Students crushed after brutal defeat
Campus shocked after Michigan stages late comeback against favored Fighting Irish

By BRIAN METZ
News Writer

The Golden Dome doesn’t shine any less bright after Saturday’s defeat, but you wouldn’t know that talking with Irish students.

After a tough 38-34 loss at the hands of rival Michigan, Notre Dame students feel the gloom associated with being upset.

“Shock. Complete shock,” junior Sarah Bormann said. “The entire game I was convinced we were going to win. It was obviously upsetting.”

To many students, the loss was especially hard to swallow considering the extraordinary play of the Irish defense.

“Armando Allen played the best I’ve ever seen,” senior John Yerkes said.

Quarterback Jimmy Clausen threw for over 300 yards and three touchdowns, while running back Armando Allen rushed for 139 yards and a score.

The offense played out of its mind, and that’s what made it tough. We were in position to win that game,” freshman Michael McCarty said.

McCarty, who made the trip to Ann Arbor, was upset by the game’s final plays but attributed the loss to missed opportunities, simple mistakes and bad luck.

“In the end, as well as we saw Saturday’s defeat, but you...

Students who traveled to Michigan Saturday look on despondently as the Wolverines engineered a fourth quarter comeback.

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ROTC remembers terrorist attacks of 9/11

By JOSEPH McMAHON
News Writer

The men and women of Notre Dame’s Navy and Army ROTC programs gathered in front of the ND Bookstore to help work out the kinks to make the system allows students exchange their student tickets for general admission tickets and for those who want to see the football team play on the road, the student ticket lottery provides a crucial service.

“Over 80 students entered the Nevada lottery,” student body president Grant Schmidt said. “Not a huge request, but for those people that it’s helping out, it’s worth it.”

The system allows students who are not going to a home game to exchange their student ticket for a general admission ticket for a friend, who can then pay the difference.

“The tricky part,” Schmidt said, “is finding someone who isn’t going to a home game.”

The exchange lottery usually occurs two weeks in advance, although for the Nevada game it was held only one week in advance due to time constraints.

“It gives students enough time to make plans without worrying about the dangers of scalping,” Schmidt said.

Away games, meanwhile, follow a completely different exchange their student tickets...
INSIDE COLUMN

Kindergarten counterparts

In a recent conversation with my five-year-old sister, I discovered something that I had never considered before. We were discussing her kindergarten class and the variety of things they do every day. As she was talking, I noticed that kindergarten and college have more similarities than I would have ever imagined.

For instance, my sister, a kindergartner, gets to take a nap every day. Likewise, college students frequently take naps. Naps are a staple to college life, just like they are to a kindergartner.

While I continued talking to her, I discovered a variety of common themes between kindergarten and college. Each day, my sister gets a snack while in school and then has recess. Since I've been in college, I've found that I eat quite a bit more than I do while I'm at home. Some people say that my new eating obsession may be due to boredom, or it may just be that I burn more calories while walking everywhere. Regardless, snacks are a must, especially while in class.

As for the recess bit, how often do you see students throwing a Frisbee, shooting hoops or passing a football outside while walking around campus? We still have time for fun, even while we are at a place of academics.

Another parallel I found between college and kindergarten lives within the students themselves. In kindergarten, everyone always gets along with one another. Now that I am in college, I have realized how nice it is to leave the drama of high school behind. There are not as many cliques in college, and for the most part, everyone pretty much gets along. There is a sense of community on campus, just as there is in a kindergarten classroom.

One other thing that struck me was the way my sister described her first day. As she told me the tale of her having to leave her mom behind with a baby-sitter, she said that she went to kindergarten because she got to take a nap.

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QUESTION OF THE DAY: WHY DIDN'T WE WIN SATURDAY'S GAME?

Maria Surat

"Oh — I didn't watch the game."

Daniel Tosado

"I think we made a few too many mistakes, close calls and poor choices."

Kaitlyn Maloney

"Big Ten refs. Absolutely."

Matt DeStefani

"Probably because the referees ran into the tunnel prematurely."

Lucas Harvey

"Because we abandoned the run game in the last play."

Monica Townsend

"I was there — it was painful. I thought it was the referee's fault. Allen did not step out of bounds.

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Energy Week makes a third return

By NICHOLAS COOPER
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Energy Week, which features events ranging from career fairs to environmental lectures, returned to its third year yesterday with a new theme — green is the new black.

Senior and GreeND member Jackie Mirandola Mullen said the new slogan represents a newer, more modern approach to environmentalism.

"Green is the new black was kind of a play on the media, showing how the green movement has become trendy," she said. "Although it may be a little confusing."

Energy Week will feature a special "green" career fair, which will offer students an opportunity to work with individuals already heavily involved in environmentally conscious firms.

"As a senior, I'm really looking forward to the career luncheon," GreeND president Colleen Kelly said.

"If you had to attend one event, that would be it."

Kelly said Energy Week is a great time for students to focus on how they can reduce their environmental impact.

"Common answers to this question are something like turn off lights or use less water. Something different that every student could do is simply be aware," she said. Energy Week is a great way for students to become more aware and really have a positive impact on their environment.

Other events include documentaries, lectures and even a "green" Mass.

Undergraduates aren't the only ones excited about Energy Week. Current Notre Dame graduate student Melissa Dinsman, First Year Composition instructor whose course deals with issues of conservation and modernity, is also looking forward to what this week can teach.

"I think Energy Week is an important event for the Notre Dame campus," she said. "It is great to see Notre Dame professors from so many disciplines, as well as outside participants, coming together to educate the Notre Dame community on what we can do and on what is being done to address the energy challenges we face today and in the future."

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House of Music hits sweet notes

By BRIDGET MEADE
News Writer

One year ago, sophomore Malcolm Phelan decided there were simply not enough musical outlets in the Notre Dame community.

"Notre Dame is full of dorm-room DJs, shower-stall singers, Jack Johnson jammers, chapel congo drummers, jazz-flutists and music lovers of all sorts," he said. "We want to bring them out, put them on the quads and get them playing and enjoying music together."

Phelan, Rodio and a handful of other students began drafting a constitution, tentative schedules, budgets, events and a mission statement. After gaining approval from the Student Activities Office (SAO), the ND House of Music was born.

The club is open to musicians of all instruments and skill levels. One of the main focuses of the club's administration is The Band Project — a list of musicians with similar interests compiled for musicians to form bands. Amps and drum sets are also available for use.

The House of Music plans to host guest speakers lecturing about topics such as the history of music genres or discussing their experience in the music industry.

"Being a young and flexible club, we also plan to work directly with club members to put on specific events that they would like to see on campus," Phelan said. "If there is a demonstrated demand for any kind of musical venture here at Notre Dame, we will do our best to support and facilitate it."

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Rector of the Basilica Fr. Peter Rocca offers prayers Friday morning during the ROTC’s 9/11 memorial ceremony.

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graduation.

"For most people it’s about the remembrance or reminding people, for us, as military personnel or future military personnel, it’s really looking at the people who have gone before us and sacrificed their lives," he said. "For us, thinking about the sacrifices that we might have to make, it’s a good feeling."

Army ROTC Battalion Commander Scott Vitter agreed, noting that the current American military experience is largely shaped by the events of September 11.

"From an ROTC perspective, it is really important because it definitely changes the nature of the program," he said. "Entering ROTC these days, you do it with the understanding that you’ll probably see deployment overseas. That is directly traceable back to the events of September 11."

Vitter said it is important for ROTC members to remember the history and events that shape their goals.

"From a military point of view, it’s crucial to keep an understanding of the events and the history and the background that ultimately guides the mission," he said.

Rocca said the morning of September 11 is memorable for all Americans.

"I am sure you all remember where you were that morning of that fateful day — September 11, 2001 — when you first heard of the attacks on the World Trade Center in New York City," he said. "No one was quite sure what had happened."

Rocca said the event was especially painful for the many Americans who personally knew someone who was killed in the attacks.

"Almost 3,000 people were killed that fateful day. It is estimated that almost 20 percent of Americans knew someone who was hurt or killed that day," he said. "It goes without saying that all of us have been affected by this wanton act of evil."

Addressing the ROTC members, Rocca said although their mission will be arduous, ultimately "we know that in the end, trusting in God, the power of good will be stronger than the power of evil."

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Blitch said: "Also because we are doing it on Sept. 11, we will take a moment of silence to remember all the events of the day and pray for all those affected by the tragedy of the event."

Though it was estimated that the race would last until 3 p.m., it ended around one o’clock with two seniors sponsored by Elia’s restaurant, Xavier Burton and James Ouderkirk, taking the prize.

"Winning it was a great way to start senior year, is what Xavier and I decided," Burton said. "Other than that you can’t be too stoked when it’s that much that free," Ouderkirk said.

Burton and Ouderkirk won round trip airfare to San Antonio, a two-night stay at the Alumni hotel, two tickets to the game at the Alamodome and an invitation to the VIP luncheon. All proceeds from the race went to the United Way.

"We didn’t really have a strategy. [We] just ran around like headless kooks and for some reason we got lucky a number of times," Burton said. "To win the prize, it hasn’t really sunk in yet. We’ll probably be sitting in the airport waiting for our plane before it really sinks in."

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Germany plans Afghanistan exit strategy

Associated Press

BERLIN — Germany’s foreign minister on Sunday underscored the foundations by 2013 for a eventual withdrawal from Afghanistan.

Chancellor Angela Merkel, who he is challenging in elections later this month, is expected to exert pressure on Kabul to ensure progress.

The country’s unpopular mission in Afghanistan has more than 4,200 troops, has been put in the spotlight by a German-ordered airstrike near Kunduz in which civilians appear to have died.

Merkel last week joined the French and British leaders in calling for a new international conference on Afghanistan to be held this year, hoping to accelerate and improve training of local forces and lay out a timetable in which Afghans can take back full control.

On Sunday, the weekly Der Spiegel reported that a paper drawn up for Foreign Minister Frank-Walter Steinmeier says the conference should “not satisfy itself with vague targets” and that foundations for a withdrawal should be laid in Germany’s next four-year parliamentary term.

Steinmeier, asked about that Sunday in a television debate with Merkel, he stressed that he didn’t envision 2013 as a withdrawal date. He did not specify.

“We want to create the conditions...” by 2013 so that the withdrawal can begin,” he said. “I can’t say now...let’s get out without using our heads.”

“Getting out now would mean women going back into the cellar, girls no longer going to school, farmers growing drugs again and plenty more,” he added.

Germany should discuss with Afghanistan’s newly elected president what his priorities are and “agree on a clear timetable on how long we need to be there,” Steinmeier said. “Our purpose is to make ourselves superfluous in Afghanistan.”

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Lost behind the shock of Michigan’s fourth quarter drive is the fact that the Irish had two late drives as well. Clausen led the Irish on two scoring drives to take the lead in the final quarter, the first capped by a 21-yard pass to Golden Tate, and the second an 8-yard run from Allen.

“Jimmy has progressed so much as a player and leader. I really respect the grace he has handled himself with under such intense pressure,” Borrmann said. “The way Clausen acts under pressure — on and off the field — that’s something I respect.”

Yet, as well as Clausen and the team played, the difference in the game was missed opportunities. After a questionable reversal of an Allen touchdown in the first half, the Irish had to settle for a field goal.

“A missed field goal, a bad call, penalties, a special teams touchdown, a fumble and untimely injuries — the little things just piled against us. The breaks didn’t go our way,” McCarty said.

However, students were quick to give credit to the Michigan team, especially the Wolverine quarterback Tate Forcier.

“Forcier should be on top of the world. He played a perfect game,” Borrmann said.

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process.

“Weaken game lotteries are not as good at all,” Ket Burke, board manager for the Student Union Board (SUB), said. Instead, students have the opportunity to bring in up to four student IDs and enter them in a lottery to win away game tickets. Students win, they may buy the tickets at face value.

The lottery operates on a first come, first served basis, Burke said. “The Michigan lottery went unbelievably well,” Burke said. “We sold all the tickets we had available.”

In fact, the demand for tickets dwarfed the supply, with 1,611 students entering the Michigan lottery and only 145 tickets available.

“That’s the horrible thing. We’re completely dependent on what the host institution is willing to give us,” Burke said.

“It’s a great service,” Burke said. “It’s a great chance for students to go out and support our team.”

A different campus group oversees each lottery. The Classes of 2010, 2011 and 2012, each run a lottery, as do the Hall Presidents’ Council and the Graduate Student Union.

“We’re very appreciative to the football team and the ticket office for this opportunity,” Schmidt said. “It’s a great opportunity for students. You never know when you’ll have someone who needs it.”

It’s possible that some students who want to exchange tickets are not able to do so, Schmidt said.

“Not everyone knows we have this program,” Schmidt said.

As long as students come to the lottery and don’t miss the date, however, they can easily exchange student tickets for general admission tickets. Students simply need to remember to come to the lottery.

“I know there were some situations where people missed the lottery,” Schmidt said. “We unfortunately can’t exchange tickets after the lottery is over.”

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year.”

This trend can be seen in the two percent increase in students applying for financial aid, and it is only the beginning of the first semester.

As federally and college funded loans are increasing, students are receiving less support from the state of Indiana. As a result, there has been over a 30 percent increase in students who request a “special circumstance review,” Brown said.

These reviews are usually the result of students having unpaid medical bills or previous private school tuition expenses that need to be accounted for.

However, the Financial Aid Department has seen a decrease in students requesting expensive alternative loans.

“There is some good news,” Brown said. “There are smaller amounts of expensive alternative loans being taken out.”

Alternative loans are more expensive because they are not federally funded and thus have higher interest rates.

However, Brown noted students that opt for alternative loans are “just asking for larger amounts of money.”

Furthermore, there has been a dramatic increase in Federal Pell Grants, which go to the neediest students.

“(Around) 60 percent of the enrolled (students) are eligible,” Brown said. “Usually it fluctuates around 1 percent from year to year.”

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The Observer.
New York — A year after the financial system nearly collapsed, the nation's biggest banks are hiking their capital buffers and easing consumer credit to ensure against future crises.

Goldman Sachs, J.P. Morgan Chase and other banks, which have received trillions of dollars in federal aid, are once more betting big on mortgage-backed securities and exotic financial products, trading that nearly stopped during the financial crisis.

"We're seeing the same kind of behavior from the banks, and that could lead to some huge and scary parallels," said Simon Johnson, former chief economist with the International Monetary Fund.

Some risk-taking is good. When banks are willing to invest in companies or lend to home-buyers, that nurtures economic growth by generating employment and consumer spending, feeding a cycle of expansion.

The problem is when banks' quests for profits leads them to take on too much risk. In the case of the housing bubble, which burst last year, banks lent too freely to consumers with weak credit and wagered too much on complex financial instruments tied to mortgages. As real-estate prices turned south, so did the financial industry's health.

Because the largest banks' trading divisions make their bets with each other, their fortunes are intertwined. The collapse of one can threaten another — and another — if it is unable to pay off its debts.

This so-called counter-party risk is a major reason the Obama administration's regulatory overhaul plans call for the creation of "systemic risk regulators."
Cops draw blood with drunk driving

Associated Press

BOISE, Idaho — When police officer Darryl Dowell is on patrol, he knows the Idaho city of Nampa, he’ll pull up at a stoplight and usually start the conversation with these words: "Hello, how are you doing?"

Nowadays, his eyes will also focus on the driver’s arm, as he tries to keep from his police car’s siren getting too loud.

"I’m looking at people’s arms and hands, thinking, ‘I could draw from that,’" Dowell said.

It’s all part of training he and a select cadre of officers in Idaho and Texas have received in recent months to draw blood from those suspected of drunken or drugged driving. The federal programs aim to determine if blood draws by cops can be an effective tool against drunk drivers and aid in their prosecution.

If the results seem promising after a year or two, the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration is encouraging police nationwide to undergo similar training.

For years, defense attorneys in Idaho advised clients to challenge the validity of the warrantless blood draw. Ada County Deputy Prosecutor Christine Starr said when the state law changed the penalties for refusing the tests a few years ago, the problem lessened. She said the main reason that drunk driving cases go to trial in the Boise region, Starr said.

Idaho had a 20 percent breath test refusal rate in 2004, compared with 22 percent nationally, according to an NHTSA study.

Starr hopes the new system will improve that number on the numbers of drunk driving trials. Officers can’t hold down a suspect and force if they need to, such as getting help to draw blood. The problem is, officers can’t hold down a suspect and force them to breathe into a breathalyzer.

"They’re making quick progress," Watson said. Their training will be complete after they have logged 75 successful blood draws.

Once they’re back on patrol, they will draw blood of any suspected drunk driver who refuses a breath test. They’ll use force if they need to, such as getting help to draw blood.

"If the results seem promising, we’re not going to end the project," Watson said.

"You do some training and procedures to make sure the testing is done properly so that tests can be fraught with problems," he added.

"People will be misused, prescriptive levels in the tubes used to collect that evidence," he said. "We are trying to recover a bit in the mouth."

Aside from what it’s spending on the cleanup, TVA has agreed to consider local government request for compensation that would go toward other refurbishment projects. A joint proposal drafted by top officials from local governments presents TVA with a couple of options for reimbursement, but the one drawing the most attention is the utility to pay for a wish list of projects estimated to cost at least $40 million.

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BOISE, Idaho — When police officer Darryl Dowell is on patrol, he knows the Idaho city of Nampa, he’ll pull up at a stoplight and usually start the conversation with these words: "Hello, how are you doing?"

Nowadays, his eyes will also focus on the driver’s arm, as he tries to keep from his police car’s siren getting too loud.

"I’m looking at people’s arms and hands, thinking, ‘I could draw from that,’" Dowell said.

It’s all part of training he and a select cadre of officers in Idaho and Texas have received in recent months to draw blood from those suspected of drunken or drugged driving. The federal programs aim to determine if blood draws by cops can be an effective tool against drunk drivers and aid in their prosecution.

If the results seem promising after a year or two, the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration is encouraging police nationwide to undergo similar training.

For years, defense attorneys in Idaho advised clients to challenge the validity of the warrantless blood draw. Ada County Deputy Prosecutor Christine Starr said when the state law changed the penalties for refusing the tests a few years ago, the problem lessened. She said the main reason that drunk driving cases go to trial in the Boise region, Starr said.

Idaho had a 20 percent breath test refusal rate in 2004, compared with 22 percent nationally, according to an NHTSA study.

Starr hopes the new system will improve that number on the numbers of drunk driving trials. Officers can’t hold down a suspect and force if they need to, such as getting help to draw blood. The problem is, officers can’t hold down a suspect and force them to breathe into a breathalyzer.

"They’re making quick progress," Watson said. Their training will be complete after they have logged 75 successful blood draws.

Once they’re back on patrol, they will draw blood of any suspected drunk driver who refuses a breath test. They’ll use force if they need to, such as getting help to draw blood.

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JACKSONVILLE, Fla. — Before the recession hit, Jacksonville's blood bank would pull its buses up to the Amheuser-Busch brewery and pump 300 units of blood from employees.

Then came buyouts, retire­ments and layoffs. During the company's last blood drive, the Blood Alliance only collected about 45 units.

Which is why, on a recent day, the organization's blood mobile was parked in a driving rainstorm outside a small law firm. With the smell of latex gloves in the air, donors heard the paper and listened to soft rock on the radio as workers pricked their arms with needles.

"We have to do smaller blood drives," explained John Helgren, a spokesperson for the Blood Alliance. "We have to work harder to get blood these days."

In some hard-hit pockets of the country, from Florida to Michigan to Southern California, blood centers are noticing a pattern: corporate drives are attracting fewer donors, likely because of the economy.

The nation's overall blood supply is adequate to cover local shortages, but in some areas a majority of blood is donated during workplace drives because people tend to give when it's convenient. When workers are laid off or aren't replaced after retire­ments and buyouts, there are fewer donors. The employees who are left don't feel like they can take the time to give, or don't feel like it. That leaves the local blood banks scrambling.

"We are seeing a direct effect of the recession," said Toni Connell, spokesperson for Michigan Community Blood Centers, which has seen a 15 percent to 20 percent drop this summer. The state's unemploy­ment rate of 5.6 percent is the nation's highest. "So many busi­nesses and factories are clos­ing and they are accumulating for a large share of mobile drives."

It's a similar story in Wisconsin, where a spokesperson from the Badger­Hawkeye Red Cross says 33 corporate drives were canceled from June through August, resulting in 1,700 fewer units collected. The state's unemploy­ment rate of 8.7 percent has doubled in the last year.

And Florida Blood Services in Tampa — where the unemploy­ment rate is 11.3 percent — has had to import several thousand units of blood to cover an August shortfall. Spokesman Dan Elberts said employees at some companies are also working from home — or traveling to countries like India, where new headquarters have been set up. That makes them tem­porarily ineligible to donate because it's possible they were exposed to a blood-borne dis­ease. And the workers who sur­vive a donation often aren't in a giv­ing mood.

"Some people were like, 'And now you want my blood?'" Elberts said.

While certain areas report a decline in donations, the American Red Cross says there hasn't yet been a significant drop overall — but that might be changing.

Many businesses are cancel­ing blood drives, and the Red Cross is starting to see fewer donors than in previous months, said Stephanie Millian, the organization's director of biomedical communication.

"The decline in blood donation in some areas coincides with an overall decline in corporate charity. For example, United Way spokesperson Sally LaSala said in 2008, work­place campaigns declined 4.5 percent from the previous year — and corporate gifts to the organization declined 3.9 per­cent."

Some blood centers say sum­mer donations are always down because of vacations and closed high schools, where drives are often held. Also, the eligible donor population keeps shrink­ing as people visit exotic, malaria-ridden locales or get tattoos — people who get inked often can't give blood for a year because of possible infections.

In general, the Red Cross has tightened its criteria for donors in the past 10 years or so.

The Red Cross of Southern California saw its corporate drives dip earlier in the year, and suspected it was because layoffs. So the group started using a machine that collects twice as many red blood cells from donors and changes how it schedules blood drives.

"I don't want to say we were in a fabulous situation," spokesperson Nick Samaniego said. "We're not exactly where we want to be."

Many locations say the drop in donations correlates with a drop in usage — if people move away it generally means there are fewer people left in the community who might need blood. But in Jacksonville, blood usage is up, said the Blood Alliance's Helgren.

"There is no doubt in my mind that fewer moon rocks are lost and stolen and now sitting in private collections," said Joseph Gutheinz, a University of Arizona instructor and former U.S. gov­ernment investigator who has made a project of tracking down the few known Apollo 11 rocks.

The Rijksmuseum, more noted as a repository for 17th century Dutch paintings, announced last month it had it had its plumed­-shaped "moon rock" tested, only to dis­cover it was a piece of peat­wood, possibly from Arizona. The museum said it had bought the rock from the estate of a former prime minister.

The real Dutch moon rocks are in a natural history museum. But the correspondence yielded some interesting questions about how well collections have safeguarded their presents from being fraudulently sold.

Genuine moon rocks, while worthless in mineral terms, can fetch six-figure sums from black­market collectors.

Of 17 rocks from the Apollo 17 mission given away to nations or their leaders, only about 25 have been located, said CollectSpace.com, a Web site for space memorabilia. The site has long attempted to compile a list.

That should not be taken to mean others lost — just that the records kept at the time are far from complete.

The AP reviewed declassified correspondence between the State Department, NASA and embassies in 1973 and was able to match additional Apollo 17 rocks — in Switzerland, Belgium, Italy, Barbados, France, Poland, Norway, Costa Rica, Egypt and Nepal.

The correspondence yielded a meager 10 leads, such as the name of the person who received the museum where they were to be initially displayed. Ecuador and Cyprus are among several that said they had never heard of the rocks. Five were handed to African dictators long since dead or deposed.

The outlook for tracking the eventual fate of Apollo 11 rocks is even bleaker. The locations of fewer than a dozen are known.

"NASA turned over the samples to the State Department to dis­tribute," said Headley Bozal, NASA, a historian, in an e­mail response to questions. "We have no record of when and to whom the rocks were given.

"The Office of the Historian does not keep records of what became of the rocks, and as far as I know, my knowledge, there is no one entity that does so," said Thomas Baugh, NASA's chief historian. "I would be surprised if it were not lost.

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Funky how some take-overs are evil and some are welcome, isn't it? The government taking over our health care system: evil (especially when "taking over" doesn't have any concrete meaning). Microsoft taking on the world in the highly intimidating figure of Bill Gates: evil. Wal-Mart buying out every little "mom and Pa" grocery store to provide cheap alternatives: evil. Google providing more and more free Internet services and applications: awesome. We overlook the corporate dominance of one of the biggest companies in Internet services because it's fun to use. We think it's creative, witty and intuitive. Why would you hate a company like that?

I fully realized my personal devotion to Google two weeks ago when Gmail stopped working for those long couple hours. Surely you all noticed as well. Having those two hours of life in which communication was forced to transpire only verbally, when scheduling had to be done with hand on paper books (so those muscles still exist in my hand?), and when documents had to be saved on standard MS Word and not Google Docs was painful, difficult to accept and even made it tough to find alternative things to do. It was obviously very traumatic.

But the whole incident got me thinking; what would we do, as a global society, if Google stopped working? Would we be evil, or just find other ways to communicate? It was obviously very traumatic.

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But how can you hate Google? Everything is free. Picassa combines Photoshop and Facebook into a touch- up, shared, orderly masterpiece. The organizational theory behind every Google App makes so much sense that it often changes perception. Why didn't I write my calendars out in such a crisp, format before I started using Google Calendar? How could you possibly expect to drive somewhere new and not have an idea of what the street looks like, either from the road or from the sky?

Google differs from the other evil takeovers in that it actually works. They are taking over not only because they are that adept at business, but because they are that adept at technology, psychology and design. There have certainly been some anti-trust fears, such as in 2008 when Google wanted to allow Yahoo! to advertise on its pages, which would have given the combined advertising force control of 81 percent of all searches. The U.S. Department of Justice intervened to stop that deal.

But when a company's motto is "Don't be evil," it is hard to label it as such. How do you vilify something that your daily structure depends on? Even if they read your e-mails and tailor advertisements to your private written words, even if they make 99 percent of their $27.8 billion revenue from ads targeted to (and effectively working on) you and me, even if they hold on to your entire Internet search history, you can't seem to hate them. Why?

Because if their servers went down, we would go down too. They have so much information that we all consider "safe," beyond the limits of our crash-able computers. We disregard the fact that their servers are human, too. Okay, maybe faleable is a better word than human, but wanting to call them human is telling.

So here at the conclusion-drawing part of the column, I'm left without a sketchy thought. It is hard to label it as such. Why would you hate a company like that?

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Team's post-game conduct disappointing

Dear Football Team,

Congratulations on playing a terrific two quarters Saturday. Especially the sophomores. I hope the Big House lived up to its hype as not only one of the toughest places to play, but one of the most vile holes ofassociate pronunciation.

Michigan-hating aside, I want you, the players to know that I'm proud of you. I'll be proud to stand behind you as long as you are proud to fight for Notre Dame. As a member of the drum line, this was my last game in the Big House. I write to you to support you from Monday to Friday at our practices, at midnight and dawn to dusty every Saturday. This past Saturday, I didn't mind waking up at 7:30 a.m., helping to load nine buses, nuzzling into the student section, alumni, guest fans and the Alma Mater. It may be a small act, but watching you sing "Love thee Notre Dame," win or lose, is part of what gives me pride. It's never my intention to be read as a childish tantrum, an ultimatum or any sort of unnecessary gesture just to prove a point. It's a challenge to you, the team, to conduct yourselves with pride, dignity and respect. It's a reminder to you that when I watch the games on Saturdays, I'm not watching a group of professionals or celebrities earn a living; I'm watching fellow students do something that I'm proud of. As Americans we do not represent our school by giving it all on the gridiron. So when time expires, show some pride and join your peers in singing the Alma Mater.

I love Notre Dame football. I love our 2009 squad. I love watching you give everything you have every minute of every game. I may not be able to give blood and sweat on the field, but I win and lose, die and live with you every Saturday. I will never let up on you or myself. It's a censored promise.

Next Saturday I'll be there with the drum line to watch you crush the Spartans. I'll be there before the game, for each of the four quarters and I'll be there after the game. I'll be there for every Saturday. I will never let up on you or myself. It's a censored promise.

Go Irish, beat Spartans!

Kale Frank
junior

class of 2005

lack of remembrance shameful

On Friday, the Notre Dame community awoke to a day like any other. If we look back, however, we would have observed the flag at half-mast—the only truly public tribute on campus to the September 11 attacks that occurred eight years ago. Shamefully, Notre Dame, like most of the country, seems to have forgotten the event that claimed the lives of thousands of innocent people.

As a native New Yorker, the 9/11 attacks probably affected me more than others. My dad, a retired NYPD lieutenant, was one of the many called down to work at Ground Zero and suffered a relatively serious eye injury from the clouds of dust and debris that enveloped the area. In the wake of the attacks he also performed the heartbreaking task of sifting through the wreckage for body parts at Staten Island. I can understand, as an American and a Catholic, to being very disappointed with Notre Dame's lack of tribute to the 9/11 attacks. For an institution that places "country" second only to God in the hierarchy of importance, I was shocked at the dearth of both memorial services and publicity for the few that were held. Granted, it's a foregone conclusion that Iraq will have a violently disputed election. There may be violence, but Iraqi security forces have three more months to continue to grow and develop. Additionally it is an opportunity that most Iraqis see as a chance to show the international community that they are capable of being democratic and non-violent society.

I know that the war in Iraq is far from over and I think most Americans now realize that nation-building takes time. It took decades to rebuild after the Korean War. I believe that Americans now understand this, but that it is a tough pill to swallow when America is in turmoil economically and politically. There is light at the end of the tunnel and I believe that, given the opportunity to succeed, our efforts in Afghanistan and Iraq will produce stable strategic partners in critical parts of the globe.

John Dickson
alumnus
day of 2005

Cosine of the times

It is typical for liberals to equivocate all conservatives with being racist. This has been even more common since the election of Barack Obama. This demands a very long way to unify all peoples who work hard and wish to live free without the government telling them what they can and can't do, liberals still try to label us as racists. Racism is an individual decision, so don't jump me in just because I may vote the same way.

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class of 2009

store the world

Recycle The Observer.
The Beatles Rock Band

By MAJJA GUSTIN
Scene Writer

The highly anticipated "The Beatles: Rock Band" is finally out, and it's well worth the wait. Like all other "Rock Band" and "Guitar Hero" games, this particular incarnation features parts for guitar, bass, drums and vocals. But instead of choosing some bizarre avatar that may or may not look like a KISS member that let himself go, players are members of the Fab Four, with Ringo playing drums, George playing guitar and you know the rest. The background videos for each song are based on the era from which it comes, with "A Hard Day's Night" featuring a young group of mop-top Brits playing on "The Ed Sullivan Show" and "Don't Let Me Down" showing Paul, John, George and Ringo with facial hair playing atop a New York City building. This is the case because in story mode, players follow "The Beatles" as they play their first show at the Cavern Club, hit up "Ed Sullivan," chill in Abbey Road Studios, and play their final rooftop concert.

The experience is immersive, as players travel with The Beatles from their meager beginnings to their depressing break-up. Along the way there are some pretty cool graphics, like a flying gazebo in "Sergeant Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band" and a underwater adventure in "Octopus's Garden." Completing songs and beating levels unlocks rare material for "Beatles" fans, like photos and live videos.

A welcome new development in the "Rock Band" / "Guitar Hero" universe, also featured in "The Beatles: Rock Band," is a new Quickplay mode in which all of the songs are already unlocked. For those who just want to play some music without taking the time to beat all of the levels in Story Mode (or who don't want to look up cheats to unlock all the songs), this is a great chance for some casual play. With the option of playing 45 of "The Beatles" most beloved songs, there is plenty to do without beating the game. Songs include "Can't Buy Me Love," "Love Me Do," "Dear Prudence," "Hello Goodbye," "Help!" "Yesterday" and many more. Soon, for those hooked up to the Internet, even more "Beatles" songs will be available to buy online in the "Rock Band" store. As of now, these include "All You Need Is Love," "Maxwell's Silver Hammer," "Oh! Darling," "Because," "Norwegian Wood (This Bird Has Flown)," "When I'm 64" and others. The first batch of these songs will be available starting Oct. 20, with more coming in November and December. There is no news as of yet whether more songs will be available sometime next year.

"For "Beatles" fans, "The Beatles Rock Band" is a whole new way to experience their music. For casual listeners, the game is great fun with an interesting storyline and songs for players of all levels. "The Beatles: Rock Band" was clearly a labor of love for those involved in its production, and the final product is a great new game to add to the lineup of music simulator games that are all the rage right now.

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The Beatles Rock Band

Getting into 'Trouble'
Favorite Childhood Boardgames

By EMILY DORE
Scene Writer

"Should I go to college or start a job right away?" Many eight-year-olds have faced this question Friday nights. The very decision has pitted parents and children against each other, and started arguments and mocking laughter. It could send a child down the path to destruction or wild success in the span of an hour.

This was the game of "Life," where plastic people and cars decided childhood happiness for a night. Board games had a way of turning a quiet family evening into one of turned over tables and tearful shouting. If grandma was ever accused of cheating, it might have been while sitting around the kitchen table. Champions had bragging rights for the night, while losers sulked in the corner. Never had happiness been decided by the roll of dice or flick of a card.

Here's a nostalgic look back at the top 10 games which either left you pumping your fists or shedding a tear on the way to bed:

"Trouble:" The sound of popping dice and a small plastic board were the deciding factors in this game. If this was the most trouble your younger brother got into that night, it was probably a relief for mom.

"Candyland:" In a perfect world, "Candyland" would include built-in candy surprises. Instead, it is only a game of colors. However, every time a card told you to move way up the board, it was reason to cry.

"Monopoly:" Over 500 million people in the world have played "Monopoly." In the game of future real estate developers, owning Park Place and Boardwalk was the pinnacle of success ... until both had to be mortgaged.

"Operation:" "Is it water on the knee?" With metal tweezers and playing cards, "Operation" proved that there was a doctor in us all. Diseases like "broken heart" and "butterflies in the stomach" made medical school seem like a breeze, since anyone with a steady hand could probably defeat the game.

"Risk:" The game of world domination and young tyrants. Another reason why children should not rule the world.

"Pretty, Pretty Princess:" Every girl was the envy of the neighborhood with this board game of feather boas and "gold" crowns. Purple plastic rings have never looked so stylish.

"Yahzee:" There was nothing more crushing than getting four fives and one six, thereby eliminating chance for a Yahzee.

So break out the "Sorry!" boards and experience one more night of glory with your roommates. Just be careful when you send them back to Start.

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The Beatles: Rock Band
By BILL BRINK
Sports Writer

ANN ARBOR, Mich. — Michigan freshman quarterback Tate Forcier ran past Notre Dame sophomore linebacker Darius Fleming on a 31-yard fourth-down scramble at the beginning of the fourth quarter. Forcier’s score gave the Wolverines a 32-20 lead.

Facing third-and-12, Forcier completed a 40-yard pass down the right sideline to Matthews, who had five catches for 48 yards and a score. Minor’s 22-yard run put Michigan on Notre Dame’s two, and Minor scored on the next play. Clausen threw a gorgeous screen pass to Allen that went for a 41-yard touchdown, but an official review ruled that Allen stepped out of bounds at the 12.

The Wolverines recovered in Irish territory. This time Forcier found Floyd deep, this time around for 68 yards and a score. Michigan had first-and-goal on its first drive of the second half, but a fumbled snap and two failed runs forced a field goal. Weis said, “is not going to happen again.”

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Last chance to score, and the Irish ended a 57-yard game-winning drive in the final minute, scoring on a five-yard touchdown pass to Greg Mathews. The next time the Irish had the ball, Clausen heaved a deep pass to Floyd down the sideline, who hauled it in for 37 yards. Once inside the red zone, Clausen found Floyd again for a four-yard touchdown pass to make the score 14-10 with 12:34 left in the first half.

Facing first-26 from his own 16-yard line, Clausen again found Floyd deep, this time for 33 yards. Clausen eventually found Floyd for an 11-yard touchdown and the Irish took a 17-14 lead.

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Irish need to rebound from loss

ANN ARBOR, Mich. — The question is obvious. The answer, not so much.

"Where do we go from here?" Irish coach Charlie Weis asked his team following Saturday's gut-wrenching loss that several players said was the toughest to take of any over the past few seasons. If they knew that answer, we wouldn't be having this conversation. I'd have to fall way off the sheet. Writing for The Observer.

In past years, I might have said that history beginning Saturday. The pain of the loss doesn't have to ask again. For what it's worth, I think they didn't come up with a big stop.

The players and coaches who are supposed to make the Irish one of the top teams in the country are in place. There's no "wait till next year" mentality on the offense or one recruit coming in that will fix the defense.

Off course there are holes on this team. Even good football teams have holes. Even good football teams lose games. But good football teams bounce back, and where Notre Dame goes from here will show what kind of team the Irish have.

I truly believe there's enough there for Notre Dame to be a top-15, maybe a top-10 type of team, and the Irish can be even with the loss to Michigan. It won't be an easy road back, both in terms of climbing the polls and, more importantly, rigging the ship as a team.

But throwing in the towel and mailing it in certainly won't make that happen, and the Irish know that. The only way to get the job done is to regroup and not let it happen again, and the players will surely do what they can to ensure that it doesn't.

Notre Dame isn't one of the elite squads in the country right now, but the players and coaches who are supposed to make the Irish one are in place. The expectations and potential are high, but so are the stakes. Whether this group becomes a top team will dictate the future of the program.

For what it's worth, I think they can do it. Of course the loss hurts. It stings to fall to a hated rival, especially in a winnable game with so many crucial moments that could have turned the tide. The pain of the team, the band and the student section was tangible, and the sickness was heightened by the euphoria of the Michigan contingent.

There are no more national championship pipe dreams and no chance for an unbeaten showdown with Southern Cal next month. Sure, a lot was lost Saturday, and it hurts. But the loss doesn't have to keep hurting. Nothing would ease the pain more than a ruthless beat-down of Michigan State next Saturday.

Where the Irish go from here will also dictate whether the program. And where they go from here will also dictate whether the program.

The Irish have the power to write that history, beginning Saturday. For what it's worth, I think they come out hungry, angry and aggressive and tear the Spartans to shreds.

That's the only way to answer Weis' question and make sure he doesn't have to ask again.

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Allen has career day in loss to UM

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ANN ARBOR, Mich. — Last year Armando Allen rushed for 45 yards a game, 4.4 yards per carry and three touchdowns. This year, he’s got 105 yards per game, 5.9 per carry and two touchdowns. This year, he’s got 105 yards per game, 4.4 yards per carry and three touchdowns. Weis said he didn’t blame the"We’ve been in this situation before. It is what it is," he said. "When the Irish got the ball back, up by three after Michigan punted, Allen rushed once before hobbling off the field. He said the injury was to his thigh rather than his ankle and had been bothering him all week.

"I know that if I could go I would," he said. It didn’t matter to the line, who said the outcome of the game trumped his individual achievement.

"To me it doesn’t matter what I’ve done if we don’t win," he said. "I take it as it is and move forward."

"We’ve been in this situation before. We got to keep fighting." Contact Bill Brink at wbrink@nd.edu

Irish running back Armando Allen cuts between two Michigan defenders during Saturday’s 38-34 loss. Allen finished the day with a career-high 139 yards and a touchdown on 21 carries.

"Once I get tackled, I’m always thinking, ‘What am I going to do to break it even more?’" said Allen. "That’s my train of thought."

Like every running back, Allen credited his offensive line for creating those massive holes.

"The guys up front did really a good job," said Allen. "Michigan was trying to stop the run but I think that we knew into this game that we had to step up to the cause. I think we did a really good job with that."

Guard Eric Olsen said the offensive line made no secret of the fact that they emphasized run blocking in the offense.

"We always want to be able to run the ball effectively," he said. "Obviously [Allen] did a great job. It just comes down to us blocking for him."

Allen said the Boise State-esque Statue of Liberty call was a standard play in that situation.

"That’s one of our two-point plays. I think when it was called it was no surprise to anybody," he said.

Allen nearly hobbled the handoff, but blocked for Hughes in that last drive as time expired. Weis said he could see evidence of holding on all three, but didn’t elaborate on that.

"What happened on the play, the defensive end — we chip defensive ends," Weis said. "So when he knocked him inside of Sam, Sam now has him. He goes to throw the ball to the ground. If he just pushes him to the ground they probably don’t call it. Hands in the air, throws him to the ground, that’s what they called."

"You’re looking at that, best of the moment, you’re not watching everything happen, you’re just sorting the guy getting throw to the ground at the end of the pay. I can understand if the guy watching it wasn’t watching the whole thing, you end up calling it." There was also some question regarding the clock operation at the end of the game. There were originally 11 seconds on the clock when Notre Dame’s offense took over after a touchdown. The time was eventually cut to nine seconds after the officials first changed the clock to lose 10 seconds, as there was some question as to whether Theo Riddick touched the ball on the kickoff.

Those two seconds proved valuable when Golden Tate was tackled near midfield as time expired and the Irish were unable to take one final shot at the end zone.

"Maybe we’d have one more second, throw a Hail Mary," Weis said.

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First quarter

Michigan 7, Notre Dame 0
Branden Minor 2-yd run (Jason Osienavage kick) with 4:12 remaining. Drive: 7 plays, 70 yards, 2:48 elapsed.

Michigan 7, Notre Dame 3
Nick Tausch 34-yd field goal with 0:49 remaining. Drive: 3 plays, 50 yards, 2:25 elapsed.

Michigan 7, Notre Dame 3
Darryl Stonum 34-yd kickoff return (Osienavage kick) with 0:34 remaining. Drive: 3 plays, 49 yards, 0:12 elapsed.

Second quarter

Michigan 14, Notre Dame 0
Golden Tate 4-yd pass from Jimmy Clausen (Tausch kick) with 12:34 remaining. Drive: 7 plays, 76 yards, 2:08 elapsed.

Notre Dame 17, Michigan 14
Michael Ford 11-yd pass from Clausen (Tausch kick) with 7:00 remaining. Drive: 7 plays, 68 yards, 3:47 elapsed.

Notre Dame 20, Michigan 14
Tausch 42-yd field goal with 2:41 remaining. Drive: 5 plays, 17 yards, 2:07 elapsed.

Notre Dame 20, Michigan 5
Stoner 36-yd field goal with 0:01 remaining. Drive: 3 plays, 40 yards, 2:47 elapsed.

Third quarter

Michigan 14, Notre Dame 20
Brandon Minor 15-yd pass from Clausen (Osienavage kick) with 7:55 remaining. Drive: 3 plays, 26 yards, 1:48 elapsed.

Michigan 31, Notre Dame 20
Konrad Reuland 5-yd pass from Forcier (Osienavage kick) with 14:16 remaining. Drive: 5 plays, 64 yards, 3:07 elapsed.

Michigan 31, Notre Dame 26
Bryan Hughes 5-yd run (Osienavage kick) with 0:46 remaining. Drive: 4 plays, 60 yards, 0:30 elapsed.

Notre Dame 34, Michigan 31

Michigan 38, Notre Dame 34
Greg Mathews 5-yd pass from Forcier (Osienavage kick) with 0:11 remaining. Drive: 5 plays, 57 yards, 2:02 elapsed

total yards

| Notre Dame | 490 |
| Michigan | 431 |

rushing yards

| Notre Dame | 336 |
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passing yards

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The Irish had no answer for Michigan freshman quarterback Tate Forcier, who passed for 240 yards and ran for another 70. Running back Armando Allen had the best day of his three year career, running for a 139 yards on 21 carries. Quarterback Jimmy Clausen continued his hot streak, completing 25 passes for 336 yards, three touchdowns and no interceptions. But the normally stout Notre Dame kick coverage unit allowed 94-yard kick return for a touchdown, and the offense sputtered in the third quarter, gaining only 27 total yards. Despite trailing 31-20 early in the fourth quarter, Clausen led two touchdown drives to give the Irish a 34-31 lead. Forcier got the last word, though, and put together a 57-yard touchdown drive in the final two minutes. The Irish have not won at Michigan since Charlie Weisman's first season in 2005.

For more photos, check out the photo gallery at ndsmcobserver.com

Clockwise from top: Michigan running back Brandon Minor breaks a tackle; junior receiver Golden Tate catches the first of his two touchdown catches; sophomore tight end Kyle Rudolph stiff-arms a Michigan defender; sophomore receiver Michael Floyd makes a leaping catch; and safety Sergio Brown walks off the field towards the end of the game.
By ANDY SEROFF
Scene Writer

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Associated Press

CLEVELAND — After rolling into the end zone with his first NFL touchdown, Vikings rookie wide receiver Percy Harvin had to absorb an unexpected hit. Brett Favre flattened him.

"I thought we were going to bump chests or something," Harvin said. "He wasn't slowing down. I took it and we fell to the ground. It was a great feeling."

For Favre, the agape quarterback with a boundless love for football, career touchdown pass No. 464 was as enjoyable as his first.

Favre looked pleading in purple, throwing a 6-yard TD pass to Harvin in his debut with Minnesota. Adrian Peterson scored three touchdowns, and Favre put on a show.

"You don't find too many players like that who still love the game," said Favre, a first-round pick from Florida. "That's what makes him special and separates him from a lot of people. For him to be that old - he's got a daughter my age - and still has a love for the game, going to meetings and all that stuff. He's by himself.

So is Peterson.

The league's leading rusher last season scored on a pair of 1-yard plunges and capped his day with an electrifying 64-yarder in the fourth quarter, breaking five tackles along the way. To make it 34-20.

Peterson was held to just 25 yards in the first half, when he needed treatment for a badly cut left arm. He felt light-headed and received intravenous fluids at halftime.

"I begged myself a couple times trying to get everything in my stomach out," he said. "I think it made me feel better and it did. I came in and got an IV and felt recharged and rejuvenated and was ready to go.

On his TD run, Peterson used a devastating stiff arm to get away from would-be tacklers before finally basting free and scoring.

"It was pretty good," Peterson said. "The only thing I didn't get untouched. I was just determined to get into the end zone, and try to stick that dagger in." It certainly put away the Browns.

"When you play a player of Adrian Peterson's caliber, it takes only one big play," said Browns coach Eric Mangini. "He only needs that one time and can change everything.

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 Texans quarterback Drew Brees summed up his record-setting performance by harping on "the ones that got away."

If he can do better than this, look out.

Brees tied a Saints' single-game record with six touchdown passes over hapless Lions, who drop 18th straight regular season game running with a career-high 143 yards, carrying the ball with power, speed and elusiveness, and getting a standing ovation from the Louisiana Superdome crowd when he trotted off the field late in the fourth quarter.

Matthew Stafford's first start had its ups and downs. The 2009 overall draft choice was 16 of 37 for 205 yards with three interceptions, two by safety Darren Sharper, the other by linebacker Scott Shanle.

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Stafford led two touchdown drives, kicking off with one of his first NFL score on a short keeper. Lions safety Louis Delmas also returned a fumble for a 65-yard touchdown, which made it 38-27 late in the third quarter.

The Lions had some highights of their own and stayed in the game for the first quarter, offering hope they may eventually win before Rachel Tama'a Baya's record of 26 straight losses.

All told, though, they also made mistakes systematic of a team with a long losing streak. A few plays after Aaron Brown's 87-yard kickoff return, Daniel Loger was called for a false start on a first down, and Brandon Pettigrew was called for a delay of game from the 1 late in the third quarter, and the Lions wound up with only a field goal.

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Browns quarterback Brady Quinn fumbles against the Vikings in Minnesota's 34-20 win in Cleveland.

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NFL

Philadelphia Eagles quarterback Donovan McNabb grimaces as he examined after being injured on a touchdown run in the third quarter against the Carolina Panthers. Backup QB Michael Vick is not eligible to play until Week 3.

Eagles' McNabb leaves with injury

Associated Press

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Donovan McNabb limped to the locker room with a cracked rib. Jake Delhomme was booed off the field.

The veteran quarterbacks had rough games for different reasons Sunday, putting both franchises in flux after Delhomme's five turnovers routed the Carolina Panthers 38-10.

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Authorities say 49-year-old William "Skipper" Beck of Charlotte, N.C., died in the crash around 7:15 a.m. Friday at a local airport in South Carolina just across the state line from Charlotte.

The York County coroner and the Federal Aviation Administration say Beck was the only person aboard the Cirrus SR22. Witnesses say the plane returned shortly after take-off, but crashed as it tried to land and caught fire.

An Internet flight tracking site says the plane flew from New Jersey to Rock Hill on Wednesday.

Bobcats owner Robert L. Johnson issued a statement saying that Beck was instrumental in bringing the NBA team to the area.

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Tiger TOUR

Tiger cruises to eight-shot victory at Cog Hill

Associated Press

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Gonzalez, Falcons destroy 'Fins

Associated Press

ATLANTA — For one week at least, the Falcons answered all those questions about their defense.

There were never any doubts about Tony Gonzalez.

Atlanta's new tight end hauled in a touchdown pass and became the 21st player in NFL history with 11,000 yards receiving, helping the Falcons beat the mistake-prone Miami Dolphins 19-7 Sunday.

Gonzalez caught five passes for a team-high 73 yards, including a 20-yard touchdown that was set up by Mike Peterson's interception. He has 10 catches for 118 yards this season.

Matt Ryan threw a pair of touchdown passes for the Falcons, who made the playoffs in 2008 after a quick rebuilding job from the Michael Vick debacle. They are off to a good start in their attempt to post consecutive winning seasons for the first time in the club's 44-year history.

Peterson paid immediate dividends, picking off an instant rookie, 33-year-old body into Anthony Fasano after a catch late in the second quarter. Another newcomer, Brian Williams, who started at cornerback, also had a pick.

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STILLWATER, Okla. — Quarterback Case Keenum was virtually untouched in the Houston locker room before the game when someone suggested that the Cougars had worked hard enough that they didn’t need any luck to upset No. 5 Oklahoma State.

Keenum had to interject. He turned to running back Bryce Beall to say, “I wouldn’t mind some luck.”

Hours later, the two teamed up on a connectionCougar fans will remember for a long time. On fourth down, Beall went after a 5-0 third-and-goal and got batted up into the air and came down with it for the go-ahead score in Houston’s 45-35 upset of Oklahoma State on Saturday.

“It’s football. If you keep playing, plays like that are going to happen,” Beall said. “Everything’s not going to come perfect.”

The Cougars (2-0) took advantage of a series of favorable bounces to give second-year coach Kevin Sumlin his first mar­quee win with the program’s first victory over a Top 5 team since 1984 Making Waves In Stillwater Jamal Robinson NAU’s Amber Gash on a combined 26-14 rebounding also off a pass that tipped off an Oklahoma State player first.

“For us as a program, this is a big win because it legitimizes our university. It legitimizes our pro­gram,” said Sumlin, who had gone 5-0 against OSU as an assistant coach at Oklahoma.

“There’s no doubt that one win may have been the differ­ence in the teams from this year and the year before,” Sumlin said. “They’re creatures of habit and we were more prepared than we were last year.”

Red Sox deal Rays 11th straight loss

Associated Press

BOSTON — Jon Lester made the most of his second chance.

Two days after struggling in a game that was rained out, the Red Sox left-hander allowed two hits in eight innings and Boston beat Tampa Bay 4-0 on Sunday for a doubleheader sweep, hand­ing the AL champion Rays their 11th consecutive loss.

Boston’s win in the second game of the split doubleheader was its 11th in 15 games and was its third in a row.

The Rays were outscored 16-2 during the losing streak that began with Friday’s 8-5 loss to Houston, the fourth straight year as an AL wild­card team this season.

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Belles notch first conference victory

By CHRIS MICHALSKI
Sports Writer

The Saint Mary's volleyball team needed two attempts to notch their first MIAA win of the season this past weekend, losing first to Adrian on Friday before defeating Alma College on Saturday. The loss to Adrian was the Belles' second-five set nail-biter in a row, with the first being a loss to MIAA opponent Trine University on Tuesday. Adrian took the first set 25-21 before the Belles turned it around and dominated the second set 25-15 with a 269 attack percentage. After the teams traded the following two sets to force a deciding fifth, the Bulldogs ultimately capitalized on costly Belles mistakes to win the set 15-9.

"This early in the season there are always things you are going to have to work on," Belles coach Toni Kuscheil said. The Belles had little time to think about the loss as they had to communicate on the court mostly our team needs to learn going to have to work on, but that's something that we'll improve.

Trine University took advantage of excellent court position after the free ball, we should have beat them. It was a good game for us. We put up a good fight, but just not good enough," senior Stephanie Bodien said. The Belles were forced to dig out of an even deeper hole. Trailing 24-19, the Belles won eight of the next nine points including three kills from senior Lorna Slupczynski to win the set 25-21. Slupczynski ended the match with a team-high 21 kills and 19 digs. Junior Andrea Sasgen added 10 kills of her own and Bodien followed on defense with 18 digs.

"We're not going to let this get us down. We're a team, we're going to learn from it and go on," Bodien followed on defense.

The win brings their conference record to 1-2 and their overall record to an even 4-4. The Belles will be back on the road to take on a tough opponent in Hope College, undefeated 5-0 in the region. The match will be at 5 p.m. on Wednesday.

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Matt Barkley USC quarterback

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Belles Cross Country

Belles top D1 opponents

By MICHAEL BLASCO
Sports Writer

Saint Mary's placed sixth in the field of nine at the NIAA Huskie Open as the lone Division III team in competition.

Senior Megan McClovery led the Belles with a time of 21:26.17. Rounding out the Belles' top five were junior Clare McVey with a 21:20.17 and sophomore Jeannie Almeid with a 21:26.17.

"Both returners and freshmen made strong showings this weekend," Bauters said. "It's evident they took their summer training seriously and are ready for a solid season."

It was a solid opener for Saint Mary's, who have high hopes for the season after consecutive fourth-places finishes in the MIAA. The combination of senior leadership and young talent puts the team in a good position to make a run to the top of the conference.

The team looks good," Bauters said. "I believe it is the best they've looked since I've returned to coach."

The Belles open the MIAA portion of their schedule with the Calvin Invitational in Grand Rapids, Mich. on Saturday, Sept. 19. For Bauters, whose squad has steadily marched up the MIAA ladder since the 2004 alumna's arrival at Saint Mary's, the meet will be a crucial test.

"The MIAA meets are of obvious importance to us," Bauters said. "Returning to the Calvin meet is exciting. Last year there was great competition on a beautiful course. It's a great event, and I'm excited to take the women back."

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SMC Soccer

SMC's offense leads to recovery from defeat

By KATE GRABAREK
Sports Writer

Otterbin shut out Saint Mary's Friday before the Belles' offense erupted for five goals against Manchester Sunday.

Saint Mary's and Otterbin remained scoreless through 50 minutes before senior goalkeeper Patty Duffy allowed an Otterbin shot past her. Duffy made six saves in the game prior to allowing two goals in the 2-0 defeat.

"Duffy has a tremendous competitive spirit," Belles coach Ryan Crabbe said. "She has spent many extra hours on her own in order to get better at her position. Having a full season in 2008 and the number of minutes she played should translate into an advantage for her coming into the 2009 season that she did not have last year."

Senior Sam Smogor also was key for the Belles in the loss, as she registered the only shot in the game, which was blocked from 18 yards away.

"From an attacking perspective I have high expectations from Micki Heding, Sam Smogor and Katelyn Tondi-Steel," Crabbe said. "In addition, Colleen Ferguson, Jess Sloan and Keely Noonan bring a full season of playing together in the midfield this year."

After winning their first contest of the season the Belles have spiraled downward by losing their last three contests.

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trailed first-place Purdue by 36 strokes after the first day of play.

Huffer led the team the first day with a 7-over 151, sitting at 25th place in the strong field. Senior Annie Brophy finished day one right on Huffer's tail, keeping pace with a plus-eight 152.

Brophy shot a 77 in the final round of play to earn a plus-13 total at 229 for the second. She finished tied for 26th. Junior Katie Conway shot a 79 to finish at 236, tied for 47th. Senior Kristin Weitzel posted a final day 83 for a three-round total of 241.

"With the depth of talent on this team we've got a good chance to return to the regional championship," Holt said. "The long season started this weekend and will keep going all year."

The Irish travel to Kentucky for the BettyLou Evans Invitational. The three-day tournament runs from Sept. 25 through Sept. 27 at the University of Kentucky Golf Club.

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a game that saw a dominating second half performance in the first meeting between the two soccer programs.

"At the end of the game, I think the result was well deserved," Irish coach Bobby Clark said. "We were comfortable with the result.

The Irish wasted no time jumping on top against the Wildcats, earning its first goal on a cross from junior defender Brian Duncan, who found senior midfielder Justin Morrow, who placed the ball into the back of the net.

Notre Dame was able to maintain a stifling defense against Seattle. It was a matter of minutes in the match, keeping Seattle from getting its first shot off until the 33rd minute.

The Irish had one more scoring threat in the waning moments of the first half. But when junior midfielder Josh Willman found himself in the box, his shot went just right of the goalpost, leaving the score at 1-0 at halftime.

The second half saw more dominance from Notre Dame, as they outshouted Seattle 12-1 over the remainder of the game.

Senior midfielder Michael Thomas made the score 2-0 in the 60th minute as he bade a goal from the top of the box after a good pass from Tommy Heinninger.

Senior defender John Schaefer put the game out of reach in the 73rd minute when he picked up a rebound from Seattle senior goalkeeper Emmanuel de Oliveira and shot it into the back of the net.

Seattle was never able to recover from the 3-0 deficit and the Irish took home the victory. "We outshot them 12-1 in the second half and it was a whole different ball game," Clark said. "I thought the attitude was terrific in the second half and we need to bring that along in the first half sometimes as well."

Notre Dame seemed to pick up right where it left off in the second game of the weekend with an early goal against New Mexico, but the game ended up going into overtime as the Lobo's were able to emerge victorious 2-1.

New Mexico had a communication issue in its own end and allowed嚣isser to begin the game as an own goal mere minutes into the start of the game.

The Irish were able to hold onto their lead for most of the first half as New Mexico seemed to have trouble recovering from the early mishap, but New Mexico senior forward Justin Davis was able to find the back of the net as he knocked the score up at 1-1. That score would hold up throughout the remainder of the game.

Overtime ended quickly as the Irish surrendered a goal in the 84th minute of the extra period, ending the tournament that had begun promisingly for the Irish on a sour note. Davis was again the goal-scorer, knocking the Irish to a third-place finish in the tournament behinds Indians and New Mexico.

The Irish led New Mexico in shots 13-11, but New Mexico won the corner count 5-2. "I was very disappointed for the team," Clark said. "I thought we kind of took over in the second half just like we did on Friday. We talked about it at halftime how you have to be so careful in the back and you can't have a concentration lapse. Full marks to New Mexico, Justin Davis had two very good goals. They were both from similar spots on the field and he whipped them in." 

The Irish open Big East play this weekend with a home game against DePaul on Friday, and then make the long road trip to Tampa, Fla., to face South Florida on Sunday.

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between the two squads. Junior outside hitter Stephanie Schiareli contributed a career-high four acts, going back-to-back twice to set up key Irish runs in the second and third sets.

"We were really steady as a team," Brown said. "We play little mini-games with one another in the 25 point game, so we try to win every mini-game to five."

We beat them five to one, and each time if you can increase that lead a little bit more, it puts you in a good place."

We had 12 kills against New Mexico, but Dealy added 12 of her own to go along with senior outside hitter Christina Kasel’s 10 to put the contest out of reach.

Junior middle blocker Kellie Sciancia contributed eight kills, three of which came in a dominating Irish second set that saw the Irish remain a 46 hitting clip.

Sunday's victory improves the squad's home record to 4-1, compared to a 1-2 record on the road.

While Brown isn't convinced that home court advantage is a deciding factor in the team's success, she recognizes that it can give the Irish a boost when they feed off the welcoming vibes from the home crowd.

"I don't think it's huge," Brown said. "For a lot of different reasons it's good. You're in your familiar surroundings, it's fun to play in front of friends and family. I don't know how many points they actually put on the board, but in some cases even just a couple is going to be the difference."

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Gara and the second to No. 3 Seattle.

Just 90 seconds into the first contest, junior midfielder Rose Ayling got the Irish off to a fast start behind the defense and fired a shot from 10 yards out, but was stopped by the Stanford keeper Bianca Henninger. The return to OSU in way to sophomores forward Melissa Henderson who was unable to capitalize inside the 6-yard box after a bad first touch.

A few minutes later, sophomore Molly Campbell attempted an shot from about 20 yards out, but was blocked to be headed for the back of the net until Henninger made a dive at the last second to redirect it wide of the goal.

After the Broncos netted the first goal of the match off a blast from well outside the 18-yard box, the Irish stepped up the offensive pressure towards the goal, but could not break though to tie the game.

In the 62nd minute of the contest, the Broncos scored what would be the final goal of the game.

Just a few seconds later, the Irish netted their first scoring chance of the game when Henderson played freshman Thiermann in for a one-on-one with the keeper, but Henninger once again came up big, getting just enough of the shot to keep Notre Dame scoreless.

Junior Nikki Weiss and senior Kelley Lysander each played a half in the net for the Irish, with Weiss making one save and Lysander recording two.

Notre Dame ran into more of the same luck in their last season-long scoring quest in its matchup with Stanford, a re-match of last season's national semifinal contest. The two teams were neck-and-neck in the first half, trading offensive scoring chances with neither able to pull ahead.

In the second half, the Cardinal put the Irish away in a matter of minutes. In the 56th minute, a Stanford head-red off a free kick found its way past Lysander to begin the scoring.

Just three minutes later, bad luck struck Notre Dame once again as the Irish seemed to have smothered the Cardinal attack, a shot ricocheted off one of the defenders and came to rest at the feet of the only other Stanford player near the box whose quick shot snuck in behind Lysander.

The Cardinal defense kept a talented Irish offensive attack off the board for the rest of the match to get the victory.

Notre Dame returns home next weekend when they open Big East conference play against DePaul Friday at 7:30 p.m. at Alumni Stadium. The team will then wrap-up its non-conference schedule Sunday with a 1 p.m. contest against Northwestern.

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and senior Doug Fortner also had their scores count in the second round, shooting a 74, 75 and 76 respectively.

The Irish came out hot in the second round of the event, however, shooting two-under par 286 and moving up from ninth to sixth place.

Notre Dame was paced in the second round by fifth-seeded Allie Sandman who, after a first round 77, came out firing and shot six under par, which puts him in a tie for fifth place overall at one-under and six strokes behind the overall leader, Minnesota’s Ben Fislak.

Another Irish golfer whose first round score was not counted, but came into play, the second round was junior Jeff Chen, who shot an even par 72. Saito-Daimo and Fortner also had their scores counted in round two, both shooting a plus-2 74.

Alan Lee also qualified individual- ly, shooting a 74, which puts him in a tie for twentieth place overall.

Notre Dame will finish The Gopher Invitational today before returning home to prepare for the Mason Rudolph Championship in Franklin, Tenn.

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62 Persona non
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64 Four: Prefix
65 First Beat Actor winner Jennings
66 Bler: (love letter)
68 All over again

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25 Messy art
26 Private pupil
27 Phone part, a title for this puzzle?
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68 All over again

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CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY: Ben Savage, 29; Fiona Apple, 32; Jean Smart, 54; Jamie Lee Curtis, 58; Ben Savage, 29

Happy Birthday! You are passionate and caring and can make a difference by putting your ideas and common sense to work for a group you believe in this year. Your procrastination will lead to new friendships that will benefit you. Think of others you can help out. Look forward with optimism. Your numbers are 4, 10, 14, 20, 26, 30, 34.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): You may feel like you are in the doghouse but don’t give up hope. The situation will definitely be corrected. Care more about what you do at work and stay close to someone who can fix your problems.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): You’ll surprise everyone if you get involved in something this looks like the last of the bunch. Pick a different role to achieve something, you will get a lot more attention than you would have otherwise.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): You will be restricted by responsibilities that have been handed down to you. Do not pass on burdens that you cannot take care of. You can enjoy time with friends and also take care of your obligations.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): An emotional evening will clear the air for you to help someone at the time you need them the most. You can come out of your shell to get results from the work you have accomplished and make a difference to someone who can truly use your help.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): There will be plenty of interest to make a decision about what you want. Your options will be provided by those who need the help. To get in and experience the friendship you have acquired about the people you are dealing with in order to cope with a viable way to get what you want.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Show compassion and you will be showered with royalty. You can make a difference to someone or can win your help. Add to your popularity by being there for people who just need a helping hand.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): No one will want the same thing you do. Expect to face some opposition and be prepared to go after what you want. Take an active, career or gathering style plan to meet a group who can make a difference in your future.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You can choose if you are in an ocean storm that will hit you hard with new ideas. We can talk about the change or any change. You can incorporate something new into your project that has been hit or cold.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You may be out as the last one to do what’s being asked of you but it is in your advantage to make it. You can make special plans late in the day for the person you’d rather be spending your time with, who?

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Plan your day according to what everyone around you wants to do. You’ll get a chance to show how much you care and to do something nice, bringing comfort and entertainment to your friends and family.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You will come up with some interesting ideas regarding how you can make new friends. Talk with someone new and express yourself in a positive manner and you will hit a life-size goal.

PIECES (March 21-April 19): The more you act on what you think, the better your chance to be a part of things who has something to contribute to your future plans. Learn to the alternative that are made and the insight gained by someone who will express your expertise and an interest in partnering with you.

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ND VOLLEYBALL

ND takes Adidas Invitational, defeats Wisconsin

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The Irish didn’t waste time shaking off the rust of a losing stretch, securing six straight sets en route to a sweep of the Notre Dame/adidas Invitational. Friday’s 3-1 victory over Wisconsin (15-25, 25-18, 25-16, 25-18) was the first victory over the Badgers since 1987, and just the second in nine tries.

“I think Wisconsin just came out and played on fire in game one,” Irish head coach Debbie Brown said. “Certainly we were able to make some adjustments in games two, three and four. When you take the hits like we did it can start to erode away at your confidence, and so to come back and put a solid match together like this is really important for us and should help us for sure.”

Senior outside hitter Serinity Phillips and sophomore outside hitter Kristen Dealy turned in their best performances of the year against Big Ten foe Wisconsin (4-4), each notching 19 kills. Adding a team-best 13 digs to go along with her career-high kill mark, Dealy recorded her first double-double of the season.

“In particular, our outside hitters were just outstanding,” Brown said. “Serinity Phillips and Kristen Dealy were just unbelievable. We didn’t have a real balanced attack, but we didn’t need to because they were so good that Jamel just kept giving them the ball. That’s what should happen if you have a hot hitter like that.”

After a day off on Saturday, Notre Dame (5-3) didn’t lose a step as they claimed a victory over New Mexico State in straight sets (25-18, 25-19, 25-19) in the first meeting ever.

ND WOMEN’S SOCCER

Irish drop two over weekend

By ALEX BARKER
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Over the previous 15 road games, Notre Dame has had its way with its opponents, outscoring them 40-7 during that stretch. But when the Irish took the field Friday at the Santa Clara/adidas Classic in Santa Clara, Calif., nothing seemed to go their way.