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FACULTY SENATE

Committee discusses ideal qualities for new provost



President-elect Father John Jenkins told the Faculty Senate he will present provost candidates to the search committee soon.

By TERESA FRALISH
News Writer

Provost search committee members heard comments and suggestions from professors about the kind of administrator needed to replace outgoing Provost Nathan Hatch as Notre Dame's chief academic officer at Faculty Senate's Tuesday meeting.

Search committee chair and University President-elect Father John Jenkins told senators he had begun collecting names of potential candidates and would share them with the full search committee soon. The search for a new provost was prompted by Hatch's deci-

sion to depart Notre Dame July 1 to assume the position of president at Wake Forest.

Student affairs committee chair Jay Brandenberger suggested the University might strongly consider female candidates, because much of the University's academic leadership is male, he said.

"Most of the deans are male and the president is male — maybe there's a bit of extra energy to look for a female candidate," he said.

Faculty comments on a new provost varied widely from remarks on candidates' managerial qualities, with several senators suggesting that the new provost possess a back-

ground in the sciences. Hatch served as a history professor at Notre Dame before becoming provost.

Other senators said the new provost should be attuned to advancing Notre Dame's academic goals as well as remaining true to its history and identity, particularly as a Catholic institution.

"Whoever we hire as a new provost needs to have the ability to articulate the role, the mission, the place of a university like Notre Dame in our society," said academic affairs committee chair John Robinson.

Faculty also cited the ability

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ND monitors Pontiff's condition

Priests, faculty debate whether Pope should resign from position

By MARY KATE MALONE
News Writer

As Pope John Paul II recovers from emergency surgery in a hospital in Rome, the world is wondering how much longer his 27-year papacy will last. At Notre Dame, priests have expressed concern for the pope and a reassuring faith that God will provide.

Father Paul Doyle, rector of Dillon Hall, admitted that the pope's situation is complicated, and that both sides — those that believe the 84-year-old pontiff should step down, and those convinced he should serve until his death — are legitimate.

In a nation where the elderly are often separated from society in nursing homes and assisted living facilities, Doyle noted the importance of allowing an aged pope to continue in his position and remain leader of the Church.

"When someone like the pope is allowed to remain at center stage for so long, it is a commentary on how quickly the rest of us shun the elderly to the margins," Doyle said.

Still, he noted, if age creates a severe hindrance on the pope's ability to fulfill his role, then resignation should be considered.

"I tend to think it might be good at some point for a pope to become emeritus, so to speak, so someone more vigorous health-wise can lead the flock," Doyle said.

However, Father Steele,

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Pope John Paul II offers a blessing to a sick man Feb. 11 outside St. Peter's Basilica in Rome.

Ticket lotto today for Bush visit

By EILEEN DUFFY
Assistant News Editor

The Student Union Board has announced that it has 200 student tickets available for President George W. Bush's talk on Social Security that will take place Friday at Notre Dame's Joyce Center.

The tickets will be distributed to Notre Dame undergraduate and graduate students today from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. through a lottery system, SUB said in a press release. Students may enter the lottery at the Dooley Room on the first floor of the LaFortune Student Center.

"Each student will be allowed to bring two Notre Dame student [identification cards] to be swiped for which two lottery tickets will be given," the press release said. "Valid Notre Dame student [identification cards] can only be swiped once."

Following the close of the lottery, 100 winning lottery tickets will be selected. Each winner will be awarded two tickets to the event. The 100 winning numbers will be posted by 8 a.m. Thursday outside the SUB office, 201 LaFortune.

A student holding a winning ticket number must bring the winning number and his Notre Dame identification card to the LaFortune Box Office. In order to receive a pair of tickets, the winning student's guest — the user of the second ticket to the event — must also be present with his identification card, said Jimmy Flaherty, SUB manager.

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Physics professors garner top fellowships

Research focuses on technology, properties

By KATIE PERRY
News Writer

Being named an honorary fellow of a prestigious scientific society does not require rocket science, but — as three Notre Dame professors found — it does entail extraordinary contributions to the field of physics.

Distinguished physics groups the American Physical Society (APS) and the Institute of Physics (IOP) have recognized three Notre Dame professors with honorary fellowships. Ikaros Bigi and Malgorzata

Dobrowolska-Furdyna were named APS fellows. Jacek Furdyna, a physics professor, was appointed an honorary fellow of the IOP.

According to the APS Web site, the distinction honors those who have furthered the field of physics through research projects or through their contributions to the fusion of physics with technology.

Bigi, a professor of theoretical high-energy physics, was recognized for his research ideas that

lead to innovative ways to explore physics beyond the standard energy model, according to a University press release.

"I consider myself extremely lucky to live at a time when certain thoughts could be thought and certain experimental achievements became possible," Bigi said of his experience in research. "I am unashamedly a theorist, but what makes physics so truly exciting to me is that it is an empirical science,

that in the end experiment has to provide the verdict."

According to Gilroy, the APS honored Dobrowolska-Furdyna for her innovative studies in the role of electron spin in optical transitions in semiconductor compounds.

"It is always nice to realize that our work is being noticed," Dobrowolska-Furdyna said. "This recognition pleases me because it is also a complement to my collaborators and that of

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Bigi



Dobrowolska-Furdyna



Furdyna

INSIDE COLUMN

Secret lovers

So while sitting down to write this column, a strange song began to play on my playlist. I started jamming to Atlantic Starr's "Secret Lovers." I listened to the lyrics and wondered about secret lovers.

Lukas Mendoza
photographer

What does it really mean? And I don't want to get into that dirty connotation that secret lovers mean someone is cheating on someone else. No no, that's not what I'm going for. No one is cheating on anyone. Well, at least we hope not. Right?

Anyway, secret lovers are those who don't want anyone to know what is going on. Sure there are a few people who have to know some things.

People like your roommates. Its hard to sneak around without them finding out. You live with them, they pretty much have to know everything about you.

So besides roommates, no one knows what is going on with two people. Maybe your parents, because they like to know that kind of stuff too. But they are a good leak, no one will know. We can only hope.

So why be secret lovers? You don't want people to know because you might face opposition from different forces. Friends of your secret love may not like you and wouldn't approve. The ex-es may find out and come looking for you, and it won't be to congratulate you.

Others may feel only they are good enough for your secret love, so if they find out anything you hurt that friendship. Many factors go into it.

The positives of it: people won't know and you won't lose friends. In the long run, people can become accustomed to your relationship and then you can spring it on them.

The exchange: Yeah, we are dating. What? How long? Oh, for about 5 months now. No way! See, it becomes easy. You also don't have to worry about what other people will say. Besides, who really wants to hear what this person should or should not be doing. Right? Their business is just that, their business.

A few negatives too: certain situations can arose suspicions. Parties, outings or anything that involves beverages and the two secret lovers together. Not a good mix, and it may be necessary to come with a chaperone. Someone who knows something but not the whole thing to make sure nothing happens between the two lovers.

So secret lovers may be good or not, but it is up to you to decide if you want it or not.

The views expressed in the Inside Column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.
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QUESTION OF THE DAY: IF YOU COULD STUDY ABROAD ANYWHERE, WHERE WOULD IT BE AND WHY?



Matt Buckle
sophomore
St. Edward's

"Jamaica, have class right on the beach, booyahkasha!"



Aaron Laviana
sophomore
Siegfried

"Egypt, to play with the mummies."



Jaun Pablo Lauz
sophomore
Zahm

"Hong Kong, the most romantic city in the world."



Josh Pasquesi
sophomore
Morrissey

"I hear Iraq is nice this time of year."



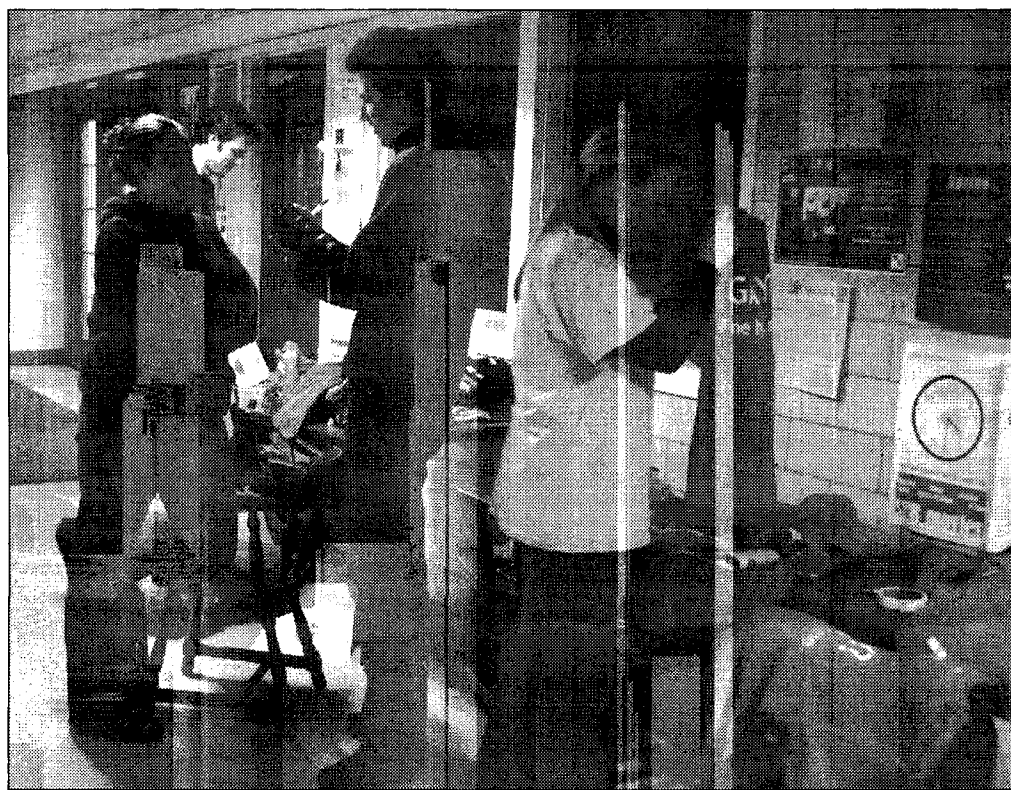
Alex French
sophomore
O'Neill

"France, just because it seems right."



Matt Schaefer
sophomore
Zahm

"I hear Pasquerilla East is nice this time of year."



Students fold "Gay? Fine by Me" T-shirts Tuesday night in O'Shaughnessy Hall for gay, lesbian, bisexual and queer awareness week.

OFFBEAT

Enormous lobster donated to Pittsburgh Zoo

PITTSBURGH — He could be older than Warner Bros. studio, General Motors, the Boy Scouts and the states of Arizona and New Mexico. He could have survived two world wars and Prohibition. He could have been dinner.

He's Bubba, a 22-pound leviathan of a lobster pulled from the waters off Nantucket, Mass., and shipped to a Pittsburgh fish market. The lobster has been kept in a tank near a fish counter in Wholey's Market since Thursday while owner Bob Wholey

tried to figure out what to do with it.

"It is overwhelming," Wholey said. "If you see it, you will never forget it. Customers are just in awe."

On Tuesday, Wholey gave the lobster to the Pittsburgh Zoo & PPG Aquarium, which will send him to an aquarium at a Ripley's Believe It or Not museum.

Teachers refuse to assign homework

BERKELEY, Calif. — Students in the Berkeley school district aren't getting written homework assignments because

teachers are refusing to grade work on their own time after two years without a pay raise.

So far, a black history event had to be canceled and parents had to staff a middle-school science fair because teachers are sticking strictly to the hours they're contracted to work.

"Teachers do a lot with a little. All of a sudden, a lot of things that they do are just gone. It's demoralizing," said Rachel Baker, who has a son in kindergarten.

Information compiled from the Associated Press.

IN BRIEF

ProHealth will conduct blood pressure and body fat screenings from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. today in the Grace Hall lobby. The wellness assessments are available to all ND faculty and staff. No appointment is necessary.

There will be a panel discussion today titled "National Debate on the Death Penalty" at 4:15 p.m. in the Hesburgh Center auditorium. The panel will feature former Illinois death row inmate Madison Hobley and Bill Pelke, president of the National Coalition to Abolish the Death Penalty.

French poet Emmanuel Moses will read excerpts from "Last News of Mr. Nobody" tonight at 7:30 p.m. in the LaFortune Ballroom.

Students in the department of film, television and theatre will perform a production of "The Laramie Project" this evening at 7:30 p.m. in the DeBartolo Center for the Performing Arts. The performance is part of the Spring ArtsFest and has a theme of tolerance and reconciliation.

The Higgins Labor Research Center is sponsoring a viewing of the film "On the Waterfront" Thursday at 4 p.m. in C-100 Hesburgh Center.

The women's lacrosse team faces Northwestern Thursday at 4:30 p.m. at the Moose Krause Field.

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

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Students confirm abroad plans



CLEMENT SUHENDRA/The Observer

Students hoping to travel abroad next year gather for an information session in DeBartolo Hall Tuesday evening. Deadlines for some of the programs have been extended.

By JOHN EVERETT
News Writer

Nearly all of the Notre Dame sophomores recently accepted to one of the numerous study abroad programs offered by the University seized their opportunity and confirmed they will enroll to study internationally next year.

Although the International Study office did not have exact figures, they estimated only two or three accepted applicants per program did not confirm.

Those who were accepted into programs needed to confirm their intention of going abroad last week.

Students who were not accepted to one of the Notre Dame programs were encouraged to seek other options to spend a semester abroad.

Thomas Bogenschild, director of international study programs, said his department advises Notre Dame students to apply to one of the Saint Mary's study abroad programs, though the College does not have destinations in all of the countries that Notre Dame

does.

Further, in those countries in which both institutions do maintain programs, they are usually in different cities. For instance, the Notre Dame Ireland program is based in Dublin whereas the Saint Mary's program is in Maynooth.

Sophomore Michael French is currently in such a situation. French applied for the Notre Dame program in Toledo, Spain, but was denied. He is now trying to find other ways to get to Spain, but is having trouble with the technicalities.

"To go through another university's program you need a leave of absence, and they only have 16 leaves for the whole school," French said. "Plus, if someone wants to go for a full year, that takes up two leaves of absence. There just aren't enough."

He also said that he was trying to acquire a leave of absence as opposed to going through Saint Mary's because he would rather go to Toledo than to Seville, where the women's college maintains its program. If he cannot get a leave of absence, however, he

will apply to travel abroad through Saint Mary's.

Bogenschild had further advice for those students who aren't so specific on where they wish to study.

"There are slots still in Tokyo; you don't even have to speak Japanese and you can spend a semester in Tokyo," Bogenschild said.

But Tokyo is just one example. Many programs have extended their application deadlines for the 2006 spring semester abroad to May 1. These include Athens, Beijing, Berlin, Cairo, Monterrey and Puebla, Mexico, Rio de Janeiro, Santiago, Chile and Shanghai.

Bogenschild said the extension was not at all unusual.

"We do it every year," he said. Bogenschild did not foresee this extension having any drastic effects on either the students who have already been accepted or those who will be accepted sometime after May 1.

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Mendoza to receive new program director

Harvey to serve as head of MSA Program

Special to the Observer

Thomas J. Harvey has been appointed director of the Master of Science in Administration (MSA) Program in the College of Business.

Harvey most recently served as senior vice-president of the member service division at the Alliance for Children and Families in Milwaukee. He also taught in a certificate program on non-profit management for the University of Wisconsin at Green Bay.

"Tom's experience, network, energy and vision will be a tremendous asset for the MSA Program..."

Carolyn Y. Woo
dean

"Tom's experience, network, energy, and vision will be a tremendous asset for the MSA Program and for efforts of the College of Business and Notre Dame to serve the needs of the nonprofit sector," said Carolyn Y. Woo, Martin J.

Gillen Dean of the College.

Established in 1954, the MSA program is designed to hone the administrative leadership skills of people working in social service organizations. The program was restructured in 2001 to include a core curriculum of courses on grant writing, development, financial management, marketing, accounting, human resource management, communications, and ethics, all tailored for the not-for-profit sector.

Harvey, who has held a variety of professional and social service positions for 35 years, served as president of Catholic Charities USA from 1982 to 1992. In 2003, the Council on Social Work Education named Harvey one of the 51 leaders in the field of social work during the past 50 years.

Professor to deliver distinguished lecture

Special to the Observer

Nancy Folbre, professor of economics at the University of Massachusetts at Amherst, will deliver the Provost's Distinguished Women's Lecture at 7 p.m. March 14 in 126 DeBartolo Hall.

Titled "The Great Imaginary Strike of Parents and Other Care Workers: An Economic Scenario," the lecture is free and open to the public.

An internationally recognized scholar in the area of

feminist economics and the economics of caring labor, Folbre is president of the International Association for Feminist Economics. She is a recipient of a MacArthur Foundation Fellowship, a grant from the National Science Foundation, and a post-doctoral fellowship from Yale University. She has been a consultant to the International Labor Office, the World Bank, the Population Council, and the Royal Swedish Academy of Science.



Notre Dame Disability Awareness Month

March 2005

Tuesday, 3/15

Sujeet Desai will be playing the violin, clarinet and piano. He graduated from the Berkshire Music Academy and was born with Down syndrome.
7p.m. Washington Hall, Free Admission



Saturday, 3/19

Come to the Best Buddies Friendship Games and interact with children and adults with special needs.
12 noon-2p.m. Logan Center Gym

Monday, 3/21

Head Football Coach Charlie Weis, 9p.m. DeBartolo 102
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Tuesday, 3/29

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INFORMATION MEETING

Pope

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director of Theology on Tap, said he has great faith in the pontiff, who has managed to defy predictions of impending death for many years.

"It seems people have been predicting his demise for years and years. I heard the pope wasn't going to live through the year back in the 80s," Steele said. "I don't think we can assume he will step down."

And, in Steele's opinion, the pope has no intention of doing so. In fact, Steele believes, the pope will steadfastly carry on demonstrating the power of faith and the need for respect for life at all ages.

"I think he is making a faith statement as far as that God will provide," Steele said. "Perhaps he is making a statement about the dignity of life in the midst of suffering in a particular time when euthanasia is being discussed and made legal in the U.S. and Europe."

If history is any indication, the pope will likely not resign. Celestine V was the last pope to resign, and that was in 1294.

Father Robert Dowd, professor of political science, is also convinced that the pope will remain in his position, god willing.

"I would say that I think the pope will remain as pope until his death. I don't think he intends on resigning," Dowd said.

Steele praised the pope for

the stability he brought to a Church that was emerging from great changes after Vatican II.

"There was a sense [in the Church] that anything could happen. The church had changed enormously and there was a presumption that that might continue. But instead he has brought us back to the basics," Steele said.

Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger, one of the few people allowed to see the pope while he has been hospitalized, announced Monday that the pope has started speaking again and has resumed making decisions regarding the Church, though he still remains hospitalized.

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PHOTOGRAPHER/The Observer

President Bush pushes his Social Security reform plan Feb. 16 in Portsmouth, N.H. Bush will be in South Bend Friday.

Faculty

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to foster a strong relationship with Notre Dame's professors as a key characteristic of a new provost.

"They have to communicate well with an increasingly wide constituency," said Senate chair Seth Brown. "One of the things that I think faculty appreciate is direct communication — that goes a long way toward softening the blows of unfavorable decisions."

Jenkins told senators that all search committee deliberations must remain confidential

but faculty comments on potential candidates would be used to determine a final choice. The search committee has said previously that it will consider individuals inside and outside of the University and may not name a new provost until the fall 2005 semester.

In other Faculty Senate news:

◆ Brandenberger said he was still searching for additional faculty to serve on the student and faculty committee tasked with developing a mechanism for students to provide information to other students about their courses. The committee, which stemmed from a proposal

made by associate provost Dennis Jacobs to senate in November, will remain stalled until at least one additional faculty member comes forward, Brandenberger said.

◆ The student affairs committee discussed potential revisions to the handling of honor code violations proposed by the Academic Council. Brandenberger said the Council will consider allowing faculty to directly determine penalties in cheating cases, rather than forwarding them to departmental honor code committees.

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Fellows

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course includes all my graduate students. It also pleases me because it increases the visibility of the physics department."

According to the IOP Web site, the United Kingdom-based organization selects fellows based on their "exceptionally important services in the field

of physics."

Furdyna, a professor of condensed matter physics was acknowledged for his overall work within the field of physics, according to the Notre Dame press release. Furdyna studies new semiconducting compounds and the subsequent analysis of their physical properties.

Bigi and Dobrowolska-Furdyna join the half of one-percent of APS members —

including 15 current Notre Dame physicists — who are elected by the society as fellows.

Furdyna also enters a highly-selective group. According to IOG bylaws listed on the Institute's Web site, the total number of fellows may not exceed 30.

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Lottery

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"Due to the secure nature of the event," the press release said, "the tickets for admission to the event on Friday will be tied to the names on the Notre Dame student [identification cards]."

Flaherty said the Student Activities Office called him at around 6 p.m. Tuesday to inform him of the tickets, and SUB immediately sprang into action, drafting a press release and working to "get the information disseminated to students through class council [e-mail lists]."

"SUB felt this would be an excellent opportunity for Notre Dame students," he said, "and wanted to facilitate the distribution of tickets for the student body."

Democratic and Republican students alike said they are planning on entering the lottery — or that they would enter, if their spring break plans didn't conflict.

"I think I'd be interested in going to the event, although I'm not fascinated by the topic of Social Security," Pangborn jun-

ior Eileen Varga said. "I think I'll definitely try to get tickets." O'Neill Freshman Eric Hoffman, on the other hand, said he was intrigued by the topic.

"I'd like to go if I weren't leaving earlier [on Friday]," he said. "I'd like to learn more about how he's trying to implement his Social Security policy."

Freshman Sara Snider said she was "definitely interested" in lining up for tickets, and that she felt it was a good opportunity for the student body.

"As a student and part of this community, if you're going to go to any event this year, this would be it," she said. "If you have the ability to see the president speak, no matter what your political views are, I'd say it's something you should do."

Varga agreed, and said she believed such an event would have an impact on any student's life.

"I would think the majority of students would want to go see the president in person," she said. "It's an event you'd remember throughout your lifetime."

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Drugs threaten Afghan democracy

VIENNA, Austria — Drug trafficking threatens to undermine stability in Afghanistan and hinder development in Iraq as the two countries attempt to emerge from conflict and forge functioning democracies, a key U.N. drug control body warned in a report released Wednesday.

The International Narcotics Control Board said drug production in Afghanistan was so widespread it "has become a severe threat to this new democracy, as well as the stability and economic recovery of the country as a whole."

Drug production in Afghanistan reached a record level in 2004, defying efforts to curb production.

"We are expecting that the international community help Afghanistan ... so that the issue can be corrected before it's too late and Afghanistan becomes a narcotic state," Hamid Ghodse, president of the Vienna-based board, told reporters Tuesday. "Once it becomes a narcotic state, the rule of the law, the democracy, everything, will go out of the window."

Chinese suburb leveled in seizure

WUXI, China — For Tang Yulan and his neighbors, China's communist revolution seems to be moving in reverse.

"That once was a very nice house; now look at it," says Tang, a farmer until the loss of his village of Hongqiao, a suburb of the lakeside eastern Chinese city of Wuxi, was reduced to rubble to make way for urban spread.

"This land was inherited from our ancestors, generation after generation," said Tang, a robust, soft-spoken 68-year-old. "But they just auctioned it off without even notifying us. The local government isn't obeying the laws or national policy."

NATIONAL NEWS

Bush frustrated with Congress

WASHINGTON — President Bush on Tuesday dismissed criticism that his plan to steer public money to religious charities might discriminate against people who did not share their beliefs, saying those groups should have an "all drunks are welcome" policy.

Speaking to more than 250 religious leaders invited by the White House, Bush vented his frustration that Congress has not approved the idea he first offered soon after he took office to let religious charities spend taxpayer money.

In a speech at a Washington hotel, Bush took on what he described as a government culture "unfriendly" to religious groups.

"Charitable choice is something I've supported every year, and every year it's got stuck," Bush said. "There's kind of a consistent pattern there."

Drivers' cell phone use increasing

WASHINGTON — More people than ever are driving under the influence of their cell phones, according to a survey released Tuesday by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

The survey showed 8 percent of drivers, or 1.2 million people, were using hand-held or handsfree cell phones during daylight hours last year, a 50 percent increase since 2002 and a 100 percent rise in four years.

LOCAL NEWS

Death row inmate shows remorse

MICHIGAN CITY, Ind. — A man facing execution later this month said in a death row interview he has changed since he murdered an Evansville couple and their two children 25 years ago and does not want to be remembered as a "raving maniac."

"I would like people to know I'm rational. I'm not a raving maniac," Donald Ray Wallace told Indianapolis television station WTHR in an interview broadcast Tuesday.

URUGUAY

First socialist leader sworn in

President-elect Vazquez promises to help the poor rebound from 2002 depression

Associated Press

MONTEVIDEO — A doctor took office as Uruguay's first socialist president Tuesday, joining the ranks of left-leaning leaders in Latin America, now six in all, governing a majority of the region's people with a cautious approach to U.S.-backed free-market policies.

In one of his first official acts, Tabare Vazquez restored full diplomatic ties with communist Cuba, more than two years after a diplomatic row divided the countries.

Thousands of Uruguayans, many waving flags and chanting "Ur-u-guay!" filled Montevideo's streets for the inauguration of Vazquez, a 65-year-old cancer specialist whose swearing-in ended more than 170 years of power by two moderate parties.

Vazquez, elected Oct. 31 to replace Jorge Batlle, is part of a reinvigorated, but far less ideological, leftist movement in Latin America whose leaders have come to power amid economic turmoil. He took the oath of office for his five-year term with many of South America's new generation of leftists leaders looking on.

"I have not come alone," Vazquez said at the packed ceremony at Congress. "I take office as president of the republic with the support of hundreds of thousands of compatriots who expressed their democratic wishes last Oct. 31 for a better country for all Uruguayans."

Brazil's Luiz Inacio Lula da Silva, Argentina's Nestor Kirchner and Chile's Ricardo Lagos all looked on as the crowd cheered.

Vazquez climbed into an antique car to leave the ceremony, then jumped onto the back of a pickup truck, blowing kisses to a crowd of thousands who turned out for a street festa.



Celebration in the streets of Montevideo, Uruguay, Tuesday was in honor of Tabare Vazquez's inauguration. Vazquez is the country's first socialist leader.

Confetti flew and occasional fireworks boomed overhead as his motorcade slowly made its way to the presidential offices.

Blue-and-white Uruguayan flags emblazoned with their signature sun in the upper left corner hung from the balconies of many apartment buildings, where people craned to get a glimpse of their new leader.

Carpenter Ilugo Folena, 40, waved the red-white-and-blue flag of Vazquez's Broad Front coalition and smiled as he talked of his hopes for the new president.

"I'm praying this means we will eventually have a better Uruguay," he said. "One where there is better public health, better public

education and work opportunities for everyone."

Uruguay, long one of Latin America's most stable economies, is climbing out of a 2002 depression in which the economy shrank by 11 percent.

The upheaval left one of every three Uruguayans below the poverty line — a blow to a country where generous social benefits had for years assured one of the region's highest living standards.

Vazquez's victory broke a long-running hold on power by the Colorado and National parties, which alternately controlled the presidency for more than 170 years. Their dominance was interrupted occasionally by military rule, most

recently during the country's 1973-84 dictatorship.

During the campaign, Vazquez pledged to help the poor, and his message resonated with voters increasingly skeptical of free-market policies being touted by Washington as the remedy for the region's economic ills.

While Vazquez has vowed to pursue moderate policies, he has promised to strengthen the country's ties with neighbors Argentina and Brazil.

Over the last decade, many South American countries adopted free-market reforms, opening their economies and privatizing state industries, only to see their economies slow to a grind.

Identity theft investigations costly

Associated Press

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — Law enforcement officials attending the state's first summit on identity theft asked Monday for more money to combat the crime in California, the only state believed to have more than 1 million victims last year.

Authorities sought assistance from politicians, businesses and consumer advocates in their quest to prevent identity theft and crack down on thieves.

"There's no way we in law enforcement can do it alone," said Jan Scully, Sacramento County district attorney.

Sheriffs, legislators, postal workers and consumer watchdogs want to increase funding for prosecutors and for five state task forces dedicated to identity theft. Current funding is about \$12.4 million per year.

Only about 11 percent of cases statewide are solved, Scully said.

For example, the Los Angeles County Sheriff Department had more than 20,000 identity theft cases last year, said Jonathan Fairtough, a county prosecutor. The county prosecuted only about 220 cases, he said.

California's high numbers could be partly the result of reporting requirements in state legislation designed to clamp down on identity theft, experts

said.

In July 2003, California became the first state to require companies to notify consumers whenever security breaches expose personal data. In the most egregious cases, executives must also alert news organizations and issue news releases about security failures.

In addition, California is the only state where consumers can order a "credit freeze" with major credit bureaus. A freeze requires lenders, retailers, utilities and other businesses to get special access to credit reports through a PIN-based system and helps prevent impostors from getting any new loans and credit.

Serial killer charged with murdering ten

Former scout leader attends hearing via video

Associated Press

WICHITA, Kan. — Dennis Rader, the churchgoing family man and Cub Scout leader accused of leading a double life as the BTK serial killer, was charged Tuesday with 10 counts of first-degree murder.

Rader made his first court appearance by videoconference from his jail cell. During the brief hearing, Rader stood behind a podium, his hands folded at times, at others leafing through a copy of the charges against him. He told the judge he is married and was employed with the city of Park City, and said "Thank you, sir" at the end of the hearing.

About a dozen family members of victims were in the courtroom, but they did not speak to reporters. Rader was accompanied by a temporary attorney, and the judge appointed the state's public defender office to represent him.

The BTK killer, whose nickname stands for "Bind, Torture, Kill," was suspected of eight deaths beginning in 1974, but authorities said they had linked two additional victims to the serial killer.

It appears unlikely Rader will face the death penalty. He has yet to be charged with a slaying that occurred after 1994, when Kansas passed its capital punishment law. Additionally, the Kansas Supreme Court ruled that law unconstitutional in December over a provision on how juries weigh evidence for and against execution.

Authorities have declined to say what led them to the 59-year-old Rader, a married father of two, scout leader and active member of a Lutheran church.

However, there were indications a computer disk BTK sent to the television station KSAS provided a key piece of evidence that led police to Rader.

Scott Robertson, an assignment editor for the station that

produces KSAS' news broadcast, told The Associated Press a package the station received Feb. 16 contained the disk as well jewelry that may have been from one of the victims.

Pastor Michael Clark of Christ Lutheran Church — Rader's church — also said police asked him for a list of people who had access to the church computer. On Friday, he provided 10 or 15 names, including Rader's, he said.

Rader has asked for Clark to visit him in jail, but he hasn't been able to arrange a meeting, the pastor said.

Meanwhile, investigators with the Sedgwick County Sheriff's Office spent another day using metal detectors along a road in Park City. Sheriff Gary Steed said they are looking for evidence connected to new information developed by the task force investigating the BTK killings. He declined to specify the information.

New details of the investigation also emerged from Michigan. The Wichita Eagle and The Daily Oakland Press of Pontiac, Mich., reported Tuesday that FBI agents had visited the Farmington, Mich., home of Rader's 26-year-old daughter, Kerri, on Friday to get a DNA sample.

The timing indicated she was not visited until after her father had been arrested that same day in Kansas, the Eagle said, suggesting her DNA helped confirm his identity but was not the original break in the case as some initial reports had suggested.

Charles Nebus, police chief in Farmington, said the FBI told him they were conducting an interview Friday in the city in connection with the BTK case. Nebus told The Associated Press that he didn't tell the newspapers a DNA test was being conducted.

Jeff Rader told The Wichita Eagle that no one in the family believes his older brother is the BTK serial killer.

HAITI

Police pressured to regain trust

Haitians fed up with brutality, fear violence of local authorities

Associated Press

PORT-AU-PRINCE — Outgunned, undermanned and blamed for some of the country's violence, Haitian police are under pressure to mend decades of mistrust before elections next fall that many people fear are destined for bloodshed.

The United States and United Nations have repeatedly tried and failed to build an evenhanded police force over the years, and offered help again last year after rebels ousted President Jean-Bertrand Aristide during a three-week revolt.

But Haitians, who have seen a string of governments use the police as brutal enforcers, say officers still operate above the law, targeting opponents and using trigger-happy tactics. Violence has come in waves since September, with some 400 civilians and 25 police slain, according to the National Coalition for Haitian Rights and an Associated Press count.

On Monday, five officers trying to block unarmed protesters escorted by U.N. peacekeepers fired tear gas, then bullets, into a crowd of hundreds. When the shooting ended, two men lay dead in the street. "Police could have hit us by shooting that way," a Brazilian peacekeeper complained.

This time the victims were

Aristide supporters marking the first anniversary of his flight from Haiti with demands that he return from exile in South Africa.

A little more than a year ago, police were shooting at demonstrators calling for Aristide's downfall. Former soldiers responded by leading a revolt that ousted Aristide and left dozens of policemen dead or mutilated.

Many officers abandoned their posts and some fled the country.

U.N. civilian police arrived to find a depleted and demoralized force.

The U.S.-backed interim government fired 200 corrupt or inexperienced officers. But the annual U.S. human rights report released Tuesday said some of the remaining Haitian officers "were implicated in corruption, kidnapping and narcotics trafficking" and "committed human rights abuses" in 2004.

Dan Moskaluk, a spokesman for the U.N. training and support mission run by the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, said there are only 2,000 to 3,000 officers in Haiti, an impoverished nation of 8 million people plagued by lawlessness. By contrast, New York, a city with a similar population but with far less crime, has about

37,000 officers.

Haitian police are also outgunned. The officers, armed with new M-16 rifles, sawed-off shotguns and pistols, must patrol slums filled with Aristide supporters who often have better weapons that were looted during the uprising.

Despite numerous telephone calls and a visit to the police headquarters over more than a week, The Associated Press was unable to get police commanders to comment on the situation.

Violence has worsened since police fired on a group of Aristide

supporters in September, killing two people. The next day, the bodies of three beheaded officers were found in a pro-Aristide slum.

Civilians blame police for the deaths of at least eight of 19 people shot to death since Friday in Port-au-Prince, the capital.

Lt. Gen. Augusto Heleno Ribeiro, the Brazilian commander of the U.N. peacekeeping mission, confirmed that police killed six people Friday in Bel Air, a hotspot of Aristide militants where Monday's protest took place. Residents said police fired indiscriminately while peacekeepers stood by. Heleno said no U.N. forces were involved in the raid.

"Police could have hit us by shooting that way."

Brazilian peacekeeper

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IN BRIEF

Dollar's value gaining on Euro

FRANKFURT, Germany — The dollar rose against the euro Tuesday amid mixed economic news from the United States.

The euro fell to \$1.3183 in late New York trading from \$1.3250 late Monday.

The dollar was mostly higher against other rivals. The British pound fell to \$1.9201 from \$1.9220 late Monday, while the dollar bought 104.26 Japanese yen, down slightly from 104.47 yen, 1.1654 Swiss francs, up from 1.1604, and 1.2415 Canadian dollars, up from 1.2332.

The dollar's gains came as the Institute for Supply Management, a private research group, reported that the U.S. manufacturing sector grew at a slower pace in February than in the previous month.

Its index measuring manufacturing activity declined to 55.3 in February from a revised reading of 56.4 in January. Still, that it remained above 50 indicates that the sector continued to grow last month, but at a slower pace.

FTC offers free credit reports

MINNEAPOLIS — Sure, you forgot long ago about that department store credit card you got for the discount. But your credit report has a memory like an elephant, an elephant that sometimes makes mistakes and squishes your credit score underfoot.

Getting a copy of that credit report got easier on Tuesday for Midwesterners, as free copies became available for the asking.

The Midwestern states added Tuesday are the second phase of the Federal Trade Commission's rollout of the service. It began in December with Western states and will finish Sept. 1 when the Northeast is added.

The three major credit bureaus have long been required to provide the reports upon request. Some consumers could get them for free, others had to pay a fee. Either way, the process could be cumbersome.

Now, reports from all three bureaus are available at <https://www.annualcreditreport.com>. Consumers can get one free report per year from each agency, Equifax Inc., Experian Information Solutions and Trans Union.

Enron audio tapes go public

Accumulation of evidence against energy corporation continues to build up

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Audio tapes made public Tuesday indicate at least 1,500 conversations in which traders employed by disgraced energy giant Enron Corp. engaged in or discussed violations of federal regulations, a Federal Energy Regulatory Commission staffer says.

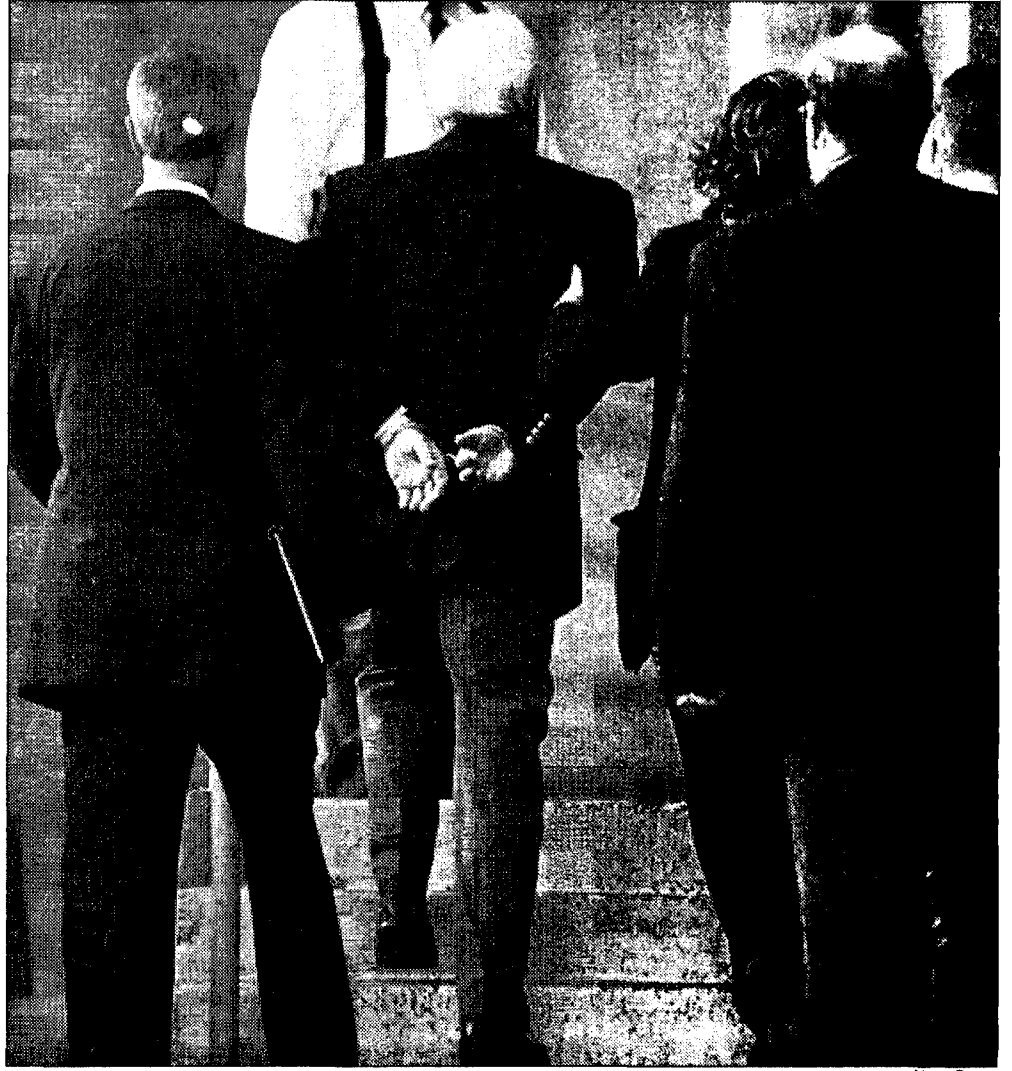
Those tapes, including some collected by a Washington state utility, may have "only scratched the surface" of potentially illegal activity by Enron during the West Coast energy crunch of 2000-2001, the FERC staffer said in testimony released Tuesday.

The comment came as the regulatory agency released on its Web site transcripts of thousands of hours of taped conversations involving Enron energy traders.

The tapes contain enough information that there is "sufficient public benefit to be garnered from further review" of the transcripts, which could take thousands of hours to complete, said Patrick Crowley, an economist in FERC's office of administrative litigation.

Crowley's comment — and the release of the new transcripts — represent a victory for the Snohomish County, Wash., Public Utility District, which has pressed FERC to transcribe thousands of hours of phone conversations involving Enron traders. The utility district, based in Everett, Wash., about 30 miles north of Seattle, has spent about \$200,000 to transcribe and review some tapes in recent months.

The utility hopes to prove that an exorbitant contract it entered with Enron in January 2001, at the height of the crisis, should be considered fraudulent because of Enron's manipulation, and that the utility shouldn't have to pay the \$122 million that Enron claims it



Enron founder and former CEO Kenneth Lay is escorted in handcuffs by federal agents after surrendering to authorities in Houston, Texas on July 8, 2004.

owes.

Enron founder Kenneth Lay, former CEO Jeffrey Skilling and chief accounting officer Richard Causey are scheduled to be tried early next year on fraud and conspiracy charges.

The trial is expected to be the premier case to emerge from the Justice Department's investigation of a rash of corporate scandals that began with Houston-based Enron's swift fall into bankruptcy after an accounting scandal came to light in December 2001.

In testimony filed Tuesday, FERC staff cited new evidence in which Enron's own lawyers recognized the incriminating

nature of the audio tapes as early as October 2001, writing in a memorandum that, "We have already heard several conversations that should not be produced" in response to power market litigation.

Sen. Maria Cantwell, D-Wash., called FERC's decision to review the transcripts an about-face, saying FERC staff initially tried to exclude the tapes from evidence.

"The fact this evidence almost fell through the cracks is not acceptable," Cantwell said. "Federal regulators shouldn't have to be embarrassed into doing their jobs. They're supposed to be the cops on the beat, standing between

consumers and the mass public mugging that took place at the hands of Enron."

FERC spokesman Bryan Lee disputed Cantwell's comments, saying the commission "will continue to be guided by the facts and not politics."

A spokesman for the Snohomish Co. PUD also welcomed the release of the transcripts.

"Certainly it's an encouraging sign in that federal regulators are taking a much closer look at some of this evidence that we've long held is key to our case and the plight of Western consumers as a whole," Snohomish spokesman Neil Neroutsos said.

Disability puts a strain on families

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Millions of American parents struggle with the day-to-day responsibilities of caring for physically or mentally disabled children, but often their biggest challenge is putting financial strategies in place to ensure that the kids are taken care of as they all grow older.

For Christine and Donald Kriescher of New Franken, Wis., that has meant getting guardianship papers in order as their son Nick, 19, who is severely retarded and suffers from obsessive-compulsive disorder, approaches adulthood. And they'll need a power of attorney to help guide 20-year-old daughter Kandy, who has mild cognitive disabilities, into new programs next year when

she leaves school.

In addition, the Krieschers plan to redo their will and set up a special needs trust to transfer their insurance and savings to care for the children after their deaths.

"I will die a happy person if I can find a way so they can live and be happy and be productive, too," Christine Kriescher said. Kriescher, who is 42, added: "Putting things in place gives you peace of mind."

The U.S. Census Bureau estimates that more than one in 10 Americans between the ages of 16 and 64 suffers from some physical, mental or emotional impairment. Finding the right services, and arranging future financial support, for them can be tricky because parents can't risk jeopardizing a disabled person's pub-

lic benefits.

Many of the disabled qualify for government-sponsored care or training programs. They also can get financial help through the Supplemental Security Income program, which provides a monthly allowance and generally ensures that the disabled person is eligible for important Medicaid health benefits.

But that assistance could be cut off if parents or well-meaning grandparents give a few thousand dollars to a disabled grandchild, unwittingly making them ineligible for SSI and health care because their assets surpass the \$2,000 limit, according to the ARC of the United States, a national organization based in Silver Spring, Md., for the mentally and developmentally disabled.

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The things they carry

One of my favorite poems, "Incident" by Countee Cullen, characterizes the personal pains of racism for receivers of oppression. In the piece, the protagonist — a small eight-year-old black boy — encounters a white youth of similar age on a Baltimore street. The white youth calls our protagonist the most pejorative term used against blacks without provocation or discernable reason. Most potently, this brief poem ends with the speaker reflecting on the interaction: "I saw the whole of Baltimore, from May to December, of all the things that happened there, that's all that I remember." As Cullen expresses in verse, a single incident of racial oppression has the ability to overshadow a person's perception of the world and of himself.

The powerlessness felt by targets of any type of prejudice is debilitating and staggering. Language is crucial in this discussion. Our tone, manner and voice all communicate stereotypes and prejudice. Further, certain words — like the pejorative "n-word" from Cullen's poem — carry centuries of oppressive, violent and destructive baggage. I would like to consider the effect of these words on people of the oppressed groups. People who utter these discriminatory words have various motives, yet their use, whether maliciously or inadvertently, often results in degradation of the oppressed group. We lack, in the broader discourse of prejudice, a way to deconstruct systems of oppression through language, as well as a process of addressing the real feelings of dehumanization. The private pain of the oppressed is sacrificed and silenced as society endeavors to make

racism, sexism and heterosexism unimportant and invisible through political correctness or ignorance.

I have heard many stories of Notre Dame students suffering this private pain of prejudice. While some would have us believe we are beyond the days of racial subjugation, people still find themselves in isolated situations due to derogatory words. In my experience, two of my worst days here have been a result of such language use. As a sophomore, someone from my residence staff flippantly insinuated I thought myself light enough to "pass" for white. As a light-skinned black person, passing and racial identity have played big parts in my development. During that incident in my dorm, I felt betrayed by Notre Dame's promises of family and isolated in my feelings of outrage.

The second time was in a classroom this school year. A fellow student used a racially pejorative word to illustrate her point. While the student's intentions were not malicious, the effect of hearing the word in class outside of the context of an explicitly race-related conversation was jarring. My peer's unwitting utterance of the "n-word" illuminated the feelings of exclusion and discrimination I and other minorities feel in small doses sometimes daily. Being the only black, Latino or Asian in a class, being expected to speak or represent your race during class lectures, never seeing religious icons reflecting your ethnic heritage and being assumed to be an athlete based on skin color all weigh on the hearts and minds of minorities.

We must not underestimate the ability of language to exert the forces of domination and hate on others. As reflected in the "Laramie Project," whenever someone calls another a

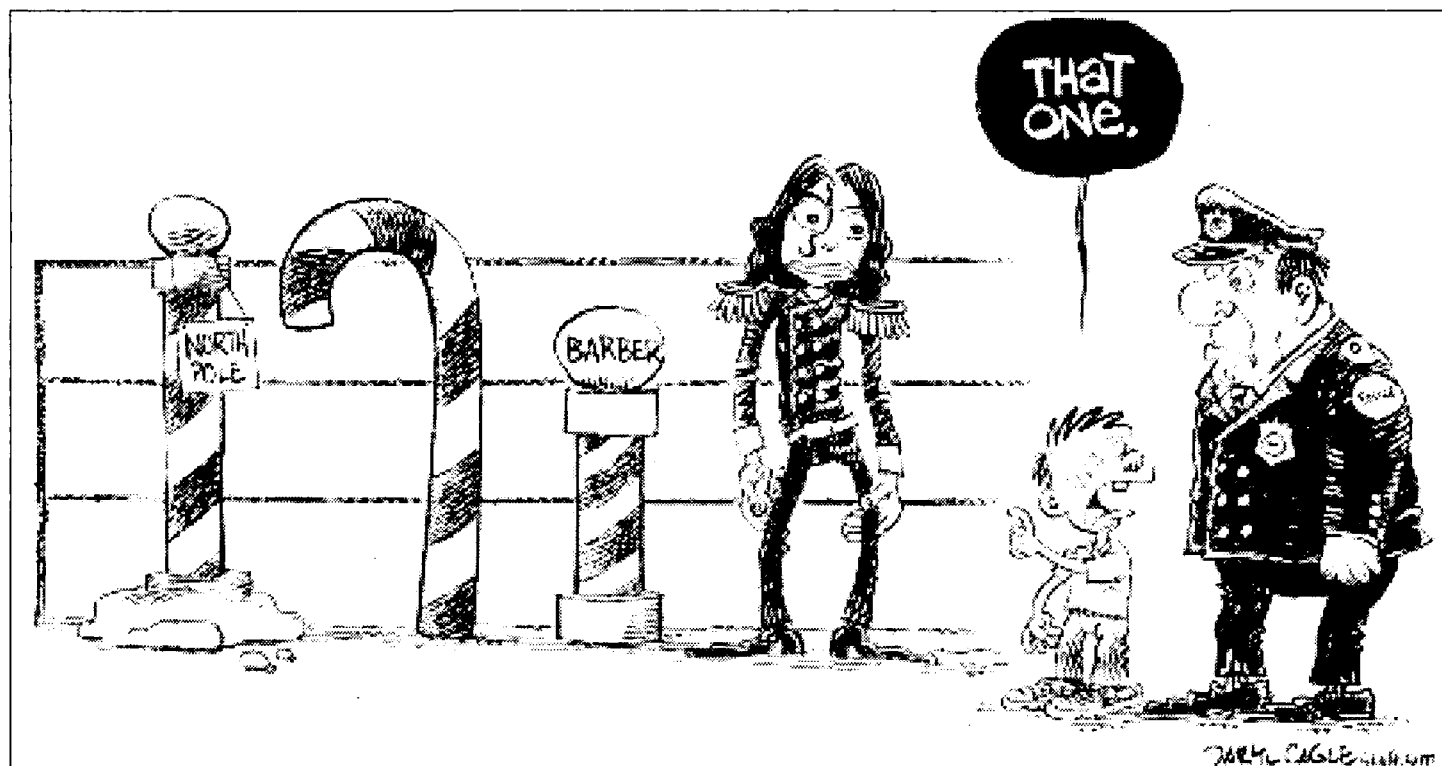
derogatory name, that is a violent act. That comment, in the context of a play about the murder of a young gay man, gives us pause. When we recognize language as a tool to exert pain on others, we have a frame through which to evaluate our actions and their consequences. Seeking reconciliation when we harm others with words repairs a relationship and opens a place for discussion and growth. To further ignore our mishaps in speech adds to the violence of our words.

We look to a day, as a goal, when these words and their speakers no longer have the power to disrupt people's lives. Until then, what can we do to have constructive discussions of modern prejudice with the words of hate? Perhaps discussing the origins and uses of these words to understand their continued effect, agreeing on parameters for discussion that uphold everyone's dignity while still encouraging controversial ideas and responding to insecurity as the discussion progresses may be helpful foundational rules. We can create in our communities and in ourselves spaces in which matters of race, sex or sexual orientation can be discussed constructively and non-violently. I charge all of us, as our student leaders look for systemic answers to group divides, to be proactive vessels of the change we need at Notre Dame. Through our deeds and our words we either do the work of love and inclusion, or of hate and violence towards others.

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Never be bullied into silence. Never allow yourself to be made a victim. Accept no one's definition of your life; define yourself."

Harvey Fierstein
author

Calling all pilgrims

Think ahead, if you can, to the summer. What are you planning to do with yourself?

It's hard to picture July right now in a place like South Bend, where March comes in like a lion, and goes out like a ferocious lion that spits snow and wind at you and tries to eat you.

Greg Ruehlmann

FaithPoint

But the truth is, summer is nearing, and now is the time to start making choices about how to spend it.

For seniors, summer likely holds the last gasp of freedom, the start of a new job, the hunt for a new job or a combination thereof. But what about you undergrads? Some people take the easy road — they find a summer job and try to earn some cash before school starts up again, they overdose on Halo 2, they "take it easy."

I'm not trying to suggest taking it easy is wrong. We call it summer vacation for a reason. But vacation doesn't entail forgetting our obligations. For Catholics, this means we don't implement a selective Mass attendance policy. We don't suspend our commitment to service. In other words, there is a difference between "taking it easy" — a natural desire when we don't have homework — and "taking the summer off." Taking the summer off is exactly what we shouldn't do.

Instead, we are called to take our faith seriously while we take it easy. Countless people at Notre Dame answer this call brilliantly. They do summer service projects through the Center for Social Concerns domestically and abroad. They work in programs like Camp Kesem, Notre Dame Vision and National Youth Sports Program. And many others, even as they opt for jobs and Halo 2, incorporate regular service work and worship as well.

I encourage everyone to follow suit. Make a visit to the Center for Social Concerns and find out what you can do. Seek out a parish. Talk to people who serve in the places you'll live while school's out. There are so many opportunities to live out the gospel during the months of summer. And I'd like to suggest one more.

How about being pilgrims?

"Pilgrims?" you ask. "We haven't been pilgrims since the second grade Thanksgiving pageant at Our Lady of the Holy, Holy, Holy, Holy Rosary! And those pilgrim hats don't fit anymore."

The pilgrims I'm talking about don't need big paper hats ... although that would be pretty cool if you wore them anyways. For most Americans, pilgrims merely call to mind turkeys and costumes. But our faith has a rich and wondrous tradition of pilgrimage. Believers throughout the ages have traveled to holy

places to pay their respects — Canterbury, Santiago de Compostella, Lourdes, Rome and Jerusalem. They journey to sites of significance, where saints have lived and martyrs have fallen, where God appeared and Jesus walked.

The journey occurs on two levels. On the exterior, pilgrims physically move together towards their destination. But the interior pilgrimage is more important. In it, the pilgrims sojourn through reflection; they explore themselves before moving outside to encounter together the Lord who creates and controls their destiny. When the pilgrims return, even though they come back to the same place they left, they are, in fact, transformed by the interior and exterior pilgrimage into stronger believers and better leaders.

Fortunately this tradition continues in Catholicism. This summer it will be alive and well in the city of Cologne, Germany. Cologne is the site of World Youth Day 2005 on Aug. 21. On that day, the pope will say Mass with a million pilgrims or more who've traveled from all over the world to celebrate the faith in community. These pilgrims will enjoy a week of festivities beforehand: praying, listening to speakers and sharing their experiences with Catholics from around the world.

I attended the last World Youth Day in

Toronto in 2002 as a student. Through the pilgrimage I gained several new friends from Notre Dame and elsewhere. And, by voyaging to the place, by participating in the Mass with our incredible pope, we all felt a new sense of life and a challenge to carry it back with us. The people I went with returned to campus and became some of its greatest leaders. The pilgrimage's influence was remarkable.

Cologne is calling, and this pilgrimage makes the same promise. Campus Ministry is organizing a contingent to go once more. Parishes, dioceses and groups all over the country are gearing up for the journey. I encourage you to consider joining all of us as pilgrims. Check with your diocese back home. Pick up an application to be part of Campus Ministry's group at our website wyd.nd.edu. You'd be back in time for classes to start, and you'd be a better person for it.

Like I said, summer's coming and it's time to start making choices.

So what are you planning to do with yourself?

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Obstacles to freedoms on campus are unnecessary

Given President Bush's forthcoming visit to campus this Friday, and coupled with the recent controversy in our post-Sept. 11 world concerning freedoms and civil liberties, it is striking to me that we, as a University, still maintain policies which seem to be unnecessary and quite regressive with respects to student rights to conduct demonstrations, to circulate questionnaires and surveys and to hang-up and/or distribute advertisements, posters or other forms of announcements. As individuals studying to better both the good of the world and of our immediate community here at Notre Dame, we need to ask ourselves certain questions. Do these policies repress the exchange of information and ideas or do they further them? Do they allow for appropriate and uninhibited flow of thoughts amongst students, or do they hinder such flows? Do they allow for and encourage a true liberal-arts educational experience, or do they send mixed-messages about what our goal is as an elite, Catholic educational institution?

It is my personal opinion, and the opinion of many in our community whom I have spoken with, that the policies outlined in DuLac do in fact suppress certain freedoms and liberties that we should all have as students of a university.

Flip to page 125 of your always-handy 2004-2005 edition of DuLac, read the entire section entitled "Student Activities Policies" (it is only 12 pages in length) and see for yourself just what I and many others are concerned and perplexed about. For instance, according to the rules put forth here, "All students, groups of students or student organizations wishing to distribute a questionnaire or initiate a survey are required to request permission from the Vice President for Student Affairs" by submitting a copy of the questionnaire or survey with a written explanation of the project's purpose. Why? Why is it necessary to get permission from a University official for something so basic and unobtrusive in nature?

There's more. According to the regulations outlined in DuLac, students must register all "demonstrations" on campus with the Associate Vice President for Residence Life. Why? Since the term "demonstration" is not defined, is any type of assembly at all to be considered a "demonstration?" For example, because of this regulation, students wishing to protest Bush's visit to campus here this Friday technically must register with the Associate Vice

President of ResLife. Or, students wishing to show solidarity against the VDay festivities, no matter how small their assembly, must technically register as well. Why is that necessary? If a "demonstration" is conducted in a peaceful and orderly manner, why, at a university, a center of information exchange and academic intrigue, must such an assembly of equally-minded individuals be registered with university officials? It seems to me that in this case, as in many of these cases, we as a community are acting prior to anything controversial actually taking place — in a way, we are attempting to keep controversy from occurring. This seems like a dangerous thing to do in a setting where we should be encouraging, not hampering, the free flow of ideas across all lines in our community.

There are other elements of this section in DuLac which stick out in a similar manner — for example, the section on "Advertising, Posters and Announcements of Activities," which requires all posters hung-up on campus to be approved by Student Activities. As a compromise, what if we had "free speech" areas on campus, policed by students, and allowing for the free advertisement of ideas, announcements, postings by unrecognized or newly-forming groups, etc.?

All of this may seem unimportant to you, it may not seem like a problem to you, maybe you just do not think that the regulations can actually be changed or maybe you just do not care that you "may be sent to the Office of ResLife for violating these regulations" (Pg. 125, DuLac). However, to many, and hopefully to many others whom I do not yet know of here at Notre Dame, there is something greater at work here. Even at a private institution such as Notre Dame, individuals should still be guaranteed reasonable rights and freedoms. This may sound lofty, but why shouldn't we be? After all, if we are going to be one of the nation's premiere academic institutions and concurrently one of the world's most elite Catholic centers of learning, then how can we possibly maintain such policies as the ones outlined above? To me it seems impossible, and I am interested to know — what do you think?

Matthew Walsh
junior
Zahn Hall
March 1

Let's act with class



With just two critical home games remaining on the schedule, the men's basketball team needs the fans' support more than ever to make a run at the NCAA Tournament. The Leprechaun Legion hopes to provide as much of that support as possible. However, a problem has been brought to our attention that must be addressed.

At the Boston College game, the Big East commissioner complained about students yelling the word "sucks" after each opposing player's introduction. This has been a long-standing tradition at Notre Dame, but one that does not sit well with some fans and administrators.

After the complaints, the athletic department asked the Legion to help end this chanting. If it does not stop, we were told that they will take away giveaways and pizza before the games, and will stop acknowledging the student section during Notre Dame player introductions.

We obviously do not want this to happen. With that in mind, we are asking the students at the Rutgers game to sit in their seats and read the newspapers provided, completely ignoring the Scarlet Knights. If we refrain from yelling "sucks," then students will avoid a negative outcome.

We understand this jeer is something that has taken place for many years and it is a difficult task to curb it so quickly. Despite this, it will benefit everyone more if we, as a student body, can change this trend. Let's start Wednesday with player introductions, then watch the Irish take down Rutgers.

Since this game will likely be the last of the season for most students, give our seniors a loud round of applause for their countless contributions to the program during their careers. Notre Dame basketball is back on the map and each of these players has helped greatly along the way. Thanks for all your support of the team and Go Irish!

Brian Tracy
senior
Knott Hall
March 1

Unique performances come to ND

From acrobats to singers to pianists to performers of traditional African music, Notre Dame offers special entertainment throughout the spring semester



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Ronan Tynan, a former member of the Irish Tenors, is known for the clarity of his voice.



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Ladysmith Black Mambazo performs in a style called Isicthamiya, which originated in South Africa.

By MARIA SMITH
Scene Editor

Spring break might be the top event on most people's minds right now, but the week following the break offers a great deal for fine arts aficionados upon their return.

The experiences offered in March are truly unique and tickets for more popular shows may disappear quickly, so take a look before heading out for the week.

The National Acrobats of Taiwan, ROC

This troupe of acrobats from the Fu Hsing Academy has traveled around the nation performing spectacular feats.

The acrobats are famous for using household items like tables and chairs in their performances. In the past, they have been known to balance on stools 30 feet high, spin numerous plates on sticks simultaneously and balance 12 acrobats on a single bicycle.

The average acrobat trains for eight years before performing in the show. Their director, Lo Jih-Hung, was also co-director of the Golden Dragon Acrobats during the 1980s.

The National Acrobats of Taiwan, ROC will perform March 14 at 8 p.m. The show is part of ND Presents, a series of international shows brought to the Morris Performing Arts Center by Notre Dame. Tickets are available from the center and range from \$20-45.

Ronan Tynan

This former member of the Irish Tenors is famous for more than his voice.

Tynan has sung for some of the most famous people in the world — including at the wedding of New York Mayor Rudy Giuliani, during the seventh inning at many New York Yankees games and at the funeral of Ronald Reagan.

But this remarkable singer only began voice lessons at the age of 33. Tynan had both legs amputated below the knee after a car accident at the age of 20, and before beginning his career as a musician worked as a certified medical doctor in the field of orthopedic sports injuries. Tynan also won 18 gold medals and 14

world records as a multitallented athlete in the Paralympics between 1981 and 1984.

Now the singer is famous for his diverse performances ranging from Verdi's "Requiem" to the hymn "How Great Thou Art" to the pop classic "From a Distance." No matter what he is performing Tynan's voice remains one of the clearest and most beautiful in the world.

Ronan Tynan will perform in the Leighton Concert Hall Thursday, March 17 at 8 p.m. Tickets cost \$20 for students, \$37 for seniors, \$40 for faculty and staff and \$50 for the general public.

Emmanuel Ax and Yefim Bronfman

Classical pianists and Grammy winners Ax and Bronfman are proof that there are few languages as international as classical music.

Ax was born in Lvov, Poland. At the age of six he began to study piano in Warsaw. After his family moved to North America in 1961, Ax began his studies at the Julliard School of Music.

Bronfman was born in Tashkent, the current capital of Uzbekistan, which was at that time part of the Soviet Union. Bronfman immigrated to Israel in 1973 and auditioned for the Israel Philharmonic at the age of 15.

Both artists have performed around the world. Bronfman, who performed Shostakovich's Piano Concerto No. 2 in Fantasia/2000, performed the piece in New York, London, Paris, Tokyo and Los Angeles for the gala screenings of the film. Ax has performed with the London Symphony Orchestra, Orchestre National de France, Suisse Romande and DSO Berlin, and is sought for performances around the United States.

Ax was awarded a Grammy for his performance of the Haydn Piano Sonatas. Bronfman was also given the award in 1997 for his performances of Bartok's Three Piano Concertos with the Los Angeles Philharmonic.

The two pianists produced their first famous duet collaboration in 2002 with the release of the rarely recorded Rachmaninoff pieces for four hands. Their current tour includes pieces for four hands by Debussy, Ravel and

Stravinsky.

Emmanuel Ax and Yefim Bronfman will perform March 18 at 8 p.m. in the Leighton Concert Hall. Tickets cost \$15 for students, \$36 for seniors, \$38 for faculty and staff and \$48 for the general public.

Ladysmith Black Mambazo

The sound of Ladysmith Black Mambazo is unmistakable and very distinguished.

Over the past 15 years, these singers of traditional South African music have become cultural ambassadors around the world. The group sings a style called Isicathamiya, which was first sung by black South African mine workers. The music was forbidden under apartheid and Mambazo has since become a national treasure as it has been brought back to worldwide attention. Mambazo accompanied the South African President F. W. deKlerk to the Nobel Peace Prize ceremony in Oslo, Norway in 1993 and performed at Nelson Mandela's inauguration in 1994.

The full, rich and rhythmic a capella sound of Mambazo is perhaps most famous for its appearance on Paul Simon's 1997 release "Graceland." The album was one of the most influential works in a burst of world music that entered popular culture and was certainly instrumental to Mambazo's fame.

"Shaka Zulu," the group's first U.S. release, won a Grammy for Best Traditional Folk Album. Since then the group has been nominated for six additional Grammys. Mambazo has also performed with George Clinton, Stevie Wonder, Dolly Parton and Ben Harper. Their performance on Sesame Street with Paul Simon is also one of the top three most requested segments of the show's history.

Groups with the talent and political power of Mambazo are truly few and far between.

Ladysmith Black Mambazo will perform Sunday, March 20 at 8 p.m. at the Leighton Concert Hall. Tickets are \$15 for students, \$28 for faculty and staff and \$35 for the general public.

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The National Acrobats of Taiwan, ROC is world-renowned for the ability of its acrobats and entertaining spectacle showcased throughout every show.



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Emmanuel Ax, left, and Yefim Bronfman are world famous pianists and Grammy winners. Their famous duet collection was released in 2002.

Nanovic Institute presents European films

**Nanovic Institute
series of
contemporary film:**

**"European
Cinemas, European
Histories"**

March 3

**"La Mala educacion/
Bad Education"
(Spanish 2004)
7 p.m. and 10 p.m.**

**7 p.m. show introduced
by Marvin D'Lugo of
Clark University**

March 17

**"Rosenstrasse"
(Germany 2003)
7 p.m. and 10 p.m.**

**7 p.m. show introduced
by Nathan Stoltzfus of
Florida State University**

March 31

**"Captains of April"
(Portugal 2000)
7 p.m. and 10 p.m.**

**7 p.m. show introduced
by Robert Fishman of
Notre Dame**

April 7

**"Soldiers of Salamina"
(Spain 2003)
7 p.m. and 10 p.m.**

**Presented by ND
Cinema**

**Shown in the Browning
Cinema in the PAC**

By **BECCA SAUNDERS**
Assistant Scene Editor

As South Bend winter continues into March, Notre Dame students will not need to look far to find an entertaining and culturally expanding activity. In fact, one only needs to look as far as the Browning Cinema in the DeBartolo Center for the Performing Arts to discover a world of cinema waiting to be viewed.

The Browning Cinema shows films of various genres throughout the year, but many of the Thursday night slots of this semester are dedicated to showing films that are part of the 2004-2005 Nanovic Institute series of contemporary film called "European Cinemas, European Histories." Prior to their 7 p.m. showings, the films are generally introduced by a person with some sort of relationship to the subject of the film or to the film itself. Shown as part of ND Cinema, the films of various languages and genres provide a glimpse into the world beyond snowy South Bend and the United States.

Two films that were part of the "European Cinemas, European Histories" have already come and gone. The French "L'Auberge espagnole" (2002) and the Irish "Bloody Sunday" (2002) were shown earlier this semester, but the majority of the program has yet to be shown.

The next film will be shown Thursday at 7 and 10 p.m. The Spanish film is called "La Mala educacion/Bad Education" (2004) and was directed by Pedro Almodovar. The 7 p.m. showing will be introduced by Professor Marvin D'Lugo from Clark University. The plot of the movie revolves



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"Rosenstrasse" is told through the flashbacks of Lena Fischer, who participates in a protest against the German Nazis of 1943.

for the most part around two boys, Ignacio and Enrique, in the early 1960s. According to the International Movie Database Web Site synopsis, they "discover love, movies and fear in a Christian school. Father Manolo, the school principal and literature teacher, both witnesses and takes part in these discoveries." The film continues based around the same three men as they again cross each other's paths in the late 1970s and in 1980, changing "the life and death of some of them." A promising film from a world renowned director, "La Mala educacion/Bad Education" is a must-see film according to many film critics.

"Rosenstrasse" (Germany 2003) is the next film showing in the Nanovic Institute series on March 17 at 7 and 10 p.m. Directed by Margarethe von Trotta, "Rosenstrasse" will be introduced by Nathan Stoltzfus from Florida State University at the 7 p.m. showing. In a review of "Rosenstrasse," Jeremy Fox of pajiba.com describes early 1943 Berlin, when "the German government seized thousands of Berlin Jews who previously had been allowed their freedom because they were married to Gentiles. The Nazis held them in the former office of the Authority for the Welfare of the Jewish Community at 2-4 Rosenstrasse, planning to deport them to concentration camps. Their families began to assemble in the street in front of the building, more each day, and after months of peaceful but increasingly verbal protest, those held inside were set free." The story is based around the story of protestor Lena Fischer and is primarily told through her flashbacks to the successful protesting of 1943.

On March 31 the Nanovic Institute will show "Captains of April" (Portugal 2000),

which was directed by Maria de Medeiros. Robert Fishman from the department of sociology will introduce the 7 p.m. screening. The Nanovic Institute Web site explains the film "isn't a documentary about the 1974 revolution in Portugal. But it gives us an idea of how it was like. The heroic actions of Captain Salgueiro Maja aren't exaggerations and the film is also a tribute for his deeds."

The final film of the Nanovic Institute film series will show on April 7. "Soldiers of Salamina" (Spain 2003) was directed by David Trueba and is a story of a young novelist in Spain. The Nanovic Institute Web site summarizes the plot about the young novelist "who has lost her inspiration" and thus "investigates a true story from the end of the Civil War involving the infamous writer and ideological fascist, Rafael Sanchez Mazas. She discovers that he escaped from mass execution with the help of an anonymous young soldier. The novelist gradually pieces together this story, riddled with contradictions and enigmatic characters. Unwittingly, as her search progresses, it is not only about finding the truth that she is after, but finding herself as well."

"European Cinemas, European Histories" constitutes quite a lineup for this spring and offers a handful of quality films from around the world that have gained notice and acclaim. The Nanovic Institute series of contemporary foreign films will provide a unique form of entertainment for any student willing to commit a Thursday night to broadening his or her cinematic horizons.

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Spanish director Pedro Almodovar shines in "La Mala educacion."



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The Portuguese film "Captains of April" tells the tale of the 1974 revolution in Portugal.



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"Soldiers of Salamina" is the story of an uninspired young novelist who finds inspiration in a tale of a fallen soldier.

PGA

Top competitors to take the green at Doral

Monetary incentive entices players to make appearance at Ford Championship

Associated Press

MIAMI — The stars are aligned in Miami, and some believe it's no accident.

The Ford Championship at Doral begins on Thursday with one of the strongest fields on the PGA Tour this year. The only player missing from the top 12 in the world ranking is No. 3 Ernie Els, who has played the Dubai Desert Classic every year since winning Doral in 2002.

A small part of the tournament began Monday.

Across town at Indian Creek Country Club, Ford Motor Co. had a corporate outing involving Vijay Singh (No. 1), Retief Goosen (No. 5), Sergio Garcia (No. 6) and Padraig Harrington (No. 8).

And they didn't show up out of the goodness of their heart. The Sun-Sentinel cited a tour-

nament source as saying the fee was as high as \$150,000.

Appearance money?

"It's a corporate outing early in the tournament week," said Duke Butler, vice president of tournament business affairs at the PGA Tour. "It's not unlike a number of things that have gone on for years. None of those stipulate that you must play in the tournament."

Ford did not need to invite Phil Mickelson (No. 4) to the outing, because it already has an endorsement deal with the Masters champion. Lefty played with select Ford dealers on a different golf course Tuesday.

What gives the Doral field some serious pop is Tiger Woods, the top draw anywhere in the world. Woods wasn't included in the outing for obvious reasons — he is sponsored by Buick, and \$150,000 is chump change for a guy who commands \$3 million when he goes overseas.

Still, the corporate day with four players — all of them IMG clients — has become such an issue that it will be on the agenda when tournament spon-

sors gather for their annual meeting later this month at The Players Championship.

"Those players already told us last year they were going to play Doral," PGA Tour commissioner Tim Finchem said. "Perception-wise, I understand the concern. We have to deal with the perception."

In some respects, it is simply smart business, and Ford is not alone.

Ford became title sponsor at Doral about the time it signed up Mickelson to wear its logo on his shirt and make "What will Phil do next" commercials. That all but assures Lefty will be at Doral every year, although he skipped the first year when his wife was pregnant with their third child.

That's no different than the deal between Buick and Woods.

Woods is not contractually obligated to play any of the four Buick tournaments, although he has played at least two of them each year since he became part of the Buick golf team.

And don't forget 84 Lumber.

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Vijay Singh practices his fairway bunker shot at World Golf Championship's Accenture Match Play Championship Feb. 22. Singh, the No. 1 rated player in the world, will next compete at the Ford Championship at Doral on Thursday.

signed an endorsement deal with Singh and John Daly, another big draw. And speaking of appearance money, 84 Lumber attracted a stronger-

than-usual field last year by offering every eligible player at its tournament six first-class seats on a charter to Ireland for the World Golf Championship.

NFL

Free agents prove to be in demand this signing period

Associated Press

Drew Bledsoe has signed with Dallas and Muhsin Muhammad with the Bears. Ty Law has drawn interest from several teams. The Tennessee Six, especially Samari Rolle and Derrick Mason, are hot commodities on the free-agent market.

As the signing period begins Wednesday, the players most in demand are those who have been released by their former employers or are about to be — as good or better than the rest of the free agents.

The reason: most teams now recognize it's best to keep your own, especially your stars. So good players go on the market only when there are salary cap issues or personality pressures — as with Randy Moss, whose trade from Minnesota to Oakland most likely will be made official in the next couple

of days.

This year, with the cap at \$85.5 million, \$5 million more than last season, the best potential free agents have been protected with franchise tags or re-signed, including offensive tackles Orlando Pace and Walter Jones; running backs Edgerrin James and Shaun Alexander; wide receiver Jerry Porter; cornerback Charles Woodson, and quarterbacks Matt Hasselbeck and Drew Brees.

A lot of lesser players also are off the market as teams try to remain as cohesive as possible.

"The most important thing for us is having a certain group of guys to build around," said Washington coach Joe Gibbs, who last year inherited an offense of ill-fitting parts, the product of futile spending for half a decade by owner Daniel Snyder. "We want to honor

those guys that played hard for us that we feel are Redskins."

Still, Washington is part of one of the early dramas of free agency: what to do with wide receiver Laveranues Coles, signed two years ago from the New York Jets and paid a \$13 million signing bonus. Coles, who had 90 receptions last season, wants to be traded because he believes Gibbs' offense emphasizes the run too much.

The Redskins had talks with the Jets about sending him back in return for Santana Moss, but that now seems unlikely. If they release him, it could cost them more than \$7 million in salary-cap space because of the prorated bonus.

The prototypical 2005 free agent may be Buffalo's Jonas Jennings, an offensive tackle who will probably be in demand simply because numerous teams need help at that

position and he's probably the best remaining available tackle. He'll command big money even though he's far below Jones and Pace — he's thought to be seeking a contract in the area of the \$36 million, seven-year deal signed by Indianapolis' tackle Ryan Diem.

"My feeling is that because there are more top players being franchised or being retained by their clubs, more money will be thrown at fewer players. It will be expensive," said New York Giants general manager Ernie Accorsi, who needs a tackle but is not sure he is willing to pay Jennings' asking price.

The marquee name on the market is Plaxico Burress, the Pittsburgh wide receiver.

But he also carries a "buyer beware" tag. He's been inconsistent, and the Steelers declined to protect him as a franchise player — similar to

three-time champion New England and NFC champ Philadelphia, the Steelers often are willing to let their own go if they aren't worth the price.

Another Steeler on the market will be linebacker Kendrell Bell, the defensive rookie of the year in 2001. Since then, he has spent more time in the trainer's room than on the field and on Tuesday, Pittsburgh re-signed Larry Foote, who replaced him last season.

The Patriots already have cut Law, the anchor of their secondary for a decade. That was for salary cap reasons — he was due \$12.5 million next season.

But New England also recognized that Law is 31 and that the Patriots won the Super Bowl last season without him — he missed the second half of the season with a broken foot. That injury is making some teams wary.

CLASSIFIEDS

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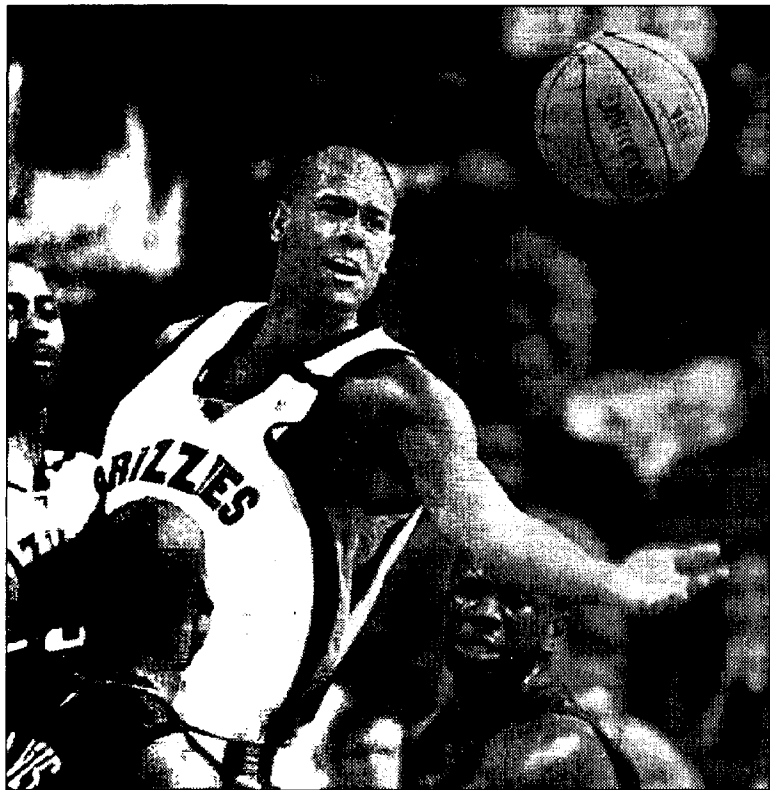
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It looks like a snow globe outside! wanna play tag?

NBA

Miller's free throws lead Grizzlies past Warriors 99-97



Grizzlies forward Shane Battier tries to hold onto a loose ball under the defense of Warriors guard Baron Davis.

Associated Press

MEMPHIS, Tenn. — The Memphis Grizzlies finally found their shooting touch.

Mike Miller stole a pass by Jason Richardson, then hit two free throws with 10.4 seconds left, and the Grizzlies held off the Golden State Warriors 99-97 Tuesday.

The Grizzlies won their second straight game by snapping out of a franchise-worst shooting slump that had seen them fail to shoot 40 percent in the past six games by hitting 49.3 percent (36-of-73). It was their best performance since shooting 50 percent on Feb. 8 against Minnesota.

"I think it was just a matter of knocking down open shots," Grizzlies forward Brian Cardinal said. "If you go back and look at the games we've struggled shooting, we've struggled because we weren't hitting the open shots."

Memphis coach Mike Fratello, now just one victory from becoming the 19th NBA coach with 600 career victories,

agreed. He pointed out the Grizzlies shot 9-of-20 from 3-point range after hitting a season-low three 3s in Saturday night's victory at San Antonio.

"We finally came alive from the 3-point line, which has been missing for a while," Fratello said.

Shane Battier scored a season-high 25 points and grabbed 10 rebounds, Cardinal added 20 and Miller finished with 19 for Memphis. The Grizzlies also took the season series from Golden State 3-1.

"This was a game we had to win," Battier said. "We've got to take care of the teams that are below us in the standings. It was a nice win on a day that was a little irregular."

This isn't the start the Warriors wanted for an eight-game road trip. Richardson finished with 29 points, Mickael Pietrus added 17, Mike Dunleavy 16 and Baron Davis 10.

Golden State coach Mike Montgomery said his Warriors must play aggressive each minute of the game.

"We need to get up on teams instead of being down 10 points. We need to be able to play ahead ... We just need to play harder," he said.

Memphis led by as many as 16 points in the third quarter but kept the Warriors in the game by tying their season high with 23 turnovers, which Golden State turned into 23 points. Richardson also scored 13 points in the fourth quarter as he tried to rally the Warriors.

The Grizzlies led 96-95 when Richardson tried to pass to Davis. Miller reached in and got the ball, forcing Davis to foul him. Davis added a layup before James Posey sealed the victory with a free throw, and Davis' 3 clanged off the rim at the end.

"I thought that I got off a good shot," Davis said. "I was on my left, and it just went in and out."

Memphis led 53-50 at the half. The Grizzlies took control in the third quarter with a 15-3 run started by Jason Williams' 3-pointer, and then Miller hit consecutive 3s. Battier's jumper with 6:54 left put Memphis up 68-56.

NHL

Players and board of governors hold separate meetings

Associated Press

NEW YORK — If there are cracks within the players' association, they weren't evident Tuesday when the rank and file met for the first time since the NHL season was canceled.

"The so-called splinter fac-

tion in the union that is going a different direction has been drummed up by a lot of media members and people hoping a deal gets done," St. Louis defenseman Chris Pronger said. "I can unequivocally say everyone is on board and understands the issues better."

The meeting lasted about three hours on Tuesday after beginning a night earlier with a dinner.

While more than 150 of the NHL's 700-plus players met in Toronto, the league's board of governors — representing all 30 teams — gathered in New York at the same hotel where

commissioner Gary Bettman imposed the lockout in September and wiped out the entire season two weeks ago.

Both meetings were expected to be informational, providing updates on what happened in the failed negotiations the past 5 1/2 months. Union leaders scheduled another meeting for Wednesday in Toronto with player agents.

The board of governors meeting was the first since the start of the lockout. Alternate governors, comprised of general managers and other executives, were also present in Manhattan.

Wayne Gretzky, the managing partner of the Phoenix Coyotes, was absent because he was with his ill mother in Brantford, Ontario.

Gretzky and Pittsburgh Penguins player-owner Mario Lemieux took part in the last bargaining session with the union on Feb. 19 — three days after the season was wiped out — is an effort to uncanceled the season. But they left disappointed that a deal wasn't in place.

The governors began discussions around 12:30 p.m. Tuesday and were expected to continue talking into the early evening.

Debate was expected to take place between hard-line owners who want a salary cap with a link between league revenues and player costs, and those who just want a reasonable deal in place that would allow for the NHL to get back on the ice next season.

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16	Oklahoma State
17	Southern California
18	Tennessee
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ITA Women's Tennis Poll

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Women's College Lacrosse Big East Standings

team	conf.	overall
NOTRE DAME	0-0	1-0
Syracuse	0-0	1-0
Boston College	0-0	0-0
Connecticut	0-0	0-0
Georgetown	0-0	0-0
Rutgers	0-0	0-1

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MLB



Tim Hudson throws a pitch during spring training in Kissimmee, Fla. Hudson signed a four-year, \$47 million contract extension with the Atlanta Braves Tuesday.

Hudson, Braves agree to extension

Associated Press

KISSIMMEE, Fla. — Tim Hudson probably would have gotten more money by becoming a free agent. He had other things on his mind, like playing close to home for the team he rooted for as a kid.

Hudson completed a \$47-million, four-year contract extension with the Atlanta Braves on Tuesday, giving up the chance to go through free agency at the end of the season.

"I knew all along this was the place I wanted to be," said Hudson, a former 20-game winner. "It was just a matter of getting together with a fair-enough contract."

Hudson will make \$6.75 million this year. His new deal calls for a \$10 million signing bonus, payable when the contract is approved by the com-

missioner's office, and salaries of \$4 million in 2006, \$6 million in 2007 and \$13 million each in 2008 and 2009.

Hudson's extension contains a \$12 million mutual option for 2010 with a \$1 million buyout. If the option is exercised, the deal would be worth \$58 million over five years.

"We look forward to Tim being the cornerstone for us going into a new era of excellent Braves pitching," general manager John Schuerholz said.

Hudson was traded from Oakland to Atlanta in December. Hudson went 12-6 with a 3.53 ERA in 27 starts, but spent a month on the disabled list with an injury to his left side.

He figures he would have commanded at least \$15 million a year as a free agent, but was willing to settle for less to play for the Braves.

The 29-year-old right-hander was a

Braves fan growing up near Columbus, Ga. He attended Auburn University and is planning to build a home in that Alabama town, about a two-hour drive from Atlanta and already home to his parents.

With two young daughters and another child on the way — Hudson's wife is due in April — the pitcher was willing to sacrifice a few million dollars to get a deal done with the Braves.

"It's not like \$11.5 million (a year) is peanuts," he said. "Obviously, it's below market value for me. That's fine."

Once the two sides began serious negotiations, things went smoothly. The main points were agreed on several days ago, leaving plenty of time to finalize the deal before Hudson's self-imposed Tuesday deadline to reach an extension.

IN BRIEF

Redskins give Samuels team-record signing bonus

ASHBURN, Va. — This year's big signing for the Washington Redskins at the start of free agency is one of their own: tackle Chris Samuels, who received the largest signing bonus in team history.

Samuels and the team reached agreement Tuesday night for a multi-year deal that includes a signing bonus of \$15.75 million, according to an official in the league who spoke on condition of anonymity.

Further details were not immediately available, but the deal solves a pressing need just before the start of free agency at 12:01 a.m. Wednesday. Samuels' contract was scheduled to count a whopping \$9.5 million against the salary cap this year, constraining the team's ability to re-sign players and acquire new ones.

Samuels' bonus exceeds the club-

record \$15.5 million linebacker LaVar Arrington received in his nine-year, \$68 million contract signed in December 2003.

Jury investigates slush fund at Colorado

DENVER — The grand jury that investigated Colorado's football program said two female trainers alleged they were sexually assaulted by an assistant coach, and a slush fund was created with money from coach Gary Barnett's football camp, according to a report leaked to the media.

Money was kept in 16 or 17 cash boxes, each managed by a different person with little oversight, according to the grand jury's findings, which were obtained by KUSA-TV and shared with The Denver Post.

A source who has seen the grand jury report confirmed the accuracy of the news reports on Tuesday. The source spoke on condition of anonymity.

Hornets waive veteran Davis

NEW ORLEANS — The New Orleans Hornets waived Dale Davis on Tuesday, clearing the way for him to join a team — perhaps the Indiana Pacers — that is seeking a veteran forward for the playoffs.

The Detroit Pistons have also expressed interest in acquiring the 35-year-old forward, who has averaged 8.5 points and 8.2 rebounds during his 15-year career.

Davis came to the Hornets along with Speedy Claxton shortly before last week's trading deadline in a deal that sent point guard Baron Davis to Golden State.

But the Hornets never expected Dale Davis, whose contract expires after paying him \$10.1 million this season, to report to New Orleans.

Davis played for the Pacers for his first nine seasons before being traded in 2000 to the Portland Trailblazers for All-Star forward Jermaine O'Neal.

NBA

In search of title, Mourning signs with Miami

Associated Press

MIAMI — Alonzo Mourning once was larger than life, the Miami Heat's biggest star. Now, even he acknowledges those days are gone.

Yet Mourning also steadfastly believes he can still play at a championship-caliber level. And now, at last, he's back with Miami and ready to resume his past quest — delivering the Heat's first NBA title.

The seven-time All-Star center signed a contract Tuesday to rejoin Miami, the team with whom he spent eight previous seasons — a stint twice interrupted by kidney disease. He's expected to make about \$325,000 for the rest of the season, a prorated share of the \$1.1 million minimum veteran contract.

"It's definitely been a long time coming," the 35-year-old Mourning said after a two-hour practice and 30 minutes of extra shooting drills Tuesday.

"It just feels good, feels good to be back home, having everything finalized. I've been here for the past three months training, just waiting, being patient."

Mourning should be in uniform Thursday when Miami visits New Jersey. He averaged 10.4 points and 7.1 rebounds in 18 games for the Nets earlier this season.

To clear a roster spot, Miami waived forward Wesley Person, who played only 27 minutes since Dec. 4 and was displeased with his diminished role. Person may soon sign with the Denver Nuggets.

Teammates gave high marks after Mourning's first full workout.

"He's just going to make us a tougher team to beat," said center Shaquille O'Neal.

"When Shaq goes to the bench, we don't have that presence," added guard Dwyane Wade. "Plus, he's very strong. It's going to be great."

Miami (42-16) entered

Tuesday five games ahead of Detroit in the Eastern Conference, and 9 1/2 games up on Washington in the Southeast Division. Miami hasn't been shy about tweaking its roster — last week, another Heat alum, guard Steve Smith, was acquired from Charlotte.

Smith enhances Miami's perimeter rotation, but adding the 6-foot-10, 261-pound Mourning could create serious matchup problems for opponents — especially if he and O'Neal are on the court together.

"He's still a very good defender and shot blocker. ... Those are the two main areas I look for, his defense and his rebounding," Heat coach Stan Van Gundy said. "As far as minutes and that, or role, or who's going to come off the bench first in the long run, I don't have any idea."

Van Gundy said he won't immediately thrust Mourning into a key role in the rotation.



Alonzo Mourning speaks to the members of the media Tuesday after signing a \$325,000 contract with Miami.

"When we play on Thursday, we've been going to who have won games," he said.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Wright plays leading role in Texas A&M's resurgence

Associated Press

COLLEGE STATION, Texas — Hardly anyone thought Antoine Wright would stay at Texas A&M this long. Now the question is whether he'll stick around even a little longer.

After Wright scored 29 points in a big win over Texas Tech last week, a school-record

crowd of 13,136 serenaded him with chants of "One more year!" Wright had a wide smile as he waded through a mob of delirious fans on his way out of Reed Arena for what could be the last time.

With the same kind of poise he had shown earlier on the court, Wright coolly deflected questions about his plans fol-

lowing his junior year: another year at A&M or the NBA?

"I don't know," Wright said. "This season is not over. When the season is over, I'll think about that."

For the first time in more than a decade, the Aggies may have something to focus on in mid-March other than their off-season conditioning program.

A&M (18-7, 7-7 Big 12) still has a shot at an NCAA tournament berth, which would be its first since 1987.

Wright, of course, is a big reason that Aggies fans haven't already turned their attention toward spring football. Now he is finally delivering on the promise he showed as a prep star in Southern California and

as a precocious college freshman.

"I think he's an outstanding player, certainly one of the best in our league," said Oklahoma State coach Eddie Sutton, whose team hosts A&M on Wednesday. "He has the whole package. Someday he'll probably play in the NBA. I hope he doesn't leave (early)."

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NBA

Walker happy with his return

Forward looks to make impact against the Lakers Wednesday

Associated Press

WALTHAM, Mass. — Antoine Walker was back at the Boston Celtics' suburban workout facility, back in the familiar green, back on the practice parquet. The only visible difference was the No. 51 on the spare warmup jersey he grabbed, and the smile on his face.

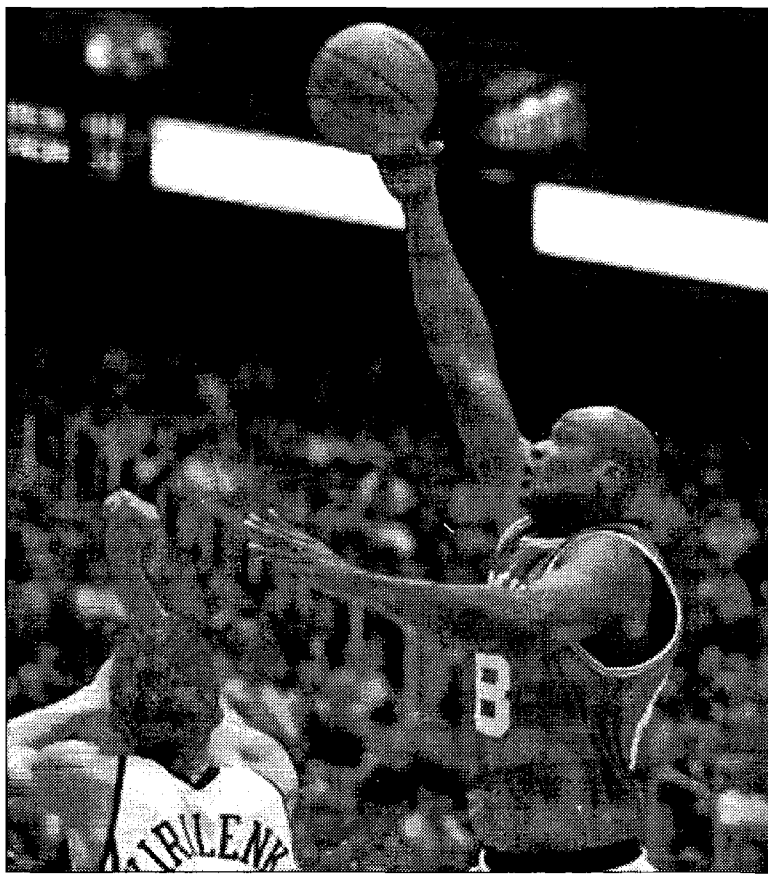
Chuckling up 3-pointers — relax, Celtics fans, it's only practice — Walker was happy to be back in Boston after his exile on the Dallas bench and NBA purgatory with the bottom-dwelling Atlanta Hawks. So happy that he's willing to put his problems with Celtics basketball boss Danny Ainge, whom he once called a snake, in the past.

"I give Danny a lot of credit for bringing me back. That takes a lot for anyone to do," Walker said Tuesday as he prepared for his first game back in Boston with the Celtics. "I said things I didn't really mean, and I'm sure he said things he probably didn't mean."

Walker called himself a more mature player than the one that left Boston 1 1/2 years ago when Ainge sent him to Dallas — as much to break his stranglehold in the locker room as on the court. The Mavericks sent him to Atlanta last summer, and the Hawks bailed out on him last week to get a future first-round draft pick.

"It lifted my spirits up to come back to a team that can win," Walker said as he looked toward Wednesday night's game against the Los Angeles Lakers. "It's going to be very exciting for me."

A No. 1 draft pick in 1996, Walker played seven years in Boston and became the face of the franchise. He made three all-star teams, carried the



Boston forward Antoine Walker, right, puts a shot over Utah forward Andrei Kirilenko on Feb. 25.

Celtics to the 2002 Eastern Conference finals and, with Paul Pierce, accounted for a bigger portion of the team's points than any duo in the league but Shaquille O'Neal and Kobe Bryant.

But soon after Ainge took over the Celtics' basketball operations, he determined that he wouldn't pay the maximum price Walker wanted in an extension. The concern that Walker wouldn't be happy after the snub apparently prompted Ainge to ship him to Dallas.

Walker lashed out.

That was then.

"I'm just happy to be back in the place where I started my career, and I've had success," he said.

But more has changed than stayed the same for the Celtics

since Walker's departure. Jim O'Brien is no longer the coach, and with him went the perpetual 3-point shooting that had Walker stationed at the perimeter instead of banging under the basket.

"Philosophies changed. We just haven't shot the 3 a whole lot," coach Doc Rivers said. "He's been fine with it."

Rivers, who was the coach of the Orlando Magic for part of that time, said Walker let opponents off the hook when he strayed from the basket.

"I thought he was easier to guard then than he is now," Rivers said. "All we knew was, we didn't want him in the box. If he made 3s and beat us, we felt, 'We'll live with that.' When he beat us down low, it killed us."

Agreement reached with Bryant accuser

Associated Press

DENVER — Experts believe a settlement between Kobe Bryant and the woman who has accused him of rape makes the most sense for both sides because it allows them to avoid a potentially embarrassing trial that would bring out intimate details of their lives.

ABC News Radio reported Tuesday that the NBA star and his 20-year-old accuser have reached an agreement in principle, with a settlement possible as early as this week.

Attorneys for Bryant did not return calls, and the woman's attorneys declined to comment on the report.

Earlier, the woman's attorneys had scheduled a seven-hour questioning session with Bryant on Friday, but it

was scratched, prompting speculation a settlement was close.

Denver attorney Bill Keating said a settlement always seemed the only logical end for the high-profile lawsuit.

Bryant and many observers "recognize this is a case likely to be very time-consuming, very expensive and a case that delves into intensely personal issues on both sides," Keating said.

"It's really the perfect case to be settled because there are lots of areas of compensation other than money that come along with getting the case settled: not having to be involved in this public issue any more," he said.

A settlement would offer Bryant "an end to litigation, an

end to courtrooms, an end to meetings with lawyers," Denver attorney Larry Pozner said. "And what you give back is money, and what Kobe Bryant has a lot of is money."

The woman filed her lawsuit in Denver federal court in August, three weeks before the criminal case against the Los Angeles Lakers star collapsed when she decided she could not participate in the trial.

Allegations in the lawsuit echoed those of the criminal case: The woman said Bryant flirted with her during a tour of the Vail-area resort where she worked in June 2003.

"There's going to be some real short-term pain attached..."

David Carter
sports marketing
consultant

After the two ended up in his room, they began to kiss and Bryant became more aggressive, holding her by the throat while he raped her from behind.

The lawsuit seeks unspecified damages for mental injuries, humiliation and public scorn.

Bryant, a married father of one, issued an apology to the woman but maintained the sex was consensual.

Bryant, 27, has to bring an end to the civil case if he hopes to regain a semblance of the rising-star image that brought him lucrative product endorsements before he was charged with sexual assault, said David Carter, a sports marketing consultant with the Los Angeles-based Sports Business Group.

"There's going to be some real short-term pain attached, but absent this, he'll never be able to move on to any kind of marketing career," Carter said.

Wallace leads Bobcats to a 94-87 win over Kings

Associated Press

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Gerald Wallace expected to be fired up to play against the Sacramento Kings. Instead, he felt an overwhelming letdown when the group that took the floor looked nothing like his former team.

Still, Wallace had one of his best all-around games of the season in leading the Charlotte Bobcats to a 94-87 victory over the Kings on Tuesday night.

He finished with 16 points, seven rebounds and five steals against the team that drafted him. He spent three seasons with the Kings before they left him unprotected in the expansion draft.

"A lot of the excitement was down because a lot of the guys I played with are gone or didn't play," Wallace said. "The feeling wasn't there that I thought would be there. It didn't feel the same. It didn't feel like the same team."

The Kings are still juggling a new lineup created after trading Chris Webber to Philadelphia for Corliss Williamson, Brian Skinner and

Kenny Thomas.

Plus, starters Brad Miller (calf contusion) and Peja Stojakovic (strained hamstring) were in street clothes, as was reserve Darius Songaila (strained foot).

"We got a win," Wallace said. "Whether its them or some other team, we came out with the win."

Wallace shot 7-of-12 from the floor — pretty good considering he sat out Charlotte's last game with a sprained wrist — and had a huge defensive rebound with the Bobcats leading 90-82 with 1:19 to play.

Sacramento's Mike Bibby missed a jumper and Wallace grabbed the rebound and pushed the ball up the court. Brevin Knight converted with a jumper that made it 92-82 with 58 seconds left.

Primož Brezec led the Bobcats with 19 points, Knight had 17 points and 10 assists and Emeka Okafor had 11 points and 13 rebounds. Melvin Ely came off the bench to score 11.

Bobcats coach Bernie Bickerstaff wasn't all that

pleased with the victory, pointing to Sacramento's 48-40 rebounding advantage and Charlotte's 18 turnovers.

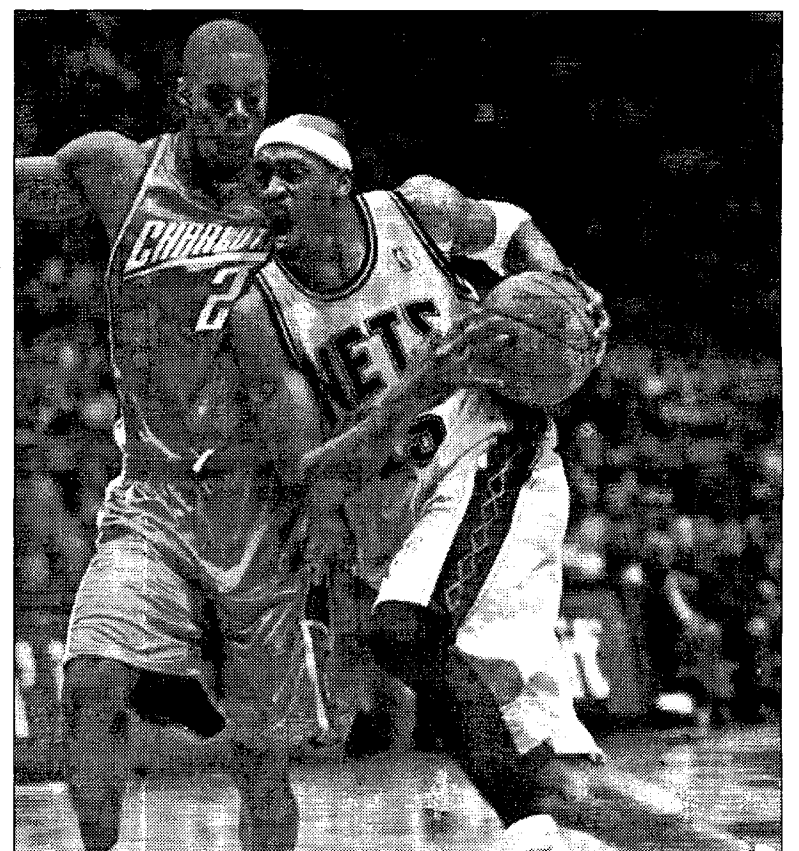
"We got a victory and we needed one," he said. "But you can't be satisfied with that unless you say 'On a bad night, we got it done.'"

Williamson, acquired last week in the trade for Chris Webber, led Sacramento with 18 points and all three players acquired from Philadelphia for Webber had decent games: Skinner had 15 points and 16 rebounds and Kenny Thomas had 13 points and 12 rebounds.

But Mobley (17 points) and Bibby (14) were off, combining to shoot 12-of-29 with 14 turnovers.

"The three guys who we got played hard, but our two guards really had a tough night," Kings coach Rick Adelman said. "You are not going to go very far, especially with guys out and being short-handed, if Cuttino and Mike have games like that."

All of Sacramento's problems helped Charlotte build a 55-45 lead at halftime.



The Bobcats' Melvin Ely, left, guards the Nets' Vince Carter as he drives to the basket on Feb. 25.

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stroke heading into the final round, had the same idea for itself.

The Seahawks shot an impressive 294 to catch the Irish, which carded a team score of 295.

The two teams then played a one-hole, ten-man playoff to determine the winner. Each team's five active players played the par-four No. 16 in fivesomes.

In the first group, Eddie Peckels gave the Irish a one-stroke lead when he drained a

25-foot birdie putt. Teammates Eric Deutsch and Mark Baldwin parred the hole, along with two Seahawks in that fivesome.

With three Wilmington players in the second group, Peckels, Baldwin and Deutsch had to watch and wait as Cole Isban and Tommy Balderston played with three Seahawks in the final group.

There, Wilmington put the pressure back on the Irish as two of three Seahawks landed their approaches within fifteen feet, but the other left his well short.

"Cole hit a nice drive and then his second shot to three or four feet...but it definitely wasn't over,"

Peckels said. "[Balderston] had a really tough up-and-down out of the bunker."

Peckels was right — it wasn't over.

But Balderston coolly landed his third shot within ten feet of the cup and proceeded to drain his par putt.

Then it was over.

Cole then tapped in his birdie, and the Irish won the playoff, 2-under to 1-over.

For Notre Dame, this marked the team's first win since capturing the Big East Championship last April at the Warren Golf Course.

Which is cause for optimism.

Peckels believes that winning the first tournament of the spring was impressive for the Irish.

"Especially coming out of the snow, we were probably the least prepared team."

Eddie Peckels
Irish golfer

tell just on one tournament, but ... we've got a lot of potential."

A testament to that potential, every Irish golfer participating on the first day had at least one round count towards

the total team score.

In addition, Isban's even-par 144 (73-71) effort led the Irish Monday and tied him for first individually after 36 holes.

His 77 on Tuesday removed him from contention for the individual title, but his play in the playoff helped seal the deal in the team's win.

He finished in a tie for fifth individually. Where Isban dropped off Tuesday, however, other Irish golfers picked up.

Balderston shot a one-under 71 in the final round and Baldwin carded an even-par 72. Peckels and Deutsch each shot respectable rounds of 76.

Baldwin's solid round propelled him from 20th to 12th, and Balderston's 71 earned him 19th individually.

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Batteast

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14-2 mark in Big East play.

Charel Allen had 14 points and nine rebounds for Notre Dame, while All-American Jacqueline Batteast struggled most of the night, finishing with 11 points on just 4-of-16 shooting.

"We just weren't ready to play," McGraw said. "I thought we played pretty well defensively but we needed somebody to step up and make shots in the post and none of our post were able to do that. It was really disappointing."

Post players Batteast, Courtney LaVere, Teresa Borton and Crystal Erwin combined to shoot an anemic 7-of-35 for the game, while guards Megan Duffy and Breona Gray were just as bad, going 1-of-7 and 2-of-9, respectively.

"[Seton Hall was] blocking our shots and they played

really well defensively," McGraw said. "We just had a hard time making shots. We have to stay tough. You're going to have nights when the balls not going in the basket and you've got to stay with it, you've got to keep working."

Allen was the difference for the Irish. She finished 3-of-6 from the field, but more importantly, drained all eight of her free throw attempts, including four down the stretch that sealed the victory.

"I thought Charel Allen was player of the game," McGraw said. "She was the one who really won the game for us."

"I was just trying to take what they were giving me and doing whatever I could," Allen said. "I'm glad we got this game out of our system."

Everyone has a game like this, so I'm glad this game came during the regular season and not during tournament time."

Ashley Bush paced the Pirates with 19 points and 11 rebounds, but no other Seton

Hall player scored more than six points. Seton Hall (14-13, 6-10) will face St. John's in the first round of the conference tournament on Saturday.

The Irish are off until Sunday at 6 p.m. when they face either West Virginia or Pittsburgh in the Big East quarterfinals in Hartford, Conn.

The Irish edged Connecticut for the second seed, despite the Huskies beating West Virginia 71-41 Tuesday.

NOTRE DAME 41, SETON HALL 35
at SOUTH ORANGE, N.J.

NOTRE DAME (25-4, 13-3)
Batteast 4-16 3-6 11, LaVere 3-9 1-2 7, Borton 0-6 1-2 1, Duffy 1-7 0-1 2, Gray 2-9 2-3 6, Gaines 0-2 0-0 0, Allen 3-6 8-8 14, Erwin 0-4 0-0 0.

SETON HALL (14-13, 6-10)
Blake 2-8 0-0 4, Korpivaara 2-8 0-0 4, Phillip 0-2 0-0 0, Shutz 0-5 0-0 0, Bush 9-19 1-2 19, Carroll 2-8 0-0 6, Sullivan 0-0 0-0 0, Harris 1-2 0-0 2, Costello 0-2 0-0 0, Ellis 0-2 0-1 0.

	1st	2nd	Total
NOTRE DAME	15	26	41
Seton Hall	17	18	35

3-Point Goals: Notre Dame 0-5 (Gray 0-1, Batteast 0-1, Duffy 0-3), Seton Hall 2-15 (Carroll 2-6, Korpivaara 0-1, Ellis 0-1, Bush 0-3, Shutz 0-4). **Fouled out:** Blake. **Rebounds:** Notre Dame 49 (Allen 9), Seton Hall 44 (Bush 11). **Assists:** Notre Dame 7 (Duffy 3), Seton Hall 11 (Carroll 4). **Total fouls:** Notre Dame 12, Seton Hall 16.

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DUSTIN MANNELLA/The Observer

Irish guard Chris Thomas dribbles up court against UCLA Sunday.

Rutgers

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sive end wasn't where it needs to be," Chris Quinn said. "These past couple of days we been more focused, and we're ready to get back on the court."

The Irish (16-9, 8-6 Big East) return to the court tonight hosting Rutgers (9-16, 2-12) at the Joyce Center. Home-court advantage has played a major role in this series, with the host team winning the past five games between these two teams.

The key for the Irish tonight will be reestablishing themselves on the defensive end.

Rutgers has the second-worst defense in the conference, allowing 69.4 points per game, so the Irish aren't concerned about being able to score points against the Scarlet Knights.

"Offensively we'll be all right," Quinn said. "Defensively, this year, it's something we've been able to rely on, holding teams in the 50s and 60s — and these past couple of games, it's not the team we've been all year."

Rutgers hasn't won a road game since Dec. 28 or a conference road game since Jan. 28, 2004 — a stretch of 11 Big East games.

This is the type of the game the Irish should win.

In making a run at the NCAA tournament, that's what the selection committee

is looking at — are those teams close to the field of 65 winning the games they're supposed to.

That's all the Irish need to be concerned about, especially since they control their own destiny.

"I think at this time of the season, a lot of players get caught up in RPI, standings and rankings, but it's just numbers," Chris Thomas said. "At the end of the day, if you put together your best resume and play each game like it's a tournament-type game, you'll be fine."

"That's something I've reiterated day in and day out."

For Notre Dame's resume, a win tonight gets them a winning record in the rugged Big East.

It also puts them in position to win 10 conference games for the fourth time in Mike Brey's five seasons in South Bend, which all but guarantees them a spot in the NCAA tournament.

But right now, all the Irish can do is not put too much pressure on themselves and take care of business against the Scarlet Knights.

"We can almost taste it. It's something we want so badly," Thomas said. "You can almost see it in our body language and our face. It's not so much that we're tight or we're nervous — just that we want it so badly, especially for me, because I want it so bad for the team."

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Bouts

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was able to pin him against the ropes a total of three times, landing a devastating series of rights and lefts to solidify his win.

Patrick "No Tomorrow" McMorrow, a senior from O'Neill, fought in the next bout with a sense of urgency and quickly disposed of Siegfried sophomore Nate Dyer.

Just 1:15 into the fight, McMorrow landed a punishing right hook that drew blood from Dyer.

After a 10-count, the referee stopped the contest, known as an RSC, and declared McMorrow the winner.

The third match of the 165-pound weight class pitted Damon Semmens against off-campus senior Chase "You around the ring" Heaton.

After a slow start, Heaton began pounding away at Semmens and eventually won by unanimous decision.

He knocked the law student to the canvas in the second and offered several strong jabs to the head in the third.

Following the Heaton-Semmens contests, Jeff "Million" Robinson and Chris "The Count of Monte Fisto" Million gave the fans a display of power jabs hooks.

Robinson got off to a good start, connecting on several combinations, but Million came back with a strong second round.

Million won by RSC 40 seconds into the third round with a tremendous left-handed coup de grace.

Headshots and combinations exemplified the fifth and final 165-pound match-up of the night. Jeff "The Spuz Stud" Schaal won a unanimous decision over Aaron "Glass Jaw" Ferenbach thanks to his powerful rights.

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Apparently, the trainers forgot to tell the first two sets of competitors in the 170-pound weight class about the prohibition of wrestling-style takedowns.

And, apparently, the judges seemed to be fine with that.

To begin the 170-pound contests, Alumni freshman Jon "The Sanitizer" Floyd battled against Tom "Loves the Nugget" Digan.

The match was full of fast-paced shots and returns, and it ended on exactly that note.

With just seconds remaining in the third, Digan accidentally face-planted Floyd after a bear hug ended a heavy exchange.

Digan was not punished, however, winning the bout in a split decision.

In the second match of the class, Brad "Ba Ba Black Sheep" Wanchulak became the second boxer to win after illegally taking down his opponent.

After dominating Adam "Alpha Fox" Frisch for two-plus rounds, Wanchulak appeared to lose his balance during a hug, in the process accomplishing a powerful full-body takedown Frisch.

When the match resumed, "Ba Ba Black Sheep" continued his dominance and won with a unanimous decision.

Matt "Touch Me and I'll Sue" Smith followed that performance with a takedown of his own.

He defeated Tripp "Dirty Jersey" Matteo in a RSC 1:15 into the match after a series of headshots disoriented Matteo.

Although that contest was quick, the next match took even less time to complete.

Andrew "Down Goes Frazier" Breslin knocked down and defeated Mike "The Irish Curse" Sullivan just 60 seconds after the starting bell rang.

Two freshmen then ended the streak of quick fights, battling in a long bout, stopped several times due to blood.

Fisher Hall's Ben O'Brien drew first blood at the end of the opening round, landing a right to the face of Chris "That Guy" Hippleheuser at the end of the period.

Hippleheuser returned the favor several times over in the second, drilling O'Brien in the nose so many times that the referee had to suspend the match three times in the round.

In the delayed third round, O'Brien found new life late, connecting with several right-left combinations and nearly knocking Hippleheuser to the floor.

However, Hippleheuser's dominance in the first two rounds earned him a unanimous win.

In the sixth 170-pound bout, Dan "Pound Town" Ward landed eight right-left combinations in the second and defeated Brian "Slacks" Murphy by RSC with a left to the face 52 seconds into the third.

The 170-pound matches ended with off-campus senior Craig Thompson beating law student Eric Silva by unanimous decision.

Silva landed several punches in the second, but Thompson's attack of speed and power overwhelmed him.

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BENGAL BOUTS

Upsets occur in 180-pound class

By KEN FOWLER AND CHRIS KHOREY
Sports Writers

Leading off the late session of Bengal Bouts preliminaries Tuesday night at the Joyce Center Fieldhouse, freshman Mike Reilly of Fisher took on Eric "The Red Menace" Retter, a sophomore from Stanford, in the 180-pound division. The Red Menace knocked Reilly down in the first round, but the freshman used an aggressive strategy in the second and third rounds to come back and win by split decision.

In the next bout, also in the 180-pound division, senior Dana Collins defeated graduate student Jason "The Amarilla Killa" Miller in a unanimous decision. Collins was bloodied twice — once in the first round and once in the second — but recovered and landed several shots to Miller's head, including one that drew a gasp from the crowd as the final bell sounded.

Next up in the division was Ed "Optimus Prime Rib" Hattrup and Doug "Six Months in the Hospital or Sudden Death" Bartels. Bartels attacked Hattrup early and often, dazing him and beating him into three standing eight counts by the middle of the second round. The referee stopped the fight 40 seconds into the second frame and declared Bartels the winner by technical knockout.

Michael Siefring and Stu "Beans" Stypula started their 180-pound division fight tentatively, dancing their way through an uneventful first round. Stypula finally took the initiative in the second round, backing Siefring into the ropes. In the third round, Beans forced his opponent back into a neutral corner, and, despite valiant counterpunching by Siefring, won by unanimous decision.

Kevin "No Name" Phipps



A match between Ed Hattrup and Doug Bartels resulted in Bartels winning by a technical knockout.

opened the heavyweight division by putting on a clinic against Chris "The Institute" Nanovic. Phipps looked like a title contender with his effective use of aggressive hooks and skillful jabs. The referee counted off a standing eight for Nanovic only 10 seconds into the fight and then again in the second round. The Institute made a valiant attempt at a comeback in the third round but a Phipps counterpunch knocked him down and earned No Name the win by unanimous decision.

In the last fight of the night, heavyweights Tony "Tiny Bubbles" Cunningham and Michael Milligan squared off. Cunningham landed several hard shots to Milligan's head early, using his superior size to great advantage.

Late in the first round, a hard Tiny Bubbles cross knocked Milligan through the ropes. In the second round, Milligan tried to use his quickness, but Cunningham landed several hard blows and knocked him down. In the third round, Milligan regained his confidence and briefly gained the upper hand, but it was too little too late as Cunningham recorded a win by unanimous decision.

After getting knocked down

less than 20 seconds into the match, Chase "The Gunner" Gund nearly pulled off an amazing comeback in the first 180-pound match-up of the night. Michael "Tepic Carl" Schmeid drew blood from the O'Neill sophomore early and dominated the early portions of the bouts. However, Gund turned the tide late in the second and dominated the third with powerful jabs. It was not enough, though, as Schmeid won in a split decision.

Nicholas "Goulet" Klein and Scott "Cheese Whiz" Kustes battled in the next fight, going back and forth in a very even bout. After starting slowly, Klein landed enough headshots in the second and third rounds to win a split decision and advance to the next round.

The third fight of the class pitted Robert "The A.L.T.ien" Lochridge against Jeff Gola.

The more powerful Gola dominated the match, connecting on many more combinations and jabs than the junior from Knott. Thanks to Gola's headshots and power, the judges gave him a unanimous win.

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Powlus

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operations.

UND.com says Powlus' duties will focus on managing Irish recruiting efforts.

A 1997 graduate of Notre Dame with a degree in marketing, Powlus most recently worked in the mortgage and home loan business.

He served as a wholesale account executive for First Horizon Home Loans as well as a loan consultant for Washington Mutual Home Loans/American Home

Mortgage.

A four-year starter for the Irish from 1994-1997, Powlus holds 20 Notre Dame career records including touchdowns (52), passing yards (7,602), pass attempts (969) and pass completions (558).

As the 1992 Parade national high school player of the year coming out of Berwick (Pa.) High School, Powlus was named the starting quarterback as a true freshman in 1993.

But a broken collarbone suffered in preseason drills sidelined him for the year.

Powlus started 46 games in a career highlighted by an Orange Bowl appearance and

9-2 record in 1996.

According to the UND.com, Klunder "will coordinate a variety of administrative and operational details with Weis, including assisting with team travel, day-to-day scheduling for the squad, budgets and special events such as coaches clinics."

Klunder worked as a graduate assistant coach with the Irish offense the past two seasons.

He is a 1995 graduate of Wartburg College with a degree in sports management.

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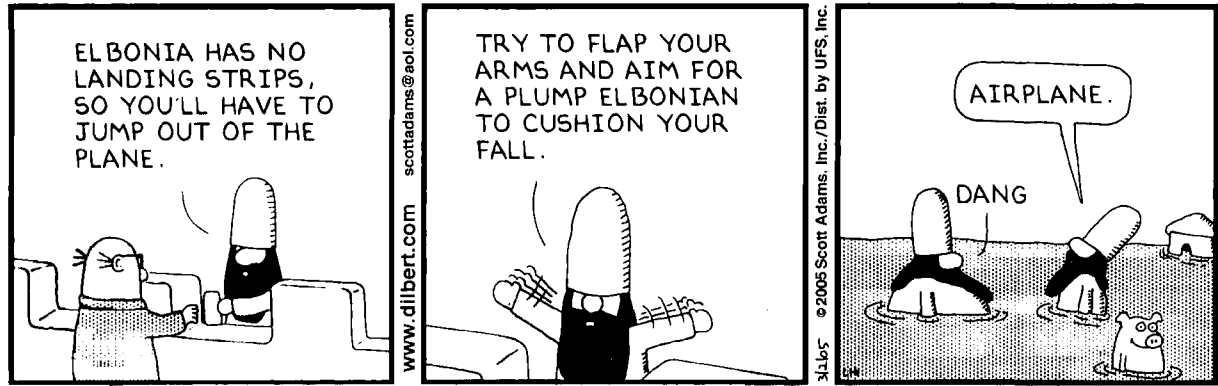
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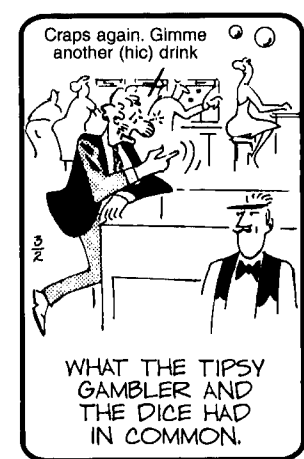
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THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME

by Henri Arnold and Mike Argirion



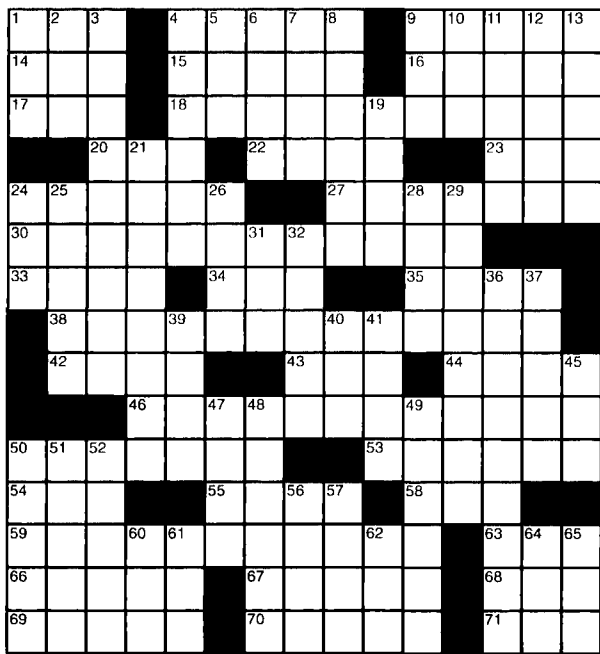
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- ACROSS**
- 1 Guy Fawkes Day mo.
 - 4 Flora and fauna
 - 9 In a lather?
 - 14 Big time
 - 15 Translator's obstacle
 - 16 "Alfie" actress, 2004
 - 17 Path to enlightenment
 - 18 Place to take off in lighter-than-air craft?
 - 20 Mid seventh-century year
 - 22 Caught, in a way
 - 23 50's monogram
 - 24 Like some wonders
 - 27 Like W. C. Fields's nose
 - 30 Community news source in Belgium?
 - 33 July 1944 battle site
 - 34 "Agnus ____"
 - 35 Name in plastic
 - 38 Animator?
 - 42 Early Chinese dynasty
 - 43 Ode title starter
 - 44 "Must've been something ____"
 - 46 Row of cavalry barracks?
 - 50 Street cleaner
 - 53 Pick up
 - 54 Omega symbolizes it
 - 55 "A.S.A.P.!"
 - 58 Just out
 - 59 Satirical blog item?
 - 63 Stanford-Binet figs.
 - 66 Cornhusker city
 - 67 Xbox user
 - 68 Whole bunch
 - 69 Formal turn-down
 - 70 "Them"
 - 71 Med. insurance group
- DOWN**
- 1 ____ Percé Indians
 - 2 It's extracted
 - 3 Martha's 1960's backup group
 - 4 Book lover's prefix
 - 5 Gilbert & Sullivan princess
 - 6 Some museum hangings
 - 7 Painted metalware
 - 8 Organism with pseudopods
 - 9 Railroad stop: Abbr.
 - 10 "Alley ____"
 - 11 Brazilian novelist Jorge
 - 12 Concealed
 - 13 "Holy cats!"
 - 19 "Movin' ____" ("The Jeffersons" theme)
 - 21 Salt, for one
 - 24 Cries of pain
 - 25 "Certainly"
 - 26 List heading
 - 28 Strauss of denim
 - 29 Nielsen of "Rocky IV"
 - 31 "The Matrix" role



Puzzle by Leonard Williams

- 32 Old Ford
- 36 Give some to
- 37 Web site?
- 39 Ballpark rollout
- 40 Syllable from Curly
- 41 Cape Town coin
- 45 Capable, slangily
- 47 Prefix with -drome
- 48 1990's rock genre
- 49 Halter?
- 50 Wise old head
- 51 Frisbee maker
- 52 Lazarus and Goldman
- 56 Ending with time or life
- 57 ____ office
- 60 Key letter
- 61 Toil in a trireme
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CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY: Jensen Ackles, 27; Nik Kershaw, 47; Ron Howard, 51; Harry Belafonte, 78

Happy Birthday: You have the drive, determination and talent to get ahead this year. Keeping up with all the opportunities you get will be the difficult part. Pick and choose wisely so that you don't spread yourself too thin. It will be important to do one really good job instead of several that are just mediocre. Your numbers are 8, 15, 22, 24, 35, 44

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Have strength and you will surpass all the negativity that has been thrown your way. Speak loudly and clearly on your own behalf. You have worked too hard to let anyone take away your ability to prosper. ***
TAURUS (April 20-May 20): You'll be in a rare state of mind today -- emotional, loving and probably looking for some attention. Participate in anything that brings you in contact with other people, and you will get what your heart desires. ****

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): An opportunity is likely to develop from an idea you have. Work and money should be your prime concern. Your unique yet trendy way of presenting whatever you do will result in a partnership, allowing you to further develop your talents. ***
CANCER (June 21-July 22): This is the perfect day for you to get things done. You will be able to obtain some very interesting knowledge from someone you encounter along the way. A short trip will result in an unusual turn of events. *****

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): You may make a poor choice based on false information today if you jump into an investment that sounds good on the surface. You may end up being the scapegoat for someone who is in a tight spot. **

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): This is an action day. Everything you've been thinking about doing should be thrown into motion. Launching your ideas now will ensure success later. You can accomplish far more on your own than in a group, so get moving. *****

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Put laziness aside and concentrate on the possibilities. You can make professional changes that will result in more cash in your pocket. Don't settle for less than what you want. ***

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You will find yourself in a position to do something great. Stand up for your beliefs, and you will be recognized as a person who doesn't back down and is true to his or her word. Your valor will lead to good opportunities and a solid future. ***

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You will have to use X-ray vision if you want to stay on top of what everyone around you is doing. Underhandedness is evident, so protect yourself and your interests. ***

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Everything you have been hoping to achieve is in reach. The help you need is available if you ask. Personal or professional partnerships will develop if you open up the chat lines. *****

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Not everyone will understand what you are trying to accomplish. Don't worry so much about others; instead, focus on what will get you moving in a new and positive direction. **

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Today is all about you, the ones you love and the ideas you want to develop for a brighter future. Nothing is out of reach -- you just have to have the courage to do what you know in your heart is right. *****

Birthday Baby: You are extremely intuitive, intelligent and inspirational. You can make a difference to the people you meet throughout your life. You have so much to give and, because of that, you will receive in return.

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ND BASKETBALL

Men have two Big East tests remaining

By MATT LOZAR
Sports Writer

It wasn't the two losses that sent a message to the Irish — losses happen against quality opponents. It's the way those two games were lost.

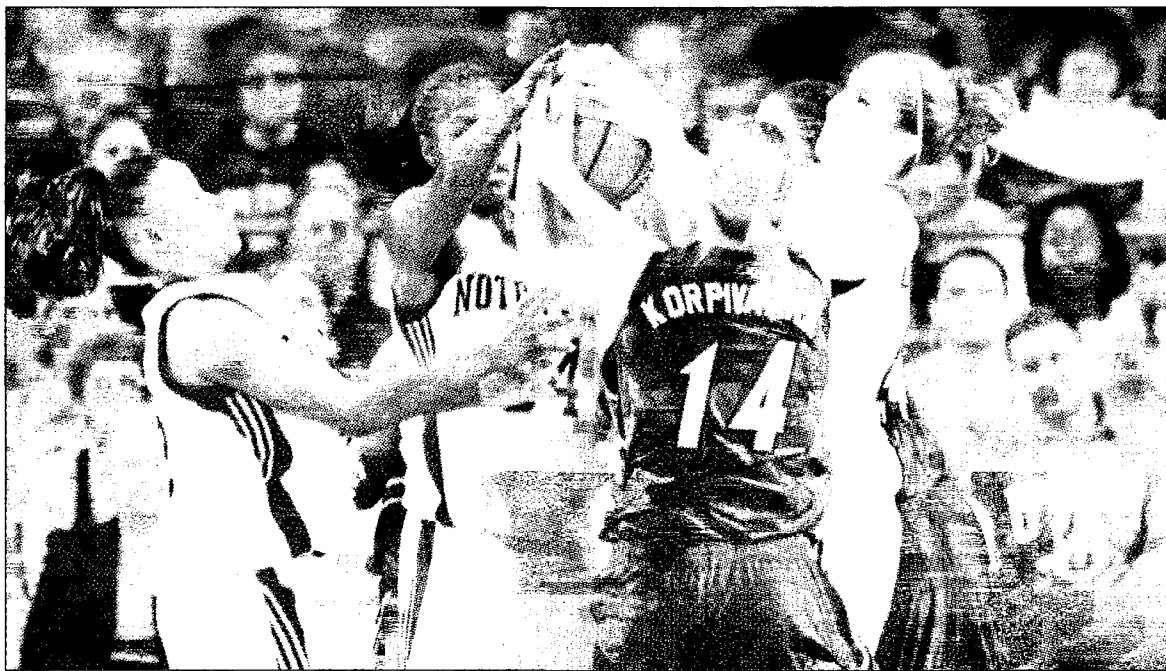
After preaching and practicing defense all season, it failed the Irish in double-digit losses at Connecticut and at home against UCLA. The Huskies dropped a season-high 88 points on the Irish while the Bruins opened up a 20-point second half lead.

Now for the past two days at practice, it's been about getting back to what got the Irish to eight wins in the Big East with two conference games remaining.

"We're focused a little more coming off two losses. Our attention to the defen-

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Women beat Pirates, 41-35



Irish players Breona Gray, Crystal Erwin and Courtney LaVerre battle for a loose ball with Seton Hall's Heta Korpivaara in the first half of Notre Dame's 54-33 win on Jan. 2.

By JOE HETTLER
Sports Writer

After an impressive win against West Virginia Saturday, Irish coach Muffet McGraw wanted her team to keep its momentum heading into the final regular season

game against Seton Hall Tuesday night.

Scoring 41 points wasn't what McGraw had in mind.

Despite shooting a dismal 22 percent from the field and tying its lowest road game point total in school history, Notre Dame snuck past Seton Hall 41-35 Tuesday evening.

The Irish (25-4, 13-3) clinched the No. 2 seed in next weekend's Big East Tournament with the victory. Rutgers defeated Villanova 51-39 Tuesday to secure the conference title and top seed with a 23-5 overall record and

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GOLF

Irish earn first win of season

Team claims the Tulane Invitational championship

By KEN FOWLER
Sports Writer

The Jim Kubinski era at Notre Dame just started on the right foot.

It took a couple more swings than the Irish may have wanted, but the Irish traveled down to the Bayou for the Nokia Sugar Bowl Tulane Invitational at the English Turn Golf and Country Club and came back to campus with the team's first victory of the 2004-2005 season.

After taking the lead through Monday's two rounds, the Irish went out Tuesday determined to win.

However, the University of North Carolina at Wilmington, down just a

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FOOTBALL

Powlus returns to program

Former Irish QB becomes director for personnel development

By MIKE GILLOON
Sports Writer

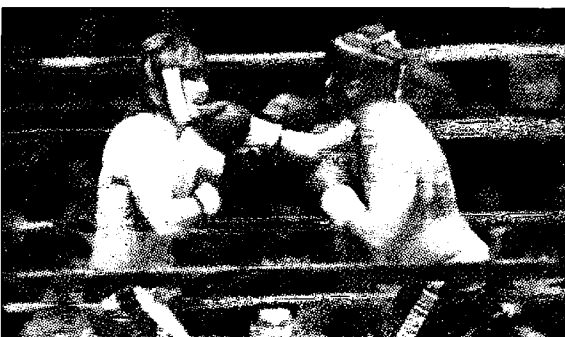
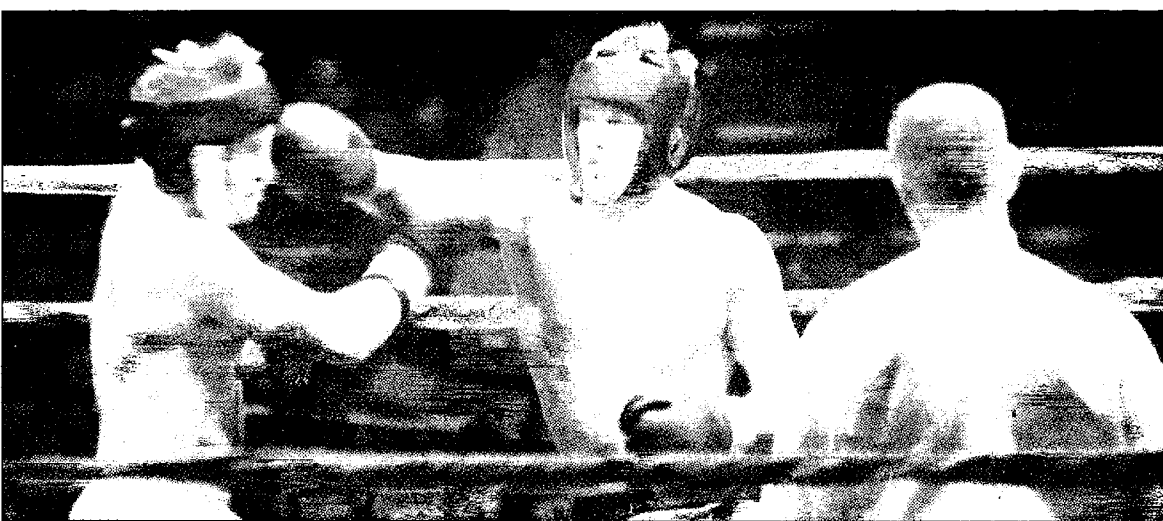
Eight years after leaving Notre Dame, Ron Powlus is back.

The former Irish quarterback was hired Tuesday as the director of personnel development for the football program, according to the University athletic Web site. Notre Dame also announced Tuesday that current graduate assistant football coach Chad Klunder has been hired as the director of football

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BENGAL BOUTS

Boxing continues in second night at the JACC



Above, Dana Collins takes a shot at Jason Miller. At left, Michael Siegring, left, battles Stu Stypula.

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DUSTIN MENNELLA

In 165 weight class, Thompson wins fight unanimously

By KEN FOWLER
Sports Writer

In the first match of the night, freshman Mike "Tyson" Thompson proved worthy of his name, beating senior Andrew

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"The Mizou Liger (bred for its skills in magic)" Hronick by unanimous decision. Although Hronick was much more mobile in the first and second rounds, Thomas took over the contest in the third. "Tyson"

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SPORTS AT A GLANCE

NBA

Boston forward Antoine Walker returns to the team more mature after leaving a year and a half ago.

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NBA

Lakers' Kobe Bryant and accuser reach agreement. Both decide to avoid trial.

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NBA

Bobcats 94 Kings 87

Gerald Wallace finished with 16 points, seven rebounds and five steals for Memphis.

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NBA

Grizzlies 99 Warriors 97

Memphis win their second straight game after defeating Golden State.

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PGA

The Ford Championship at Doral begins Thursday with one of the strongest fields on the PGA tour this year.

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NFL

Few stars remain as free agents while those who have been released by their employers become more in demand.

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