Jenkins thanks staff during town hall

President and executive vice president discuss community initiatives, the University's fiscal standing

By LIZ O'DONNELL
News Writer

University President Fr. John Jenkins and Executive Vice President John Affleck-Graves thanked members of the Notre Dame staff for their contributions last year and updated them on University projects at the annual town hall meeting Wednesday afternoon.

Jenkins began his address by thanking members of the Notre Dame staff for their hard work last school year. He said last year was his "most challenging and most rewarding year," citing the world financial crisis and President Barack Obama's Commencement speech as two key components.

"Our Commencement was probably the most watched commencement in the history of higher education," Jenkins said. Jenkins said the Commencement speech demonstrated the special role of Notre Dame in higher education.

"What other campus could focus with such discipline, faith and community?" he said.

Jenkins also thanked the members of the financial team for their efforts in helping Notre Dame to deal with the financial crisis.

"We have been blessed with an approach to spending that is responsible," he said.

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Thousands of students, hundreds of companies come together for annual employment convention

By MEGAN HEMLER
News Writer

Thousands of Notre Dame, Saint Mary's and Holy Cross students and alumni, along with representatives from more than 150 companies, packed into the Joyce Center Fieldhouse Wednesday night from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. for the annual Fall Career Expo.

In a change from last year, the Fall Career Expo and the annual Engineering Day career fair were combined into one event that was open to students of all majors.

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Students pursue research activities

Undergraduates explore their academic passions through outside investigation

By KATIE PERALTA
News Writer

Notre Dame students have long had the reputation of being bright and curious scholars, but some take their interest to the next level by participating in the University's Undergraduate Research Program, an opportunity for students to pursue their academic interests beyond the classroom.

The University hopes to encourage more students to participate every year and present their work at the annual University Scholars Conference, which takes place each spring.

Geoff Lucero, assistant director for Undergraduate Research, said the amount of students who normally participate is difficult to gauge.

"For the Undergraduate Scholars Conference, at least, I would say 250 students," Lucero said. "Same with REU [Research Experiences for Undergraduates] and other summer programs." Lucero said the program attracts students from all grade levels.

"Fewer first-year students," Lucero said. "But we did have a handful present at the Undergraduate Scholars Conference in the last two years."

The program draws students from a wide variety of majors, Lucero said, but most from natural sciences like biology as well as social sciences like psychology.

"There are few business students, though, who undertake academic research in business fields, and we're trying to change this," Lucero said.

The process of undergraduate research, Lucero said, is a long one — from brainstorming ideas to finding a faculty mentor to finding and applying for funding. "There's plenty of advantages," Lucero said. Some include, she said, the thrill of discovery, understanding of how scientists and scholars work, enhanced job prospects and the research award, which was open to students of all majors.

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Law professor Carozza travels to Honduras

By MADELINE BUCKLEY
News Editor

The June 28 Honduran military coup that ousted then-President Manuel Zelaya received criticism from the United States and several international organizations, but a Notre Dame Law professor saw a bitterly divided country on a recent fact-finding trip to Honduras.

Paola Carozza, an associate professor of Law and member of the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights (IACHR), helped investigate how the human rights situation in the country has fared since coup d'etat during a trip from Aug. 17-21 with the Commission.

"It was just difficult on a very basic human level because it's a country in which there's so much polarization and conflict and very passionately and deeply held convictions on both sides about what happened and who was to blame and all of this," she said.

As part of IACHR, Carozza said she observed the country's current political and judicial system.
**INSIDE COLUMN**

**Full Disclosure**

Columnists are supposed to be original and not write about stories that get twice the coverage they deserve. But then again, presidents aren't supposed to call people "jackasses."

If you have immersed yourself too deeply into the Notre Dame bubble, let me clue you in. Sunday night Taylor Swift won a VMA for "Best Female Video." In the midst of her acceptance speech, Kanye West took the microphone and said, "Yo Taylor. I'm really happy for you. I'll let you finish, but Beyonce had one of the best videos of all time." Kanye then walked off the stage.

Before an interview officially began on Tuesday, President Obama called Kanye a "jackass."

An ABC reporter immediately leaked the President's words onto Twitter, and ABC has since apologized to the Whitehouse, as the comment was meant to be "off the record."

News flash: there no longer is anything "off the record." The reporters no longer turn off. Publicity is only a Facebook status or tweet away.

And I say this as an aspiring journalist who would like to believe the opposite.

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Notre Dame sues ex-worker over $29,000 tip

**Seniors Tatiana Estrada and Desiree Monteleone fill out nametags at the entrance to the Fall Career Expo and Engineering Industry Day on Wednesday.**

**OFFBEAT**

Naked man riding motorcycle charged with DUI

OCALA, Fla. — Authorities say a Florida man was charged with driving under the influence after he was spotted riding his motorcycle naked. The Marion County deputy was driving on Interstate 75 early Tuesday when he spotted what appeared to be a naked man on a motorcycle. The deputy caught up with 45-year-old J. Dante Krauss at a red light and stopped him.

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INDIANAPOLIS — A woman who worked catering events for the University of Notre Dame says it was her lucky day when the school tipped her $29,000 in her check. But now the university is suing to get back the money she says she's already spent.

Sara Gaspar of Granger says in court documents filed this week that she "thought finally something wonderful had happened" in her life when the school paid her a $29,387 tip on April 17. She said in court documents that she called the school's catering department three times about the payment, but didn't hear back until she received a threatening call from the school in June.

"I'm sorry, but I can't reveal that information to muggles."

"What's a patronus?"

"Sonic the hedgehog."

"Falcon, the Luck Dragon from The Never-Ending Story."

"A mystical unicorn."

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

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College to offer on-the-go career advice

By MEGAN LONEY
News Writer

For students with tight schedules, the Career Crossings Office (CCO) of Saint Mary's is now offering CCO on the Go from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. every Wednesday in the atrium of the Student Center to those who want quick career advice without having to set up an appointment.

The Career Crossings personnel in the atrium offer the same services during this lunch period that they do in the office, but CCO on the Go is intended to answer more immediate needs, said Tricia Danton, Assistant Director of the Career Crossings Office.

Topics addressed by CCO on the Go include internship and job searches and resume reviews, Danton said.

"Students can drop off their resumes and have in look over their resumes while they eat lunch," Danton said.

The wait is usually no longer than five minutes, Danton said.

If students have more in-depth questions, she advised them to make an appointment at the CCO.

"Seniors Communications major Emily Van De Somepane used CCO on the Go Wednesday to review her resume in time for the career fair that took place later that night," Van De Somepane said.

"I used it CCO on the Go as a follow-up from a meeting I had at the office in order to make sure my resume looked right," Danton said.

Danton said CCO on the Go is valuable to the Office's mission.

"I think it is important to remind people that we are here," Danton said.

"It's really important for juniors and first-semester seniors to start solidifying things and looking for a job," Van De Somepane said.

"Juniors can start looking for internships through CCO."

"Juniors and seniors are not the only ones who can benefit from the services offered," Danton said.

Freshmen often ask about internships and what they can do to position themselves in their chosen career field, Danton said.

"There are opportunities in marketing, teaching programs, and government agencies," said Senior biology major Mary Bruhl.

"This is the first time I've been here, so it's a little overwhelming, but I'm hoping I'll have some luck out of it."

When asked about his experience at the Fall Expo, senior Political Science major Aidan Gillooly said, "I'm really interested in post-graduate school, so I visited MatchCorps and Teach for America.

"Brian Rose, a senior accounting major, said she "didn't have time to visit everyone I wanted to because of the long lines, but I did get to meet with some people I didn't know.""

The Career Center also held a debriefing session for students at 10 a.m. in Planner Hall to focus on interview preparation.

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Pladomon lecturer speaks on feminism

By ALICIA SMITH
News Writer

Feminism is considered a dirty word in today's discourse, said Susan Douglas, chair of the department of Communication Studies at the University of Michigan, during the Pladomon Lecture Wednesday at Saint Mary's.

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Douglas explored the roles of feminism and sexism in the media during the lecture, explaining that the media portrays "have it all" women.

The media, according to Douglas, depicts women as powerful, strong leaders who have control over men. These television shows, however, present the false presumption that the goals of feminism are no longer relevant.

"What the media have been giving us, my dears, over the past 15 years are fantasies of power," Douglas said.

"Now the media illusion is that equality for girls and women is a complete accomplished fact when it is not. Since the early 1990s much of the media have come to overrepresent women as having made it completely in the profession, and having gained sexual equality with men, and having achieved a level of financial success and comfort."

Highlighting the examples of Katie Couric, Hillary Clinton and Sarah Palin, Douglas argued that the media does not accurately portray women's roles in society.

"Silithering just below the shiny mirage of power is the dark, sneaky serpent of sexism," Douglas explained.

"The objectification of women is now fine."

Women also are portrayed as tyrannical if they are able to achieve power, Douglas said.

"Still despite everything, that pulses through our culture is the belief and the fear that one woman has power they will turn into Cruella Deville. Evil, tyrannical, hated, unloved."

Another problem with the media's portrayal of women is the idea that women should find power from buying the right accessories, Douglas said.

"True power comes from shopping, having the right logos and being hot," Douglas said.

Douglas said women should come together to oppose what she saw as false portrayals.

"The only way women can straddle all this is to be super women. To pull back the curtain on fantasies of power. I say, girls, we are all in this together," Douglas said.

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**INTERNATIONAL NEWS**

Mexico frees Indian woman

MEXICO CITY — An Indian market vendor who was being forced to leave her job sparked an international protest walked out of prison Wednesday after authorities decided not to contest an appeal of her 21-year sentence.

Jacinto Francisco Marcial’s release was announced by the Mexico-based Miguel Agustín Pro Juárez human rights center, which has championed her defense. Marcial served three years in prison after being convicted of kidnapping six federal agents.

Rights activists say her trial was full of irregularities, and that Marcial, an Otomi woman, wasn’t given access to an interpreter as required by law.

Fall election in Canada is unlikely

TORONTO — A fall election in Canada grew increasingly unlikely Wednesday after the opposition New Democratic Party said it would prop up Prime Minister Stephen Harper’s minority government long enough to pass legislation to help the unemployed.

The move comes two days after the Bloc Quebecois party also said it would support Harper, and all but rules out an election this fall.

The main opposition Liberals have vowed to try to topple Harper’s minority government in a no-confidence vote and planned to introduce a no-confidence vote in late September or early October. However, they need the support of one of the other opposition parties to topple the government.

**NEWS**

Students protest coal use on campus

COLUMBIA, Mo. — College students from Missouri to Oregon are urging their schools to stop using coal to generate electricity. At least one school has extended a moratorium on using coal produced at campus power plants or purchased from private utilities in favor of cleaner energy sources ranging from wood chips to wind energy.

On Wednesday, students at the University of Missouri and other campuses across the country mounted a large-scale coordinated protest to promote a move away from coal. The government says the United States uses 520,000 ethnic Hungarians who come from Slovakia, is one of the other minority languages, in its 23 official languages, one member, Slovakia, has Slovakian’s large Hungarian population some 35 kilometers (21 miles) north of the border with Hungary.

Since the law came into force on Sept. 1, Szucs said she’d been involved in several incidents at her workplace. On one occasion, she was at the cash register and speaking in Hungarian to one of the buyers when someone in line warned her about her choice of language.

"She said 'In Slovakia, Slovakian,' recalled Szucs, adding that she had never before faced such problems since she started working at the mall in 1971. The law, which took effect on Sept. 1, limits the use of Hungarian and Slovakia’s other minority languages, in public and calls for fines of up to 500,000 (euro5,000 ($7,300) for anyone "misusing" language. The terms of the law are ambiguous, and officials have yet to spell out what constitutes an infraction.

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WOSSO, Mich. — An anti-abortion activist gunned down in a drive-by shooting was praised Wednesday as an unanswered work of art, even if some people didn't agree with his approach of holding a sign depicting a dead fetus.

More than 250 people, including family, friends and other activists, gathered at Woodrow Dream Cruise, a popular event near Detroit that celebrates car culture.

"You may not have agreed with his tactics or his methods. But you could not — not — miss his commitment or his passion," pastor David Knot of Abba’s House, a local church, told those gathered at the Woodward Field in Wintle Field. "He was shouted to the world what he was living for."

Pouillon was the first of two people shot and killed Friday by a man identified as Harold Drake, prosecutors said. Drake pleaded not guilty to first-degree murder in the Tuesday incident. In a court appearance Wednesday, he asked for a public defender.

"If every town had a Jim Pouillon in it, like Osowso did, abortion would be illegal," Trefethen said. "Most people pick up kids at the library and even the athletic field where he was pouilion well-known here. The clinic does not perform abortions but it refers people to clinics that do."

"Peaceful protest is a hallmark of democracy, and violence should always be rejected regardless of political or social motivation at any time or location, and especially near a school," Lori Lamerand, president of Planned Parenthood of East Central Michigan, said.
African Studies courses, which he has most enjoyed is a favorite one. For him, it's difficult to choose a course he has taught, he of both subjects.

In this semester, Pierce is teaching a freshman University Seminar in African studies, which he will also teach in the spring. He said he is excited to help introduce African studies to a new group of Notre Dame students.

In the past, Pierce has taught both history and African Studies courses, and has tried to teach courses that include aspects of both subjects.

Pierce said of all the courses he has taught, he finds it difficult to choose a favorite one. For him, the courses he has most enjoyed teaching have more to do with the students taking the class than with the subject matter.

"It's not about the content of the course, it's not about the students in the course," Pierce said. "The courses that are most memorable to me are the ones with the best students in the class."

In addition to teaching, Pierce is a fellow in the Kroc Institute for Peace Studies, teaches in Notre Dame's Pre-College summer program, advises the African Studies Club, and is a member of the faculty board of athletics, where he serves as a liaison to the women's golf and basketball teams.

Pierce is also researching the history of corporal punishment in American families.

"Basically, what's the history of Americans spanking their kids?" Pierce said. "Why do we do it?"

Pierce has been conducting research over the past two years and hopes to eventually publish a book on the topic. In his free time, Pierce enjoys playing golf and spending time with his three children. He also enjoys reading, but joked that reading has become less of a hobby since he started teaching.

"I used to love to read, but reading my job now, by and large, so I had to come up with a new hobby," Pierce said.

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social workings and helped report on the discoveries.

What they found was a country of division.

"I think you really have to talk separately about the segment of the population that is strongly in support of the ousted president," he said.

"The whole point of the kinds of human rights violations that we verified while there were designed and used in order to prevent effective vocalization and participation of his supporters."

The IACHR noted suppression of media outlets that reported on the coup, arbitrary detention of supporters and the use of undue military force in squashing demonstrations by the de facto government.

But another group of Hondurans had a different experience in the wake of the governmental upheaval.

"Outside of that, the population is — I won't say unaffected of course — but affected indirectly, but in very different ways," Carozza said. "They are not only happy with transition, but quite convinced that it's for the benefit of social peace and tranquility and development."

And those opposing viewpoints make the conflict intractable, Carozza said.

"It's those people who support the ouster of President Zelaya that often don't see the kinds of abuses that are being made by the de facto authorities," he said. "They don't recognize the gravity of what's going on in support of the population."

During the trip, the IACHR sought to ensure that the de facto government was abiding by international obligations.

"Whether or not the people in power have constitutional legitimacy under the Honduran constitution, they have certain international obligations on behalf of Honduras state," Carozza said.

"Still, little if any confidants or court cases that could have implications for human rights, and it is proper for us to hold him accountable, whatever our opinions are about legitimate succession of transients."

The goal of the fact-finding was to publicize the situation in Honduras.

Carozza said the job of the IACHR was only to evaluate human rights violations stemming from the constitutional crisis so other international organizations can determine what steps, if any, should be taken in regards to the coup.

The Honduran regime is not a regime of state terror-

ism. There are not large numbers of people, no secret detention facilities, he said. "What we found was somewhere in the middle."

As far the direction the country is heading, Carozza said it's hard to say — but all eyes are focused on the upcoming Honduran election, which will take place in November.

The key factor will be whether the elections are conducted fairly. If they are, Carozza said some countries would feel they have to recognize the new government.

"In the status of the new government, the election will be key," he said.

Carozza said the country has suffered because of the divisions the coup has caused.

"This is in the context of a country that is on the one-hand, extremely beautiful, physically beautiful with beautiful people," he said. "But despite all of that, it's in the country that's very poor, and regardless of where one allocates the blame, the sort of common good of the country is suffering greatly because of conflict."

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Northrop Grumman CEO retiring

WASHINGTON — Northrop Grumman Corp. said Wednesday Ronald Sugar will step down as chairman and CEO at the end of the year, ahead of his retirement in June 2010.

Sugar, 61, will be succeeded as CEO by Northrop's president and Chief Operating Officer Wesley G. Bush, 48, effective Jan. 1 and will continue to advise the company through June 2010.

Sugar, the company's board named lead independent director and DreamWorks Animation SKG President and Chief Financial Officer Lewis W. Coleman, 67, as non-executive chairman beginning Jan. 1.

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Judge may limit speakers in hearing on Kmart

A New York judge says about 300,000 workers who filed a lawsuit against Kmart Corp. may have to limit the number of speakers before a hearing on a hotly disputed class-action settlement that would give Google Inc. a say in how much money Kmart is paying to settle the lawsuit.

Federal Judge Denny Chin said Wednesday he hasn't ruled on that request. Chin noted that the case centered on whether Kmart misled shareholders about its financial health in 2001. He said it was about Kmart's financial affairs that the judge to throw out the claims.

The civil trial's penalty hearing before U.S. Magistrate Judge Steven Pepe is set for February. Chin last month asked the judge to throw out the jury's findings in 2002, and the SEC is seeking to keep it. Conaway has denied it.

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Conaway testified at trial that he didn't write or read the report and relied on his chief financial officer and others. And on Wednesday, he noted that Kmart's warning investors ahead of the filing in a press release that its financial condition was worse.

"This is as serious as it gets," Conaway said in describing the early January 2002 statement.

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Inmate ‘traumatized’ after failed execution

Associated Press

COLUMBUS — The lawyer for an inmate whose execution was halted after an unprecedented two hours said trying to put him to death again in a week could be a disaster.

Romell Broom is still recovering from Tuesday’s prolonged execution attempt and is physically and emotionally traumatized, his attorney, Adele Shank, said Wednesday.

“They went so badly when he was walking in without injured veins, to go forward so soon afterward just seems to be inviting disaster,” Shank said.

Gov. Ted Strickland’s decision to stop Tuesday’s execution and grant a one-week reprieve appeared to be unprecedented since capital punishment was declared constitutional and the nation resumed executions in the 1970s.

Inmates in several states have experienced delays with the injection of lethal chemicals, but those executions have always proceeded the same day.

Shank said one option was to ask Strickland to consider a request for clemency and to commute Broom’s sentence.

Strickland said he is reviewing the incident and consulting with prison officials and others about the next step.

“That does not mean there will be a review of the larger issue of lethal injections,” Strickland said Wednesday. “That’s been settled, obviously yesterday demonstrated that we have a problem with this particular set of circumstances.”

A prison log released Wednesday blamed Broom’s past drug use for problems finding a usable vein.

The log indicates that executioners made the observation at 3:11 p.m., more than an hour after first trying to find a vein.

“Medical team having problem maintaining an open vein due to past drug use,” said the log reviewed by The Associated Press.

Broom said at one point he was a heavy heroin user, but then said at another time that he wasn’t. His attorney, Julie Walburn, said Wednesday.

Shank said the inmate was unaware of any such drug use.

“If there’s such a thing, it’s got to be at least 25 years ago,” she said. “I don’t thinking it should be leaving an impact at this late date.”

Broom, 53, has been placed in a cell in the infirmary at the Southern Ohio Correctional Facility in Lucasville where he is on close watch similar to the constant observation of death row inmates in the three days before an execution.

“It was the right place to keep him,” Walburn said. “The less we can transport an offender, the better.”

Death row inmates are housed in a Youngstown prison and executed in the death chamber at Lucasville. There’s no precedent for housing an inmate whose execution didn’t work.

The night before his scheduled execution, Broom told his brother over the phone that he was ready to die.

“He is tired of being in prison and having people tell him what to do everyday,” according to the prison log.

Broom was sentenced to die for the rape and slaying of a 14-year-old Tryna Middleton after abducting her in Cleveland in September 1984 as she walked home from a Friday night football game with two friends.

Sniper mastermind’s execution date set

Associated Press

RICHMOND — A Virginia judge on Wednesday set a Nov. 10 execution date for John Allen Muhammad, mastermind of the 2002 sniper attacks in the Washington, D.C., area that left 10 dead.

Prince William County Circuit Judge Mary Grace O’Brien picked a Tuesday for the execution so that courts would be open the day before in case of any last-minute legal appeals.

Jonathan Sheldon, Muhammad’s attorney, said Muhammad would appeal to the U.S. Supreme Court and ask Gov. Timothy M. Kaine for clemency.

Muhammad was sentenced to death for the slaying of Dean Meyers, who was shot at a Manassas gas station during a three-week killing spree in October 2002 that left 10 dead in Maryland, Virginia and the District of Columbia.

He and his teenage accomplice, Lee Boyd Malvo, were also suspected of shootings in several other states, including a killing in Louisiana and another in Alabama. Malvo is serving life in prison.

Meyers’ brother, Robert Meyers of Perkiomenville, Pa., said the setting of an execution date has served as something of a “reality check” for a death sentence that was imposed more than five years ago.

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Sniper mastermind’s execution date set

Associated Press

RICHMOND — A Virginia judge on Wednesday set a Nov. 10 execution date for John Allen Muhammad, mastermind of the 2002 sniper attacks in the Washington, D.C., area that left 10 dead.

Prince William County Circuit Judge Mary Grace O’Brien picked a Tuesday for the execution so that courts would be open the day before in case of any last-minute legal appeals.

Jonathan Sheldon, Muhammad’s attorney, said Muhammad would appeal to the U.S. Supreme Court and ask Gov. Timothy M. Kaine for clemency.

Muhammad was sentenced to death for the slaying of Dean Meyers, who was shot at a Manassas gas station during a three-week killing spree in October 2002 that left 10 dead in Maryland, Virginia and the District of Columbia.

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It seems a different world on the 13th floor of the library. But it isn't. In the southeast corner, before the window, behind the pillar, at the desk, on the last day of the semester, I find myself staring at the graffiti left by generations. I run my fingers over the letters etched into the wood, grasping to comprehend what drove them to the graffiti. The authors seem not to have known whether they were having a heated argument or an existential crisis: "Limitations exist only within the human mind," insists one; "Man has failed to become what God meant him to be," responds another; "Rage, rage against the dying of the light," concludes a third. There is a desperation to all of it, as though they felt that here, where they were closest to God, there was more at stake — that what they etched into the wood would have to be worthy of endurance to distant ages. Their inscriptions are insights of a sort — revelations into the nature of things, into the machinery of reality at the heart of the world, but it is difficult to scratch the surface of more appearance, difficult to the point of tragedy, and it cannot shake the feeling that, even given their desperation, the insights that the generations have etched into the wood are shallow — and that those generations etched deeply because, deep down, they knew this. What they did not realize, perhaps, is that the table is itself graffiti, as is the library in which it stands; both are just the products of their builders trying to come to terms with an indifferent world. And they themselves, all of us, are in this sense graffiti as well, since we are just the products of the previous generation trying to come to terms with an indifferent world that passed back into that world in time.

We know this, deep down — that we are mortal, and therefore with limit. That we in turn will pass back into the world, just as our parents did, revealing that we were part of it all along — that the distinction we draw between ourselves and the world is, ultimately, something of a falsification. That there is a kind of unity to things, even if this is difficult to admit. That it seems a different world on the 13th floor of the library, but it isn't.

Whether this insight is trivial or not, I do not know. Perhaps every insight is trivial when compared with some other — even this one. Perhaps, when we scratch the surface of more appearance, we reveal only deeper appearances. Perhaps underneath the surface of the wood is only more wood. And perhaps my race to understand the world is thus a pursuit that cannot end — for after every answer, there is another question. Truth runs ever ahead, alluring and elusive. And I will die before I catch it.

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Letters to the Editor

Grotto, a place of silence

One of my earliest memories at Notre Dame is a trip I took to the Grotto with my RA and fellow freshmen after my dorm's first Mass. My RA told us that he had gone just about every Sunday since arriving at Notre Dame, and explained that the Grotto was his favorite spot on campus. When asked why, I simply say that it is where I feel closest to God and that I have never found a quieter or more holy place at the University. I am writing to respectfully request that our campus community continues to honor the silent reverence of the Grotto.

Dating back to last spring, a group of students has begun to gather at night at the Grotto to pray the Rosary aloud, and I direct this letter to this group. While I wholeheartedly support your devotion to the Blessed Mother, I hope that you can understand that your increased devotion has come at the cost of the frustration of many others who visit the Grotto expecting silence. In my own recent trips, I have often found myself unable to focus, and I no longer find the serenity I once expected. As a friend, classmate, and fellow Domer, I ask that you please relocate your nightly devotion out of respect for the campus community.

If you wish to continue praying aloud at the Grotto, the Rosary is said daily at 6:45 p.m. Otherwise, please seek out a campus chapel and maintain the quiet prayer life of the Grotto. As the Campus Ministry and Liturgy Commissioner for Knott Hall, I work to ensure that the campus community has access to a space to come as ourselves. I would be glad to help arrange for you to use our Chapel. Most importantly, I hope you know that I fully support a healthy prayer life, and I greatly respect your intentions. All I ask is that you help others to maintain their prayer traditions as well.

Sincerely,

Michael Cronau
Senior
Knott Hall
Sept. 15

Haiti Program awareness

Highlighting the good work accomplished by the ND program in Molly Madden’s article “Program Works to Combat Diseases,” it is necessary to note that it is but a component of the Haitian Program here at Notre Dame.

The Haitian Program is a disease elimination program established in 1999 by Dr. Tom Streit, the familiar Common Human disease instructor who researches for over half of the year in Haiti. The program was nominated for the 10 percent of Haitian individuals afflicted by lymphatic filariasis, a debilitating disease that is only prevalent in areas with very poor sanitation, that is to say areas of extreme poverty.

With the help of a grant from the Gates Foundation, it now combats all 13 of the Neglected Tropical Diseases listed by CDC. The freshmen ND-NTI initiative is a new way to address this already storied yet little recognized humanititarian program here at Notre Dame.

Brianna McGuire
junior
Foley Hall
Sept. 15

CDs or Tapes?

The proudest moment I had this past summer was in Ann Arbor when watching our players walk on the field without even the band to sing the Alma Mater. This was the first time in my four years here at Notre Dame that I have seen the football team collectively recognize and respond to the gravity of the loss.

Over the past four years I’ve witnessed a mediocre (at best) team snap our 43 year winning steak against them, watched our team lay a posse egg at home while allowing one of our biggest rival to score 38 points and brave artic/human weather conditions only to see us lose our last home game to one of the arguably worst college football teams of the last five years.

And after every one of these embarrassing losses I had to watch our football team be forced to sing a song in order to appease those of us who think everything will be okay if we just smile and put each other on the back. While this is against Michigan wasn’t embarrassing in the same way as the previously mentioned games, it definitely hurt more. It was a crucial game for the direction of our program. And to be so close to victory only to fall 11 seconds (or nine depending on who’s refilling) short is more than disappointing.

It was devastating. I thought I was going to barf when I saw Forrester throw that last pass. When that clock ran clicked down to zero and 110,000 people started celebrating, the last thing I felt like doing was grabbing some stranger next to me and joining in a chorale of "Go Irish Beat Spartans. Please.

Cameron Randle
senior
off campus
Sept. 16

A class act

Dear Members of the Troublesome Glee Club,

Today night I went to see you perform at the Dome at midnight. I and others were excited to see and hear you for nearly 30 minutes of harmonized excellence. I really would like to compliment the style with which you displayed your selves for the two solid moments. I thought that style was great all the way around but I was wrong. When you called all the seniors into the middle we thought it was to do a special performance, but much to our dismay, it was to smoke.

Really? For the classical Glee Club, you were going to smoke in the middle of your performance? Don’t you know smoking ruins your singing voices, and can kill this angelic life around you? It was not cool or something for the underclassmen to look forward to. Needless to say, I did not want to breathe it in, and felt disappointed with such conduct, and so I and many others left. I would like to come to more performances, but would not be in a smoke free environment. Please don’t make those around you suffer.

I look forward to continuing a tradition of performances around campus for the students, but I hope you will leave the smoking behind.

From a Disappointed Fan,

Clara Rieger
Junior
Sept. 16

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Attention ESPN: Fantasy football as a metaphor for life

"Write about fantasy football," my 13-year-old told me, with all the confidence that comes from being an eighth grader with his own team in his uncle's fantasy league. "Just make sure it's funny."

I can't say I sounded as doubtful as he did.

Undeterred, he continued. "It will be great, Mom. You can write about how your team needs to be balanced, just like your life. How you can't only care about one position, or one part of your life. You have to take care of it and pay attention to it."

So I did a little research. I checked out NFL.com and ESPN.com. It became clear to me that some fantasy football has become a way to address seemingly endless amounts of free time apparently begging to be sucked away by blogging about positions, trades, breakouts and projections.

Now here I am, pretending to write a column about sports to try to grab readers who were here for the articles about books, about music, about faith and spirituality. But as my husband pointed out to my son, such a column still isn't going to interest everyone - what about the people who don't care about fantasy football (insert blank look of 13-year-old incomprehension here).

Whatever the reason you're still reading this, as my son pointed out, your team needs to be balanced, as I suppose that you ask yourself this question: "What, in my life, seems to take up inordinate amounts of my time right now?"

The answer may be fantasy football, or it may be something else. Maybe, after you finish studying, you spend your free hours exercising, or playing internet poker, or volunteering, or texting, or visiting with your friends, or going to parties, or a little of each of these. Maybe, hopefully - you spend some of your time attending to the call of your faith in Jesus Christ, through service, worship, private prayer or study. Time itself is a gift from God - just look at the way we talk about it. We "spend" our time, as if it were a valuable commodity to be bestowed with care. We lament the events which "waste" our time and seek out many varieties of "time in".

However it's disguised, this truly is a column about our faith in our lives, and because I really do believe it's true, I can tell you that believing, practicing and participating in a life of faith is the most valuable way we can spend our time. At Notre Dame, we do that primarily through the Catholic Christian tradition, while we welcome and support anyone of other faith traditions in their spiritual growth as well. Does this mean that all of us do our free time in prayer, or read the Bible, or go to Mass? No, but if I'm going to balance my team (or my day) I need to make the important stuff my top priority.

Our prayer, our reflections on and study of Scripture, and our participation in the Eucharist should deeply influence the choices we make through- out each day.

So if prioritizing and integrating our faith into our daily choices is so essential, why does it seem so easy to get hooked on Wii games, or reality TV, or fantasy football, while reading the Bible or going to Mass or participating in faith forming groups with well, boring? Without getting into the ways the entertainment industry has managed to drown out all the other voices in our environment, I would challenge you to remember that the easiest, most obvious options before us aren't necessarily the ones we're called to choose. Try walking over to the Grotto or having a serious conversation about your faith with a person you admire. It may provide you a surprisingly welcome bit of instant gratification, one which will last longer and affect us more deeply than we had imagined.

If we really can make any significant connections between fantasy football and life (and I'm not sure that I'm convinced of that), then as my son pointed out, "you have to take care of it and pay attention to it." Our Lord is waiting to help us attend to every aspect of who we are, what we hold dear, and how we spend the valuable gift of our time. And that's not just a fantasy; it's the most important reality of our lives.

This week's Faith Point is written by Kate Barrett. Kate Barrett is the director of the Emmaus program in Campus Ministry. She can be reached at kbarr­ ett3@nd.edu.

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

Singersongwriter and Michigan native Brendan Benson has probably become most well known as Jack White's wingman in The Raconteurs, although he has been a talented and innovative, as well as critically acclaimed, solo albums before joining the quartet. "My Old, Familiar Friend," his newly released album, spotlights for the first time his ability to shine solo, illuminating a unique voice that was seemingly only stifled by White, no offense to indie's warbling demigod. Benson brings this effortless voice to this latest solo act, one that could be nearly as haunting as Rufus Wainwright if not for his decidedly bourgeois sound. This venture also seems far more flavoured than previous band efforts, and nods not only to 1970's rock with analog production, harried vocals and ELO synths, but also to 50's beach cruising tunes, 80's hard guitar and 90's hooks and pace.

"My Old, Familiar Friend" is full of dynamic and astute lyrics that the songsmith focuses on personal quests, that vary between love (gained and lost) and lust, settling and ambition. His witty writing deals with these issues with a wink and song like on the melancholy track "Garbage Dip," that has lyrics like: "And if she throws her heart away, I'll be there on any given day..." This cohesive style begins the question who the real storyteller was in The Raconteurs. "A Whole Lot Better," the first track, is a bouncy organ riff that for the first few seconds sounds like it's straight off of a Raconteurs album. Then it segues into something that has that 90's pace and catchy poprock sound that calls back to Elvis Costello and other Brits like The Kinks, with a sprinkling of the Americana blues and motifn his pregood and seemed to favor. "I'm tired of love with you / And out of love with you / And back in love with you / All in the same day," seem to echo the swoop of a melody that is almost sure to become an infectious Stoopy dance. Added wisdom from Benson's new 2007 album, "The Weirdness," and Iggy Pop has been quoted as saying, "I wanted a sweet, clean, effective American voice on that particular chorus, and Brendan had the voice." Benson's vocal showcasing "My Old, Familiar Friend" is pop rock gem in a "blink and you'll miss it" kind of way. There is no doubt — it is talent, but it is the off that remains if he can capture the same kind of success as a solo artist that he had with The Raconteurs.

By COURTNEY ECKERLE
Scene Writer

Szymon Ryzner

Despite having a large following in most of the world, Muse is yet to crack into the United States mainstream. "The Resistance", their third studio album, continues Muses' legacy of transcending musical genres to create something entirely unique. Muse can easily be called a neo-classical, space rock, electronica, alternative band and their latest album continues in that vein, adding even a hint of jazz to their already expansive genre fusion.

Still regardless of this authentic sound it would not have been appreciated were it not for the band's first performance on American television during the V H 1 Music Awards. Adding further fuel to the growing fire that has become Muse fan base has steadily grown thanks to "Twilight" fans or "Twilight" as they are sometimes called in Internet communities.

Muse's latest doesn't appear to try to woo in new fans, instead the album is filled with six-minute tracks containing heavy vocals and allusions to literary works, as well as a concluding symphony with the added instrumentation of 40 more string performers. The excitement doesn't end there as Muse has continued their philosophical questioning of existence and now provided listeners with additional political speculation and intrigue. There is so much packed into this album that no review could possibly scrape the surface of every aspect.

"Uprising," the first single of the album, is a direct reference to the relationship of Winston and Julia from the Orwellian novel "1984." With lyrics such as "Love is our resistance" and "You'll wake the thought police," this connection seems pretty simple to make. With Matthew Bellamy singing earnestly at the top of his lungs about love, it's very easy to believe the shouts of "Oi" during the chorus.

The album concludes with the three-track 13-minute symphony concerning attempts at population of the universe by humanity. "Exogenesis: Symphony" works the band's thrill and passion. Another standout from "The Resistance" is the track "United States of Eurasia." This venture also seems far more flavoured than previous band efforts, and nods not only to 1970's rock with analog production, harried vocals and ELO synths, but also to 50's beach cruising tunes, 80's hard guitar and 90's hooks and pace.

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My Old, Familiar Friend

Brendan Benson

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Recommended Tracks: "Don't Wanna Talk," "A Whole Lot Better," "Feel Like You Home"
When most people hear the word "nickelodeon" they think of "Hey Arnold!" or people getting slimed. However, before the hit television network, the term had an entirely different meaning. Nickelodeons were small theaters in America during the early 20th century. The etymology of its name comes from the cost of some of his work and how he made such a fortunate discovery.

The nickelodeon fostered the growth of moving pictures which at that time were still in an infancy state. Many people often think of nickelodeons as predecessors to our present day movie theaters, i.e. Cinemark 14 or Loews's. This is true in some respects. The nickelodeon was a popular leisure time activity for the middle class and could often constitute a weekend's entertainment. People would often bring popcorn and other delicious goodies into the theater as well.

This is where the similarities between nickelodeons and current movie theaters end. In movie theaters today, a typical presentation consists of previews for upcoming films followed by a two-hour-long feature length film. That was not the case in the early 1900's. A typical show consisted of short films accompanied by one or more musicians.

But what few people know is what took place between these short films — illustrated songs. In the time between short films (presumably while a technician was changing reels) audiences were entertained by illustrated songs. While the music played, glass slides were projected onto the screen to give the audience visual entertainment. These slides also encouraged the audience to sing along.

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Altman attended Duke University for his undergraduate studies. He claims that at that point, "films weren't really my thing." It was not until graduate school at Yale where he felt a stronger pull toward cinema. While spending a year studying abroad in Paris, Altman attended the cinema with his wife regularly. As they became more and more avid moviegoers, they started to look for older movies.

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I had the opportunity to ask Rick a few more questions. I asked him about the lack of interest in older films among college students. He laughs and tells me "I'll have students who tell me, 'I love classic movies...like "Star Wars."'" He continues, "Well, I think some films take a little background to explain, but it's up to the professors to select films that will get students really excited. With the right plot and the right characters, you can get almost any audience excited."

I also inquired as to why he thinks the future of film is headed. His main interest is in the extras now available on DVD. He says, "We are very lucky to have all these extra available to us, particularly short films. I think that as people do more digging, a lot of stuff that no one knows about will surface."

Rick Altman is currently a professor of Cinema and Comparative Literature at the University of Iowa. "The Living Nickelodeon with Rick Altman" takes place tonight in the Performing Arts Center at 7 p.m.
Red Sox walk off with late win over Angels

Cervelli delivers game-winning single in ninth for Yankees; Padres win in 10th over Diamondbacks

Associated Press

BOSTON — Alex Gonzalez hit a bases-loaded bloop to right to give Boston the lead in the sixth, looped one down the left-field line with two outs in the seventh inning, and then hit a two-run single in the ninth. The Red Sox won 7-5, breaking a tie with the Angels for the wild-card lead.

Casey Kotchman and an RBI single on a run-scoring groundout by Brian Fuentes (1-5) cut the lead.

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Carlson after scoring a run, and Robinson Cano's comebacker to third. Cam hit Melky Cabrera above the right knee with an 80 mph breaking ball in the fourth, but both Henriques remained calm.

Downs also left early. Three batters after Melky's hit, he came out of a 1-0 count to Cabrera, who hit an inning-ending flyout against Torrez behind Boston in the wild-card run.

Ecky Arbar had four hits for the Angels and Rivera had three, including a two-run double in a four-run seventh inning — aided by a dropped third strike — that gave Los Angeles a 7-5 lead.

Bobby Abreu's third hit was an RBI single to break a nine-inning tie and give the Angels an 8-7 lead.

Boston scored two in the eighth on a run-scoring groundout by Carpino and an RBI single by Jacoby Ellsbury.

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**NCAA**

Former Indiana University basketball coach and NCAA president Myles Brand speaks at a news conference in Indianapolis in 2004. He died Wednesday of pancreatic cancer at the age of 67. **NCAA president Myles Brand dies at 67**

**Associated Press**

**Indiana University** — Myles Brand, who fired Bob Knight as Indiana University basketball coach and went on to become NCAA president, died Wednesday of pancreatic cancer. He was 67.

The first former university president to run college sports' largest governing body, Brand worked to change the perception that college athletes don't mean anything to the schools they represent. He was a critic of the arms race in college sports, saying that school presidents faced tough challenges with celebrity coaches and suggestions the emphasis on winning championships endangered the real mission of universities.

**IN BRIEF**

**Rays' Carl Crawford starts argument in clubhouse**

Baltimore — Tampa Bay outfielder Carl Crawford angrily shouted at teammates Pat Burrell in the clubhouse before Wednesday night's game against Baltimore, the latest break- down in a season-long problem for the Rays.

It was not clear what caused the dispute shortly before the Rays took the field for pregame stretching.

Crawford, the MVP of this year's All-Star Game, repeatedly yelled across the clubhouse at Burrell's designated locker. Burrell did not respond.

A teammate then stepped in front of Crawford, trying to calm the situation. Crawford was ushered into a side-room.

Manager Joe Maddon said he met with both players after confrontation and cleared the air.

"Everything's good," Maddon said.

The AL champion Rays have lost 12 of 13 and steeply dropped out of playoff contention.

**Yankees, Rays players receive suspensions, fines**

NEW YORK — Yankees catcher Jorge Posada and Toronto pitcher Jesse Carlson were suspended for three games each and fined Wednesday by Major League Baseball for their roles in a bench-clearing brawl.

The pair were cited for "aggressive and inappropriate actions" by MLB vice president Bob Watson and started serving the penalties immediately, a day after they tangled.

Yankees utilityman Shelley Duncan was suspended for three games and appealed, delaying the start of any discipline.

Manager Joe Girardi suspended a hit to the head.

**NFL fines Jets, Mangini for not reporting Favre injury**

**Floirda Park, N.J.** — The NFL assessed a total of $125,000 in fines to the New York Jets and former coach Eric Mangini on Wednesday for violating the league's rules on injury reporting with regard to former quarterback Brett Favre last season.

The Jets failed to place Favre, now with the Minnesota Vikings, on the injury report during the final month of last season, even though he had a torn biceps tendon.

The league announced it had fined the Jets $75,000, and Mangini and Jets general manager Mike Tannenbaum $25,000 apiece. Mangini now coaches the Cleveland Browns.

"We have been fully cooperative with the league throughout this investigation and respect their decision," the Jets said in a statement.

Mangini was not immediately available for comment on his fine.

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Georgia Tech at Miami

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NBA

Bills fans admit to defacing lawn

Associated Press

ORCHARD PARK, N.Y. — Buffalo Bills cornerback Leodis McKelvin is so far willing to forgive and forget after two male teens admitted to police that they defaced the player's front lawn.

Hammond police Sgt. Thomas Best said Wednesday night that McKelvin is refusing to press charges against two 16-year-olds, who said they were the ones who spray-painted a message and an obscenity across the grass in front of the player's home shortly after the Bills' season-opening 23-24 loss at New England on Monday night.

Best said it'll be up to the Erie County district attorney's office to press charges against the two suspects. Best declined to release the names of the two teens because of their age but noted they both live near McKelvin's home in suburban Hamburg.

The vandalism created headlines across the country, was fodder for numerous sports talk radio programs and led to several Bills players questioning their privacy and security as they returned to practice to prepare to host the Tampa Bay Buccaneers on Sunday.

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**MLB**

Cuddyer leads Twins over Indians for sweep

Twins catcher Joe Mauer slides into home after a single by Michael Cuddyer as Indians catcher Kelly Shoppach fields the throw.

Blackburn retired the Indians in order three times in the first four innings and got out of a two-on, no-out jam in the fifth when Kelly Shoppach grounded into a double play and Trevor Crowe grounded out.

"He threw more curveballs in the first two or three innings that I've seen him throw all season," start-up, although he was still up in the zone too much," Gardenhire said.

For the second straight night, the Cleveland Indians 7-3 for a 4-0 lead. Blackburn hit a two-run homer in the seventh and added an RBI single in the eighth before Shoppach popped out with the bases loaded.

"I didn't feel like we played well at all behind him," Cleveland manager Eric Wedge said. "We made some decisions on cutoffs, decisions where we could have taken the out that would have saved us two or three runs easy.

"It's important not to give in right now," LaPorta said. "It doesn't matter what the situation is around you. That's part of being a man is finishing strong. I just came out here every day and try to beat for the ballclub.

Orioles 4, Rays 2

First, Matt Wieters stopped the Tampa Bay Rays with his arm.

Then he beat them with his bat.

Wieters hit a two-run homer in the bottom of the ninth off Russ Snyder, giving the Baltimore Orioles a victory Wednesday night.

Tampa Bay went up 2-1 in the top of the ninth when Ben Zobrist hit a 3-2 pitch from Jim Johnson over the center-field wall. It was the fifth blown save for Johnson (4-5).

But in the bottom half, Luke Scott drew a walk from Spring (0-4) and Wieters hit a drive that landed in the front row of the seats in left. The rookie catcher, who had a homer and five RBIs on Tuesday, muscled up the bases and jum ped on home plate and into the arms of his teammates.

"I was going to look for a fastball early and try to put a good swing on it. I was fortunate enough to get a curveball and a strike out," Wieters said. "It's a situation where you might bullet, but they gave me the sign to swing away and try and drive something.

Wieters twice threw out fleet-footed and speedster Carl Crawford trying to steal second. It was the second time in his career Crawford was nabbed twice in the same game; the other was April 10, 2007.

Crawford has 57 steals and has been thrown out 14 times, in a 4-0 lead opening the season with 30 straight stolen bases.

"Wieters did it twice behind the plate and it did with the bat. He had a great game," Orioles manager Joe Maddon said.

And then Wieters untied it.

"When it left, I didn't think it was going that far. He's a pretty strong young man and the ball kept carrying," manager Ron Gardenhire said. "It landed just beyond the Crawford, who leaped in vain at the wall.

"I tried to put my arm over the rail, but it was kind of slick," Carl Crawford said. "I didn't see Maddon's head up like this."

Making his 10th start since being summoned from Triple-A Norfolk on July 29, Orioles rookie Chris Tillman gave up five hits and one walk in 6 2/3 innings. The 21-year-old retired the first 10 batters and permitted five hits over six innings in his first career start.

Tampa Bay Rays as the first of seven straight. Matt Albers replaced Tillman and struck out 8. It was the Rays' sixth straight shutout, and the seventh of the season.

They hit the exits after Scott walked and Wieters homered on the following pitch.

"He's been holding his own in this league," Scott said of Wieters. "This is not an easy league. It's a tough league and he's been doing good. The more hits he gets, the happier I'm going to be because I'm going to get better pitchers to hit in the future."

Ray's Andy Sonnanstine allowed two runs, one earned, and three hits in 2 2/3 innings. It was the first time in nine starts since May 22 that he permitted fewer than two runs.

The Orioles went up 1-0 in the second for Hits 1-1-2-1-2 on a sacrifice fly by Wieters. In the fourth, Wladimir Balentien reached on an error and scored on Matt Joyce's sacrifice fly to right.

Zaun homered leading off the sixth, his seventh of the season and second against the Rays from Baltimore on Aug. 8.

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Blanton throws six scoreless to shut down Nats

Tigers honor announcer, win on Polanco single; Johnson strikes out nine as Marlins beat Cardinals

Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA — Inspired by Pedro Martinez and Cliff Lee, Joe Blanton put more goose eggs on the scoreboard.

Blanton tossed six scoreless innings, Japan-born his grand slam and the Philadelphia Phillies beat the Washington Nationals 6-1 Wednesday night.

Blanton (10-7) allowed five hits and struck out seven. The Phillies were one out away from recording three consecutive shutouts for the first time in 40 years when Willie Harris singled in a run off Tyler Walker.

The Phillies beat the New York Mets 1-0 Sunday night behind eight innings from Martinez and one from Ryan Madison. Lee tossed a six-hitter in a 5-0 win against the Nationals on Tuesday.

"Tilting is contageous, but pitch­ing is contagious, too," Blanton said. "You see a lot of quality pitches and a lot of outs and it gets in your head, it breeds confidence."

Their NL East-leading St. Louis fell to 1-14 against Philadelphia this season. The Cardinals’ last win came June 22-28 against the Mets and Minnesota.

Frustrated by another sloppy perfor­mance, manager Jim Riggleman held a team meeting after the game.

"We made too many mistakes," Riggleman said. "It was another series of bad things happened that we can’t continue to allow. We’ve got to do a better job of handling the details of the game."

Chase Utley and Ryan Howard, who have combined for 69 homers, used their legs to produce the first run in the first inning, with Utley swiping home on a delayed double steal.

Utley singled with two outs and moved to third on Howard’s base hit. Howard then broke for second and slid in safely ahead of catcher Wil Nieves’ throw. Utley raced home once Nieves released the ball and scored without a throw as shortstop Cristian Guzman raced slowly after applying the late tag.

It was Howard’s seventh stolen base this season. He had two career steals before this year, but dropped more than 25 pounds in the offseason.

"I think he’s a little quicker because of the weight," manager Charlie Manuel said.

Utley became the 10th player in franchise history to record 69 homers and 200 runs batted in.

The 91-year-old Hall of Fame pitcher began his career in 1960 as a reliever for the Baltimore Orioles. He ended his career in 2002 with the Texas Rangers.

Blanton to toss second four­scoreless inning of the day for the Nationals. Philadelphia went on to beat Washington 6-1.

Phillies shortstop Jimmy Rollins just misses a ground ball in Wednesday’s game against the Nationals. Philadelphia went on to beat Washington 6-1.

Johnson (15-6) gave up nine hits but allowed just one run in his 23rd quality start of the season. He struck out five and walked none, improving to 3-1 with a 3.14 ERA in his last five starts.

"They made good contact with the ball," Johnson said. "I’d throw good pitches and they’d get hits. It was one of those days where I didn’t walk anybody. That was huge for me today."

The Cardinals rallied in the ninth. Jason LaRue walked with one out and Mark DeRosa followed with a double to left. Gonzalez then replaced Brian Sanches with closer Leo Nunez, whose wildness got the Marlins into more trouble.

Nunez hit Ryan Ludwick and Albert Pujols to force in a run before overthrowing Matt Holliday into a game-ending double play for his 22nd save in 28 opportunities.

"I really focused on throwing the fastball low and away," said Nunez, who had hit only two batters in his previous 66 innings. "I just wanted to get the ground ball and I got it."

Central-leading St. Louis fell to 1-5 in its nine-game homestand and lost back-to-back series for the first time since June 22-28 against the New York Mets and Minnesota.

Joel Peralta (14-11) gave up four runs and 10 hits in 5 1/3 innings for St. Louis.

Eight of Florida’s first 10 batters reached safely. John Baker and Ross had RBI singles and Dan Uggla also drove in a run in the first with a fielder’s choice.

Johnson is one of many high-profile free agents available this winter. The Pirates are looking to move him to the closer role, where he had a 1.97 ERA in 2008.

Marlins 5, Cardinals 2

Josh Johnson showed why he’s one of the top starters in the majors on Wednesday.

Even without his best stuff, the right-hander was good enough to shut down the St. Louis Cardinals.

Johnson struck out nine in six effective innings to lead the Florida Marlins to a victory over the Cardinals.

Cody Ross had three hits and drove in two runs for Florida, which has won 10 of 15 games in the playoff race.

Ross extended his hitting streak to 11 games, the longest current streak in the NL, and was 5 for 12 in the series.

Floridians (74-66) moved into fourth in the standings, with two games of card-leading Colorado, which was at San Francisco on Wednesday night.

"This is a resilient team," Marlins manager Fredi Gonzalez said. "They forgot about losses quickly and go on to the next game."
Eagles’ Kolb ready to start

Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA — Donovan McNabb was a causal bystander at Eagles practice. Wearing black sweat pants, an Eagles cap, and his red No. 5 jersey, McNabb looked more like an Eagles fan on a football Sunday than their starting quarterback.

Unlike those Phillip die-hards, McNabb hopes to be playing instead of watching against New Orleans.

McNabb, who has a cracked rib, could not practice on Wednesday and likely won't all week. So third-year reserve Kevin Kolb took snaps with the first-team offense in preparation for possibly the first start of his NFL career.

Coach Andy Reid made it clear on Wednesday: Kolb is McNabb’s understudy. Kolb could return to his usual role as McNabb’s understudy, Reid said McNabb was making progress and it was too early to rule him out.

"I know how Donovan’s wired and he’s a tough guy," Reid said. "I’ve got to make sure that myself and the doctors and trainers evaluate that as we get closer. If he were OK to play and felt OK, I think he could go out there with very limited practice and perform at a high level."

Garcia, picked up by the Eagles on Tuesday, would be Kolb’s backup. He will be the No. 3 emergency quarterback if McNabb starts.

Michael Vick and Garcia will share snaps running the scout team this week. Vick is not eligible to play until next week, Reid said, because of a NCAA penalty.

"This is (Kolb’s) opportunity to present to the rest of the league what he’s all about," Garcia said. "Hopefully he takes advantage of all of that."

McNabb cracked a single rib when he was crunched by several defenders on his 3-yard touchdown run in the third quarter of last week’s win in Carolina. He didn’t immediately get up after the touchdown, and was attended to by Eagles trainers before eventually leaving the field on his own.

Reid said McNabb’s ribs need to get "sticky—or, not move up and down—before he should play.

Running back Brian Westbrook, who missed a game last season with a broken rib, said McNabb’s ability to play could depend on how much pain he can tolerate.

"He might be able to take a little bit more pain than I can," Westbrook said. "It’s painful when you get hit, when you break when you run. It’s painful every time you move.""Kolb’s most meaningful playing time came last season when Reid benched McNabb at halftime of a loss at Baltimore. Reid thought Kolb gave the team a better chance to win a game, and he kept Kolb in to maintain his slim playoff hopes.

Kolb was 10 for 23 for 73 yards and had a second down inside the 1 with just under 8 minutes left when Kolb threw the pick to Reed.

The Eagles were down 22-7 and had a second down inside the 1 with just under 8 minutes left when Kolb threw the pick to Reed.

That was all for Kolb. McNabb returned to the starting lineup the next game.

Eagles’ Kolb ready to start

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Friday game at DePaul.

Notre Dame has already played one Big East foe in No. 5 St. John’s, losing 2-0 at the adidas/USC Credit Union Classic on Sept. 6. That game did not count as a conference match. The conference lineup consists of seven teams in the Blue Division as well as four from the Red. Currently, due to a few rocky starts, only four Big East teams are ranked: Notre Dame, St. John’s, South Florida and No. 22 Louisville.

"I know the ones we play this weekend are doing well," Clark said. "They’ll be two very hard road games."

The Irish will be missing three important defensive players as the team starts conference play. Senior middlefielder Cory Rellas suffered a knee injury in the first game of the season, and sophomore defender Aaron Maund and freshman defender Dillon Powers will be playing at the under-20 World Cup in Egypt for most of the regular season.

"We’ve lost three key players, but this is an opportunity for guys to step up."

Clark said, "It’s a challenge to the squad and the players, but this is an opportunity for players to step up. We have to overcome some big losses, but I think we’ve got a good shot."

Maund and Powers will be in the 20 under-20 World Cup for Notre Dame’s Oct. 21 game against Georgetown, which should be an important game for the Blue Division standings. The Hoyas (3-1-1) rank fourth in the conference and qualified for the NCAAs. If we do well in the conference and qualify for the NCAAs, plus we would have been nice to go to Florida later in the year.

"We want to win the league," Clark said. "It’s our first big challenge of the season. We’ve got a terrific team, and they’re certainly motivated.

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play all year," McCarthy said. "It’s just the Big East, it’s kind of something they have in their program. They get hard-nosed and are a tough team to play and we have to make sure we’re going to be sore on Sunday."
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Hey Rikis, Bfik-142 here. We were just wondering why we didn't get an invite to the black party. Obama got to come last year and two-thirds love babydolls.

So all we wanted to say is that we wish we could have come and played! None Dame College a couple of songs. Hodick's Jewish gangers are cool though, seriously, I love membership reggae and God together. Anyway, thanks for blamming...

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Horoscope

EUGENIA LAST

CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY: Michelle Zelnik, 36, Alexis Blakely, 28; Tom Berenger, 61; Mike Katulka, 41. Happy Birthday: You'll have plenty work with that will require heavy onslaughts. Don't bow your way out of some. You have to let things change these days. You may not like it, but something won't be the same after today. You may have to start over, and perhaps not do things in the same sequence. Your power of influence will be great. You may have to use it. **

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Don't paint the town red in any case because you'll have paid for any excess in the long run. **

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Make the effort to deal with people in person. You will get a much better reaction. Someone who is interested in a project or an aspect of the one you are working on who will not play directly.

Gemini (May 21-June 20): Your heart is heavy with what you feel, and you are going to share it. You may be acting a bit like a martyr or a person who has been wronged. **

Cancer (June 21-July 22): If you see the big picture, someone will say to you, "You are doing everything you can, but it's too little."

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22): You will have trouble controlling your emotions, especially when dealing with personal matters, relationships and old-money envy issues. These will be a hot topic between morning and waking time. **

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Not everything is as simple as it appears. You have an option to either jump into a situation too quickly or whomb your impatience.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Asking for help may be stimulating but, in doing so, you will connect with someone who can embrace what is next. Good organisations will make mistakes available if you are willing to give back and share your expertise. **

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Don't find out what the hard way. Big and you'll find
corte who is working with you and who isn't. It may be that you are doing your own thing, but you've been used against you with something you now regret. **

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): If you don't know where your heart is, you will lose sight of important matters. If you want to make changes, don't feel like laboring to get them. If something you want to work out, work out.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): We look at all the different angles involving a financial or legal matter that you are facing. Someone will give you normalisation that may cause you to become a victim. Don't feel that you have to act, just that someone is pressing you. **

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Your future will be full of the choices that are of interest to you, speak up and let your feelings be heard. Listen to the past and a breakthrough you can take small steps toward what could be the last great leap.

Pisces (March 21-April 19): If you are cautious about what anyone around you think of you, speak up and let your feelings be heard. Listen to the past and a breakthrough you can take small steps toward what could be the last great leap.

Birthday Baby: You move for perfection. You handle whatever crops up your way with grace and common sense. Vow that will be freed from that grip.

Eugenia Last 2009 

Jumble

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### Football

**Preparing for pain**

Sophomore defensive tackle Ethan Johnson waits for the snap against Nevada on September 5.

Johnson and the Irish defense notched a 35-0 shutout over the Wolf Pack and await a deep and physical Michigan State team.

By MICHAEL BRYAN

While Michigan State has won straight in Notre Dame stadium, Notre Dame's captains were more concerned with recent results Wednesday — primarily the last two lost to the Spartans. They have only been here since 2005, same with Kyle [McCarthy]," linebacker and special teams captain Scott Smith said. "Really the only thing that's been somewhat within our control is what's happened since we've been here. I don't really look back to what happened in 1993 or anything like that."

McCarthy said the familiarity with Michigan State's offense should help in trying to break the six-game home-losing streak.

"They do a lot of the same things they did last year, just different guys," McCarthy said. "Obviously the guys are more than capable of running that offense."

The 23-7 loss in East Lansing was the first for the Irish in 2008, and featured an anemic Notre Dame rushing attack that resulted in passing out of necessity.

"In the first half [last year] we were trying to pound the ball," quarterback Jimmy Clausen said. "They had seven, eight guys in the box and we just had to throw the ball if we were going to have a chance to win the game."

The Irish run game seems to be vastly improved this year, with junior Armanda Allen emerging as a stronger inside runner and averaging 5.9 yards per carry.

"In the grand scheme of things, as an offensive line man at any level of any football team, running the ball is kind of a thing of pride," senior center Eric Olsen said. "When you're pushing defensive linemen back and getting up to linebackers and your running back is making great runs behind you, it's just a good feeling and something that gets everyone excited." Both defensive captains agreed that the team was better prepared to recover quickly from the loss to Michigan than those in years past.

"I think we have a much more mature team this year," McCarthy said. "Last year we were a little young, but this year, those guys have really stepped up into more of a leadership role."

Both units should be prepared for a physical game against a Spartan team angry after last week's 29-27 upset loss to Central Michigan.

"They like to play physical and we'll need to be ready to match that," McCarthy said. "It's a real feather in the cap of the Spartans to win in the Big House. It's a way to establish confidence for the team and their fan base.

The Spartans are 3-0 overall and 1-0 in the Big Ten after defeating Michigan State this past weekend. They will face Michigan on Saturday in the Big House and have a chance to extend their conference record to 2-0.

**SMC Soccer**

**Belles drop 8th straight at Titans**

The Belles' struggles on offense, which have plagued them for most of the season, were too much to overcome as they dropped their eighth straight road contest, a 5-0 decision at No. 7 Illinois Wesleyan College Wednesday night in Bloomington, Ill.

The Titans jumped out early with a goal in the first minute before adding three more first-half goals to put the game out of reach.

Senior Patty Duffy played 62 minutes in goal, making three saves, before giving way to freshman Adele Bruggeman, who made one stop of her own.

Senior Jessica Slean and freshman Ashley Morfin were the only Belles players to register shots on goal this week.

Junior goalkeeper Alii Novak registered her 20th career shutout for Illinois Wesleyan as the Belles were outshot 25-9.

Goals for the Titans were scored by Carly Huetska, Molly O'Brien, Kelsey Porter and Annmarie Delori.

Saint Mary's (2-4) will play the second of three matches on its current road trip when it travels to Ohio for a matchup with Wilmington College Friday night.

The Belles will be searching for their first win of the season. With the loss, Saint Mary's drops to 4-17-1 over the past two seasons.

**SMC Volleyball**

**SMC rallies, but falls 3-2 to Flying Dutch**

By BOBBY GRAHAM

The Belles dropped another close conference match to MIAA rival and No. 8 Hope Wednesday, 3-2.

"This match was a really tough loss," coach Toni Kuschel said. "We had a lot of enforced errors and there were a few plays that did not go our way."

The loss was the Belles' third that came in five sets, a sign that the team is playing well but is having issues closing out.

"We have to learn to keep executing what is working for us at the time and capitalize on the other team's weaknesses," Kuschel said.

The Flying Dutch got off to a quick start, breezing to victory in the first two games 25-9 and 25-19. Saint Mary's rallied together, however, rebounding to take the next two games 25-20 and 25-21.

Hope recovered to win the fifth and final set 15-10.

The Belles continued to receive stellar play from senior star Lorina Slupczynski, who recorded a double-double with 12 kills and 18 digs.

Despite a tough start to the season, Kuschel recognized the talent on the roster and is confident that her squad is making continual progress.

"Our team is improving each game," she said. "I think is says a lot about how mentally tough they can be to come in to a strong conference and play the way they have been playing."

The Flying Dutch had a balanced attack with four different players notching double-digit kills. Javine Fiedler, Cassidy Bultsman, Traci Baker and Sara DeWeerd all had at least 10 kills for Hope.

The Belles will take a much-needed break this week to readjust themselves and prepare for conference rival Olivet Tuesday at home.