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Post-graduate service shapes lives

Facing long-term choices and an uncertain economy, students opt to give back first

By MARY KATE MALONE and
JARRETT LANTZ
News Writers

When Matt Kloser graduated from Notre Dame in the spring of 2002, he was about to embark on a service mission to the depths of Birmingham, Ala. as a teacher for the Alliance for Catholic Education Program.

To onlookers, it may have

seemed strange that a bright pre-med student, already accepted into medical school, would delay further education to devote two years of his young life to service.

But to Kloser, it was a calling he could not ignore.

"Medicine is a wonderful thing, but it provides patches and band-aids for diseases and afflictions," Kloser said. "I learned that education gets at

the root of things because those who can become well educated can thrive."

The program changed the course of Kloser's career. Currently an assistant director in the ACE office at Notre Dame, Kloser works with ACE schools all over the country coordinating retreats and workshops for future mentors.

For the past decade, approximately 10 percent of Notre

Dame and Saint Mary's seniors have applied to several service programs each year, including the Alliance for Catholic Education, the Jesuit Volunteer Corps, Teach for America, and the Peace Corp, among many others. Each of these programs allows graduates to take an active role in community service for a number of years.

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Faulty site prevents senior sign-ups

By MADDIE HANNA
Associate News Editor

Seniors who went to the senior class Web site to sign up for Senior Week activities at 9 a.m. Tuesday were promptly met with frustration when they could not login or register for listed events, including a Chicago Cubs game, Cedar Point trip and formal dance.

Senior class president Darrell Scott said he began receiving phone calls from friends around 9:15 a.m. indicating they were unable to purchase tickets.

"I called to the office immediately and organized a conference call with other members of Senior Class Council," Scott said. "After discovering that the system crash was more than likely the result of the University server unable to handle the high demand all at once, we decided to send out an e-mail with a sincere apology to the class for the time-waster and explained that we will have to postpone the ticketing until ND Marketplace resolves the server situation."

As of Tuesday afternoon, Office of Information Technology (OIT) employees said they were investigating what exactly caused the server problem.

Scott said several approaches were being considered to remedy the situation.

"We have three different contingency plans now that are being vetted by OIT and the Senior Class Council for their feasibility," Scott said.

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Saint Mary's cyber cafe opens for business

Fair Trade Coffee sold at students' request

By LAURA BAUMGARTNER
News Writer

The cyber café located in the new Saint Mary's Student Center opened Friday, attracting the appetites of many on campus. Formerly, the café on campus was housed in the Haggar College Center, but that space will now be converted to offices.

The new café offers students, faculty and visitors more options for dining on campus, as well as supporting Grounds for Change by serving Fair Trade Coffee.

The café menu includes enough variety to satisfy any taste buds, offering pizzas, burgers, sandwiches, melts, salads, desserts, daily specials and many other foods. There are also a variety of bottled beverages, specialty coffee drinks, smoothies and fountain drinks available, all of which can be paid for with students' "munch money."

"The inside of the new café is gorgeous," said sophomore Liz Johnson. "I think it will be useful for a lot of things like studying, eating or socializing."

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Above, employees take orders. At right, students study in the new cafe.

PHOTOS BY
KATIE GREEN



Residence Life, students prepare for fall room selections

Modifications in process include updated computer system, eased restrictions on switching dorms mid-year

By JEN ROWLING
News Writer

As Notre Dame students choose their rooms for the fall of 2005 this week, they will face a room selection system that has recently sustained changes.

One major difference deals with dorm transfers. In the past, students were only permitted to switch dorms before the fall semester if a resident of that particular dorm

requested the individual be moved into their room. Now, in order to make the process more consistent and to give students a stronger voice in their living situation, the Office of Residence Life and Housing will allow students to transfer dorms any semester on their own accord.

Director of Residence Life and Housing Jeffrey Shoup said many students were unaware that they could transfer dorms between semesters without another

student specifically requesting it.

"It gave people more flexibility to make their own decisions," Shoup said.

This year, there have been 128 hall transfer requests, Shoup said. He predicts that all of the students will be placed in their desired dorms. Residence Life and Housing will have to regulate the number of students moving into any one hall, because the University will not allow an exceeding percentage of

upperclassmen in any particular dorm, Shoup said.

He added he does not think students seek a favorite dorm.

"Some students want the experience of a living in an older dorm," Shoup said. "Others want the newer amenities."

Another change to the room selection process was a new online acceptance and denial system for on-campus housing.

Shoup said he has found the new online housing contract to

be more efficient. In the past, many students waited until the last minute to turn in their contracts. A number of students returned the online contract the same day they received it, Shoup said.

"It gave us a clear indication early on about housing for next year," Shoup said. "With the new online system, Residence Life and Housing can better predict dorm occupation level and recognize

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INSIDE COLUMN

Funny
faculty

In my three years as a college student, I have come to the conclusion the professor is just as important to the quality of the course as the subject matter itself. And, I am willing to argue, the weirder the professor, the more interesting the class.

Megan O'Neil
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Quirky professors are those who always have that strange yet fascinating tid bit of information to offer their students. They tell funny stories about their graduate school years. They get teary-eyed when they read poems by Pablo Neruda out loud. They stomp their feet and clap their hands to emphasize a point.

This breed of professor rides a bicycle or walks to work when the weather allows. He (or she) may not own a television and may not eat meat.

They are always pushing their students to extend their learning beyond the classroom by recommending wacky documentaries or alternative magazine articles.

You can often identify a quirky professor by his appearance. A bow tie, a wrinkled shirt, enormous glasses, bushy eyebrows, a tweed coat and torn nylons are tell-tale signs. Add to this white chalk dust and a messy stack of papers the size of Mount Everest, and you have got yourself a positive identification.

In recent semesters I have begun to select my courses first on the basis of major requirements and then, with great success, on the eccentricity of the instructor.

Take the discovery of one of my favorite English professors as an example. Striding around campus, she looks as though she stepped right out of a volume of Chaucer. If you ask her to, she will promptly recite her favorite Canterbury Tale by heart, in middle English.

Her enthrallment with English literature is so profuse that her students cannot help but be drawn in.

On a class trip to a performance of "The Merry Wives of Windsor," she laughed so hard you would have thought she was at a screening of the latest Will Farrell movie. I ended up watching her bob up and down in her chair as much as I did the actors on stage which, I assure you, was equally entertaining.

This type of quirkiness in a professor can make attending class enjoyable. Even if Greco-Roman Religions isn't your idea of a great Tuesday morning, at least you are guaranteed a dorky qualm about libations. Granted, the joke itself probably isn't very funny. But the sincerity of the professor is.

A friend once told me my affection for weird faculty stems from the fact that I myself will probably be one someday.






My response?
If only I should be so lucky.

The views expressed in the Inside Column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.
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CORRECTIONS

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QUESTION OF THE DAY: WOULD YOU EVER DO A YEAR OF SERVICE AFTER GRADUATION?

					
Trey Patrick <i>sophomore Knott</i>	Katie Fulmer <i>sophomore Pangborn</i>	Eric Morin <i>sophomore Siegfried</i>	Nina Meyer <i>sophomore Welsh Family</i>	Colleen Larsan <i>sophomore Lyons</i>	Anna Kim <i>sophomore Howard</i>
"Yeah. I'll do Christmas in April every year."	"If it will pay off my student loans."	"If I graduate."	"Ma che dici? [What did you say?]"	"No?"	"Nope. I will be in London."



ERIC SALES/The Observer
An "assassin" watched for his "victim" as part of an Asian American Association event in which students stalk and "kill" each other using water guns.

OFFBEAT

Prom-goers file complaint on own limo driver
WINTER SPRINGS, Fla. — Ten friends took a limousine to assure themselves a safe ride to their high school prom — but they ended up busting their own limo driver.

Patrick Curley, a senior at Winter Springs High School, used his cell phone to call home Saturday and reported the driver had driven through stop signs, cut off other vehicles and veered onto the wrong side of the road.

Robert Curley told his son to tell the driver to pull over, and when she stopped, the students grabbed the keys out of the ignition.

"This is unbelievable," Robert Curley told Seminole County Sheriff's Office dispatchers when he reported the incident. "We rented the limo so you're obviously going to be safe."

Locals watch pigs compete in athletic challenges
SHANGHAI, China — These pigs run, jump, and swim — almost anything but fly. Thousands of Shanghai residents have turned out to a city park to watch a herd of pigs compete in what organizers are calling the "Pig Olympics," the Shanghai Daily newspaper reported Tuesday.

They run over hurdles, jump through hoops, dive and swim in shows twice a day, it said.

The pigs, a midget species from Thailand, begin training soon after birth and can begin performing professionally from about 1 year of age, Yang Ying, a manager with promoters Bluesea Broadway Co. Ltd. was quoted as saying.

"These lovely pigs are of a special species that is good at sports by nature," Yang said.

Information compiled from the Associated Press.

IN BRIEF

Jack Welch, retired chairman of the board and chief executive officer of General Electric Co., will lead a question-and-answer session and sign copies of his new book "Winning" at a presentation today at 4:30 p.m. in the Jordan Auditorium of the Mendoza College of Business. The event is free and open to the public.

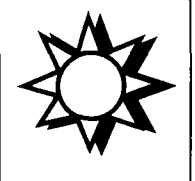

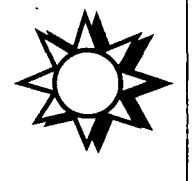
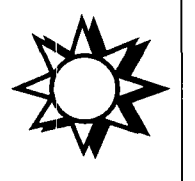
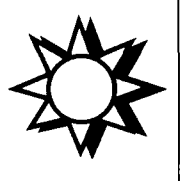
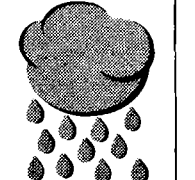
There will be a performance of the Tom Stoppard comedy "Arcadia" today at 7:30 p.m. in the Decio Mainstage Theatre of the DeBartolo Center for the Performing Arts. For tickets, call the DeBartolo box office at 631-2800.

The Keough Institute for Irish Studies will host the American Conference for Irish Studies from Wednesday to Sunday. The five-day meeting, entitled "Ireland Beyond Borders," will include lectures by Seamus Deane, Keough professor of Irish studies at Notre Dame, and numerous other Irish writers.

Author and scholar Adela Cortina will speak on the ethics of development and recognize the career achievements of Notre Dame economist Denis Goulet at 5 p.m. Thursday in the Hesburgh Center auditorium. Cortina will put forward a model of development ethics in a talk entitled "Development Ethics: A Road to Peace."

Author Collen Kinder will give a book signing of her book "Delaying the Real World: A Twentysomething's Guide to Seeking Adventure" Thursday. It will begin at 4 p.m. in the ND Room in La Fortune.

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

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LOCAL WEATHER						
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	Atlanta 75 / 56 Boston 45 / 34 Chicago 66 / 49 Denver 48 / 33 Houston 79 / 33 Los Angeles 74 / 54 Minneapolis 68 / 50 New York 55 / 37 Philadelphia 58 / 37 Phoenix 80 / 59 Seattle 50 / 39 St. Louis 72 / 58 Tampa 83 / 65 Washington 50 / 39					

ROTC members participate in Field Training Exercise

By NICOLE ZOOK
Assistant News Editor

While some students were hanging out in bars this past Saturday night and napping in the sun on the quad Sunday afternoon, Army ROTC cadets were training in the field and hardly sleeping at all.

This weekend, Army ROTC held their second Field Training Exercise (FTX) of the year at Fort Custer, Mich. The exercises are held once per semester in order to give cadets a chance at practical application of the knowledge they have gained in labs and classes throughout the year.

Fighting Irish Battalion Executive Officer Major Gary Masapollo said he feels an FTX provides a chance for students — especially inexperienced underclassmen — to practice the skills they are learning in Notre Dame's classrooms and to gain understanding that may not be easily grasped indoors.

"Mainly for us the purpose of the weekend is to culminate the training that we've done all year," he said. "It's great to be a Saint Mary's or Notre Dame student in ROTC. The problem is we only have lab on Wednesdays for two hours. For them, [the FTX] is the practical application of what we've done in lab all year long. Now it's a chance for them to go, 'Oh, now I get it, this is why we do that.'"

Cadet Battalion Commander Ryan Morton, a senior, said these weekends are an important tool for training future Army officers.

"I think overall being able to go

to a tactical environment like the field up in Fort Custer, Michigan, is important [to cadets]," he said. "They get the feel of a real combat field, and [being in the field] really brings about a whole new level of intensity and a new level of training to these cadets and I think overall it was a really good weekend and experience."

The weekend's events included land navigation in both day and nighttime, basic rifle marksmanship, patrolling, battle drills and leadership courses, Cadet Civil Affairs Officer Adrian Velez said. The cadets left Notre Dame and Saint Mary's at 4:30 a.m. Saturday and trained in separate units until around midnight.

Morton described the division as "split operations, where the MSIIIs, which are the juniors, were split up from the MSIs and MSIIIs, the freshmen and sophomores."

During the FTX, concentration was on the juniors, who Velez said "got a more focused perspective than the Is and IIs."

Masapollo said this focus was important to prepare the junior cadets for this summer, when each will participate in a 32-day long Leadership Development Advance Course at Fort Lewis.

"For the juniors, this was kind of like their last test drive, the last chance to do this one more time before they go out to camp," he said.

Masapollo described camp as "the culminating event" of the past three years for the MSIIIs, and said it is important for them to train beforehand in order to determine what they need to work on to succeed this summer.



Photo courtesy of Adrian Velez

Notre Dame and Saint Mary's ROTC members trained in land navigation exercises and battle drills at Fort Custer, Mich. last weekend. The FTX weekend is important for future Army officer training.

"Camp itself is a series of situational events as well as exercises that demonstrate their leadership qualities," he said. "They're put in scenarios where they are the group leader. [Evaluators are asking] 'Do they have what it takes to be a leader of men and women in the Army?' What we're looking for at the end of 32 days is an assessment of leadership qualities. If they don't have the leadership qualities to be a platoon leader, we don't want them to be an officer."

Morton said most juniors worry about this evaluation, but that the cadets who went to the field over the weekend will perform well at camp as a result of the FTX.

"How they do [at camp] has a really large influence on what they do in the military, so the

training this weekend really helped them," he said. "I think the most beneficial thing this weekend was giving all of the juniors confidence in their abilities ... The morale is really high in the battalion right now because the training went so well this weekend, and the juniors are going to go to camp this summer and do really well."

Junior cadet Shane Larson said he felt the weekend served its purpose.

"I think I did learn a lot this weekend. There was a lot to be gained for the juniors for assessing when you are for camp this summer, and it was also a great opportunity for the Is and IIs to fill some of the leadership roles that are normally occupied by the IIs," he said.

Masapollo said he felt the

training "went very well" and was pleased with the FTX overall.

"The big overarching thing — we trained all the major events and nobody died," he joked. "The major things we set out to do, which was the marksmanship, leadership reaction course ... those all went to standard."

Masapollo also said the cadets performed well and felt they benefited from the weekend immensely.

"It was a great learning curve," he said. "Some kids learned strengths they didn't know they had, and some learned weaknesses they didn't know they had. All of those will help them this summer."

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Saturday 4/16

fisher regatta 11am holy cross hill
howard duck hunt 5pm Coleman-Morse
knott on the knoll 4pm
sub movie oceans 12 4:30pm 7pm DeBartolo 101

Sunday 4/17

free laundry 11am-6pm laFortune laundry center
closing mass for father malloy 9pm joyce center
followed by celebration 10:30pm

Monday 4/18

panera delivery to classes
tye-dye t-shirt 11:30am east south quad
speaker ken jennings 7:30pm DeBartolo 101

Tuesday 4/19

panera delivery to classes
big wheel racing 11:00am north entrance dbrt
quarter dog eating contest 12am laFortune

Wednesday 4/20

big red chair & mini golf 2pm east south quad
punt pass & kick qualifying contest 2pm fieldhouse mall
late night grille 8pm north quad
drive-in movie billy madison 9pm north quad

Thursday 4/21

carnival 3pm south quad and west quad
comedian jim gaffigan 8pm legends
best of acoustiCafe 10pm legends
sub movie finding neverland 10pm DeBartolo 101

Friday 4/22

recess noon west quad trees
unveiling of "the shirt" noon hammes notre dame bookstore
battle of the bands 6pm legends
sub movie finding neverland 8pm and 10:30pm DeBartolo 101

Saturday 4/23

AnTostal concert 9pm legends
sub movie finding neverland 4:30pm and 7pm DeBartolo 101

Sunday 4/24

cubs trip (tickets sold out)

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Seniors

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"The final plan will be announced via email in the next two days, in which we will ensure that seniors are accommodated as much as possible."

This year's registration process differed from that of past years, Scott said, due to both the Senior Class Council's idea to innovate the system and changes made by the University.

"We decided back in February that a computer ticket sign up system would be the most efficient and fair way for the class to order tickets, compared to the old-fashioned way of waiting in a line for hours," Scott said. "Moreover, the University Business Operations Division created a new ND revenue-raising organization called ND Marketplace this past autumn and a rule that any student group that seeks to do e-commerce must use the ND-created professional service."

The system created frustration in that all seniors were given the same start time and it was likely that the system couldn't handle all students at once.

"I thought it was kind of strange that they just gave us all a starting time of 9:00," senior Stevie Didier said. "It seemed clearly obvious that the server would crash and they would have problems with that."

Many seniors spent a good deal of time trying to register for activities before giving up.

"I spent probably 30 minutes trying to do it," Didier said.

Seniors received an e-mail announcing that the system was not working properly.

"I didn't try to do it until later, so I had checked the e-mail first that said that it crashed," senior Kathy Koranda said. "They just said they'll let us know."

Word of system problems spread around the senior class quickly, causing some seniors to not even attempt to sign up for senior week activities.

"I didn't try to register because I heard that my friends were unable to," senior Marianne Magjuka said.

Despite the difficulties with the system, Scott remained optimistic.

"Nonetheless, a computer glitch certainly will not affect the excitement of my classmates and the scheduling of Senior Week," Scott said. "We will stay the course on the plan for the 2005 Senior Week events."

Kate Antonacci contributed to this report.

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Middle eastern women recount personal stories

Christian, Muslim, Jew decry violence

By JULIE BENDER
News Writer

"Three women, three faiths, one shared vision."

That was the name of the lecture that brought three women from Jerusalem and its surrounding areas to campus yesterday as part of the "Jerusalem Women Speak" tour established by the non-profit organization Partners For Peace.

The women — a Muslim Palestinian, a Jewish Israeli and a Christian Palestinian — each took a turn speaking in the Hesburgh Center Auditorium, sharing their opinions and personal stories about the Arab-Israeli conflict.

Though the women were of three different faiths and backgrounds, they all shared a similar outlook on the Arab-Israeli conflict, citing the Israeli occupation as the primary reason for unrest in the region. The women, along with Partners For Peace, support a two-state resolution to the Arab-Israeli conflict through non-violent means.

Aitemad Muhanna, a Muslim Palestinian from the Gaza Strip, was the first to speak, touching on the extreme poverty Palestinians in the Gaza Strip must face.

"There are 3.8 million Palestinians living poor and deprived," Muhanna said. "There is limited mobility due to checkpoints, children cannot go to school on a regular basis, and

child labor is a resulting problem now."

Muhanna shared personal stories about her mother, who suffered from kidney disease for three years before her death because Israelis deemed the sickness not serious. She also spoke about her husband who had been imprisoned and tortured while Muhanna raised and supported their children.

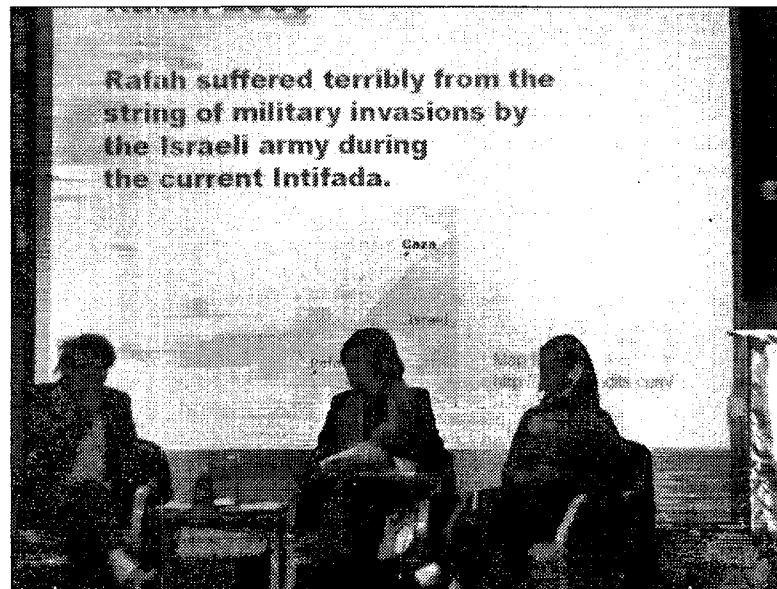
"Palestinian violence is a byproduct of Israeli occupation," said Muhanna, "We are looking for a peaceful resolution and wishing Americans would understand the reality of the conflict and support Palestinians' self-determination."

Nina Mayorek, a Jewish Israeli, spoke about her experiences as a peace activist with the women's human rights organization Checkpoint Watch, through which she monitors checkpoints in the West Bank.

"I am doing it because I care deeply for my country," Mayorek said. "[The Israeli occupation] inflicts poverty on Palestinians and at the same time is destroying Israel."

Mayorek, who grew up in the Soviet Union and Poland, moved to Israel in 1968 to escape anti-Semitism from the Polish government. Out of respect for her grandparents and other family members killed in the Holocaust, she adamantly supports human rights causes and is active in supporting an end to the Israeli occupation, which she says is harming basic rights for Palestinians.

Mayorek also condemned the Palestinian use of suicide attacks, which she said couldn't be justi-



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Presenters recount their beliefs on conflict in a lecture entitled "Three women, three faiths, one shared vision" Tuesday.

fied under any circumstances.

"Israel has a right to protect its citizens [from these attacks], but by going into the occupied lands, Israel is breeding terrorism, not stopping it," Mayorek said. "I believe supporting colonization hurts Israel as well as harming Palestinians."

The last speaker was Diana Kattan, a Christian Palestinian who currently lives in East Jerusalem. Kattan spoke about her family's experiences living in Bethlehem and Jerusalem and also discussed personal experiences at checkpoints which she described as being "one of the worst experiences in life — people die at checkpoints who can't get through to hospitals, women give birth there, you can wait for

five minutes or hours on end."

Kattan discussed the effects of the wall being built throughout the West Bank and parts of Jerusalem, separating Palestinians from their jobs and their families, and she talked about her time working with both Israeli and Palestinian school children.

"There is anger on both sides," she said, "The media also causes problems by dehumanizing the conflict and making generalizations. I hope that we can form two states that live in peace with Jerusalem as the capital. It should be a city for two nations and three religions."

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Press Release from the University of Notre Dame Department of Music: New Concentrations in the Department of Music

Date: April 7, 2005
Subject: Two New Concentrations in the Department of Music
Release date: Friday, April 8, 2005
Contact: AnneMarie Dawson, Outreach Specialist, Department of Music
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The Department of Music has reconfigured its undergraduate degree programs for those declaring the major in Music beginning in Fall 2005. Students will now be able to select a 33-credit concentration in Music History and Theory or a 36-credit concentration in Performance. (Students declaring the major prior to 2005-2006 will be subject to the requirements in effect at the time they declared.)

For those students interested in music history and theory, the department will offer a **33-credit concentration in Music History and Theory**, in which students will take classes with internationally recognized scholars. In music history classes, students will explore the development of musical forms, styles and genres from the medieval period through the twentieth century. In music theory courses, students will begin with the fundamentals of music and progress to harmonic and formal analysis of music from the Baroque period through the twentieth century.

For those interested in developing their musical skills to a professional level, the **36-credit concentration in Performance** provides the tools to do so. Building on work in the classroom, students have the opportunity to study with acclaimed performers in the areas of cello, organ, piano, violin, and voice, among others. They will also enhance their study in performance by participating in vocal and instrumental ensembles.

A **33-credit concentration in Music and Culture** is scheduled to be added in Fall 2006. Students will explore the diverse musical cultures of the world and ethnomusicology in an interdisciplinary sequence of courses.

Students in all three concentrations will establish a solid musical foundation through a curriculum of core courses in history and theory.

With the permission of the Department, advanced students who wish to pursue a more intensive course of study may enroll in the **Honors Program**, in which they will complete an additional six credits of requirements.

The Department of Music and the Department of Theology co-administer a **15-credit Interdisciplinary Minor in Liturgical Music Ministry**, with courses taught by faculty members.

Interdisciplinary Minor in Liturgical Music Ministry, with courses taught by faculty members.

For more information visit the Department of Music at Crowley Hall

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Iran prohibits death investigation

TEHRAN, Iran — Iran on Tuesday rejected a Canadian demand for an international forensic team to examine the body of an Iranian-Canadian photojournalist who died in Iranian custody, a decision likely to further sour relations between the two countries.

Canada is campaigning to determine the cause of death of Zahra Kazemi, who died in 2003, several days after being arrested for taking photos of a demonstration outside a Tehran prison.

A spokesman for the Canadian Foreign Affairs Ministry criticized Iran's decision, but said it was not surprising.

"It's consistent with the pattern of cover-up and lies," Sebastien Theberge said.

Stephan Hachemi, Kazemi's son, said he was not surprised.

"They are not ready to reveal the truth and assume responsibility for the murder," Hachemi said from Montreal.

China seeks more than Japanese bid

BEIJING — In the strongest stand so far against the Japanese bid for a permanent seat on the U.N. Security Council, China's premier told Japan on Tuesday to face up to its World War II aggression before aspiring to a bigger global role.

It was the strongest hint yet that China might exercise its veto as one of the council's five permanent members to block Japan.

"Only a country that respects history, takes responsibility for history and wins over the trust of peoples in Asia and the world at large can take greater responsibilities in the international community," Premier Wen Jiabao said during an official visit to India.

NATIONAL NEWS

Church abuse files kept private

LOS ANGELES — The California Supreme Court on Tuesday temporarily blocked the release of summaries of personnel files of 117 priests accused of molestation.

The move came just minutes before the documents were to become public on the Los Angeles Archdiocese Web site, publicly identifying for the first time some accused priests.

The files also had been expected to provide an unprecedented look at how the archdiocese handled suspected child molesters — when the church was told of alleged misconduct, who made the report and what action was taken.

The state Supreme Court intervened less than 15 minutes before the files were to be released by sending the case back to the appeals court that had cleared the way for the material to be made public, said Donald Steier, an attorney who represents 26 of the priests.

The court did not immediately give a reason for its decision.

Silicone implants ban remains

WASHINGTON — Thirteen years after most silicone-gel breast implants were banned, federal health advisers on Tuesday narrowly rejected a manufacturer's request to bring them back to the U.S. market, citing lingering questions about safety and durability.

Inamed Corp. had argued that today's silicone implants are less likely to break and leak than versions sold years ago.

LOCAL NEWS

IU student killed in hit-and-run

BLOOMINGTON, Ind. — Police officers were searching Tuesday for a driver who ran away from a crash outside an Indiana University sorority house that killed one of its members.

Ashley L. Crouse, a 21-year-old IU senior from Carmel, was killed in the crash that happened about 11:30 p.m. Monday when a station wagon hit the sport-utility vehicle in which she was a passenger, police said.

Crouse, who was not wearing a seat belt, died at Bloomington Hospital after being thrown about 5 feet from the vehicle.

IRAQ

Rumsfeld begins tour of Iraq

U.S. Secretary of Defense stresses importance of a nonpolitical Iraqi military

Associated Press

SALAHUDDIN — On a whirlwind tour of Iraq that included his first visit to the Kurdish region, Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld urged the emerging national government on Tuesday to avoid politicizing the Iraqi military.

At a news conference in a shaded courtyard surrounded by young pear trees, Rumsfeld was asked whether Iraqi officials he met earlier in Baghdad had given him assurances about continuity in the senior leadership of the Iraqi security forces.

"It's not so much a matter of continuity as a matter of competence, of capability," he said in an appearance with Massoud Barzani, who has joined political forces with his former Kurdish rival, Jalal Talabani. "It's a matter of not causing undue turbulence in the Iraqi security forces and not setting back the important progress that's been achieved."

Last week, Talabani was selected as president of the transitional government now being formed and will lead the country until constitutional elections scheduled for December. Some in the Bush administration fear the new interim government will force out political rivals who have been working with U.S. officials since Iraq regained sovereignty last June.

Rumsfeld said Washington hopes to see in the new government "highly competent people who are not going to politicize security forces" but will keep to the current strategy of maintaining a U.S. presence until Iraq's own forces are capable of defeating the insurgents.

President Bush, meanwhile, visited with soldiers at Fort Hood, Texas, and said the war in Iraq is "entering a new phase" as Iraqi security forces and government institutions become more capable and



Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld receives flowers from an Iraqi child as he is greeted by Kurdish leader Massoud Barzani, in Salahuddin, Iraq, Tuesday, April 12.

self-reliant.

"America and its coalition partners are increasingly playing more of a supporting role," Bush said. "Like free people everywhere, Iraqis want to be defended and led by their own countrymen. We will help them achieve that objective so Iraqis can secure their own nation. And then our troops will come home with the honor they have earned."

Bush likened the April 9, 2003, toppling of Saddam Hussein's statue in Baghdad to the fall of the Berlin Wall, calling it "one of the great moments in the history of liberty."

Afterward, the president met privately for nearly 3 1/2 hours with relatives of

33 soldiers who have died in Iraq. He asked each family if they are getting the help that they need from the military, and he directed aides to follow up on concerns about benefits and other issues that some expressed, White House press secretary Scott McClellan said.

As is his practice on trips to Iraq, Rumsfeld held what he calls a "town hall-style" meeting with a few hundred soldiers of the 3rd Infantry Division, the main U.S. force in Baghdad. He pinned Bronze Star medals and Purple Heart awards on several soldiers and participated in the re-enlistment of about 100 soldiers.

The best-remembered Rumsfeld encounter with troops was his question-and-answer session last December with National Guard soldiers in Kuwait, many of whom were preparing to head to Iraq. One soldier complained to Rumsfeld about inadequate armor for his unit's vehicles, and Rumsfeld's response was seen by many as dismissive of the armor problem.

In what appeared to be a counterpoint to that moment, one 3rd Infantry Division soldier at Tuesday's session came forward to give Rumsfeld an engraved souvenir: The armor vest plate the soldier was wearing when it stopped a sniper's bullet.

Unsealed records reveal terror plot

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — While the Sept. 11 hijackers were putting the final touches on their deadly plans for the World Trade Center and Pentagon, federal authorities say another group of terrorists was plotting attacks on other landmarks in New York and Washington.

Three British citizens with suspected al-Qaida ties were scouting the New York Stock Exchange, just blocks from the Twin Towers, five months before the 2001 attacks, a

federal indictment unsealed Tuesday alleges. Other financial institutions in New York and nearby Newark, N.J., also were under surveillance, as were two Washington buildings just across the Potomac River from the Pentagon.

It is unclear how advanced the years-long plot was, but its discovery last summer prompted the Homeland Security Department to raise the terror alert for the targeted buildings. Security in those cities also was tightened.

A four-count indictment returned

by a New York City grand jury alleges the men, already in British custody, visited and conducted surveillance of the buildings and surrounding neighborhoods between August 2000 and April 2001.

The plot was foiled when Pakistani investigators seized a computer with information from the surveillance. British authorities were alerted and arrested eight men, including the three suspects, on terrorism-related charges last August, Deputy Attorney General James B. Comey said.

Service

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Although acceptance rates for seniors vary greatly between each of these organizations, Notre Dame students tend to be extremely successful. For ACE, out of the approximately 130 Notre Dame students who applied, 87 were offered spaces after graduation. Teach for America has not yet accepted any seniors as interviews just ended, but the program expects similar results from last year.

"At the first application deadline [in October 2004] Notre Dame seniors had an acceptance rate of 53 percent, which was significantly higher than the nationwide acceptance rate of percent," said Brad Leon, recruitment director at Teach for America.

Students choose to do service for a variety of reasons, but all are driven by a need to help others, or they would not do it, said ACE director John Staud.

"We interview all our applicants. The most common motivation is a strong desire to serve. They really want to give of themselves," Staud said.

According to Liz Mackenzie at the Center for Social Concerns, that number has stayed consistent despite the improving economy and increasing number of jobs available to graduates.

"[Catholic Social Services] has done studies and found that those numbers don't change based on the economy. It's not as though people volunteer because they can't get a job," Mackenzie said.

Still, many students choosing to do service express uncertainty with where they want to go in life, implying that perhaps ACE and other programs like it are ways to delay making longer-term life-planning decisions.

Kristen Kramer, a 2002 history

and American studies major, chose to do ACE because she wanted to discern whether or not teaching was a viable career for her.

After two years, she was convinced. Kramer decided to stay for a third year at her school in Jacksonville, Fla. and is now looking for teaching positions in her hometown of Atlanta, Ga.

And Kramer is in the majority of her ACE peers. According to Staud, 70 percent of ACE graduates choose to stay in education and 60 of those are in doctoral programs.

"My sense is ACE opens the door to people professionally. If they go on to be lawyers, we don't view that as a mistake because they will have a better knowledge of public health,"

Staud said.

Kramer credits ACE with getting her to where she is today.

"It is highly unlikely I would be where I am if I hadn't done ACE," Kramer said. "I think I might have gotten into education eventually, but it would have taken me a lot longer to develop as a teacher."

Senior Katie Hesmond, who was recently accepted into the ACE program, said her post-service plans are yet to be determined and is hoping that her work in the Catholic school system will help her choose an occupation that suits her.

"I have no idea what I will do," Hesmond said. "Anything from medical school to international service."

Mackenzie says that as long as

students go into their service programs with the right attitude, the reasons for them choosing to do service are not important.

"There may be some people who do it because they can't find a job, others might not be sure what they want to do with an Arts and Letters degree, and they want to test the waters a bit," Mackenzie said. "It's a great opportunity to learn more about themselves and broaden their view of the world."

Senior Ryan Greenberg, who will be doing service with the Holy Cross Associates after graduation, said that doing so provides an opportunity to give back to the rest of the world.

"I think post-grad service is a great opportunity, not to put the 'real world' on hold like some

people think, but to learn what the real world actually is," Greenberg said.

Though locations, time commitment and reasons for doing service vary, one fact remains constant: giving back provides invaluable insight into what life is like outside the 'bubble,' Greenberg said.

"I think one of the common aspects is this: some people graduate with loans, but everyone graduates with debts," Greenberg said. "We receive many blessings as students at Notre Dame and we have an obligation to do good things when we leave."

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IN BRIEF

New pope to inherit debt

VATICAN CITY — The next pope will not only have to care for the souls of his 1.1 billion-member flock worldwide, but also the church's accounts, hit by the falling dollar, sex abuse settlements and a growing diplomatic mission.

Like the chief executive of a worldwide corporation, John Paul II demanded financial accountability and promised greater transparency after years of secrecy and even scandal.

But in the last years of his papacy the Holy See was back in the red. In presenting the latest accounting, the chief of the Holy See's economic affairs office cited Europe's sluggish economic recovery, poor investment climate and the rising strength of the euro against the dollar.

"Our financial statement could not help but reflect all of this," said Cardinal Sergio Sebastiani.

The College of Cardinals running the church until a new pope is elected said in their daily report Tuesday that Sebastiani briefed them on the 2004 statement and several details of the 2005 budget, but gave no details.

"The dollar has really hurt them," said the Rev. Thomas Reese, a Vatican expert. "We're not only talking about money coming from the United States. All the rich guys in the Third World also give in dollars."

Merger creates steel industry giant

ROTTERDAM, Netherlands — Shareholders in the United States and the Netherlands approved the final step in tycoon Lakshmi Mittal's bid to create one of the world's largest steel businesses, the company said Tuesday.

U.S.-based steelmaker International Steel Group Inc., which owns steel mills at East Chicago and Burns Harbor in Indiana, was acquired for stock and cash valuing it at about \$4.5 billion, Mittal Steel Company NV Chief Operating Officer Malay Mukherjee said.

Roeland Baan, chief executive of the company's European operations, said the deal "cemented Mittal's position across the four continents" of North America, Asia, Europe and Africa.

Nike discloses labor sources

Apparel manufacturer admits to finding 'abusive treatment' in foreign factories

Associated Press

BEAVERTON, Ore. — After years of criticism over its labor practices abroad, Nike Inc. has disclosed for the first time the names and locations of more than 700 factories that produce its sneakers, apparel and other products.

Industry experts said the disclosure, included as part of the company's corporate responsibility report, makes the sneaker giant the first major apparel manufacturer to voluntarily disclose its entire supply chain.

In the report released Wednesday, Nike also acknowledges that factories with which it contracts to produce goods have harassed workers and forced some to work overtime.

For years, activists have demanded that Nike and other major companies reveal where factories are located, so that independent observers could go and assess the labor conditions.

Corporations have been reluctant to do so, arguing that the plants are where the company's trade secrets are laid bare and that advanced products could be leaked to rivals.

In its 108-page corporate responsibility report, Nike discloses the names of 124 plants in China contracted to make its products, 73 in Thailand, 35 in South Korea, 34 in Vietnam — with others elsewhere in Asia, as well as in South America, Australia, Canada, Italy, Mexico, Turkey and the United States.

While the competitive risk still exists, Nike spokesman Lee Weinstein



Workers at a Nike factory on the outskirts of Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam, assemble shoes in October 2000. Nike is Vietnam's single largest private employer with 45,000 workers.

said, "that's something we're willing to take on if this disclosure will in fact move the industry forward in addressing some of these endemic issues."

The "endemic issues" are past allegations of sweatshop conditions.

Nike's report acknowledges that those issues still exist in some overseas operations.

According to the report, Nike audited 569 factories in 2003 and 2004 and found abuses it has previously identified. Monitors found cases of "abusive treatment" — either physical or verbal — in more than a quarter of its South Asian factories, and between 25 percent and 50 percent of the contract factories in the region

restrict access to toilets and drinking water during the work day.

The monitors found that in more than half the South Asian factories, and in over 25 percent of factories overall, the normal course of business led to work hours in excess of 60 hours per week. In more than one-tenth of all the plants surveyed,

ENGLAND

LexisNexis' information unsecure

Associated Press

LONDON — Up to 10 times as many people as originally thought may have had their profiles stolen from a LexisNexis database in the United States, publisher and data broker Reed Elsevier Group PLC said Tuesday.

The company reported last month that criminals may have accessed personal details of 32,000 people via a breach of LexisNexis' recently acquired Seisint unit. It now says that figure is closer to 310,000 people.

Reed said it had identified 59 incidents since January 2003 in which unauthorized persons, predominantly using IDs and passwords of legitimate Seisint customers, may have fraudulently acquired personal identifying information on those thousands of people.

Information accessed included names, addresses, Social Security

and driver license numbers, but not credit history, medical records or financial information, the company said.

Reed spokesman Patrick Kerr said the company uncovered the first batch of breaches during a review and integration of Seisint's systems shortly after it purchased the Boca Raton, Fla.-based unit for \$775 million in August.

"That's when this situation started becoming obvious," Kerr said.

Seisint, which provides data for Matrix, a crime and terrorism database project funded by the U.S. government that has raised concerns among civil liberties groups, stores millions of personal records including individuals' addresses and Social Security numbers. Customers include police and legal professionals and public and private sector organizations.

The company said the 59 identified incidents — 57 at Seisint and two in

other LexisNexis units — largely related to the misappropriation by third parties of IDs and passwords of legitimate customers and stressed that neither LexisNexis nor the Seisint technology infrastructure was breached by hackers.

Kerr said that only 2 percent of the 32,000 people it notified about the possible theft of their personal information in March have contacted LexisNexis to accept its offer of free credit reports and credit monitoring, and none has so far advised LexisNexis that they have experienced any form of identity theft.

"We are not being complacent, we know there's still work to do but this so far is encouraging," Kerr said.

He added that the company has since ensured that the system is "watertight" by improving login systems and security checks.

Reed said it has now concluded its own inquiry into the breaches, but

Cafe

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Not only does the café satisfy the needs of hunger, it also gives students and faculty a place to study, meet with groups, or hang out with friends.

"I was really surprised," said student-worker Jen McLean. "I thought it would have mostly been students in here, but there have been a lot of professors and adults from around campus."

The café has an ultra-modern contemporary interior and is wired for wireless Internet connection. There will be four computers installed that will be available for use by students within a week, Bowles said.

The café's tables advertise the College's choice to purchase and use Fair Trade Coffee for all coffee drinks. The decision to serve Fair Trade Coffee was made after numerous students asked that the switch be made from the traditional coffee.

"There was a large population on campus that requested it," said Barry Bowles, general manager of dining facilities at Saint Mary's. "The new café seemed to be the perfect opportunity to use Fair Trade Coffee to benefit the College, and the women and women's causes it benefits around the world."

According to a Grounds for

Change pamphlet available in the café, Fair Trade Coffee is coffee that has been certified by a fair trade certification organization verifying the workers who grow and harvest the beans are well paid and work in a democratically-run cooperative. Fair trade looks after not only the workers, but also ensures that the environment is protected.

According to Grounds for Change, "Fair Trade Coffee is especially important now, due to

the coffee crisis that is devastating coffee-producing communities around the world."

Saint Mary's selected the house blend of coffee Cafe Femenino that is farmed, sold and marketed solely by women. According to the pamphlet, the coffee is imported for an extra two cents

per pound above the set Fair Trade price, and this extra money goes directly to the women who are free to spend the money however they desire.

"I think it's a wonderful example of the caring community we are a part of at Saint Mary's," said former student body president Sarah Catherine White. "It's another great way to give back to the world and to show what we are about."

Since this coffee must be bought for a higher price, the price per cup of coffee on campus has been increased to accommodate. While many students support the change in price because

of the cause it benefits, others are upset with the increase.

"I understand the reasoning behind this change — our school felt the need to support the coffee workers — however, I am disappointed that they did not consult the student body before they made the change," said sophomore Felicia Lipari. "As for the few cent increase, the coffee was already expensive; I don't have the interest or money to pay three to four dollars for a cup of coffee, period."

Other changes that the café will bring to campus during the next year include adjustments to the "grab-and-go" boxed lunches offered to students who are not able to be on campus during the lunch hour. Students will now be able to exchange a meal for a larger variety of food and beverage options in the café, rather than choosing from a predetermined list.

Currently the café has limited hours. Starting April 18, the fixed hours for the remaining of the semester will be Monday through Friday from 6:30 a.m. to 8 p.m. and the café will remain closed on the weekends.

Starting in the fall, however, the café will be open with extended hours tentatively set for Monday through Thursday 6:30 a.m. to 10 p.m., Fridays from 6:30 a.m. until midnight, Saturdays from 10 a.m. until midnight and Sundays from 10 a.m. until 10 p.m. These hours may be adjusted throughout the year, pending feedback from students, Bowles said.

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Housing

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current trends."

Shoup said there have been

limited complaints with the modifications to room selections. However, one problem the Office of Residence Life and Housing faces yearly during this time is dealing with students who miss deadlines,

he said. The office also witnesses difficulties when students' plans to live with someone fall through.

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BANGLADESH

Rescuers search for survivors in collapse

Associated Press

SAVAR — Rescuers digging through the concrete debris of a collapsed sweater factory in Bangladesh heard survivors pleading for help Tuesday, but the cries were fading a day after the nine-story building toppled, killing at least 30 people and trapping 200.

Nine bodies were pulled from the rubble overnight, but rescuers were hopeful that more lives could be saved. Some trapped survivors could be heard calling for help and begging for water, witnesses said. Emergency workers said hopes of finding more survivors were fading.

The building near Savar, an industrial town 20 miles northwest of the capital Dhaka, collapsed after a boiler explosion early Monday.

On Tuesday, one survivor walked out of the rubble.

"He just crawled out of an open space all by himself, stood dazed for a bit and collapsed in front of us," said Anisul Islam, a rescue volunteer. "We were amazed. It was a real miracle."

The survivor, who was trapped on the ground floor, was later identified only as Polash, 25. He was recovering in a hospital.

Nurul Islam, a police official supervising the rescue work,

said about 200 people were feared trapped beneath the mangled sweater factory that collapsed Monday.

Anxious relatives joined soldiers, firefighters and volunteers in the search for those trapped. Islam, the police official, said at least 92 injured workers were taken to hospitals.

"What sin have we committed? Why would Allah take him?" said Sharmin Akhtar, 23, as she searched for her husband, Jahangir Alam.

One survivor, Helaluddin, said he was on the seventh floor along with about 90 workers when the building collapsed.

"I was overseeing the workers when there was a big bang and (the) building suddenly started shaking and going down," said Helaluddin, who uses one name. "I was buried under slabs of concrete before I could realize what had happened."

Abdus Salam, a 15-year-old working the overnight shift when the factory collapsed, had promised to buy candy for his mother and younger sister with his first-ever paycheck, his family said.

"I will never see the face of my son — he was my soul," Fatema Begum wailed as relatives lost hope for Salam's survival. "Who will bring sweets for me now?"

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Relative reports blackmail at trial

Stepfather of Jackson's accuser claims pop star offered tuition, house

Associated Press

SANTA MARIA, Calif. — The stepfather of Michael Jackson's accuser testified Tuesday that after the broadcast of a damaging TV documentary about Jackson, an associate of the pop star offered the family a college education and a house.

But the stepfather said when he sought money for the family, he was accused of blackmail.

The stepfather took the stand as the prosecution shifted from witnesses who alleged past improprieties by Jackson back to the current allegations that the singer molested a 13-year-old boy in February or March 2003, gave him alcohol and conspired to hold his family captive to get them to rebut the documentary.

In the Feb. 6, 2003, documentary, "Living With Michael Jackson," Jackson and the boy appeared on camera, and Jackson said he let children sleep in his bed but characterized it as innocent.

Part of the stepfather's testimony dealt with the period leading up to Feb. 19-20, 2003, when the boy, his brother, sister and mother made a rebuttal video in which they praised Jackson.

The stepfather testified he began asking Jackson associate Frank Tyson what monetary compensation there was for the family if they participated in the rebuttal video. Tyson has been named by prosecutors as an unindicted co-conspirator in Jackson's case.

"I said, 'What are you offering this family to do this?'" the stepfather said. He quoted Tyson as replying, "We're offering protection."

The stepfather continued, "I

said, 'Frank, the family doesn't need protection. Who are you protecting them from?'"

He said he never got an answer.

As the conversation continued, the witness said, Tyson "said he was going to offer a college education and a house." The stepfather said he told Tyson the family did not need a house or college, and asked, "What are you offering them monetarily?"

At that point, the witness said, Tyson replied, "Are you trying to blackmail us?"

The stepfather said he had no idea there was any information that could be used for blackmail. He also said he received "zero" money from Jackson.

The stepfather described a tumultuous time in February 2003 when the mother and children were whisked off to Florida, purportedly to hold a news conference with Jackson, returned and were taken to Neverland, then brought back to Los Angeles.

During that period, he said they gave an audio interview to a private investigator, filmed the rebuttal video and were interviewed by child welfare authorities.

Prosecutors allege the molestation occurred near the end of the family's purported captivity.

"And in the middle of all this turmoil, to your knowledge, molestation began on the 20th (of February)?" Jackson attorney Thomas Mesereau Jr. asked incredulously. The judge sustained an objection and the

question was not answered.

The stepfather described a series of calls by the mother from Neverland in which she sounded "distressed, disturbed."

"She said she was not able to see her children, that when she went off Neverland she had a chaperone," he said.

The stepfather said when the boy returned from Neverland for the last time his behavior was markedly changed.

"It appeared to me he'd been brainwashed by someone," the man blurted out, drawing a defense objection. Judge Rodney S. Melville

told the jury to disregard the remark.

Asked by the prosecution to describe the change in the boy, the stepfather said, "He'd

become mean. He was using curse words. He had never done that before."

He also said of the boy, "He was acting very cocky, kind of rude, actually. I don't think he wanted to see me. It was almost like, 'What are you doing here?'"

On cross-examination, Mesereau noted the accuser's previous disciplinary problems at school, and then played for jurors a Feb. 16, 2003, audio tape in which the accuser's mother lauds Jackson as being "like a father ... unselfish, kind, exhibiting unconditional love."

During the 20-minute tape, the stepfather rocked in his chair, occasionally rolled his eyes and shook his head.

"It appeared to me he'd been brainwashed by someone."

stepfather of Michael Jackson's accuser

House leader heads gasoline legislation

DeLay supports bill to protect MTBE makers

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Embattled House Majority Leader Tom DeLay is being challenged by Democrats on one of his top priorities — protecting makers of the gasoline additive MTBE from liability lawsuits, an issue that blocked energy legislation two years ago.

A draft Republican energy bill would protect MTBE makers, including several major oil and refinery companies in Texas, from lawsuits that contend the manufacturers knew the additive would contaminate drinking water, but pushed to have it widely used anyway.

DeLay, joined by Rep. Joe Barton, a fellow Texas Republican, has been the primary force behind the MTBE provision. It cleared the House two years ago, but prompted such an uproar in the Senate that it scuttled a massive energy bill that was nearing approval.

Democrats said they will try on Wednesday to strip the MTBE provision from a revised energy bill being worked on by Barton's Energy and Commerce Committee. Supporters of the measure said they are confident they can beat back the challenge.

Besides the product liability shield, the draft GOP bill calls for phasing out MTBE use by the end of 2014 and giving manufacturers \$1.75 billion in transition assistance. The legislation also calls for expanding an existing federal program that deals with leaking gasoline storage tanks and funneling more of

that money into MTBE cleanup. Democrats say those funds are inadequate to deal with a cleanup task that could eventually affect thousands of communities.

In 2003, Bush administration officials at one point tried to get the MTBE measure out of the energy bill, but were rebuffed by DeLay. House Republicans say they're as determined as ever to keep it in this year's legislation.

MTBE, or methyl tertiary-butyl ether, is an oxygenate widely used in gasoline to reduce air pollution. But it also has been found to contaminate drinking water supplies, sometimes leaving communities with expensive cleanup bills. Traces of MTBE have been found in water in almost every state, with levels high enough for potential cleanup problems in about half the states.

A number of lawsuits have been filed — and more are expected — that target the MTBE manufacturer and not just the fuel companies and gas stations that cause the MTBE to leak into groundwater. These lawsuits claim the MTBE makers knew the additive could cause pollution problems before it was widely used, and should have withdrawn it.

But DeLay has argued forcefully that the government essentially mandated MTBE use when it passed a 1990 law requiring gasoline to contain 2 percent oxygen, and that Congress should now help manufacturers transition away from making MTBE and protect them against product liability lawsuits.

Ex-convict and author accused of killing two

Associated Press

AUGUSTA, Ga. — An ex-convict who collaborated with two professors on a book about life behind bars and vowed never to go back to prison was captured Tuesday after being accused of two slayings in South Carolina.

Stephen Stanko, 37, was arrested in a shopping center parking lot in Augusta, a day after authorities launched a nationwide manhunt, police said. Authorities had been tipped that a truck they believed Stanko was driving had been seen in the lot.

Stanko, who had just eaten lunch, was unarmed and was taken into custody without incident, Horry County, S.C., Police spokesman Andy Christenson said. He was wearing a suit and tie.

"He did not look dangerous at all," said Marcie Crown, manager of the Atlanta Bread Co. restaurant where Stanko ate. "It's very freaky."

Stanko is suspected of killing Laura Ling, 43, a librarian who lived with him outside Myrtle Beach, S.C., and Henry Lee Turner, 74.

Ling's body was discovered Friday after a teenage girl in the home called authorities and said she had been raped by Stanko, police said. Turner was found shot to death in his home on

Saturday.

Stanko was charged with two counts of murder and one count of rape in South Carolina, and with a federal charge of unlawful flight to avoid prosecution, officials said. He was being held pending a federal court appearance, most likely Wednesday, U.S. Marshal Deputy Tim Stec said.

It was unclear when he would be returned to South Carolina.

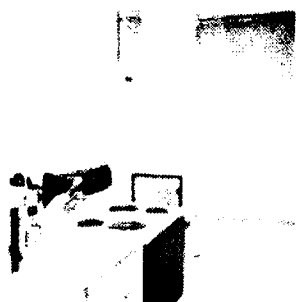
Stanko was released from prison nearly a year ago after serving most of a 10-year sentence for kidnapping. While in prison, he co-wrote a book titled "Living in Prison: A History of the Correctional System With an Insider's View" with the help of two criminology professors.

Stanko wrote about the hardships of prison life and the fear of being labeled "a convicted felon" after his release. "What I fear most now is that I may carry some of this total institution back into society with me," he wrote.

Authorities said Stanko met Ling and Turner at the library where the ex-convict said he was researching a book.

A week ago, Stanko was fired after working for a month as a salesman for Stucco Supply in Myrtle Beach. Jeff Kendall, general manager, said Stanko was unreliable and brought in few sales.

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Study linguistics or die

This week, as the rush to register ensues, you can choose from 17 languages. Yet, while you can dabble in any number of these exotic tongues, you are restricted from studying the very root of it all: language itself.

While anthropology might offer a novice linguistic anthropology survey course, Notre Dame, like almost all contemporary American universities, lacks a linguistics department. This absence is not only an academic void for all of us students, but it is symptomatic of a defective modern understanding of language.

It is redundant and stating the obvious to note that language is powerful, but it is the scope and nature of that power which has become cloudy in our times. As anyone who has seriously studied a foreign language knows, languages hold cultural, political, social, religious and traditional insights within their structures. Even further, the application of language holds tremendous power as selected syntax and diction have entrenched dictatorships, propelled social movements and instigated warfare. To study history, science or nearly any field without sensitivity for linguistics is to make a grave academic blunder.

Here in Uganda, study of the languages Luganda in the central Buganda region highlights a number of cultural realities. For example, there is no directional translation for "hello" in the Lugandan language. There really is not a one-word standard greeting. People always ask "oli otya?" (How are you?) or "ki kati?" (What's up?) or "ogambaki?" (What do you say?). This simple linguistic difference accentuates profound cultural differences. In Uganda, people do not run by each other and throw out a one or two-word greeting; people stop and actually talk to each other about their welfare and days.

Another example is that when greeting people, Ugandans always say "gyebale," which literally translates to

"thank you for the work you do." No matter the nature of the work done, people believe it is important to thank each other for their work. This significant part of customary Ugandan life is visible only with a linguistic lens to understand the quotidian greetings.

Such linguistic insights raise a myriad of queries about how languages are constructed, how they evolve and how we learn them. The literature on linguistic study is actually rich and bountiful, ranging from scientific theories on linguistic cognition to studies on the intricacies of political semantic manipulation. Unfortunately, such critical literature and study are generally homeless in the modern American university.

The result of such a failed awareness of linguistics is dangerous because language is constantly being manipulated and controlled all around us, deeply impacting the politico-economic systems in which we operate. The language utilized (very selectively and consciously) by the leaders of such systems is meant to shape the way we perceive debates, issues, problems and even the whole of the world.

Here in Uganda, the president Yoweri Museveni is a master of such careful semantic maneuvering. As the political system attempts to shift from a one-party state to one of multipartyism, Museveni refuses to admit that the Movement (the one party of the one-party state) is a party. He calls it an organization to give it an elevated status over the other political parties.

Further, Museveni constantly speaks of the weakness of the forming political parties, implying with his language that their victory will bring the country back to the dark chapters of its history under Milton Obote and Idi Amin. Museveni's linguistic prowess allows him to subtly pervade fear amongst the population, which will most likely ensure his continued hegemony. Similarly, our own president has exhibited his own linguistic aptitude and exploitation, especially last year during the electoral season.

It is not only an academic oversight

to miss the linguistic dimensions of each field, but it also quite dangerous. Without awareness and sensitization, we can easily be coerced and misguided by the linguistic scheming of individuals and groups. The way that the majority of the American population blindly accepted the Bush Administration's pre-Iraq war justification is a key example.

Yet along with guarding against such abuse, consciousness of linguistics is empowering and emboldening. Linguistic awareness and proficiency can help us to challenge systems of injustice, exploitation and violence.

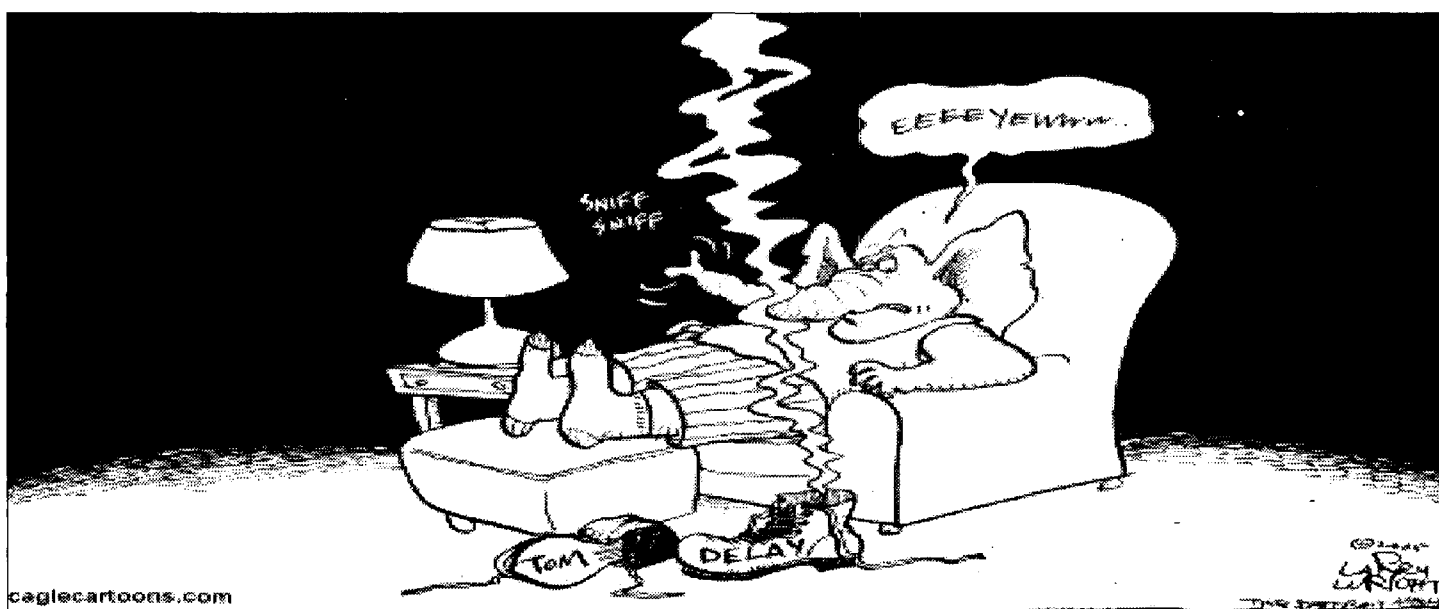
Writers with the power of pen (or computer keyboard in recent decades) can change the hearts and minds of millions simply with the right assortment of words. Speechwriters and performers can dazzle the emotions of masses with their phrases and appeals. Movements, selecting the right language, can challenge even the mightiest structures of oppression. Most of all, recipients of such writings, media and speeches can become more informed, critical individuals.

Notre Dame may not get a linguistics department any time soon, but that does not mean professors and students alike cannot work to enhance our attentiveness to the evident linguistic dynamics at work all around us. Study of language will empower us to build a healthier, more participatory democracy in our own country and throughout the world. With the conglomeration of power by the political and economic elite throughout the globe, the demand for such informed citizenry could not be greater.

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"It's a strange world of language in which skating on thin ice can get you into hot water."

Franklin P. Jones
author

The Good Shepherd

This Sunday's Gospel tells us the story of the good shepherd. Indeed, the fourth Sunday of Easter is often called "Good Shepherd Sunday," as every year on this Sunday we read from the tenth chapter of John's gospel, known as Jesus' "Good Shepherd Discourse." And thank goodness for that! We can always use a good shepherd in our lives.

Kate Barrett

FaithPoint

The sheep, in John's gospel, recognize the voice of the shepherd, and even though they may mingle on the same hillside or at the same water hole with others who belong to different masters, they need only to hear the voice of their own shepherd and they will follow only him.

A few weeks ago, at the Easter Vigil Mass in the Basilica, twelve people from our community publicly chose Jesus as their Good Shepherd. They had heard his voice calling and knew that it was time to follow. They made the rather amazing choice to spend this past year praying and studying, preparing for Baptism as Catholic Christians at the Vigil, and to receive Confirmation and Eucharist. Such a choice, after lives without formal affil-

iation to a church community, could come only from careful, attentive, prayerful listening to Jesus' voice in their lives.

Just this past Sunday, we welcomed a separate group of eleven into the Catholic Church. These already-baptized Christians had also heard Jesus' voice, calling them specifically to Catholicism. They too had spent the year in study, prayer and discernment. On Sunday they pledged their belief in what the Catholic Church "believes, teaches and proclaims to be revealed by God," and they too received Confirmation and Eucharist.

What voice had these new Catholic Christians heard that they found so compelling? Who called them away from the places they had been and toward these Sacraments? Jesus Christ is the obvious answer ... but what does his voice sound like these days? Well, it probably sounds a lot like yours and mine; a lot like the voice of people of the Notre Dame community and our Church community who try to live out Christ's example of holiness, who also listen for the voice of the Shepherd, who sometimes also somewhat lost as well.

In Hebrew literature images can

change and clash at will, and Sunday's gospel is no exception. Jesus at the same time is the Shepherd, leading us, and the gate, through which we pass to safety.

We too may one day serve as Christ's voice for others, and another day may need desperately to hear that voice ourselves.

Our newly baptized and newly received Catholic Christians already know, as a wise Holy Cross priest is fond of saying, that "nobody gets to heaven by themselves." We are all part of a community, part of the same Shepherd's fold, and together we can sort out the competing voices, that we might hear Jesus' call to discipleship. The voices through which we hear Christ may fall

silent, as that of our beloved Pope did so recently, but that only calls us to continue to listen, to speak and to act with greater care and attention.

Who's your Good Shepherd? To whom do you listen? Of what do you speak? Does your voice lead others to follow Christ more closely? We have a special care and concern for those we have recently welcomed into the Church, and we're all in this together. Listen well. Speak well.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Goals of Shack City clarified

As the lead member of the Shack City Planning Team each of the past two years, I am writing to clarify the goal and mission of Shack City in an effort to eliminate any confusion, some of which was expressed in a Letter to the Editor titled "Poverty is death" in the April 8 issue of The Observer.

Shack City is a Habitat for Humanity sponsored sleep-out beginning on Saturday, April 16 that seeks to further Habitat's goal of eliminating substandard housing worldwide. The students will advocate through letter writing, fundraise through the acquisition of sponsorship, and most importantly, educate others and be educated themselves.

Habitat supplies boxes for participants to boost the educational aspect, not to "pretend to be homeless." Rather, the boxes create a visual effect that participants and non-participants alike will see and remember, and they bring to the front of one's mind actual substandard housing in the U.S. and abroad. In addition, through the poverty facts written in brightly colored chalk on the sides of the boxes, they help create an environment in which substandard housing is clearly the focus.

Speakers from the Center for the Homeless and a relevant video will also add to the educational aspects of the evening. We hope that these and the other educational components compel participants to taking more direct action in the future.

While we could never re-create true homelessness on a Saturday night on South Quad, nor would we want to, we can put it

on people's minds. Events such as a "Hunger Banquet," "30 hour famine," or Shack City do not and cannot attempt to recreate the actual problem, but rather raise funds and create an environment fostering greater understanding of that issue. We would never mock a person or problem that we care so deeply about, and Habitat would not hold this event if it was not being done in a way that is consistent with our ideals of solidarity.

Finally, the event is specifically designed to be an enjoyable experience for the participants, for example by providing live music and midnight marshmallows. While clearly not the focus of the event, they do encourage a broader range of students to attend, thereby increasing the effectiveness of both education and fundraising.

The event certainly is not perfect and is not the all-inclusive solution, but it takes us in the direction of Habitat's goal to eliminate substandard housing. Should anyone have concerns or suggestions, please contact me directly.

I am excited about this opportunity to raise funds to support soon-to-be Habitat homeowners in South Bend and also Puebla, Mexico through our developing special partnership with Puebla's affiliate. Best of all, there is still time to register. Will you join us?

Ryan Iafigliola

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Shack City Planning Team leader
April 12

U-WIRE

Ferris Bueller was right

I am usually not one to give advice but for this column I will. My advice is very simple and probably something everyone has heard before. I simply advise everyone to live life to the fullest and take advantage of all the opportunities that are presented to you. Tomorrow you could die or maybe the end of the world will come, so we should take advantage of each day we have.

Ferris Bueller said, "Life moves pretty fast. If you don't stop to look around once in a while, you could miss it."

And if you have seen the movie you know that he tried to live each day to the fullest. It may have just been a movie but we all have the ability to do the same.

Although I am not always successful, I at least make an attempt to live each day the best I can. That is why I write this article from Russia. When I first came to college I never thought that I would one day study anywhere but America. But I was given the opportunity to do so and I took advantage of it. I have not even been here two months yet, but I can say with no doubt that it has been one of the best decisions of my life. I have made a lot of new friends, learned a lot, come to appreciate the world outside of America and grown a deeper appreciation for America.

If you ever have the opportunity to go abroad, I would say do it, whether it's just a spring break trip or something longer. America is great, but it is just one of several hundred countries, and although I have only been to two, I am sure that each country has something to offer everyone.

I extend this same advice for any random party or weekend at the lake. You only have so many opportunities in your life and each day you wake up your life is one day shorter. It is easy to say there will always be more opportunities, but that is not always true. If today you are given an opportunity for an adventure, unless you have an extreme circumstance, take advantage of it. This includes the opportunity to ask out the attractive girl who sits next to you in class, the opportunity to toss the ball around, the opportunity to sit in a lawn chair on the sport court and drink a beer with your friends and numerous others.

Remember Ferris' advice and with it keep in mind that we are all dying, it is just a matter of how and when. For a long time I could not wait to grow up. First, I wanted to be 16 so I could drive, then I wanted to be 18 so I could be a legal adult and then I wanted to be 21 so I could legally drink. Now looking back, I realize that I might never have made those ages, and I still might not make 21. So rather than complain about not being 21, I am simply going to enjoy being 20, and continue to enjoy the limited time I have left in Russia. It is nice to look ahead sometimes but doing so will not bring the future here any Sooner and you can always find a way to enjoy today.

Like I said, I have nothing to say you have not already heard, but it is nice to be reminded every once in a while, and I hope you will all take advantage of what each day brings to you.

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ALBUM REVIEWS

Down to Earth stays in the box

By MICHELE JEFFERS
Scene Music Critic

Acolytes of Dr. Phil (and those who shop with my mother) are probably familiar with the expression that a person needs to get out of his or her box.

It seems lately the whole world has developed an obsession with this 3-dimensional figure — everywhere you go, there is the ubiquitous persistence to think, climb, overthrow, do anything at all besides get near that dull, boring old box. Spurring innovation and avoiding catchy gimmicks almost promises obscurity, but sometimes sticking to one's box isn't quite so bad.

They contain who a person is, what he loves and the things that bring him the most comfort. One might even want to invite some friends over and build a clubhouse out of it.

Down to Earth Approach unapologeti-

cally insists on staying in its box. Inspired by their love of "The Get Up Kids" and "Saves the Day," Jonathan Lullo, Ryan McClurg, John McCampbell and Peter Metzler came together to form Down to Earth Approach in 2000.

In what must have been a dream come true, the band was signed to its idols' label, Vagrant Records. In recording its first LP, *Down to Earth Approach* strongly adhered to its name.

On Vagrant's Web site, frontman Jonathan Lullo explains how the band's name reflects its approach towards music.

"We don't want to reinvent the wheel; right now we just want to write some really good pop songs. We don't want to change the music scene, we just want to have our own place in it," he wrote.

Down to Earth Approach did, in fact, find its place in the music scene with the release of the album "Another Intervention" in August, 2004.



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Down to Earth Approach is performing at Knott on the Knoll on Saturday night, along with This Day and Age, The Weakman's Alliance and The Basement Stairs.

"Another Intervention" features eleven melodic rock songs that reveal a strong kinship with concomitant Vagrant bands. Lullo's wide vocal range allows him to hit the high notes without skirting on the whininess espoused by many bands in the genre. "Exhibit of the Year" is a great opener, hooking the listener into a series of upbeat, level tempo tracks. Standout tracks include "Triple Black," "Books on tape," and "Living Rooms."

The band successfully conveys its enthusiasm and energy on "Another Intervention," but it is on the stage that the band really blazes.

After seeing the band perform at a concert earlier this year, Knott on the Knoll president Joe McCarthy worked his magic to bring the band to Notre Dame.

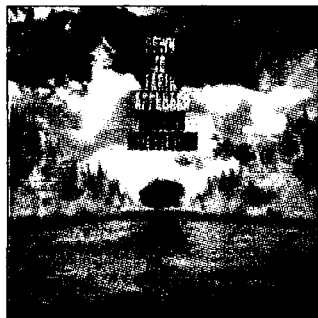
McCarthy stated that Down to Earth Approach "seemed like a band that could have a lot of fun, and their music is energetic and very catchy. After I saw them on stage, I knew they had the charisma to headline a college rock concert."

Down to Earth Approach is bringing its box and rocking it out at Knott on the Knoll this weekend. All are invited for revelry and rock music at the box social of the season Saturday night. Knott on the Knoll will also feature performances by This Day and Age, The Weakman's Alliance and Detroit Rock City's finest, The Basement Stairs.

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Another Intervention Down to Earth Approach

Vagrant



'The O.C.: Mix 4' showcases new bands

By BECCA SAUNDERS
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Anyone who has ever watched "The O.C." for a reasonable amount of time has wished he or she could be, even just for a minute on a cold December day, in the warm sun of southern California.

It could be the image of life in the O.C. that draws people to the extremely popular show. And with the release of the "Mix" album, everyone can get just one step closer to feeling like they are in the carefree, albeit overdramatic, world of "The O.C."

There are now four "Mix" albums from "The O.C." Each album showcases some of the best songs played on the show. "The O.C." has become known for featuring and even promoting the music of up and coming bands of many different musical genres.

The first season of "The O.C." even filmed an episode focusing on the band Rooney, causing the sales of the up-and-coming band to soar in the following weeks.

With an audience of millions of teenagers watching the show every week, every song that appears on the soundtrack is promoted by "The O.C." Most of the time, the songs are recent releases from new bands, or at least bands that do not already have a tremendous following. What results is an interesting collection of albums with a majority of songs that most fans of the show will enjoy.

"The O.C. Mix 4" is no exception in the choice of songs featured. While there are a few names and songs that a good deal of people will recognize, the majority of the music comes from lesser-known bands. The overall sound of "The O.C. Mix 4" varies, but the majority of the songs are a bit slow in tempo.



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Matt Pond PA provides one of the best songs on the album with a cover of the Oasis song "Champagne Supernova."

There is a generally good mix of fast and slow songs, and all 12 of the songs are great.

One of the best songs on the album is a cover of the Oasis classic "Champagne Supernova," performed by Matt Pond PA. The song is terrific, and the cover does it justice. The sound is not as heavy as the Oasis version and sounds much more similar to an acoustic performance than a rock band singing, as was the case with Oasis.

Other top songs include, "Eve, The Apple of My Eye" by Bell X1, "Cartwheels" by The Reindeer Section, "On the Table," by A.C. Newman and "Play" by Flunk.

The second-tier songs are also great songs, but on this mix even they are a bit overshadowed. They include,

"Decent Days and Nights" by The Futureheads, "Goodnight and Go" by Imogen Heap, "Fortress" by Pinback, "To Be Alone With You" by Surfjan Stevens, "Scarecrow" by Beck, "The View" by Modest Mouse and "Hardcore Days and Softcore Nights" by Aqueduct.

"The O.C. Mix 4" is an album anyone who has ever wondered what living in the O.C. would sound like must have. The mix of music from original bands and artists is refreshing. The songs are good, the sound is great, and despite the opinions one may have about the show, everyone should give "The O.C. Mix 4" a chance.

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Music from the O.C.: Mix 4

Various Artists

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Criminal record overrated in rap

Beanie Sigel, Shyne and others try to maintain rap careers behind bars

Associated Press

In the rap world, a criminal background is the ultimate resume.

The former drug dealer Beanie Sigel, who spent years bucking the law before getting his big break as a Jay-Z protege, has never lacked street cred. With his menacing glare and criminal-minded rhymes, the Philadelphia native positioned himself as one of the most authentic gangsta on the rap scene.

But last year he was sentenced to a year in prison on a weapons charge, and still faces a retrial on an attempted murder charge (the first case ended in a mistrial last fall). Now, as he releases his latest album from behind bars, Sigel is among a number of high-profile rappers finding that a criminal present may not be as lucrative as a criminal past.

"There's no credibility in going to jail," declares Damon Dash as he talks about Sigel, the star of the Roc-a-fella label Dash started with Jay-Z. "I don't think it's ever a positive thing and I would never advocate anybody going to jail and I don't think Beanie would ever advocate it — Beanie did a crime, and right in front of the judge, he said, 'I said I did my crime, so I'll do whatever time you give me.'"

Dash talks a lot about what Sigel says and thinks — because Sigel can't do it himself. He's at a federal prison in solitary confinement (which Dash blames on overzealous corrections officials), unable to promote

"The B. Coming," his third album.

So the charismatic mogul Dash has become Sigel's stand-in, doing radio spots, appearing on TV shows, conducting interviews — all the things artists normally do to push a new album.

"If they're going to try to put him in a place where he can't make money, we're going to try to reverse that, where we benefit from it to some degree, even though there's no real benefit from him being in jail," Dash said. "But we're going to make best of it, like making lemons into lemonade."

Dash even recorded Sigel's attempted murder trial and his entrance into prison for documentary fodder; some segments have already been shown on BET and MTV. His album cover shows him in a prison cell, glumly looking at the camera. And the saturation looks like it's helped: "The B. Coming" debuted at No. 3 on the album charts, selling about 131,000 copies, the best debut of his career.

"We had to do enough music to keep him prevalent in the market while he was gone," Dash said, "because we didn't know how long he'd be gone."

While a numerous high-profile rappers have been charged with crimes at the height of their fame — such as Eminem, P. Diddy, Jay-Z and DMX — few have been sentenced to significant prison terms. Those who have — including Shyne, ODB, C-Murder, Mystikal and Slick Rick — often see their careers slide.

Antoine Clark, editor in chief of F.E.D.S. magazine, which chronicles street criminals and rappers, says time behind bars may help boost a rapper's tough image but won't help sell more records.

Clark pointed to Shyne, who was charged along with mentor P. Diddy in a 1999 night-



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Although Beanie Sigel was recently sentenced to a year in prison, his new album "The B. Coming" had the best debut of his career, opening at No. 3.

club shooting. While Diddy was acquitted, Shyne — who had impressive success as a debut artist before his criminal troubles — was sentenced to 10 years for wounding two people in the disturbance.

Last year, Island Def Jam signed the incarcerated rapper to a reported \$3 million record deal, and he released the album "Godfather Buried Alive," which contained some raps he recorded from prison over the telephone.

Yet the album didn't even go gold, and was considered a major disappointment. In March, a judge froze Shyne's assets until lawsuits filed by victims in the case are resolved.

"These rappers, they somehow have it twisted, they think that if they go to prison, we're going to love them more," said Clark. "It doesn't really happen like that."

Another penitentiary release, on Koch Records, is the latest album from C-Murder, the brother of Master P, who was convicted in 2003 of second-degree murder in the killing of a 16-year-old boy. C-Murder (born Corey Miller) has maintained his innocence and is appealing the verdict. On Tuesday he

changed his stage name to C-Miller.

In a phone interview with The Associated Press shortly after his album was released in late March, Miller said he thought his time behind bars would help his career: "I think that fans will relate to me more because I've been through a struggle ... I think they'll respect the fact that I was put in a bad situation."

However, "If I was out of prison, I would be able to promote my album more, I can go on the road and tour," he said. "Actually being in here is a setback."

Dash is hoping the notoriety from Sigel's case will help the respectable-selling rapper go platinum. Although he certainly doesn't want his star rapper in prison, Dash is shrewd enough to see that Sigel's time behind bars can only solidify his street cred — which Dash can't help but play up.

"Where some rappers glorify things they've never done, or speak about things that they never done, when Beanie speaks he's talking about his emotions, his opinions on things that are going on directly in his life," said Dash. "It would be like, what if John Gotti could sing?"

Billy Idol releases new album at 49

Associated Press

Few musicians can boast the level of success that Billy Idol attained in the '80s and early '90s. Unfortunately, the "live hard and die young" punk rock ethos doesn't come with a middle-age survival guide.

"When you're young you never think you'll be a 50-year-old rocking out with the young bands," Idol told The Associated Press.

That's exactly what Idol, 49, hopes to be doing next year.

The pop-punk patriarch has just released "Devil's Playground," his first full-length album since 1993's unremarkable "Cyberpunk." With five million-sellers already under his belt, Idol hopes "Playground" will return him to the top of the charts.

While not completely off the radar in the last decade (appearing in the stage production of "Quadrophenia" and the film "The Wedding Singer" in addition to some soundtrack work) there were many reasons for his lack of original material in the last decade.

"I had a couple of kids (teenage son Willem Wolfe and young daughter Bonnie Blue) and laid back during all the grunge stuff," recalls Idol, still platinum blond. "I thought, 'God, how can I compete with that?'"

But the Seattle sound wasn't the only force demolishing rock icons. After a near-fatal motorcycle accident and a series of overdoses, it was clear the then-bareheaded Brit was on his own path to self-destruction.

After some soul searching and painstaking physical rehabilitation, Idol turned to his bike to regroup: "I started to take my motorcycle on long rides and I met my bass player (Stephen McGrath) and we were going off and playing at these biker bars and it took me out of myself."

While Idol was rediscovering his love for the stage, EMI released his greatest hits to platinum-plus sales. VH1 soon came knocking with "Storytellers" and a "Behind the Music" special.

It wasn't long before Idol remembered his calling.

"I came off the stage and a million girls with their shirts off were there and I thought, 'We've got to do this seriously. Let's forget playing the greatest hits, let's start writing songs!'"

With longtime collaborators Steve Stevens (guitar) and producer Keith Forsey on board, Idol incorporated new talent Brian Tichy on drums and Derek Sherinian on keyboards to help reinvigorate his sound.

The result is a record that aims for the accessibility of Idol's best-selling predecessors without losing his fist-pumping edge. The veteran considers it to be his best since 1983, with the album's first single setting the tone.

"Scream" is 20 years older than "Rebel Yell" and it's storming out of the speakers," he barks, punctuating his sentence — as he does most — with a howl.

As confident as he may be about his music, Idol has no illusions about his age and how he may come off to critics.

"They may laugh when they see me," he humbly admits behind his dark glass-



Photo courtesy of mtv.com

Billy Idol has not come out with a studio-recorded album since "Cyberpunk," which debuted in 1993.

es, "you can't make your face look young again but you can work on your body."

And to counteract the decades of hard living and maintain his eye-catching six-pack, Idol swears by an unyielding exercise regimen.

"I wanted to re-energize myself and I know this sounds a bit Roger Daltrey but my body is my instrument. I mean in the old days I didn't give a ... but I wanna be really clear-headed and in the moment now. The real drug is on that stage."

"Don't get me wrong," he quickly adds, "I still smoke pot, I still drink, I'm just not overdoing it. It's about pacing myself so that I can push when I want and pull

back when I want."

Pushing now might not be a bad idea considering today's '80s rock revival. "Everybody is trying to come back, I know," he smirks, "with what's going on in the world people want a sense of fun 'cause they are concerned and maybe it's not so bad if I can provide them with that."

Still, despite talks with VH1, the former MTV heartthrob plans to continue to resist the urge to be on reality TV to jump-start his career like other stars of the decadent decade.

"I'm not that desperate," he says. "Yet."

MLB

Burnett flusters Philly, throws complete game

Percival, Tigers can't overcome Twins; Edmonds gets 1,500th hit as Cards win

Associated Press

MIAMI — A.J. Burnett threw 103 pitches Tuesday, and not one of them was ball four.

Showing uncharacteristic control, Burnett pitched the Florida Marlins' third complete game of the season, and their fickle offense came alive against perennial patsy Randy Wolf to beat the Philadelphia Phillies 8-2.

Burnett, who has averaged more than four bases on balls per nine innings in his career, didn't walk a batter.

"How about that?" he said. "It's different, but I'll take it. It was a weird game. I felt so strong, and I had no strikeouts until the sixth inning. I made them hit the ball."

Mike Lowell and Paul Lo Duca hit two-run homers off Wolf, and Miguel Cabrera hit a solo homer and drove in two runs. The Marlins have outscored opponents 34-2 in their four wins, and they've totaled just six runs in four losses.

Wolf (0-1) failed to hold a 2-0 lead and fell to 2-11 against the Marlins with an ERA of 5.76. No team has beaten him more.

"I'm confident that one day it

will turn in my favor," the left-hander said. "It has more to do with me than it does them. I'm beating myself. If I make good pitches, we win."

Wolf allowed seven hits and five runs in six innings.

Burnett (1-1) followed the example of teammates Dontrelle Willis and Josh Beckett, who threw complete games in the first week of the season. Helped by three early double plays, he struck out three and tamed a Phillies offense that was leading the NL in runs.

The nine-inning complete game was Burnett's first since Aug. 18, 2002, before he underwent reconstructive elbow surgery.

"Probably the best game I've seen him pitch since I've been here," said the Marlins' third-year manager, Jack McKeon. "He did a superb job staying in front and getting guys to make early contact. He's gradually learning some things out there."

The same Burnett walked nine when he threw a no-hitter at San Diego in 2001. This time he was so economical against his pitches that he was throwing 97 mph in the ninth inning.

"That was impressive," Phillies manager Charlie Manuel said. "That's what you call a lot of talent. He threw a lot of cheese, and he also kept the ball in play. They have some very good starters on that staff, and he's definitely a horse."

Florida's team ERA rose to 1.52, still best in the major leagues.

The Phillies' Pat Burrell went 1-for-4, and for the first time this season he failed to drive in a run. He leads the majors with 17 RBIs.

Lowell homered on a change-up in the fourth to make the score 2-2. Florida then loaded the bases before Wolf escaped by striking out Burnett with the 41st pitch of the inning.

Twins 5, Tigers 4

The Minnesota Twins finally figured out their ninth-inning nemesis, Troy Percival.

Shannon Stewart hit an RBI ground-rule double off Detroit's new closer with one out in the ninth inning, giving the Twins a victory over the Tigers on Tuesday night.

"You start reading about it in the Guinness Book of World Records — it's about time we got to him," said Minnesota manager Ron Gardenhire, whose team got its first earned run against Percival in 40 1/3 career innings.

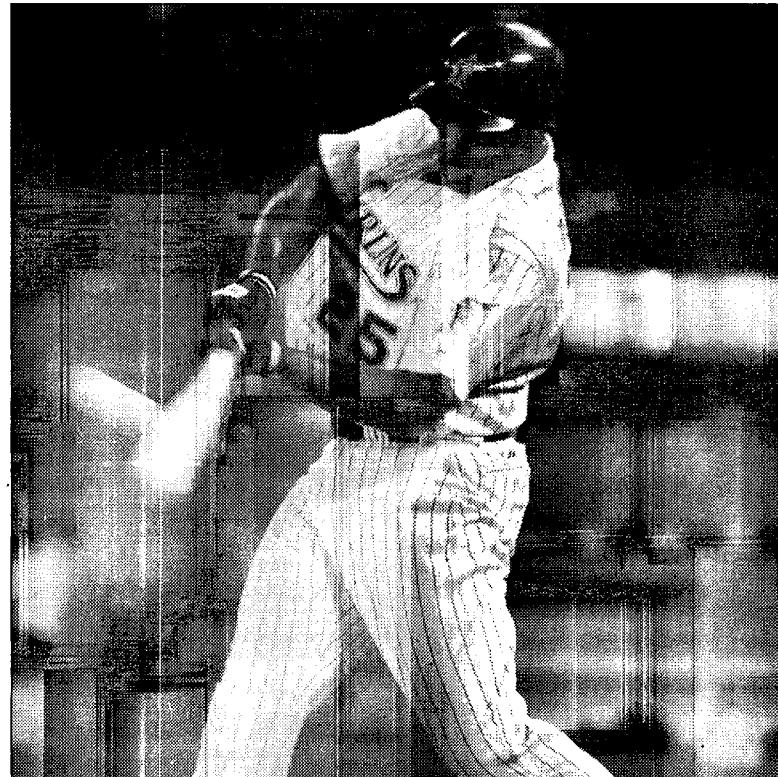
Before Stewart's big hit, Percival (0-1) was the only active major leaguer with at least 40 innings logged against one opponent with an ERA of zero.

"I don't care about my personal stats," he said. "That was just a bad time to not pitch well."

Percival's setup man, Ugueth Urbina, didn't have it, either.

Eleven of his first 15 pitches in the eighth were balls. Bartlett and Joe Mauer walked, with Bartlett eventually scoring on Torii Hunter's high-bouncing single over third baseman Brandon Inge's head to tie the game at 4.

With Percival pitching, Lew Ford singled to start the ninth and moved to second on a sacrifice by Michael Cuddyer. Pinch-hitter Nick Punto walked, bringing up Stewart — who smacked



Florida first baseman Carlos Delgado doubles off Philadelphia pitcher Brett Myers during the Phillies' 4-1 win Monday.

the first pitch to center field.

"I just happened to get a good piece of the bat on it," said Stewart, whose ninth-inning single off Percival in September 2003 helped Minnesota score its only other run against the closer. Dustan Mohr had to knock over Bengie Molina to score, and the catcher was charged with an error for dropping the ball.

Cardinals 5, Reds 1

Jason Marquis hit a bases-loaded triple and pitched into the seventh inning, leading the St. Louis Cardinals over the Cincinnati Reds Tuesday night.

Jim Edmonds and Reggie Sanders hit back-to-back homers in the sixth inning for the Cardinals, who rebounded after a loss off from a pair of blowout days to the Phillies in which they gave up 23 runs. Edmonds' second homer of the season was the 1,500th hit of his career.

Aside from the second inning when the Reds scored on Austin Kearns' RBI single and left the bases loaded, Marquis (1-0) was in control on the mound. He

retired the side in order in the first, third, fourth and fifth and struck out six with two walks before tiring in the seventh.

He was responsible for the Cardinals' early offense, too.

Marquis batted .292 last year, leading NL pitchers in hits (21) and finishing second with nine RBIs. He hit a 3-2 fastball from Aaron Harang just inside the first-base line to clear the bases and give the Cardinals a 3-1 lead in the second.

Edmonds homered to straightaway center with two outs in the sixth, and two pitches later Sanders hit his third over the left-field wall for a 5-1 lead.

Harang (1-1) lasted six innings, giving up five runs on five hits. Four of the hits were for extra bases and two of his three walks came at the start of the second, setting the table for Marquis.

Joe Randa had two hits and Felipe Lopez three for the Reds, who have lost four straight on the road after a 3-0 start at home. Randa, who doubled and scored the Reds' lone run in the second, is batting .417.



St. Louis pitcher Jason Marquis reacts after hitting a triple during the Cardinals' 5-1 win over the Cincinnati Reds Tuesday.

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BOOKSTORE BASKETBALL XXXIV

Four Guys and a Ninja endures rout by the '96 Packers

By KEVIN BRENNAN and
TOM DORWART
Sports Writers

When Four Guys and a Ninja arrived at the McGlinn courts Tuesday night, '96 Packers immediately feared that its time in Bookstore Basketball would soon come to an end. With captain David "Doc" Prina dressed in an all black ninja suit and shirtless point guard Ed "Easy E" Kummerer donning a top hat, Four Guys and a Ninja looked like the most intimidating hoops squad since the New York Knicks of the mid-'90s.

"I just didn't know if we would be able to keep up with them," '96 Packers captain Mike Knapp said. "You never know when that ninja will karate chop you."

The game started off poorly for Four Guys and a Ninja, though. Center and coach John "Rutgers" Everett lost the crucial rock, paper, scissor competition, giving '96 Packers possession of the ball. Things spiraled out of control from there.

'96 Packers quickly jumped out to a commanding 5-0 lead. Four Guys and a Ninja seemed unable to run the complex motion offense designed by coach "Rutgers."

"I don't know what to tell you," a disappointed Everett

said. "If a couple more of my running three point shots had gone in, maybe the score would have been different."

Four Guys and a Ninja did have one bright spot, however — in the play and comedy of Kummerer. "Easy E" scored the team's only point on a beautiful baseline floater. The point guard also entertained the crowd with his demands that Everett pass him "that orange spheroid."

Even Kummerer could not stop the bleeding, though. '96 Packers

forced countless turnovers and completely dominated the game, winning 21-1.

The fans of Four Guys and a Ninja were left disappointed and desperately wanting more from their heroes.

"I just think the outcome would have been quite different if 'Rutgers' had worn overalls," supporter Joe Becsey said.

Four Guys and a Ninja vowed to return to Bookstore Basketball next year with a rejuvenated vigor and a revamped offense.

"We will rise like the great phoenix from his ashes," "Easy E" said.

CoCoo Butter 21, Quilted Northern 3

Quilted Northern came into its game against 11th-ranked CoCoo Butter confident it would pull off the upset.

"I actually wasn't scared at

all," Quilted Northern captain Nick Zerbach said. "We didn't even practice this week."

Quilted Northern's confidence could not make up for CoCoo Butter's vastly superior size and basketball skill, though. CoCoo Butter was led by co-captains Lance Wescher and Celestine "C" Chukumba, along with former Notre Dame wide receiver and current law student Bobby Brown.

The game was dominated, though, by CoCoo Butter big man Ron Dokes. Dokes, who played basketball for Duquesne last year and now works for NDSP, dominated the boards and wowed the crowd with a flurry of dunks.

CoCoo Butter hopes to go very deep in this year's tournament.

"We'll be really disappointed if we aren't in the final four," Chukumba said. "We really think we are gonna show these youngsters how ball is played."

Quilted Northern, on the other hand, came away surprised and disappointed with the loss.

"If it wasn't for the beverages, we would have beaten them," dejected Quilted Northern forward Drew Whang said.

We Get Wet 21, The Saltines 12

Highly-touted, second-ranked We Get Wet warmed up at one end of the court, and little-known freshmen The Saltines shot around at the other.

But it didn't take long for

The Saltines to let their veteran Bookstore opponents know that they were in for a dogfight in front of a large crowd.

Freshman Mark Vermeersch nailed a shot beyond the arc to put The Saltines on the board first 1-0, sending the message right away.

"We knew they were going to be good; we heard from some commissioners that they should be pretty good," We Get Wet captain Justin Funk said.

Early on, it took some time for both teams to get used to the cold and windy conditions in the evening game, which We Get Wet won 21-12.

In a game that was closer than the final score indicated, The Saltines played a gritty, man-to-man defense in the opening half, while We Get Wet used a stingy 2-3 zone defense.

Both defenses held up for awhile, as the score sat at 3-2. But, eventually, the much bigger We Get Wet squad pulled ahead for an 11-5 halftime lead, using stellar shooting to gain the edge.

"It's tough drawing the second seed in the second round. They shot the lights out," Saltines captain Chris Lund said. "It must have been 80 percent."

The hot shooting continued in the second half, but the five freshmen clawed away at the lead, cutting it to 13-8 at one

point.

As the game drew on, the crowd — which wrapped around the entire court, several people deep — anticipated a close finish. Saltine fans brought a box of saltine crackers for good luck. "We hoarded a good 10 dozen saltines [crackers] to show our support for the team in

their big game, but we just couldn't think of anything creative to do with them besides passing them around, having people eat them and waving them in the air as noisemakers," Saltine fan Chris Liedl said.

"At least we did get a 'Which way? That way' cheer in."

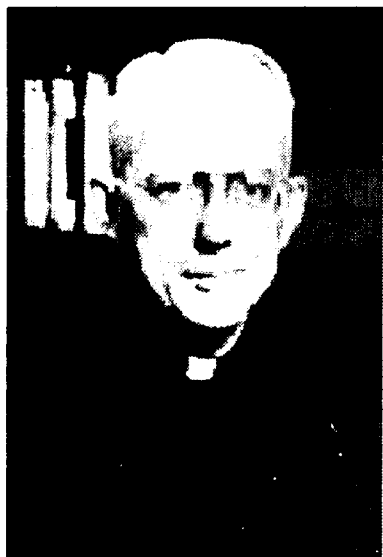
The players appreciated the large, enthusiastic crowd.

"That was sweet. Unfortunately, we're not going any farther," Lund said.

And, though they might have been a little worried at first, We Get Wet players appreciated the competition.

"It's too bad they [The Saltines] couldn't have been ranked, so we could've played in the round of 32 or 64 with refs, so we could've had a better game. I think they were all freshmen, so they [the commissioners] might not have heard of them," Funk said. "They were a good team."

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MLB - NATIONAL LEAGUE

Houston rookies share friendship, big dreams

Luke Scott and Willie Taveras pair up as 2/3 of Astros outfield

Associated Press

HOUSTON — Willy Taveras and Luke Scott became teammates and best friends three months ago, bonding quickly over their dream of making it to the big leagues.

They shared apartments, hotel rooms, home-cooked meals, and most often encouragement during their grueling years in the minors. Taveras and Scott were even traded together, going last spring from the Cleveland Indians to the Houston Astros for pitcher Jeremie Robertson.

Taveras and Scott achieved their dream together, too, making an improbable leap from Double-A to become the first pair of Houston rookie outfielders to start on opening day in nearly 20 years.

"From our beginning on, we've been together," Scott said. "We're similar. We're not big into distractions. We like to keep things simple."

Taveras has been particularly effective during a 4-2 start, batting .429 and providing the speed in center field the Astros thought they lost when Carlos Beltran left in the offseason.

Scott has played like a nervous rookie, batting .214, but

the Astros are confident he'll get over these early struggles. He led the club during spring training with seven homers and 20 RBIs.

"Who knows? We might have a rookie of the year," general manager Tim Purpura said.

The Astros certainly didn't plan to have so many rookies in the lineup, not with veterans Jeff Bagwell and Craig Biggio still hoping to reach their first World Series after losing to St. Louis in the NL championship series last year.

But Purpura and manager Phil Garner had little choice because All-Stars Jeff Kent and Beltran left to become free agents. Also, a third All-Star, right fielder Lance Berkman, is recovering from offseason knee surgery.

The losses forced Garner to go with an entirely new starting outfield of Taveras, Scott and unproven second-year player Jason Lane.

Garner went through a decade of experience managing young — and bad — teams in Milwaukee and Detroit, but has slowly warmed to the idea of going through another rebuilding process in Houston.

"Let me put it this way: You'd like to have a lot of veterans on your team," Garner said. "That would be your first choice. 'I like challenges, but I've had this challenge before.'"

This challenge, however, is new for Taveras and Scott. Luckily for them, they get to

handle it together.

Their friendship was forged in the spring of 2002 when Scott was sent to Cleveland's Class A team in Columbus, Ohio. As one of the new players on the club, Scott sought out Taveras, a native of the Dominican Republic, using some of the Spanish he learned as a schoolboy in Florida.

"I didn't know anybody, and I was looking for someone to throw with," Scott said. "We became running partners from there."

The 26-year-old is more outgoing, a graduate of Oklahoma State and a fastidious worker who keeps a notebook of the pitches thrown to him. Taveras, meanwhile, seems younger than his 23 years, flashing a smile that reveals braces and speaking only in whispers on those rare occasions when he does talk in the clubhouse.

But Taveras also has unshakable confidence and dazzling talent that made the Astros comfortable with the idea of him replacing Beltran — even though he was making the rare jump from Double-A Round Rock.

"I feel real comfortable," Taveras said. "To me, I don't put pressure on myself. I know that I can play out there."

Scott was more of a spring surprise, coming to training camp with uniform No. 67 and little chance of making the

major league roster. He shuffled between Class A Salem and Round Rock in 2004, leading the Houston system with a combined 97 RBIs and ranking third with 27 homers.

A month later, Scott left training camp with a new No. 30 uniform and a starting spot in left field, where Biggio played last season before moving back to second base.

"I had a nothing-to-lose attitude," Scott said. "I wasn't even really being considered for the opening-day lineup or even being on the team. Just being relaxed helped me play to the way I was capable of."

They get to live their dream together, just as they planned

during those days in the minors. Scott and Taveras have lockers next to each other in a corner of the clubhouse.

They're living together again after moving into an apartment Saturday — this time with a twist.

Taveras, true to his low-key style, decided marry his girlfriend of two years last Wednesday. The three plan to live together for now.

"All you've got to do is just get a license. You can go run out and get a license," Taveras explained, with Scott teasing him in the background.

"Yeah, I'm getting married next week. How about that?" Scott said jokingly.

On a close-knit club that has been led for nearly two decades by veterans such as Bagwell and Biggio, the Astros have eagerly embraced this latest infusion of youth.

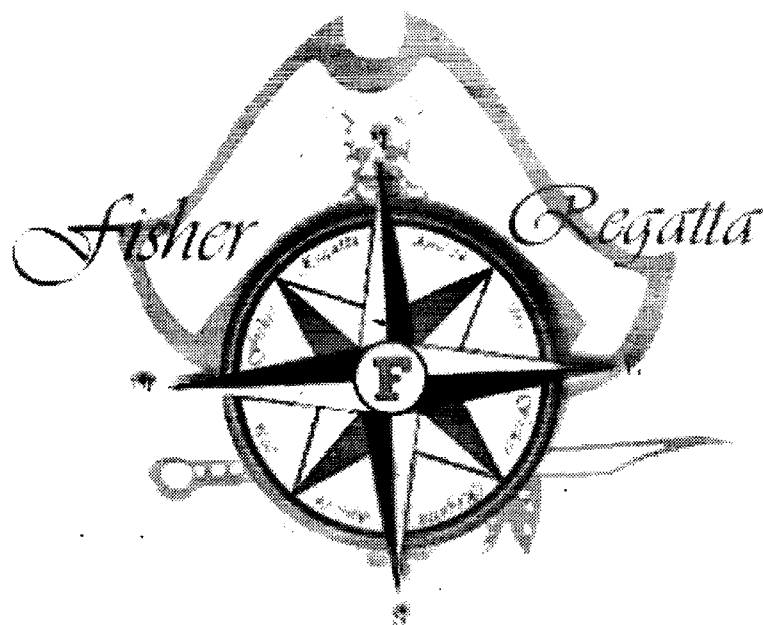
"The kids have made things interesting," Garner said.

"I didn't know anybody and I was looking for someone to throw with. We became running partners from there."

Luke Scott
Astros leftfielder

"To me, I don't put pressure on myself. I know that I can play out there."

Willie Taveras
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Eastern Conference, Atlantic

team	record	perc.	last 10	GB
Boston	41-35	.539	4-6	-
Philadelphia	39-37	.513	7-3	2.0
New Jersey	38-39	.494	7-3	3.5
Toronto	31-46	.403	3-7	10.5
New York	30-46	.395	1-9	11.0

Eastern Conference, Central

team	record	perc.	last 10	GB
Detroit	50-27	.649	8-2	-
Chicago	44-33	.571	8-2	6.0
Indiana	42-35	.545	8-2	8.0
Cleveland	40-37	.519	5-5	10.0
Milwaukee	29-48	.377	2-8	21.0

Eastern Conference, Southeast

team	record	perc.	last 10	GB
Miami	56-21	.727	5-5	-
Washington	42-35	.545	5-5	14.0
Orlando	35-42	.455	3-7	21.0
Charlotte	16-61	.208	2-8	40.0
Atlanta	12-65	.156	1-9	44.0

Western Conference, Northwest

team	record	perc.	last 10	GB
Seattle	50-27	.649	3-7	-
Denver	46-31	.597	9-1	4.0
Minnesota	40-37	.519	7-3	10.0
Portland	25-51	.329	2-8	24.5
Utah	24-52	.316	4-6	25.5

Western Conference, Pacific

team	record	perc.	last 10	GB
Phoenix	58-19	.753	7-3	-
Sacramento	48-30	.615	7-3	10.5
L.A. Clippers	34-43	.442	4-6	24.0
L.A. Lakers	34-44	.436	2-8	24.5
Golden State	31-47	.397	8-2	27.5

Western Conference, Southwest

team	record	perc.	last 10	GB
San Antonio	57-20	.740	7-3	-
Dallas	53-24	.688	8-2	4.0
Houston	47-31	.603	6-4	10.5
Memphis	44-33	.571	5-5	13.0
New Orleans	18-58	.237	3-7	38.5

College Softball Big East Conference

team	conf.	record
Seton Hall	6-2-0	19-10-0
NOTRE DAME	4-0-0	24-8-0
Syracuse	4-2-0	16-12-0
Boston College	3-3-0	13-15-0
Connecticut	3-7-0	11-18-0
Providence	3-1-0	23-8-0
Pittsburgh	2-2-0	15-17-0
St. John's	2-4-0	15-21-0
Villanova	2-4-0	24-16-0
Rutgers	1-5-0	1-27-0

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	team	league	record
1	Hope	4-0	8-7
2	Albion	3-0	12-3
3	Calvin	2-1	7-4
4	Kalamazoo	2-1	7-6
5	Olivet	1-1	8-5
6	ST. MARY'S	1-1	3-6
7	Alma	0-4	3-10
8	Tri-State	0-5	2-11

NCAA



Darius Walker, center, celebrates a touchdown with teammates Jeff Samardzija, left, and Mark LeVoire in a win over Michigan last September. New NCAA rules will soon allow the Irish to play a twelve-game regular season.

NCAA approves schedule expansion

Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — The NCAA Division I Management Council has backed legislation that would allow Division I-A and I-AA schools to add a 12th football game starting with the 2006 season.

The plan was given tentative approval by the council at its meeting on Monday and will be sent to the NCAA Board of Directors for final consideration April 28.

Division I vice president David Berst said Tuesday he didn't know whether the NCAA board would go along with the council's recommendation, which was

opposed only by the Atlantic Coast Conference among I-A conferences.

"I would expect there will be more discussion," Berst said. "The board should have the freedom to make its own decision."

There was no discussion of the issue at the council's meeting.

"The various conferences came to the meeting prepared to vote, and we just tallied the votes," Berst said.

Ron Wellman, the athletic director at Wake Forest and chairman of the ACC's athletic directors, said many of the conference's concerns dealt with academics.

"We believe the season is

long enough at 11 games, and we actually enjoy the bye week," he said.

The council also approved legislation for more flexible recruiting calendars in men's basketball and increased the number of scholarships for women in gymnastics, soccer, volleyball and track and field. It also voted to grant another year of eligibility to players who were academically ineligible as freshmen but had completed 80 percent of their degree requirements after four years.

No action was taken on the length of the season in basketball because of a pending court case, Berst said.

The 12-game proposal in football was among more than 100 items considered by the council.

Currently, Division I football teams play 11 regular-season games except in years when there are 14 Saturdays from the first permissible playing date through the last playing date in November. The 2002 and 2003 seasons qualified for the extra game, but without the new legislation, the next would not be until 2008.

The basketball proposals were submitted last year by the National Association of Basketball Coaches and the Women's Basketball Association.

IN BRIEF

Rain postpones Prior's debut, forces doubleheader

CHICAGO — Mark Prior had to wait an extra day to make his 2005 debut.

Rain caused postponement of Tuesday's game between the San Diego Padres and Chicago Cubs.

The game was rescheduled as part of a doubleheader Wednesday starting at 1:05 p.m. ET. Chicago's Kerry Wood will face Jake Peavy in the opener. Prior, activated from the disabled list Tuesday, pitches against San Diego's Brian Lawrence in the second game.

Prior and Peavy had been scheduled to start Tuesday, when the temperature at Wrigley Field was in the upper 40s.

"You'd rather have good conditions," Wood said. "Hopefully, tomorrow we have a nice day and we get both games both games in and we get good pitching."

Prior and Cubs manager Dusty Baker were not available after the rainout was announced.

"I'd have liked to have gotten this one in today," Padres manager Bruce Bochy said.

Prior went on the disabled list March 25 due to inflammation in his right elbow.

Colorado to introduce new athletic director

San Diego State athletic director Mike Bohn has agreed to return home to take the same post within Colorado's troubled department.

Bohn will be introduced as the replacement for Dick Tharp on Wednesday, said a university source familiar with the negotiations who spoke on condition of anonymity.

The 44-year-old Boulder, Colo., native has a tremendous task, repairing the damage done by scandals within the football program that contributed to the departure of Tharp, chancellor Richard Bynny and university president Betsy Hoffman.

Bohn, who graduated from Boulder High School and whose mother still lives in Boulder, met with reporters

in California on Monday to discuss the possibility that he would leave San Diego State, where he served as AD for about 18 months.

NFL adopts new standards for testosterone use

DALLAS — The NFL and its players have agreed to follow stricter standards for testosterone levels for the start of next season.

The upgrade, which required the approval of the NFL Players Association, had been expected to be adopted but not until next month, when the NFL and the union hold their annual discussions about revising the drug program. However, commissioner Paul Tagliabue said Tuesday that the union had approved the new standards, which continue its practice of using the guidelines set by the Olympics.

"I know we've reached some preliminary agreements with the players last week and we'll probably finalize them next week," Tagliabue said.

around the dial

NBA

Chicago at Washington, 7 p.m., ESPN
Dallas at Seattle, 9:30 p.m., ESPN

MLB

San Diego at Chicago Cubs (DH), 12 p.m., WGN
New York at Boston, 6 p.m., ESPN2

SMC TENNIS

Belles ready for upcoming meet

By KATE SERYAK
Sports Writer

The Belles take on the Kalamazoo Hornets today in their third conference match of the season. Following its frustrating loss to Hope College last week, the team is fired up and ready for its next conference challenger.

"We were hoping to beat Hope, so the fact that we lost to them was a wake-up call," captain Kristen Palombo said. "So hopefully we can go into the Kalamazoo match with a little vengeance so that last week's match is the last match we lose."

The Belles have started the season with a 1-1 conference record. Kalamazoo has had a similar start to the season with a record of 2-1, suffering its first conference loss to Albion last week.

"Hope is ranked really well right now, but they haven't been challenged yet. Kalamazoo is in our boat because they've lost one of their first conference match-

es of the season too," Palombo said.

Although the season is still young, the Belles are beginning to get a clear picture of what future conference match-ups will be like.

"Our focus now is to get our girls experience which will help them gain mental tough-

"We were hoping to beat Hope, so the fact that we lost to them was a wake-up call."

Kristen Palombo
Belles captain

ness during match play that you can't develop during practice," Palombo said. "We're going to go out and make up ground that we lost last week."

As for the team's season-ending goals, "the conference tournament is up in the air and we want to show other teams what we are made of then," Palombo said. "We are looking more toward the tournament instead of the conference title, any conference wins during regular season will be icing on the cake for us."

The match is set to begin at 3 p.m. today in Kalamazoo.

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SMC SOFTBALL

Saint Mary's still in midst of slump

Long winless streak extends with losses to Calvin College

By BRIAN CARDILE
Sports Writer

Saint Mary's dropped both games of a doubleheader Tuesday against conference leader Calvin College. The Belles never led on the afternoon, falling 6-3 and 11-2.

"I thought we played very well; we had goals and we achieved them, but we couldn't do the little things when it mattered," Belle Sarah Miesle said.

The losses were the 12th and 13th in a row for the struggling squad, and the team's last win came over a month ago — on March 10 against Emmanuel College. The Belles' record now stands at 5-16 overall and 0-8 in the MIAA conference.

In the first game, Saint Mary's kept the game close, but inconsistent play once again kept the victory just out of reach. After holding Calvin scoreless for three innings,

the Belles were one out away from taking the game into the fifth inning tied at zero. But Knight Laurel Sands reached base on an error by McKenna

Corrigan and Lea Bareman scored from second base. Then, on the strength of two more two-out hits, the Knights pushed a pair of runs across to take a 3-0 lead.

Without the two-out error, the Belles would have gone back into the dugout tied and looking to take the lead. Instead, they had to battle from behind like they have many times this season.

But battle they did, responding in the top of the fifth with two runs. After Sarah Miesle and Audrey Gajor singled, Laura Helene doubled to center field to bring home both base runners.

"We've had opportunities to win in every game we've been in," Miesle said.

This was no exception, as the Belles were within one, but they could not get closer. Calvin scored three runs in

the next two innings and eventually took the game 6-3.

In the second game, Saint Mary's once again stayed close early, but in the top of the third the Knights broke the game open with six runs on four hits. Belles' pitcher McKenna Corrigan also issued two walks in the

"We've had opportunities to win in every game we've been in."

Sarah Miesle
Saint Mary's player

inning, and the team once again found itself in a hole too deep to escape.

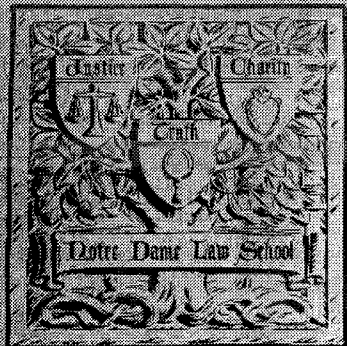
In the bottom of the inning, Miesle connected for the Belles' only hit of the game, doubling to center to score Meghan Marenkovic, who had reached base on a walk. Calvin scored three out of the next four times they were up to bat, and the final score was 11-2.

The losses drop Saint Mary's to 0-8 in the MIAA conference, but the Belles return home hopeful to improve their record again conference foe Hope College.

"I think we're playing good ball ... we're gonna get some breaks one of these days," said a confident Miesle.

The game will start at 3:30 p.m. Thursday at the Saint Mary's Softball Diamond.

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ND WOMEN'S ROWING

Weather cancels the MSU regatta

By KYLE CASSILY
Sports Writer

The Notre Dame women's rowing team will not face Michigan State today due to high winds and bad weather. The regatta in East Lansing, Mich., was canceled on Tuesday. Plans to reschedule the regatta are still unknown at this time.

The team last competed on April 9 against Purdue and Indiana in Indianapolis. The Irish will next host Cincinnati Sunday in its sole home regatta of the year. The regatta will take place on St. Joseph River in downtown South Bend.

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STEROID POLICY

Leagues turn over testing papers

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The NBA and NHL were among six groups that turned over documents about their drug-testing policies to the congressional committee looking into steroids in sports. The House Government Reform Committee had set Tuesday as a deadline for getting information about drug programs and test results. Major League Soccer, the ATP, USA Track & Field and the


U.S. Soccer Federation responded in time, while USA Cycling asked for and was granted an extension because of a snowstorm near its headquarters. The NFL was given until last Friday, and turned in its documents then. "Committee investigators are reviewing these documents, and they are continuing to examine the documents received from the NFL on Friday," committee chairman Tom Davis of Virginia and ranking Democrat Henry Waxman of California said in a statement. "We will withhold comment until our review of documents is complete." In letters sent to the various sports, the committee asked for information such as the number of drug tests each year, the number of positive results and which substances are tested for. The letters specified that the committee wants "summary information, and does not require identification of individual players."


FAITHPOINT

Wednesday, April 13, 2005


NDE #86
Friday-Sunday
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Four:7 Tonight, 10PM
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Topic: Keeping Christ at the Center of Your Life





LIVE IT!!



This past Sunday, **Sarah Roseberry**, a senior in Pasquerilla East came into full communion with the Catholic Church. Baptized Methodist, Sarah went through the Notre Dame RCIA program to prepare for her conversion. Instrumental in her decision was her friend and sponsor, **Eleigh Radighan**.

Sarah and Eleigh met at Notre Dame and studied together in Chile for a semester. Abroad they grew closer as friends as they searched for wholeness and understanding of the truth. Together they attended Mass, it was there that Sarah discovered the cross cultural and universal nature of the Catholicism. Mass was the same in Chile as it was back on campus. With the help of her friend Eleigh, Sarah discovered she was a "closet Catholic."

As a Candidate-Sponsor pair, Sarah and Eleigh really enjoyed the process. Recently, they locked themselves in the library to research a Confirmation name for Sarah. After extensive searching, the dynamic duo agreed that Margaret of Scotland would be a strong model of faith for Sarah. Congratulations and Welcome, Sarah Margaret. Thanks Eleigh!

Lead Kindly Light: Prayers from the Campus Ministry Prayer Book

Lord God, Father of mercy and source of life,
you call us from the whole world to celebrate
with renewed fervor the great mystery of the Eucharist,
memorial for all time of the Passover of your Son.

With gratitude in our hearts from the salvation,
which has been given us, we ask you confidently:
make us one body in Christ.
May we live the divine life, which he obtained for us
at the price of his blood.

Enlivened by his Holy Spirit, we will proclaim to the
world the wonders of your love.

We make this prayer through Jesus Christ your Son,
who was born of the Virgin and who lives and reigns
with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God forever and ever.
Amen.

Fourth Sunday of Easter

1st: Acts 2:1, 4a, 36-41 2nd: 1 Peter 2:20b-25 Gospel: John 10:1-10

Eucharistic Processions


are an extension of the Catholic practice of Eucharistic Adoration. Eucharistic Adoration is the spiritual discipline of spending time in contemplation and worship of Jesus Christ fully present under the appearance of bread and wine in the Eucharist, which is reserved in our churches and chapels. The belief in this "Real Presence" of Christ in the Eucharist grew out of the writings of Paul and the four evangelists. Their teaching made it clear to the early

Church, as Fr. John Hardon relates, that "the Eucharistic elements were literally Jesus Christ continuing His saving mission among [His people]." The practice of praying before the reserved Sacrament in the tabernacle or exposed in a monstrance (a vessel used to hold the Eucharist for public viewing) developed in the eleventh century and has continued to be popular ever since.

Eucharistic Processions give Christians a unique opportunity to give public witness to their

Catholic Q&A

What is a Eucharistic Procession?




faith in Jesus Christ and their devotion to the Eucharist, which is the very source and summit of the Faith. Immediately following Mass, the Eucharist is

placed in a monstrance which the priest then carries in procession, followed by the congregation singing devotional hymns. Altar servers lead the procession with candles and incense and often support a canopy over the priest and the Eucharist. After leaving the church, the procession normally stops at four separate altars, where prayers and Gospel readings are read. At each altar, the priest blesses those present with the Eucharist before the procession moves on. After the fourth

altar, the procession returns to the church, where the priest blesses the people with the Eucharist once more before reposing it in the tabernacle.

If you happen to encounter a Eucharistic Procession but cannot participate, common practice is to genuflect or kneel out of respect for the Eucharist, until the procession has passed.

Send your questions to Perkins.26@nd.edu

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SMC GOLF

Playing close to home leaves Belles confident

By ANNA FRICANO
Sports Writer

After a respectable but somewhat disappointing finish at the Tri-State University Invitational on Saturday, the Belles will remain close to home today as they compete at Bethel College for the NAIA-NCAA Invite.

The team finished in third place overall at Tri-State with a team score of 337. Senior Stefanie Simmerman finished with an individual score of 79 and led the way for the Belles with a fourth place individual finish. The score was enough to earn Simmerman a place on the all-tournament team, but the Belles were unsatisfied with their loss to NCAA contender Depauw University.

"We were a little disappointed losing to Depauw. We know that course very well, but we were a little overconfident going into Saturday," Simmerman said.

With head coach Mark Hamilton on a brief hiatus, the team struggled somewhat with individual scores. However, Saint Mary's still finished ahead of 14 of the 17 teams in the tournament, and the invite did no harm to their chances for the NCAA Championship.

Today's competition has the advantage of being in South Bend, and the team has tried to use their advantage as much as possible in the past week, going out to

the course daily to get a feel for the greens.

Simmerman feels fairly confident in the compatibility of today's course with her and her teammates.

"I think the course will couple well with the way our team plays; there are some longer par 5s, which we can play fairly well on," Simmerman said.

The amount of par 5s as well as par 3s on this afternoon's course ought to offer a lot of birdie opportunities for the Belles, which may be just what they need. As a team, Saint Mary's is trying to work on improving individual scores, which have been somewhat sporadic so far this season.

In the two events the Belles have competed this spring, scores have generally ranged from mid-80s to mid- to high-70s.

Simmerman's 79 on Saturday was the lowest individual score of the spring season, and the team would like to see more like that from everyone. Their goal is to come in today with some great individual scores, in the mid- to high-70s.

Saint Mary's is in prime position for the NCAA tournament. The top two teams in each region earn a spot in the tournament, and Saint Mary's is in second place in the MIAA, behind only Depauw.

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MEN'S TENNIS

Irish await Ohio State meet

Coach Bobby Bayliss knows Buckeyes are better than ranking

By RAMA GOTTUMUKKALA
Sports Writer

At first glance, Notre Dame's final regular-season match against No. 30 Ohio State seems like a welcome change from facing the likes of No. 2 Virginia, No. 4 Illinois and No. 4 Duke.

But Irish coach Bobby Bayliss is quick to point out the dangerous Buckeye team lurking behind that unassuming ranking.

"They're a very good team — quarterfinalists in last year's NAAs and returning five of six starters," Bayliss said. "They were ranked No. 11 or 12 in the beginning of the year, and they've lost some 4-3 matches to teams that have ended up being pretty good. I would think that they're the second best team in the Big Ten to Illinois, who's ranked No. 4. I expect we'll have our hands full, but it's not a match that we won't have a chance to win."

The No. 29 Irish (16-6) have had success against Big Ten opponents this season. With a solid 6-1 record against Big Ten foes thus far, Notre Dame faces one final challenge from that conference later today in

Columbus, Ohio.

Ohio State (13-6) has faced a tough schedule this season. All six of their losses have come at the hands of top-20 opponents. With two consecutive losses to the Buckeyes in their last two meetings, the Irish have some added motivation to swing the series momentum back in their favor.

"The challenge is that they are clearly a very experienced team," Bayliss said. "Number one, they play great doubles, and they're a thoroughly prepared team. Ty Tucker, their coach, does a great job of getting them to play, so I know they'll be excited to play us."

The primary challenge for the Irish will be trying to get on the board early. Ohio State boasts the No. 1 doubles team in the nation — juniors Scott Green and Ross Wilson. The Buckeyes have shuffled their doubles lineup this year, moving one of their top doubles players last year — Joey Atas — to the No. 3 team.

"What they've done is shifted some of their personnel around," Bayliss said. "Scott Green and Ross Wilson at No. 1 have won the National Indoors and the Fall All-American — two-thirds of the college triple crown [in doubles]. By moving Joey down to No. 3, that gives them a lot of balance."

This move echoes a similar strategy employed by the Irish in the past month. Since completely reshuffling their dou-

bles lineup, the Irish have won the doubles point for the last three matches. Prior to this string of doubles wins, the team had dropped its last four matches.

"We're hoping that we can keep that up," Bayliss said. "We've done pretty well at No. 3 doubles since we changed our personnel around. We still feel that Brent [D'Amico] and Eric [Langenkamp] are our most talented team, yet they haven't clicked. So maybe this is the day they turn it around. The key for us getting a great effort at No. 1 doubles and keeping the balance we've had at No. 2 and No. 3."

In their last match against Ball State, the Irish thrived on great singles play. The team got strong straight-set wins in five of the six singles matches. Balancing solid play in both the singles and doubles matches should be the key for the Irish in today's match.

"I just think that anytime you have a chance to play a team that was [in the] final eight last year and returns five of six starters, you've got to be excited about the opportunity in front of you," Bayliss said.

The Irish will try to capitalize on that opportunity as they close out their regular-season schedule on the road against the Buckeyes. Game time is set for 4 p.m.

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Fullback

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It is that type of diversity that the Irish coaching staff is hoping to get out of Powers-Neal this year.

In spring practices, Powers-Neal has been used as a halfback as well as a fullback, and should get significant time playing as the former.

Irish offensive coordinator and running backs coach Michael Haywood spoke about the expanded role Powers-Neal would have in this year's offense.

"The thing that we're trying to do is making sure that in different personnel groups, he gets to carry the ball and also putting him in situations when he's in there when he can do a little bit more pass protecting when we have match up concerns," Haywood said.

Haywood would not specify whether Powers-Neal was primarily playing at halfback or fullback, and gave little indication of what the possible depth chart looks like at either position.

"I think that with the rotation

of tailbacks, we're rotating guys in at tailback and getting guys a lot of reps," Haywood said.

"We don't have a certain depth chart ... we're just rotating guys in and seeing what plays that they run the best," he added. "Certain guys may run the inside zone the best, certain guys may run the draw the best, and certain guys might run the outside stretch better than others."

The coaching staff isn't the only group excited about the possibility of using Powers-Neal in roles other than run blocking and pass protection.

The senior running back from St. Paul, Minn. is also optimistic and happy about his new role in the offense.

"It's a whole lot of fun just being able to go out there and compete with all my teammates and make everybody better," Powers-Neal said of his tailback duties.

Powers-Neal understands that at this point in the spring, his role is undefined — other than that he will be on the field.

"I just have to work on keep on improving, make sure I'm stepping my game up and playing hard."

As a senior, there is a fair

amount of pressure on Powers-Neal to be a team leader, to set an example and to teach his younger teammates. To a certain degree, the maturation of Darius Walker and Travis Thomas rests on the senior fullback's shoulders.

"They are easy to block for; both of them are excellent running backs," Powers-Neal said. "Basically I'm just trying to go out there and make sure they stay focused and make sure they got their plays down and make sure that are giving it their 100 percent every play."

With Powers-Neal's role coming into the season a bit vague, there is room for other fullbacks to step up and work their way into the rotation.

Ashley McConnell was one name that Haywood mentioned as a player who is performing well this spring.

Regardless of whether Powers-Neal is getting the majority of his reps as a halfback or a fullback, he clearly has his priorities straight heading into the season.

"I want to win every game and go undefeated," Powers-Neal said. "Personally, I just want to be able to step my game up and be one of the top tier players and be a difference-maker out there on the field. I want to be a leader and make everyone around me better."

Notes

♦ After speaking about Anthony Fasano's importance to this year's team, Weis was asked about Mark Bavaro, the tight end who Weis coached when he was with the New York Giants.

"He was probably the toughest player that I've ever seen as an offensive player," Weis said. "Here's a guy who was playing with a cadaver bone in his leg at the end of his career."

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Batteast

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At the banquet, attended by more than 400 people, McGraw talked about the season, which started strong as the Irish won the Preseason WNIT, defeating then-No. 6 Duke in the semifinals and then-No. 10 Ohio State for the title. The Irish went on to finish second in the Big East Conference, behind only Rutgers and ahead of Connecticut. Notre Dame beat Connecticut 65-59 at Gampel Pavilion Jan. 30, the first time the Huskies lost a Big East game on their home court in 112 games.

McGraw talked about each of her 11 players, the first being freshman Charel Allen, who suffered a torn ACL and MCL in her left knee in the final game of the season, a 70-61 loss to Arizona State in the second round of the NCAA Tournament.

"I thought one of the biggest surprises, best surprises, was Charel Allen," McGraw said of the freshman who stepped up in big games all season. "We are really confident Charel is going to rehab her knee and be back for us next year."

McGraw also spoke highly of her junior point guard, Megan Duffy, who earned the Knute Rockne Scholar-Athlete Award for her performance in the classroom.

"I don't think I've ever coached a player with more heart than Megan Duffy," McGraw said, prompting a standing ovation from the crowd. "The good news is she's back for one more year."

Gray received two awards — Most Improved Player and Defensive Player of the Year.

"Although there were a few choices for Most Improved Player, this one was a clear cut favorite," McGraw said. "The only thing that changed more than her game was her hair-do."

The Spirit Award went to freshman walk-on Amanda Tshipis, who saw action in 12 games this season.

Associate coach Carol Owens, who will leave the Irish to be the head coach at Northern Illinois next year, was remembered fondly by both McGraw and the seniors.

"People didn't think I could do it [play at this physical of a level]," Batteast said to her post coach. "But you gave me the tools to succeed."

And amidst the honors, the stars of the evening were Batteast and Borton.

Batteast gave an emotional speech, thanking her family, the assistant coaches and calling McGraw "the perfect coach" for her.

"It is difficult to believe that my dream has come and gone."

Teresa Borton
Irish senior

She said her time at Notre Dame has prepared her for life.

"My career here at Notre Dame is done, and I'm excited, anxious and nervous to start a new chapter,"

Batteast said. "I don't know what to expect, but I'm ready for anything because I'm well-prepared."

Batteast credited assistant coach Jonathon Tsipis for the improvement between her sophomore and junior years.

"You turned my game around," Batteast said to her coach.

Borton, meanwhile, reflected on her decision to play college basketball.

"The past four years, I have been living this dream [of playing college basketball]," Borton said. "I honestly couldn't have asked for much more."

Borton reflected on her time playing for the Irish, never missing a game in her four years.

"It is difficult to believe that my dream has come and gone," the senior said.

And Batteast said that despite the countless honors she has received — four all-Big East selections, Big East Player of the Year — she will take something else away from Notre Dame.

"I'll cherish that diploma I'll be getting in May more than any other award I've ever won," she said.

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Elbows Deep used its tenacious defense throughout the entire game to take away scoring opportunities from WMD and create chances of its own. The unit was sparked by the play of Dave George, who threw his body all around the court en route to scoring a game-high eight points and netting eight steals. He hit the pavement hard after being fouled on an early layup attempt, and shortly after, blood dripped from his nose, causing a short stoppage of play.

Tournament trainers attended to him with pieces of tissue to clog up his nose, but his intensity level was not affected — a level maintained by the entire Elbows Deep team. At any given moment, one of the players would be seen outrunning the opponent to an errant pass, or flopping onto the hard surface to grab a loose ball.

George's drives to the hoop were complimented by the dominant inside presence of senior offensive lineman Jeff Thompson, who scored several baskets inside and showed a soft touch nailing a smooth mid-range jumper. Guard Pat Brady's jump shots also helped balance the team's offensive attack and weaken WMD's 2-3 zone.

"We had to penetrate the zone," George said after the game. "It was windy, and the shots weren't falling, so we were able to slip inside the creases to get some opportunities."

Elbows Deep will take on The Knights of Leisure Thursday at 8:30 p.m. at McGlinn Courts for a chance to advance to the round of 128.

March Badness 21, Iceland 16

In one of the closest games of the night, March Badness continued its run of April success by finding a late groove against Iceland. After being down 10-11 at halftime, March Badness tied the game up at 13, 14, 15 and 16 before forward Eddie O'Brien scored the next two buckets to ride that momentum to Badness's third win of the tournament (including a play-in game) and into

the field of 128.

Badness had to play without captain Dave Sena, whom teammates reported was "ill." "His girlfriend won't let him play," quipped Craig Panzica. "She was [keeping him in bed] with the flu and feeding him chicken soup."

Actually, Sena watched the game in street clothes while courtside with his girlfriend, but he admitted to a 102-degree fever.

Despite Sena's absence, Panzica was not surprised by the outcome of the game. Why?

"Because we have 'Slippery,'" Panzica said, referring to Sena's sub Pete "Slippery" Leahy. "We have superstars every game. There was 'Magic' [Hamilton 'Magic' Marx] in the first game and 'Slippery' today."

"Slippery" proved a valuable substitute when he ended the game with a one-handed tip off a teammate's missed basket.

"It was exhilarating," Slippery said. "Best moment of my life."

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getting a triple in the process.

The Falcons brought in their second pitcher of the inning — Matt Hundley — but he didn't fare any better than Greg Becker, who started the inning.

Craig Cooper walked and Tony Langford singled to right, scoring Andres. Ross Brezovsky walked before Greg Lopez singled home Cooper.

Catcher Sean Gaston got his third hit in the game with a two-RBI single, scoring Brezovsky and Langford.

The Falcons then brought in their third pitcher of the inning after the Irish batted around before recording an out.

New pitcher Bryan Flory induced a first-pitch double play ground ball from Cody Rizzo, who was batting for Nettey, to quickly get two outs.

Lilley followed with a single to score Lopez and close out the

scoring in the frame for the Irish.

Olvey picked up his second win on the season. Joey Williamson, Mike Dury and David Gruener each pitched a scoreless inning in relief of Olvey.

The 20 hits for the Irish were the most since they also got 20 in a 12-11 come-from-behind win over Southern Illinois on March 6, 2004 — a span of 87 games.

The Irish pitching staff has allowed three earned runs during the past 27 innings.

Those two reasons were enough fuel for Mainieri to hope the rain plaguing the surrounding area would stay away from South Bend.

"I'm really glad it didn't rain today," Mainieri said.

"I feel like we're hitting our stride now. The two wins at a

tough team gave us confidence.

"Who knows, this homestand could be good to us."

Mainieri said after Tuesday's game that Wade Korpi (3-0, 6.00 ERA) is slated to get the start in today's game against Central Michigan.

First pitch from Eck Stadium is scheduled for 5:05 p.m.

Notes:

♦ Pitcher Tom Thornton picked up his third career Big East Pitcher of the Week award Monday.

In a 3-2 complete game victory at Boston College Saturday, Thornton allowed eight singles and struck out five in what proved to be a big-time win for the Irish concerning their Big East record.

♦ Nick Mainieri, son of the Irish baseball coach, knocked in his first career hit in the eighth inning against the Falcons. Mainieri sent a single through the left side and drove in a run.

Paul Mainieri
Irish coach

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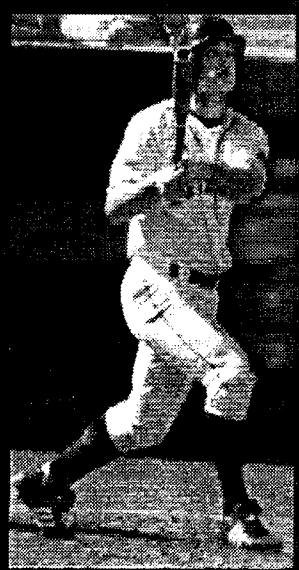
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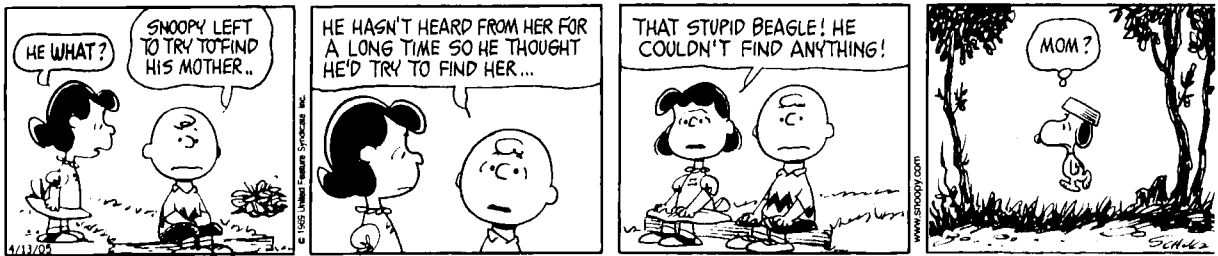
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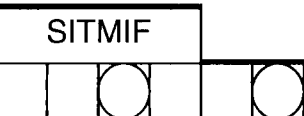
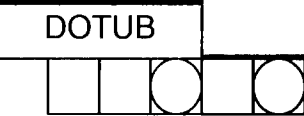
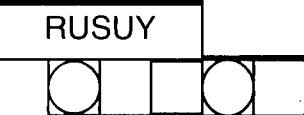


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JUMBLE

Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.



FOR THE



(Answers tomorrow)

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Jumbles:

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Answer:

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THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME
by Henri Arnold and Mike Argirion

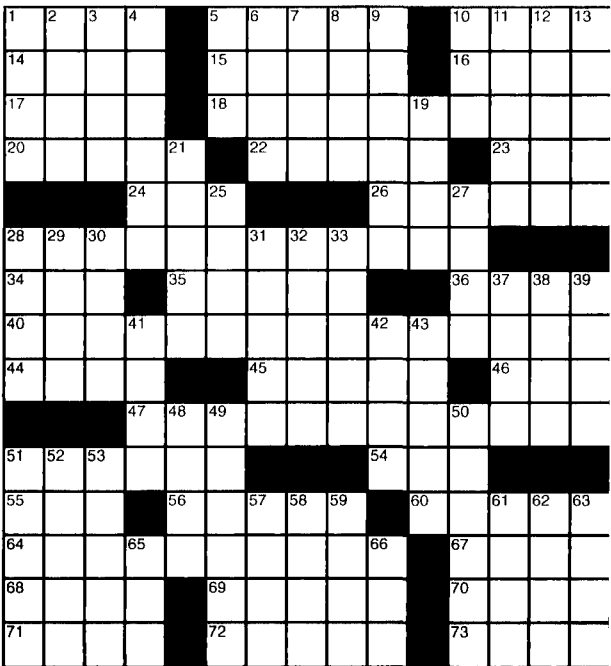


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CROSSWORD

WILL SHORTZ

- ACROSS**
- 1 Strip ____
- 5 Favored by God
- 10 Wielding a peeler, maybe
- 14 Locket shape
- 15 Instant message sender, perhaps
- 16 Disney lioness
- 17 Purse item
- 18 Popular group dance
- 20 Like dessert wines
- 22 Top-2% group
- 23 "Ich bin ____ Berliner"
- 24 Travelers' org.
- 26 Plod along
- 28 Toasters do it
- 34 River islet
- 35 Farmer's letters?
- 36 Salinger title girl
- 40 Desk set item
- 44 Van ____, Calif.
- 45 Enter again
- 46 Neighbor of Braz.
- 47 Four-runner?
- 51 Break into parts, as a monopoly
- 54 Hoo-ha
- 55 Notebook maker
- 56 Unwelcome forecast
- 60 Potter's potions professor
- 64 One with a half-interest
- 67 Laundry item
- 68 Earthen pot
- 69 Commercial prefix with liner
- 70 Grant for a film?
- 71 Lone Star State sch.
- 72 Rodeo critter
- 73 Girl or boy lead-in
- DOWN**
- 1 Comfy footwear
- 2 Swear to
- 3 ____ duck
- 4 Lands' End competitor
- 5 Dickensian epithet
- 6 Warp-and-weft machine
- 7 Actress Sommer
- 8 Glimpsed
- 9 Soap opera meetings
- 10 A Beatle bride
- 11 In one's natural state
- 12 Movie set light: Var.
- 13 John of "Miracle on 34th Street"
- 19 Peel
- 21 1970's Japanese P.M. ____ Fukuda
- 25 Not "fer"
- 27 Worked with
- 28 ____ Crunch
- 29 Place
- 30 Humble response to praise
- 31 Pick up
- 32 Felt under the weather
- 33 Taints
- 37 Most of it nowadays is filtered
- 38 ____ mortals



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- 39 Many an M.I.T. grad: Abbr.
- 41 U.S.A.F. rank
- 42 "Nana" author
- 43 Old oath
- 48 Sign of disuse
- 49 Self-assurance
- 50 Friend on "Friends"
- 51 Exquisite trinket
- 52 Letter-shaped fastener
- 53 Prepare to get shot?
- 57 Water holder
- 58 Course on insects, for short
- 59 Fork-tailed flier
- 61 "I smell ____"
- 62 Left side
- 63 "Only Time" singer
- 65 Quick rest
- 66 Bird in the "Arabian Nights"

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CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY: Riley Smith, 27; Claire Danes, 26; Nicholas Brendon, 34; David Letterman, 58

Happy Birthday: You will see a multitude of good things unfold this year. Your creative ability is at an all-time high, so don't hold yourself back for fear you aren't ready. Hold your head high and do your own thing. Don't let emotional matters stop you from following through with your goals. Your numbers are 2, 5, 12, 28, 40, 45

ARIES (March 21-April 19): You may be feeling a little restless today. Act on your gut feelings and make a move that will put you in a position to fix anything that you feel has gone array. Partnerships can be formed, but some of your peers will not agree with what you are doing. ****

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): You should be doing something about your position or the direction you are headed. Now is the time to get back on track. If you aren't happy where you are, it's time to consider alternatives. ***

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Disagreements are likely to occur when it comes to work-related problems. You want to ensure you will not lose your position or be passed by for advancement. Don't let your emotions get the better of you. ***

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Take a look at your financial situation and make some amendments to your personal papers. Update whatever needs to be redone and it will put your mind at ease. Help an older relative do the same. ***

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Your involvement in discussions or in group endeavors will lead to an interesting meeting with someone you will want to spend more time with. Your options are mounting and, if you are a little pushy, you will get what you want. ****

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Not everyone will agree with you today where business matters are concerned. Do not divulge the way you see things happening or you will back yourself into a corner. You will not have all the facts regarding some of your peers. **

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Take a short trip to a place that will inspire you. Learning, communicating and building enthusiasm in others should come easy today. A relationship that has been standing still will begin to take on a new dimension. *****

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Money matters should be your prime concern. An investment you make will pay off as long as you are willing to hold on for a while. If you need to make alterations to your residence, now is the time to get started. ***

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Partnerships may take you by surprise. You won't expect to be so well-received by some and so let down by others. Nothing will unfold as planned but, if you are adaptable, you will be able to land in a very good position. ***

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): It's all about getting things accomplished today. You will have some very unusual ideas, and you shouldn't be afraid to voice them. Someone will recognize what you are trying to do and help you turn your idea into something tangible. ***

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Everything is looking good and so are you. This is the perfect day to do something to update your look or to set a new trend. A relationship will develop into something very special. *****

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Someone who really isn't as wonderful as you think will impress you. Take a closer look -- it's time you realized you are just as good as everyone around you. Be sure to make your own decisions. **

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BASEBALL

Seventh-inning smash

Irish erupt for eight runs late in contest en route to 14-2 win

By MATT LOZAR
Senior Staff Writer

Tuesday afternoon's game was rolling right along at Eck Stadium.

Notre Dame was ahead 5-2 heading into the bottom of the seventh inning with the game on pace to be finished in just over two hours.

Then nine straight Irish batters reached base before Bowling Green recorded an out.

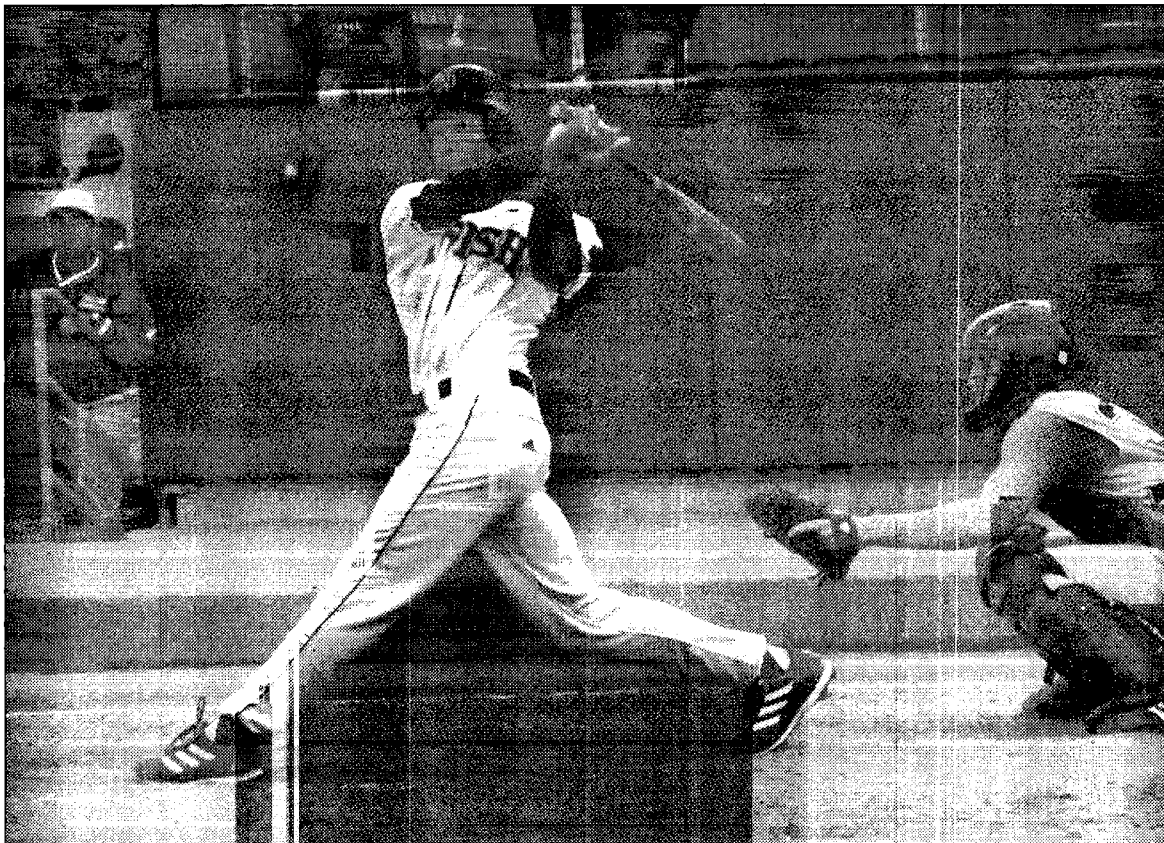
Naturally, the game slowed down a bit.

Seven Notre Dame batters had multiple hits in the game, Derek Olvey pitched six strong innings and the Irish committed one harmless error while eventually cruising to a 14-2 win over the Falcons on an overcast and blustery day.

"Derek Olvey pitched great and kept us in it early," Irish coach Paul Mainieri said. "Our defense also did a great job."

A major factor in the game was the steady wind blowing in from right field. Olvey was able to take advantage of the wind and record 13 of his 18 outs via the fly ball.

Meanwhile, the Irish stayed



Irish centerfielder Alex Nettey follows through on one of his three hits Tuesday during Notre Dame's 14-2 victory over Bowling Green. The Irish tallied 20 hits against the Falcons.

focused on hitting line drives or finding holes in the Bowling Green infield.

The game plan paid off.

"I think we did a great job beating the wind. We didn't hit lazy fly balls," Mainieri said.

"Our hitters hit the ball on the ground. They made plays early but eventually kicked a couple."

Up 5-2, Alex Nettey started the seventh with his third hit on the day — a double to right center. Brett Lilley walked, and Matt

Edwards was hit by a pitch. Then Steve Andres, pinch-hitting for Matt Bransfield, scorched one down the first-base line, scoring all three runners and

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ND WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Batteast honored as MVP

By HEATHER VAN HOEGARDEN
Sports Writer

Humor and sentimental memories of the seniors were the themes Tuesday night at the women's basketball banquet at the Joyce Center.

Irish coach Muffet McGraw joked with sophomore Breona Gray about her outfit, and seniors Jacqueline Batteast and Teresa Borton gave emotional goodbye speeches as the Irish celebrated their 27-win season, the third-most in school history.

"These seniors have left a great legacy," McGraw said. "They really raised the bar for us."

Batteast, an Associated Press third-team All-American and Kodak/WBCA All-American, earned the Notre Dame Monogram Club Most Valuable Player award for the fourth time in as many seasons.

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FOOTBALL

Fullback powers way to limelight

Rashon Powers-Neal expected to shine in starting position

By BOBBY GRIFFIN
Associate Sports Editor

In many ways, the fullback is the most important position on offense outside of the quarterback. But what the fullback does is often overlooked and underappreciated.

This season, Rashon Powers-Neal might not have to deal with that aspect of being the other running back in the backfield, as the Irish coaching staff has made very clear that his role in the offense will extend far past run- and pass-blocking.

When he was an offensive coordinator in the NFL, head coach Charlie Weiss often used his fullbacks in many ways



Notre Dame fullback Rashon Powers-Neal slashes through a drill April 1. The Irish conclude spring practice April 23.

other than simply clearing holes for running backs and picking up blitzes.

Patrick Pass, the New England Patriots' fullback in 2004, caught passes out of the backfield (28 catches, 215 yards),

fooled defenses expecting a handoff to running back Corey Dillon (39 carries, 141 yards) and even returned six kicks for 115 yards.

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BOOKSTORE BASKETBALL XXXIV

Battles continue in second week

Elbows Deep disarms Weapons of Mass Destruction 21-14

By TIM DOUGHERTY
Sports Writer

Thanks to Elbows Deep, a quick search for the teams that comprise the round of 256 will find no Weapons of Mass Destruction. The dozens of fans who saw Elbows Deep defeat Weapons of Mass Destruction 21-14 in a makeup game from last Sunday witnessed a scrappy display of sweat and blood, intermingled with light bantering between players and fans and a drop of

player bickering over fouls — all the traditional elements of a classic Bookstore Basketball game.

WMD was led by a forward donning a Juwan Howard Denver Nuggets jersey with a matching old school game — featuring a sky hook that evoked memories of Kareem Abdul-Jabbar.

But it was not enough to counter Elbow Deep's relentless ball pressure.

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Notre Dame travels to face Big Ten foe Ohio State today.

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Saint Mary's feels it has an advantage going into the Bethel meet.

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The Belles hit the road to take on MIAA foe Kalamazoo.

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Jim Edmonds tallies 1,500th career hit.

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Florida's A.J. Burnett throws complete game.

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