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Two football players arrested in fight

By SCOTT BRODFUEHRER
Senior Staff Writer

A Notre Dame football player and former football player were arrested by South Bend Police early Sunday morning, and police say the players were involved in a fight downtown.

Captain John Williams, public information officer for South Bend Police, confirmed freshman Isaiah Gardner, a defensive back, was arrested for disorderly conduct and resisting arrest and senior Garron Bible, a former safety, was charged with resisting arrest.

Bible said the incident was a

"real big misunderstanding" and said that he and Gardner were not in the fight and were arrested by police to set an example.

Williams confirmed that police were called to the 200 block of South Michigan Street just before 3 a.m. Sunday morning to respond to a fight and told everyone to leave when they arrived. Police arrested Bible, 22, Gardner,

19, and two other men, who Williams was not able to identify.

Bible said that he and Gardner had gone to Heartland earlier that night and then went to Benchwarmers. Heartland, which normally requires patrons to be 21 or over, was rented out for a private party that evening. When they were leaving Benchwarmers, Bible said, a large crowd had

gathered around a fight, and police were telling people to leave.

"It was crowded though, we had to wait our turn," Bible said.

Bible said he was arrested when he questioned a police officer whom he said poked Gardner, telling him to move along.

"A police officer started pushing my teammate Isaiah in the back," Bible said. He said he asked the officer, "Why you gotta put your hands on him?"

Bible said that after he was in the squad car, Gardner was

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Boat Club suits held up again

By SHEILA FLYNN
Senior Staff Writer

More than a year after Boat Club filed lawsuits against underage patrons for misrepresenting themselves, Notre Dame and Saint Mary's students involved in the suits have been offered a settlement and a chance to end the prolonged affair — a chance, students said, that is bittersweet.

"I never wanted to let them win, nor do my parents," said sophomore Jeanne Etchart, one of the Notre Dame students being sued. "But I'm very ready to let the whole thing be over. It's almost just worth it to pay it [the settlement] and be done with it."

The Boat Club, or Millennium Club, Inc., filed lawsuits last April against students cited in the Jan. 23, 2003 raid. Demanding \$3,000 from each student, the plaintiff, represented by attorney Mitchell Heppenheimer, claimed the minors were responsible for damages the tavern could suffer as a result of the raid. Forty of those suits were dismissed in August, and the remaining 150 suits have been continually postponed. Boat Club, however, appealed the dismissals, and the cases will proceed to the Indiana Court of Appeals.

"On May 7, there is a scheduled oral argument, which is a proceeding where you go in front of the three-judge panel, which will decide your case," said attorney Ed Sullivan, who represents approximately 40 students.

If Boat Club wins the appeal, the individual cases will be sent back to small claims court, where the defendants will face the original complaints. If the students win the appeal, the entire process could end. However, whichever party loses in the court of appeals has yet another outlet which could further prolong the ordeal; the losing party can seek a transfer to

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Alumni react to legacy admissions

When decisions draw ire, ND responds with compassion

By CLAIRE HEININGER
News Editor

When Chuck Lennon gets an angry phone call from an alumnus whose son or daughter didn't get into Notre Dame, he takes it as more of a compliment than an insult.

"I'm glad people are interested because it shows they care about this place," said Lennon,

executive director of the Alumni Association. "We are obviously concerned, but I'm happy they care enough [to call] ... It shows they had a good experience here and they want their children to have a good experience here."

Lennon, who has held his position for 23 years, has seen firsthand the University's sustained commitment to admitting and enrolling the children

of alumni — a commitment that has led Notre Dame to claim the highest percentage of legacies in the country at 23 percent. Such figures lead to high expectations and high rewards for legacy applicants and their families, but can also result in crushing disappointment and anger, said director of admissions Dan Saracino.

"Notre Dame has to walk this fine line — we have a family,

and a family that should be inclusive, not exclusive," he said. "We do make a commitment to alumni children, and we shouldn't apologize for that."

"But bending does not mean breaking. Bending does not mean automatic."

While few alumni parents — or any parents, in an era when Notre Dame's academic profile

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Organizers of the Fine by Me campaign distribute shirts last month. Four hundred additional shirts were distributed in time for participants to wear them today in solidarity with gay and lesbian students.

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Fine by Me campaign to be held again today

By MAUREEN REYNOLDS
Associate News Editor

For the second time this semester, students will don orange shirts in support of the Gay-Straight Alliance and homosexual community on campus today. The shirt campaign has been designed by the GSA to raise awareness and show support for homosexual students and faculty.

Once again, GSA members have distributed orange shirts emblazoned with the slogan "Gay? Fine by me."

"We ordered an extra 400 hundred shirts," said Mac Russell one of the event's coordinators. "300 shirts were distributed in 45 minutes ... they're all gone now."

Russell also commented that in addition to students,

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Charges filed in Library bust

All cited patrons were ND or SMC students

By CLAIRE HEININGER
News Editor

The St. Joseph County Prosecutor's Office filed charges Friday against the three Notre Dame students who were arrested early Friday morning during a raid of The Library Irish Pub.

All 21 patrons who were ticketed during the raid — including the three arrested and transported to St. Joseph County Jail — were Notre Dame or Saint Mary's students, and 31 citations were issued, according to information provided by the Indiana State Excise Police. The raid of the establishment also

resulted in the use of a Taser to subdue two of the arrested individuals, said Lt. Marc Mersich of the South Bend Police Department.

Kathy Wanaecke, administrative coordinator for the St. Joseph County Prosecutor's Office, said senior Michael

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CHUY BENITEZ/The Observer

Indiana State Excise police officers question patrons and employees of the Library Irish Pub early Friday morning.

INSIDE COLUMN

All signs point to no

No, I do not want to graduate. No, I do not have a job for next year. No, I do not know where I'm living. Only 24 days away and there is no indication that I should even go through with this. I thought graduating from high school was rough.

Now before my professors read this and decide to help the situation by bumping my grade down a few points, let me explain my reasoning.



Anneliese Woolford
Senior Staff Writer

Last week, Saint Mary's class of 2004 got an e-mail from "Bookstore Bob" announcing that our graduation regalia had arrived and was ready for pick up. I put it off until Saturday afternoon when one of my roommates reasoned that maybe we should go and get it over with. We drove there in near silence aside from belting out a few measures with Keith Urban and drove back devising a plan to avoid sinking into the grass during the ceremony.

Before hanging up my gown, I decided to see how it fit. It doesn't. Apparently Jostens fails to consider body size in proportion to height. So while my gown is made for someone between 5-foot-4 and 5-foot-6, it is also made for someone anywhere between 100 and 200 pounds. I weigh in at the lower end, so now I'll have to deal with looking like Shamu. And the cap? Go figure — it's a little small.

Okay, I guess that fails to constitute a major deterrent. I'll just crop the pictures. What will be difficult though is leaving my friends. There's a group of about 12 of us that are virtually inseparable. After coordinating everything from our living arrangements to weekend plans for the past four years, we'll be lucky if even two of us end up in the same state.

I also have a lot of close friends who are underclassmen and will be leaving in 17 days. As much as I'll hold true to my promise of coming back, it won't be the same.

Whenever friends visit after graduating, it feels like they've aged five years. Granted I can still look forward to having my ID double-and triple-checked at the bars...

I'll admit there is one thing I am looking forward to. My friend and I agreed to be roommates in Chicago next year. Keep in mind we're looking at a place in either Lincoln Park or Wrigleyville and neither of us have jobs yet. It probably isn't the most rational idea, but I'm stubborn and she's determined so I think we'll do just fine.

As much as I don't want to, I suppose I'd better gear up for the inevitable. I'll just have to make sure that the next three weeks are filled with as many memories as those that have come before — armed with waterproof mascara.

The views expressed in the Inside Column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer. Contact Anneliese Woolford at wool8338@saintmarys.edu.

CLARIFICATION

In the April 16 edition of The Observer, an article about the bust of The Library Irish Pub did not attribute the sentences "Three patrons were also taken to St. Joseph County Jail on charges of disorderly conduct, resisting arrest and public intoxication" and "Another student of legal age verbally threatened officers and tried to force his way out." These statements should have been attributed to Lt. Marc Mersich of the South Bend Police. The Observer regrets the error.

QUESTION OF THE DAY: WOULD YOU EAT AT TACO BELL? WHY OR WHY NOT?



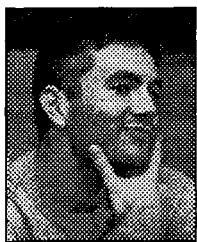
Ana Isabel Izaguirre
Senior Welsh Family

"No! It's not Mexican food, and it's really disgusting. Also, the workers are exploited. If you want real Mexican, go to Mexico dudes."



Erika Martinez
Sophomore McGlinn

"No. It's wannabe Mexican food, not the real thing. The meat seems to have been made by mixing water and powder."



Jason MacWilliams
Senior Fisher

"As long as there is a restroom nearby."



Liz Marie Faarup
Sophomore Welsh Family

"I only went once and never again."



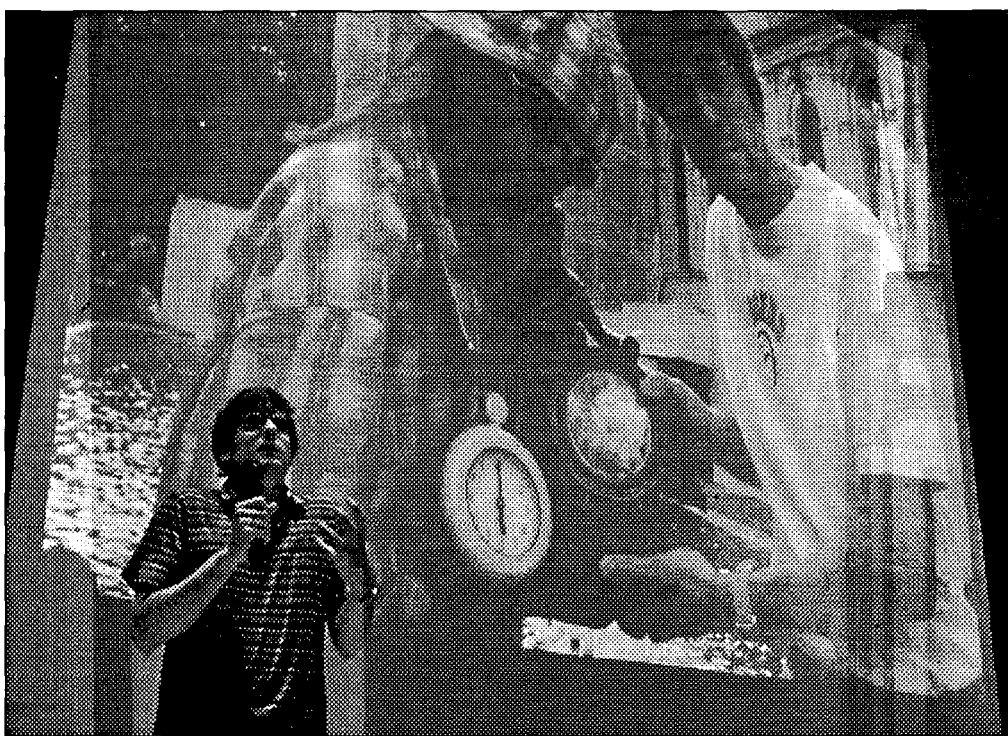
Nell Vargas
Junior Fisher

"Definitely not! They exploit workers."



Ron Jeremy
Senior Fisher

"Only when they serve fish tacos. Viva el Mexico!"



CHUY BENITEZ/The Observer

Mo Rocca, political commentator on Comedy Central's "The Daily Show," lectured to students in DeBartolo Tuesday. The lecture included photos of his travels and videos of his finest television moments including that with rapper Flava-Flav.

OFFBEAT

'Built this City' tops worst songs list

NEW YORK — Starship may have built this city on rock and roll, but Blender magazine is tearing it down, naming the band's "We Built This City" as the worst song ever.

Some tunes on the "50 Worst Songs Ever!" list were selected for their melodies, others "are wretchedly performed" and "quite a few don't make sense whatsoever," the magazine said.

The list, which appears in the May issue, includes songs by New Kids on the Block, Meat Loaf, The Doors, Lionel Richie, Hammer and The

Beach Boys, among others.

Blender describes 1985's "We Built This City" as "the truly horrible sound of a band taking the corporate dollar while sneering at those who take the corporate dollar."

Geese blamed for Tahoe's pollution

RENO, Nev. — A group of property owners thinks there might be a new culprit behind Lake Tahoe's declining clarity: Goose droppings.

Members of the Tahoe Lakefront Owners Association want scientists to study whether the bird feces are contributing to pollution

that's eroding the lake's clarity at an average rate of more than a foot per year.

The feces contain phosphorus and nitrogen, nutrients that may help fuel the algae growth that combines with sediments to reduce clarity.

"We're just surprised the agencies haven't taken this problem more seriously," said Jan Brisco, executive director of the property owners' group.

"Everyone just sort of chuckled or laughed as if it were funny," Brisco said.

Information compiled from the Associated Press.

IN BRIEF

Meet in front of Dillon on South Quad tonight from 5 to 6 p.m. for the annual **Dillon Dude Auction**. Watch as Dillon residents are auctioned off for dates with proceeds going to charity.

"Counterterrorism: Are Human Rights an Obstacle or Part of the Solution?", a part of the 10th annual Theodore M. Hesburgh Lectures in Ethics and Public Policy, features Kenneth Roth, executive director of the human rights watch. The lecture will be held today in the Hesburgh Center Auditorium from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. and again from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m.

Campus Crossfire, a debate between Notre Dame's College Democrats and College Republicans, will be held tonight from 7 to 8:30 p.m. in the Coleman Morse Lounge.

Enjoy free Boracho Burrito at the **Zane Williams** concert tonight from 9 p.m. to midnight in the Lafortune Ballroom.

The **Notre Dame Chorale and Chamber Orchestra**, directed by Alexander Blachly, will present their spring concert in the Basilica of the Sacred Heart tonight at 8 p.m. Admission is free.

A **quarter dog eating contest** will be held tonight from 11:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Lafortune elevator table. Prizes will be distributed for the winners and the first 10 people to sign up. The first 50 spectators will receive one free quarter dog.

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

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Panel discusses religious issues in 2004 election

By TRICIA DE GROOT
News Writer

Serving in a series of events sponsored by the Rock the Vote Campaign and the Center for Social Concerns, "Politics and Religion in 2004" functioned as a forum for students to reflect on how they see faith in politics. Held Tuesday in the Coleman Morse lounge, a panel of six students shared their reflections based upon the document "Faithful Citizenship: A Catholic Call to Political Responsibility."

Keri Oxley, Andrew DeBerry, Chris Broughton, Cecilia Garza, Ky Bertoli and Tom Feeney sat on the panel while Maureen Fitzpatrick served as organizer and Peter Quaranto as both a moderator and organizer.

DeBerry began the forum by stating that faithful citizenship should be the idea behind voting. He expressed how he often turns toward the seven themes of "The Catholic Social Teaching," which he feels naturally lend themselves to political issues. He then discussed the importance of foreign relations, terrorism, relations in Iraq, education, family and abortion, but stressed the idea of the common good. He said that when electing, we need to look at the "mentality and values the leader uses" because events will arise during their term that cannot be planned

for.

DeBerry emphasized the common good goes beyond our national borders, and that we need to integrate faith and citizenship when voting for the concept.

Broughton began by raising a few questions that he felt stood out from the document, stressing Catholics cannot have a political home as Democrats or Republicans and that we all differ as a result of the communities we live in and the experiences we have. These differences, he claimed, Broughton, will affect how individuals vote.

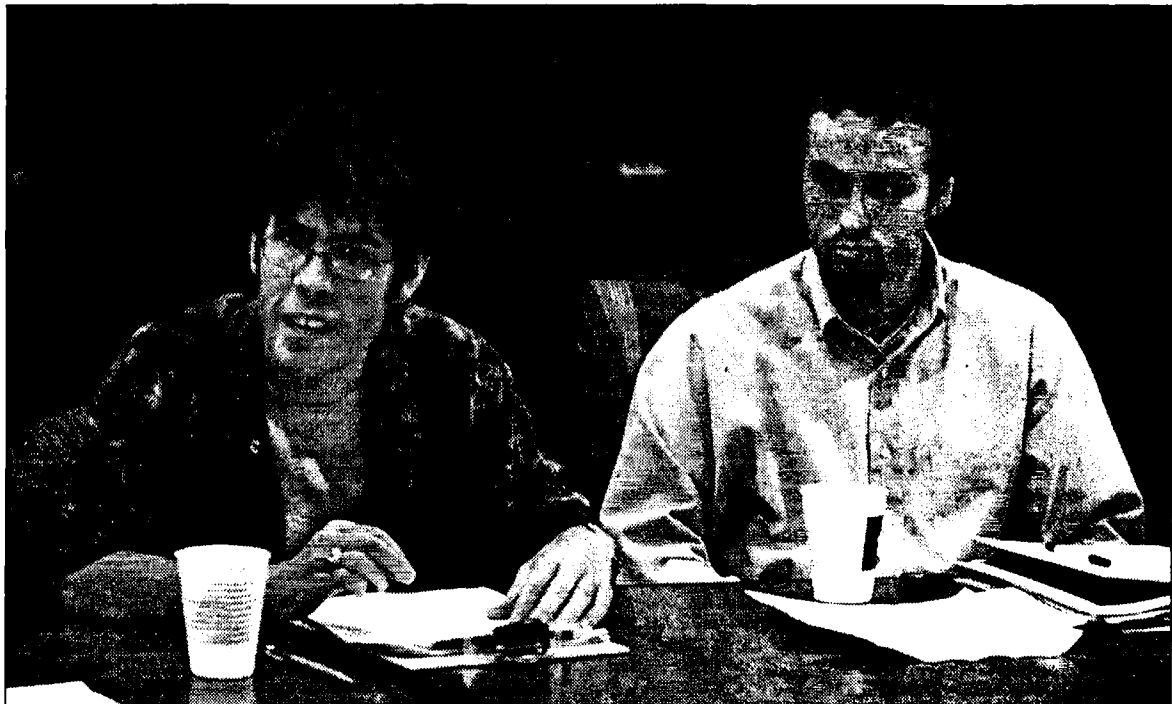
"We have to respect that," he said.

Bertoli entered the panel with a reflection unlike the other five. Instead of focusing on faith or citizenship, he emphasized the "dangers we face as a democracy in an election year."

Bertoli said national politics aren't really that important because we are impacted more by local communities than national politics.

"We need to take issues that are politically important to us and bring them to our communities because too much is riding on an institution that can do too little," Bertoli said. "We must be most critical of the lives of our own community."

Oxley reinforced Broughton's claim that as Catholics we are politically homeless, but at the same time, she said that



MATTHEW SMEDBERG/The Observer

Junior Ky Bertoli, left, voices his views on "Politics and Religion in 2004" in the Coleman-Morse lounge Tuesday evening. Peter Quaranto moderated the panel.

"we can choose a shelter."

Oxley focused on abortion and euthanasia, which she considers the fundamental concept of human rights. She then went on to claim that "the inherent good in our society isn't being adhered to in a pro-choice nation," and that from an objective standpoint, items such as war and economic stances can be philosophically and theologically justified while we can never justify euthanasia and abortion.

"When I think of human rights, I think of economic human rights," Garza said.

She also spoke out about the importance of thinking crucially about foreign policy, and how "We should be thinking, as Catholics, what it means to be politically engaged," she said.

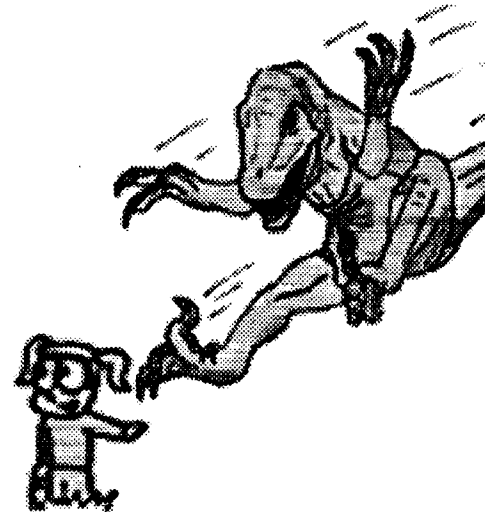
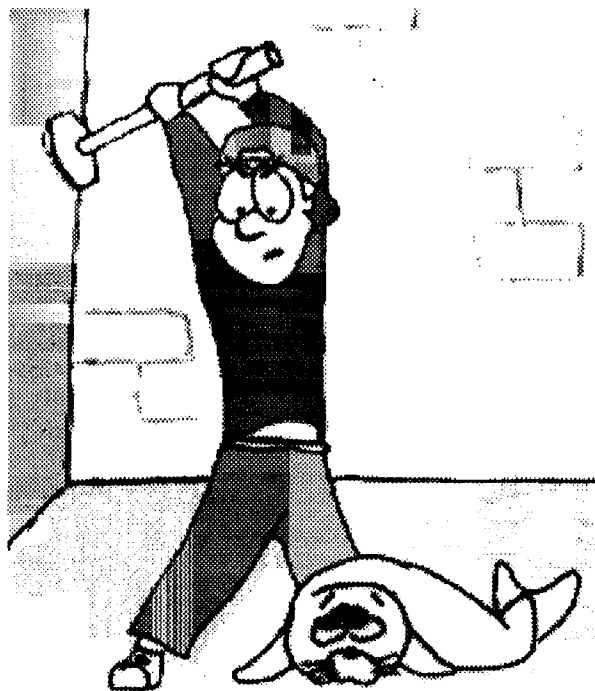
"We need to think of ways to make stronger stances to our officials," Garza said.

Feeney concluded by stating that first and foremost, we are

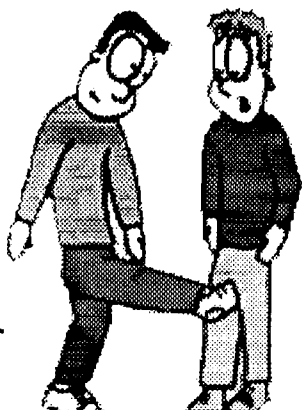
citizens of a particular community, a culture and then we are citizens of the United States. He also said that we are readers and authors with power to shape the culture. He finished by discussing the President's duties according to the Constitution, and said that we should "vote primarily on war and then on those issues the president can impact directly."

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DO YOU HAVE WHAT IT TAKES?



To club a..... I mean, to write the comic for the Observer next year? If so, send in 5 strips to Editor in Chief Matt Lozar's mailbox in the Observer office by Wednesday, April 21st, at 4 p.m.



Students find off-campus jobs

By CLAIRE VALLEY
News Writer

Each year, Notre Dame and Saint Mary's students are faced with the decision of whether to work on campus, off campus or even at all.

According to Notre Dame financial aid counselor Jeremy Mayernik, both work options are popular among students. He said that at Notre Dame, campus employment for students usually remains consistent at 40.

Saint Mary's associate director of financial aid Linda Rakow said she sees similar statistics. Approximately 44 percent of Saint Mary's students were on last month's payroll, she said.

"On-campus student employment at Saint Mary's does vary from month to month," Rakow said.

For those who do not choose to work on campus, there are a variety of off-campus work options to select from in the South Bend area.

Although he is aware that many students seek this option, Mayernik said there is no way to measure the exact number of those who do.

Saint Mary's associate director of career opportunities Jeff Roberts said he maintains direct contact with students employed off campus.

"Off-campus work is great because it expands student awareness of the world around them," Roberts said. "It creates a complimentary balance between what they experience as a student and real life."

Those students who find better opportunities in off-campus employment cite a

variety of motives for leaving campus including income, location and personal reasons.

Saint Mary's junior Abby Sauers works at Malibu Tanning Salon. She has held her current position for a year, and has been working off campus for two years. Living off campus, Sauers said she opted for an off-campus job out of convenience.

"Working off campus, you can work more hours. Right now, I work between 25 and 27 hours a week," she said. "The only downside is that you can't do homework on the job like you could on campus."

Sauers said the extra money is an added bonus to working off campus. She currently makes \$7 an hour plus a monthly commission, but said work is not something she is financially forced to do.

However, some students find they need to work to pay bills and other expenses.

Saint Mary's junior Lindsay Markin found off-campus employment to assist with payments from a car accident. Markin worked at the Gap for five months, long enough to get the money needed for repairs.

"The Gap was closer to me, living off campus," she said. "Also, you get a discount at other stores besides the Gap."

Notre Dame junior Adrian Velez works off campus at Wal-Mart in the home and garden section.

"I spent last semester abroad, and so all the on campus jobs were taken right away when I got back," Velez said.

Working at Wal-Mart is more than a school year job for Velez, however. He currently has an internship that will lead to a management position within the company.

Sarah Waugh, a junior resident assistance at Saint Mary's, works part time at American Eagle. In previous years she has worked on campus at the dining hall and in the English department.

Waugh said she now works off campus because it helps her to leave campus once in a while.

"I work at least 10 hours a week and sometimes as many as twenty," she said. "The schedule is more flexible,

and I get as many hours as I want."

Regardless of where students choose to work, Roberts offers advice.

"Working can be a good thing while in college because it helps students learn time management and can help to further a student's career," he said. "Students who work can expand their professional network in different ways than students who don't work. But it is important for each student to make the decision of whether to work and where to work for him or herself."

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"I spent last semester abroad, and so all the on campus jobs were taken right away when I got back."

Adrian Velez
Junior

Opus Apartments on schedule for fall

By AMANDA SHROPSHIRE
News Writer

Construction remains on schedule for Saint Mary's Opus Apartments to be completed by the fall, said Michelle Russell, director of residence life.

The addition will help accommodate an estimated 1,500 incoming students over the next seven years and create space for 72 residents in each of the two buildings.

"Everyone is working at a great pace and we are on schedule," Russell said. "The construction workers are here six days a week and have made great progress. The furniture and fabrics have been selected along with the wall coverings and carpet colors."

Students' recent room selection for next year included the on-campus apartments as an option for seniors. For many, room selection is a hectic time, however students cited the addition of the apartments to simplify the process with no additional complications.

"Room selection is evaluated every year to determine if it is meeting the needs of the students and the College," Russell said. "The apartment selection was done early to help students make decisions about staying on campus or moving off. I imagine we will continue to do this process earlier, in order to continue this service."

In addition to housing more students, the apartments are designed to "allow seniors to live more independently" as stated on the Saint Mary's Web site.

"The apartments actually increased the number of return-

ing students we have signed up to live on campus for next year," Russell said. "The only difference that was seen was that Annunciata didn't fill because the seniors chose to live in LeMans instead."

Senior residents show enthusiasm about living in the apartments. Their accommodations include one or two bedrooms, a kitchen, a living room and private baths. In addition, the building will include extra lounge and study space, laundry facilities, worship space and an apartment for a resident director.

"We have received an overwhelming amount of excitement from the students who will be living there as they see the building move along," Russell said. "There has been a great collaboration between the College and the construction company to complete this project and make it a reality for the women of Saint Mary's. I think it was a fair process that everyone understood what their chances were."

With the anticipation of the campus community, it can be said that the process went according to Saint Mary's Master Renovation plan. The progress of the apartments as well as the effectiveness of room selection has made drawing plans come to life for students as well as increasing on-campus residency.

"As you can tell we are very excited about this project and think it will become part of the wonderful Saint Mary's tradition," Russell said.

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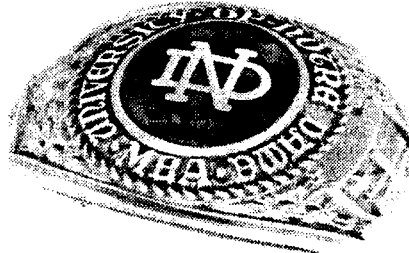
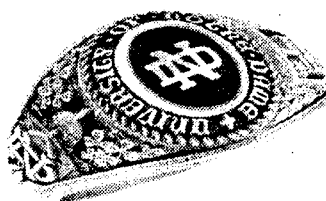
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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Annan asks for mission to Haiti

UNITED NATIONS — Secretary-General Kofi Annan called Tuesday for a broad, new U.N. mission in Haiti to include 6,700 troops, more than 1,600 international police and experts to help turn the Caribbean nation into "a functioning democracy."

The U.N. military contingent would replace the 3,600-strong U.S.-led multinational force sent to bring stability to Haiti after a three-week rebellion ousted its first democratically elected president, Jean-Bertrand Aristide, in February. About 2,000 of them are American troops.

Annan said the transfer of authority to a U.N. force would take place by June 1, with troops in the multinational force withdrawing in phases as U.N. troops arrived "to avoid any security gap."

Terror suspects killed by bomb

MADRID, Spain — At least five prime suspects in the Madrid bombings were among the seven alleged terrorists who blew themselves up as police moved to arrest them earlier this month, officials close to the investigation said Tuesday.

The latest forensic tests show that suspects Mohammed Oulad Akcha and his brother Rachid Oulad Akcha were killed in the suicide blast, the officials told The Associated Press. Only one of the seven people killed in the blast remains unidentified.

With the Akcha brothers dead, only one of the six suspects thought to be directly responsible for the attacks is unaccounted for, said the officials, speaking on the condition of anonymity. But news reports say police believe that final suspect, Said Berraj, may be the seventh person killed in the April 3 suicide blast in Leganes.

NATIONAL NEWS

Oregonians debate gay marriage

PORTLAND, Ore. — A judge told Multnomah County to stop issuing gay marriage licenses Tuesday, but he handed gay couples a historic victory by ordering Oregon to recognize the 3,000 licenses already granted in the county.

The decision by Multnomah County Circuit Judge Frank Bearden marked the first time in the nation that a judge has recognized gay marriage. An immediate appeal of the ruling was expected.

"These are the first legally recognized gay marriages in the country," said Dave Fidanque, the ACLU executive director in Oregon. "In no other same-sex marriages that have taken place has there been a court order saying the state must recognize them."

Colorado remembers Columbine

LITTLETON, Colo. — Hundreds of survivors, friends and family gathered at sunset Tuesday to pay tribute to the 13 people slain at Columbine High five years ago in the worst school shooting in U.S. history.

Participants bowed their heads as four F-16 fighter jets soared over the grassy amphitheater in Clement Park, a few hundred yards and just out of sight from the suburban school. They rose in unison to cheer Anne Marie Hochhalter, who was paralyzed from the waist down in the attack and delivered a message of hope from a wheelchair.

STATE NEWS

Severe spring storms slam state

INDIANAPOLIS — Severe storms rolled across central Indiana Tuesday, injuring at least one person and damaging homes.

Wayne Henry, superintendent of utilities in Jamestown, said he saw a tornado about 5:40 p.m. just west of downtown of this community 25 miles northwest of Indianapolis.

"It wasn't like the traditional dark funnel, it was light colored and was picking up debris. It definitely had rotation to it," Henry said. "There's quite a few homes damaged and a garage that's completely gone."

Kerry releases military records

Democratic presidential nominee earned three Purple Hearts for tours in Vietnam

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Amid questions about his military records, John Kerry's campaign on Tuesday provided documentation of Vietnam War injuries that included shrapnel wounds to his arms, legs and buttocks that earned him three Purple Hearts.

Kerry spokesman Michael Meehan said the campaign was in the process of compiling the rest of Kerry's naval record and planned to begin posting it on the Internet by day's end. Kerry said all his military records are available to the public during an appearance Sunday on NBC's "Meet the Press."

Meehan said the Massachusetts senator and presumptive Democratic presidential nominee requested a copy of his record from the Navy last month and received roughly 150 pages last week. He said the campaign was in the process of scanning images of the documents Tuesday and they would be posted on Kerry's Web site.

Conservatives, talk radio and some newspapers editorials have questioned whether Kerry was deserving of the three Purple Hearts, fueling questions about his Navy service from 1966 to 1970 and the seriousness of his injuries.

He served two tours of duty, four months on the USS Gridley frigate off Vietnam's shore and nearly five months as a swift-boat commander in the Mekong Delta. He volunteered for the second tour and earned all his medals during the second stint.

Meehan gave The Associated Press 13 pages that included documentation for the Silver Star, Bronze Star and three Purple Hearts. The Boston Globe obtained some of the records last year for an extensive series on Kerry.



John Kerry, whose military records were released today, looks on as Sen. Bob Graham, D-Fla., speaks about the environment to Kerry supporters yesterday.

The documents also included declassified reports that explain Kerry's wounds that led to his Purple Heart awards. They show Kerry had shrapnel wounds in his left thigh after his boat came under intense fire on Feb. 20, 1969, and he suffered shrapnel wounds in his left buttocks and contusions on his right forearm when a mine detonated close to his boat on March 13, 1969.

The campaign could not locate a similar report for Kerry's original Purple Heart. As evidence that Kerry was wounded, Meehan showed The Associated Press a "Sick

Call Treatment Record" from Kerry's personal files that included a medic's written note dated Dec. 9, 1968.

"Shrapnel in left arm above elbow. Shrapnel removed and appl baci-tracin dressing. Ret to Duty."

Documentation for the second two injuries show that Kerry was deemed to be in good condition and returned to active duty after treatment. The documentation does not describe the severity of the injuries. A third Purple Heart meant Kerry could be reassigned out of Vietnam, and a document dated March 17, 1969,

said Kerry requested duty as a personal aid in Boston, New York or the Washington, D.C., area.

Meehan said although Kerry could have asked to stay in Vietnam, it was the Navy's decision to request that he be reassigned. Kerry left the country in early April 1969.

Bush campaign manager Ken Mehlman accused Kerry's campaign of waffling on the release of his military records, saying the campaign's position on Tuesday to release the records in "due diligence" is contrary to Kerry's comments on "Meet the Press" that the records would be made public immediately.

IRAQ

Gov't names panel to try Saddam

Associated Press

BAGHDAD — Iraqi leaders named a tribunal of judges and prosecutors to try Saddam Hussein, placing a longtime opponent of the ousted dictator in the forefront of the case against him and his former Baathist inner circle, a spokesman announced Tuesday.

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is consistently climbing — believe their children's acceptance should be automatic, many do retaliate when they feel that Notre Dame hasn't bent far enough, said vice president for University Relations Lou Nanni.

"Some are deeply hurt, very angry, some are disillusioned, some want to understand why and ask questions, some are disappointed but understand," said Nanni, who receives feedback from the Development Office and International Student Services in addition to the alumni constituency.

"In any family, there is a time for us to listen and absorb the blows," he continued. "We need to let them vent, take their shots and respond with kindness and compassion."

Saracino and his staff do an exceptional job in this role, Nanni said, adding that following through on the hate mail and the backlash is just as important as delivering an outstanding incoming class. He pointed out that while many parents experience pain and resentment in the short run, in the long run the Notre Dame admissions office often earns their respect.

"You can deliver bad news harshly or with compassion," Nanni said. And delivering with compassion, he explained, means not just "throwing numbers" at parents who demand an explanation — such as the shrinking gap between the profile of legacies and of the entire competitive applicant pool — it means being sympathetic to specific situations.

Saracino knows a lot about that.

"I will get on the phone with a father who's on the phone saying 'It's not a family, my son didn't get admitted too,'" he said. "[But] the integrity of the admissions process is, to me, paramount. And that means we're not in it to be liked."

Both Saracino and Lennon

emphasized that alumni children's applications receive an even more careful evaluation during that process, as each is examined by a fourth reader in addition to the usual three.

"That's where the difficult decisions come in," Lennon said.

He said that while he tries to offer those unhappy with the University's decisions two options of their own — transferring or obtaining a Notre Dame degree on the graduate level — a few parents are left so unsatisfied that they send back yearbooks, class rings and on rare occasions even withdraw their donations.

However, over the 23 years, Lennon said he could "name on one hand" the alumni who have actually revoked financial support. Far more common are those who just want to be heard, and Nanni believes Notre Dame does a good job of listening.

"A good parent is going to occasionally listen and absorb some criticism," he said. "And as stewards of the larger Notre Dame family, it is an important part of our role."

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Boat Club

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the Indiana Supreme Court, which has never heard such a case. The Supreme Court has the option of accepting or denying the request. In the event that the case does proceed that far, however, students will most likely be faced with increased legal fees. And the financial factor, students said, is prompting them to seriously consider agreeing to the settlement.

"This, overall, has been very expensive," Etchart said, citing fees paid to Notre Dame's Office of Resident Life, the State of Indiana and legal counsel.

"Among my friends who I've talked to, I think everyone else is just going to do the \$300."

Other students, however, said they are confident Boat Club will lose the appeal, and therefore they are not yet agreeing to the settlement.

"I'm not going to settle, because I know that it probably won't pass the appeal," said sophomore Patricia

Bueso.

Junior Tori Pepler is still undecided about her course of action but also voiced doubts about Boat Club's chance for success in the court of appeals. She said her lawyer "didn't think they had an argument that would make it to the supreme court."

The chance that the case would go that far, however, was the factor leaving her indecisive Pepler said.

"Then we're going to have to reevaluate our fees to the attorney, which may mean spending more money," she said. "It can be over \$300 at that point."

Sophomore Daniel Pearson, though faced with the same considerations, said he was simply "sick and tired" of the process.

"I'm planning on taking the settlement," Pearson said. "I got an e-mail discussing it and saying that there was a good chance that we'd win, but even still, it'd be kind of nice to just be through with it."

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Mice born without fathers

Associated Press

Men, your gender just took a hit in the animal kingdom. Scientists report they've created mice by using two genetic moms — and no dad.

That's a first for any mammal. But don't look for this service at the corner fertility clinic. Experts say the mouse procedure can't be done in people for technical and ethical reasons.

In fact, one of the moms was a mutant newborn, whose DNA had been altered to make it act like a male's contribution to an embryo.

The work sheds light on why mice and people normally do need a dad's DNA to reproduce. Some experts also said it held implications for using human stem cells to treat disease.

The achievement is reported in Thursday's issue of the journal *Nature*.

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also arrested.

According to a spokesperson at the St. Joseph County Jail, Bible and Gardner were both brought to the jail at 3:21 a.m. Sunday and released at 4:56 a.m. on a \$250 bond.

Coach Tyrone Willingham declined to comment specifically on the event.

"There was an incident this weekend, but beyond that I really can't say much more. A matter of this nature normally falls under the guidelines of our University, so we'll let them handle it," he said.

Gardner declined to comment on the incident.

Both men are scheduled to appear in court May 5. Bible said he has not hired an attorney at this time and that he is still reviewing his options.

"We have the court date. We are going to take the necessary actions we have to do to be prepared for that," Bible said. "How [the police] treated the situation could have been better."

Pat Leonard contributed to this report.

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COMPANY BRIEFS

AK Steel gets new labor contract

MIDDLETOWN, Ohio — AK Steel Corp. announced a quarterly profit Tuesday and said it hopes that a new labor contract at an eastern Ohio plant will be a model for agreements with its other unions as the company tries to reduce labor and pension costs to stay competitive.

"It clearly is a step in the right direction for AK," said Charles Bradford, an analyst with Bradford Research/Soleil Securities in New York City.

He said AK Steel's labor costs and its pension and health care expenses for retirees add \$30 per ton to its steel prices over those of competitors, notably Cleveland-based International Steel Group. ISG was built from the remnants of bankrupt steelmakers and so has been able to avoid the pension and health care expenses for retirees that AK Steel carries, Bradford said.

The company has steel operations in Ohio, Indiana, Pennsylvania and Kentucky, as well as tubular steel plants in Ohio and Indiana, and employs about 8,800 people.

First Wal-Mart opens in Japan

NUMAZU, Japan — The aisles are wide, the selection is huge — and Wal-Mart's first warehouse-sized supercenter store in Japan is a hit with shoppers.

It's not Wal-Mart itself that's drawing Japanese consumers — they're not familiar with the name that is nearly ubiquitous in the United States, and the store is called Seiyu, the name of Wal-Mart's partner in Japan. Since the store 60 miles southwest of Tokyo opened April 7, people have been lured by its sheer size.

"If a big store like that opens, it's really convenient for the residents," said Koichi Watanabe, a community leader who oversaw town meetings to discuss the Supercenter. "The aisles are roomy. The whole place is made for easy shopping."

Compared to old-style Japanese stores with a mishmash of merchandise crowding the shelves, the towering aisles here are filled with rows and rows of similar products — soda, sneakers, frying pans. The American look is too new to most Japanese.

ENVIRONMENT AND ECONOMY

Ocean pollution may lessen

Presidential commission urges creation of ocean trust using oil and gas royalties

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Citing a dire need to protect ocean resources from exploitation and pollution, a presidential commission on Tuesday urged creation of a federal oceans trust fund with up to \$4 billion a year from oil and gas royalties.

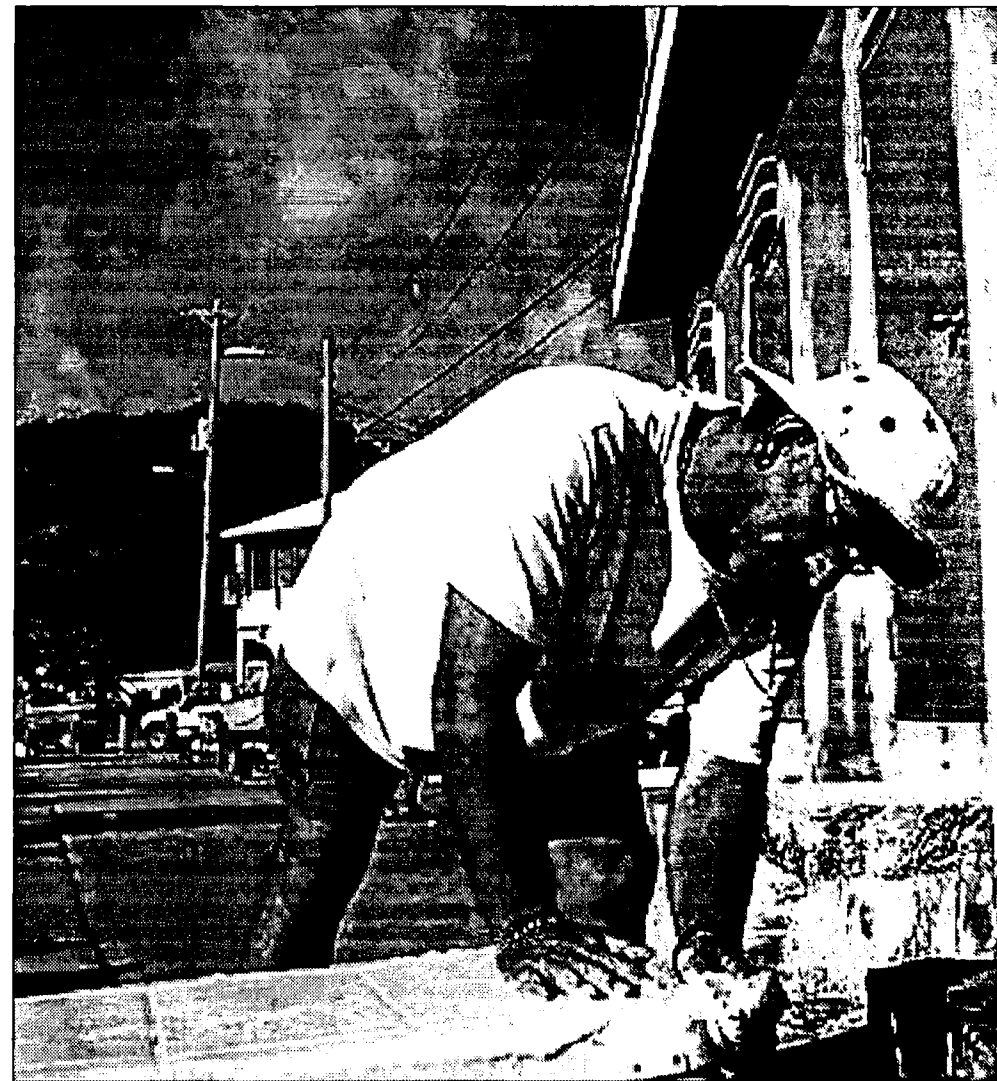
The recommendation is one of more than 250 for Congress, the White House, federal agencies and states in the U.S. Commission on Ocean Policy's nearly 500-page draft report, the first major review in 35 years.

The Ocean Policy Trust Fund — similar to the Highway Trust Fund for transportation projects — would come from \$5 billion annually in bonus bid and royalty payments to the U.S. Treasury for off-shore oil and gas drilling, and from "new uses of off-shore waters," the commission said.

Up to \$4 billion of the payments would be fair game for the fund, after subtracting \$1 billion for land and water conservation and historic preservation, said the commission, which envisions \$3 billion a year going to federal programs and \$1 billion a year to states.

"Let's allocate them to this process so that we can pay for the recommendations of the ocean policy and get on with it," James Watkins, the retired admiral who chairs the commission created by Congress and the White House in 2000, told a news conference Tuesday.

"Will it be tough to sell? You better believe it. But we're going to go for it," he said. "Everybody wants to go after those revenues. Well, we do too. And we



Claude Berry, a fisherman living and working in the U.S. Virgin Islands, said that business has been good lately, but he wouldn't mind more government limits.

hope we can win it."

Watkins said that it was important for federal government to require the new ocean protections but avoid creating "unfunded mandates" passed on to states and local governments.

Commissioners spent 2 1/2 years studying coastal areas, the Great Lakes and 4.4 million square miles of ocean — an area nearly a quarter larger than all 50 states combined, because it includes the exclusive economic

zone stretching about 200 miles from the continent and Pacific and Atlantic islands.

The panel urged new "ecosystem-based" ways of managing that put the needs of nature ahead of political boundaries, while emphasizing that people's needs must also be considered.

The commission estimated the cost of all its recommended actions at \$1.3 billion the first year, \$2.4 billion the second year and \$3.2 billion each year

after that. But it pointed to annual ocean-related economic activity of \$700 billion in goods that ports handle, \$50 billion from fishing and trade, \$11 billion from cruise ships and passengers — and \$25 billion to \$40 billion from offshore oil and gas production.

"If our report is adopted, the payoff will be great," Watkins said in a video accompanying the report. "It's now obvious that ocean resources are not limitless."

ENTERTAINMENT

ABC undergoes management shift

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Disney shook up the management team at its fourth-place ABC Television network Tuesday, promoting two rising stars and firing its top two programmers after only two years on the job.

The Walt Disney Co., which owns ABC, elevated ESPN and ABC Sports president George Bodenheimer and ABC Cable Networks President Anne Sweeney as co-chairs of its Media Networks division.

Gone are ABC Entertainment President Susan Lyne, who had been expected to remain, and Lloyd Braun, who chaired the ABC Entertainment Television Group.

Braun and Lyne were appointed in 2002 and charged with resur-

recting the ailing network, which collapsed after the ratings failure of its game show "Who Wants to be a Millionaire."

The two struggled to find hit dramas and had only mild success developing new sitcoms.

Steve McPherson, president of Touchstone Television, was named to the new post of president ABC Prime Time Entertainment, responsible for the network's prime-time schedule.

ABC-owned Touchstone produces many of the network's prime-time shows, including "Alias" and "Hoop and Faith" and "Scrubs" for NBC.

McPherson has less than a month to finish setting the network's prime time fall schedule, which will be presented to advertisers in May.

ABC is firmly ensconced as the fourth-place network this season, behind CBS, NBC and Fox. It is averaging 9.2 million viewers in prime time, down from 10.1 million viewers last season, according to Nielsen Media Research.

ABC is also in fourth place among viewers aged 18-to-49, the demographic craved by advertisers and the one ABC watches most closely.

The network is also the chief thorn in the sides of Disney chief executive Michael Eisner and chief operating officer Robert Iger, who have pledged to shareholders to make a turnaround at ABC their top priority.

As part of the shake-up, Mark Pedowitz was named president of Touchstone Television.

Gay

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many more faculty members have gotten involved this time.

"I don't know percentages," he said. "But I know that many more faculty have gotten shirts."

He continued that the GSA is also using this second day to assure students their goals are positive.

A press release issued by the GSA states, "This second day is proof that the shirts are more than just a fad. It is also an opportunity to dispel a common misconception."

The press release explained that many people had perceived the orange shirts to "encourage homosexual acts," something Russell said is not true.

"The shirt is to raise awareness of the homosexual population on campus and to help the homosexual population feel welcome," he said. "It has nothing to do with sex ... it's about saying that if you're a homosexual student here, that's fine."

The GSA will not be holding demonstrations today. Instead, it is sponsoring community-building activities for all students.

"We have Frisbee on [South Quad] from 2 to 6:30 p.m.," Russell said. "Everyone can come, if they are wearing a shirt or not."

A group dinner will follow Frisbee at 6:30 p.m. in South Dining Hall, and finally, a group picture will be taken at 7:30 on God Quad.

Russell also said the GSA will not be approaching the administration today with a request for club status on campus, but that an open letter is being put together.

"We have an open letter, which is the letter we wrote to the administration saying that a mistake was made, and they need to recognize a place for straight and gay students to come together," he said. "It will be presented probably by the end of the school year, depending on how many signatures we get."

The campaign by the GSA has been primarily sponsored by the departments of sociology and anthropology, according to Russell.

"They have been wonderful to us," he said.

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Attea, who was arrested for resisting arrest, disorderly conduct and public intoxication, was formally charged with resisting arrest. She added that sophomore David George was charged with public intoxication and minor in consumption. George's original booking charges also included disorderly conduct and resisting arrest, but the prosecutor's office decided not to file those charges, Wanaeche said.

Police compile a "preliminary assessment" of the situation before prosecutors can review all information and decide "exactly what was done and what charges are warranted," Wanaeche said.

Mersich characterized the prosecutor's job as a "Monday morning quarterback" that carefully processes and evaluates decisions police initially make in "15-30 seconds."

Sophomore lacrosse player Brian Hubschmann, whose booking charges were unchanged, was charged with public intoxication, false informing and minor in consumption, said Wanaeche.

Attea and George declined to comment. After repeated attempts to contact Hubschmann, his roommate relayed a message from him that he declined to comment.

Lt. Greg Deitchley, spokesman for the District 1 excise office, said Indiana State Excise Police arrested Hubschmann and South Bend Police arrested Attea and George. All three were released Friday after posting

bail, confirmed Deputy F. Datema at the St. Joseph County Jail.

Mersich, who witnessed Attea's arrest, claimed Attea used profanities while refusing to obey officers' commands to remain inside the bar's doors. Mersich added that since Attea is not underage, he was only required to "whip his ID out," but said Attea instead "physically pushed past policemen" on his way outside.

"As soon as he touched a policeman in a rude, angry manner, it's battery," Mersich said, explaining that on the department's "force continuum," officers are required to exert enough force to "one-up" the person who confronts them.

South Bend police officers responded by placing Attea on the ground outside the bar and informing him he was under arrest, at which point he refused to put one of his hands behind his back, Mersich said.

"These things happen so fast," he said. "We always try to err on the side of safety."

The officers determined the safest step for Attea and for themselves was for Captain Andrews to use a "drive-stun" — a 1.5-second Taser shot packing a level of electric shock that "doesn't permanently injure anybody" — to Attea's back and shoulder area, Mersich said.

"It is the most effective way that causes minimal risk to party and officers," he said.

Mersich cited the same reasoning in his own decision to use a Taser on George, who Mersich said was hiding behind the refrigerator in the bar's kitchen and refused to

come out.

He said there were knives, chemicals and broomsticks within George's reach that posed a threat to both men's safety in the small area.

Using a drive-stun on George "eliminated any possibility of him getting hurt, me getting hurt, escalating the whole ordeal," Mersich said. "[Police] went to

[Tasers] as another tool in our arsenal where we don't have to go hands-on as much with people."

George was then handcuffed and escorted out of the bar, Mersich said.

A Taser was not used in Hubschmann's arrest, Deitchley said. He added that Tasers are not issued to the Indiana State Excise Police.

Mersich said he could not comment on the possible additional use of Tasers once the students were in the prisoner transport van or in jail.

Bar owner Chuck Hammons, who was present during part of the raid, said he did not witness the use of Tasers and that he had not spoken with his employees about witnessing specific incidents. He added he had not yet viewed his videotape evidence — which covers a portion of the sidewalk in front of the pub in addition to a vestibule where patrons wait to show I.D. — to watch the raid unfold.

Resisting arrest is classified as a class A misdemeanor, carrying a possible punish-

ment of up to one year in prison and a maximum \$5,000 fine. Public intoxication and false informing are both class B misdemeanors, each carrying a possible punishment of zero to 180 days in jail and a maximum \$1,000 fine. Minor in consumption is a class C misdemeanor, with a possible punishment of zero to 60 days in jail

and a maximum \$500 fine. Minor in a tavern, the citation issued to 20 students, is also a class C misdemeanor.

However, most students in past bar busts received pre-trial diversion for minor in a tavern citations by paying fines and completing community service hours.

Deitchley said he will forward the names of all cited patrons to the Indiana Alcohol and Tobacco Commission this week. Notre Dame Security/Police — which was not involved in the raid — also expects to receive a list of Notre Dame students, NDSP director Rex Rakow said Friday. He added that NDSP will then forward the names to the Office of Residence Life, which after past raids has assessed additional fines and community service hours to students. The Saint Mary's student handbook, however, prevents the College from levying further punishments against students cited off-campus.

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IRAQ

Blasts rock police stations, killing 55, injuring hundreds

Nearly simultaneous bombs hit three stations, police academy in Basra; dead include 10 children on school buses

Associated Press

BASRA — A series of explosions ripped through three police stations and a police academy in the southern Iraqi city of Basra Wednesday, killing at least 55 people, including some 10 schoolchildren, and injuring at least 238, officials said.

Three near simultaneous blasts targeted police stations at rush hour in Basra. At about the same time, a fourth explosion ripped through the police academy in the Basra suburb of Zubair. An hour later another blast targeted the same police academy.

Forty-five people were killed in the police station blasts and 10 were killed in the police academy explosions, officials and witnesses said. The injured included two British soldiers at the police academy, Maj. Hisham al-Halawi, spokesman for British forces in Basra, told Al-Arabiya television.

The attacks came a day after Iraqi leaders named a tribunal of judges and prosecutors to try Saddam Hussein, placing a long-time opponent of the ousted dictator in the forefront of the case against him and his former Baathist inner circle.

At one station in the Saudia district of Basra, four vehicles were seen destroyed including two school vans that were passing that station at the time of the attack. One was carrying students from a girls' middle school and the other carried kindergarten students.

"We don't know yet who committed these bombings."

Hisham al-Halawi
British spokesman

Some 10 children were among the dead, Iraqi Police Col. Kadhem al-Muhammedawi said. It was not immediately clear which bus they came from.

Cars outside of the station were charred. The interior of one of the school buses was burned out, the seats shredded.

British forces who rushed to the scene were being hampered by angry protesters, said a Ministry of Defense spokeswoman in London, speaking on condition of anonymity.

The facade of the Saudia station was also heavily damaged and there was a hole 6-feet deep and 9-feet wide in front of the Saudia station.

More than 40 dead and 200 injured from the blast were brought to Basra's Educational Hospital, the city's largest, said Ali Hussein, an emergency physician at the facility.

Dozens of bodies could be seen in the morgue and in the hall-

ways of Basra's Educational Hospital.

Another five dead and 36 injured were evacuated to a second hospital, Basra General Hospital, hospital officials said.

Witnesses said 10 people were killed in the police academy explosions.

"We don't know yet who committed these bombings," al-Halawi said. He said two British soldiers were wounded in the al-Zubair attack.

British military spokesman Squadron Leader Jonathan Arnold said the blasts were believed to have been caused by car bombs. Al-Muhammedawi said, however that the blast may have been caused by rocket attacks.

Also Wednesday, about 35 Iraqi insurgents attacked U.S. Marines in the besieged city of Fallujah with rocket-propelled grenades and small arms, setting off a heavy gunbattle, the military said. No casualties were immediately reported.

Iraqi security forces, some wearing flak jackets and carrying weapons, moved back into Fallujah, 35 miles west of Baghdad, on Tuesday, part of an agreement between U.S. officials and local leaders aimed at ending hostilities. The accord calls on insurgents to hand in weapons and allows civilians to return.

U.S. officials have warned that

if guerrillas do not surrender their weapons, Marines are prepared to storm the city — likely sparking a new round of bloody fighting.

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2003.

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Tuesday's mortar attack was the bloodiest against the sprawling prison complex of Abu Ghraib in western Baghdad. Ninety-two prisoners were wounded, 25 of them seriously, said Col. Jill Morgenthau, a U.S. military spokeswoman.

"This isn't the first time that we have seen this kind of attack. We don't know if they are trying to inspire an uprising or a prison break," Brig. Gen. Mark Kimmitt told AP. In August, six security prisoners were killed in a mortar attack on the lock-up, which was once Saddam's most notorious prison.

In the tribunal appointments, Salem Chalabi, a U.S.-educated lawyer and nephew of Ahmad

Chalabi, was named by the Governing Council as director-general of the court, said INC spokesman Entefadh Qanbar.

Salem Chalabi named seven judges and four prosecutors, and further judges will be appointed, Qanbar said.

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PERU

Catholic cardinal upset by murder investigation

Associated Press

LIMA — Roman Catholic Cardinal Juan Luis Cipriani's ultraconservative views and cozy relationship with fugitive ex-President Alberto Fujimori have frequently helped snare him in Peru's tangled web of political intrigues.

But even his adversaries were surprised when he indignantly announced recently that he had been subpoenaed to testify in an investigation into the alleged murder of his predecessor, Monsignor Augusto Vargas Alzamora — at the hands of Fujimori's now-jailed spy chief, Vladimiro Montesinos.

"Mister prosecutor, open your mysterious files and say who mentioned me in a fictitious event because everyone knows that the cardinal died of natural causes after a long illness," Cipriani said during his Palm Sunday Mass.

Until Cipriani's complaint, few Peruvians would have suspected Vargas Alzamora, a liberal Jesuit, was the victim of foul play. Most still don't. He died in September 2000, four months after suffering a debilitating cerebral hemorrhage that left him bedridden.

But Cipriani's comments and the lurid possibility of homicide have set Peru abuzz. The Lima rumor mill has worked overtime as Peruvians recall that Vargas Alzamora and Cipriani were often at loggerheads over Vargas Alzamora's strong criticism of Fujimori's authoritarian methods.

During the past decade, Cipriani grabbed headlines with his support of security forces in Peru's dirty war against far-leftist Shining Path guerrillas. He said in 1991 that most human rights groups were apologists for Marxist and Maoist organizations.

He also offered Fujimori staunch backing during the ex-president's 1990-2000 autocratic government — although he bitterly opposed Fujimori's family planning programs, warning that free condoms would "turn the entire country into a brothel."

After Vargas Alzamora died, in January 2001 the Vatican named Cipriani, a bishop, as its first cardinal from the conservative Opus Dei movement, outraging political activists and many Peruvians, including some church leaders.

At his first Mass, Cipriani was confronted by protesters chanting, "Christ is justice, not complicity" and "Cipriani and Montesinos, the same killers."

In the last year of Fujimori's regime, Cipriani had, in fact, become critical of Montesinos's influence.

Fujimori has been living in his parents' native Japan, safe from extradition, since a corruption scandal toppled his government in November 2000.

In its own defense, the Attorney General's Office said it only wanted Cipriani's testimony because he visited Vargas Alzamora a few days before his death, not because he is a suspect. Bishop

Luis Bambaren, an ardent critic of Fujimori's regime, was also asked to testify, and has made no fuss about it.

The investigation was opened after a confidential witness claimed he overheard Montesinos tell a top aide that one of his agents had infiltrated the church and poisoned Vargas Alzamora's food, an attorney general spokeswoman told The Associated Press.

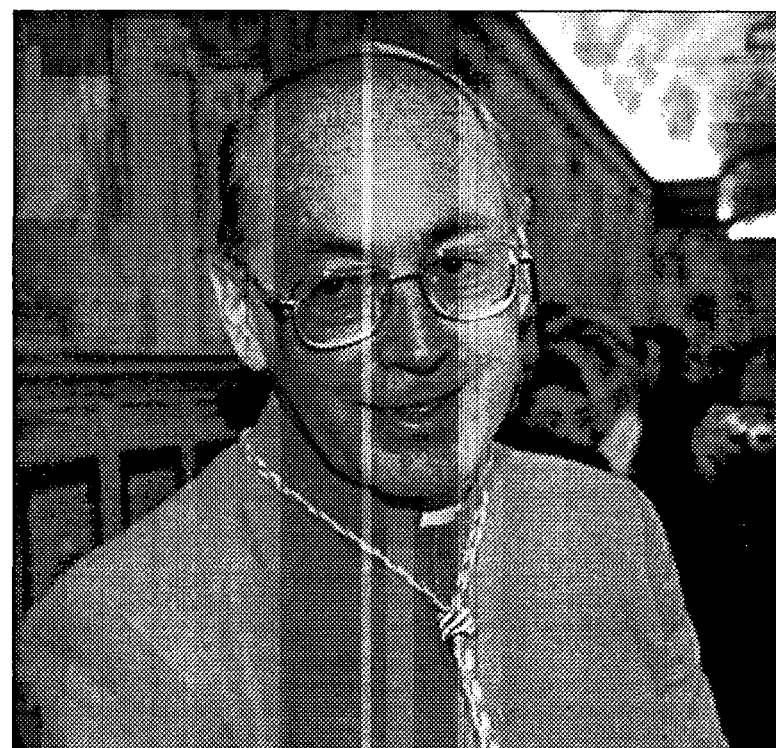
She said the case was kept quiet to protect witnesses from public scrutiny, "but unfortunately the one who broke the confidentiality was Cardinal Cipriani himself."

Cipriani's complaint prompted friends and foes alike to jump to his defense and accuse the prosecutor, Hector Villar, of everything from grandstanding to carrying out a political vendetta for the cardinal's enemies.

"We all agree — prosecutors in Peru are totalitarian. The district attorneys of Peru are fascists. They operate like a Gestapo," constitutional expert Javier Valle Riestra said. "That's why there is general agreement that the judicial system must be changed."

Even former Justice Minister Fernando Olivera — himself under investigation for allegedly delivering forged documents to discredit Cipriani — criticized the proceedings.

Olivera was reported to have traveled to the Vatican in 2001 with letters purporting to show Cipriani sought the "elimination



Cardinal Juan Luis Cipriani's conservative views and close relationship with fugitive ex-President Alberto Fujimori have helped entangle Cipriani in Peru's tangled web of political intrigues.

and incineration" of videotapes linking him to Montesinos after the church took money from the spy chief and requested an additional \$120,000 "donation."

The letters — one supposedly written by Cipriani, and two others by the Vatican's ambassador to Peru — turned out to be fake. Cipriani charges that the probe of Vargas Alzamora's death is yet

another attempt to discredit him..

"Whether we like it or not, the hierarchy of the Catholic Church deserves respect," Olivera, now Peru's ambassador to Spain, told reporters. "The prosecutor, regardless of how independent he is, has the obligation to substantiate this type of subpoena because he should not abuse either the law or his power."

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GAZA STRIP

Four killed as Israel moves to stop rocket attacks

Associated Press

GAZA CITY — Prime Minister Ariel Sharon said Tuesday that Israel would keep targeting Hamas militants after killing the group's last two leaders in helicopter missile strikes.

In the bloodiest fighting in weeks, meanwhile, Israeli soldiers killed four Palestinians in a gunfight in the Gaza Strip meant to stop rocket attacks on Jewish settlements.

The rocket fire came in response to Israel's assassination of Abdel Aziz Rantisi, leader of the militant group, over the weekend. Rantisi had replaced Hamas founder Sheik Ahmed Yassin, who was killed by Israel last month.

Sharon said the two would not be the last to be targeted.

"We will fight terror and we will not let up on them. In that way we got rid of the first murderer, and in that way a few days ago we got rid of the second murderer, and that is not the end," Sharon said.

Tuesday's fighting came as Defense Minister Shaul Mofaz visited an Israeli army position in Gaza, promoting Israel's "unilateral disengagement" plan that includes a pullout from the territory.

Sharon's Likud Party is to vote in a referendum on the plan on May 2.

Sharon and Likud were in the

forefront of settlement building for decades, and the "disengagement" plan calls for dismantling settlements in the West Bank and Gaza for the first time. But Likud leaders are lining up behind it, and the rank and file are expected to vote in favor.

Talking to troops at a post on the Gaza-Egypt border, scene of almost daily clashes as the military searches for arms smuggling tunnels, Mofaz said the pullout would reduce friction with the Palestinians.

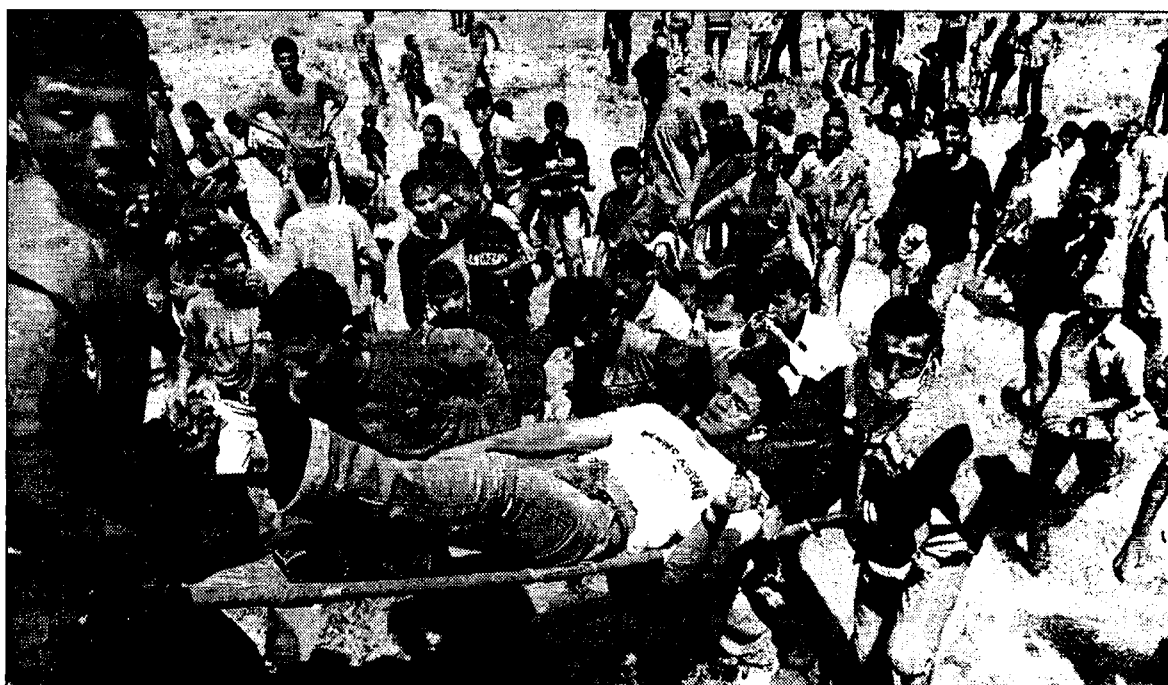
Even after the withdrawal, he said, the Israeli military "can act freely, while remaining in the area around the Gaza Strip."

Israel has said it would reserve the right to attack militants in Gaza even after its withdrawal.

The clash in northern Gaza appeared to foreshadow the type of sequence Mofaz meant — Israeli forces entering Gaza to stop Palestinian rocket fire.

The barrage of homemade rockets — 15 over two days — was one of the largest in months. The Qassam rockets, not much more than hollow tubes with fuel and small explosive warheads, exploded in two blocks of Israeli settlements, wounding one Israeli and damaging five structures.

On Tuesday, Israeli tanks rumbled into a buffer zone



Palestinians carry an injured youth towards an ambulance during clashes with Israeli soldiers Tuesday. Palestinians fired a barrage of homemade rockets and shells at Gaza Strip settlements and towns inside Israel in retaliation for Saturday's killing of Hamas leader Abdel Aziz Rantisi.

between the settlement of Nissanit in northern Gaza and the Palestinian town of Beit Lahiya. The military said some of the rockets were launched from there.

Hundreds of Palestinians pelted the tanks with rocks and firebombs, and then gunmen joined in. Taking cover behind a mound of sand, they exchanged fire with soldiers on a nearby

hill.

Soldiers killed four Palestinians, including at least two gunmen, hospital officials said. A 17-year-old was shot dead as he climbed on a tank, the military said. At least 33 Palestinians were wounded, six critically, hospital officials said. Four soldiers were slightly wounded, the military said.

Palestinian health officials ini-

tially said that five Palestinians had been killed but later said that one of the dead men had been listed twice under different names.

The rocket attacks intensified after Israel killed Rantisi and two of his bodyguards in a missile strike Saturday night. Following Rantisi's killing, Hamas vowed to carry out "100 unique reprisals."

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Anticipating graduation

The sun is shining and it's a beautiful day. The birds' melodic chirping augments my mood even with the hundreds of pounds I've lifted already today. With my calves burning and sweat streaming from my brow, I give thanks that the lack of air-condition and elevators these past four years will be my last. And as I turn to lean against the outer door of the dorm and step into the bright Indiana sunshine, I take note of what is going on around me. Cars are all over the place and I can see hugs being given in all directions. Everyone is smiles and there is a lot of laughter among the sandal-wearing population around campus. "See you next year," "Stay in touch," "Don't get in too much trouble," are just a few of the things I hear. This is how I envision the events that await me in just a few short weeks — graduation.

It's moving out day and the time-honored tradition of throwing everything you own into boxes and bags and shoving it into the family sedan in hopes that it will still let the trunk close is in full force. As I put the last of my boxes into the car, I see a familiar sight. The men in yellow hats and coats are out again, lawn chairs nearby, asking for a relevant life story before granting you the right to park on the University grass. The cars are lined up down the street while the usher laughs heartily with a Ford Explorer. My father snaps me back to attention.

"Son? Are you ready to go," my father asks me.

"No, not yet," I say. "I have something

I need to do first."

"Take your time," he says. He ventures into the dorm and heads for the TV lounge.

All the parties and tests and papers are over now. The mindless hours of studying and socializing have been completed. I desperately hold onto the hope that they will bring as much reward to me in the future as the process in which I completed them did. I had the time of my life, though that's not what consumes my mind. I learned about love and friendship, dedication and passion, disappointment and hurt, but most of all I learned about myself. And after four years among the best there are, I know that I have a long way to go. It all boils down to one thing.

Slowly, I make my way down to the Grotto, trying to take everything in — the shade of blue in St. Mary's Lake, the lush green of the well-watered grass, the smell of summer. It's important that I remember this moment, I tell myself, because it's what I'm going to be working for in the years to come. One goal. So hard, but so difficult. Walking even slower, I finally make it down the steps to the Grotto.

There are quite a few people here, the weekend of graduation having sent many into mutual states of prayer and nostalgia. But although it's busy and has been many times before, it never seems to lose its personal value to me. The candles represent more than wax, a glass and a small harmless flame — they symbolize wants and dreams and the future. And as I twist and turn my way through the crowd and past the gate leading to the candles I realize that I am no different. I, too, want to bless my wish upon my graduation.

Carefully striking aflame an unused match, the candle lights up, only to have me set it down among the others. I stare at it for a second and reach into my pocket, taking out a meticulously folded piece of paper. Running it through my fingers like so many times before, I hold it by the worn edge and light it with the flame of my candle. I watch it burn for a second, drop it into the glass and walk away as the piece of paper dwindles into ashes.

Finding my father in the lounge, I tell him that I am ready to go. He doesn't say a word but just as surely rises out of the chair and after me through the door.

I jump into the front seat of the car and turn the ignition. The music blares from the speakers and I lurch for the knob on the dashboard to turn the volume down. He slowly turns to me amused.

"Are you sure you're ready to leave?" he asks.

"Now, I am," I say.

"You went to the Grotto, didn't you?" he says.

I nod to him. No use in denying, I suppose.

"What did you say?" he asks.

"I asked God to help people become proud of me," I say.

My father looks at me and smiles. "You already have, son. You already have."

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Honoring my father

"Hidden in the tears and sorrow are the seeds of new life and growth," reflected Vince Gurucharri, two weeks after receiving a bone marrow transplant.

Two years ago, my father was diagnosed with a rare bone marrow disorder called Myelodysplastic Syndrome, more commonly known as "pre-leukemia." A bone marrow transplant was his only chance for a cure. When he was unable to find a matching donor among his siblings, he turned to the National Marrow Donor Program Registry. Dad's Basque-Irish-Filipino ethnicity made finding a donor especially difficult. Initially, my family was told that he had a one in a million chance of finding a donor that matched his unique genetic make-up.

We were desperate. Clinging to the chance that a donor could save Dad, we got involved with the National Marrow Donor Program. My family helped plan a drive in our hometown and worked with Howard Hall to hold another at Notre Dame. Words fail me when I try to describe the impact of these drives on our family. Each new donor offered the possibility of saving my father's life. They provided much needed hope to both my family and to our many friends whom we'd met in the hospital waiting room. I was humbled both by my reliance on others' kindness and by the outpouring of their support.

Yet nothing compared to the day we received a phone call saying that the Registry had found a donor for my father. It was nothing short of a miracle. A few weeks later, Dad underwent intense chemotherapy and radiation to wipe out

his failed marrow. I had never seen my father's body so frail. His hope in his donor's marrow carried him through very severe treatment.

For the next two years, Dad's body endured the difficult process of adjusting to a new immune system. During this time, he was able to counsel other transplant patients, take painting lessons, stuff Christmas stockings and hug me after graduation. So many will be forever thankful for these last two years with Dad and for the lessons that he taught us in his trials about love, joy, hope and humility. Ultimately, Dad's body was unable to handle the rigor of adjusting to a new system. He died on Dec. 9, 2003.

Many transplant patients do go on to lead long, healthy lives. I hope that even the chance to give two hopeful years of life will be enough to encourage you to register. Even if you never get the chance to donate, the sole act of registering provides hope to patients and their families, an act that is nothing short of a miracle.

Please register to be a bone marrow donor at the Howard Hall Bone Marrow Drive on April 22. The drive will be held on the first floor of Lafortune from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Registering to be a bone marrow donor requires only a small blood test. For more information, please visit www.nd.edu/~howard/bonemarrow.

Ann Gurucharri

Class of 2003

April 20

OBSERVER POLL

How many games do you think the Notre Dame football team will win during the 2004 season?

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"No one is so generous as he who has nothing to give."

French proverb

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Living with a miracle

Lymphangioleiomyomatosis.

This name may be foreign to most readers, but all too familiar to the women who suffer from this deadly lung disease. When I was first diagnosed with this disease — LAM for short — the doctors warned me to avoid Internet searches and the devastating reality of what this prognostic entails. Clearly, as soon as I arrived home, I searched for "LAM."

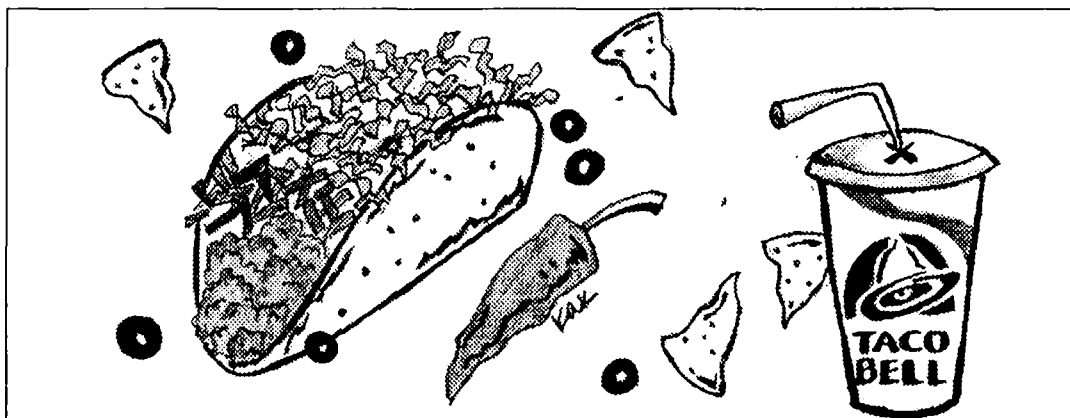
Within a few minutes, I learned that there are fewer than 600 women in the United States with LAM and that on average, one lives eight and a half years after being diagnosed. The disease would gradually cause my lungs to decay and I would be plagued by more instances of collapsed lungs, two of which I had already suffered. Just a few hours before, I had been in the doctor's office, anticipating a clean bill of health and permission to return to classes. Suddenly, my thoughts focused on a life cut short by LAM.

Yet, within a few weeks, even with LAM in the back of my mind, life went on. Along with many others, I began praying that it was all a big mistake. And we found signs of hope among it all. Most of this hope comes from the LAM Foundation. The director, whose daughter has LAM, reminded me that an 80-year-old woman has been diagnosed with the disease and is still active and playing tennis.

In contrast, the stories of the many women who die within a few years of being diagnosed are disheartening. LAM doesn't follow any rules or one certain path. When most people heard I had been diagnosed, they couldn't believe it. Like many women who have LAM, I had to respond often to those who exclaimed, "But you look so healthy!" The LAM Foundation lends crucial support to women in all stages of this disease while never losing sight of hope and the search for a cure.

In December, the doctors performed expansive tests to determine to what extent LAM was manifest in my body. What they found was, well, nothing. I had no signs of LAM. It was a miracle. They had seemed so sure a few months before. When the biopsy was sent to another institution, it came back negative. No LAM, no lung disease. As much as I celebrate my results, I commiserate with those who have to wait to celebrate the discovery of a cure. Please be a part of the search for a cure by celebrating Thursday night at the South Bend Between the Buns restaurant beginning at 7:30 p.m. There will be food, drink, karaoke and many festivities with a portion of all purchases going directly to the LAM Foundation.

Meredith Drakesmith
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Fruitless protests

Over the last couple weeks I have heard several arguments from fellow students as to why we should boycott Taco Bell. All reasons have stemmed from the inability of Taco Bell's tomato workers to earn a living wage. While I believe it is our duty, as people, to assist the unfortunate and ensure equality to all, I am not sure boycotting Taco Bell is the way to do it.

When asked what they were trying to accomplish, one boycotter responded that if Taco Bell raised the price of each taco just two cents the extra money would more than raise the pickers salary to above a living wage.

Unfortunately, it's not that simple. If the price-setters at Taco Bell are doing their jobs correctly, the prices are already set to a profit-maximizing equilibrium, and a two-cent increase could stand to cost the company millions in lost sales and unrealized profits. Such an event would force Taco Bell to cut jobs and close restaurants, thus exacerbating the problem we set out to solve.

Another solution would entail forcing CEOs and executives to take a pay cut and pass portions of their salaries to the tomato pickers. This is nothing but a salary redistribution program — a la socialism — that questions the very cornerstones of the economy that our country is built upon and by which our average standard of living is afforded. While one cannot equate happiness with a dollar sign — standard of living — it is difficult to find a more unbiased and universal indicator of utility with which to judge a country. When a government begins mandating an ever increasing redistribution of wealth it finds itself trotting on a slippery slope, pitting poverty level against economic drag, which in turn hurts everyone, including those on the bottom. Many have made this point more eloquently than myself, most notably Nobel Laureate and renowned economist Milton Friedman.

From the onset, a boycott is meant to decrease the demand for a product, in this case business for Taco Bell, which in turn directly decreases Taco Bell's demand for tomatoes. By boycotting, we have just unemployed the people we set out to protect, sending them to find even lower paying jobs. Hopefully you will agree with me when I say a boycott of Taco Bell does not make economic sense for anyone.

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Is it fine by you?

For the second time this semester, a number of students on campus will decide today to wear an orange T-shirt that bears the slogan, "Gay? Fine by Me." This letter is written for those students. In my mind, such students fall into two categories, and I will address each of them separately.

The first group is the well-meaning sector of people who consciously examined the meaning of the shirt and, because of the ambiguity of its wording, decided to wear it in order to express love and respect for their homosexual brothers and sisters. The second group had a totally different motive for wearing the shirt: its members believe that there is nothing inherently wrong with homosexual acts and reject the Church's teaching on this matter.

To the "well-meaning" group: you were fooled into thinking that these shirts meant only that the Notre Dame community was showing respect for its brothers and sisters in Christ who are oriented towards homosexuality. There are two reasons why wearing the orange shirt did not accomplish this objective.

The first is that it caused a scandal among your Catholic brothers and sisters and other members of the student body. The slogan on the shirt was just vague enough to cause confusion about its consistency with Church teaching. Catholics who are trying to follow Christ and truly love everyone, no matter what their sexual orientation, must be clear when they express what the Catholic Church teaches. Someone who knows that you are Catholic and sees you wearing the shirt is likely to think, "Well, that person is Catholic and she supports homosexual behavior, so I guess it's OK."

This creates division among the members of the Body of Christ. (It is similar to politicians who claim to be "Catholic" but do not strike down legislation that is pro-abortion. People respond by thinking that the Catholic Church teaches that abortion is fine, when in fact the Church teaches that abortion is a grave moral evil.) The Catholic Church teaches that homosexual

behavior is inherently disordered. The shirts do not express this beautiful teaching and so cause scandal.

The second reason the shirt does not accomplish an objective of love is that a slogan like "Gay? Fine by Me" does not express the respect that the Church tells us we must have for all homosexuals. It is instead a non-committal expression that essentially says, "Do whatever you want, it doesn't bother me." This is the attitude that has wrecked havoc in our society throughout the 20th century. It is the same attitude that produced the "woman's right to choose abortion" movement. "I support your right to choose" is code language for "I don't give a damn what you do or who you are," and the orange shirts reflect this un-Christian sentiment. Do not be deceived by modern jargon that merely reflects a political agenda.

To the group that chose to blatantly reject the Church's teaching on homosexuality, there are bigger problems than just a lack of love for your brothers and sisters in Christ who struggle with homosexuality. One thing must become clear: love cannot be equated with tolerance. Tolerance is not a Biblical virtue. Jesus did not embrace the woman's behavior when he asked the men who had not sinned to cast the first stone. He forgave the woman and told her to sin no more. His was a true love, because it was a call to purity of heart and body. This is the authority of Christ, and it has carried through the centuries in the teachings of his Most Beloved Spouse, the Church. What the Church teaches about sexuality comes in an unbroken and unchanged format that has existed for over 2,000 years. It is absolute folly to think that within a couple of generations we can overthrow not only a teaching that has survived the centuries, but one that has been written on the human body and soul since the beginning of time. To encourage homosexual behavior is to participate in this folly.

Think for a moment: God has revealed his plan of salvation for the whole world right in the human body itself. The love of a man and woman reflects the love

that Christ has for us. That God desires to be in communion with us was such an important reality to recognize that he wrote it into our creation in the union of male and female. In the Bible the love of Christ for his Church — that's us! — is always described as the love of the bridegroom for his bride. Our bodies reflect this eternal reality by the fact that in the communion of male and female, new life can be conceived. God wanted us to know without a doubt that the truth of our whole being is his sacrificial love, which when accepted, creates divine life within us. It is resurrection.

Having new life in Christ is of such eternal importance that when husband and wife imitate Christ in giving their bodies to one another, new life is born. This most beautiful teaching of the Church is not to be tampered with, because it is our salvation. That we were created "male and female" is the incredible reality of Christ's love for us. Without the recognition that in the unity of persons the resurrection is prefigured, our lives are meaningless. Do not profane what is sacred. The homosexual act defames what God has written on our hearts. Do not discourage people from realizing the truth of their existence.

For the student body: As you examine the issue of homosexuality in light of the Church's teachings, take care to examine your own lives and your own sexuality. Are you living out the "theology" that your body demonstrates? Are your own heterosexual relationships reflecting the sacrificial love of Christ? This shirt campaign suggests that the beautiful reality of human sexuality isn't being modeled in our lives. In fact, if we were more willing to live out our own heterosexual relationships in purity, we might be more willing to call homosexuals to do the same, instead of flippantly communicating that we don't care.

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ALBUM REVIEW

Latest release proves McLaughlin's poetry

By CHRIS KEPNER
Scene Music Critic

It is terribly frustrating to watch the music world continue in its obsession with classification. Genres, sub-genres, sub-sub-genres, periods, styles...we can't seem to be at peace until we've given everything a name. What is "jazz," "classical," "rock," "rap," anyway? And when musicians cross the lines that we draw, we just make up new names. Fusion. Acid-jazz. Hip-Hop. Drum & Bass. House. Trance. Why do we bother with this? Isn't music supposed to be about feeling? About the communication of emotions? The best musicians are those that ignore all of the buzzwords out there and simply create.

Guitarist John McLaughlin has been around for quite a while and has long been a proponent of imagination and innovation in music. He grew up in England in a highly intellectual and musical family. When he was in his twenties he was invited to New York to play with Tony Williams and Miles Davis, and thus began a long career of playing with some of the best musicians in the world. His large body of work is extremely varied and impressive. One credit that deserves special note is that McLaughlin performed on Miles' landmark "Bitches Brew" recording, and a song on that recording was actually named after him.

In addition to a typical list of musical influences that includes Davis, John Coltrane, Bach, Mozart, Ravel and others, McLaughlin was inspired heavily by Indian music. His first group as a leader was called the Mahavishnu Orchestra, which gets its name from McLaughlin's given Hindu name. Needless to say, Indian philosophy and culture have generally had a great impact upon

him. He has spent a great deal of time living there and studying with various spiritual and intellectual leaders. McLaughlin's influences are his explanation of the title for this album, as he states in the liner notes: "I realized that throughout my life, I 'borrow' from everyone who inspires me in some way, and not just musical: to the point that I wonder what an 'original' thought truly is."

"Thieves and Poets" includes a three-movement work of the same name for guitar and orchestra, as well as four jazz standards arranged for 5 guitars and a bass. The piece for guitar and orchestra traces McLaughlin's musical journey from the "Old World," meaning English and traditional style concurrently, to the "New World," or the United States and modern styles of composition and improvisation. The standards are "My Romance," "Stella by Starlight," "My Foolish Heart" and "The Dolphin." These four interpretations are dedicated to four pianists: Bill Evans, Herbie Hancock, Chick Corea and Gonzalo Rubalcaba, respectively.

All of the music on this recording gets a perfect score for both technical profi-

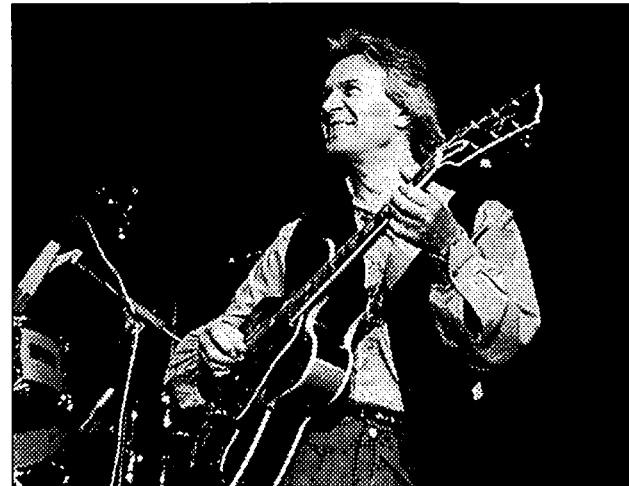


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Guitarist John McLaughlin's latest release showcases his unique imagination and innovations.

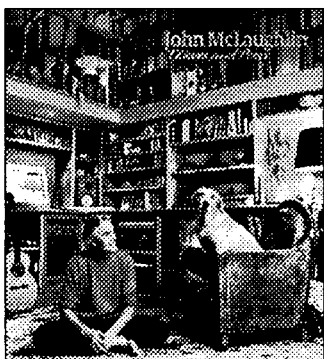
ciency and level of enjoyment. By now you've probably sensed the pattern in these "jazz" reviews. The albums chosen have been of the sort that can be appreciated by both serious and casual audiences. "Thieves and Poets" is no exception. Write about it for your music theory class or put it on while you're studying for your accounting final. Either way, you'll have a great experience with John McLaughlin's latest album.

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Thieves and Poets

John McLaughlin

Tower Records



ALBUM REVIEW

The prince of funk returns

By BECCA SAUNDERS
Scene Music Critic

Known by most as the artist formerly known as Prince, the majority of college students today do not know who Prince is beyond that call line and "Tonight we're gonna party like it's 1999." Well they may not know him as of right now, but the world is about to be reintroduced to his Highness of Funk and Pop. Prince's newest album "Musicology" has already been deemed a huge success and tremendous come back. In an album that sounds exactly like what one would imagine "funk" to sound like, Prince makes his rank clear within the world of pop.

With his two most recent albums

flopping, one would think Prince would have resigned and accepted defeat, but this 45 year old was hardly discouraged. "Musicology" is a soulful, at times upbeat, and times more contemplative, album that is simply well done. Even listeners who aren't necessarily funk fans can't help but feel the soul in this album. Prince plays most of the instruments throughout the album himself and in doing so created impressively original material that only he could perform. Prince himself admits that in creating "Musicology," he was not looking to sell records, or gain an audience. He just wrote the funk he loved, returning to his roots and doing a consistently impressive job throughout the album.

The title song, "Musicology," is the

single that is exploding right now. With a fun, funky beat, quite possibly the quintessential funky beat, "Musicology" is Prince educating the world on what funk is.

In his unique voice Prince sings, "Keep the party movin' / Just like I told u / kick the old school joint / 4 the true funk soldiers."

Song after song Prince will impress any formerly anti-funk listeners. Although the lyrics and even the titles of the song may seem a bit ridiculous, ranging from "Illusion, Coma, Pimp & Circumstance," "Life 'O' the Party," "What Do U Want Me 2 Do?" and "If Eye Was The Man in Ur Life" (just to name a few), Prince does not seem to care. That is the beauty of "Musicology": Prince does not care whether listeners like it or not, and because of that, you can't help but enjoy, or at least respect the album.

Other high points on the album include "A Million Days," "On the Couch," "Life 'O' The Party" and "Cinnamon Girl." The lyrics will con-



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Despite two recent disappointments, Prince has returned to his old standards of funk with his latest album.

tinually surprise listeners, as will the content, and that is what makes "Musicology" such a good album. Even if you are not a Prince fan and don't think that you ever will be, it would be difficult for listeners to not find at least one song on the album that even they can "groove" to. Give funk a chance and embrace the artist currently revered as Prince.

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Musicology

Prince

Sony Records



ALBUM REVIEW

Newest album provides stylistic variety

By JULIE BENDER
Scene Music Critic

Lieber/Stoller, Lennon/McCartney, Goffin/King — these are just a few famous names of songwriting duos since the advent of popular music in the 1950s. To make the songs that fill the airwaves takes a special talent. There needs to be an appealing melody, accessible lyrics and catchy hooks that leave people humming these songs all day long.

These days, the pop song production duo that is making news is the Neptunes. Made of Pharrel Williams and Chad Hugo, the Neptunes have worked with most of the MTV pop, rap, rock and R&B stars of the day, including Justin Timberlake, Britney Spears, Jay-Z, Gwen Stefani, Nelly, Snoop, Mystikal, Kelis, Busta Rhymes ... the list goes on. Just looking at these

artists in line to work with The Neptunes, obviously the talent of this duo is something that has taken the music industry by storm.

So, what happens when these song producers take their production talents to their own music? N.E.R.D. is what happens. An acronym for No One Ever Really Dies, N.E.R.D. includes the talents of the Neptunes in addition to their friend and fellow musician, Shay Haley.

Despite the close relation, N.E.R.D. is not the Neptunes. Describing themselves on their Web site, the trio says, "N.E.R.D. is the offspring of the Neptunes id, a fly-or-die, thrash-around, do-as-you-will, set-your-soul-on-fire alter-ego that subscribes to no rules, adheres to no agenda... a trio whose chemistry allows the uninhibited exploration of the sounds, emotions and impulses of self and society, of identity and belonging. Of life."

"Uninhibited exploration of sounds" is the perfect way to describe N.E.R.D.'s second album "Fly or Die" released in March. A follow up to their debut "In Search Of ...," "Fly or Die" has the initial feel of hip-hop,

but each song has layers of influences extending into nearly every musical genre. Funk, R&B, soul, new wave and classic rock all make momentary and repeating appearances on the album. With "Fly or Die," guitar, whistling, beats and rhyme all find a home together.

Starting things off is the track "Don't Worry About It," with the sexual innuendos bouncing off the driving guitar background — a sort of Led Zeppelin meets hip-hop. Williams sings, "Baby, don't fool with me / If you don't want to give it up / Don't worry about it," sounding strikingly like Robert Plant. Making things even more interesting, Beatle-esque background vocals are added to the song, which closes with a smooth yet forceful guitar solo.

"She Wants to Move" is the first single released from the album. Hand claps, raunchy guitar and piano loops fill this song, but the opening drum rhythm is what carries the song to its end. Explicit lyrics and the energy of this track make it a good song for the dance floor.

One of the key tracks on the album is the song "Maybe." Keyboards are the dominant instrument, with short guitar wails that fly occasionally in the background. The song sounds as though it could be in the repertoire of Lenny Kravitz, which is made closer to the truth by his guest appearance on background vocals, along with ?uestlove from the Roots. The melodic chorus, "I know you



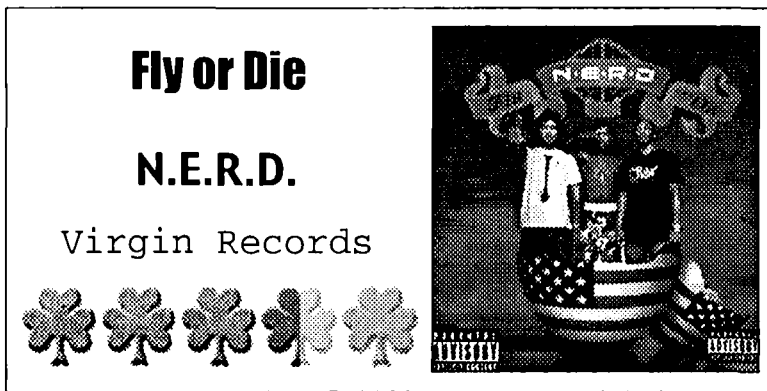
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Pharrell William's band N.E.R.D. continues to try to blend music genre styles.

thought your life was gonna be easy / you thought you had it all / but you found that you were wrong," has an appealing smoothness that blends nicely with the piano line.

"Fly or Die" is an album that could be used as an example of the transformation and melding of music genres throughout the decades. Its "feel good" sound makes it an album accessible to lovers of all kinds of music, be it rock, metal, hip-hop, pop or soul. True to their roots, N.E.R.D.'s second album continues to show the trio's ability at their songwriting craft.

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ALBUM REVIEW

Janet's latest proves to be just average

By SHAWTINA FERGUSON
Scene Music Critic

If Janet Jackson's recent Super Bowl performance was any indication that her forthcoming album, "Damita Jo," would be sexy and full of surprises then her "wardrobe malfunction" was not in vain. "Damita Jo," titled after Jackson's middle name, provides a growing Jackson fan club with a respectable mix of pop, funk, rock and roll and rhythm and blues. Jackson collaborates with long time producers Jimmy Jam and Terry Lewis for her eighth studio recorded project.

Most notable for her soft and sultry vocals, Janet does not stray away from her trademark sound. In fact, this "girl-next-door" sound presents itself on nearly every track of the 22-track endeavor. Perhaps this works to Jackson's advantage

as her decidedly sex-themed project attempts to set an innocent but engaging tone. Nearly seven minutes into her project, Jackson grabs the attention of her audience as she warns at the close of "Sexhibition:" "Relax. It's just sex!"

Jackson, after giving her audience proper counsel begins a 65-minute journey down an enticing, old school road that is captivating enough to keep listeners tuned in but not powerful enough to claim a permanent spot in the rotation of your daily discman.

Standout track, "My Baby," featuring rap artist Kanye West, is masterfully laid to mix a conventional sound with contemporary beats. Collaborating with West propels what would have been "just another song" into something that radio fans can bop their heads to. Overall, "My Baby" is a fun track that does not attempt to overuse the guest artist as we

have seen in many of Janet's contemporaries, among them J-Lo, as Jackson does not have to compensate for a lack of vocal ability.

At significant points throughout the album, one song camouflages with the next and it becomes

almost too easy to multitask while listening. This is especially true post Kanye West until track 10, "All Nite (Don't Stop)," which is slated to be Jackson's next release. Opening with the spoken words, "This is sick," this upbeat, dance mix is made for the club circuit and should receive adequate airtime. Additionally, when Jackson commands, "Work it like you're working a pole/Shake it 'til you're shaking the floor/Pop it like you're poppin' a cork/Don't Stop, Don't Stop" she manages to mobilize an audience that began to drift just four tracks prior.

The prominent ballad on this project is "Thinkin' Bout My Ex" produced by Kenny "Babyface" Edmonds. The apologetic chorus is telling of a woman, currently in a relationship, who misses her ex. Jackson sings, "When I'm holding you late at night/I'm thinkin' bout my ex/when I'm kissing you and look at you/I'm thinkin' bout my ex/and I'm sorry I didn't mean to hurt you/And I know sorry doesn't mend your broken heart."

Immediately following this track, Janet returns to what is perhaps the most overt of all of her sex-inspired productions yet. With lyrics that are probably too explicit for this review, Janet does not disappoint



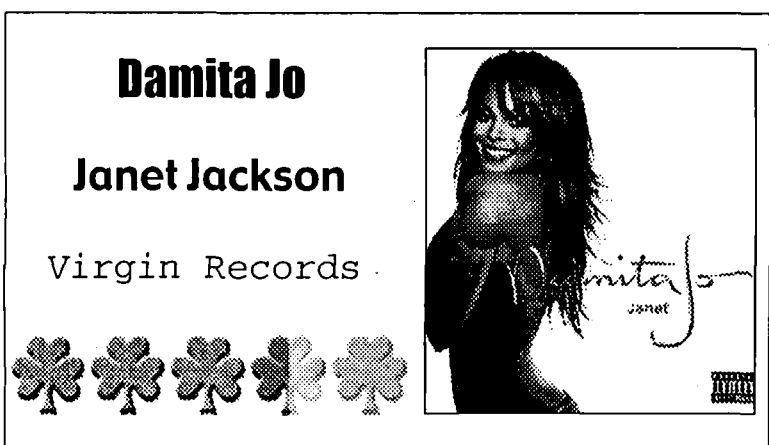
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Janet Jackson's latest album tries to draw in fans and customers with an innocent but engaging tone.

fans who expect a musical sequel to her "spontaneous" halftime performance. Both "Warmth" and "Moist" serve too keep listeners with specific expectations satisfied.

With a record of accomplishment like Janet's, it is undoubtedly difficult to create an album that exceeds the masterpieces that were "Control" and "Rhythm Nation." To her advantage, her vast contribution to music affords her a mediocre album every now and then. Fortunately, most of the world will remember Janet Jackson for her mark on 2004, however, it will not be for this album.

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NBA PLAYOFFS

Nets dominate Knicks to take 2-game lead

Associated Press

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — Once again, the New Jersey Nets were the source of the hardest fouls and the best basketball.

The mismatch also known as the Knicks-Nets series stuck to form Tuesday night, New Jersey showing its superiority over an outmatched and banged-up opponent in a 99-81 victory.

The Nets opened a 2-0 lead in the best-of-seven series, which resumes Thursday night at New York.

The Knicks weren't as docile as they were in the series opener when Tim Thomas was flagrantly fouled and injured, but they didn't put up all that much of a fight, either.

"I think they were aggressive, but I don't think they were more physical," Kenyon Martin said.

Jason Kidd and Martin led the way as the Nets took control in the second quarter, and New Jersey led by as many as 22 points in defeating the Knicks for the 14th time in their last 16 meetings.

Martin led New Jersey with 22 points and 16 rebounds, and he also had the most egregious foul of the game midway through the third quarter. Although it was not called a flagrant foul, he reached around from behind Dikembe Mutombo and swiped violently at his arms, then shoved Mutombo in the back to earn a technical foul.

"I just wanted to foul him. I didn't want to get a tech," said Martin, who was angered on the previous possession when he was elbowed in the nose by Mutombo. "Emotions were running high."

Richard Jefferson also had a harder-than-usual foul, chasing down Stephon Marbury and clobbering him as he went up for a layup on a fast break. Marbury jumped up quickly and appeared ready to confront Jefferson, but he thought otherwise — perhaps remembering he already had been called for a technical foul — and walked to the foul line under referee Greg Willard's escort.

"I just wanted to make sure he didn't get an 'and-one,'" Jefferson said. "He's a competitor, I'm a competitor. I'm not going to do anything to hurt him, I have too much respect for him and too much respect for the game of basketball."

Asked if he felt the foul was dirty, Marbury replied: "No comment."

New York pulled to 66-56 on a transition jumper by Kurt Thomas late in the third quarter, but Rodney Rogers answered with a 3-pointer and a layup.

New Jersey then opened the fourth quarter with a 10-4 run to end all doubt.

Jefferson had 20 points, Kerry Kittles scored 16, Kidd 15 and Rogers 12.

Marbury, one of the few offense-minded players the Knicks had left as Tim Thomas (bruised back and ankle) and Allan Houston (knee soreness) sat out, led New York with 23 points. Kurt Thomas had 18 points and 12 rebounds, and Penny Hardaway, who replaced Tim Thomas in the starting lineup, added 13 points, 10 assists and seven rebounds.

The Nets didn't score their second fast-break basket until midway through the second quarter, but they finished with 20 points on the break to help overcome 25 turnovers.

"For us right now, our mind-set totally has to change," Marbury said.

Perhaps no play signified how lost the Knicks were as one less than two minutes into the second half. The Nets, as they did throughout Game 1 and much of Game 2, sent a second defender to trap Marbury at midcourt as he dribbled.

Marbury was able to get the ball to Kurt Thomas, but the Knicks' offense came to a complete stop. Martin reached in and poked the ball loose, and Kidd streaked downcourt with it before feeding a behind-the-back pass to Martin for a dunk. Thomas shoved Martin in the lower back as he scored, and the three-point play gave New Jersey its first 20-point lead, 59-39.

Pacers 103, Celtics 90

The reserves were playing so well for the Indiana Pacers that star Jermaine O'Neal almost didn't want to get back in the game.

"You don't want to mess up the chemistry," O'Neal said after Tuesday's 103-90 win over the Boston Celtics in Game 2 of their playoff series. "You don't want the opposing team to go on a run and beat you."

After the starters struggled for the first three quarters against Boston, a group of reserves rescued the Pacers with a 21-3 run spanning the third and fourth quarters to give Indiana a 2-0 lead in the best-of-seven series.

With an erratic O'Neal watching from the bench and Artest watching from home because of a suspension, Austin Croshere and Jonathan Bender ignited a lifeless Pacers team late in the third quarter.

Croshere hit a 3-pointer at the close of the third period and Bender brought a boisterous crowd to its feet with a brilliant three-point play on a dunk in the fourth to give the Pacers a 72-69 lead.



New Jersey's Rodney Rogers reacts after hitting a 3-point shot during the second quarter of his team's first round NBA playoff game against the Knicks.

Bender capped the run with a 3-pointer that gave the Pacers an 82-72 lead with 7:21 to play and left the Celtics feeling like an opportunity to steal a game was wasted. The series moves to Boston for Game 3 on Friday night.

"We all took this and placed it on our shoulders to turn this game around," said Bender, who finished with 11 points and seven rebounds.

Paul Pierce led the Celtics with 27 points, but again struggled from the field despite the absence of Artest, the NBA's

defensive player of the year.

Al Harrington was the only "starter" on the floor during Indiana's surge, and he is normally the team's sixth man. He was filling in for Artest, suspended for one game by the NBA on Monday for leaving the bench during a confrontation in the Pacers' Game 1 win.

Artest took just a few steps onto the court when O'Neal tangled with Boston rookie Brandon Hunter, but the league deemed it enough of an infraction to hand out the suspension.

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NHL PLAYOFFS

Maple Leafs defeat Senators to advance

Associated Press

TORONTO — The Ottawa Senators still haven't figured out how to beat the Toronto Maple Leafs.

So for the fourth time in five years, the Senators are going home early from the Stanley Cup playoffs.

Ed Belfour made 36 saves, and Joe Nieuwendyk scored twice on a shaky Patrick Lalime as the Maple Leafs advanced to the second round by beating the Senators 4-1 Tuesday night in Game 7.

Ottawa is 0-4 in series against Toronto and 0-4 in Game 7s overall. The Senators avoided the Maple Leafs in last year's playoffs and reached Game 7 of the Eastern Conference finals before losing to Stanley Cup champion New Jersey.

The Maple Leafs, who led 3-0 after first period, will meet the Flyers in the second round — beginning with Game 1 on Thursday night in Philadelphia.

Toronto enforcer Tie Domi sparked his team by assisting on the first goal. Nieuwendyk added two weak goals on Lalime, who was replaced by backup Martin Prusek to start the second.

Following Ottawa's double overtime victory in Game 6 on Sunday, Senators owner Eugene Melnyk predicted his team

would win Game 7 easily.

"We're going to kill 'em," he said.

Ottawa captain Daniel Alfredsson also vowed his team would win the series after the Senators lost Game 5. It wasn't to be, largely because of Lalime's poor play. The goalie, who struggled this season, allowed three goals on just 11 shots.

Belfour, who tied an NHL record by recording three shutouts in series, looked spectacular again. Fans chanted 'Eddie, Ed-die!' throughout.

Toronto won the series despite being outshot 238-154, and Maple Leafs coach Pat Quinn called Belfour his best player earlier in the day.

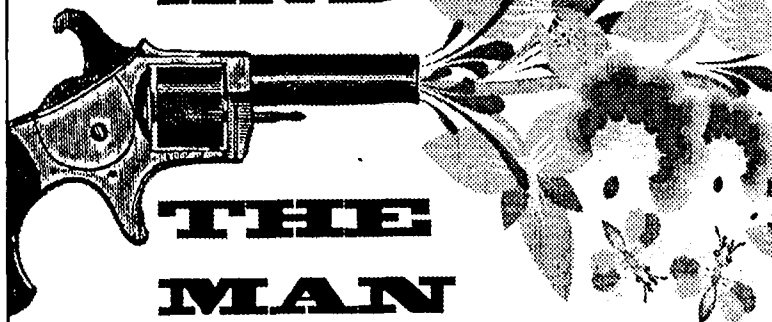
The Maple Leafs were helped by quick starts, setting an NHL record by scoring first in all seven games.

Toronto won the series despite the absence of captain Mats Sundin for the final three games because of a lower body injury. Owen Nolan missed the entire series because of a knee injury.

Domi sparked Toronto by checking defenseman Anton Volchenkov into the boards, stripping the puck from him, and skating behind the net. Domi then turned and passed to Chad Kilger, who scored at 6:19 of the first.

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MLB

Cubs end Pirates winnings streak in 9-1 win

Associated Press

PITTSBURGH — Alex Gonzalez homered, doubled and drove in four runs and the Chicago Cubs beat up on Ryan Vogelsong for the second time in a week, defeating the Pittsburgh Pirates 9-1 Tuesday night.

Corey Patterson, Todd Walker and Michael Barrett also homered to back Carlos Zambrano (2-0). The Cubs won for the fifth time in seven games and ended the Pirates' three-game winning streak.

Zambrano limited the Pirates to one run and seven hits, striking out four and walking two over eight innings. He beat Vogelsong (1-2) for the second straight start.

Gonzalez had only one RBI — a pinch-hit homer April 11 — until delivering a two-run double in a four-run first and a two-run homer in the fifth that made it 8-1.

Gonzalez is 7-for-13 the last three games after having only six hits in the first 2 1/2 weeks of the season.

Patterson added a two-run homer in the big first inning and Walker had a solo shot as the Cubs again hit three homers off Vogelsong.

Barrett connected off Jason Boyd in the eighth. Three of Barrett's four homers this season are against Pittsburgh.

Vogelsong was Pittsburgh's

best starter during spring training and began the season by limiting the Phillies to one run in seven innings during a 6-2 victory on April 8. But he has since been roughed up for 19 hits and 15 earned runs over eight innings in a pair of losses to Chicago.

Vogelsong lasted three innings in an 8-3 loss Wednesday, yielding homers to Sammy Sosa, Moises Alou and Aramis Ramirez, and was nearly as ineffective Tuesday in allowing nine runs and eight hits in five innings.

Walker walked to start the game, and Patterson followed with a shot into the right-field seats that made it 2-0. Ramirez, who has driven in 14 runs in his last seven games, and Derrek Lee singled with two outs ahead of Gonzalez's double.

Sosa and Alou doubled to start the fifth, and Gonzalez homered three batters later.

Zambrano gave up a run in the sixth on Tike Redman's leadoff triple and Jack Wilson's single.

Marlins 3, Phillies 1

Dontrelle Willis stayed perfect on the mound. He finally had trouble at the plate, though.

Willis allowed an unearned run in 6 2-3 innings, leading the Florida Marlins to their 11th straight victory over the Philadelphia Phillies Tuesday night.

Willis (3-0) struck out in his

first at-bat, snapping his streak of 10 consecutive hits, dating to last season and including the playoffs.

But Florida's hitters gave him all the runs he'd need to stop the Phillies' four-game winning streak.

"It wasn't my day at the plate, but my job is to pitch," Willis said. "I love to hit. I try to handle the bat well. I feel it'll keep me in the game longer."

The NL Rookie of the Year gave up four hits, struck out three and walked none. He hasn't allowed an earned run in his three starts, spanning 19 1-3 innings.

Willis finished 0-for-3 at the plate after going 3-for-3 in each of his first two starts, including a home run last week.

"You guys wanted me to hit him fifth or sixth. I don't hear you saying that now," Marlins manager Jack McKeon joked. "Even the best hitters take a collar once in a while."

Chad Fox pitched 1 1-3 scoreless innings, and Armando Benitez worked a perfect ninth for his seventh save in as many chances.

Expos 2, Mets 1

Jose Vidro led off the eighth inning with a tiebreaking home run, and the Montreal Expos got just enough offense to beat the New York Mets Tuesday night and stop an eight-game losing streak.

Montreal, which had been on

its worst skid since the 2000 season, trailed 1-0 in the sixth before coming back.

The Expos (3-11), the worst-hitting team in the major leagues with a .202 average, have just 22 runs this season. They are the first team to not score more than four runs in each of its first 14 games since the 1988 Texas Rangers, according to the Elias Sport Bureau.

Zach Day (1-1) limited the Mets to four hits in seven innings. Luis Ayala pitched the eighth, and Rocky Biddle needed just six pitches to complete the four-hitter and get his third save in three chances.

David Weathers (1-1) relieved Al Leiter to start the eighth and Vidro, his first batter, connected on a 3-2 pitch. Montreal had gone 18 innings without an extra-base hit since Brian Schneider's seventh-inning triple Sunday at Philadelphia.

Leiter allowed one run and five hits in seven innings, striking out four. He had a 29 1-3-inning scoreless streak dating to Sept. 17 when Montreal scored in the sixth.

Reds 3, Braves 2

Barry Larkin didn't mind the face full of shaving cream. It had been a long time since he did anything worthy of a postgame prank.

The Reds' struggling captain singled home a pair of runs — his first RBIs since opening day

— to set up Cincinnati's victory Tuesday over the Atlanta Braves.

During a postgame interview, teammate Juan Castro sneaked behind Larkin and filled the side of his face with a plate's worth of shaving cream, a traditional way to celebrate a big moment. In his 19th season, Larkin has had few of those.

He brought a .167 average into the game, and hadn't driven in a run since his RBI groundout in the season opener. Larkin, who turns 40 next week, has spread out his stance in a concession to age, but hasn't yet discovered the best way to hit out of it.

"I've probably changed three or four times already," he said. "Hitting .160 makes you think a lot up there. I've been thinking. It's a struggle. I'll definitely take today."

Sean Casey added three hits, including two doubles off John Thompson (1-1), helping Jose Acevedo recover from one bad pitch early in the game.

Acevedo (2-0) has re-emerged after being written out of the team's plans the last two years. The 26-year-old Acevedo won a spot in the rotation during spring training, and has made three solid starts.

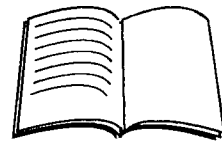
"I don't know where he's been the last two years," Braves manager Bobby Cox said. "He has all the pitches. He was terrific."



Happenings

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A male mentor is needed for a 17-year old boy. Contact Diana Cotton at 234-5914.

A mentor is needed for a 9-year-old girl who has mild cerebral palsy. Contact Diane Hertz at 237-7860.

Elderly

Cardinal Nursing Center needs a male student to visit a mentally disabled man once a week. Contact Megan Waller at 287-6501.

An elderly couple is looking for help with cleaning their garage on a Monday afternoon. Contact Idera Thompson at 234-0300.

A group of healthy students is needed to help an elderly community member clean up his yard. He is available to oversee on Tuesday, Wednesday or Saturday afternoons. He has all of the yard equipment necessary. Contact Alex LaBanco at 256-9806

A companion is needed for an older woman, one or two times a month. She can come to Notre Dame. Contact Patty Malone at p.l.malone@worldnet.att.net

'America Needs a Change' Rally

The social action groups of Notre Dame will be sponsoring a rally to highlight the activism that can exist at Notre Dame and provide the impetus for constructive social change in the future.

Student groups such as Sustained Dialogue, Peace Coalition, Progressive Student

Alliance, MEChA, Poor People's Economic Human Rights Campaign, Amnesty International, United for Diversity, V-Day will participate.

When: Tuesday, April 27 at 4:30-6:30 pm

Where: Fieldhouse Mall (next to Stonehenge)

Students Needed for Senior Sendoff

Volunteers are needed during Commencement Weekend to assist with the Service Send-Off and reception? Help will be needed from 10 am to 1 pm on Saturday, May 15 at the Center for

Social Concerns. This event celebrates seniors who are committing to a year or more of postgraduate service.

Contact Andrea at ashappel@nd.edu for more information.

Children's Defense Fund Meeting

Come to this week's Children's Defense Fund meeting. For more information, visit the ND CDF website.

When: Wednesday, April 21 at 8:15 pm

Where: Center for Social Concerns

Summer Retreat with Jean Vanier

Jean Vanier, founder of International L'Arche communities, will be leading a retreat July 23-25 at Mercyhurst College in NorthEast, PA (Erie, PA) for people ages 18-25. Jean is an extremely

inspiring man who will focus on "Jesus...The Revelation of God's Love." Applications are available from Andrea Smith Shappell in room 120 of the Center for Social Concerns.

Campus Crossfire Debate

Rock the Vote will host the first ever Campus Crossfire, which will be a debate between College Democrats and College Republicans on the issues.

When: Wednesday, April 21 at 7:00 pm

Where: Coleman-Morse Lounge

"Counter terrorism: Are Human Rights an Obstacle or Part of the Solution?"

Kenneth Roth, Executive Director, Human Rights Watch, will speak as part of the 10th Annual Hesburgh Lectures in Ethics and Public Policy.

When: Wednesday, April 21 at 12:30 pm

Where: Hesburgh Center Auditorium

Discovering Islam: Dialogue with Muslim Students

What do Muslims have to say about terrorism, Christianity, women's rights, and being Muslim in America? Hear from students in the ND Muslim Student Association. Food will be provided.

When: Thursday, April 22 at 7:30 pm

Where: Keough Hall 24 Hour lounge

"International Hunger, Poverty & HIV/AIDS Advocacy

Rev. Mariah Priggen and Ms. Kathleen O'Toole from Bread for the World will present an interactive workshop on hunger and HIV/AIDS.

When: Friday, April 23 at 2:00-3:15 pm

Where: Center for Social Concerns, Coffeehouse

NCAA

NCAA to investigate recruitment scandals

Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — Denouncing a "culture of entitlement" in which recruits are treated as campus celebrities and in some cases plied with sex and alcohol, the NCAA will give immediate attention to reforms prompted in large part by the University of Colorado recruiting scandal.

Normally, the association can take months or years to implement a change of rules, but President Myles Brand has asked that the proposals be treated as "emergency legislation" and be put into effect this summer.

"I think there's no question the Colorado situation acted as a catalyst for the task force," Brand said after a two-hour meeting of the Division I Management Council, which heard the recommendations on Tuesday.

"The problem existed, and probably later rather than sooner we would have addressed it. But with the catalyst, we addressed it now in a more efficient time frame," he said.

Brand formed the task force in February following allegations by two women who said Colorado football players or recruits raped them at a party in 2001. A third woman said she was assaulted in a dorm room shortly afterward, and since 1997, at least eight women have

accused Colorado football players of rape.

Coach Gary Barnett was suspended pending investigations of whether the football program used sex and alcohol to entice recruits, and the university last month announced new guidelines for recruiting visits, including one night's stay instead of two. There also will be an 11 p.m. curfew, all activities will be supervised by parents or coaches, and recruits will be prohibited from going to bars, strip clubs or private parties.

"Colorado hoped to address the culture of entitlement by putting in place certain restrictions, and that's important," Brand said. "We can argue about whether they're the right restrictions or not."

"But part of the issue is the accountability. A single institution cannot address national accountability," he said. "For that, you do need a national organization, one that also has the ability to sanction when things go wrong. So the task force actually goes much farther than Colorado could possibly have gone by itself."

The task force recommendations include a requirement that each NCAA school adopt a written policy on recruiting and who is to be held accountable for compliance.

NFL

Clarett appeals to Supreme Court

Associated Press

COLUMBUS, Ohio — Maurice Clarett filed an emergency appeal with the U.S. Supreme Court on Tuesday to try to force his way into this weekend's NFL draft.

Clarett's attorney, Alan Milstein, asked for a stay of a decision by the 2nd U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals preventing the former Ohio State tailback from entering the draft.

"We're hoping justice will prevail and Mr. Clarett will play football — which is what he was born to do and which is what he is ready to do," Milstein said in a telephone interview with The Associated Press.

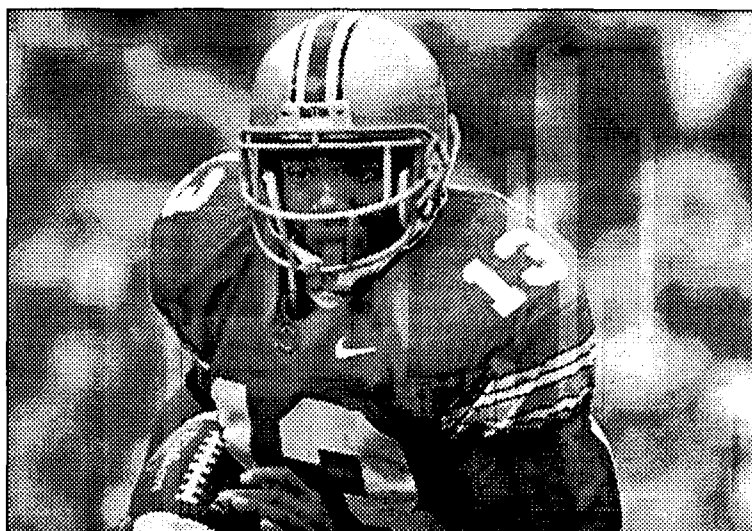
Monday's federal appeals court decision put on hold a lower-court ruling that said the NFL can't force players to wait three years after high school before turning pro.

Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg will handle the case.

The NFL said Clarett has little chance of success at the Supreme Court.

"There was ample support for the ruling of the 2nd Circuit, which thoroughly considered and completely rejected the arguments that Mr. Clarett's lawyers have presented to the Supreme Court," NFL executive vice president Jeff Pash said.

On Monday, Southern California sophomore receiver



AP Photo

Former Ohio State tailback Maurice Clarett will try to enter the NFL draft with an emergency Supreme Court appeal.

Mike Williams filed his own lawsuit in federal court in Manhattan, saying the NFL had issued conflicting statements about eligibility for the draft, thus causing him to sacrifice his college career.

If they wind up being eligible, Williams would be expected to go in the first round of the draft, while Clarett might not be taken until the second or third round.

Clarett argued in Tuesday's filing that the NFL would not suffer any harm if he is allowed in the draft — but he would be harmed if he is blocked.

Clarett led Ohio State to a

national title as a freshman, but he was ruled ineligible as a sophomore for accepting money from a family friend and for lying about it to NCAA and university investigators. Williams declared for the draft after a lower court ruled in Clarett's favor.

Clarett, 20 and out of high school two years, would be eligible for the draft next year under the current rule.

He dropped out of classes at Ohio State after the winter quarter, then declined to work out for scouts at the NFL's combine in Indianapolis in February.

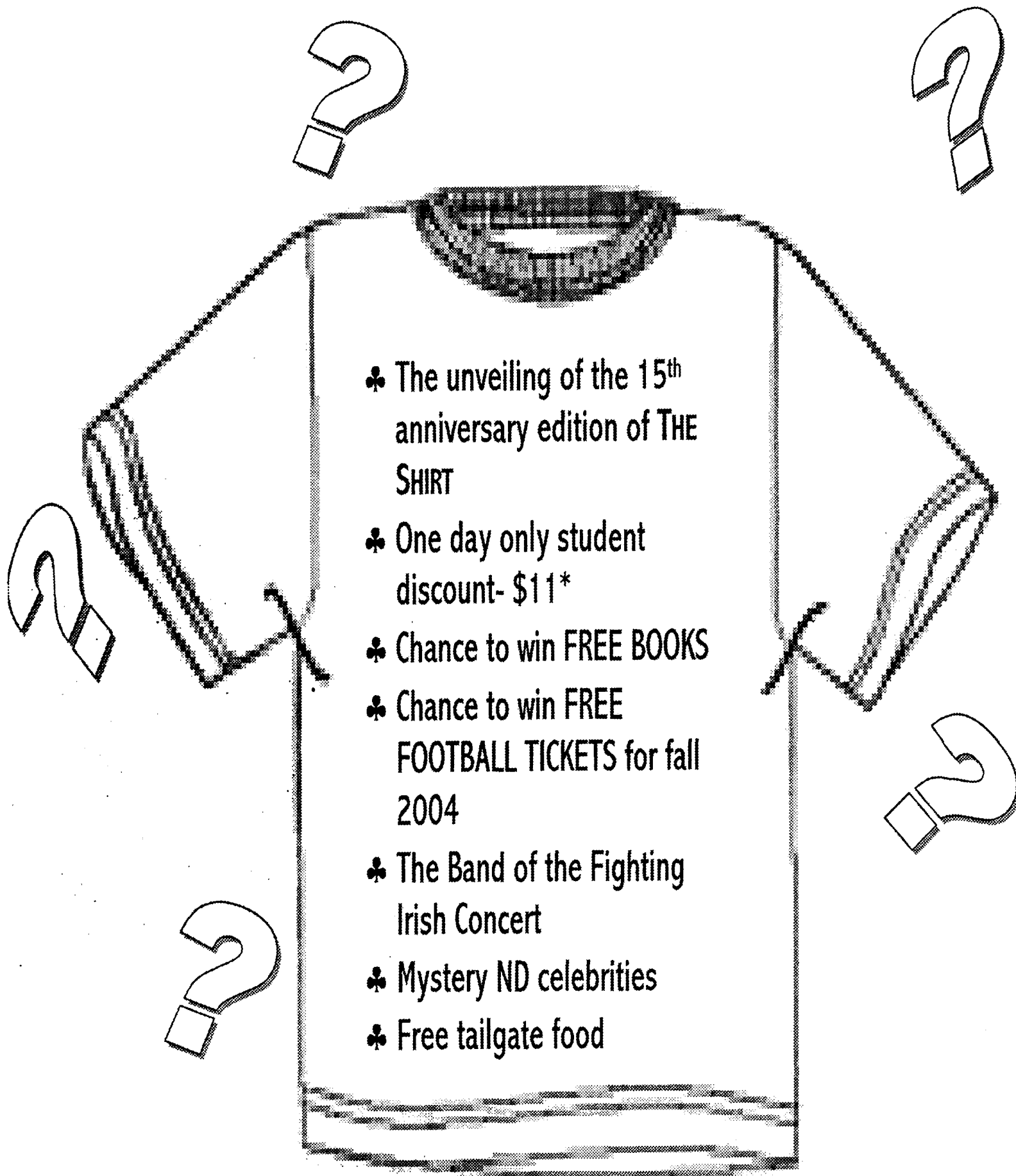
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NBA

Hunter says altercation results from aggressive play

Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — Boston Celtics rookie Brandon Hunter was not trying to start a fight with Indiana Pacers star Jermaine O'Neal when he pulled

him to the ground in Game 1 of their playoff series, Hunter said Tuesday.

Speaking for the first time since the altercation, which ultimately caused Pacers forward Ron Artest to be suspended for

Game 2, Hunter said he was simply playing aggressive and got tangled with O'Neal under the basket.

"I'm not even that type of player," Hunter said during the shootaround prior to Game 2. "I

just went in there to be aggressive and try to get a rebound."

In the second quarter of Indiana's 104-88 win on Saturday, Hunter grabbed O'Neal and threw him to the floor. O'Neal got up and immediately

confronted Hunter, then drew a technical for yelling at Celtics guard Ricky Davis.

Artest, who was on the bench at the time, started onto the court when he saw O'Neal lose his composure, but turned and headed back to the bench after about four steps. Nevertheless, the league suspended him for Game 2.

After the game, and the next day at practice, Pacers coach Rick Carlisle and O'Neal both said they believe Hunter was put in the game to bait O'Neal into an ejection.

"They had a young, strong player throwing an MVP candidate on the floor, and it looked like he was doing it intentionally," Carlisle said.

Celtics coach John Carroll strongly denied the allegations.

"Brandon Hunter wasn't sent in the game to do anything because Brandon Hunter didn't even match up with Jermaine O'Neal. He was matched up with Al Harrington," Carroll said Tuesday. "It was kind of an unfortunate situation."

Hunter said he wasn't bothered by Carlisle's remarks and that O'Neal was the one who initiated physical play under the basket.

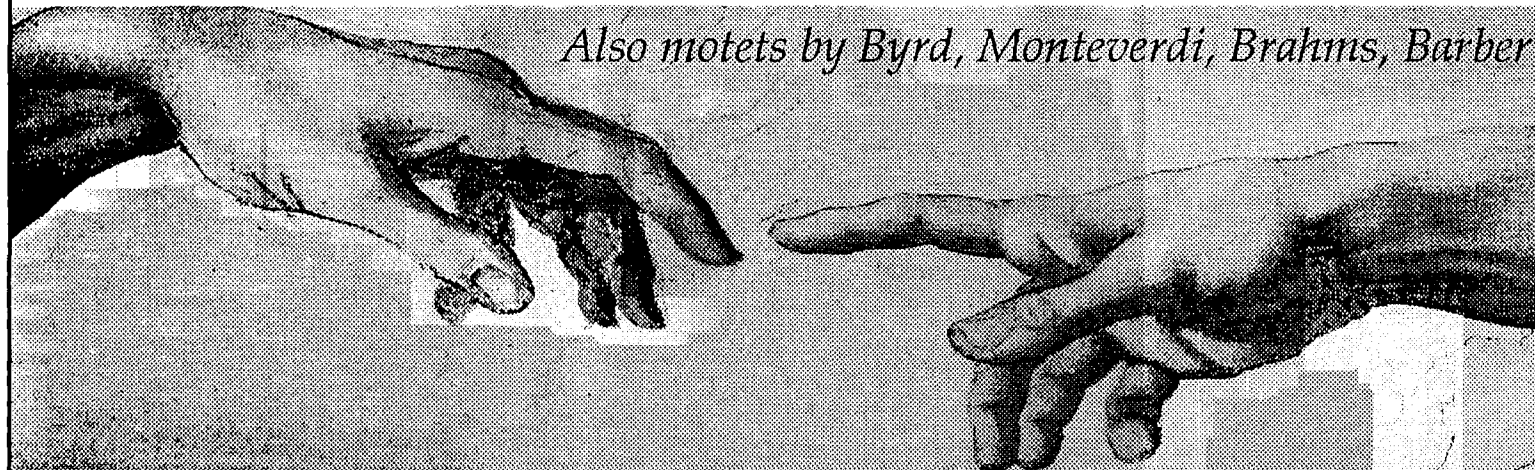
"To me, whatever, I really don't care what he had to say, how he felt," Hunter said. "I know I didn't do it on purpose. If it had been me trying to foul him on purpose, it would have been a lot more worse than that."

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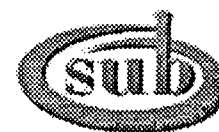
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NCAA BASKETBALL

Thompson to follow father as Hoyas coach

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — John Thompson III won't have to make a name for himself at Georgetown. "Pops" took care of that long ago.

Ready to take on the pressure of living up to the legacy of his Hall of Fame father, Thompson III was hired Tuesday to coach the Hoyas back to national prominence.

"I am John Thompson's son. I have been John Thompson's son for 38 years. I'm pretty comfortable being John Thompson's son," said Thompson III, the coach at Princeton since 2000. "The pressure that comes along with that — no one's going to put more pressure on me than myself."

The elder Thompson coached the Hoyas for 27 years, turning a little-known program into a perennial national powerhouse. With Patrick Ewing at center, Georgetown made three appearances in the NCAA title game in the 1980s, winning the championship in 1984.

Thompson resigned in 1999 and now works as a TV analyst, and the Hoyas haven't been the same since. His longtime assistant, Craig Esherick, couldn't live up to the Thompson standard and was fired last month after going 103-74.

Attendance sagged, the program lost money, and the Hoyas made just one NCAA tournament appearance under Esherick. They lost their last nine games this season, and the 13-15 record was Georgetown's worst in 31 years.

Now comes Thompson III, whose name alone will draw immediate comparisons to the campus legend. The elder Thompson — whom Thompson III calls "Pops" — sat proudly in the front row at Tuesday's news conference.

"He is his son — that holds a lot," guard Ashanti Cook said. "Big John's son. I think we'll be

successful with him."

The elder Thompson declined interview requests, saying through a university spokeswoman that he wanted the day to belong to his son. The former coach also did not appear as usual on a local radio talk show.

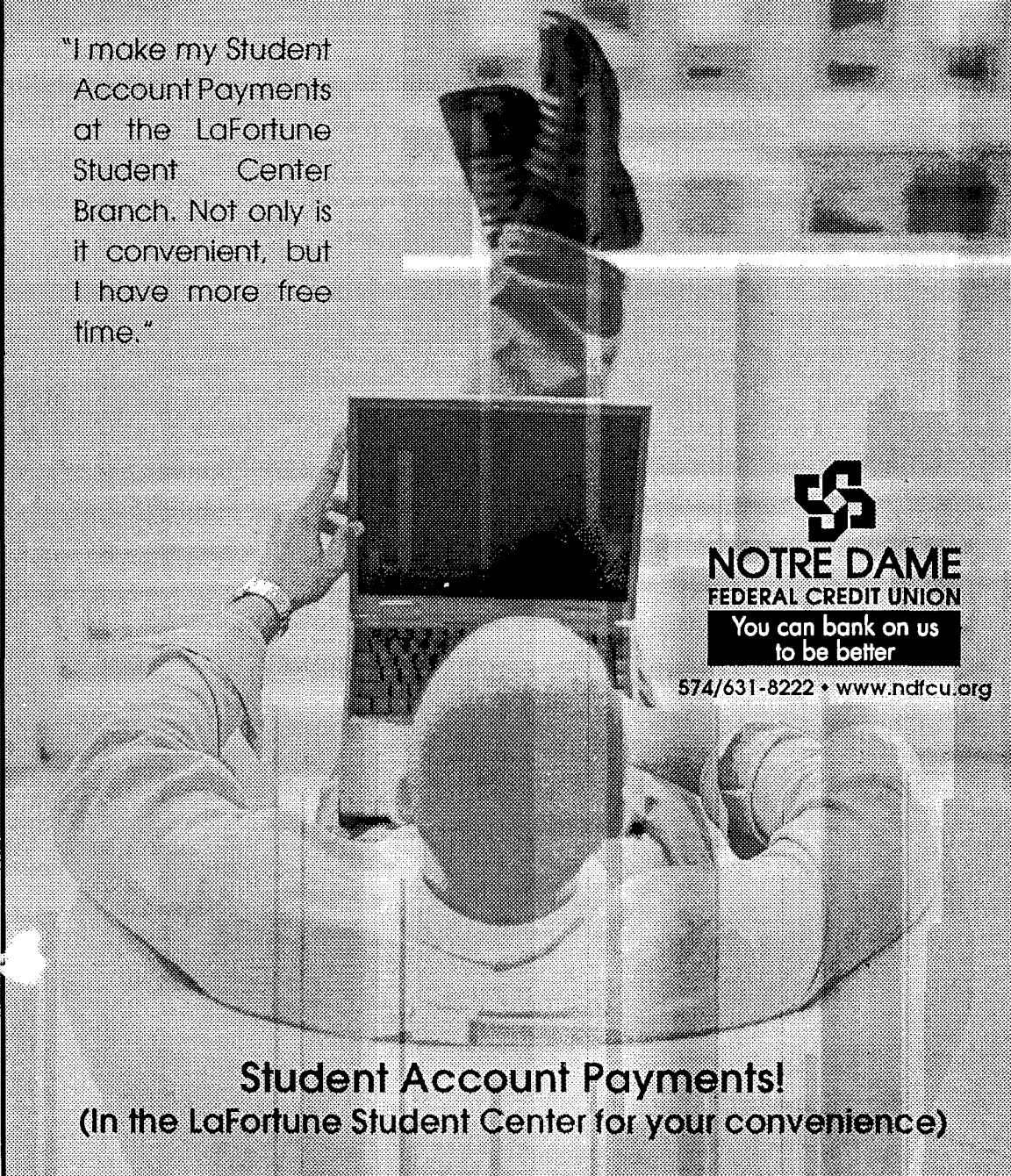
A handful of coaches have succeeded their fathers in Division I basketball, but the only true comparison for Thompson III is Joey Meyer, who immediately followed his father, Ray, at DePaul in 1984. The younger Meyer was widely considered a good coach, but his career was overshadowed by the fact that he never achieved the success of his father.

The younger Thompson, 38, comes with a successful track record. He led Princeton to a 68-42 record over four seasons, including Ivy League titles and NCAA tournament berths in 2000-01 and 2003-04. The Tigers went 20-8 this season, losing to Texas in the first round of the NCAA tournament.

But Thompson III will have to change his recruiting approach at Georgetown. Although both schools stress academics, the Hoyas like to require both Ivy League grades and Big East talent. University President John DeGioia said he chose Thompson III in part because he "wins fairly with integrity," but DeGioia also listed a national championship as a goal.

While Thompson III grew up on Georgetown's campus, he spent his adult life at Princeton, where he played for the Tigers before becoming an assistant under Hall of Famer Pete Carrill. He said his style could incorporate influences from both schools, although the methodical Princeton offense would be a challenge to run in the Big East.


"Maybe you see a little bit of Pops in there, and maybe a little bit of Coach (Carrill)," Thompson III said.



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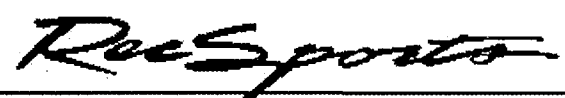
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	team	record	points
1	Texas	38-5	991
2	Stanford	29-5	963
3	Rice	30-7	921
4	Miami	28-8	855
5	Long Beach State	26-9	827
6	Mississippi	31-6	770
7	NOTRE DAME	30-5	743
8	LSU	28-10	737
9	South Carolina	26-10	586
10	Wichita State	23-7	551
11	Auburn	26-12	534
12	East Carolina	31-6	523
13	Southern Mississippi	29-8	458
14	Texas A&M	31-11	379
15	Tennessee	29-9	341
16	Nebraska	26-9	327
17	Virginia	32-7	303
18	Arizona State	26-12	279
19	Florida	28-11	266
20	North Carolina	27-10	256
21	Tulane	26-12	183
22	Oral Roberts	31-7	182
23	UC Irvine	31-10	162
24	Arkansas	25-13	155
25	Oklahoma	25-13	148

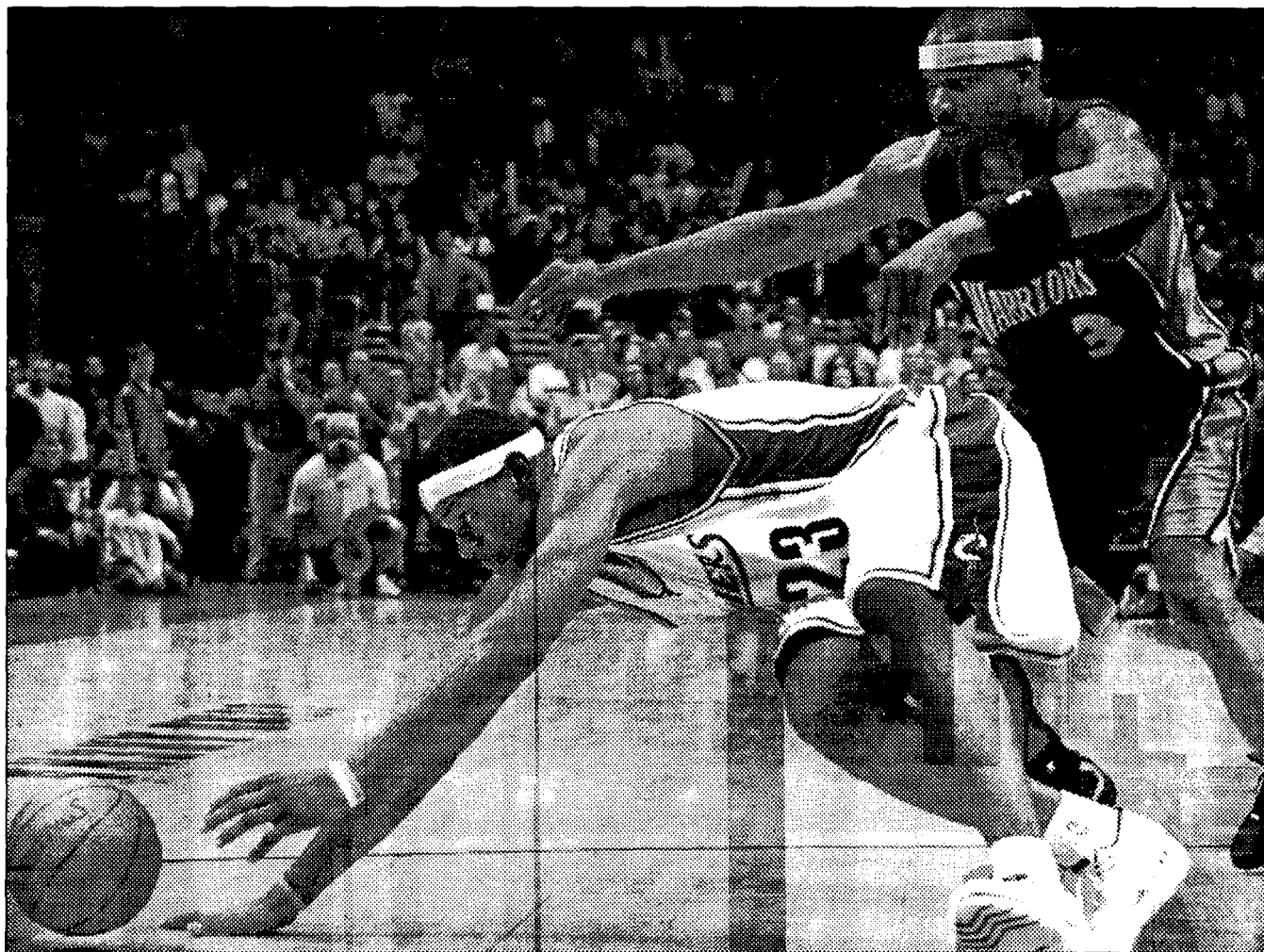
Baseball Big East Conference

	team	Big East	Overall
1	NOTRE DAME	11-2	30-5
2	Rutgers	11-2	20-13
3	Pittsburgh	7-3	23-9
4	St. John's	9-4	20-13
5	Boston College	5-5	14-19
6	Virginia Tech	6-7	19-14
7	Connecticut	5-8	17-17
8	Georgetown	5-11	20-23
9	Villanova	4-9	20-14
10	Seton Hall	4-9	8-24
11	West Virginia	3-10	11-21

Softball Big East Conference

	team	Big East	Overall
1	Villanova	9-3	21-16
2	NOTRE DAME	8-0	34-13
3	Virginia Tech	8-6	32-16
4	Providence	5-7	26-15
5	Boston College	5-7	25-19
6	Rutgers	5-7	21-22
7	Seton Hall	4-4	25-13
8	St. John's	4-4	18-18
9	Connecticut	3-7	18-18
10	Pittsburgh	3-7	18-26
11	Syracuse	2-4	18-18

NBA



LeBron James of the Cleveland Cavaliers dives for a loose ball in front of Clifford Robinson of the Golden State Warriors during the fourth quarter of their game at Gund Arena in Cleveland on April 3.

James honored as NBA's top rookie

Associated Press

CLEVELAND — More than 45 minutes late to a news conference, LeBron James was one teen who didn't need an excuse.

He's exhausted. "They had to drag me out bed to put this suit on," James said Tuesday, when he won the NBA Rookie of the Year award. "I didn't want to get out. I thought I was going to practice when they woke me up this morning."

Hey, saving the Cleveland Cavaliers is hard work, and the 19-year-old James put the final touch on a remarkable season by

becoming the rookie award's youngest recipient.

"I knew I would make an impact this year," said James, who easily beat Denver's Carmelo Anthony, also 19. "And I guess I did."

The 6-foot-8 guard made the jump from preps to pros look easy. The No. 1 overall draft pick did more than just post jaw-dropping statistics night after night: He transformed Gund Arena into a hot spot, and he gave Cleveland fans reason to hope.

"He proved to all of us that he is up for a chal-

lenge. He exceeded all of our expectations and just kept raising the bar," Cavaliers owner Gordon Gund said.

James received 508 points to become the first Cleveland rookie honored. Anthony, who left Syracuse after leading it to an NCAA championship as a freshman, finished with 430 points.

"People are going to think what they want to think," Anthony said. "I don't really know what else I could have done."

Dwyane Wade of the Miami Heat was third with 117 points in balloting by sports writers and broad-

casters. Players received 5 points for a first-place vote, 3 for second and 1 for third.

"I thought it could go either way," said James. "I thought it could be a split decision."

In any other year, Anthony probably would have won the award for helping the Nuggets go from 17 victories to the playoffs.

But this season belonged to James, from his 25-point, nine-rebound, six-assist NBA debut at Sacramento through his resounding windmill dunk to close his season at Madison Square Garden.

IN BRIEF

Indiana recruit to skip college for draft

MOUTH OF WILSON, Va. — One of the top-rated high school basketball players in the country announced Tuesday he would skip college next season and enter the NBA draft.

Josh Smith, a 6-foot-8, 214-pound senior at Oak Hill Academy, signed a national letter of intent with Indiana in November, making up part of what some analysts considered the nation's best recruiting class.

"After discussions with my family and coaches, I believe that entering the NBA draft is the best decision for me and my family," Smith said in a statement.

Smith has already played in several high school all-star games this year, indicating his jump to the NBA was all but assured. NCAA rules permit players to compete in two all-star games following their final high school season or else forfeit their first year of eligibility in college.

Smith is being touted as a potential

top-10 draft pick. He led Oak Hill to a 38-0 record this season while averaging 22 points, eight rebounds, three steals, four assists and six blocks.

Two offensive linemen resign with Colts

INDIANAPOLIS — Starting offensive tackle Ryan Diem and offensive guard Rick DeMulling have signed one-year offers for \$1.368 million each with the Indianapolis Colts, leaving the team with two unsigned restricted free agents.

Diem, a fourth-round draft selection out of Northern Illinois in 2001, started eight of 15 games as a rookie and all 16 games in 2002 at right guard. He moved to right tackle last season and started 13 of 16 games.

"He wants to be in Indy, there's no doubt about it," his agent, Cliff Brady, said Tuesday. "He's certainly happy to get another year, and hopefully the Colts will want to re-sign him to a long-term deal. If they don't,

there won't be a shortage of teams coming after him."

Diem will become an unrestricted free agent next year.

If he had signed with another team this year, the Colts could have matched any offer or received a first-round draft pick in compensation.

"There were teams that showed interest this year, but not at the first-round level," Brady said. "There was a team willing to give up a two (a second-round pick) for him, but the Colts didn't want to do it."

DeMulling, a seventh-round selection from Idaho in 2001, played sparingly as a rookie, but started 14 games in 2002 and all 16 regular-season games and three playoff games last season at left guard. He signed the offer with the Colts last week, but the team did not confirm the signing until Tuesday.

Starting cornerback Nick Harper and backup running back Dominic Rhodes still have not re-signed with Indianapolis.

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HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL

Jordan Capital Classic, 4 p.m., ESPN2

SOCCER

UEFA Champions League, 1:30 p.m., ESPN2

BASEBALL

Lopez already drawing comparisons to ND greats

By CHRIS FEDERICO
Senior Staff Writer

Irish coach Paul Mainieri thinks that maybe the city officials of Upper Arlington, Ohio, have been putting something in their water.

After all, the city that produced former Notre Dame centerfielder and All-American Steve Stanley has now sent current shortstop Greg Lopez to the Irish.

"I love Greg Lopez. He reminds me so much of Steve Stanley, who happens also to be from Upper Arlington, Ohio, so I don't know if it's something in the water up there or not," Mainieri said. "They both share the same passion for life, and whatever they are doing, they just do it full blast."

Lopez' all-out attitude has paid off dividends for the Irish this season. The sophomore currently leads No. 4 Notre Dame in batting with an average of .373. Lopez was also named Big East Player of the Week this week for going 10-for-19 at the plate in six games with six RBIs and four runs scored, combined with four error-free games in the field.

"Greg Lopez goes on that baseball field and just plays the game full tilt. He never lets up," Mainieri said. "He's having fun, he's talking, he's energetic, and he plays with a lot of enthusiasm."

That enthusiasm for the game of baseball is likely what Mainieri saw in Lopez last season, when he inserted the then-freshman into the starting lineup at third base 40 times and even stuck with him through a late season slump. Lopez said that having Mainieri's confidence enabled him to be a better player.

"Having that confidence definitely helped, especially last year, where I did pretty well at the beginning of the season, but struggled late in the season," Lopez said. "But he kept his confidence in me and kept putting me back out there at third base. He has his confidence behind me and everyone else on the field, and it really just helps out in getting your game going and helping people play well."

Lopez finished the season with a .250 batting average, but with great potential for improvement in the future.

Mainieri, who has never been hesitant to play freshmen early and often, stuck with Lopez and made it clear to the youngster that the starting spot at shortstop was his for the taking in 2004.

"I always knew [Lopez] could hit. When I scouted that kid in high school, I just thought he was a good hitter," Mainieri said. "Last year was an aberration, and I think it was partly because he was a freshman. ... This year, he's playing more like I thought he could play, and I

think it's made us a better team frankly."

In fact, Lopez is in the midst of a season that could end up as one of the best all-around years for any shortstop in the Mainieri era. In the past 10 seasons, the highest batting average by an Irish shortstop was posted by Brant Ust, whose .372 mark is one point behind Lopez's current .373 average.

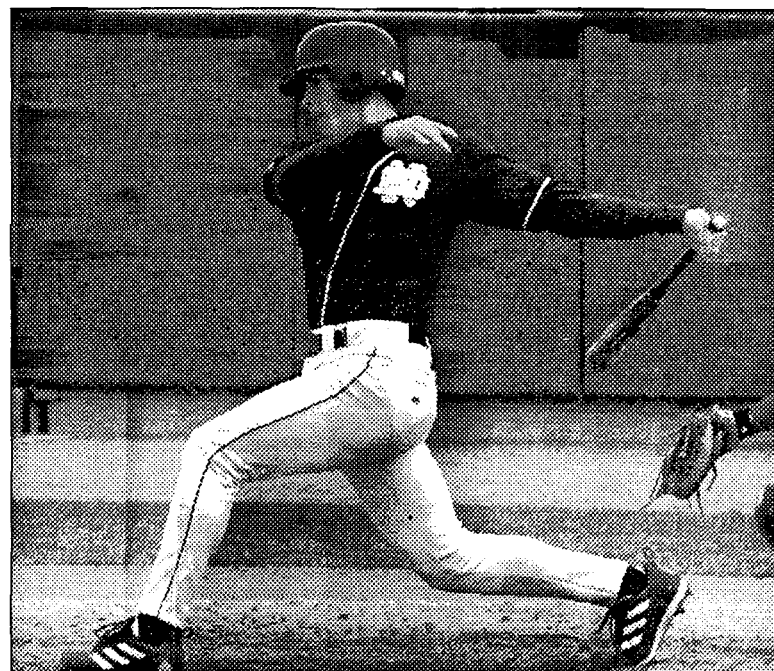
Defensively, Lopez has been just as stellar, committing just 10 errors in 34 games played this year, while tallying 26 error-free games. Alec Porzel, who posted a .957 fielding percentage in 2001, is the only other Irish shortstop in the last 10 years to post a better fielding percentage than Lopez's current mark of .940.

"My defense has been what I have to focus on, not so much my offense," Lopez said. "I need to stay aggressive and really make a play on the ball instead of having a ground ball make a play on me."

As just a sophomore, Lopez already has the honor of being mentioned among the list of some recent Notre Dame greats. But even with that, Lopez knows that he cannot sit on his current praise and must continue to improve both at bat and in the field.

"I'm excited to be right among some of the best shortstops in recent Notre Dame history, especially as just a sophomore," he said. "I'm going to just keep doing what I have been, and try to help the team out any way I can."

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Greg Lopez swings and misses against St. John's. Lopez has drawn a lot of attention for his stellar performance at shortstop.

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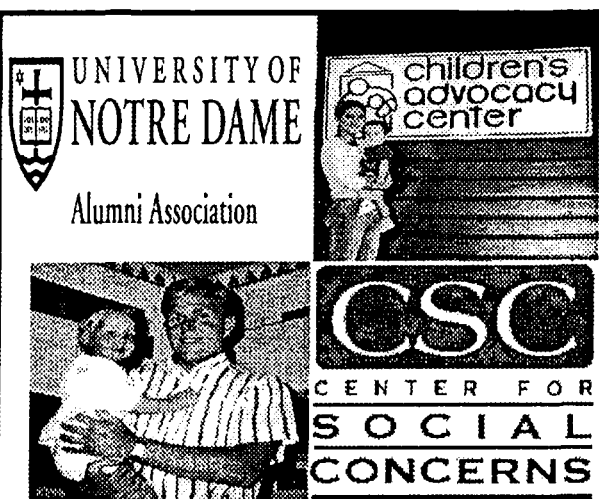
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SMC SOFTBALL

Belles prepare for key game

Today's single game against Bethel is a chance to get ready for MIAA tournament

By **BOBBY GRIFFIN**
Sports Writer

This could perhaps be the biggest week of the season for the Belles. Saint Mary's will play one game today, instead of their accustomed doubleheaders, which will be extremely important for the remainder of their season.

The game with Bethel will be a warm up of sorts for tournament play, in that it will give the Belles an opportunity to play only one game for the first time since their match up with Purdue-North Central March 25.

The MIAA tournament format involves one single game instead of the doubleheaders which teams play all season in league play.

Belles head coach Anna Welsh has stated that it will be important to grow accustomed to that change in scheduling if the team manages to make the tournament.

Today's game will be impor-

tant in another way as well. If the Belles can win, they will have two straight wins under their belts, including a tough 2-1 eight inning win over Saint Xavier's on Sunday, that they could use as confidence heading into Kalamazoo on Thursday.

Although Kalamazoo is 0-12 in the league, and 4-23 overall, it is imperative that the Belles win both of the games to put them in the best position possible for league play.

Saint Mary's has been blessed with outstanding hitting all season and solid pitching. Several players are batting above .300, lead by Erin Sullivan who is hitting .342.

Kate Sajewich has been stellar on the mound all season, posting an ERA slightly above 2.00.

Today's game against Bethel will be played at Notre Dame. The first pitch will be at 6:30 p.m.

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maintain the lead.” Sloppy play and too many turnovers caused the demise of Finish Line. “We lost it in the end,” said a disappointed Adam Giezeman.

Derelict 21, HP 18

As the teams last night can contest, playing in howling wind and pouring rain is what Bookstore Basketball is all about.

Derelict kicked the night off with its win over HP after fast transitions allowed them to beat their opponents down the court.

“We started off pretty strong and jumped off to an early lead,” Brian MacKinnon of Derelict said.

Then, the team “got complacent” and HP looked to make a comeback by hitting some outside shots, especially impressive considering the conditions.

In the end, Derelict said it was its strong defense and rebounding that finished its opponent off and allowed them to advance to the Sweet 16.

Platinum Fubu All-Stars 21, Cleveland Rollers 15

After a long, hard-fought, physical game, the Platinum Fubu All-Stars finally overcame the zone defense that was plaguing them and soared to a victory over the Cleveland Rollers.

The Rollers’ early foul trouble gave the All-

Stars an early edge and they went into half-time up 11-8.

“Their zone [in the] second half took our offense out for awhile,” Will Fayen of the All-Stars said. “We were lucky enough to overcome it and hit some shots.”

John Cronin of the Rollers was a huge presence down low all game, but “Shags” and “Skillz” of the All-Stars made several big shots to get the momentum rolling.

With their well-rounded attack, the All-Stars hope to make some noise in the next round of the tournament.

You Got a Bad Draw 21, Blazers 12

Although replacements had to fill in for two of their six-foot post players who were out with injury, You Got a Bad Draw sailed to a 21-12 victory over the Blazers.

The Blazers started out well, but their outside shots weren’t falling, and Bad Draw’s size advantage allowed them to

dominate the post.

The conditions made for sloppy play, but as Bad Draw’s captain, Chris Murphy, said, “We got the job done and that’s all that matters.”

John Stevens was one of the scrappy defenders who was called to fill in for the Blazers.

“Everyone tried pretty hard on the team, but I was the go-to guy,” he said. “I actually heard one girl say I was hotter than Brady [Quinn].”

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John Stevens
Blazers member

Wildcats

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one goal before scoring their last two with under one minute to play, at that point it mattered only for statistical purposes. Northwestern, on the other hand, found enough second-half footing to bury the Irish. Wildcat Kristin Kjellman opened the floodgates, scoring 12 seconds into the half, and her teammates followed up with five more goals.

Coyne was hopeful that Saturday’s loss against No. 5 Georgetown would inject some life into her team as they head into the stretch run of the season. What she got was a flat performance.

“We just did not show up to play at all today. There might be some residual from that [loss],” she said.

Few things went right for the Irish all day. Goalie Carol Dixon received a yellow card in the second half and had to be replaced by freshman backup Katie Linhares for three minutes, her first action of the season.

“[Linhares] did well,” Coyne said. “She had to go in at a crucial time in the game and she made a save and cleared the ball out safe-

ly which was huge for the team, but we couldn’t capitalize.”

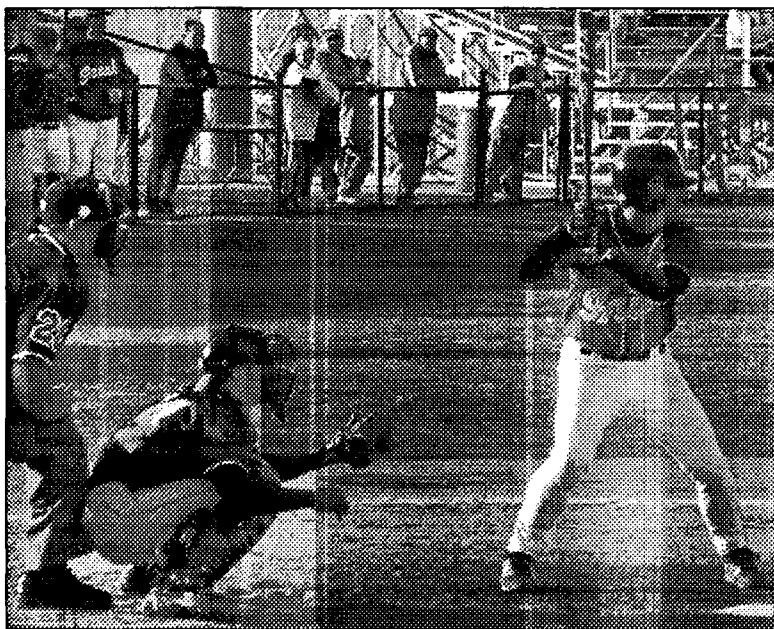
Perhaps the sole bright spot for the Irish was their defense. Notre Dame has stonewalled opposing offenses, preventing 10 of its last 11 opponents from tallying double-digit goals. But the paltry Irish offense struggled mightily all day.

“The defense played extremely well, it was the attack that let us down,” Coyne said. “We just never controlled the ball and didn’t really settle in and run any of our plays.”

For Notre Dame to turn things around quickly will not be an easy task. Three of the team’s last four games are against top 15 opponents, No. 9 Johns Hopkins, No. 10 Vanderbilt and No. 13 Syracuse. As the season draws to a close, Coyne realizes that time is running short for her team to avoid these types of mental lapses.

“If we want to be a championship team then we need to develop the mental toughness that it takes to compete under all different types of conditions facing all different types of challenges,” she said. “How we respond to this is going to show a lot about our character. Hopefully we’re strong enough to be able to rebound.”

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Steve Sollmann, who has been injured since April 3, bats in Notre Dame’s game against Central Michigan March 23.

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Irish to cancel their game with the Boilermakers.

In 2001, a meeting with the Boilermakers scheduled to take place at South Bend’s Coveleski Stadium was rained out, while in 2002, the two teams could not play due to a conflict with a Purdue-Indiana game that had to be rescheduled due to weather.

No. 4 Notre Dame (30-5) will attempt to schedule another game as a makeup before the end of the regular season in order to fill out the 56-game schedule allowed by the NCAA.

Notre Dame next returns to the field today at 5 p.m. as the Irish are scheduled to host the University of Toledo (10-23) at

Frank Eck Stadium.

Sollmann rehabbing well

Injured second basemen Steve Sollmann met with his doctor in Cincinnati last Friday and was told that his fractured jaw is healing very well following surgery.

“I met with the doctor last Friday,” Sollmann said. “He said everything looks good, my bite looks good, and everything was healing quickly.”

The senior tri-captain has missed 12 games since breaking his jaw April 3 chasing down a fly ball in shallow right field against Villanova.

While Sollmann has not been able to run or do any heavy lifting as of yet, he expects to get back into a training schedule soon.

“I can do a little biking and lifting really light,” he said. “I haven’t run yet, but pretty soon I

should be able to run.”

While he did lose some weight right after the injury, Sollmann says he has been able to prevent his weight from dropping too much through diet and some exercise. He says that he is currently only six or seven pounds below his playing weight before the incident.

Sollmann says that while he still doesn’t have a timetable for a return to the Irish lineup, he doesn’t have any doubts that he will be able to play again sometime this season.

“It’s still up in the air right now. We’re just going to sit here and see when my body says I can play,” Sollmann said. “I don’t see any reason why I shouldn’t be able to come back at some point this year.”

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D-Line

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starting four games and playing in 12 last year, he has his sights set high in 2004.

“I want to be the best I can be and help this team out the best way I can,” Abiamiri said. “I want to improve on my consistency. I want to be an All-American.”

And for Abiamiri, he is just now becoming familiar with the system after a season of learning.

“Mentally, I know the system,” he said. “I’m really mastering it. Everything’s just coming comfortably for me, so I can just sit back and make plays. I’m faster, quicker to react, rather than thinking about what I have to do.”

Abiamiri also said he feels confident in the defensive line as a whole.

“I think we should be able to set records,” Abiamiri said. “We have all the talent in the world. I think we’re as good as any d-line in the country, and we’ll be one of the best.”

Last year as a true freshman, Abiamiri recorded 22 tackles, including 16 solos and was one of six Irish freshmen to earn a monogram. He was also named

honorable mention freshman All-American by Rivals.com at the end of the season. He is using these experiences this spring to lead the line before Budinscak, Pauly and Tuck can return.

“I see myself stepping up because these guys are gone,” Abiamiri said. “I think of the remaining linemen, I have the most experience. I’ve played the most minutes of all them. So I see myself as one of the veterans and one of the more experienced players, rather than a rookie.”

Right now, Abiamiri is joined on the line by Chris Frome, Matt Hasbrook and Derek Landri.

“We have some quality depth,” Baer said.

The Irish hope that once healthy, their defensive line can become the run-stopping force it was in 2002.

“[The defensive line] has to be our strength,” Baer said. “I think that group, along with our linebackers, that has to be our strength. We get that group healthy, and I like that group.”

Abiamiri agreed, but he realizes that he too has to get better

before he becomes the dominant player he strives to be.

“One of the big things is we work on our technique constantly,” Abiamiri said. “Coach Mattison is a stickler about technique. I know I haven’t been perfect on my technique, and that’s what I’m striving for — everyday to get better.”

And Baer recognizes the potential of the rising sophomore as well, even though last year he was surprised when Abiamiri made an impact as a true freshman.

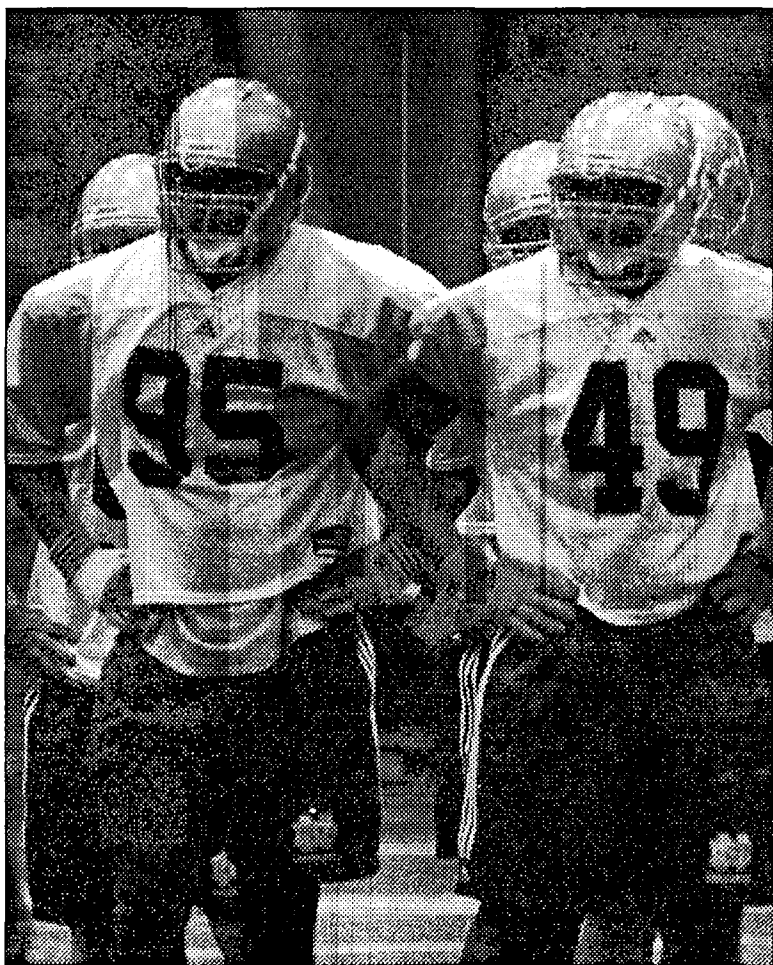
“We knew he was talented, we didn’t know that he was that talented,” Baer said. “He’s still very young, so he’s got a lot to learn. He needs to become a better fundamental sort of player, technique, that sort of thing. I see a great deal of improvement this spring from him.”

“He’s very talented, so you put that into the equation, into the fact that here’s a guy that loves football, he’s got great effort. He’s the total package.”

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“I want to be an All-American.”

Victor Abiamiri
Irish defensive end



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Defensive end Victor Abiamiri, left, and linebacker Derek Curry take a breather during Notre Dame’s first spring practice.

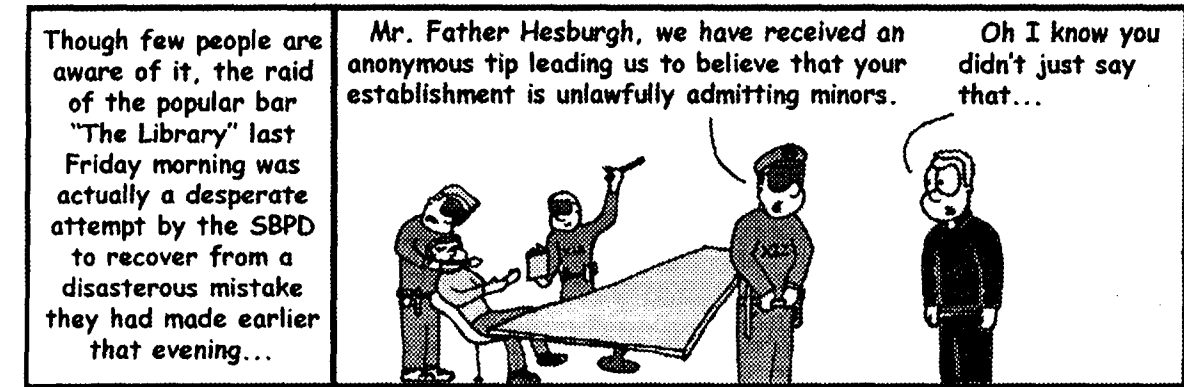
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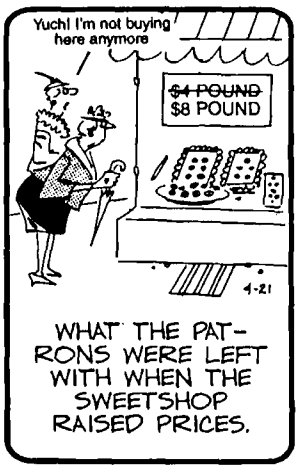
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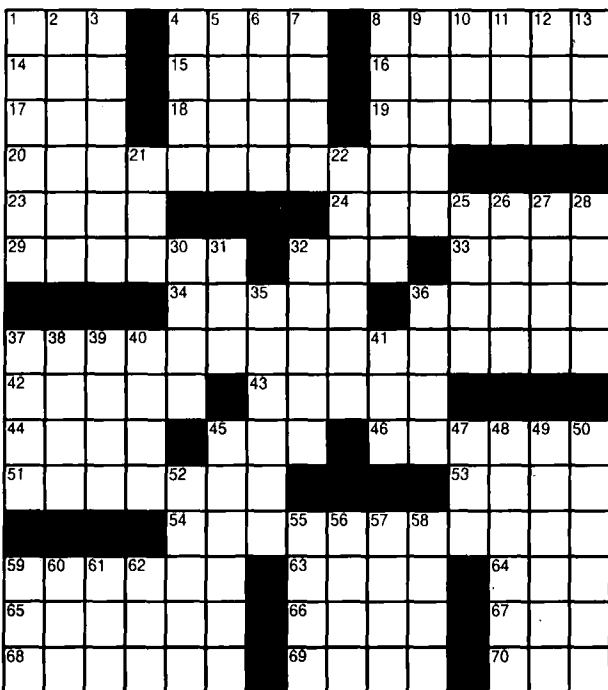
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 - 17 Apiece, at Wimbledon
 - 18 Jungle woman
 - 19 With subtlety
 - 20 Wedding man lookin' at the newspaper?
 - 23 Late-night host
 - 24 Tripe
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 - 32 Spill material
 - 33 Man, for one
 - 34 Gasket
 - 36 Sacred spot
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 - 2 Slumbering
 - 3 Presidential middle name
 - 4 Where Suva is
 - 5 Presidential middle name
 - 6 White House section
 - 7 Poetic adverb
 - 8 Soil
 - 9 Out on ____
 - 10 Mortal thing
 - 11 What Carry Nation carried
 - 12 Diamond ____
 - 13 Take a shot at
 - 21 Slip on
 - 22 Ancestry
 - 25 Check
 - 26 Analogy phrase
 - 27 Montenegro native
 - 28 "Take this!"
 - 30 Olympian's quest
 - 31 Years of note
 - 32 Ready for use
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ARIES (March 21-April 19): Don't get into conflicts with those who are in a position to ruin your reputation. Listen and be diplomatic in your approach to solving existing problems. ****

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Romance will unfold if you get out and mingle. Your empathetic nature will enable you to make the necessary changes required to turn things around for a close friend. **

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Don't push your luck with those you live with. The changes you're making will be upsetting for others. You can prosper if you put your money into your property. ****

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Do a little investigating. You need more information about educational pursuits that interest you. Enforce a strong routine in your life in order to get back on track. ***

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VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Social events will lead to new romantic connections. Don't jump in too quickly. If a person really cares about you, he or she won't try to push you into what you may not be ready for. ***

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Concentrate on your job. Your emotional life may be up in the air if your mate has been going through a change of heart. Be understanding but don't neglect your own needs. ****

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Follow through on your dreams and look into doing things that have always interested you. Let your creative juices flow. Children will make a difference to your outlook. ***

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AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You will face financial limitations if you haven't been putting money aside for an unforeseen expense. You must put in some extra work if you want to get out of debt. ***

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FOOTBALL

Man accused of threatening Willingham indicted

Associated Press

SOUTH BEND, Ind. — A Florida man was indicted Tuesday on a charge that he threatened Notre Dame football coach Tyrone Willingham.

Andrew K. French, 24, of Fort Myers, Fla., faces a federal charge of transmitting in interstate commerce, a communication containing a threat to injure.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Donald

J. Schmid declined to say who was allegedly threatened, but Willingham confirmed after spring practice on Tuesday that he was the target.

"I think I'm one of many across the country, possibly, that could have received the same threat," Willingham said.

Willingham declined to say how he received the threat or the contents.

"I will only acknowledge that

the threat was there and it is something you do take quite seriously," he said.

Willingham said he was aware of the investigation but did not know that French had been indicted, saying he told authorities he did not want to be informed of every step of the process.

Schmid declined to give details of the allegations other than what was included in the indictment,

which said the threat was made late last year. The case was investigated by the FBI and the Notre Dame Security-Police Department.

Rex Rakow, director of the campus police department, referred questions about the threat to the U.S. Attorney's Office.

French, who turned himself in to U.S. Marshal's office on Monday, made his initial court appearance on Tuesday. He was

released on \$1,000 cash bond on the conditions that he not step foot on the Notre Dame campus and that he not try to telephone anyone employed by or associated with the university, Schmid said.

French was not a student at Notre Dame, Schmid said. French could not be reached for comment because there was no telephone listing for French in Fort Myers, Fla., or South Bend.

WOMEN'S LACROSSE

The cat's out of the bag

Irish lose second straight game, fall to Northwestern 9-5

By MATT MOONEY
Sports Writer

After stumbling for the first time all season against No. 5 Georgetown Saturday, No. 6 Notre Dame hoped to right itself Tuesday against No. 11 Northwestern. Instead, they fell flat on their face.

On a cold, rainy, muddy day in Evanston, Ill., the play was as sloppy as the weather as Notre Dame (10-2, 3-1) fell to the Wildcats by a 9-5 score. The Irish have now lost two consecutive games after cruising to a 10-0 start.

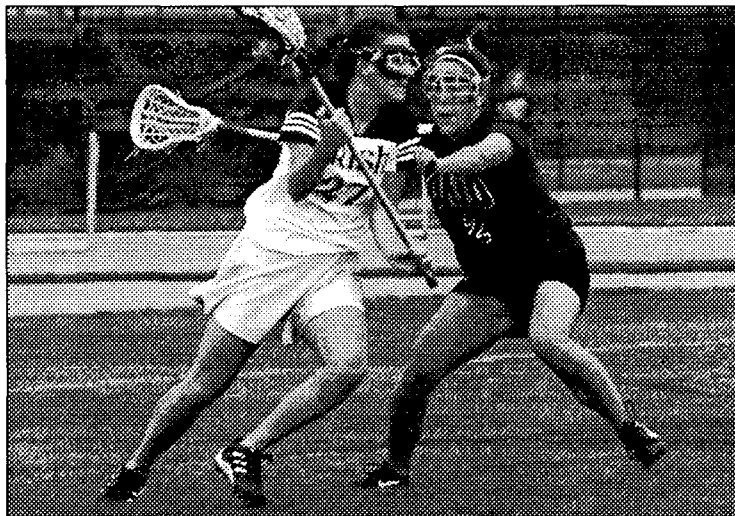
Irish coach Tracy Coyne refused to blame either the weather or the weekday travel.

"I don't want to make any excuses," she said. "The execution just wasn't there, [and] we played like crap."

Both teams sputtered out of the gate, failing to generate any momentum. Irish attack Jackie Bowers finally netted the first goal almost 14 minutes into the game to give Notre Dame a 1-0 lead, but it was the last lead they would see. Still, neither offense was sharp as the teams combined for a meager total of five first half goals. At the intermission, the Wildcats led by only a 3-2 score.

But if Notre Dame had a poor first half, the second half was even worse. A sickly offense became anemic as the Irish managed only

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SOFIA BALLON/The Observer

Irish senior midfield/attack Meredith Simon fights for position in Notre Dame's game against Ohio April 6.

BASEBALL

Purdue matchup cancelled

By CHRIS FEDERICO
Senior Staff Writer

Rain washed out the scheduled game between Notre Dame and Purdue Tuesday night at Frank Eck Stadium.

This marks the third time in the past four years that weather has caused the

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BOOKSTORE BASKETBALL XXXIII

Teams advance to round of 16



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A member of Jordan Toyota takes a shot in his team's game against What Would T.O. Do Tuesday night.

By ANNIE BRUSKY
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Thor and the Thunderbolts beat No. 7 Finish Line Tuesday night when the two evenly-matched, physical teams kept it close throughout the game.

"We were able to get a few more breaks on offense," Travis Leitko of the Thunderbolts said. "We found some holes in their defense and were able to

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FOOTBALL

Irish hope defensive line will be a team strength

By HEATHER VAN HOEGARDEN
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When three key defensive linemen went down to injury for the Irish, the spring looked bleak for the defensive line. But according to defensive coordinator Kent Baer, it has been quite the opposite.

"The guys that aren't practicing right now, we know what they can do," Baer said. "There's a lot of guys that wouldn't have

gotten as many reps [without the injuries]. In some ways, we're able to develop a little more depth because of the injuries."

The injured include defensive end Kyle Budinscak, tackle Greg Pauly and defensive end Justin Tuck, who is recovering from a torn ACL. Tuck was sixth in the nation last season in sacks, as he recorded 13.5. He also finished third on the team with 73 tackles.

Picking up the slack is rising sophomore Victor Abiamiri. After

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SMC SOFTBALL

Saint Mary's vs. Bethel

Today, 6:30 p.m.

The Belles hope to use this game to prepare for the postseason.

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NHL PLAYOFFS

Toronto 4, Ottawa 1

The Maple Leafs advanced to the second round with their Game 7 victory over the Senators.

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Georgetown finds a coach

The Hoyas hope that John Thompson III follows in the footsteps of his successful father.

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Clarett takes his case to D.C.

Maurice Clarett filed an appeal with the Supreme Court to try and force his way into the NFL Draft.

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James sets Rookie of the Year record

The Cavaliers star became the youngest Rookie of the Year ever.

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