in which Notre Dame also took down No. 17/16 Georgetown on the road.

"The wins were good for us because those are two places that haven't been easy places for us to play," Irish co-head coach Randy Waldrum said. "And those two teams — Villanova and Georgetown — have not been easy teams for us over the years.

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"Coach Randy..." Bobby Bailiss said. "One in seven minutes to play to close the scoring. Junior center Kevin Deeth assisted on both Notre Dame goals."

The Irish were dominated in special teams, as Notre Dame didn't score on any of its eight chances but the Pioneers converted 2-for-6.

The power play struggles brought back memories of last December, when the Irish suffered through a power play in which the boarding.

DEATHS

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By KATELYN GRABAREK

Notre Dame opened the 22nd annual Tom Fallon Invitational on Friday, while hosting Harvard, Wisconsin, Michigan State, Western Michigan and Bell State.

"The Tom Fallon is a hidden-dual tournament," Irish coach Bobby Bailiss said. "One in which each team plays its line-up as it might in a dual match, but there is no team scoring due to NCAA rules that would necessitate that each day of play would count as one of the team's 25 playing dates rather than as one event.

"After last year's lettermen Stahl, David Anderson, Stephen Havan, and Tyler Davis have been pretty good," Bailiss said. "With Matt Johnson looking like he can join them and Sean Tan much improved in doubles."

Freshmen Casey Watt and Niall Fitzgerald combined for three singles wins on day one. Sophomores Sean Tan, and David Anderson combined for four wins among them.

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HOCKEY

Third period collapse allows Denver to take season opener

By MATT GAMBER

Things snowballed out of control on the ice in the third period Saturday night for No. 4 Denver as host No. 6 Notre Dame scored three goals in four minutes to break a 1-1 tie and skate to a 5-2 season-opening victory over the Pioneers.

"Once that third period went out, it all just kind of came down on us," Irish coach Jeff Jackson said. "I'm not sure our guys were as ready for it."

(1)"Denver elevated their game and we didn't, and we have to learn from that." Irish freshman right wing Billy Maday scored on his first career shot to give Notre Dame a 1-0 lead just 3 minutes into the game. He became the first Irish player to do that since 2005 grad Tim Wallace did it in 2002.

Ten minutes later, Denver's Tyler Rugeggser evened the score with a power play goal — the first of two special teams tallies for the Pioneers. Denver had five man-up advantages in the first period alone.

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Patrick Wierczkoski's goal two minutes later made it 4-1, and Anthony Mainani scored with seven minutes to play to give Denver a 5-1 lead.

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