Students struggle to find on-campus jobs

ND employment still available, but scarce

By ANN-MARIE WOODS
News Writer

Given the current state of the economy, Notre Dame students are facing more competition in the on-campus job market than they have in previous years.

Managers at popular on-campus locations have noted slight increases in the number of student applications for employment.

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Study abroad requires new health care

Students must now use HTH Worldwide insurance for International Studies programs

By JOSEPH McMAHON
Assistant News Editor

While there is much debate about health care reform in town halls across the country, the Office of International Studies (OIS) has taken steps to ensure full health care coverage for all program participants.

"We have a standardized system where we know what is covered everywhere," OIS director Kathleen Opel said. "For us we think this is the safest and most comprehensive thing we can do to help our students abroad.

All program participants are now required to have health insurance from HTH Worldwide, which "specializes in study abroad and international networks," Opel said.

In the past, students were allowed to use their own policies.

Opel said HTH Worldwide provides comprehensive coverage, and in most instances students can go to the doctor without having to pay any additional fees.

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Those hot summer days

As the weather has been a fright 60 to 70 degrees these past few days, I find myself facing the dismal comprehension that summer is finally over. The days of rest and relaxation have officially come to an end, and I am back here at school. Not that I don't enjoy my college days, because I do. I wouldn't trade them for anything. But nothing can compare to the hot summer days I spent outside at the park.

This past summer, I worked as a counselor for a day camp at my local park department. My My Name is Alice and Park consisted of entertaining 10 to 25 kids. We would play games, do crafts and run semi-organized sports. I worked with a great group, who I had a great time hanging out with. This guy was six-foot-seven. He was lean and athletic, and played basketball on a scholarship at the local university. Though he was ridiculously tall, he was the nicest, most non-intimidating person on the planet.

I, on the other hand, am five-foot-four. As the weeks went on I faced many other difficulties. One boy decided that he wouldn't listen to the rules, and eventually the game was banned. Some kids would just stall in the bathroom instead. Right outside of the bathroom instead. Eventually, they accepted it. They won.

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I had one girl fight while at the park. One day, he climbed all the way to the bathroom on the sidewalk right outside of the bathroom instead. When I caught him in the act, I told him to go inside and go to the bathroom. He didn't, and continued to pee the whole way back. He was a nice little kid, but he just didn't respect everyday. Not that I was mean to him, I was just trying to teach him a lesson. He was 11 years old. I told him to go inside and go to the bathroom. He didn't, and continued to pee the whole way back.

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We had another kid who was a run-away. He often would do the craziest things. One day, he climbed all the way to the top of the playground equipment. Now I don't mean the legal way you are supposed to climb it. No, he climbed on the outside of the equipment, and was putting his life in danger. He was five. Later, he decided to leave the park, and run to the road. My co-worker chased him for about half an hour. In the end we called his parents and he wasn't allowed to come back anymore.

After my second summer at the park I have several fond memories. I remember the sweet summer breeze. I remember the kids at the park, and I remember all the magnificent stories that I have now to tell about my awesome kids at my park.

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

INQUIRY OF THE DAY: What song best describes your life right now?

Katie Riojas
sophomore
Breen-Philips

"Baby You Wouldn't Last Another Minute on a Creek."

Leon Zhou
sophomore
Stanford

"Break Even" from the Scripts.

Micaelia Teileria
sophomore
Breen-Philips

"Come As You Are."

Priscilla Chol
sophomore
Breen-Philips

"There's no song that can describe me right now!"

Have an idea for Question of the Day? E-mail observer.questions@gmail.com

OFFBEAT

Largest mariachi band consists of 549 members

GUADALAJARA, Mexico — At the Guadalajara Art Festival, a group of mariachis has broken the world's record for the birthplace of mariachi.

A total of 549 musicians got together to win the record for the birthplace of mariachi. On Sunday, they performed several songs in just over 10 minutes, with favorites like "El Reencuentro" and "Mariachi." A representative of the Guinness Book of World Records, Stuart Claxton, made it official at the International Mariachi Festival.

The old record belonged to 520 mariachis who performed in San Antonio, Texas, in 2007, said Francisco Beckman, an organizer of the record-breaking attempt.

When the fugitives arrived, they were identified and arrested on offenses ranging from grand theft to fraud to attempted murder.

Police spokesman Sgt. Frank Sousa says the two-day sting was dubbed "Operation Show Me the Money." Sousa says the sting saved man hours and allowed police to make arrests in a controlled environment.

Information compiled from the Associated Press.

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An exhibition entitled "Graffiti Art Project" will be held in the Crossroads Gallery today at 9 a.m. The collection consists of artwork from a summer program made up of 10 to 17-year-olds with interest in art.

Para la Gente: Art, Politics and Cultural Identity of the Taller de Gráfica Popular is taking place at today at 10 p.m. in the O'Shaughnessy Galleries in the Snite Museum of Art. The exhibition has selected works of the Charles Hayes Collection of Twentieth Century Mexican Graphics. Admission is free.

A photographic exhibit entitled "Thin" Photographs by Lauren Greenfield will be presented at the O'Shaughnessy West Galleries in the Snite Museum of Art. The collection has 53 color photos of groups of women. The exhibit opens at 5:15 p.m.

Mass will be held in the Sacred Heart Basilica today at 11:30 a.m. and 5:15 p.m.

The Emerging Concepts in Cancer Biology from Molecular Mechanisms to Nanotechnology lecture will be held in room 129, DeBartolo Hall today at 3:30 p.m.

Activities Night will be held in the Joyce Center Fieldhouse today at 7 p.m. It will feature many different clubs and organizations offered at the University.

To submit information to be included in this section of The Observer, e-mail detailed information about an event to obsnews@nd.edu
Center celebrates 25 years

By BRITTANY VANSENPO

The Saint Mary's Center for Spirituality has reached its 25th year while battling obstacles, making improvements and focusing on future education based on the interaction between reason and faith.

A special symposium will be held on Oct. 8 and 9, in membrance of the life of Monika Hellwig, the first Madeleva lecturer.

"When the Center started, the first program was quietly established as the Madeleva Lecture Series," director Dr. Kathleen Dolphin said. "Hellwig's career as a theologian brought about advances for the Center by inspiring both the academic study of spirituality as well as implementing it as a way of life. She did so through the public eye since 1984, has moved to a new building, transitioned under the care of a new directors and has seen an endless number of Saint Mary's students pass through its doorways.

With the Center's first fund- donor, by the Sisters of Holy Cross, the Center for Spirituality became the first establishment of its kind in the United States. Under the lead of Keith Egan, the first director, spirituality was introduced as having an academic component, Dolphin said.

"What started out on a smaller scale," Dolphin said, "has become very successful." Evidence of Dolphin's statement can be found in the recently funded Quest Project, a program that sponsors events that stress the importance of a healthy relationship between the spirit and the mind.

The Center's goals for the future are to become less of an external face to the students and more of a resource to the public. Ultimately, the Center hopes to capture the students' attention and acquaint them with what is going on in the Center.

"We want to ask the students the question," Dolphin said, "can you be a critic and a believer at the same time... and our answer is yes."

In order to commemorate the Center's beginning, Dolphin will be hosting a series of activities. The first will be an open house on Sept. 10 on the first floor of Spes Unica from 3 to 5 p.m. A lecture will be held the following Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. in Vinder Vennet Theatre, where speaker Kathleen Sprots Cummings, a history professor at Notre Dame, will discuss "Reflections on Catholicism, Feminism, and History."
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year.

"It is difficult to know at this point whether or not there will be an increase in student seeking employment," senior student service representative Yolanda Teamer said. However, Teamer said she is optimistic that students may still have the opportunity to find campus jobs, citing the large number of postings listed on the student job board.

The majority of on-campus jobs are updated frequently on the online job board provided by the Office of Student Financial Services. While the listings may indicate positions to building services jobs, the greatest number of available positions are for food service, specifically the dining halls and the LaFortune restaurant.

There is still employment available in these positions, are interested in applying for the work the late night shifts, LaBella said of the Huddle. "They are not the most desirable shifts but if they want to work, we have shifts available.

Beginning on Aug. 24, the hiring of student jobs at LaFortune was described as "first come, first serve," as students were given the opportunity to come early to sign up for shifts at the various locations in the student center, junior Karina Galvin said.

When I signed up on Aug. 24, this year, even if you look at the number of jobs we have left as of today, which we usually have at this time of the year, but there still jobs available, as of today.

According to the College's Student Employment Database, there are 15 different campus jobs, many of which have more than one position available. As of Monday, there were only nine different job types available for student employment on campus. Each of these jobs only had a limited number of positions remaining.

Another cause for concern in campus employment stems from the recent increase in the minimum wage.

"We are in the midst of returning students may find themselves with fewer hours to work in order to compensate for the increase of pay.

"In the library, we have the same amount of student dollars, even though the minimum wage increased. So maybe the number of individual student hours would be lowered, but we're trying to employ as many students as we did in the past, so the overall amount of hours might be offsetting the number of hours they would get to compensate for the amount of pay. "In the past, the biggest concern was that the minimum wage has had a significant impact on student employees' paychecks. Over the past two years the average pay check for a student worker has increased from $8 to $12 per hour.

Of course every minimum wage increase we had to correspondingly adjust our pay policies for student employees. "We're paying four pay rates. The majority of our jobs are based on full-time. Two years ago that pay rate was $6.35 an hour and this year it's $7.25. Our other pay rates have also changed in the last two years.

Although jobs may seem scarce this fall, both Brown and Karle said they are not the most desirable shifts but if they want to work, we have shifts available.

"I feel great relief because I have great relief because I feel ready to take on, given the power we have to present certain resolutions to Father Poorman," said Fr. Pete McCormick. "I'm going to make sure that the student body is being heard on issues that student government might not feel ready to take on, given the power we have to present certain resolutions to Father Poorman.

Gustavo Garlo director of external affairs

"I think that one of the problems that we saw this summer is student drunk driving.

Despite the changes being implemented as part of this year's effort to improve security, the Class of 2011 game-day-weekend campaign, the SMC also plans to address issues that arise with the close proximity of a business development to campus.

Next meeting, the SMC also plans to propose focus groups to begin addressing the issue of student employment for the upcoming year, Schmidt said.

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"With higher tuitions and situations that are looking for employment," she said. "The doctor said she was not feeling well and decided to provide HTH insurance. It actually covered everything. I was in the hospital for over a month."

"Gotebeski fell ill. With the policy we have now, we have emergency evacuation [and] repatriation insurance could prove invaluable in the event of a transportation emergency at various places on campus.

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"Essentially it's to speak on behalf of the student body to take on tasks that student government might not feel ready to take on, given the power we have to present certain resolutions to Father Poorman."
Turkey, Armenia start diplomatic talks

The talks face pitfalls, and will follow months of inactivity after signs of promise earlier in the year when President Obama appealed for reconciliation during a visit to Turkey. Both sides said in a joint statement they expected the talks to take six weeks and to end with an agreement setting up and developing diplomatic ties. But they won’t discuss the deepest source of their enmity: the World War I-era massacres of Armenians under Ottoman rule.

Hurricane Jimena roared toward Mexico’s coast on Monday evening.

Workers at the Cabo San Lucas marina nailed sheets of plywood on storefront windows while fisherman secured their boats ahead of Jimena, which was packing winds near 155 mph (250 kph).

JAPAN

Japanese party transitions into power

Hatoyama’s Democratic Party of Japan had won more than 300 of the 480 seats in the lower house of parliament. That would easily be enough to ensure that he is installed as prime minister in a special session of parliament that is expected to be held in mid-September. The task ahead for the Democrats is daunting. Japan managed to climb out of a yearlong recession in the second quarter, but its economy remains weak. Unemployment and anxiety over falling wages threaten to undermine any recovery. The jobless rate has risen to a record 5.7 percent. After a rapid succession of three administrations in three years, Japan is facing its worst crisis of confidence in decades.

The Liberal Democrats plan has been to move Japan away from a corporate-centric economic model to one that focuses on helping people. They have proposed an expensive array of initiatives: cash handouts to families and farmers, toll-free highways, a higher minimum wage and tax cuts. The estimated bill comes to 1.68 trillion yen ($17.9 billion) when fully implemented starting in the 2013 fiscal year.

The party has said it plans to cut waste and rely on untapped financial reserves to fund their programs. But with Japan’s public debt heading toward 200 percent of gross domestic product, the Democratic Party has been criticized as a financial fantasy that would worsen Japan’s precarious fiscal health.

Japan’s stock market surged early in the morning on the news of the election, but then fell back — indicating uncertainty among investors about what the Democratic government will bring.
Two firefighters killed in L.A. fire

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — As the soaring wall of flame roared through the Angeles National Forest, firefighters Ted Hall and Arnie Quinones worked feverishly to protect their fire-camp crew, made up mostly of prison inmates.

Then, suddenly, the fire invaded the camp. Hall and Quinones shepherded corrections and fire personnel to safety and left the truck to shield them from the blaze.

The fire burned through the camp, leaving it in ruins. The dining hall provided adequate shelter for now, but Hall and Quinones knew they had to get everyone to safety. So they jumped in an engine truck and left to search for an escape route down Mount Gleason.

Hall had been a captain with 26 years in the Los Angeles County fire department, while Quinones, a specialist, had eight years of service. They worked together supervising a state Department of Corrections fire crew, which later was rescued from the fire.

"We had to get everyone out of there," said Arnie Quinones. "They put the scorched hulk — a reminder tumbling as it plunged 800 feet down the steep mountainside. The vehicle crashed upside down, killing the two men.

The fire they had tried to outrun quickly caught up to them and left the truck a charred hulking reminder that death lives in the shadows of firefighting.

Quinones, 45, leaves behind a pregnant wife who is due to give birth to their first child in the next few weeks. Hall, 47, had a wife and two sons.

The deaths, the second and third this year of firefighters in the line of duty in California this year, have shaken the ranks of men and women battling the 105,000-acre fire.

Morale is low among those working on the ground.

"It hits home," said Los Angeles Fire Capt. Sam Padilla. "This morning my daughter hugged me a little tighter than usual."

Los Angeles firefighter Karen Zakowitz, 46, of Fontana, recalled coming home to a "pang of the happy person" who was called "Q.

"I would have taken his place in a heartbeat," she said, choking back tears.

"The wildland firefighting family is special, even if you don't like each other, you hang together and we're working together. You can feel it all across the camp."

The deaths also hit fire-fighters who have come from around the state to pitch in. Fremont Fire Capt. Rick Cory, 41, said he immediately called home to let his family know he was safe. "I was pretty shocked," he said. "But it's part of the job. Bad things happen even if you do everything right."

Wildfires pose particular challenges for firefighters because of the rugged terrain and narrow access roads. Firefighters often have limited access to oxygen tanks, and they often work in proximity to flames that are notoriously unpredictable.

But that feeling of being on the edge was one reason firefighters said they loved their jobs. "Pretty much anyone who fights fires likes the excitement of it, the adrenaline rush, the atmosphere of the unknown," said U.S. Forest Service firefighter Angie Bishop, 29, of Mendocino County. "It is really scary, but you don't really process that."

1,000 attend funeral for slain Baptist pastor

Associated Press

OKLAHOMA CITY — As many as 1,000 people packed out a church Monday for a nearly three-hour service to celebrate the life of a pastor who was found slain inside her church's parking lot in Oklahoma and to remember her as a sweet, loving woman of God.

More than a dozen speakers, most who knew her and some who didn't, told mourners at Greater New Zion Baptist Church that Carol Daniels was not just a victim of a violent crime, but a "rain, snow and sunshine" that shaped the lives of many. Not very many pastors are that committed to their ministry," Elder Steve Taplin said.

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Judge halts work on Gadhafi home

Associated Press

ENGLEWOOD, N.J. — A judge on Monday ordered a halt to work being done outside a mansion where Libyan leader Moammar Gadhafi wanted to stay during his first U.S. visit and pitch a considerable Redoubt-style tent to entertain guests.

Englewood Mayor Michael Wildes had sought to stop all renovations to prevent Gadhafi from staying at the 5-acre estate when he visits the United Nations in September. Bergen County Superior Court Judge Peter Daysie gave the city a partial legal victory, ordering a halt to work on the estate's pool and lengthy driveway.

Wildes said he was happy with the ruling because it leaves the grounds unsuitable for a head of state. He said that's the only way to assure the Libyans keep their promise last week that Gadhafi won't travel to New Jersey, which lost dozens of residents in an airplane bombing widely believed to have been the work of Libyan rebels.

"This is a victory for the people of New Jersey, because Gadhafi won't come here if he doesn't have the kind of opulent presence worthy of a national leader," Wildes said. "But this is a Band-Aid on a long-term problem for our community because we don't want the Libyans here if they're not going to be good neighbors."

The dispute arose after a Scottish court recently freed a man convicted in the 1988 bombing of Pan Am Flight 103 over Lockerbie, Scotland, and let him go back to Libya, where he received a warm welcome. The bombing killed 270 people, including 38 from New Jersey and 59 from New York.

Talk of Gadhafi's possible visit to Englewood sparked angry protests by residents, who said they weren't welcome.

Englewood attorneys claim the Libyans failed to secure all the construction permits and plans they needed in the upscale community of 28,000 residents about 12 miles north of Manhattan. The judge ruled renovation may continue inside the mansion and a poolhouse.

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Disney catches Marvel in $4 billion web

Acquiring Marvel superheroes will lend Disney credibility with men, boys

By Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — The Walt Disney Co. is pushing its way into the universe of superheroes and their fangirl fans with a deal announced Monday to acquire Marvel Entertainment Inc. for $4 billion, bringing characters such as Spider-Man into the family of Mickey Mouse and "Toy Story.

The surprise cash-and-stock deal sent Spider-Man sensations tingling in the comic book world. It could lead to new series, movie action figures and other outlets for Marvel's 5,000 characters, although Marvel already was aggressively licensing its properties for such uses.

The deal won't have benefits right away, as Disney stock sank on the news that the company expects short-term profit hit, and Marvel characters from X-Men, Spider-Man and Daredevil were locked up in deals with other movie studios and theme parks. But Disney's CEO, Robert Iger, promised an action-packed future.

"Sparks will fly! It's the exposure that comes to mind," Iger told analysts.

Stan Lee, the 86-year-old co-creator of "Spider-Man" and many more of Marvel's most famous characters, said he was thrilled to be informed of the marriage Monday morning.

"I love both companies," he said. "From every point of view, this is a dream." The deal is expected to close by the end of the year and mark Disney's biggest licensing acquisition since it purchased Pixar Animation Studios Inc., the maker of "Up" and "Toy Story," for $7.4 billion in stock in 2006.

Marvel would follow another storied comic book publisher into the arms of a media conglomerate. DC Comics, the home of Superman, Batman and Wonder Woman, was bought by Warner Bros. in 1998.

"Marvel would follow DC in the arms of a media conglomerate," Iger said.

Marvel TV shows already account for 20 hours per week of programming on Disney's recently rebranded, boy-focused cable network, Disney XD, and that looks likely to increase, Iger said. The shows are right in the wheelchair for boys," he said.

There will be some lag before Marvel's trove of characters are fully developed at Disney, because of licensing deals Marvel has with other studios.

For example, Sony Corp.'s Columbia Pictures is developing the next three "Spider-Man" sequels, starting with "Spider-Man 4" set for a May 2011 release. News Corp.'s 20th Century Fox has the long-term movie rights to the "X-Men," "Fantastic Four," "Silver Surfer" and "Daredevil" franchises.

Both studios maintain those rights in perpetuity unless they fail to make more movies.

Associated Press

Comic book creator Stan Lee stands beside some of his drawings in the Marvel Super Heroes Science Exhibition at the California Science Center in Los Angeles.

Former Miss California sues over firing

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**Tobacco companies file lawsuits**

**Associated Press**

RICHMOND, Va. — Two of the three largest U.S. tobacco companies filed suit Monday to block marketing restrictions in a law that gives the U.S. Food and Drug Administration authority over tobacco, claiming the provisions violate their right to free speech.

R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Co., maker of Camel and Doral cigarettes, and Lorillard Inc., which sells the Newport menthol brand, joined Philip Morris USA in filing the lawsuit with several other tobacco companies.

It is the first major challenge of the legislation passed by Congress in June, and a lawyer for tobacco consumers doubted the lawsuit will be successful.

The tobacco makers claim Philip Morris' law "severely restrict the few remaining freedoms companies have to communicate with adult tobacco consumers," Martin L. Goldin, senior vice president and general counsel for Reynolds, said in a statement.

The Family Smoking Prevention and Tobacco Control Act gives the FDA authority over tobacco from the factory to the shelf and restricts tobacco product marketing with "low tar" and "light" descriptors, among other provisions.

The companies say in their lawsuit that the law, which took effect in September, prohibits them from using "color lettering, trade- mark or any other imagery in most advertise-

ments, including virtually all point-of-sale and direct-mail advertisements." The complaint also says the law prohibits tobacco companies from "making truthful statements about their products in scientific, public policy and political debates."

The tobacco makers say the new mandated health warnings on their packages would relegate the compa-

nies to being "something less than half the cigarette packaging," making it "difficult, if not impossible, to see."

The lawsuit doesn't chal-

enge the decision to give the FDA authority over tobacco products, and Reynolds spokesman David Howard said the company opposes only portions of the law.

Joining in the suit filed in U.S. District Court in Bowling Green, Ky., are: National Tobacco Co., Discount Tobacco City & Lottery Inc., and Kentucky-based Commonwealth Brands, which is owned by Britain's Imperial Tobacco Group PLC.

"We believe that many of these provisions within the law violate our constitutional rights and are not reasonably related to the goal of reducing youth access to tobacco products," Jonathan Cox, president and chief executive of Commonwealth Brands said in a statement. FDA spokeswoman Kathleen Quinn said the agency does not comment on pending litigation.

The tobacco makers name the FDA, the government and individual officials as defendant s in the lawsuit, which seeks to put portions of the law on hold while the case is heard. Ultimately, they want the marketing provisions stripped from the law.

"My expectation is that this lawsuit will be ultimately unsuccessful," said Ed Sweda, a lawyer for the Tobacco Products Liability Project in Boston, pointing to previous laws limiting cigare-

ette advertising and marketing that have been in place for years.

Floyd Abrams, a lawyer representing R.J. Reynolds, said he was confident the suit would be successful.

"Some of these regulations go so far in the direction of stifling the entirely lawful speech of Lorillard to its customers that it violates the First Amendment," he said.

The law doesn't let the FDA ban nicotine or tobacco, but the agency will be able to regulate what goes into tobacco products, publicize those ingredients and pro-
hibit certain marketing cam-

paigns, especially those geared toward children.

Baucus meanwhile promised during a conference call Friday, that a conference between the major players working on the issue agreed a proposal to settle the pending litigation. "I think that would be negoti-

able based on what I think you're hearing. Ultimately, they want to take full effect in three months have been things I have heard," Baucus told The Associated Press. "I talked to the leadership and they all want to do health care reform. But there's a lot of politi-

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teration, but made clear he doesn't expect a public health care option sought by President Barack Obama to be in a final deal.

"I'm still hopeful, but I'm hopeful based on I think you're hearing about something that is less sweeping than what we talked about before," Grassley told a cable television inter-

view. Grassley in the past has rounded the public option, but went a step further Monday in saying the center group of senators agreed such a provision would not be in a bill. "It's pretty clear that something not on the table," Grassley said. "It's fair to say that for every one of the six is opposed to it, but they realize the reality of the bill and the time of the case."

The six senators have sched-

uled a conference call later Monday, but Grassley said nothing can be resolved until next week when Congress returns and can affect of nationwide town hall meetings.

Grassley reiterated that there are limits on what he can say about a health care reform package.

"There are things that are off the table, I can't say," Grassley said about some limitations from his caucus I have tried to take to the table: no mandates, no raiding and tort reform." He declined to be precise about what he could accept.

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ating through the press, and I don't think there's any chance that that," he said.

On Monday remarks to the Center for American Progress, a liberal think tank, AFL-CIO secre-

etary-treasurer Richard Trumka — who is expected to become President Obama's next president — said lawmakers would pay a political price if they abandon a government-

run option.

Businesses meanwhile promised constituents that health care reform would not reduce the deficit as fast as they would have liked, and is necessary to rein in costs.

Baucus also said he understands that a health insurance plan is weighing heavily on the minds of Republicans.

"They are in their homes states and they are hearing a lot of concern about insurance con-

cerns," Baucus said. "In some ways it is easy in the short term to tone it down." During the congressional recess, Baucus met with 41 members of the House of Representatives. "It was one of the most unique experiences I had," he said. Many members expressed concern about what health care proposals they believed were being pushed in their states. "It really does remain unclear how much they have changed the debate."

**Grassley hopeful for health reform**

**Associated Press**

DES MOINES, Iowa — Iowa Senate Majority Leader Charles Grassley said Monday he remains hopeful the limited health care reform measure can be negotiated, but that a separate bipartisan group of senators working on the issue agreed a government-run public option won't be part of the package.

Senators Finance Chairman Max Baucus, D-Mont., meanwhile, said an overhaul measure will be presented this year with or without bipartisan sup-

port — though he said a com-

promise would be far better than any bill pushed through solely by Democrats.

The senators are among a group of health care bills and three Republicans on the pi-


torial Finance Committee who are trying to hammer out an overhaul the nation's health care system. Grassley Monday they were hopeful a bipartisan deal could be reached.

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New strategy needed for Taliban

Associated Press

FORT WORTH, Texas — The United States and NATO need a new strategy to defeat the Taliban in Afghanistan said Monday as the Obama administration scrambles to assess an assessment that is widely seen as the groundwork for a fresh reassessment of the war in Afghanistan.

The situation in Afghanistan is serious," Robert McChrystal, the commander of NATO forces in Afghanistan just as the strain was being sent up to the White House and in Congress for a fresh look at the U.S. military's performance in Afghanistan, said Monday in the opening statement of his assessment.

"We have been very explicit about the need to do more to support Afghanistan just as the strain of the huge force commitments to the Iraq war begins to diminish, or risk losing the war for the effort," McChrystal said in a war room meeting with commanders of troops in Afghanistan.

U.S. and NATO commanders have said they do not have sufficient troops and support to expand the fight against a resilient and well-armed Taliban insurgency. But Gates had also expressed concern about placing too many forces in Afghanistan, a strategy that-led to the failure of the Soviet Union in the 1980s.

"There are two large issues," Gates said. "We will have to reassess the strategy for forces; we will have to look at costs. There are a lot of different things we will have to look at."

McChrystal's recommendations were being sent up through U.S. Central Command, including Gen. David Petraeus, who would add his comments about the situation in Afghanistan.

"We should be forthright in telling you what we need," Gates said.

U.S. officials are bracing for a new assessment of the war in Afghanistan. By late last year, the DEA had said 21,000 new American forces President Barack Obama committed to the war this year. That would force an unprecedented increase in the number of troops to Afghanistan just as the strain of the huge force commitments to the Iraq war begins to diminish, or risk losing the war for the effort, McChrystal said in a war room meeting with commanders of troops in Afghanistan.

Last week, McChrystal said troops "must change the way they operate" in newly released counterinsurgency guidance. "There is no new approach in troops to the fight," McChrystal said in a new approach in troops to the fight.

McChrystal said the supply of guitar players in Afghanistan is "essentially ended" and "international forces in Afghanistan face a new threat of villagers at the top priority."

Gates requested the report as a gut check following Obama's announcement of a pared-down counterinsurgency strategy and the rare criticism from a top general of the war effort.

"We will try to look at Afghanistan's new approach in troops to the fight."

The human toll of the fires began to set in as Monday became the fourth straight day that U.S. forces came under attack by the Taliban. The Afghan government has issued an "emergency strategy and the rare sight of a top general's resignation this spring," McChrystal said.

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"What this says is, 'Listen, listen, listen,'" Whitmore said. ""What this says is, 'Listen, listen, listen,'" Whitmore said. "The blaze in the Los Angeles foothills is the latest in a string of destructive of California's wildfires, said Los Angeles County sheriff's spokesman Steve Whitmore said. A threat of intense fire activity, Whitmore said, was "too bad."

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Clever marketing methods can often mask the true quality or effectiveness of what is being sold. Case in point: infomercials. Every day, thousands of otherwise rational people are lured into purchasing products that they might not have bought under normal circumstances because of the employment of certain tried and true techniques by marketing professionals. Some products seem fairly useful (those green bags that prolong the shelf-life of fruits and vegetables). Some are obviously too good to be true (those weight-loss diets, control your appetite, and lose body fat just by taking a pill). Some sound intriguing until you realize how pointless they are (who could say no to a blender that can grind concrete into dust?). Some products are kind of silly (a blanket with sleeves comes to mind...). And some are just plain disturbing (the Teddy Bear? Himself?). But what most infomercial products have in common is that despite how utterly ridiculous they are, they never quite live up to one’s hopes or expectations in real life. Reality brings us to our current state of affairs.

It might be hard to believe, but at the end of the decade last April, approximately 65 percent of Americans approved of President Obama’s performance. Today, that number is hovering around 50 percent, a full 15-point drop in just four months.

So, besides Michael Jackson’s untimely demise and the ever-enthusing Jon and Kate Gosselin separation saga, what happened this summer? Did Americans, who just a few months ago, have the most liberal federal government in U.S. history, seem to lose faith and turn against the president? After all, it would be only logical that the unemployed or the families facing eviction would lose faith in the president.

Did you like the Block Party last weekend? It was more distinguished by that circumstance than anything else. But what most infomercial products have in common is that despite how utterly ridiculous they are, they never quite live up to one’s hopes or expectations in real life. Reality brings us to our current state of affairs.
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Leslie Ventura
University of Nevada, Las Vegas
The Rebel Yell

It’s an average Monday night and my family has just finished watching their latest Netflix rental. While we wait for Conan O’Brien to come on, the television is off and my mother can hear herself shoot zombies on her favorite iPhone app. Still waiting for Conan, mom checks what movie is in her queue, has a conversation with relatives through Facebook, updates her status on Twitter and downloads mp3s from indie music blogs—all via her 8GB iPod Touch.

My mom is cooler than me.

As much as we may hate to admit it, as millennials we tend to have an identity crisis. It is easy to have fun technology is being invented, and they should have the right to know how to use it. Parents aren’t limiting their kids by forcing them onto boring games of cards, bingo and re-runs of “The Price is Right.” As long as they’re defensible, we are defining ourselves on MySpace while making new friends, networking on Facebook while organizing events and speaking their minds on Twitter, just like we are.

So I get older, I’m starting to realize that our personality quirks and characteristics stay with us no matter what. Millennials are more aware of their own worlds, becoming more savvy about the technology. We consider when our parents use the same networking side of the equation. Parents who are more in tune with their kids are more likely to keep their kids from making a match of virtual and real life.

In fact, technology might be bringing us closer. You can run from it or you can embrace it. Either way, the technology we once thought was ours alone is now available to all ages.

Instead of being horrified that your mother added you on Facebook, maybe it’s a sign that you really shouldn’t have all of those pictures of you doing beer bongs up for the world to see. And what goes on in your parents’ lives may be as cool and interesting as your own.

This column first ran in the Aug. 27 edition of The Rebel Yell, the daily newspaper serving University of Nevada, Las Vegas.

The views expressed in this column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.

As I stated earlier, character is built, it isn’t changed or shifted. You already have a character foundation, so you can only build onto it — you can’t move your foundation. You may think you have “changed” your character, but that is just a distraction, and you will soon find that out.

In essence, success is found in constant building, not radical changes. So look at these new experiences as ways to build up your character and become a better person, instead of changing who you are.

I took this advice to heart, and I believe I have become better because of it. I have challenged my own beliefs while in college and because of that I am more firm in these beliefs today than I was when I first got here.

College isn’t a time or place where you come to change who you are; it is a time to experience exciting new things and become a better person. This point is the main principle to this heart: Success in life is not found in changing who you are, but in finding your place and what you want to do.

Lastly, to all the freshmen out there: Look at these next four to five years as a time where you can grow stronger in what you believe in right now and learn as much as you can, because college isn’t about becoming a “new” person, it’s about learning the skills you need to become yourself.

Best of luck and have fun!

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The Independent Collegian
Lollapalooza, the annual alternative music festival, kicked off with an incredible lineup on August 7. The festival, which has been held yearly in Grant Park, Chicago, since 2005, featured a slew of today’s hottest up and coming artists.

For the indie rock-loving folks at Lollapalooza, Friday was the highlight to an impressive weekend. Acts like Manchester Orchestra, White Lies, Bon Iver, Ben Folds, Fleet Foxes, The Decemberists, Andrew Bird and Kings of Leon thrilled cold crowds on a rainy Chicago day. Rounded out with hip-hop experimental rockers Of Montreal, and straight-from-the-80s Depeche Mode, Friday proved to be a solid day of good music for anyone and everyone. Even a little rain (actually, a lot of rain) couldn’t keep the crowds away.

Manchester Orchestra, an indie-rock band from Atlanta, played early in the day, but they had a huge crowd singing along with every song. Without knowing any of their songs, they were a little hard to get into, but they played a pretty good set anyway. They displayed high energy and were definitely crowd pleasers. All in all, they put on a good show, but not a totally memorable one.

The Knux, a small hip hop/rock outfit from New Orleans, provided a nice change of pace for a festival that didn’t feature many hip hop acts. They started off slow with some of their lesser-known stuff, but picked it up quickly with their biggest single, “Cappuccino.” They were good entertainers and had the crowd dancing, but they really ruined their set with some of their new songs falling pretty flat. But they put on a great show and proved that they still have it.

Fleet Foxes were easily one of the best acts of the weekend. What makes their music great is their really tight harmonies, both vocal and instrumental. Typically, such precise harmonies are really difficult to pull-off at a live show, but these guys definitely did it. In fact, they blew their recordings out of the water. Fleet Foxes are best live because their subtle nuances really take center stage. And unlike Bon Iver, the large crowd didn’t dwarf the sound or the effect of the music.

The Decemberists put on a great show. Their most recent album, "The Hazards of Love," is something like a rock opera, featuring defined characters and a plot. Rather than play a set featuring hits from both "Hazards" and their previous albums, the Decemberists played "The Hazards of Love" straight through, acting as the characters in costumes. This album was a departure of form for the Decemberists, but playing the album straight through is clearly how it was meant to be heard. When taken as a continuous whole rather than a series of songs, "The Hazards of Love" is really a great piece of music.

Andrew Bird is known for putting on bizarre live shows, particularly because of the way he plays his music live. Rather than have one performer play each different instrumental part, he has only a small band on stage with him. They begin each song by playing various melodies and then electronically loop them so that they will continue playing while Andrew Bird and company play something entirely different.

But for whatever reason, this seems to add to the overall effect of Andrew Bird’s music. He clearly envisions his music as multi-layered instrumental pieces, and he has mastered the technology to make possible the layering of music in a live show. It’s an incredibly unique experience, enhanced by Bird’s amazing overall talent as a musician and showman. He definitely knows how to put on a show. His set was without a doubt another highlight of the weekend.

While most of the younger attendees were watching Kings of Leon Friday night, the crowd for Depeche Mode was having a blast, even though the median age was significantly higher. Everyone was up and dancing to the 80s electronic band. They played all of their biggest hits from back in the day, like “Personal Jesus” and “Enjoy the Silence,” along with songs from their newest album, “Sounds of the Universe.” Their old hits were definitely the highlights of their set, with most of their new songs falling pretty flat. But they put on a great show and proved that they still have it.

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SCENE

By ANDREW SEROFF
Scene Writer

This year at Lollapalooza, Saturday was widely criticized as the day with the weakest lineup. Its headliners included the psychedelic-metal niche group Tool as well as the Yeah Yeah Yeahs, who received the most prestigious invitation as a last-minute substitute for the Be atomic-Beats.

The bill of acts for the day presented a hospodage of foreign artists such as Feeder, the British indie group that formed in broad daylight within the hyper-excited crowd when the band members, decked out in bright sunglasses, polos, and shorts, began playing the ever-popular “A-Punk.” A few new tunes from the band’s upcoming sophomore album were sprinkled throughout the set for every fan’s enjoyment as well.

By ALEXANDRA KILPATRICK
Assistant Scene Editor

Lollapalooza literally held its own on Sunday, with a relaxing weekend of good music at Chicago’s Grant Park. The laid-back summer music festival became more crowded than ever on Sunday, bringing in a total of more than 75,000 people. Many of these were fans of the UK-based art rock band the Arctic Monkeys, whose farewell tour back in 1993 became the first Lollapalooza festival. In spite of the amusing bottlenecks formed throughout the last few days when they do.

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Michigan coach Rodriguez denies any wrongdoing

Statement responds to allegations by current and former players that practice time exceeded NCAA standards

ANN ARBOR, Mich. — Michigan coach Rich Rodriguez said Monday that his football program has abided by NCAA rules, despite allegations from anonymous players and former players who say the team has practiced far beyond the time allowed.

"We know the rules," Rodriguez said, "and we follow the rules.

At a news conference in Ann Arbor, Rodriguez became emotional as he tried to gather himself several times with glassy eyes as he denied any wrongdoing.

"I guess I'm here to tell you that," Rodriguez said, "that we want to be heard or want to believe, the truth is that this coaching staff cares very deeply about the young men in our program," he said.

The school on Sunday launched an investigation into allegations that the football program regularly violates NCAA rules limiting how much time players can spend on training and practices.

The announcement came after a Detroit Free Press article published last week, which indicated that between the 2008 and 2009 seasons, the Big Ten said that Michigan exceeded the daily limit of 20 hours and often exceeded the daily limit of 4 hours. They also quality-control staff often watched several off-season scrimmages that are supposed to be voluntary and that only training staff are allowed to attend.

Rodriguez said that what bothered him most was the perception that he and his staff do not care about their players.

"That is disheartening," he said.

Rodriguez, who is guiding college football's winningest program since 1967 and its first losing season in 34 years, was fined $2,500 by the team, which marked the first time he received a fine.

During games, no updates will be permitted by the individual himself or anyone representing him on his personal Twitter, Facebook or any other social media account, the league said.

The use of social media by NFL game officials and officiating department personnel will be prohibited at all times. The league, which has always barred play-by-play descriptions of games in progress, also extended that ban to social media platforms.

Earlier this summer, Chargers cornerback Antonio Cromartie was fined $2,500 by the team for criticizing the food service at training camp.

The Miami Dolphins imposed restrictions on players, reporters and even spectators at their training camp, saying several other teams also set up some restrictions on practice fields, including the Broncos, Patriots, Bills, Colts and Saints.

But NFL players have embraced the network to the point that some announce news, including Saints rookie cornerback Malcolm Jenkins. He sent out word of his signing with the team on Twitter.

The Cincinnati Bengals sent out first official word of first-round draft pick Andre Smith's signing Sunday on a tweet saying Smith had signed, which was wrong. So Smith's agent, Alvin Keels, sent out his own tweet saying the report was incorrect.

The NFL's security department assists players in removing fake sites on Facebook and Twitter.

"The growth of social media platforms such as Twitter and Facebook has created important new ways for the NFL and clubs to communicate and connect with fans," the league said in a statement. "The NFL will continue to emphasize innovative and appropriate use of these new forms of communication."

Commissioner Roger Goodell tweeted from the draft in April.

Other leagues have not issued formal policies on social media.

Charlie Villanueva, then with the Milwaukee Bucks, posted a message on Twitter during halftime of a game and got a stern lecture from coach Scott Skiles, who thought he gave the impression that Villanueva wasn't focused. Villanueva also tweeted that he was signing as a free agent with the Pistons earlier this summer.

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NCAA FOOTBALL

University of Michigan head coach Rich Rodriguez talks to his team after an Aug. 30 practice. Rodriguez recently denied charges of exceeding NCAA limits on practice time.

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NEW YORK — Tweet away, boys. Limit sav is forever and before and after the games.

The NFL said Monday it will allow players to use social media networks this season, but not during games.

Players, coaches and football operations personnel can use Twitter, Facebook and other social media up to 90 minutes before kickoff, and after the game following traditional media interviews.

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With no extension of the weekly limit of 20 hours and often exceeded the daily limit of 4 hours. They also quality-control staff often watched several off-season scrimmages that are supposed to be voluntary and that only training staff are allowed to attend.

Rodriguez said what bothered him most was the perception that he and his staff do not care about their players.

"That is disheartening," he said.

Rodriguez, who is guiding college football's winningest program since 1967 and its first losing season in 34 years, was fined $2,500 by the team, which marked the first time he received a fine.

During games, no updates will be permitted by the individual himself or anyone representing him on his personal Twitter, Facebook or any other social media account, the league said.

The use of social media by NFL game officials and officiating department personnel will be prohibited at all times. The league, which has always barred play-by-play descriptions of games in progress, also extended that ban to social media platforms.

Earlier this summer, Chargers cornerback Antonio Cromartie was fined $2,500 by the team for criticizing the food service at training camp.

The Miami Dolphins imposed restrictions on players, reporters and even spectators at their training camp, saying several other teams also set up some restrictions on practice fields, including the Broncos, Patriots, Bills, Colts, Saints and Lions.

But NFL players have embraced the network to the point that some announce news, including Saints rookie cornerback Malcolm Jenkins. He sent out word of his signing with the team on Twitter.

The Cincinnati Bengals sent out first official word of first-round draft pick Andre Smith's signing Sunday on a tweet saying Smith had signed, which was wrong. So Smith's agent, Alvin Keels, sent out his own tweet saying the report was incorrect.

The NFL's security department assists players in removing fake sites on Facebook and Twitter.

"The growth of social media platforms such as Twitter and Facebook has created important new ways for the NFL and clubs to communicate and connect with fans," the league said in a statement. "The NFL will continue to emphasize innovative and appropriate use of these new forms of communication."

Commissioner Roger Goodell tweeted from the draft in April.

Other leagues have not issued formal policies on social media.

Charlie Villanueva, then with the Milwaukee Bucks, posted a message on Twitter during halftime of a game and got a stern lecture from coach Scott Skiles, who thought he gave the impression that Villanueva wasn't focused. Villanueva also tweeted that he was signing as a free agent with the Pistons earlier this summer.
Patriots Linebacker Tedy Bruschi, right, hugs New England head coach Bill Belichick before announcing his retirement at a news conference at Gillette Stadium in Foxborough, Mass., Monday.

**Patriots’ Tedy Bruschi retires after 13 seasons**

Associated Press

FOXBOROUGH, Mass. - Tedy Bruschi retired Monday after a 13-year NFL career in which he won three Super Bowl titles with the New England Patriots and made a gallant return from a stroke.

The inside linebacker played for no other team and leaves football with only one unachieved goal — a fourth championship. "I'm 36 years old," Bruschi said at a news conference. "Your body doesn't heal as quickly."

He came back from a mild stroke in February 2005 to play eight months later. "I was retired," he said.

"I didn't think it was possible" to play again, Bruschi's performance declined last year. He missed much of training camp with an undisclosed injury but played in two of the team's last three exhibition games.

But Bruschi was listed with the second unit this spring behind second-year pros Jerod Mayo and Gary Guyton. Even before Bruschi's retirement, Mayo had taken over the defensive signal-calling. A first-round draft choice out of Tennessee, he was the defensive Player of the Year last season.

"I wouldn't specifically say the torch has been passed to me, but it's been passed to this whole defense," Mayo said. "It's just going to take a group effort to really pick up the slack for his absence.

"Bruschi's retirement leaves running back Kevin Faulk, drafted by the Patriots in 1999, as the longest tenured member of the team. Quarterback Tom Brady, drafted in 2000, is the second most senior Patriot.

On defense, 2001 first-round pick, defensive end Richard Seymour, has been with the team the longest. In the offseason, the Patriots lost two other defensive leaders — safety Rodney Harrison to retirement and linebacker Mike Vrabel in a trade with Kansas City.

"I don't think you can fill that leadership void with one person," outside linebacker Adalius Thomas said. "(Bruschi) has been here. He's seen so much, been through so many things."

**Favre may have cracked rib, still starts vs. Texans**

FOHESTON - Vikings quarterback Brett Favre says he might have a cracked rib, although it didn't prevent him from starting against the Texans.

Favre told ESPN before Monday night's game at Houston that he hasn't received an official diagnosis but that taking a deep breath caused him some discomfort. He also doesn't plan to wear any kind of special padding, saying "the damage is done."

Favre didn't appear to be in any pain when he handed off to Adrian Peterson on the first play of the game, and Peterson scored on a 75-yard run. Favre was expected to play the entire first half against the Texans. He wasn't listed on the injury report, and none of his teammates mentioned the injury before the game.

The three-time MVP signed a $25 million deal with the Vikings on Aug. 18.

Chief's head coach fires offensive coordinator

KANSAS CITY — Bold head coach Todd Haley fired offensive coordinator Chan Gailey and assumed that role himself Monday, 13 days before he opens the season with a very unsettled quarterback situation.

Matt Cassel was injured in Saturday night's preseason loss to Seattle, limping away with a knee injury. But Haley refused to discuss the injury to Cassel, who signed a six-year contract for a guaranteed $28 million.

Yahoo! Sports, citing a source in the organization, reported Cassel sprained the medial collateral ligament in his left knee and could miss two to four weeks.

The top candidates to replace Cassel are Tyler Thigpen and Brodie Croyle, who are 1-8 as starting quarterbacks in the NFL. Thigpen took about 80 percent of the snaps with the first team in practice Monday, but a decision could be based on who plays well in the final preseason game at St. Louis on Thursday.

**Court limits Delaware sports betting to professional games**

DOVER, Del. — A federal appeals court on Monday dealt another body blow to Delaware's plans for a new sports betting lottery, saying it must be limited to parlay bets on professional football games.

A three-judge panel of the 3rd U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals declared last week that Delaware's sports betting lottery, which included single-game bets and wagering on a variety of professional and collegiate sports, violated federal law but it did not expressly say why.

On Monday, the panel outlined its reasoning in a 23-page opinion. The court said it interpreted language that exempted Delaware from a 1992 federal ban on sports gambling — known as the Professional and Amateur Sports Protection Act — as precluding any type of betting beyond what it had offered in a failed National Football League lottery in 1976.

**Notes**

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Preseason AP Division I Football Top 25

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Several teams deal with quarterback injuries

Culpepper injury gives Stafford opportunity; Cassell's status still uncertain; Bulger to sit out final preseason game

Associated Press

ALLEN PARK, Mich. — For the first time in his career, Matt Cassell has no questions about that Matt Stafford was the Lions' first-string quarterback.

Injuries to both Daunte Culpepper and Daunte Harper (knee) meant Stafford was Detroit's only healthy quarterback for Sunday's practice.

"This is fun — it was like being back in college," said Stafford, who took over for an ailing Thigpen last season. "I know all three of our plays. I would probably just throw to Calvin Johnson on every play.

Write that down. Nick Harris is not scared.

Knee injury may sideline Cassell

Brodie Croyle kept getting hurt and Tyler Thigpen kept being named starting quarterback.

"It's almost unheard of that you have something like that happen right now," Thigpen said. "We're just happy to be out here playing.

Haley refused to breathe a word about the status of Cassell or any of his other quarterbacks. But Yahoo! Sports, citing a source in the organization, reported he sprayed the medial collateral ligament in his left knee and could miss two to four weeks.

The players indicated they had no inkling how long Cassell might be gone.

"It's unfortunate for Matt," Croyle said. "We know what he's capable of when he's healthy.

So far in preseason duty, Croyle has looked the best. In his third consecutive start against the Ravens Thursday, Croyle completed 16 of 27 passes for 149 yards and two touchdowns.

Bulger will face stretch of 10 quarterbacks

Bulger was also the subject of trade rumors.

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"That's the way this business works," said Thigpen, who took most of the snaps with the first team in practice on Monday. "You've got to be ready.

Johnson winces at memories of last year's 2-14 campaign.

"It was tough. We went through a few injuries. The players got tired of me doing the same thing. We had to do what we had to do to right.

This time a year ago, Croyle was designated as the foundation quarterback for Herm Edwards' rebuilding program. But Croyle missed almost the entire season with knee surgery and, when backup Damon Huard was also injured, the job fell to Thigpen.

Croyle would certainly welcome the opportunity to win the starting job after spending several months getting over the surgery.

"You've got to be ready for it. This is what I've harped over," he said. "This is what I've tried to get back for."

But he's yet to take a snap from center since being injured Aug. 17, routine for a healthy quarterback but potentially jarring for one with Bulger's injury. So backup Kyle Boller will get his third consecutive start on Thursday night against the Kansas City Chiefs in the annual Governor's Cup game in St. Louis.

"We've got to be prepared on him not going," coach Steve Spagnuolo said. "We've got to come in here tomorrow morning begging to play and say we're ready to go."
Have you thought about teaching Religion and becoming a Catechist?

*Do you enjoy working with children or adolescents?*

*Can you give one-two hours of your time each week?*

*Do you welcome the challenge to articulate and share your faith?*

*Would you like to be a valuable asset to a local parish?*

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**Important Information Meeting:**

**Wednesday, September 2**

5:30-6:30 p.m.

Room 330 Coleman-Morse Center

Call John or Sylvia Dillon at 631-7163

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**TENNS**

**U.S. Open begins at Flushing Meadows**

Defending champions Federer and Williams advance, along with former winner Clijsters

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**Associated Press**

NEW YORK — Former world No. 1 Kim Clijsters marked her return to the U.S. Open with a 6-1, 6-1 victory over 79th-ranked Viktoriya Kutuzova of Ukraine on Monday and a warm welcome from the Flushing Meadows crowd.

Clijsters' lone Grand Slam championship came the last time she played at the U.S. Open in 2005, and her first-round victory was the 26-year-old Belgium's first Grand Slam match since January 2007.

In the intervening years, Clijsters retired, got married and, in May 2008, gave birth to a daughter. She came to the U.S. Open unranked and needed a wild-card invitation from the U.S. Tennis Association.

"Little more nervous than usual. It's a very special court to me, but I really enjoyed it," Clijsters said. "I felt really good out there.

Clijsters came back this month at two hard-court warmup tournaments, winning five of her seven matches.

Defending champions Roger Federer and Serena Williams won, too, and Andre Agassi came back to the site of the final match of his career in 2006, participating in an opening-night ceremony.

By beating 18-year-old American Devin Britton 6-1, 6-3, 7-4, Federer ran his winning streak to 35 matches at the tournament and became the first tennis player to surpass $50 million in career prize money. Williams also beat an American teenager in straight sets, eliminating Alexa Glatch 6-4, 6-1.

"Tricky match for me, playing a guy who's got absolutely nothing to lose," said Federer, seeking a sixth consecutive U.S. Open title.

No one has won five straight U.S. Opens since Bill Tilden won the American Grand Slam tournament every year from 1920-25.

"That's what I'm here for, to proving to equal Bill Tilden's record," Federer said. "It's fantastic to be sort of compared to someone who played such a long time ago, I guess."

Other winners included American John Isner, who knocked off No. 28-seeded Victor Hanescu of Romania 6-1, 7-6 (14), 7-6 (5). No. 21 James Blake of the United States; former No. 1 Lleyton Hewitt of Australia and French Open runner-up Robin Soderling of Sweden.

Two-time major champion Amelie Mauresmo of France won easily, as did No. 7 Vera Zvonareva of Russia and No. 8 Victoria Azarenka of Belarus, Italian No. 10 Flavia Pennetta, No. 12 Agnieszka Radwanska of Poland and No. 14 Marion Bartoli, whose next opponent is Clijsters.

France's Bartoli, the 2007 Wimbledon runner-up, was also the first in her comeback. Clijsters beat her.

"I have to go on court and think I'm still the player with the better ranking, so I'm supposed to win," Bartoli said Monday. "This time I knew what to do. I have a plan, so it's going to be different."

That was only one of several impressive wins for Clijsters already, including against Azarenka and French Open champion Svetlana Kuznetsova.

"Where I was the most surprised," Clijsters said, "is how comfortable I felt out there from the beginning."

She hit seven aces against Kuznetsova, and won 60 of the 88 points to shouts of "Come on, Kim!" from the crowd. There also were some mistakes and some rust, including four double-faults.

Clijsters started thinking about ending her retirement seriously early this year, after being invited to play in exhibition matches to test Wimbledon's new Centre Court roof.

As Clijsters began to get in shape for that, she knew a return to the tour was what she wanted. Maybe even needed.

"I wasn't surprised when Kim told me she wanted to give her tennis career another go. I knew she was young enough, and the more times she picked up the racket, the more the competitive bug bit her," said her husband, Brian Lynch, an American who played professional basketball in Belgium. "I'm excited and happy for her — that our family has a chance to go on this adventure together."

Clijsters looked at times Monday like she never went back at the U.S. Open.

"Just the match rhythm, I think, is something I have to get used to," Clijsters said.

"OK, matches like this today, I didn't really get tested," Clijsters said.

Kuznetsova explained why afterward. She was bitten by a spider a couple of days ago and had a bad allergic reaction, one that left parts of her arms red and swollen. A doctor gave her some medicine — too much medicine, Kuznetsova said.

"I wasn't even sure if I can play, because I was feeling very bad. When it was long points, I couldn't breathe," she said. "I couldn't really see the ball, and everything was twisting."

Still, Clijsters was impressed by the woman across the net. Kim Clijsters, back on a Grand Slam stage, back at the U.S. Open.

"I didn't see any difference," Kuznetsova said, "between how she was playing before and how she's playing now."
MLB

Pena’s home run, four RBIs lead Rays over Tigers

Reds’ right fielder McDonald scores on wild pitch in bottom of ninth to lift Reds over Pirates in first game of doubleheader

Associated Press

DETOIT — Carlos Pena and the Tampa Bay Rays headed into September on a high note.

Next up, a key series against the Boston Red Sox.

Pena hit his AL-best 38th homer and drove in four runs to help the Rays beat the Detroit Tigers 11-7 on Monday for a split of their four-game series.

Tampa Bay scored six times in the first inning against the AL Central leaders, capped by Pena’s two-run drive. James Shields remained unbeaten against Detroit, and Jason Bartlett added a solo homer as the Rays moved within five games of idle Boston in the wild-card race.

Tampa Bay hosts the Red Sox on Tuesday night, the start of a three-game set.

“I don’t know if it gets any bigger,” Evan Longoria said.

Tampa Bay is 4-1 against the Red Sox at Tropicana Field this season and has won seven of the first 11 meetings.

Carlos Guillen had four hits for Detroit, including a pair of two-run homers.

Tigers starter Jarrod Washburn (9-8) allowed his first six batters to reach base. The last was Pena, who hit a shot down the right-field line. Pua Burrell had a two-run double earlier in the inning.

“It was great,” said Pena, who finished August with 12 homers and had his seventh game this season with four or more RBIs.

“That first inning really put momentum on our side,”

Pena added an RBI double in the fifth and Bartlett homered in the sixth off Washburn, who lost for the second time since joining the Tigers in a July 31 trade with Seattle. He left the mound to a chorus of boos after allowing eight runs and nine hits in 5 2-3 innings.

“Certainly didn’t have very good success today,” Detroit manager Jim Leyland said.

“Sometimes it just isn’t your day.”

Pena singled in the first of three Tampa Bay runs off reliever Ryan Perry in the seventh and finished a seven-game road trip with four homers and 12 RBIs.

“Carlos is looking extremely sharp,” Rays manager Joe Maddon said.

Guillen (9-10) allowed both two-run homers by Guillen, one in the first and another in the seventh, but had little trouble in between. The right-hander yielded four earned runs in seven innings and struck out six to win his second consecutive outing and improve to 5-8 in five career starts against the Tigers.

Guillen had his sixth career multihomer game. Detroit got its last two runs in the ninth off reliever Brancut Shane. “It feels good,” Guillen said. “I hit the ball good. I was just trying to stay short and make good contact.”

Reds, Pirates 3

CINCINNATI — Shh!

A tiny crowd finally cheered when Darrell McDonald scored from third base on a wild pitch in the bottom of the ninth inning Monday, giving the Cincinnati Reds a victory over the Pittsburgh Pirates in a makeup game played with fen­niss-match silence most of the time.

Fewer than 2,000 fans showed up for the first game of a day-night doubleheader at Great American Ball Park, which turned into a red-seat echo chamber. Fans could hear the players’ batters’ players could hear the fans’ chatter. It didn’t take long to take a head count.

“I felt like I was back in the Florida State League,” said pitcher Eric Stults, who led off the Reds’ first inning with a homer. “I could hear (announcer) Jeff Brantley’s voice from out on the concourse and the roar on the highway outside.”

Foul balls clattered around the 42,000-seat ballpark. There wasn’t much competition for the T-shirts shot into the stands between innings.

“You could hear everything,” Reds manager Dusty Baker said. “I saw one guy who was missing a finger catch a foul ball, and I could hear him say, ‘That hurt like hell,’ but he caught it. That’s one of those days where everyone could get a foul ball and a T-shirt.”

Neither of these teams has been able to get many wins this season, turning it into a matchup of the NL Central’s bottom dwellers.

It ended when McDonald scored on Jesse Chavez’s wild pitch with two outs in the ninth, capping the first of Cincinnati’s two singles off Chavez (0-4), who then skipped a pitch past catcher Jason Jaramillo. Nick Masset (5-1) got the victory with one inning in relief on an eery afternoon.

“You could hear everything,” McDonald said. “I think that makes it harder to focus when you can hear individual comments.”

The game originally was rained out on April 10. A lot of bad things have happened to both teams since.

The Pirates went on yet another trading spree, getting rid of most of their starters. Only Ryan Doumit and Adam LaRoche are left from the line­up that manager John Russell wrote out on that rainy April 10 night.

For the Reds, it’s been all about injuries. Every starter from that game has been side­lined at some point in the sea­son—18 players overall have gone on the disabled list. Joey Votto was the only mainstay left in the lineup from April.

The mood matched the moment.

When the game began, 11 fans were scattered in the upper­deck bleachers in left field, attended by two ushers.

When Pirates starter Daniel McCutchen — called up before the game and given No. 62 — threw a 97 mph fastball for his first pitch in the majors, a fan behind the Pirates dugout yelled: “There you go!”

The next pitch was gone, a homer by Stults into the lower deck in left. Two fans gave chase as the ball bounced up the empty concrete aisle.

After the fourth inning, the video board showed one fan surrounded by empty seats and playing Eric Carmen’s “All By Myself.”

“Drawing a smattering of applause and laughs from the other fans who knew the feel­ing.”

Community of Sant’Egidio

The Community of Sant’Egidio started in Rome on February 7, 1968 when a young high-school student, Andrea Riccardi, shared with a few friends the call of the Gospel to live a life of prayer, service, and friendship.

The Community of Sant’Egidio is a lay Catholic association in which the members live out their Christian vocation fully and radically, while at the same time facing the challenges of performing the tasks of everyday people. In this sense, members of the Community of Sant’Egidio do not live together in community-style, separated from others; rather, they live out their regular lives according to their preference and age, working or studying.

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Campus Ministry
Pettitte takes perfect game into seventh in victory

Braves move within three games of NL Wild Card with victory; Lee's homer, four RBIs spark Astros in win

Associated Press

BALTIMORE After an error ruined Andy Pettitte's bid for a perfect game, the left-hander's effort to consequently complete a shutout was absorbed by the Orioles.

Pettitte retired his first 20 batters before issuing a seventh-inning sequence spoiled both his perfect game and his shot at a 10th shutout. He allowed two in a 3-1 loss to the New York Yankees beat the Baltimore Orioles 5-1 Monday night.

Pettitte (12-6) was poised to move into sole possession of fifth in the majors with a victory before his bid ended in the seventh. Pettitte had lost two of his previous three starts.

"You can't not have the pressure off me," Pettitte said. "You took the pressure off me."

The loss spoiled the right-hander's effort to console his teammates after he issued a two-out walk to Nick Markakis in the seventh. Pettitte issued two walks in the inning, but the Braves scored on a wild pitch and a three-run eighth that followed.

One out in the fifth, Pettitte issued a two-out walk to Adam Jones slip through his glove and the right-hander was playing in place of Alex Rodriguez, who was given the night off.

"It was a heads-up play by him," Mike Francona said. "You can't not have the pressure off me."}

A R Home run is hit into the stands off Pettitte, and two quick walks loaded the bases in the seventh inning.

"I feel good, and I was throwing everything for strikes, putting it right where I wanted to," he said. "So, it's hey, it can happen.

"We went out there feeling like we've had such good stuff before and gave up three runs in three,... it never comes out, ever," he said. "Like I said, after the walk, you feel good, and I was throwing everything for strikes, putting it right where I wanted to. So it's hey, it can happen.

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said he expects a more physical Hawaii Bowl win.

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Another step forward this season meant Johnson to take special to be starting so well, especially against Stanford, said Keif Williams, who totaled 40 tackles, including two for a loss. Weis said he was confident in Lewis-

Dealy

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"It was fun to play," Dealy said. "The team played really well, especially against Stanford."

Although young, Dealy is no stranger to contributing to the team. She was one of only two players to start every game in 2009, her first season. However, she said it was nothing special to be starting so much as a freshman.

"You have to make sure [you're] working hard, because it is a big responsibility," she said. "But I didn't really think about it." Dealy put up several big numbers in her freshman season. She led the team in service aces (30), digs (325) and service receptions (300), and was second in kills (324) and points (390.5).

"As a freshman it was hard," Dealy said. "But now I feel I can back up my spot better. I feel like I've earned my position on the team." By starting every game, Dealy learned by doing as a freshman. She said she hopes those lessons will carry into her sophomore year as well.

"It helps knowing how the season goes," she said. "As a freshman you don't understand that every game is so crucial. This year I'm going to push as hard as I can in every game."

The Irish finished 2-1 in the Shamrock Invitational, defeating No. 3 Stanford Saturday but losing to LSU the next day. "It was a wake-up call," Dealy said of the loss to LSU. "It let us know how hard we have to work. The Shamrock is definitely indicative of the rest of the season. I think, if we play as well as we did against Stanford."

Dealy credited the older girls with helping her to feel comfortable right away.

"They definitely gave me advice," she said. "They didn't treat me like I was younger. They showed you the way, but were really nice." Dealy said she thinks the Irish are going far.

"Obviously beating Stanford showed what we can do," she said. "There were only three all three could see playing time in a game."

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Coach Lane Kiffin has repeatedly said if a player was good enough he would have a chance to win a starting job.

"These coaches, they stuck to that so much, and I respect them so much for that," said junior Nick Stephens who was in at backup to starting quarterback Jonathan Crompton. "I didn't have Jareb and now it's up to coach Kiffin and these other freshmen. It was a great opportunity." Kiffin didn't address the media after the depth chart was released on Friday afternoon.

The Irish have senior left tackle Brown or senior Monteiro Hardosky as the starting tailback with freshman to fill the second spot, and all three could all see playing time in a game.

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"That's all we're concerned about. We're still just fighting and battling, and we're just trying to come out here and deliver," Richard said.
**Mierzwa**

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play for Saint Mary’s. Even as one of the newest additions to the team, Mierzwa has definitely stood out.

“Tired a little early, but things have been going very well so far,” Hamilton said. “She’s been learning a lot from me and the other veterans.”

Mierzwa isn’t new to the competitive golf scene, however. She has already made her mark in Professional Women’s Golf and is a two-time national women’s amateur champion.

“Do not seek being a great player, and definitely has that competitive attitude,” Crabbe said. “I think she’ll learn how to play college golf from our team. She’s a great addition to a great squad we already have.”

The Belles have been showing their strength the last few years on the conference and national stage. Finishing second in the MIAA last fall, they came out strong in the spring and finished 16th at the NCAA Championships. However, for Hamilton and his Belles team, second in the conference isn’t good enough.

“Our fall goal is always to win the MIAA championship which has eluded us the last three years,” Hamilton said. “We want to position ourselves well again for the National Championship in the spring.

“We want to learn not how to just be a good team, but a great team.”

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**Michigan**

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points in the season, and perhaps knock a chip off of the Big Ten, one of the best conferences in the country.

“The Big Ten is a great conference, but you would always like to see more teams from your own conference in the post season,” Clark said. “This is a good opportunity to get some early points, both for us and for the Big East.”

The Irish are glad to finally be out of preseason play and actually play some games that really count. The Irish swept the season twice and shuttling out Northwestern 1-0 in their last game at Old Alumni Field.

“We are all looking forward to the Wolverines,” Clark said. “Scrimmages are great, but there is no substitute for real action.”

Now that the players have gotten into the rhythm of studying and playing, Clark believes the team is ready to step out on the pitch and make a statement.

“We are ready to start the season,” Clark said. “We like this group and they have worked extremely hard all offseason. I am optimistic about what we can do this season.”

Clark said he believes the team is well-served by facing the best teams in the country every year, and playing a strong Michigan team right off the bat is a good way to test the waters immediately.

“This is a great opportunity to get off to a good start this season,” Clark said. “This first game can set the tempo.”

This Irish team has a chance to rebound from its early post season exit last year and have a very strong showing this season.

“We have a great group. We have a very focused group. They are ready,” Clark said.

The Irish will have a chance to prove they are ready at 7 this evening in Alumni Stadium.

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**Belles**

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tions,” Crabbe said. “I’d like to see us get off to a positive start, however, I do expect some nervous energy and there will be mistakes.”

The team has seven freshmen on the roster to open the season and Crabbe will look to them along with 17 returning players to help improve.

“They have done quite well so far,” Crabbe said. “There are two in particular that will be called on to start and contribute. We have added depth at goalkeeper as well which was by far our biggest priority coming into the 2009 season.”

The Belles are returning eight players this fall that scored at least two goals last season to provide some offensive support.

Senior Micki Hedinger will be a major offensive weapon for the Belles this season again. She scored eight goals last season and also provided some offensive support. Meanwhile, sophomore Katelyn Tondo-Steele, will look to provide some offensive support.

“From an attacking perspective, we have high expectations from Micki Hedinger, Sam Smogor, and Katelyn Tondo-Steele,” Crabbe said. “In addition, Colleen Ferguson, Jess Slean and Keely Noiman are also back for the Belles this season.”

“Clark said he believes the defense has enough returning startes and depth to improve dramatically from last season.”

On our backline sees two new faces, Corissa Hart and Taylor Patton joining Bridget Ronayne and Michelle Marshall,” Crabbe said. “Also, we get Katie Wehrli back in 2009 after she missed much of 2008. I expect every player on our roster to contribute this fall.”

Hedinger, and Tondo-Steele were second and third on the team respectively in scoring last season.

With last season’s centralized scoring attacks, Crabbe hopes for everyone to contribute this season.

“We are looking for a good competitive attitude from all of our players, regardless of their role on the field,” Crabbe said. “Our energy level when we defend will be important. Finally, we need our attacking players to take greater responsibility in front of goal this year. In 2008 we spent too much time waiting for one player to score all of our goals. This year we have quite a few players capable of contributing on the score-sheet.”

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EUGENIA LAST

CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY: Chad Brownlee, 30; Shara Blue, 31; Chris Tucker, 30. Richard Dean, 60.

Happy Birthday! Get ready to get all the love you've been dying over the past couple of years from your nearest and dearest. The pressure is on, so make sure to make the right moves and get the best fruits.

There will be plenty of places to get your knowledge and inspiration to good use. Embrace new-making things happen. Don't just take it, make it happen. You are capable of it. 8, 18, 27, 37, 43.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): The chances you get what working properly help you; the source you grow more on is more important and lucrative. Now is the time to create and spread your wings.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Your ambition should lead you to a professional or personal regularity. You are not under rationality. Just be humble and humble. Don't be too cocky, but be confident when you feel comforted with the plan you have.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Give more thought before committing to something you will have trouble believing. Even if you find something easy to do, don't let it mess you around and stay away from mistakes. Fight for your rights.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): You have much more power than you think. If you get in troubleö you will work together to get it back, but your rights on higher goals and you get in a position of power: As you progress, try to better the world and bring back.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): You have to show where you can distinguish yourself. Be ready to bring yourself. You, the sooner you can move on to more important and lucrative ventures. Now is the time to create and spread your wings.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): You have to be patient. But if you are the best of anything you can only explain a fraction. A change will help you better on how many choices and options you have.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Avoid negative people or anyone trying to get you to do things you don't want to do. Take risks, especially when doing something physical. Your plan will work out in the end.***

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Take your time to drive but don't do the same thing everyone else is doing. If you are in control, be ready to make big moves. Take more and you will be happy.***

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Sometimes taking a back seat or letting others have a chance to shine won't hurt you. Patience is one of your strong points, but, now, your turn your back.***

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Your ability to make decisions will accommodate others with your ways. Be yourself and don't let anyone make you change. You have a great ability to form four ordinary words. Patience is one of your strong points, but, now, your turn your back.***

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Sometimes taking a back seat will help you see the bigger picture. A little compassion will ensure you justice.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): You know what you want and you can get it. You can get something you can move into a different plan. A change will help you better on how many choices and options you have.

Birthday Baby: You are persistent, competitive and demanding. You are well-spoken, flexible and strong and will do whatever is necessary to reach your goals.

Horoscope

WILL SHORTZ

Crossword

Across
1. Tight-lipped
2. "Start!"
6. Seven-up and
crazy eights
13. Lennon's second
wife
14. Jane of
"Monster-in-Law"
16. Disco-era suffix
17. "Sure thing"
20. Note in an E
major scale
21. Word before
sheet or music
22. Lookout of
"2010"
23. Epigone despotic
25. Outfielder's
astroturf
26. "Chances are
good"
33. "Said" (Ned
Diamond hit)
34. __ Luna
35. "It could go
other way"
37. Hulking

Down
1. "The Jungle
Book" hero
2. Oneness
3. Seventh at
the circus
4. Hulking
monster of
Japanese film
5. Get an__
(English)
6. Don't even
bother
7. "Start!
8. Cheated
9. F.B.I. worker
10. You don't mean
"Me?"
11. Self-assertive
12. Sequel title
13. Seems
sometimes
15. Surrounding
rooms
18. Precipitation
that may be the size
of golf balls
19. Banjul
23. The on-sale
fourth dimension
24. Alive on the
slopes
25. Melville's
disemboweled
captain
28. Thing to play
27. Haunted house
sound
30. More than
deceive
31. Theorized
32. God, in Roma
33. Jett's machine
34. Whitman's M.P.
35. Juggling
36. Hulking
Himalayan of
legend
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e.g.
39. Range units:
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40. Bailed-out, as in
the news
41. "South Park"
boy
42. "Movies ..."
43. "The Jeffersons"
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Jeffersons"
theme)
44. Buxo
45. "How's
ever,.."
46. 60th birthday

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Answer: When the guitar caught a cold, he wasn't

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Men's Soccer
Irish open season, Alumni Stadium against Wolverines

By Jared Jedick
Sports Writer

The No. 10 Irish look to kick off the regular season with a win this evening at newly con­structed Alumni Stadium against No. 21 Michigan team that defeated Notre Dame 3-1 last year. "There is huge excitement to be playing in the new stadium," Irish coach Bobby Clark said. "It must be one of the finest college venues in the country." The new $5.7 million stadium was the generous gift of the alumni and in particular of former Irish soccer players Tom Crotty and Rob Snyder. "We would really like to thank the former players for coming back and doing this for us," Clark said. Taking the pitch opposite the Irish is No. 21 Michigan, who were able to beat the Irish last year by scoring three goals, a rarity in that season. "They were able to put three on us, which you did not see much last year," Clark said. "I do not want to say we are out for revenge this year, but we will definitely take them seriously." The main issue for the Irish will be containing the Wolverines' potent attack. Michigan brings back five starters and 17 letter-winners from last season's squad, representing a team that knows how to score. "Michigan is a good team with some very good players," Clark said. "They are a good attacking team that gets players forward." Clark believes Notre Dame has an answer for the Wolverines attack as long as they stay within their game and play balanced soccer. "I believe a team always needs to take what the other team is giving them, and then use whatever is appropriate," Clark said. "We are a well-rounded team. We have good speed, good technical ability, and a good idea of how to play together." This game also marks a good opportunity to get early

Football
Young and restless

Defensive line filled with youth and talent

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Heading into the 2009 season, the Irish defensive line may be one of Notre Dame's most talented, if least experienced, position units. "I think we've got a lot of young guys who've got a lot of potential," sophomore defensive tackle Ethan Johnson said. "We've got a lot of team speed." Johnson appears to have the most potential of any Irish defensive lineman. As a freshman in 2008, the Portland, Ore. native appeared in all 13 games, racking up 18 tackles and 3.5 sacks, including two in Notre Dame's 20-wheel win over Purdue. "I think he's already distinguished himself," Clark said. "I don't tell Kristen Dealy. The players have been training for two weeks, and second-year head coach Brian Chubb wants to see how the team responds to a more competitive atmosphere. There are some new faces in the lineup along with some returning players in new positions. Redshirt senior noseguard Ian Williams starts off the line against North Carolina in a 29-24 loss in Chapel Hill on Oct. 11. Williams will anchor the middle of the Irish defense alongside sophomore Ethan Johnson. Junior noseguard Ian Williams starts off the line against North Carolina in a 29-24 loss in Chapel Hill on Oct. 11. Williams will anchor the middle of the Irish defense alongside sophomore Ethan Johnson. Notre Dame sophomore Kristen Dealy follows through on a spike against LSU on Sunday in a 3-0 victory for the Tigers. The Belles hope to rebound from a disastrous 2008 campaign when they host Holy Cross in their home opener at 4 p.m. Saint Mary's went 2-13-1 last season and 1-7 in the MIAA. The players have been training for two weeks, and second-year head coach Ryan Crabbe wants to see how the team responds to a more competitive atmosphere. There are some new faces in the lineup along with some returning players in new positions. The Belles hope to rebound from a disastrous 2008 campaign when they host Holy Cross in their home opener at 4 p.m. Saint Mary's went 2-13-1 last season and 1-7 in the MIAA. The players have been training for two weeks, and second-year head coach Ryan Crabbe wants to see how the team responds to a more competitive atmosphere. There are some new faces in the lineup along with some returning players in new positions. The Belles hope to rebound from a disastrous 2008 campaign when they host Holy Cross in their home opener at 4 p.m. Saint Mary's went 2-13-1 last season and 1-7 in the MIAA. The players have been training for two weeks, and second-year head coach Ryan Crabbe wants to see how the team responds to a more competitive atmosphere. There are some new faces in the lineup along with some returning players in new positions. The Belles hope to rebound from a disastrous 2008 campaign when they host Holy Cross in their home opener at 4 p.m. Saint Mary's went 2-13-1 last season and 1-7 in the MIAA. The players have been training for two weeks, and second-year head coach Ryan Crabbe wants to see how the team responds to a more competitive atmosphere. There are some new faces in the lineup along with some returning players in new positions.