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get research grants for half a million dollars,” Singleton said. “It’s really a
great thing.”
He was very pleased with Gao’s ability
to secure such a high profile grant.

“I’ll have to go to my thesaurus to see how many ways I can say ‘great,’
or ‘good,’ but it is,” Singleton said.
“The science that he is doing is world-
class.”
The LHC is a particle accelerator
that sits in a tunnel with a 17-mile
circumference and approximately
570 feet underground. It is the larg-
est of its kind at about six stories tall,
according to Gao.
The LHC re-creates the scenario
of the Big Bang Theory, which Gao
described as “a little Big Bang.” The
idea is to study what matter comes
from the collision of particles, as well
as other new physics scenarios.
Lawrence Carlson, a double major
in mathematics and physics, has also
been involved with CERN over the
past three years. He said that Gao’s
grant will allow students interested in
physics to have a direct relation with
someone who has been involved with
the LHC.
“By having somebody stay full time,
it gives us an inside track,” Carlson
said.
While in Geneva, Carlson
was responsible for designing a
monitoring tool for variables
inside the detector of the LHC,
and he is cur-
rently design-
ing a tool to pre-
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As part of the NSF Elementary
Particle Physics program, the Fresno
State physics program will have the
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additional funding opportunities that
come with being involved with this
community.
The U.S. ATLAS management sug-
gested that Fresno State serve as the
lead institution with eight subcontractors,
including schools like Columbia University
and New York University.
This proposal would award Fresno
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according to Gao.
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it will be funded or not,” Gao said.

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Tell me Moore, Dr. Paul

In Michael Moore’s new documentary, “Capitalism: A Love Story,” the left-wing filmmaker blames our country’s economic woes on greedy capitalists, saying “capitalism is evil, and you can’t regulate it.”

Ron Paul, in his newest bestseller, behaves differently.

“End the Fed,” Paul’s manifesto on the Federal Reserve System (the United States’ national bank), is a short, easy to understand read that cogently explains that the mess we are in is no fault of a free-market, capitalist based system — it’s due to a lack thereof.

“The Federal Reserve should be abolished,” says Dr. Paul, “because it is immoral, unconstitutional, impractical, promotes bad economics and undermines liberty. Its destructive nature makes it a tool of tyrannical government.” (Tell us how you really feel…)

According to Paul, the Federal Reserve — indeed, all national banks — is the cause of the boom-bust (business) cycle and that it is not inherent in free-market economies.

In a free-market economy, interest rates act as the price of borrowing. When people save more than they consume, interest rates go down. When people consume more than they save, interest rates go up.

In this way, businesses can see if people want to spend in the present (in which case it would make no sense borrowing vast amounts of money to embark on investment projects) or if the citizenry want to spend in the future. Businesses decisions are made accordingly.

In an economic system in which interest rates are controlled by a central regulator (a national bank) the price of borrowing can be changed at the whim of whoever is in charge. This explains why interest rates have been as high as 20 percent and as low as less than one percent (where the interest rate currently lies).

In this type of economy, investors can be fooled by low interest rates, thinking that there are enormous pools of resources from which they can borrow from, in fact they are insufficient to carry out their specified task. Losses ensue and panics/recessions/depressions happen.

This is a very convincing argument. How else do we explain how so many successful businesses can all of a sudden fail? That they just do is not a sufficient explanation.

The goals of the Fed are to stabilize the currency and prevent the economy from fluctuating from astronomical heights to devastating lows.

How have they done? The purchasing power of one dollar in 1913 (when the Federal Reserve was created) has fallen to 86.5. Yes, it’s five cents. So, I feel pretty safe in saying that they’ve failed on the stabilizing of the currency front.

As for eradicating recessions, well, they’ve fallen short there too. According to the National Bureau of Economic Research, since the Fed was created, the United States has had 26 separate instances when the country’s economic output decreased.

What to do? While Dr. Paul’s solution of ending the Fed may seem too radical for some, an interim step is a House of Representatives that would audit the Federal Reserve, allowing Congress to find out which banks the Fed has lent money to and other information regarding monetary policy (it seems like such a common sense idea that it’s amazing that it’s not already a law).

Mr. Moore thinks capitalism ‘evil’, but what he mistakenly calls capitalism is actually an economy that Karl Marx could find areas of agreement with.
One year I played Junior Varsity football, but when we got there it had just rained and I ate it hard core. Then I went straight home.

—Danielle Gilbert, A&E Editor

I have such a vibrant, public, welcoming community.

—Benjamin Baxter, Collegian Alumnus

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I caught my first touchdown pass as a varsity receiver during the homecoming game my Junior year. That was pretty special.

—Jimmy Graben, Online Sports Reporter

The Table, our place

By Benjamin Baxter

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Table veterans can tell someone’s new by the way he sits at the end and scoots his chair in, only to knock his knees against a poorly placed support. Veteran and stranger share a laugh and, with that, the ice is broken.

In a world of infinite, instant, impersonal social connection, it’s easy to forget these places, the places we meet up, hang out and at which we try, failing, to study.

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1 Comfy soft shoes  2 Understand, in slang  3 Mortgage payment-lowering strategy, briefly  4 Sentimental place in the heart  5 Fluffy stoles  6 Ho Chi __  7 Ancient  8 Dancer Charisse  9 Separate grain from chaff  10 __ Julia, who played Gomez Addams  11 Opposed to  12 Hissed “Hey, you!”  13 Football’s “Prime Time” Sanders  14 Wharton’s “ __ Frame”  15 Perform better than  21 HBO competitor  23 Aired as a sitcom  24 Muscle cramp, e.g.  25 Noticeable navel  26 City near Syracuse  27 Ten-year period  28 Stopped slouching  29 Dorned Arctic home  30 Want badly, as chocolate  31 Sharpens  32 Don, as apparel  33 Keep one’s __ the ground  34 Miracle-__: garden product  35 Bickering  36 When Juliet drinks the potion  37 Former Fed chairman Greenspan  38 Incite to attack, with “or”  39 Rocket engineer Wemher von __  40 Pilot light site  41 Dinner pair  44 Lotion ingredient  45 “Gross!”  46 Fancy burger beef  49 Just in case  54 Evening ball game
What is homecoming anyway?

By Bethany Rangel

The windows of the University Student Union at California State University, Fresno count down the four days left before Saturday’s football game with painted illustrations of this year’s theme, “Hollywood Homecoming.”

The paintings feature several bulldogs driving a vintage car, and a list of this year’s homecoming weeklong festivities. The events range from activities such as a cupcake eating contest, and a karaoke challenge, to a celebrity look-a-like contest. The Henry Madden Library also hosts an exhibition welcoming back Fresno State alumni. Ultimately, though, homecoming week will come to a close with the highlight event, Saturday’s football game. Amid the contests, events and ball game, the definition of homecoming became obscured. According to the text a librarian at the library, “Homecoming can be defined as ‘Fresno State alumni coming back to view the campus, so on and so forth; and a homecoming king and queen are crowned at that weekend’s football game.’” Consequently, definitions of “homecoming” differ from student to student.

Kathleen Galinato

“I went to one last year,” said pre-nursing sophomore Kathleen Galinato. “It was my first homecoming here.” Galinato attended high school in Stockton, Calif. prior to enrolling at Fresno State.

She said she believed homecoming has to do with promoting school spirit and also a football game. Galinato recalled the excitement at last year’s game.

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“It has to do with the football game,” Obee Rahman, mathematics graduate student guessed, while tutoring a Buchanan High School student who laughed at Rahman’s uncertainty. Rahman came to Fresno State from Louisiana in 2006. The graduate student said he has never attended homecoming but remembers hearing the word around campus. Other than that, he said, “It has to do with the football game,” Obee Rahman, mathematics graduate student guessed, while tutoring a Buchanan High School student who laughed at Rahman’s uncertainty. Rahman came to Fresno State from Louisiana in 2006. The graduate student said he has never attended homecoming but remembers hearing the word around campus. Other than that, knowledge, though, Rahman said he felt unfamiliar with the concept of “homecoming.” Even so, he hopes to attend the game this Saturday if he does not have to work.

Sabina Fernandez

“I guess it’s just a way for students to come back to their old high school of college,” said pre-law freshman Sabina Fernandez. School spirit comes to mind, she said. Fernandez also said that although she has yet to experience homecoming at Fresno State, her memories of high school homecomings still linger in her mind. A graduate of Herbert Hoover High School in Fresno, Fernandez’s homecoming memories include painting her body green (the school color) and cheering wildly with friends, at the football game.

Tinsel town train-wreck

Danille Gilbert

It’s that monumental moment when 41,031 chanting fans stand, raising their hands towards the sky boxes to whip up the biggest Red Wave the San Joaquin Valley will ever see. It’s that moment when Fresno State stands up to San Jose proving who really is Sparta, as the dogs’ hustle and bustle back to the locker-room. And it’s that moment when halftime when the marching band, color guard, cheerleaders, dance team and elaborately decorated floats take over the field and the homecoming king and queen committee crown the last candidates standing.

If only, if only, this was a real college. However, there is no such committee for that matter no king, no queen, no dance, no rally, no floats, no alumni, no parade. Just a celebrity look-a-like contest, karaoke and a football game — now how is that any different from any other non-Hollywood homecoming weekend?

And who in their right mind would choose a city that is engulfed in fire as a motif for homecoming? Is Pat Hill the chair of the theme committee or something? Fiestas Whittout, Hollywood. What’s the next home game theme going to be, “Mormon night for Utah State”?

Giving Mr. Chairman the benefit of the doubt, I decided to call Marcus Rodriguez, the director of program and leadership at California State University, Los Angeles located in the heart of Hollywood in regards to their homecoming theme.

And let me tell you, it’s not Fresno, yet. “A theme has yet to be determined, but in support of our sister campus going Hollywood, the idea of a Fresno homecoming will be brought to the committee and considered,” Rodriguez said sarcastically.

I can see it now — a homecoming themed after the dumbest city in America. The competition for best float would be a heated rivalry between a Mutt Cutts float with Lloyd Christmas and Harry Dunne look-a-likes, and a meth lab on wheels with WWE wannabes laying the smackdown on local pregnant teens.

It’s quite funny that students can unite to form a committee to kill zombies and not form a homecoming committee. Long before Fresno State began serving the community in 1922, a little tradition called homecoming filled universities with thousands of students, alumni and family and friends to reunite for a jam-packed weekend of festivities.

For some, homecoming may just be a glorified popularity contest and another lame excuse to drink. But for those who were introduced to homecoming in high school, it is much more. In high school the king and queen coronation was nothing more than a vote, a half time time worthy show and a couple fake smiles and practiced waves that landed a color photo in the yearbook.

Students can lose their virginity in the dorms, but according to UK prof- ductions students aren’t permitted to have dances on campus. The century-old college tradition has officially died out. It’s no wonder students got flustered when asked the simple question: What is homecoming anyway?
Willing to try anything

Review by Hannah Sampson
McClatchy Newspapers

Bookstores and movie screens are full lately with stories of regular people who have taken up some offbeat activity for a year — cooking Julia Child’s recipes, spending no money, traveling the world eating, praying and loving.

For his two previous books, expert experimenter and Esquire magazine editor at large A.J. Jacobs read through the “Encyclopedia Britannica” in a year and spent another following the rules of the Bible (stoning an adulterer is harder than it used to be, he discovered).

His latest book is a collection of pieces detailing some of his most notable — also strange and hilarious — short-term projects. They include: outsourcing most of his life to India; posing naked for a photo shoot at the behest of Mary-Louise Parker; living according to the civility rules of George Washington and trying to tell the absolute, brutal truth in every situation.

“If I’d removed my filter in every single situation — instead of 90 percent of the time — I probably would have gotten beaten up, fired, and divorced,” he admits about the “Radical Honesty” experiment.

The nine stories reveal an everyman who is willing to try just about anything and doesn’t even try to gloss over his foibles. Witty self-deprecation is Jacobs’ bread, butter and jam, and his attempts to correct (or at least confront) his flaws drive the action.

Some of the chapters are more entertaining than others. Jacobs’ posing as his gorgeous nanny on an Internet dating site makes for better reading than his efforts to think rationally at all times.

Some experiments could serve as public-service projects, such as the writer’s attempt to excise multitasking from his life after he got into a car accident while listening too intently to an audiobook. He vows to spend a month doing only one thing at a time, but the plan is easier vowed than done: “This is awful. I feel like my brain has entered a school zone and has to slow down to 25 mph.”

The experiment that should earn the most applause involves Jacobs’ extremely long-suffering wife Julie, who would like her husband to spend a year giving her foot massages. Instead he decides to do whatever she wants for a month. His wife “jumped for joy,” Jacobs writes. “I’m not speaking metaphorically.”

Maybe none of us wants to try out radical honesty or conduct ourselves like a founding father. But there’s something to be gleaned from Jacobs’ experiences: Anyone can shake bad habits; you can change for the better with a little work; and doing everything your wife asks is always a good idea.

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Small stages, big talent

By Angelica Cano
The Collegian

While acts like the Barenaked Ladies and The Game drew in crowds at The Big Fresno Fair, many find something extra in the wide variety of grounds entertainment offered.

Amidst the Deep Fried Zucchini Weenie and the butter-basted cinnamon rolls are two bite-sized cowboys who roamed the fairgrounds with a knapsack full of jokes. “Fables of the West,” with the cowboy poetry of “Slim Chickens” and the wise-cracking of “Dusty Bottoms,” is performing at the Big Fresno Fair for its 10th year.

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Dressed in brightly colored Hawaiian shirts and overalls is the twosome of Charles Hurley and Jerry Stonebraker, also known as “The Amazing Harmonatras.” Performing four to five times daily, the duo build a band on stage with kids from the audience and affectionately rename them all “Bob.”

Along with the smiles of fairgoers, Hurley said he also loves meeting a variety of great entertainers that share his same passion. “The fair entertainer is a unique person,” Hurley said. “This is somebody who’s taken something that they know how to do and turned it into a show.”

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‘Band of Bobs’

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“My brother was asking these little kids ‘What does your dad do for a living,’” McMeans said. “This one little girl said ‘my dad, he works for the city, and after he goes to work Tony comes over.’ The mom got all embarrassed and they left the fairgrounds.”

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“His favorite memory was seeing a little girl ask his brother what he did for a living,” McMeans said. “His brother went on to say ‘I work for the city,’ and she said ‘my dad, he works for the city, and after he goes to work Tony comes over.’”

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However, it’s not all cotton candy and corn dogs for fair entertainers. “The Amazing Harmonatras” perform 70 to 90 days a year away from home, Hurley said and managing everyday obligations can be especially challenging. “It’s keeping your bills paid, your mail collected, staying up with the phone calls and the people,” Hurley said. “Your life is on the road, so you find ways to adapt and make sure your credit cards get paid on time. I missed a few birthdays of my kids, I was gone on some important dates. You still try to be there for the real important stuff and I was.”

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Library exhibit highlights past Fresno State athletes

By Kristin Berquist
The Collegian

John Behrens

Gena Strang-Behrens

Melanie Spigelmyre

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The Henry Madden Library and athletics department are collaborating together to create a homecoming exhibit that will feature former Fresno State athletes.

Dean of library sciences Peter McDonald said that through the exhibit they want to help provide athletics with the materials to build their hall of fame. McDonald said the hall of fame, which will be a building located in the southwest quadrant of Cedar and Barstow, The building will house the hall of fame, ticket booths, press conferences, and a welcome center.

Bulldog Pride: The Modern Era of Fresno State Athletics exhibit will open Saturday, Oct. 17 from 4 p.m.-6 p.m. in the Ellipse Gallery on the second floor of the Henry Madden Library. The exhibit will be open for three weeks.

The exhibit will highlight trophies, memorabilia, stories, and photographs from California State University, Fresno athletics dating back to the 1960s. There will be a mixture of past and present men’s and women’s sports.

Organizers want to show the Bulldog Foundation and sports supporters that Fresno State is more about academics than athletics.

The featured athletes will have some time at the микроphone to share their athletic experiences at Fresno State.

Fans are welcome to talk to them afterwards according to McDonald.

“It’s intended as a celebration and an afternoon of festivities honoring the stories of Fresno State athletics,” McDonald said.

Several of the athletes went on and had very successful careers in sports, according to McDonald.

The pep band, cheer squad, and mascot Timeout will be at the reception. Food and refreshments will also be served.

Associates of library services David Tycosson said that because of the band playing and the exhibit, the library won’t be quiet that day.

The library is usually closed on Saturdays, but it will be open this Saturday for anyone who wants to come to the event or study.

There will also be library tours before the reception for alumni or anyone who arrives between noon and 2 p.m.

“We’d love to see students come even though this is a homecoming event, but it’s the athletes here today who will be in the hall of fame in the future,” McDonald said.

By Michelle Furnier
The Collegian

John Behrens transferred to California State University, Fresno in the early 1960s to play for the Bulldogs football team under the leadership of Darryl Rogers.

As quarterback, Behrens said playing football gave him the drive to be a better student, as well as some unforgettable memories.

“Probably the best game I played was my senior year against Western Michigan. I threw for over 350 yards,” he said.

Behrens graduated with a degree in physical education and went on to teach. He coached football for 22 years at San Joaquin Memorial High School, his alma mater, and then later at Bullard High School.

While he no longer coaches, Behrens remains in education as a speaker for Heald College.

Four years ago Behrens met his wife, Gena Strang Behrens, in an encounter that he credits to Fresno State.

As an avid athlete and sports follower, Behrens recognized Gena at the golf course as a former, prominent Fresno State softball player. He approached her and mistook her for a different softball player she played with in college – an error they both laughed off.

A case of mistaken identity led to the discovery they shared a similar history with Fresno State as well as a passion for athletics.

“We walked in to the Bulldog Fight Song for our wedding reception,” Behrens said. “There were people there from Fresno State, like coach [Jim] Sweeney. We’re both die-hard Bulldogs.”

Gena Strang-Behrens, a Hanford native, was recruited to California State University, Fresno’s softball team after graduating from high school in 1980.

The first baseman majored in criminology while attending school on a softball scholarship.

“There were a lot of games that were really special and a lot of good things that we did, but I think the last game probably was the most memorable because we were second in the nation but we lost the final game and came second instead of first,” she said.

She continued to play softball for 10 years and was the Managing Director of Softball, a position she held three years after graduating with her degree.

Her relationship blossomed over a common love for sports and all things competitive.

Behrens said competitive nature still endures in both of them and they often compete against one another.

She admitted he usually beats her but said she picked up a good fight.

Behrens said her time at Fresno State provided her with skills she incorporated daily in her current position as director of service excellence at Saint Agnes Medical Center.

“I am in a position now where I do a lot of coaching and training and you can see your athletes or peers and you can see how to work as a team,” she said. “When you’ve been doing it for 30 years you work with all different kinds of people.”

By Lacee Solis

The Collegian

Melanie Spigelmyre

Tom Van Groningen

When Tom Van Groningen remembers his football career as a Bulldog in the early ’60s, he immediately thinks of the friendships that were formed on the team.

“I thoroughly enjoyed the game,” said 77-year-old Van Groningen in a phone interview. “We weren’t all that successful from a win/loss perspective, but I developed relationships with fellow players that have become life long, and we still stay in contact with some of them today. Those are the kind of experiences that stand out.”

Van Groningen was recruited out of high school to play for the Dogs in 1960. At 6 feet tall and 200 pounds, Van Groningen joked that he probably couldn’t even get on the field in today’s game. His days as a player were cut short after two years when he suffered a knee injury and multiple concussions.

Van Groningen graduated from California State University, Fresno in 1964 after receiving his bachelor’s degree in physical education with a history minor. He went on to earn a master’s degree from Fresno State and a doctorate at the University of Southern California.

“Fresno State was very good to me, and I gained a tremendous amount of experience there,” Van Groningen said. His career has taken him from classroom teacher and football coach in Layton, Calif. to chancellor of the Yosemite Community College District in Modesto. He retired in 1992 and continues to do consulting work for community colleges from his home in Modesto, as well as serve on a number of community organizations.

Van Groningen and his college sweetheart, Grace, married in 1962 and have two children and five grandchildren. Although his football playing days are in the past, Van Groningen said he still loves the sport and attends games regularly.

Photo courtesy of Gena Strang-Behrens

The year was 1984 and the Fresno State’s women’s volleyball team was nationally ranked 19th in the NCAA. For Melanie Spigelmyre, a freshman at the time, one particular victory from that season stands out – defeating UC Santa Barbara in front of a home crowd in what was then the new North Gym.

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When Van Groningen was recruited to Fresno State, he was 17 years old. The year was 1964, and the Bulldogs were national champions that year.

“I’ve known Tom since he was a Bulldog,” said McDonald. “He is an avid supporter of Fresno State athletics. We are proud to have him as one of the featured athletes in our exhibit.”

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USC has owned Notre Dame, Weis

By Jeff Miller
McClatchy Tribune

COMMENTARY

Fighting Irish have only scored three points in last two meetings against USC

I n the past two games against USC, Notre Dame had twice as many turnovers (six) as points (three).

Two years ago when they rolled in here,” Fighting Irish Coach Charlie Weis said, “we might have had a better chance of walking out of the tunnel.

In the past two games against USC, Notre Dame had more points (16) than first downs (14).

“Last year,” Weis said, “was just a man-handling.”

Yet, in the next game against USC, Notre Dame will have a chance (albeit slim) and a shot (though somewhat long).

“Two years ago when we didn’t think Notre Dame has a prayer. There Weis sat Tuesday, discussing the yuck of the Irish, seven consecutive losses to the Trojans, a coach always the next three-and-out from having to justify his employment, suddenly sounding full-blown buoyant.

“I’m not expecting to take a whupping this time,” he says, an opinion that, with the recent history of this series, borders on trash talk. “This team now believes it has been weathered.”

Still, the Saturday forecast calls for skies that will be overcasted and with a 100 percent chance of Trojans reigns. This is favored by 10 points.

But here’s how bad things have been running for Notre Dame: Anything close to 10 would represent wild progress. Except for USC’s 34-3 victory here in 2005, the Trojans, in chronological order, have won by 11, 27, 24, 38 and 35 points.

This lately hasn’t been a series of meetings; it has been a series of beatings.

Starting in 1983, the Irish went 13 consecutive games without losing to the Trojans. That’s not the same Old Man in a suit during which airplane banners mocking him already had circled the home stadium, single-engine vaults eying the dying.

At least that billboard, the one near campus chiding Weis for having a “coaching internship” at Notre Dame, was removed after only three days. The thing was supposed to be on display for three months.

Best of luck trying to locate sympathy around here for Weis. Though. You’d have a better chance unearthling “We (Heart) Gerry Faust” buttons.

The Detroit News recently ridiculed Weis’ size, rating that the hot seat upon which he sits “is considerably wider, with deeper indentations” than any in the conference.

In his office, Weis has a baseball cap that reads “USC owns Notre Dame.” Asked about it Tuesday, he explains that someone sent him the hat along with a letter that included “a derogatory comment” about his daughter. He refuses to give more details.

“Too personal,” Weis said. “When we win, that hat won’t be around anymore.”

Yes, they take their football rather seriously in these parts, almost as seriously as they take their losing football.

On the South Bend Tribune’s Web site this week, three of the top five “most viewed stories” overall related to these Fighting Irish. In the fifth spot was a bare-bones list, heights, weights, positions, of the recruits who have committed to Notre Dame.

The simple registry came in ahead of an article on property taxes and a story about a bunch of cocaine being found in a stolen car.

“Our university really really could use this win,” Weis said. “Not just me personally or our football team. We aren’t just playing for us. It’s been a long time coming. We really could use this one.”

Notre Dame’s most recent touchdown against USC came on a 2-yard pass from Brady Quinn to Jeff Samardzija in a game played here around November 2006, that Quinn since has been benched more than once as a Cleveland Brown and Samardzija now is a Chicago Cub.

So they have a chance and a shot Saturday and, at least they believe this time, a prayer. If nothing else, the Fighting Irish know they have Crist as an option at quarterback. Dame Crist is a sophomore backing up Heisman Trophy candidate Jimmy Clausen.

After seven losses in a row, why not try the power of positive thinking? It definitely has to be an improvement from the past two years of positively stinking.
Eli Manning only needed 10 throws to score 28 points against Oakland. Did the Giants need to rush his back from his injury?

By Tara Sullivan
McClatchy Tribune

A
fter the humilia-
tion of the Raiders
was complete, after
Eli Manning put up four
touchdowns before Oakland
could even put up a first
down, after the Giants played
to the Raiders’ jayvee
and crushed them into 49-7
submission, the decision
to let Manning play on a bum
right foot seemed unwise and
unnecessary.

If the Giants only needed
10 passes in less than two
quarters from Manning to
beat this joke of a team called
the Raiders, then they surely
would have handled Oakland
easily as easily as backup
David Carr (former Fresno
State Bulldog) played the
entire game. If Manning had
stayed on the bench after
a week when he practiced
only once, he would have
evacuated any possibility of
exacerbating the injury to the
plantar fascia ligament in his
right foot.

But if the first-guessers this
week wanted Manning to
sit out the game that pushed
the Giants to 5-0 for the first
time in 19 seasons, they lost
their argument in the second
round. In reality, the deci-
sion by Manning to take the
field was wise and necessary.
Manning is the Giants’ leader,
and it is a mantle he wears
with utmost gravity. This is
his team and his job, and if his
foot was going to allow
him to play, then he intended
to be out there making his
83rd consecutive start.

“It just shows his commit-
tment to the team, not that
anyone needed a further test,”
center Shaun O’Hara said.
“He could have easily said
‘just don’t play.’ It means a lot
to us to have him out there.

If I came off the field, he
headed out for the two-minute
offense Carr ran just before
halftime. “I even called the
timeout,” Manning said.

“Eli was the same way he
always is; he’s not selfish with
his information,” Carr said.

When I came off the field, he
was right there helping me.”

Manning had no desire to
hand over his job to Carr; not
even for a day. Like a certain
Yankee shortstop who makes
his living across the Hudson,
Manning wants to play every
day. Now with the peace of
mind that he can manage
his injury, and the physical
confidence he can return to
the practice field this week,
Manning heads into the tough-
est game of the season feeling
far better about himself than
did he when Sunday dawned.

One orthotic insert for his
high-top cleat and a good tape
job (Manning did not receive
any pain injections), and he’ll
be ready to go again.

“I was able to push off,
plant and make all of the
throws,” he said. “I was able
to throw the ball down the
field on the deep one to Steve
Smith for 43 yards and felt
fine. I was able to get some
heat on it when I had to. I
felt that once I started play-
ing I wasn’t thinking about it,
and I just went out there and
played.”

As Manningham said, “He
seemed like his normal self.”

For the Giants, that result
was reason enough for
Manning to be on the field.

David Carr, former Fresno State QB, played the entire second half against the lowly Oakland Raiders in relief of the

Giants’ starting quarterback Eli Manning. Manning was recovering from a foot injury and was a game-time decision.
Spartans fall to bottom

Analysis by Logan Hopkins
The Collegian

No. 1: Boise State
Broncos

Last Week: bye

Next Opponent: vs. Utah State

No. 2: Idaho
Vandals

Last Week: Beat San Jose State, 29-25, in San Jose

No. 3: Fresno State
Bulldogs

Last Week: Beat Hawaii, 42-17, in Honolulu

No. 4: Nevada Wolf Pack

Last Week: Beat Louisiana Tech, 37-14, in Las Cruces

No. 5: Louisiana Tech

Last Week: Lost to Nevada, 37-14, in Reno

No. 6: New Mexico State

Last Week: Beat Utah State, 20-17, in Las Cruces

No. 7: San Jose State
Spartans

Last Week: Lost to Nevada State, 20-17, in Las Cruces

No. 8: Utah State

Last Week: Beat San Jose State, 29-17, in San Jose

No. 9: San Jose State

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No. 10: Idaho State

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**Week 6: WAC Power Rankings**

**Spartans fall to bottom**

tailback Patrick Perry and the San Jose State Spartans fell to the bottom of the power rankings this week after a loss to the Idaho Vandals.

**Why No. 3?**

Boise State has the most talent in the WAC. The offense and defense, and probably the best defensive line in the WAC. The Bulldogs strengths will carry them past New Mexico State.

**Why No. 4?**

Utah State is slowly climbing the ladder, but they just keep winning football games. They are 5-1 and in first place in the Western Athletic Conference (WAC).

**Why No. 5?**

It may seem like a high ranking, especially after the Bulldogs received a handy beatdown last Friday, but there isn’t much talent below Louisiana Tech. The Bulldogs are a team that has a talented tailback and probably the best defensive line in the WAC. The Bulldogs strengths will carry them past New Mexico State.

**Why No. 6?**

New Mexico State is the best of the worst. The Bulldogs have more talent and depth than the Aggies, and home-field advantage won’t make a difference.

**Why No. 7?**

You always think the teams in the movies win. What they don’t!?

**Why No. 8?**

Utah State is around No. 8. The Aggies could have some competition from Idaho and Utah, but they just had a terrible outing in Reno. This team has a talented tailback and probably the best defensive line in the WAC. The Bulldogs strengths will carry them past New Mexico State.

**Why No. 9?**

San Jose State is hopelessly; they just had a terrible outing in Reno. This team has a talented tailback and probably the best defensive line in the WAC. The Bulldogs strengths will carry them past New Mexico State.

**Why No. 10?**

Idaho State is a long shot, but they just keep winning football games. They are 5-1 and in first place in the Western Athletic Conference (WAC).

Bye

San Jose State

Beat Utah State, 20-17, in Las Cruces


**AROUND THE ROOM**

*Some aspects of sports can be confusing – especially for young kids. It wasn’t until last week that multiple members of The Collegian’s staff learned that homecoming actually isn’t the football team’s return home after an extended road trip. It is actually the weekend alumni are supposed to come home, visit their alma mater and watch the football game. After learning the true meaning of homecoming, we asked staffers what other thoughts they had about sports they later learned weren’t true.*

**Growing up, what misconceptions did you have about sports that you later found out to be false?**

**Brian Moxey, Editor in Chief –**

“I thought college players only went to UNC or Duke. That’s where all the basketball players were drafted from. I also thought hockey was a fake sport because it was never on TV.”

**Jokob Smith, News Editor –**

“I thought volleyball was ‘volleyball.’”

**Michelle Furnier, Features Editor –**

“You always think the teams in the movies win. What don’t they?”

**Haisten Willis, Opinion Editor –**

“I thought the Atlanta Hawks logo was Pacman.”

**Matt Weir, Photo Editor –**

“Jakob Smith stole my answer.”

**Sara Almario, Staff Writer –**

“I used to think lacrosse was just like hockey, but less violent and the players actually had their front teeth.”

**Mallory Plant, Staff Writer –**

“I thought that at halftime the camera moved from different sides of the stadium and not football teams. It wasn’t until I attended my first football game that I learned the teams moved and not the camera.”

**Chris Aguirre, Staff Writer –**

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**Anna Jacobsen, Webmaster –**

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**Joel Ede, Multimedia Editor –**

“When I was a kid I thought the Bulldogs were the greatest team in the world. When I grew up I realized I was an idiot.”

**Jimmy Graben, Online Sports Reporter –**

“Growing up, I thought that shiny baseball cards were worth more than the other ones.”

**Logan Hopkins, Sports Editor –**

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**Anna Jacobsen, Online Sports Reporter –**

“I thought the NFL was a foreign country.”
The sound of screaming football fans hasn’t been heard at Bulldog Stadium since Sept. 18, but come Saturday that deafening sound will be back.

Saturday’s game will be the homecoming celebration as the Bulldogs take on their oldest rival – the San Jose State Spartans. The Spartans have not won a game on the road this season and have not won in Fresno for 22 years.

Junior tailback Ryan Mathews did not play last season at San Jose State, but is 100 percent healthy for Saturday’s matchup. Mathews is averaging 148 yards per game in 2009.

The idea of homecoming this season has more meaning for the football team. The ‘Dogs only have five home games this season and two of them are already in the books, so playing in front of the home crowd can bring added pressure to the players.

“You don’t want to put the whole city through a loss,” junior lineman Ben Jacobs said.

The premise of homecoming annually brings back former students to share in the spirit of the school. The football team will get a chance to show its skills in front of such a crowd. Jacobs’ concerns come with playing in front of former football players more than any other alum.

“You know they used to do it too, so you want to come out and play big,” Jacobs said.

Jacobs also said he wants to show the alumni the “legacy” they left behind. Of course the alumni will not be the only fans in attendance to witness what the football team has to offer. Current students will see the “legacy” of the football team as well.

Senior wide receiver Chastin West said he looks forward to the student athletes coming to the game.

“You get to showcase your skills in front of them,” West said.

The skills of the ‘Dogs were seen last Saturday against Hawaii, laying a 42-17 beatdown on the Warriors. The team will get a chance to show its skills in front of such a crowd.

The buzz:

• Moses Harris got his second career interception last Saturday at Hawaii.
• Kevin Jurovich is the strongest receiver the Spartans have this season. In their only win against Idaho to run a total of 274 rushing yards. The same could not be said about their own rushing game, since the team’s overall run attempts totaled only 45 rushing yards.

Impact Players: Defense – Safety Duke Ihenacho is one of the Spartans’ strongest defenders and he’s like a brick wall in the backfield. Ihenacho led the defense with a season-high of 12 tackles, two solos and 10 assists, in their game against Idaho.

Impact Players: Offense – Wide Receiver Kevin Jurovich, left, is the strongest receiver the Spartans have this season. In their only win against Cal Poly, Jurovich finished with seven catches and 108 receiving yards. The game gave him his third consecutive game with 100 or more receiving yards.

‘Dogs are back at home after 29 days

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The importance in school pride comes out at the homecoming game. Wylie said, “Respecting and holding up a good tradition and being proud of playing for Fresno State.”

Kinter said that playing in the homecoming game doesn’t have any more weight than others.

“I just play the game and let everybody else worry about all the other events and stuff,” Kinter said.

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