Dome to Dome: ND alums re-elected to Congress

Five graduates — Donnelly, Visclosky, Souder, King, Lungren — hold onto House seats in Nov. 4 election

By JENN METZ
News Editor

Five Notre Dame graduates — two Democrats and three Republicans — were re-elected to the United States House of Representatives Tuesday.

Three of the nine House seats allotted to Indiana belong to Notre Dame graduates — Democrat Joe Donnelly won his second term representing the 2nd District, which is partly comprised of St. Joseph County and includes the University of Notre Dame, Democrat Peter Visclosky won his 12th term in the 1st District, and Republican Mark Souder won his eighth term in the 3rd District.

Donnelly soundly defeated his opponent, Republican Luke Puckett, with 67 percent of the vote. He graduated from Notre Dame as an undergraduate in 1977 and from Notre Dame Law School in 1981.

Donnelly is widely known for his moderate stance within the Democratic Party. He is a professional Democrat, and in an interview with The Observer after he secured re-election, said one of the Party's biggest tests during the upcoming administration will be to reconcile positions of the liberal and moderate members of Congressional leadership.

He told The Observer: "There are a large number of additional pro-life Democrats" in Congress. "We're going to pursue a very moderate policy moving the country forward."

A number of students worked on the Donnelly re-election campaign, as reported in the Oct. 31 article titled "Indiana candidates prepare for election."

Senior Cindy Brenner, one of the students who worked for Donnelly's campaign, told The Observer in the article that she was drawn to the Congresswoman because of his moderate approach. "He is a conservative Democrat, so he has the morals of a lot of the conservative areas of Indiana," she told The Observer.

Visclosky, a 1973 Notre Dame Law School graduate, reclaimed his seat in Indiana's District 1 with 71 percent of the vote. He defeated his opponent, Republican Mark Leyva, who received 27 percent of the vote.

Souder, who earned his MBA from the University in 1974, won Indiana's District 3, which contains the city of Fort Wayne, with 55 percent of the vote.

Hunting for a good break

Three seniors and sophomore use alumni connections to organize a 'dream hunt' in the western United States

By JOHN-PAUL WITT
News Writer

Most Notre Dame students had the chance to go home, participate in service, or catch up on sleep and studying during the break, but four students decided they needed a more "intense" break.

Seniors Bryce Hummer, Daniel "D.J." McGill, Josh Miller and sophomore Jeremy Miller came up with the idea of a "dream hunt" for this fall break, since it would be the seniors' last, Hummer said.

"We are all hunters. We hunt deer," Hummer said, "Three of us are from Indiana, D.J. is from Virginia. So this break we wanted to hunt out west."

Debate team competes to tourney semi-finals

By AMANDA GRAY
News Writer

Notre Dame's debate team made it to the semi-finals at a tournament recently, the first time a varsity partner team has gone for two decades, Notre Dame senior Natasha Kwan said.

The team recently competed in the Motor City Classic Debate Tournament at Wayne State University, located in Detroit.

"The Motor City Classic Debate Tournament... was very important because it was the Notre Dame Policy Debate Team's first entrance into the debate community for this 2008-2009 academic year," Kwan said.

Team members include Kwan, junior Melissa Curvino, junior Michael Lucien, and freshman Sean O'Brien.

The competition was from Oct. 24 until Oct. 27.

The topic of debate this year is "reducing agricultural subsidies," Curvino said.

The team paired off, with Kwan and Curvino as one duo and Lucien and O'Brien the other.

"At this last tournament our opponents included Stanford, Brown, and Wisconsin State," Kwan said. "We lost and moved up to the semi-finals, which was very important because it was the Notre Dame Policy Debate Team's first entrance into the debate community for this 2008-2009 academic year."
Inside Column

Election Apathy?

Notre Dame surprised me this election season. The stereotype has long been that Notre Dame students are apathetic, unaware of or just too reinscribed about politics. Students here just don’t have that activist spirit that thrives on many college campuses — or so we’re told.

The Observer examined the perceived apathy among students in 2007 during low levels of activism and only one demonstration against the war in Iraq on campus — sponsored by an outside group. “Campus struggles with activism, apathy,” Mar. 28, 2007)

Indeed, political party clubs on campus weren’t — until this fall — allowed to use funds to campaign for any particular candidate. Politics, at least by my impressions, was rarely discussed in the dining halls or dorm rooms. It had been over 15 years until this fall — that a presidential candidate visited campus, the last being Bill Clinton’s visit in 1992.

By those signs, Notre Dame looks apathetic. But perhaps a different breed of activism and involvement is present at Notre Dame.

Professor George Lopez of the Notre Dame Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies told The Observer in March, 2007, that Notre Dame students are “more levelheaded” and “more judicious” when it comes to activism, political or otherwise.

My own impressions from this fall would seem to proves that point.

Students attended dozens of lectures and discussions about the election, on a variety of topics. At the events I attended, I witnessed intellectual debate that usually went beyond the rhetoric that’s rehashed for hours on end on cable television.

The College Libertarians got a presidential candidate to stop at Notre Dame, and while I didn’t usually find the event was heavily attended, Bob Barr’s presence on campus at least brought more to the table in terms of discussion.

My classmates watched the debates, and discussed their implications in the dining halls or before class. Although the discussion usually centered on the funnier moments and the catch phrases (“maverick” or “Joe the Plumber,” any more) it was almost always political or philosophical. My classmates volunteered with local and national campaigns. (2nd floor). All talents are welcome.

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QUESTION OF THE DAY: WHAT IS THE MOST PRESSING CONCERN FOR BARACK OBAMA?

E.H. Shepard, one of children's literature's most famous Illustrators, showed Pooh dipping his paw into a pot of honey while sitting at a table as Piglet and Tigger look on. Auctioneer Bonhams said the successful telephone bidder was from Germany and bought the picture for his wife, a long-time Pooh fan.

The amount, which included a 20 percent buyer's premium, comfortably beat pre-sale expectations of up to $20,000, not including the premium.

The oval pencil sketch by Shepard's original drawings for the Pooh books to be sold at auction. Information compiled from the Associated Press.

The Duncan Interhall Football special teams attempt to block a field goal by Siegfried. The Interhall Football playoffs start this Sunday.

Offbeat

Thieves caught in Hungary with 12 pigs in car

BUDAPEST — Two thieves were caught in southern Hungary with 12 pigs stuffed in their small van during a routine traffic check, Hungarian police said on Thursday.

Police stopped two men in a Renault Kangoo near the town of Szigetvar, about 220 km (137 miles) south of Budapest, as they attempted to drive off.

"The pigs weighed about 25-30 kg (55-66 lb) each — they were really squashed into the car very tightly," a spokesman said.

Police said the pigs came from a nearby farm, where 35 pigs have gone missing in recent days.

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Class Gift Campaign
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By ALICIA SMITH
News Writer

Simon Cowell didn’t stop by to provide commentary, but Saint Mary’s provided its own judges at the Class Gift Campaign-hosted “Karaoke Idol” Thursday.

The evening began with senior Laura Cronmiller and her dad singing “I Got You, Babe” by Sonny and Cher. Following that performance, sophomore Annie Molloy performed “Hit Me With Your Best Shot,” by Pat Benatar.

The Residence Hall Association performed “Respect” by Aretha Franklin. Afterward, a group of New Kids on the Block sang “Summertime,” by Pat Benatar.

The next group to perform were “The Dancing Queens,” a group that took charge of collecting funds for each class’s senior gift.

“The dancers are very talented, and they made the event very exciting,” said Dana Krilich.

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“Saint Mary’s provided its own judges and the event was a lot of fun,” said sophomore Sarah Hartman.

The winners were then awarded to Cronmiller and her dad. Molloy came in second place, and Rothschild and her father came in third.

The night was filled with laughter, and many students enjoyed the show. Junior Sarah Hartman attended the event. “It was a lot of fun,” she said. “The funniest moment was when Senior Mickey Cronmiller and his dad performed ‘All Shook Up’ by Elvis.”

Finally, Molloy and her dad sang “I Got You, Babe” at the Class Gift Campaign host-dad singing “Summertime,” by Pat Benatar. The evening began with seniors making a donation to the Class Gift Campaign, a group that takes charge of collecting funds for each class’s senior gift.

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“We really want to raise awareness about the fact that people are making a donation to the class gift campaign,” said Heath Frey, the assistant director of the Annual Fund and the advisor for the Class Gift Campaign.

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 Seniors celebrate fathers
Annual Saint Mary’s event brings dads to campus for fun events

By MEGAN LONEY
News Writer

The Saint Mary’s senior class honors a long-standing tradition this weekend by hosting Senior Dads’ Weekend. About 400 daughters and their dads are expected to participate.

“This weekend allows seniors to share their life at Saint Mary’s with their dads, senior class council vice president Taryn Pabst said.

“I’m really excited for my dad to come visit and hang out with my friends and me,” senior Dana Krilich said. “I’ll be fun to show him what we do for entertainment while at school.”

The father-daughter weekend begins Friday with a beer garden and silent auction at Haggar College Center from 5 p.m. to 7. All of the proceeds from the silent auction will go to the class treasury.

“We decided that a beer garden would be a great way for the dads and daughters to mingle amongst themselves,” Pabst said, “but decided to add in the silent auction, not only raise money for our class, but to make the Beer Garden a little more fun.”

The class has reserved bowling lanes from 2 to 4 p.m. Saturday. The bowling game would be one of the most popular activities with almost 200 father-daughter pairs signed up, Pabst said. After bowling, a tailgate party and game watch at the College Football Hall of Fame is planned.

“I’m really looking forward to the game watch at the College Football Hall of Fame,” Krilich said. “I’ve never been there and it will be more fun to be in a football atmosphere with other girls and their dads as well.”

The weekend ends Sunday with a closing mass at the Church of Our Lady of Loreto.

Molly Dilorio and Molly Lamping are co-chairs of the Senior Dad’s Weekend committee, a group formed at the beginning of the year to plan this weekend and choose the activities.

The seniors are not the only ones who are excited about this weekend. “My dad is super excited,” Krilich said. “He’s been waiting for this for three years. He loves Saint Mary’s and is going to have a blast hanging out with me and my friends.”

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The Siemens Competition in Math, Science and Technology is coming to Notre Dame!

The Siemens Competition takes great pleasure in inviting the students, faculty and staff of Notre Dame to be a part of the following events:

Reception and Viewing of the Students’ Research Projects: (refreshments will be served)
DATE: Friday, November 7, 2008
TIME: 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm
LOCATION: Study Lounge & Reading Room, Jordan Hall of Science

Student Oral Presentations:
DATE: Saturday, November 8, 2008
TIME: 8:00 am - 1:00 pm
LOCATION: Sargent Auditorium, Room 105 Jordan Hall of Science

We look forward to seeing you!

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Congress
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vote. His opponent, Democrat Michael Montagano, received 40 percent.
Two republican Notre Dame alumni were re-elected to House seats representing New York and California.
Peter King, representing New York’s 3rd District, was re-elected to his 19th term with 64 percent of the vote. He defeated Democratic Graham Long, who received 36 percent of the vote.
Mike Lungren, a Republican who received his law degree from Notre Dame in 1964, was re-elected to his 22nd term representing California’s 3rd District by defeating Democrat Bill Durston. Lungren received 50 percent of the vote to Durston’s 44 percent.
Lungren is a 1968 graduate of the University.
Representative Mike Ferguson, a Republican and Notre Dame graduate from New Jersey’s 7th District did not seek re-election in 2008.

Team commemorates famous Lincoln-Douglas debates
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The students decided not to go to a travel agency, or book a hunting tour. Their plan was to use the Notre Dame
library. The seniors sent a letter during the last winter break to alumni clubs in the western United States, explaining
their plan to use the seniors final break as a hunting trip. In February, they received a letter from the Alumni club of Reno and Northern Nevada, inviting students to visit the University of Nevada, Reno, their alma mater. The students accepted the invitation, and during the break, two days of camping and competition followed. The students made time to connect with local Notre Dame alumni. They visited Apartment 21, a Reno restaurant owned by Kwan’s parents.

Debate
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If Boston College defeats the Irish in football, it will be their straight win in this series. Both teams have a record of five wins to three losses, and both are current l l r f r i e n d s who have never been to Boston.

They both like the challenge of having to argue against a proposition Lincoln gave during one of the 1858 debates. "My favorite part of debate is defending and attacking arguments about different topics and having the evidence to support my claims right at my fingertips," Kwan said. "I enjoy keeping up with current events.

Debate also keeps you updated on current events and issues and teaches you how to argue and respond to them," Kwan said.

Kwan said the debate team has been around since the 1880s, undergoing a reawakening in the last few years. "We have been competing for 120 years, trying to win the Big Game," Kwan said. "We are current undergraduate students, and we are not going to let them get the best of us this year."

But the Irish fans are not going to make the trip as well.

Hummer said, "I think that was really going to refocus the team, and we will come back even stronger this week.

The Notre Dame debate team is not a new addition to the campus. "They are as excited as we are," Hummer said. "We brought them ‘carnival’ ND, they liked that." Hummer recommended meeting new people and commented on the team’s “group’s bold” decision to make the trip.

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

British man charged with terrorism

British police charged a 43-year-old man Thursday with planning an act of terrorism and having two improvised explosive devices, chemicals, timers, and a Nazi-themed handbook.

Neil Christopher Lewington was first arrested at his home by police after a suspected explosive device when they searched him at a railway station in Lowestoft, a coastal city in eastern England. He was originally charged with possessing an item, resulting in a conditional bail order, and was released on bail Saturday. But he was immediately re-arrested by Scotland Yard.

Scotland Yard said in a statement that Lewington carried two improvised explosive devices to Lowestoft from Reading, a city near London where he lives, on Oct. 30. It said Lewington was being charged with making or having an explosive substance intended for use as a weapon.

Pope urges religious freedom

Christians and Muslims must overcome their misunderstandings, Pope Benedict XVI told Muslim clergy and scholars Thursday as he pressed for greater freedom of worship for non-Muslims in the Islamic world.

The pope's baptism of a prominent Egyptian-speaking Muslim last Easter is the beginning of a crusade upon some in the Muslim world. Benedict also angered Muslims with comments linking Islam to violence in a speech in 2006.

Northern Plains hit by snow storm

RAPID CITY, S.D. — A wintry blast of punishing wind and more than 3 feet of snow in places pummeled the Northern Plains on Thursday, knocking out power to thousands and forcing highways to close. As much as 40 inches of snow fell in higher elevations of western South Dakota's Black Hills, as early season blizzard caused havoc. Drifts as deep as 6 feet covered roads in Spearfish.

Weather problems halted or disrupted traf-

fic on Interstate 80, 90 and 94 in the Dakotas, Nebraska and Wyoming.

US has record immigration numbers

The U.S. government arrested and deport-
ed record numbers of illegal immigrants — nearly 320,000 — in the past year, authorities say.

It has also naturalized a record number of new Americans during the same time period, more than 1 million.

Bush administration officials consider these to be great accomplishments within a system that President-elect Obama calls "broken and overwhelmed" on his transition Web site.

"We are seeing the kinds of results that the country hasn't seen for many years," Homeland Security Secretary Michael Chertoff said last month.

LOCAL NEWS

Fraternity disbanded due to death

CRAWFORDSVILLE, Ind. — Walsh College is discontinuing an 18-year-old freshman who died of accidental alcohol poisoning at his house.

The college says the withdrawal recognition of the Delta Tau Delta chapter and ending its lease. Walsh officials say an investigation found a "pattern of undependable behavior and irresponsible citizenship."

Delta Tau Delta executive vice president Jim Russell says the Indianapolis-based fraternity had hoped to work together with the school to resolve the matter.

ELECTION 2008

Emanuel accepts chief of staff offer

Rep. Emanuel to fill cabinet spot, shows shift in tone for Obama’s temperament

Associated Press

CHICAGO — Barack Obama is signaling a shift in tactics and temperament as he moves to form his new administration, picking sharp-elbowed, no-nonsense aides for key posts.

His choice Thursday for White House chief of staff — Rahm Emanuel, a firey partisan who doesn’t mind breaking glass and hurting feelings — is a significant departure from the soft-spoken, low-key aides that “No-Drama Obama” has surrounded himself with during his campaign and transition.

Emanuel, 47, who previously worked for Bill Clinton and a tough partisan infighter, though less bombastic than the new chief of staff. The selections are telling for Obama, who can no longer be portrayed as a nontraditional, almost post-partisan maverick to be transformed over time.

People close to him say the selection shows that Obama is aware of his weaknesses as well as his strengths and knows what he needs to be successful. He shifted from campaigning to governing.

“No one is better at getting things done than Rahm Emanuel,” said a statement announcing the selection.

Obama, who survived a long contest with Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton for the Democratic presidential nomination, also has made it clear he will rely heavily on veterans of her husband’s eight-year administration, the only Democratic presidency in the past 28 years.

Podesta was President Clinton’s chief of staff and several other former Clinton aides are on Obama’s short list for key jobs, Democratic officials say. Some of them helped write a large briefing book on how to govern, assembled under Podesta’s supervision.

Obama himself brims with self-confidence, to the point that some people view him as arrogant. But to a greater degree than many presidents, he appears willing to lean on Washington insiders associated with other politicians.

Still, he is also certain to bring to the White House a cadre of longtime aides. Emanuel accepted Obama’s offer with a gesture of bipartisanship, addressing part of his statement to Republicans. “We often disagree, but I respect their motives,” Emanuel said.

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That would come as news to some Republicans. In contrast to Obama’s collegial style and that of his top campaign advisers, Emanuel is known as a foul-mouthed practitioner of bruised-knuckled politics who relishes both conflict and publicity. He once mailed a dead fish to a political foe.

But he also earned a reputation for pragmatic efficiency, whether the goal was winning House elections for Democrats or working with Republicans to enact Clinton’s centrist political agenda.

“Rahm knows Capitol Hill and has great political skills,” said Sen. Lindsey Graham, R-S.C. “He can be a tough partisan but also understands the need to work together.”

House Republican leader John Boehner of Ohio was less kind. He called his appointment an “ironic choice for a president-elect who has promised to change Washington, make politics more civil and government from the center.”

Democrats say Obama is self-assured enough to acknowledge his limitations by the appointments he makes.

ISRAEL

Israeli peace treaty passed to Obama

Associated Press

JERUSALEM — The Bush administration made a last-minute effort Thursday to shore up an 18-year-old Palestinian peace deal in no longer possible by the end of the year term and is preparing to hand the fragile, unfinished U.S.-backed peace effort to his successor.

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Former FBI agent convicted of murder

Associated Press

MIAMI — When law enforce-
ment heat got too close to Boston’s notorious Winter Hill Gang, it was FBI agent John Connolly who tipped them off. After all, they were his prized underworld informants, the men who made him an FBI star by secretly supplying information about rival Mafia characters.

Mob leaders James “Whitey” Bulger and Stephen “The Rifleman” Flemmi paid Connolly handsomely, some $235,000 until his 1990 retire-

ment. They even took vaca-
tions together. If a turnaround or “turf” surfaced in the gang and Connolly found out, that person might not live longer.

One such murder victim was gambling executive John Martorano, shot dead by a hit man in 1982, his body stuffed into the trunk of his Cadillac to be discovered at M I A Interna-
tional Airport.

More than two decades later, a Miami jury on Thursday con-

victed Connolly of second-
degree murder even though he was hundreds of miles away in Boston when the slaying occurred. Prosecutors said jurors clearly understood that Connolly’s tip to the mobsters, often led to a violent death.

“He knew what he was doing each and every time he gave out information,” said prosecu-
tor Michael Von Zamft.

Jurors deliberated about 13 hours over three days before delivering the verdict following a two-month trial. The jury acquitted Connolly of first-deg-

ee murder conspiracy, but he still faces a maximum of life in prison when sentenced Dec. 4.

Connolly, who showed no emotion when the verdict was read, long denied involvement in Callahan’s killing. Connolly was convicted in 2002 of rack-

steering because of his corrupt relationship with Bulger and Flemmi, including a 1995 tip that enabled Bulger to escape arrest and begin a life on the run that continues to this day. Bulger is one of the FBI’s “Ten Most Wanted” fugitives, with a $2 million bounty for his cap-
ture.

“Unless we catch Whitey Bulger, this marks the end of what is really a sad chapter for federal law enforcement,” said Fred Wyshak, an assistant U.S. attorney from Boston who helped prosecute the Florida case. “It’s been a long haul.”

The story that unfolded in a Miami courtroom spanned more than two decades of Boston’s underworld, a tale that has already spawned sev-

eral books and was the basis for the 2006 Martin Scorsese film “The Departed.” Matt Damon played a crooked Connolly-like law enforcement officer and Jack Nicholson was the Bulger-esque Irish-

American mobster.

Connolly attorney Manuel Casaliello said there will be an appeal based in part on Miami-

Dade Circuit Judge Stanford Blake’s decision to allow jurors to hear evidence of corruption not directly related to the Miami slaying.

“What happened here is that we tried a federal (racke-
tering) case in a state court,” Casaliello said. “What they tried to do is dirty him up, to bring in as much bad stuff as possible.”

Jurors declined comment after leaving court. They were instructed by the judge that Connolly — who was hundreds of miles away in Boston at the time — did not have to trigger himself or even be present at the crime scene to be convicted in Callahan’s killing.

Connolly is already serving a 10-year federal prison sen-
tence in the corruption case. He was sentenced in 2005 in Miami for the killing of Callahan, the former presi-
dent of World Jai-Alai. Confessed mob hit man John Martorano testified that he shot Callahan at one time a good friend based on Connolly’s warning that the gangsters would probably go after him at any time — did not have to pull the trigger himself or even be present at the crime scene to be convicted in Callahan’s killing.

Connolly was shielded from prosecution because he decided to apply pressure on Callahan, the former president of World Jai-Alai.

A cornerstone of Connolly’s defense was that his job as a top FBI organized crime-buster meant dealing with unsavory characters — “top-echelon informants” in FBI parlance who possessed sensitive infor-

mation leading to the take-
down of top Mafia kings in Boston.

But Flemmi, Martorano and other mob figures testified that Connolly made sure the gang was shielded from prosecution for numerous crimes, even multiple murders, and supplied information about possible turncoats or “ra sts” in their own ranks that needed elimi-
nation. Prosecutors said at least two other men who were FBI informants died violently because of Connolly’s leaks.

“John Connolly swore an oath to the FBI and the United States of America. He gave up that public trust because he decided he would rather be a gangster than an FBI agent.”

Michael Von Zamft

prosecutor

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Wall Street plunges for second day
Prompted by worry about consumer demand and weak October sales reports

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Wall Street plunged for a second day Thursday, triggered by a raft of weak sales reports from retailers that added to consumer worries and prompted a steep rally in the financial sector.

One analyst predicted that a steep drop in consumer confidence following weak October sales reports from retailers could push stocks lower for a third day.

New York state's top financial services regulator said Thursday he has asked the state's insurance board to examine the possibility of withdrawing its endorsement of Wall Street firms to prevent them from being recapitalized.

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**Market Recap**

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**In Brief**

Outlook grim after bleak October

- Department store chains reported lower same-store sales for October, with some cutting prices on items from toys to laptops.

- With shares of Wal-Mart Stores Inc., whose results show how much companies pay workers for every hour on the job — increased at a annual pace of 1.1 percent in the July-to-September quarter, down from a 3.6 percent growth rate in the second quarter.

- Productivity growth slowing, labor costs picked up. Unit labor costs — a measure of how much companies pay workers for every unit of output they produce — increased at a 3.6 percent pace in the third quarter, compared with a 0.1 percent rate of decline in the prior period.

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**Specialist Ronald York, Jr., works on the floor of the New York Stock Exchange on Thursday, November 6, 2008. The stock market plunged for the second day in a row.**

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**Chicago cashes in on Obama’s victory**

CHICAGO — Chicago’s tourism Web site beckons visitors to “experience the city the Obamas enjoy.”

The Illinois Bureau of Tourism plans to launch a three-day giveaway promotion featuring Barack Obama sites. And tour guides at the Old State Capitol in Springfield may get new vacation themes that stress the president-elect made as a candidate.

The Illinois tourism officials’ rush to capitalize on the Obama effect.

A security perimeter surrounds the Obama’s block in Chicago’s Hyde Park neighborhood, but tourism officials are hopeful that food and drink will allow.

“On the way to the house, and, hopefultly they might put a glimpse of him,” Williams said Thursday. “He’s almost like a rock star.”

Nearby, a restaurant has sold 3,000 T-shirts that read “Obama Eats Here,” and a hand-lettered sign in the window of 57th Street Books congratulates “longtime customer” Obama, who has shopped there since 1986.

“The key is what does the president-elect make as a candidate.”

A household name outside Illinois for just a few years, Obama appears to be quickly edging out Michael Jordan, Oprah Winfrey or Al Capone for the title of most famous Chicagoan.”

That’s become particularly true for international visitors, said Laura Baginski, features editor for the weekly entertainment magazine Time Out Chicago, which has published a self-guided tour that includes the University of Chicago Law School, where Obama taught, and the Hyde Park Hair Salon & Barber Shop.

“I don’t know if we’re quite prepared for the attention we’re going to get,” Baginski said. “I think people are interested in seeing where he eats, seeing where he gets his hair cut.”

Travel agencies from around the globe have been phoning for information, and the Chicago tourism bureau is in the thick of an Obama-focused Internet marketing campaign, said Mark Thes, agency’s executive vice president.
Gas industry ban causes protest

Legal experts believe new law will lead to uncertainty and political

Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO — Hundreds of protesters took to the streets Thursday over California's new ban on gas drilling, amid deepening political turmoil and legal confusion over the beleaguered industry.

Legal experts said it is unclear whether an attempt by gay-rights activists to overturn the prohibition would gain traction.

Conversion therapy is currently legal in California, but the new law signed earlier this year by Gov. Jerry Brown requires health care providers to inform patients of the treatment.

Brown signed the bill as one of a series of actions aimed at stemming a judicial wave of restrictions on same-sex couples, which the measure, which won 52 percent approval, reflects declining support in decades.

Brown's signature comes in the wake of a landmark decision by a federal court that declared California's ban on gay marriage unconstitutional.

California's new ban on gay marriage is set to take effect next year, but the measure is likely to face legal challenges.

Some legal experts believe the ban could be struck down in court, while others say it could lead to a constitutional challenge.

The measure, which was approved by the state Senate in September, is the first of its kind to be signed into law in California.

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**AFGHANISTAN**

**U.S. needs tribes as battlefield allies**

Associated Press

**BAGRAM AIR BASE**

Afghan tribes are needed as crucial battlefield allies against the Taliban and other extremists in the same way local militias rose up to oppose insurgents in Iraq, the new military overseer of America's two wars said Thursday.

The tactic has long been endorsed by Gen. David Petraeus — the former top U.S. commander in Iraq whose outreach to Sunni sheiks helped push al-Qaida-inspired militants from key areas and sharply decreased attacks.

But his latest comments — on his first trip to Afghanistan since taking charge of U.S. Central Command last week — appeared aimed at pressing the Afghan leadership to recognize the need for tribal militia allies at a time when violence in Afghanistan is at its highest levels since 2001.

It also reflects Washington's expected shift in military focus from Iraq to Afghanistan and the neighboring tribal areas in Pakistan, which President-elect Barack Obama has described as the main showdown between the resurrected al-Qaida, Taliban and other militias.

"This is a country in which support of the tribes, of the local communities, for the overall effort is essential," Petraeus told The Associated Press at the massive Bagram Air Base north of Kabul. He added that Afghanistan has not had "a tradition of central government extending into the far reaches of its provinces and its districts."

Petraeus declined to discuss details of efforts — spearheaded publicly by President Hamid Karzai's government — to bring Afghan militias into the battle alongside Afghan forces, U.S. soldiers and other NATO-led troops.

Yet Afghanistan poses even more potential complications than the so-called Awakening Council movement in Iraq.

More than 150 major tribes range across the eastern and southern border lands with Pakistan — where the majority of the extremist attacks occur — and any military alliances with selected groups risk stirring rivalries and internal power struggles in regions outside central government control.

The tribes in the areas are almost exclusively Pashtun, the majority group in Afghanistan. Perceptions of special favors to aid the powerful Pashtun tribes — including pay and possible weapons supplies — could bring backlash from other ethnic groups with their own militias and warlords that clashed in brutal civil wars in the 1990s.

In Iraq, the equation was different: the Awakening groups came mostly from the minority Sunnis who lost their privileged status with Saddam Hussein's fall. Now, the Shiites-led Iraqi government is under pressure from Washington to incorporate the militias into the security forces.

The Pentagon did not provide weapons directly to Awakening allies in Iraq. But Petraeus left open the possibility that Karzai could offer arms in exchange for tribal alliances.

"We will certainly support what President Karzai decides to adopt," said Petraeus. "We traditionally have not armed tribes ... But again, we have to see how that evolves here and see what kinds of initiatives and structures might be looked at."

Antonio Giustozzi, an Afghanistan expert at the London School of Economics, said the tribal groups are needed to cover the shortage of regular forces for the entire country: 67,000 Afghan soldiers, about 78,000 police and more than 60,000 U.S. and other foreign troops.

But there is a risk the effort could fail because the tribal leaders will not adopt new ideologies that may no longer be the case in most areas,” said Giustozzi. "In the end, I believe it will boil down to bribing people into being tribal allies. How effective these are going to be remains to be seen."

Across the border in Pakistan, the government in Islamabad has already started arming tribal militias for roles as front line forces against al-Qaida and Taliban safe havens.

And — like in Iraq — the payback from extremists can be deadly. Dozens of government-allied tribesmen have been killed in recent attacks in Pakistan.

The message is clear to any Afghan tribal leader weighing offers to join Kabul's fight. A senior foreign diplomat in Kabul, who has long experience in tribal relations, said there is a risk the effort could backfire if tribes are seen as battling on behalf of foreign troops.

The diplomat spoke on condition of anonymity because he did not want to speak publicly on internal Afghan affairs.

Gen. David McKiernan, the top U.S. general in Afghanistan, said in a recent interview with the AP that he is "absolutely ready" to reach out to tribes as an auxiliary force. He noted, however, that any deals would have to be in "connection with the Afghan government."

In Afghanistan, U.S. and other foreign troops use local militia groups for security at some bases. But the efforts so far have concentrated on training the country's fledgling security forces.

In the interview, Petraeus said the war in Afghanistan is closely intertwined with the fight in Pakistan, and they need to be tackled together.

But escalating U.S. missile strikes in Pakistan's tribal region — at least 17 since late summer — have strained Islamabad's ties with Washington despite some apparent successes against extremists.

Petraeus said recent U.S. missiles have killed three of the top 20 extremist leaders in Pakistan's border zone. He did not identify the leaders killed, but described the attacks as "hugely important."
Congratulations. America.

Shortly after 11 p.m. on Nov. 4, you decisively elected a new president. This man, whose belief that anything is possible for those who are so blessed to live in this nation, took our country by storm, and changed it forever.

By electing Barack Hussein Obama to his highest office, America has proven that a nation founded on the ideals of equal opportunity can, and truly does, exist. This is a different America than it was just three days ago. An era of great change is upon us.

Supporters of both parties understood that need for change — the voice turnout for this election might be the highest in a century. The excitement and anticipation surrounding the end to the Bush administration has electrified America, awakening it from a slumber of political apathy, and transforming it into a nation of action.

Students of Notre Dame. Your dedication to this election, your expression of your beliefs and your involvement shows that as a university, we can be passionate about more things than football.

The voice of the youth of America was heard loud and clear, regardless of what side of the political spectrum you stand.

We were on CNN Election Night, Notre Dame. St. Joseph County was one of the most coveted counties to win in Indiana. Together, we debunked the misconceptions that our University sits in a bubble in the middle of the country. We are politically informed. We came out in unprecedented numbers to fulfill our civic duty. We let our next president know the issues that matter to us most.

Our generation will most strongly feel the effects of the new administration's efforts to pull our nation back together, to fix our economy and to bring us home from war.

In this time of a momentous cultural shift for America, we must remember that the ties that unite us must be stronger than the lines that divide us in order for this nation to overcome the immense problems we face.

As Obama called upon Americans Nov. 4 to "join in the work of the remaking of this nation the only way it's been done in America for 221 years — block by brick, by block, hand by calloused hand."

Sen. John McCain's gracious concession speech and Obama’s humble victory speech both addressed the fact that though we may disagree on politics, that though we may identify with red or blue, we are a people that must come together to enact the change so desperately needed.

"I urge all Americans," McCain said. "I urge all Americans who supported me to join me in not just congratulating him, but offering our next president our good will and earnest effort to find ways to come together, to find the necessary compromises, to bridge our differences, and help restore our prosperity, defend our security in a dangerous world, and leave our children and grandchildren a stronger, better country than we inherited."

Both men identified themselves as Americans — not as Democrats, not as Republicans, but as Americans, a title they called the citizens of this nation, who were divided over this historic contest, to embrace. The hope for a better America rests on our shoulders. Remember the effect your opinions, your ideas, your action had on this nation this week, remember you can make difference.

No one can deny the seismic difficulties that still lie ahead. As Obama told the hundreds of thousands with him in Chicago, and the millions watching around the world, we face the challenges of "two wars, a planet in peril, the worst financial crisis in a century."

But, for now, congratulations, America, and congratulations Notre Dame. You made your voices heard and you have become a part of history.
Halloween's over, but ...

You won't know how the out­
break lasts. But out of O'Shay may not be an immediate option. You
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Letters to the Editor

The election in perspective

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Lessons from a beloved sister

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By MICHELLE FORDICE
Assistant Scene Editor

Upon first listen, Eli Young Band’s “Jet Black and Jealous” mostly fades away into the background. A few phrases and chords will jump out of the solid country-rock sound, but a true appreciation of Eli Young Band takes paying attention. There are the usual references to cars, bonfires and the girls that left them, but these clichés are supported by electric guitars, a little bit grittier sound, and a less straightforward approach to the lyrics.

The album opens with the band’s strongest song, “When It Rains.” Set to a good swing, coming from its electric guitar and vocals, the song delivers its melancholy message of, “I don’t mind being lonely/I will cry right along with the sky,” beautifully.

“When It Rains” may be the standout song of the album; it has the most potential to fill the role of body moving radio song. As an appropriate choice for lead track, it will stick in people’s heads and lead them to the rest of “Jet Black and Jealous.” Any fan of the Wallflowers will feel a sense of deja vu when “Always the Love Songs” begins playing, as it opens with the introduction to the rock band’s “5th Avenue Heartache.” The ballad epitomizes Eli Young Band’s mix of country and rock. It is a story of a bunch of friends getting away from “the city lights” around a bonfire, listening to an eclectic mix of country, rock and folk with, “Ramblin’ Man,” “Proud Mary” and “American Band.”

“Throw and Go” roughens up the band’s sound and speed, making it a good song for tapping on the steering wheel to as you drive down the road. “How Should I Know” plays with restraint, holding back on the song’s energy and building up in the refrain. The lyrics to “Home” keep the listener on their toes. The phrase “...home is where you are,” sounds like a generic country appeal to a girl, but the rest of the lyrics reveal that the singer really is appealing to home and all the people and memories there.

Too many of the tracks feel like they sacrifice uniqueness for appeal, resulting in a few songs that hover just above the lowest common denominator. “Famous” is a little unexciting, and sounds familiar, like you’ve hit it somewhere before and can’t put your finger on it. “Guinevere” leaps out musically and there are occasional interesting lyrics, but it needs more of an edge. The rest of the album falls away similarly—good, but not great.

“Jet Black and Jealous” will be just good enough to prove Eli Young Band commercially and lead them to a second album. It is here we might see something really remarkable, when they are less constrained. But “Jet Black and Jealous” certainly deserves a spot on your iPod in its own right.

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Scene talks with Chris Thompson, drummer for the Eli Young Band

By STEPHANIE DEPREZ
Assistant Scene Editor

Earlier this week, Scene got to talk with Chris Thompson, the drummer of the Eli Young Band. Though in transit, Chris shared with Scene his thoughts on the band, their sound, and Halloween costumes.

Where are you? What are you working on?
Actually the band's about to jump out of the van. We're in Chatsworth, Georgia. In about thirty minutes we're playing a pep rally for about fifteen hundred kids at a high school. The local radio station did contest and the prize is that we're going to be in Chatsworth. We're in Chatsworth, Georgia, playing their pep rally. Yesterday we were in Fort Worth at the Texas Motor Speedway doing a NASCAR event. Before that we were in Kansas City Missouri and before that we did a big show on Halloween. We all dressed up.

What were you for Halloween?
We're a band that takes baby steps sometimes; it comes to making decisions. It was our first show ever to play on Halloween so we knew we all wanted to do something similar, like four of something. Chris narrowed it down to rock stars. I was Ozzy Osborn. Mike, our singer, was Buddy Holly. John was John Lennon, and James, the guitar player, was Slash. It was a lot of fun. I got to hit the head off of Jake hat and I ended up spraying the whole front row.

Reading your biography, I was surprised to find that all four of you met in college and have managed to stick together for eight years. What keeps you together?
Well, when we met, music was just something we all kind of had in common. It wasn't like we met to start a band. We were friends, we hung out and every now and then we'd jam together. You know, just talk about music and stuff like that. Actually, while that was all happening Mike and James got together and started doing acoustic shows at this bar in Denton where we went to college called the RBar. They did that for six months. They did this little acoustic set, a bunch of cover songs, and that's when they started writing together. They'd do two or three original songs. John and I, since we were all friends, started jamming on some of the songs that were their own. The first show we played was August of 2000, and John and I got up and played four songs we wrote in the other two, the four original songs that they'd written and they played the rest acoustic.

It was in the beginning, we were just a couple guys hanging out, having fun. But something happened. We really clicked. There were never any musical boundaries for any of us and the four of us come from really different musical backgrounds with our education, our preferences for music, and what we're listening to. It was a great outlet, so all of us just rocked. I think that friendship before we actually started the band. I think that's really kept us together over the years.

So how would you define your sound?
It's country. Without ever setting out to pick a certain kind of music we found ourselves making country music, or what was considered by our fans and people that would come to the shows country music. We sort of embraced that, and at the same time country music embraced us. It's stories about the everyday person and struggling through life and making it through.

We have a lot of rock influences. Both James and myself listened to a lot of rock in high school, and then John our bass player studied funk and jazz and he brought some of that to the table. We're not afraid to play around with different sounds and experiment with different ideas. But always at our core we're a country band.

What music would you say has influenced you the most personally, as Christ Thompson the Drummer?
My personal favorite drummers of all time is just Keith Moon, the drummer for The Who. He's awesome. I didn't know who he was until probably ten years ago, or really know much of The Who, but we were watching videos of them play, and he was just so manic and crazy on the drums. When the band first started out I was probably a sub-par drummer, which really didn't matter at the time cause we were just kind of goofing off, but I noticed that if I was making mistakes, if I acted a little crazy around the drums, people were just like, 'Aw, he's a crazy drummer!' I saw a lot of that in Keith Moon, except that he could actually play the drums really well. He's kind of a mentor in that regard. But we find all our inspiration through tons of different bands, from our favorite kinds of music to our favorite songs. That really changes because the four of us of are huge fans of music in general. One of the things I think is special about our sound is that we are always open to what's new and whatever we can find, whether it be culture or whether it be technology.

Okay so it's right after a concert, you're winding down from a show, what music do you put on?
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Associated Press

CLEVELAND — Jay Cutler turned Brady Quinn’s big night into his own prime-time showcase.

Cutler passed for a career-high 447 yards, his highest total since 2005, and ran the broken Denver Broncos to a 3-6 record and the Cleveland Browns that spoiled Quinn’s only hyped debut at an NFL start.

The Browns (0-9) won their fourth quarter-trailing 23-13, but Cutler, borrowing a page out of John Elway’s comeback playbook, brought Denver back. He recorded his fifth career fourth-quarter comeback victory despite losing two more running backs to injuries and only having his fullback to carry the ball.

“I told him ‘Go for it, man,’ ” Cutler said. “He told me to go down 13 and have an empty backfield and to come back like this, it means a lot.”

Cutler threw a 93-yard TD pass to Eddie Royal, a 28-yarder to Daniel Graham and then finished off the Browns like so many Denver teams have done in the past with his two TDs in the corner of the end zone.

The Browns have beaten Cleveland eight straight times and the Broncos’ long-time nemesis, beating them three times in AFC title games.

Quinn finished 24-of-42 with three TDs and one interception. He piled up 204 yards passing in the fourth quarter.

Quinn threw two TD passes to Jamal Lewis and ran 23-of-35 for 239 yards, but Cutler completed passes to eight different receivers with Winslow that sailed through the hands of the Pro Bowl tight end.

“Just can’t get that last play out of my head,” Winslow said. “The great thing there is they can’t make those plays. That’s where I want to be and I’m going to take it as a lesson.”

Denver’s bench burst into celebration while the Browns sustained another gut-wrenching loss after blowing a 14-point lead in the second half Sunday against Baltimore.

That loss cost Derek Anderson his starting job. He was benched by coach Romeo Crennel in favor of fan favorite Quinn, who made plays and was efficient moving the ball by throwing mostly underneath. Quinn completed passes to eight different receivers with Winslow catching 10 passes for 111 yards.

Quinn had the Browns (3-6) in position to win, but once again Cleveland’s defense couldn’t come up with a stop as Denver racked up 564 total yards.

“We let them throw the ball over our head, couldn’t tackle and let the game get away,” Crennel said. “It’s disappointing that your defense can’t do some simple things and does some things growth-wise that 93-yard touchdown pass should never happen — ever.”

Royal had six catches for 164 yards and Marshall caught six passes for 89 yards.

Cutler was playing at a huge disadvantage with Denver’s running game going backward because of injuries. It hardly mattered.

With starter Michael Pittman and backup Andre Hall already out with season-ending injuries, rookie Ryan Torain made his first start with third-year pro Selvin Young as his backup.

Torain scored on a 1-yard run in the first quarter but sprawled his left knee midway through the second when he got bent backward underneath a pile of players. He was replaced by Young, who gained 2 yards on his first carry but left a few plays later with a groin injury and didn’t return.

Those losses forced the Broncos to use fullback Peyton Hillis as their primary ball carrier, and the rookie from Arkansas came through on Denver’s final scoring drive by blasting his way through the line for a crucial third-down gain of 4 1/2 at the Cleveland 45.

From there, Cutler completed 14-yard pass to Graham before catching the Browns off guard with a quarterback draw for 18 yards. After missing Marshall in the end zone on first down, Cutler had his wideout run the same route against cornerback Brandon McDonald for the game-winner.

Earlier, McDonald was burned by the Royal for the 93-yard TD, the fourth-longest in Denver history.

The Browns played up Quinn’s pregame introduction, saving him to be the last player to run from the smoke-filled tunnel. He received a huge ovation from Cleveland fans, who despite having a Pro Bowl QB in Anderson, have seen many Sunday afternoons chanting “Brady-dy” for most of the past two seasons.

Quinn didn’t disappoint, throwing two TD passes to help the Browns win the first half and help the Broncos open a 20-10 lead.

With Broncos defensive end Elvis Dumervil in the face, Quinn hung in the pocket as long as he could before firing his first career TD pass, a 5-yarder to Winslow, to tie it 7-all. Winslow’s scoring grab made up for the one he dropped from Quinn last season when the rookie QB made his pro debut in Cleveland’s season finale.

It was a night the 25-year-old Quinn had dreamed of since he was a little kid in Dublin, Ohio. He grew up in the Columbus suburb cheering for the Browns and he still has a picture of himself wearing a No. 19 Bernie Kosar jersey.

In the days leading up to his first start, Quinn sought advice from his college coach, Notre Dame’s Charlie Weis, a former offensive coordinator with New England.

“He gave me some words of wisdom,” Quinn said, “as did everyone else — my mom, my dog.”

Quinn’s No. 10 jersey dotted every corner of Browns Stadium and a white bed sheet with “Save Us Brady” hung from the second deck.

But in the end, there was nothing he or anyone else in charge helmets could do to stop Cutler.
**AROUND THE NATION**

**Friday, November 7, 2008**

**MLB**

San Diego Padres general manager Kevin Towers talks about the possibilities of trading star pitcher Jake Peavy, at a meeting of baseball GMs Tuesday in Dana Point, Calif.

**PADRES’ PEAVY TO BE TRADED SOON**

Jake Peavy probably will be traded by the San Diego Padres before the winter meetings next month.

After spending four days at the annual general managers’ meetings, Padres GM Kevin Towers said it is unlikely the 2007 NL Young Award winner will remain with San Diego, which signed him out of high school in 1999.

"The train’s kind of left the station," Towers said Thursday.

Guaranteed $63 million under a contract that runs through 2012, Peavy is relatively inexpensive when com-
pared with what CT Sabathia is likely to get on the free-
agent market. The right-hander also has a no-trade clause, so he can determine where he winds up.

"We're not in control of the speed or the train," Peavy's agent, Barry Axelrod, said in a telephone interview. "The only thing we've got is the brake." Peavy's initial list of teams San Diego should concentrate on included Atlanta, the Chicago Cubs, Houston, the Los Angeles Dodgers and St. Louis. The Braves, Cubs and Dodgers appear to be the most likely candidates for a trade.

Towers, cutting payroll following a last-place finish, anticipates a trade before the winter meetings open in Las Vegas on Dec. 8. Given the paucity of pitching, the 27-
year-old is highly prized. He was 10-11 with a 2.85 ERA in 27 starts last season.

"We're not to the point where we've agreed on who the players are coming back. We just have an idea of who's available to us and who's not," Towers said.

"Now it's just a matter of looking at three priority teams that are involved and trying to figure out what our optimum deal is. Some of them involve third teams and potentially fourth teams, so it becomes a little more com-
licated."

At last year's GM meetings, Philadelphia acquired closer Brad Lidge and infielder Eric Brunson from Houston for outfielder Michael Bourn, pitcher Geoff Geary and minor league third baseman Mike Costanzo, a deal that helped the Phillies win the World Series for the first time since 1980. Florida held trade talks with third baseman Miguel Cabrera, who was dealt to Detroit along with Dontrelle Willis at the winter meetings.

There were no trades at this year's gathering, with talks more cautious. That's because this year's free-
agent class includes stars such as Sabathia, Manny Ramirez, Mark Teixeira and Francisco Rodriguez.

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**Men’s Soccer Rankings**

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**IN BRIEF**

**MLB likely to eliminate coin flips for playoff sites**

DANA POINT, Calif.—No more flip decisions. Rather than heads or tails, baseball general managers plan to recommend that sites for division and wild-card tiebreakers be decided by wins and losses.

"The team that performed better against the other team I think is the one that deserves to have home-field advantage, not an arbitrary coin flip," San Diego Padres general manager Kevin Towers said Thursday as the annual GMs meeting ended.

MLB staff is drafting a proposal for the GMs to consider next month when they gather at the winter meetings in Las Vegas, according to Jimmie Lee Solomon, executive vice president of baseball operations in the commis-

**Jags’ linebacker Peterson to be benched for attitude**

JACKSONVILLE, Fla.—Jacksonville Jaguars’ linebacker Mike Peterson was sent home again Thursday and probably will be benched for suspending for this weekend's game at Detroit.

Coach Jack Del Rio was still deciding how to punish the Jaguars' captain, who was asked to leave Wednesday after a confrontation with the coach during a team meeting Wednesday.

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** Former top draft pick Leaf under investigation for drugs**

DALLAS, Texas — Police in the Texas Panhandle are investigating a minor drug allegation made against former NFL quarterback Ryan Leaf, who this week was placed on leave from his job as an assistant football coach at West Texas A&M.

Canyon police Chief Bobby Griffin says the investigation is in its prelimi-

"We are trying to determine whether anything like that happened," Griffin said. "There is not enough information or facts to say we have a crime being committed or not." Leaf did not immediately respond to a message left by The Associated Press and Griffin said the police have not interviewed him.

"Some allegations have been made and some rumors are flying around. We've been asked...to look into it," said Griffin.
Ichiro picks up eighth straight gold glove; Young, Pedroia, and Mauer join Pena as first time winners

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Carlos Pena grabbed attention for all those balls he hit. Now the Tampa Bay first baseman and his teammates are getting noticed for the ones he caught.

Pena raised the Rays' profile in five games to Philadelphia.

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Mussina won for the first time since 2003. At 39, he was the oldest AL winner this year; pitcher Greg Maddux won an NL Gold Glove this week at 42.

The Gold Gloves are given out by Rawlings.

The Gold Gloves often raise ire of many baseball fans. Critics claim the best fielders are overlooked in favor of more popular players, and further insist that better hitters get a break in the voting.

Hunter and Sizemore earned $100,000 bonuses in their contracts for winning Gold Gloves. Betrie and Suzuki got $50,000 each and Pena, Mauer and Young won $25,000 apiece. Mussina and Pedroia did not have Gold Glove clauses.

The NL Gold Gloves were announced Wednesday. Along with Maddux, winners were catcher Yadier Molina, first baseman Adrian Gonzalez, second baseman Brandon Phillips, shortstop Jimmy Rollins, third baseman David Wright and outfielders Nate McLouth, Carlos Beltran and Shane Victorino.
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Fenway undergoes final stage of renovations

Upgrades to seating will keep one of baseball’s most historic ballparks open for at least another 30-50 years

Associated Press

Boston — The Boston Red Sox are wrapping up almost a decade of renovations to Fenway Park that should keep their venerable ballpark open for another 30-50 years.

"We are committed to Fenway Park — short-term, middle-term, long-term," team president Larry Lucchino said Thursday as the Red Sox unveiled their winter renovation plans. "We’re going to be here. No thought has been, or is being given to a new ballpark."

Past years’ renovations have included the Monster Seats above Fenway’s famous left-field wall, new and improved luxury suites and expanded concourses that have given Red Sox fans room to roam. This year’s more modest goals are to waterproof the concrete under the lower deck sections, replace and repair the seats from first to third and add upper deck seats down the first-base line.

While the legal capacity — including those who work at the ballpark — will remain 39,928, the net result of the changes will be the addition of about 350 more seats and a sellout crowd of about 37,750 for night games.

“There’s no reason they couldn’t play here for generations to come.”

Janet Marie Smith
Fenway project leader

It’s back again.

Next year’s plans include waterproofing the rest of the lower deck, a section that was added onto the structure in 1934. Other, smaller projects that come up will be tackled when they arise.

“We are in the eighth inning of a nine-inning game,” Lucchino said. "I'm certainly glad that we are in the closing innings of this gigantic undertaking."

The majors’ oldest and smallest ballpark, Fenway opened in 1912 and is being shored up to last through its 100th anniversary, when the Red Sox are hoping to host the All-Star game, Lucchino said. But it’s not clear how long the Red Sox can stay in a ballpark lacking some of the revenue sources built into new facilities, like the $1.3 billion Yankee Stadium scheduled to open next spring.

“(W)e spend a lot of time discussing what’s happening with other ballparks,” Lucchino said. "We’ll be watching with interest how that new ballpark affects their revenue and financial wherewithal."

The Red Sox will also be watching to see whether the new ballparks can be supported if the economy continues to sour.

“We have not had the kind of economic downturn the nation is confronting right now,” Lucchino said. "I think we’ll all learn a lot."

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COLUMBUS — Ohio State coach Jim Tressel said Thursday that receiver and punt returner Ray Small was suspended for one game “to start with” and that he had handled the situation correctly, despite complaints from Small’s father.

Tressel confirmed that Small will not play when No. 12 Ohio State plays at Northwestern on Saturday. Team spokesman Shelly Poe said the suspension was due to a “repeated violation of team rules.”

But Small’s father, Ken Small, said he is mystified why his son is being suspended.

“They’re intentionally trying to blow his career,” Ken Small told The Associated Press by telephone from his home in suburban Columbus.

It has been no secret that Ray Small has continually been in and out of Tressel’s doghouse for the past two seasons. His father said that the latest suspension stemmed from missing or being late for some classes and meetings. He also said part of his problems was parking issues.

Ken Small cited several other recent legal transgressions by Ohio State players and compared them to the minor problems his son has had. One player a year ago was arrested for propositioning a female police officer posing as a prostitute. At least two players have been arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol.

Ken Small said it was clear his son is being treated unfairly by Tressel.

“He had a couple of incidents, but he never got caught smoking marijuana before the national championship game. Or he never got a DUI or picked up a prostitute. He was just late,” Ken Small said. “And the punishment is you can’t even go into the (practice) facility? They act like he’s dangerous. These other kids didn’t get banned from the facility. All they got was being sat down for the first few plays of a game.”

Tressel hinted that Small, a 5-foot-11, 180-pounder from Cleveland, was being punished for ongoing problems.

“If a guy makes repetitive mistakes in football, he’s probably going to lose opportunities to play,” Tressel said. “The same would be with anything off the field, if a guy’s repetitive, it’s going to impact this playing time.”

Tressel, speaking at the Woody Hayes Athletic Center, grew increasingly upset as reporters asked him questions about Small’s suspension.

Tressel meets with reporters every Thursday for 15 or 20 minutes after he finishes his radio show.

He abruptly ended the interview after 5 minutes on Thursday.

“OK, guys. Thanks. I appreciate it. I thought we were going to talk about Northwestern. Thanks,” he said.

As he walked down a corridor lined with trophies from the team’s past, he shook his head in disgust.

Before that, reporters asked him if the suspension was just for one game. Tressel’s brief reply: “To start with.”

He also said that the length of the suspension would be determined by what Small does from this point on.

He also said that Small and his family had never discussed transferring out of the football program — which Ken Small said was not true.

“No, that’s false. That’s an outright lie,” he said. He said he and several family members, along with Ohio State defensive lineman Rob Rose, all met with Tressel last spring and they discussed Small transferring. But Ken Small said he talked his son out of it.

Ray Small got off to a great start this season, but his playing time has been drastically cut. He had two catches in the first three games to lead the team, then was benched for the third game and didn’t catch a pass in the game after that. After making two receptions against Wisconsin, he didn’t catch a pass during the next two games.

In Ohio State’s most recent game, a 13-6 home loss to No. 5 Penn State on Oct. 22, he had two catches for 37 yards. He currently is second on the team in receptions with 11 for 149 yards.

The speedy Small is also the Buckeyes’ top punt returner, with 18 for an average of 13.2 yards, tops in the Big Ten and 14th in the nation.

This spring, due to unspecified team infractions, Tressel took away Small’s preferred uniform No. 4 and gave him the No. 82.

Tressel said he was sure that he had both critics and supporters when it came to disciplinary moves.

“I’m sure there’s both ends of the spectrum out there in opinions. Like there are about what we’re doing with football,” said Tressel, who has also caught heat because of his team’s erratic play this season. “There’s one end that feels this way and one end that feels that way. Most things lie somewhere in the middle. But I don’t feel bad about how we’ve tried to help any of our guys.”

Ken Small said Tressel has just in for his son and has no intention to play him in games.

“Yes, that’s what it sounds like to me,” he said. “He’s saying, ‘We’re not going to kick him off the team, but he won’t play.”

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SWIMMING

Squads to take on Purdue

By MICHAEL BLASCO
Sports Writer

After a week off since its previous meet against Pittsburgh, both the men's and women's squads are gearing up to face off against in-state rival Purdue.

"We're very excited to swim against Purdue," Men's coach Tim Welsh said. "They're a wonderful program, a great in-state rival with two South Bend boys on their team. We're glad to have them." Welsh's Men's team comes off a thrilling victory against Pittsburgh that went down to the final event of the meet.

"We swam well at Pitt and raced tough, and it gave us the confidence that we can be tough when we need to," Welsh said. "We're very enthusiastic and optimistic headed into the meet."

However, the Irish face one of their toughest challenges of the season against the Boilermakers. Purdue, ranked No. 10 in the country, is the top-ranked team to travel to the Rolfs Aquatic Center this season.

One of the intriguing matchups in the meet comes on the diving board, in both teams bringing in tremendously talented divers.

In the women's match-up, the teams enter with the roles nearly reversed compared to their male counterparts. Notre Dame, ranked No. 24 nationally, looks to remain unbeaten in its home pool. The Irish have won all 28 events in which they have competed at the Rolfs Aquatic Center.

Notre Dame hopes that its swimmers can maintain their fast start. Of the 14 individual events that the Irish won against Purdue, swimmers won 13 of them.

While the Irish are well rested and ready for a week-long layoff, Purdue will travel to Notre Dame on Friday night after taking on a tough opponent in Houston. The Boilermakers' travel schedule could have an impact on the meet.

The meet is scheduled to begin at 2 p.m. on Saturday at the Rolfs Aquatic Center.

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SMC SWIMMING

Belles face AIC in MIAA competition

Saint Mary's looks to grab first conference win

By ERIC PRISTER
Sports Writer

Saint Mary's will look to win its first conference meet Saturday as they take on Alma in Alma, Mich. The Belles, who came in 12th at the competition after splitting their last meet, defeating the Illinois Institute of Technology, but losing to the Host University of Chicago.

The Belles are led by sophomore Maggie Williams, who so far this season has recorded four first-place finishes, which include victories in the 100 and 200 yard backstroke, the 200 yard freestyle relay, and the 200 yard medley relay.

NCAA FOOTBALL

Utah downs TCU, remains unbeaten

Associated Press

SALT LAKE CITY — Brian Johnson threw a 9-yard touchdown pass to Freddie Brown with 47 seconds left to cap an 80-yard drive that kept No. 10 Utah's BCS hopes alive with a 13-10 victory over No. 11 TCU on Thursday night.

The Utes, who improved to 7-0 in their third game that had started like a game that had started like a blowout. Utah fans wore black to

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back Marcus Young, Siegfried also fields a suffocating defense, while Matt Gamber, who leads an aggressive defense that allowed an astoundingly low zero touchdowns on the year.

But the games are played for a reason, and on any given Sunday, even the most insurmountable teams could potentially stumble. Led by quarterback Pat Fluskey and a fearsome defense, the Ramblers will look to control the clock, wear down the Ramblers' defense which now vaunted off the field.

"We need to come out intense since we've played them before. Even though we won, we didn't dominate. We need to have a hard-fought game until the end," captain Ken McAllister said.

The Dawgs played Siegfried closer than any other team this season, being the only team to put up any points against the well-disciplined Ramblers defensive unit. This experience, coupled with a desire to play the role of spoiler might just give just enough impetus to topple the colossus that has been Siegfried this season.

We are just trying to keep things going, we've got to make sure to stay focused and crisp on execution," Kelly said.

Kickoff is Sunday at 1 p.m. at Richie Field.

Dillon vs. Stanford
Another crosstown rematch is in store Sunday when third-seeded Dillon takes on sixth-seeded Stanford.

The Big Red won Oct. 5, 5-1elmetchup 7-6, and captain Chris Cugliari said that was the most important thing his team took away from the game. "We won, we won beyond Xs and Os."

"We hadn't had a lot of luck against Stanford, so this one was going to get that monkey off our back," he said. "The biggest thing we took away from that game is that we know we can beat them."

Dillon's defense was the story of that game, with a key interception by cornerback Brian Shaifer shifting the momentum.

"We would take our offensive strength is definitely our defense creating turnovers," Cugliari said.

Cugliari said that his team has been focused on the psychological aspect of the game this week.

"We've been working on mental going over responsibilities and we're making sure that no one here has mental mistakes," he said. "Every time we get off the field break, we kicked it up a notch."

Cugliari also said that even though Stanford made it to the championship last year, he's confident that what it takes to make it to the Semifinals.

"I think we definitely have what it takes," he said. "It's going to be a matter of all 23 guys showing up and being ready to give their best efforts Sunday. I think we definitely have the talent to make it there."

Morrissey vs. Sorin
The match for the Stadium begins this Sunday as undefeated and unbeaten powerhouse Morrissey for a spot in the semifinals.

Morrissey returns to the gridiron after a 21-6 rout last week that guaranteed the No. 1 seed in the playoffs. Morrissey will try to continue that effort against Sorin defense that has been merciless all season.

Junior linebacker Joe McFerry, who led Morrissey to basketball championship two years ago, is confident; his team's experience will give them the edge.

"We have a lot of players who have been in this situation before," McFerry said. "I think we know what we have to do in the postseason."

McFerry will try to ignite the offense with help from senior wide receiver Kyle Anderson, who poses a deep threat on the perimeter.

But long team defense has been Morrissey's strong point all season.

Junior linebacker Phil Yuhas leads an aggressive defense that has overpowered teams with its speed and intensity. Senior line­man Mike Kaiser, known to his teammates as "The Black Hole," will be doing the dirty work in the trenches.

Sorin, who clinched the No. 4 seed in the playoffs last week after posting a tie against St. Edward's, is making its first playoff appearance since 1988.

The Otters have not won an interhall football championship since 1988.

Led by cornerback Jordan Grenier and offensive lineman Matt Gamble, Sorin's defense has carried the team through the regular season. Yielding only six points all season, the Otters have posted three consecutive shutouts.

Junior captain Robert Gallicco is confident that the offense will find a way to score points if the defense maintains its high level of output.

"We always do just enough to get the job done," Gallicco said. "Our real concern is trying to come up with better team touchdown drives.

While the Otters are focusing on their touchdown defense, the Irish are focusing on getting their offense in gear. This week, they have a balanced offense.

"We've been doing our own practices to get on scoreboards and get things rolling," Debie Brown said. "We're looking to light up scoreboards this week."

The two contenders face off Sunday at 1 p.m. at Richie Field.

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NCAA FOOTBALL
Evans breaks school rushing record in win

Virginia Tech receiver Jarrett Boykin hauls in a reception in the Hokies 23-13 victory over Maryland Thursday.

Associated Press
BLACKSBURG, Va. — Darren Evans and Virginia Tech spent 12 days hearing about an offense that fans blamed for the team's struggles in a wide-open ACC.

They spent Thursday night suggesting the problems are solved and much brighter days are ahead.

Evans ran for a school-record 253 yards and a touchdown and the Hokies played stout defense to continue their Thursday night mastery with a 23-13 victory over No. 23 Maryland.

"We're tired of hearing about our offense not being good," Evans said after his 32­carry, breakout performance. "We just had to show up tonight and that's what we did.

And no one showed up more than Evans, a redshirt freshman who had shown flashes of his potential over the first eight games, but nothing to suggest what he did against the Terrapins.

"I've never seen him run like that," said Virginia Tech coach Frank Beamer. "He was running like a man possessed,"

"I was running like a man possessed," said Sean Evans, who started at quarter­back in place of Tyrod Taylor, who has a left ankle sprain. "I was running like a man possessed." He was breaking tackles, I think he grew up tonight. He went from being a rookie to a veteran and made my job easy."

And he did it on a stage the Hokies have come to own. Virginia Tech (6-3, 3-2) improved to 5-3 on Tuesday night and ended a two-game losing streak while remaining one of five teams in the ACC Coastal Division with two conference losses. The Hokies, Virginia and Miami are a half­game behind Georgia Tech (4-2).

Evans credited his much maligned offensive line with making his job easy by opening holes that he said were "the biggest they've all been." His runs included bursts of 50 and 49 yards, and several others into the secondary.

After beginning to doubt whether he would have a future with the Hokies, "This game has really put my head above the water," said Evans. "The game showed me that I belong out here."

Evans broke the record of 243 yards set by Mike Imoh in 2004.

He had no bigger fan Thursday than coach Frank Beamer.

"He kind of got in there and got hot and when he got hot we just kept giving it to him," Beamer said. "There were some holes there and when he got in there, he ran strong."

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"Home-field advantage doesn't help you if you don't have a lot of fans," said Jeff Jackson. "Hopefully, the weather cooperated, and we're expecting a great crowd even though it's an earlier game."
The contest will be televised live on CBS College Sports and tickets are free for students.
Marquette is the only team that has led against the Irish this year and Waldrum said he's expecting this game to be as competitive as Notre Dame's 3-1 win over the Golden Eagles on Oct. 5.
"They're always a very difficult team to put a competitive team on the field," said the head coach. "Marquette always does a good job putting a competitive team on the field.
Ridderwall has led Marquette to six NCAA Tournament appearances but has just a 1-4 career record against Notre Dame.
Still, Waldrum said this season's Golden Eagles squad is dangerous because of its good balance, especially on the back line.
"They're very athletic and competitive and fast," he said. "And the thing I'd say is they have really good goalkeeping and a good, strong defense."
Waldrum said that even against Marquette's solid defense, he hopes the Irish can produce enough offense that he can rest senior forward Kerri Hanks. Hanks, Notre Dame's top scorer, injured her knee in a 5-0 win over Cincinnati last Sunday.
"I'd say it's a game-day decision with [Hanks]," he said.
She had a good week of practice and she's doing a lot better but I think I'm inclined to be a little conservative with her. We're gonna try to rest here if we can but if we have to use her, we will."
If Notre Dame gets past Marquette, they might have a chance at revenge against West Virginia, who took down the Irish in penalty kicks in last year's Big East final. The Mountaineers will play Connecticut in the other semifinal at Alumni Field today at 2:30 p.m. But Waldrum said his team cannot afford to overlook the Golden Eagles.
"We've gotta be focused with the team like Marquette coming in," he said. "We can't even afford to guess about the other game. We just need to go out and beat Marquette then worry about the rest of the weekend when we get there."
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AGED TO
PERFECTION
Don't blame the coaches for losses

Every time Notre Dame loses football game, Irish fans love to engage in another kind of game that lasts until the following Saturday — the blame game.

And there's nobody fans like to blame more than the coach. That's not just true of Notre Dame, where fans and pundits have cried foul all week — that's pretty much standard procedure for any sports team at any level.

But Weis should not have had to remind them.

This week, Weis decided to shake things up a little bit so his players got that message. On Monday, the team had 6 a.m. workouts, and I'm sure they received some words of encouragement from Weis.

"The first thing they're going to do is go in and hit the run. Usually that's the area where the camaraderie comes out the best, when they're all pumping iron and running," Weis said Sunday. "It kind of gets things out of their system and gets them moving forward."

And how did that session go? "It might not have been very pleasant," Weis said Tuesday. "I think that [Monday] morning probably didn't start off too well for the fellas. OK? But by [Monday] afternoon I think things were on track. It wasn't a good start of the day."

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Heart of Gold

Maurice Crum Jr. has given all he can over the past five years, on and off the field

By DAN MURPHY
Sports Editor

It takes a pretty good excuse for Irish coach Charlie Weis to allow a player to miss prac-
tice. This summer fifth-year senior Maurice Crum Jr. came up with one that was good
enough to miss a whole week of workouts.

Crum spent a week in Accra, Ghana bringing much-needed computers and books to a local
orphanage.

Crum along with several oth-
ers from Students Bridging the
Information Gap (SBIG) arrived in Africa on June 10 to spend a week at the orphan-
age and deliver 15 new computers and over 2,000 donated books to the children
there. The group also raised enough money to construct a brand new, air-condi-
tioned computer lab to house the new machines.

"The trip was really spe-
cial," Crum said. "It was the chance to see someone else's lifestyle and being welcomed into their culture really put my life in per-
spective."

SBIG was founded by Crum's former teammate Abdel Banda who started the organization after suffering a career-ending
injury in his sophomore year. Banda included Crum in the project from the start.

"I got a pretty big heart as far as giving back, so naturally when I first started talking
about it, one of the first people that he was talking to about it was me," Crum said.

With Crum's help the group also set up the new library and taught some of the 300 chil-
dren living at the orphanage how to use the computers. They also had some time for fun.

"I got to play a soccer game with the kids. They were younger kids, but they killed
us," he said. "Next time I go back, I think I'll bring a football." 

The program intends to visit and donate to a different orphanage in Africa each year.
Crum said he plans to attend and do as much as he can to help out.

Playing soccer with the kids inspired Crum to want to start his own charity called Cleats
for Kids to distribute cleats throughout the continent. He is currently in a graduate class
that teaches the ins and outs of getting help from the United Nations. Crum said that he
plans on doing work to set it up once the football season slows down.

In the mean-
time, Crum has a few things to keep him busy on the field.

This Saturday against Boston College, Crum has a chance to crack the Irish record books.
He is currently five tackles away from joining the top 10 tacklers in Notre Dame histo-
ry. Crum is third on the team this season with 49 tackles through eight games, bringing his career total to 290.

That stuff is you dream about. I've been in the right place a bunch of times to make a bunch of tackles, Crum said.

He is also only 10 tackles away from passing former safety Tom Zbikowski for eighth place all-time. United
Crable, who played in the late 1970s, has a safe hold on the No. 1 spot with 521 career
tackles.

"Leaving my mark on this place is something special and something that I want to be in the books for something," he said.

Ironman

Crum already holds an impressive spot in the books with the longest games played and games started streaks in the program's rich history. Crum was red-shirted his freshman season, since then he has played in every single game for the past four years.

"I feel like my greatest attribute is my toughness," Crum said. "If I can help the team and be effective, I'm going to play."

Crum has also started 44 of those 43 in a row to start his career. Crum's only miss was two weeks ago against the Huskies in Washington. Crum sat out the first play of the formation Washington opened the game with.

And he has never missed a game due to injury.

"It has a lot to do with will and something that I never let up, but for me the greatest cure for pain is for the next play to occur," he said. "As long as you are out on that field and the adrenaline is pumping, nothing else really matters."

Crum needed all the adrenaline he could muster during his sophomore season when he played the majority of the sea-
son with a back injury. Crum said that he frequently had back spasms throughout the season, but didn't want to get the necessary surgery until the season had ended.

"Needless to say, it hurt, but my will power and my desire to help the team kept me on the field," he said.

The back hasn't been a problem for Crum this season, but there are plenty of other bumps and bruises that a mid-
field linebacker picks up during games.

"Bruised legs, turf toe, you know, just the regular kind of football stuff," Crum said. "But I don't want to get the wrong idea. There's a d i f f e r e n c e
between being hurt and being injured."

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Leading the way

Crum is very conscious of his role as a leader of the Irish team. He is one of
only 17 play-
ers to be named cap-
tain twice. He was the only
captain who
was not a fifth-year senior and
this year he was a shoe-in for
the spot along with offensive
captain David Grimes and spe-
cial teams captain David
Bruton.

"Being a leader of a team means that you have to be whatever your teams needs you to be," Crum said.

Crum said that in a season full of many highs and lows, his job has changed on a weekly, or even daily basis. As middle linebacker and the old-
est player in a young defense, Crum has had to be a rock for his team on and off the field this season.

Crum attributes most of his leadership skills to his father, Maurice Crum, Sr. who was a middle linebacker at the University of
Miami.

"My dad has always been a very important factor in my life. Him being around and knowing the game, it helps," Crum said.

Crum said that he was forced into being a veteran player pretty quickly with such a young team. He did get the chance to watch players like Brandon Hoyte and Corey Davis, which helped him learn how to work well together.

"They all had a role, one was the hammer one provided the energy. I had a different group of guys to study and take their skills and apply them to my own play," he said.

Crum couldn't define a specific role for himself because he had had to wear about every hat that is in the past four years for his team.

All of his hard work had cer-
tainly paid off. The entire nation is start-
ing to recognize Crum's work on and off the field. He is currently a finalist for the Lowe's Senior CLASS Award, which is given to a senior from each sport every year for their leadership on the field, in the classroom and in the community.

Crum graduated from Notre Dame last May with a degree in Sociology and enrolled in graduate school after the University approved him for a fifth year on the field.

Crum attributes the praise of that award to his family.

"The way that raised me and teaching me values, teaching me to be that well-rounded guy. [The award] is just a result of my upbringing," Crum said.

The winner of the award is based on nation wide fan vot-
ing and will be decided on Dec. 10.

Between a degree from Notre Dame, a place in the Irish record books and annual trips to African orpanages, Crum certainly has the résumé to win.

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Notre Dame Fighting Irish

Notre Dame 2008 Schedule

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Charlie Weis
Fourth season at Notre Dame
Career record: 27-18
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Charlie Weis
head coach

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Notre Dame Fighting Irish

Coaching

Charlie Weis and his staff have taken a lot of heat in the past week for play-calling choices and the inability to pull out a big game. Weis changed the team's practice schedule this week, it will be interesting to see how they respond.

Quarterbacks

Chris Crane had big shoes to fill when Matty Ice left town for Atlanta. He has held his own in a run-oriented offense, but eight touchdowns and 12 interceptions thus far leave some doubts.

Irish Rushing

Clauson continues to be a major threat to opposing defenses. He threw more than 40 passes against Pitt without an interception. He is still far from perfect, but he provides his team with a chance to score every time he touches the field.

Irish Passing

The three-headed backfield has established a little more consistency as each back settles into his own role. They still aren't the dominant force on the ground that was promised in August.

Floyd and Tate are good for a few highlight reel plays every Saturday. On the road, the Irish will try to set the pace by throwing the home-run pass early and if Clausen can find time to throw he should have some success.

Analysis

The Eagles have played four consecutive games away from home, and this is a big win for Notre Dame. The Irish were a big underdog but Clausen held his own against the Eagles defense and a much-improved special teams.

The Eagles front line pass rush may be a strength, but Clausen holds up well and does not let up allowing only 106 yards per game to opponents. The key to a win for the Irish is to tighten up against the run. The Eagles have the confidence to be a good opponent on the road. Between Stewart's absence and this Eagles defense and a much-improved special teams, the Irish will have the Eagles playing up to their full potential.

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Nov. 15 at FLORIDA ST.
Nov. 22 at WF
Nov. 29 MARYLAND

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Sports Editor

As much as it kills me to say it, it doesn't look good for the Irish in Boston this weekend. The Eagles are coming off two close losses, as if playing Notre Dame wasn't enough motivation. The stats once again paint a pretty even picture which should make for a close game. This one will be done, but Boston College will pull it out in the final push.

FINAL SCORE: Boston College: 34 Notre Dame: 22
### Crunching the numbers

**2008 Season Averages Per Game**

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### What's Your Favorite Place in South Bend?

Moe's Southwest Grill. Everybody likes Chipotle up here, but Moe's is where we went in high school. There were a ton of them, we went there a lot.

### What's Your Favorite Dish in the Dining Hall?

I used to like the broccoli a lot but I haven't been a fan of it lately. I like it when they have lasagna, and pretty much any type of cereal.

### What's Your Favorite Meal Back Home?

I like my mom’s chicken enchiladas a lot. And any time she makes sweet potatoes.

### What's Your Toughest Class?

Accounting 1. It’s by far my toughest class.

### What's Your Favorite Play You've Made or Seen?

My favorite play I've seen wasn't when I was here, I was a senior in high school. It was against UCLA, we scored right at the end. Samaadzija caught a touchdown. The game wasn't over yet, and Pat Kuntz ran out on the field and just jumped on the pile. When you run off the sideline when you're not in the game and the game's not over yet, that's a pretty bold move.

### What's Your Favorite Class You've Taken So Far?

Anthropology. It’s cool to learn about all the different cultures.

### What's Your Biggest Petpeeve?

When you’re walking around campus towards either a bike or someone walking. And you step to one side, and then they step to that side. And you just keep going back and forth. That really gets on my nerves throughout the day.

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Neal adapts to hybrid defensive position

By BILL BRINK
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Kerry Neal wants to be the best defensive end–linebacker hybrid player there is. What exactly does that mean? "Having offensive linemen fear me," he said.

Neal, a sophomore linebacker, plays an interesting role in Notre Dame's 3-4 defense. He usually lines up with his hand on the ground as a lineman, although occasionally he'll drop back into pass coverage.

"You're a linebacker but you're working out with the linemen in practice," he said. "It's back and fourth. You're down there with the linemen pretty much."

But back to being feared. Neal wants to intimidate opposing offenses.

"Just being a dominant player, the most disruptive player," he said. "Having linemen jump offsides because of my speed and stuff like that. He's got the athleticism to do it."

"He's very athletic and he has not played a lot," Irish defensive coordinator Corwin Brown said. "This is his second year playing, so you would like to think he has a lot of room to grow still because of his athleticism."

Neal has steadily grown since high school, when he once played safety as a 170-pound freshman. Now, he said he's up around 250.

Neal has five tackles this season, three of them for a loss. He also has an interception and a sack. He said he's still learning the game, but that he feels much more comfortable.

Freshman year, he said, he sometimes didn't know his role on the field. The additional playing time, he said, helped him learn his position.

"I think the game is really coming to me," he said. "I have to just keep working hard. It helped a lot. I'm not nervous anymore out there. I feel like I'm supposed to be out there."

To continue to improve, he said, he pays great attention to his coaches and watches a good deal of tape.

"Staying constantly in the film room," he said.

"Learning the calls, learning the defense. Instead of just being out there on third-and-long, that type of situation, now I can go out there and stop the run."

Limiting Boston College's two-back ground game will challenge the Irish defense. At his position, Neal said, the best way to limit the run is to follow his procedures based on the defensive play called.

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Irish linebacker

"If I got a gap I need to be in, I can't just run to it. I need to have a play coming my way, make that play."

Brown said successful defensive players have that ability to make plays, whether or not the odds are in their favor.

"I would just like for all of our players on defense, when you have a chance to make plays, you make them," Brown said.

"And if you're in an area to make a special play or a 'big' play, then you make them. Sometimes it's not realistic because the other guys will win too."

Neal and the rest of the defense have an additional challenge ahead of them in Chestnut Hill. Massachusetts Eagles quarterback Chris Crane can run the ball a little bit more, which the defense will have to take into account.

"You just got to be aware. If we have good coverage on him, he's going to take it off," Neal said.

Neal's learning process is nowhere near complete. He can't estimate himself how far he can go, but Brown said his future looks bright.

"He's still learning the college game," Brown said. "He'll get better. He'll definitely get better."

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Mobile quarterback and full backfield will challenge Irish

By JAY FITZPATRICK
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When Notre Dame played Boston College last season, the Eagles were the No. 4 team in the country. They would move to No. 2 the following week behind Heisman Trophy candidate Matt Ryan at quarterback.

On the other sideline, the Irish were winless and replaced then-true freshman Jimmy Clausen with Evan Sharpley during the game.

But the important part about this Saturday's rematch is that neither team is the same as last year's.

For Notre Dame, all the young players who suffered through tough losses last season have gained experience, but Boston College has lost a good deal of senior leadership, having graduated 19 fifth-year seniors.

The most obvious change is at quarterback. Matt Ryan was drafted third overall by the Atlanta Falcons after throwing for 3,953 yards, 28 touchdowns and 16 interceptions last season.

His replacement this season is senior Chris Crane, who was Ryan's backup on the Eagles.

"He's actually a guy who likes pressure. He throws interceptions, just like other quarterbacks when you pressure them," Brown said.

While Crane is not as effective a passer as Ryan was last season, the 6-foot-4 senior is more of a dual-threat quarterback than his predecessor.

Crane has rushed for 147 net yards and seven touchdowns so far this season. Last year, Ryan had only one rushing touchdown but a net of minus-nine yards on the ground.

Notre Dame coach Charlie Weis said that while the Eagles coaching staff has some running plays drawn up specifically for Crane, a lot of his rushing yards come from scrambling.

"He's a guy who likes to run the ball a little bit more than not afraid to run it. They actually do run some read options with him actually carrying the ball," Weis said. "The other thing, if he doesn't see something in the passing game, he's not afraid to pull it down and go with it. He does a nice job feeling pressure and avoiding the rush and getting out of the pocket and throwing the ball away when he's under duress."

The other major offensive loss for the Eagles from last season is starting tailback Andre Callender, who also graduated last season.

Callender led the team with 907 yards on the ground and nine touchdowns and also led the team with 29 catches for 613 yards. This season, the Eagles have spread the wealth in running the ball, splitting carries between freshmen tailbacks Josh堪 Haden and Montel Harris.

"They have a quarterback who makes good decisions, throws the ball around pretty well," Brown said. "He makes mistakes just like everybody else. He gets tackled, he gets pressure. He throws interceptions, just like other quarterbacks when you pressure them."

"He's not a big guy, but he runs hard. He's very quick and he's also a good receiver out of the backfield," Weis said.

"Harris is not that much different than Haden. He's not that much different. They're not real big guys but both backs that run real hard," he said.

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