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## Jenkins says events conflict with values

*Notre Dame shouldn't sponsor 'Monologues,' president believes*

By MARY KATE MALONE  
News Writer

University President Father John Jenkins delivered a firm yet open-ended statement to faculty Monday about the interaction of academic freedom and Catholic character at Notre Dame, calling the University's sponsorship of events inconsistent with Catholic teaching "problematic" while asking for continued dialogue before he announces a formal policy.

Jenkins said events sponsored by the University or one of its units, including academic departments, that are deemed to conflict or appear to conflict with Catholic values "should not be allowed at Notre Dame," making clear his opposition to the sexually explicit anti-violence play "The Vagina Monologues." Monday's speech was the first of three addresses the first-year University president scheduled for this week aimed at soliciting feedback from faculty, students and alumni about striking the correct balance between academic freedom and Catholic identity.

"While any restriction on expression must be reluctant and restrained, I believe that, in some situations, given the distinctive character and aspirations of Notre Dame, it

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*Faculty angry, pleased with first of academic freedom addresses*

By AMANDA MICHAELS  
Assistant News Editor

Furiously scratching down notes, leaning over to conference quietly with a neighbor, murmuring with approval or dissent — all things considered, the crowd of faculty members gathered to hear University President Father John Jenkins speak Monday night looked the part of the students they normally preside over.

But this was not the typical class lecture, as several of the listeners were quick to respond to the president with high praise and fiery critiques.

Encouraged to add their voices to the "conversation" about the struggle to maintain both the Catholic character of Notre Dame and the academic freedom necessary to cultivate a healthy University environment, faculty took advantage of the post-speech formal question-and-answer session as well as time set aside for more personal discussion during the post-address reception to raise concerns about the more controversial elements of Jenkins' statement.

"Sexuality" was the watchword of the evening, with "The Vagina Monologues" — an explicit play that's been a point of fierce debate since its arrival on campus four years ago — taking the prominent place in discussion after Jenkins' assertion that he does not think the play should be performed at Notre Dame.

Margot O'Brien, an associate

*Top left, English professor Margaret Doody responds to University President Father John Jenkins' faculty address on academic freedom Monday, right. Bottom left, University President Emeritus Father Theodore Hesburgh and University Provost Thomas Burish listen.*

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may be necessary to establish certain boundaries, while defending the appropriate exercise of academic freedom," Jenkins said.

Pausing only for brief sips of water during the 50-minute speech to a nearly full Leighton Concert Hall in the

DeBartolo Center for the Performing Arts, Jenkins was steady and straightforward as he spoke candidly about the campus presence of "The Vagina Monologues" and the Queer Film Festival — events entering their third and fifth years at Notre Dame, respec-

tively — in the context of academic freedom.

Rather than issuing a firm policy, Jenkins discussed his convictions and then encouraged feedback from faculty. He later declined to provide a

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### COUNCIL OF REPRESENTATIVES

## Members hone in on community relations

By KATIE PERRY  
Assistant News Editor

Student leaders emphasized their concern regarding the University's stressed relationship with the community at a Council of Representatives (COR) meeting Monday, where they discussed a resolution to amend the South Bend Public Nuisance Ordinance and recent break-ins occurring at off-campus housing.

Community Relations chair Nick Guzman said the issue of his committee's namesake has

"raised in the eyes of many students" due to the passing of the July 25, 2005 ordinance as well as the repeated break-ins in past weeks.

"Students don't see [the South Bend community] as being part of their lives, but [these instances] are showing it is," Guzman said.

A resolution to tweak the ordinance was passed unanimously within Student Senate on Nov. 30. It both recognizes the concerns of the South Bend community regarding

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## Donors flood University phones

*Hundreds of concerned ND benefactors make calls, express anxiety*

By HEATHER VAN HOEGARDEN  
News Writer

On the first business day after Notre Dame announced a Development Office server security breach, the University received hundreds of phone calls about the incident. University vice president of Public Affairs and Communication Hilary Crnkovich said Monday.

Many of the calls on Monday were to confirm that the incident did actually happen, Crnkovich said.

Meanwhile, investigation of how exactly the server was

hacked into continued Monday.

"I don't think our forensic experts have had an opportunity to do full-circle analysis," Crnkovich said Monday afternoon. "That's still ongoing, so we probably need a little more time there. I would give them a little bit more time to do their due diligence."

Crnkovich said that between 8 a.m. and 2 p.m. on Monday, about 200 people called the toll-free helpline set up by the University to facilitate concerns about the breach. Most, she said, were calling to make sure the e-mail they received from the

University was not fake.

"The calls are going well," Crnkovich. "The majority of them this morning, interestingly enough, were people confirming that it was real and that it wasn't a hoax. It's been pretty positive so far. So we hope it stays that way."

She also said that the University has had no convincingly negative phone calls from donors who are upset to the point of threatening not to donate to the University as a result of this security breach.

"To the best of my knowledge, we have had no real

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INSIDE COLUMN

81 and (far from) done

There's nothing wrong with 81. Kobe's performance Sunday night was a bold statement, not just that he deserves to be the MVP of the NBA, but that the Kobe Bryant of old is gone for good and it doesn't matter whether you like it or not. And that's precisely why he won't get the credit he deserves: he's not the old Kobe, and he's just not very likeable.

Tim Kaiser  
Sports Writer

He came into the league an introverted 17 year-old who spoke fluent Italian and showed flashes of brilliance, making his first All-Star team just two years later and later winning three championships for the Lakers. But times change. Bitter feuds with Shaq and Phil eventually sent both O'Neal and the coach packing, and just when the questions about his inability to be a team player were at their peak, the Eagle, Colo. sex scandal surfaced. After that tearful apology to his wife on national television failed to restore his perfect image, he never did. LeBron James has usurped the title of "the next Michael Jordan," as well as the endorsement deals with Nike, Sprite and Upper Deck. Kobe is no longer the NBA's favorite son, but he has embraced his new image, showing up to camp this year with some new tattoos and a self-bestowed villainous nickname: the Black Mamba.

No matter what Bryant accomplishes, he will always have his critics. "He's selfish," "he's too much trouble," they say. But they've left out one thing — he's amazing. There's nothing bad you can say about his play. He's a classic example of a good player on a bad team. And this bad team is winning — all because of him.

Kobe is showing once again that you don't have to be a good person to be a good player. Bill Laimbeer, Rodman, 'Sheed — they never won any sportsmanship awards, but they did win championships. While the Lakers are far from a championship team this year, Kobe has willed them into seventh place in the West less help than the aforementioned bad boys.

Look at the stat line of Sunday's game. You'll see six rebounds, three steals and a blocked shot. The man wasn't just gunning, he was playing defense, playing hard. He can't help that he is on the Lakers.

He's angry, he's nasty, he's got a chip on his shoulder, but he's playing like no one has in years. It doesn't matter if you like Kobe, he probably doesn't like you either.

It doesn't matter that he's no longer the angelic Kobe of old. This Kobe is new, improved and deserving of recognition. So, put aside your personal grudges, let go of those old memories of a baby-faced Kobe hawking Big Macs.


It's best to do just what the rest of the Lakers are doing: sit back, relax, and enjoy.

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


CORRECTIONS

In the Jan. 23 edition of The Observer, an article incorrectly said the anthropology department would not be offering the class "Cultural Difference and Social Change" due to lack of teaching interest. The department does have interest from professors and plans to offer the course in the fall.


QUESTION OF THE DAY: ARE YOU CONCERNED ABOUT THE SECURITY BREACH?




Tamara LeVan  
senior  
McGlinn




Theresa Keeley  
sophomore  
PE



Donny Tillotson  
junior  
Stanford



Kristin Aland  
junior  
off-campus



Corey Arvin  
freshman  
Morrisey

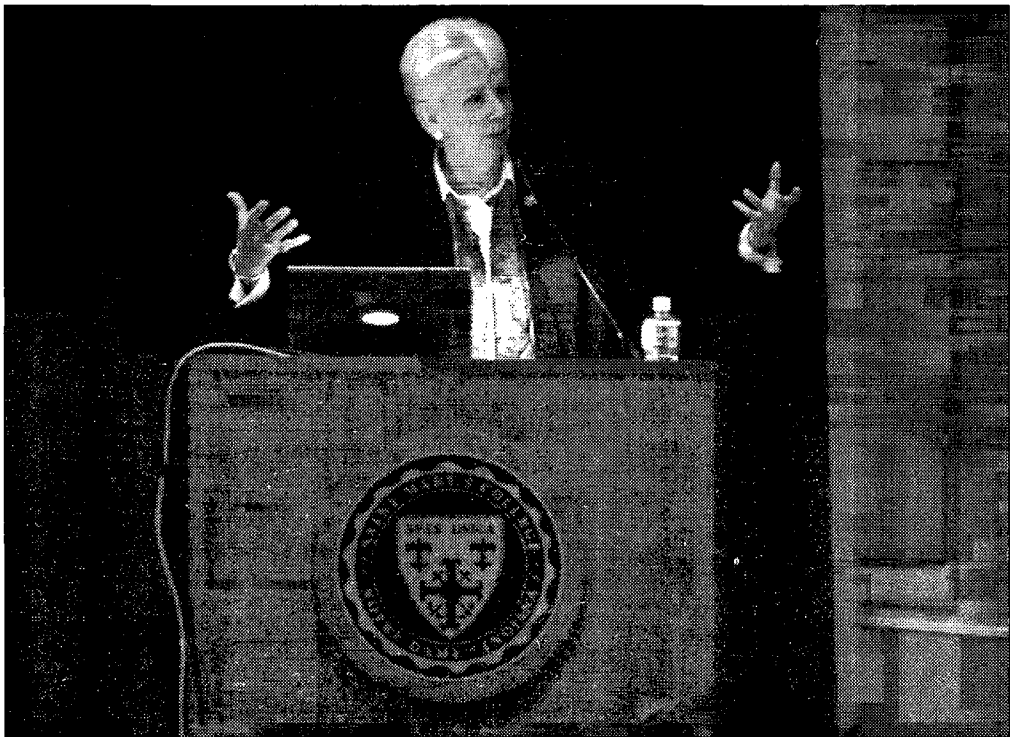
"It's something to be concerned about. It makes you wonder how they're safeguarding information."

"No, I think my information is safe."

"I'm not making enough money to be donating, so I'm not worried."

"No, my wireless network's name is Chuck Norris, and he'll roundhouse kick anyone who tries to hack in."

"No, because I haven't donated."



CHELSEA GULLING/The Observer  
Saint Mary's President Carol Mooney shares slides and memories of her trip to LeMans, France in June of last summer as part of the College's first day of Heritage Week, which began Monday. Mooney joined an international group of 42 Holy Cross religious and five lay people to learn the history and visit the birthplace of the Holy Cross order.

OFFBEAT

**Lassie reportedly helps rescue farmer, 90**  
SYDNEY, Australia — In a case of life imitating fiction, a 13-month-old cattle dog named "Lassie" helped to rescue its injured master after he fell from a horse in eastern Australia, a media report said Tuesday.  
George Crowther, a 90-year-old farmer from Queensland state, broke his pelvis when he was pitched from a bucking horse and his foot became caught in the reins, the Australian Broadcasting Corp. reported.  
Crowther's dog, Lassie, came to the rescue, snuggling in next to Crowther to keep him warm.  
When darkness fell, Crowther's wife came searching in the woods with a flashlight, but couldn't hear his feeble cries.  
"The dog ran to her and she said 'Where's George?'" Crowther said. "And Lassie toddled off, leading my wife to where I was. And the rest, of course, is history."

**City offers new computers for old guns**  
MEXICO CITY — Mexicans are being invited to exchange their weapons for computers under a quirky new idea to curb rampant crime in Mexico City.  
Authorities in one of the city's 16 districts are offering a new computer, out of 150 donated by a charitable foundation, for each gun handed in.  
"People often have a gun at home, which could perhaps be for self-defense, but sadly it becomes a family tragedy when it is not used properly," said Guadalupe Lopez, local government head for the central district of Alvaro Obregon.  
Information compiled from the Associated Press.

**IN BRIEF**

University President Father John Jenkins will be giving his Academic Freedom and Catholic Character address and discussion for students today at 12:30 p.m. in Washington Hall.

There will be a blood drive today from 9:30 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. in Rolf's Sports RecCenter. Call 631-6100 to register.

The band Nice Save! will be performing live at Corby's on Friday at 10:30 p.m.

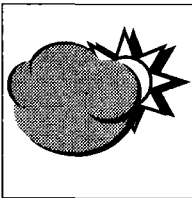
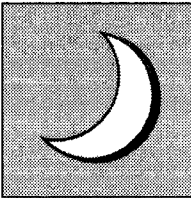
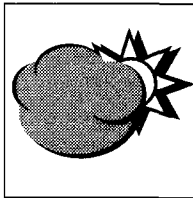
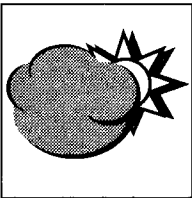

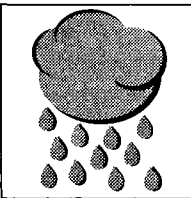
"Poetas y Pintores: Artists Conversing with Verse" art exhibit will open Friday, Jan. 27 in Moreau Art Galleries at Saint Mary's College.

Welsh Family Hall Dance Show presents: "Game Faces" this Friday, Jan. 27 and Saturday, Jan. 28 at Washington Hall. Tickets are \$4 and can be purchased at LaFortune Box Office or at the door. Profits benefit Hannah and Friends.

Author Kirsten Sundberg Lunstrum will give a reading from her debut book of collection of stories, *This Life She's Chosen*, on Feb. 1 at 7:30 p.m. in South Dining Hall's Hospitality Room. The event is free and open to the public.

Three panelists will address the question: "Iraq: What now?" in a discussion at 4:15 p.m. Jan. 31 in the auditorium of the Hesburgh Center for International Studies.

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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# Catholic Think Tank lecture series set to begin

*Student government goal actualized; U.S. circuit judge to discuss religion in the judiciary*

By RYAN SYDLIK  
News Writer

After student government's long struggle to launch the Catholic Think Tank of America Lecture Series, the program's first speaker will cement Notre Dame's reputation as a forum for Catholic thought today.

The series, intended to bring direct discussion to students about religious and spiritual issues and their relation to practical areas of life, will feature prominent Catholics from across the faith's spectrum — as well as some non-Catholics — discussing aspects of spiritual life.

Honorable William Pryor, Jr., a U.S. Circuit Judge of the Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeals, will give the inaugural lecture at 4 p.m. today for the Federalist Society at the Notre Dame Law School. He will speak again to the greater Notre Dame community at 7:30 p.m. in the LaFortune Ballroom.

Pryor's lecture will focus on the role of religion in the judi-

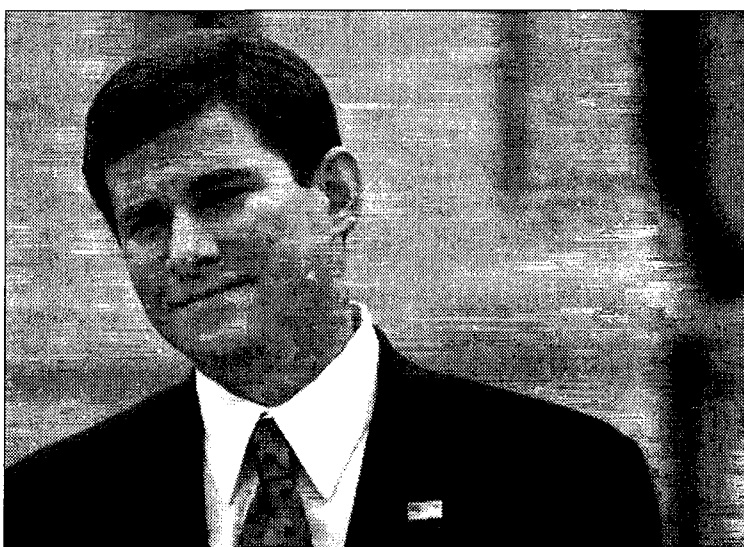
ciary, which has become a greater issue with the recent nominations of Judges John Roberts and Samuel Alito to the Supreme Court.

The second speaker in the series is the Most Reverend Thomas Gumbleton of Detroit, Mich. He will speak Feb. 23 at 7:30 p.m. in the Carey Auditorium, focusing on Catholicism and war.

The Catholic Think Tank of America originated last year during the campaign of student body president Dave Baron and vice president Lizzi Shappell. While the program has grown slowly, Chief Executive Assistant for Student Government Elizabeth Kozlow said not having speakers on campus until the spring 2006 semester was a small price to pay for the quality product that ensued.

"We wanted this series to be comprised of quality as well as quantity," Kozlow said. "We had to work with each speaker's opportunities to come to campus and speak at a suitable time."

Kozlow said one of the first challenges student govern-



U.S. Circuit Judge William Pryor, Jr., will lecture this afternoon at Notre Dame Law School and at LaFortune in the evening.

ment faced was finding those suitable speakers.

"In looking at speakers, we thought of issues that are relevant and timely for the discussion," Kozlow said. "Judge Pryor and Bishop Gumbleton both possess a unique perspective on separate issues that will significantly add to each discussion."

Kozlow also said student government hopes the speakers it chose will raise awareness about their respective issues and spark further debate on campus.

While programming is not considered to be the main

focus of student government, Kozlow said this project is unique and extremely beneficial to students, as it requires students to relate to scholarly and significant topics outside the classroom.

"Discussing these issues and bringing in important speakers to campus has been extremely rewarding," she said. "Aspects of spiritual life that unite all of us have shown how important this debate is for students."

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## Security

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persuasively negative confrontations," Crnkovich said.

On Monday, the University had an estimate of how many donors were affected, but that information will not be released to the public, according to Crnkovich.

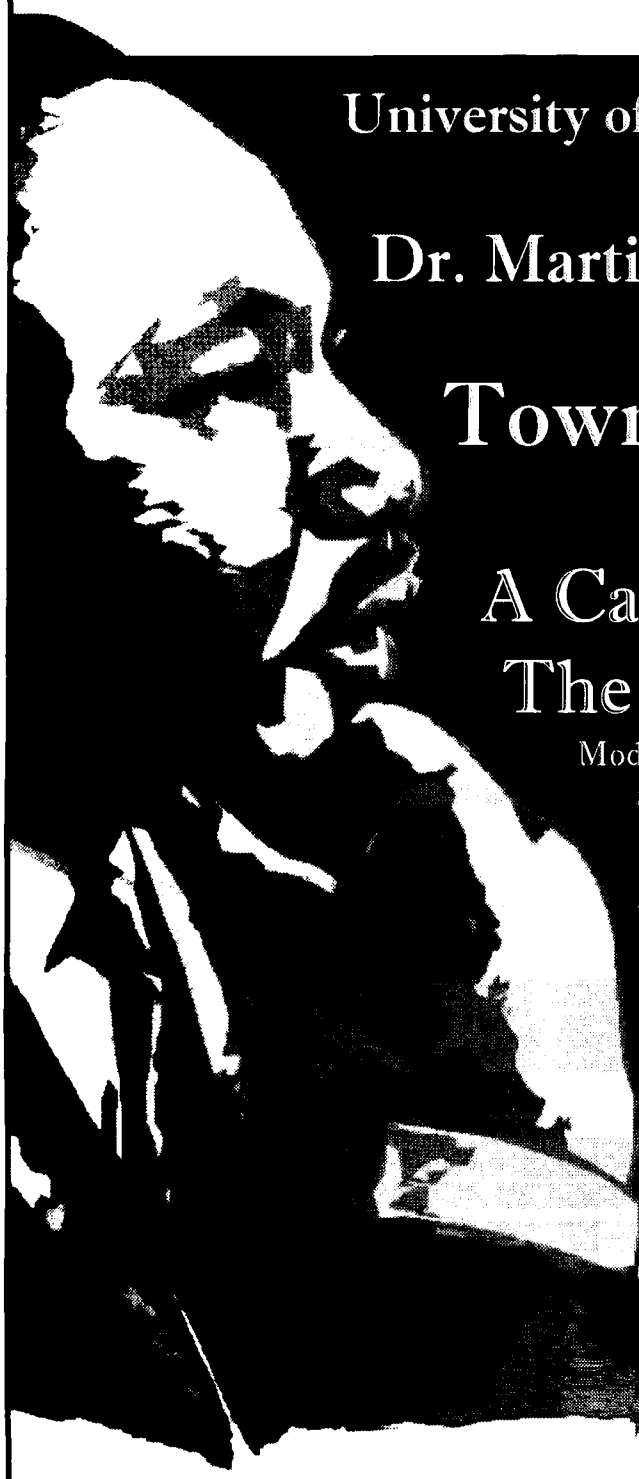
"We do [have a count of those affected], but we're going to keep it confidential," she said. "Whenever an individual, even one individual, could be affected by something, the number of people who could have been affected isn't really part of the overall story. If one person's affected, that's all that really matters. And the numbers aren't really of any use to anyone."

The University has also trained individuals to address concerns posed by donors whose information may have been viewed by the intruder.

"We have a number of people who work in the development office trained to talk with the people who could potentially have been affected," Crnkovich said.

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Townhall Meeting

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The Responsibility of Every Man and Woman

Moderated by Dr. Anthony Burrow, Department of Psychology  
and Ms. Reanna Ursin, Departments of English and Africana Studies

Tuesday, January 24, 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Hammes Student Lounge, Coleman Morse Center

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# COR

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the discourteous behavior of Notre Dame students and points out what student body president Dave Baron called "contradictory" elements of the ordinance.

"The resolution ... recognizes the space between the community as a whole and the student body [and] recognizes that these are issues we can deal with," Guzman said. "We can take a proactive role."

The resolution said the Public Nuisance Ordinance should be amended so it could be consistent with its original intent — that eviction proceedings take place only after an initial "Notice to Abate" letter fails to change the behavior of the admonished tenant.

Baron and Guzman's intention for the resolution was to go in front of the city — and strides were made to realize that specific goal at Monday's COR meeting.

Baron suggested the resolution be brought up at the Feb. 27 South Bend Common Council meeting by COR representatives, who will each — by virtue of Council practices and policies — have three minutes to speak freely at meeting's conclusion.

The central goals of a Notre Dame presence are to "talk about eviction proceedings as a defense provision" and "increase the scope" of the University's community participation, Baron said.

"My hope is that it will [pose] our position in a light they haven't seen before," he said.

Members said speakers at the event should present coherent arguments instead of being redundant. Additionally, members agreed it would be best to approach the meeting with professionalism and tact.

"It is not my intention to spring this on [the council]," Baron said. "I'd like to tell them we're going to come and talk about this on a particular day ... It's prudent and courteous to let them know. I think it's our duty to go and present our case."

Members agreed there should be more permanent Notre Dame representation and participation at future Council meetings — an aspiration that might be achieved by student liaisons.

Baron said the issue of off-campus break-ins was also paramount in the struggle to ameliorate Notre Dame's relationship with the South Bend community.

"The mayor's office has approached me and showed signs of [its] affinity for helping students out," he said. "They want to do something proactive."

But members agreed students must first take an initiative to protect themselves.

Guzman presented two measures that might prevent crimes occurring at student homes off-campus. Project MARC enables students to enter valuables into a South Bend Police Department (SPBD) database so they might be returned following a theft. Students can also partake in the SBPD-run neighborhood watch program led by captains within their respective neighborhoods.

Members lauded the solutions but grappled with how to encourage students to partici-

pate in such programs and protect themselves from crime.

"This is making the idea of community relations that much harder," Baron said.

Center for Social Concerns representative Kate Distler said students need to be smarter about their belongings.

"We need to do a whole lot more 'common sense' things," off-campus president Matt

Wormington said. "Don't leave big televisions by the window ... things a lot of kids don't

know."

Members also said the installation and proper use of alarm systems is a sensible solution to the problem of break-ins and vandalisms in student housing off-campus.

"I really think the alarm systems ought to be played up," C l u b

Coordination Council president Beth O'Shaughnessy

said. "I think that would keep people from taking things out of the house — it sounds like the most practical thing to

address."

Wormington said the "biggest issue" was not that students did not have an alarm system, but rather the system was incorrectly installed or non-fully functioning — a key error he said might be resolved if property owners like Mark Kramer switched from Safeguard to ADT security.

Members said students must be made more aware of procedural steps they can take to reduce future crimes like those occurring during winter break — such as Notre Dame Security/Police's storage availability for valuables — and suggested a summer mailing be sent to off-campus students to

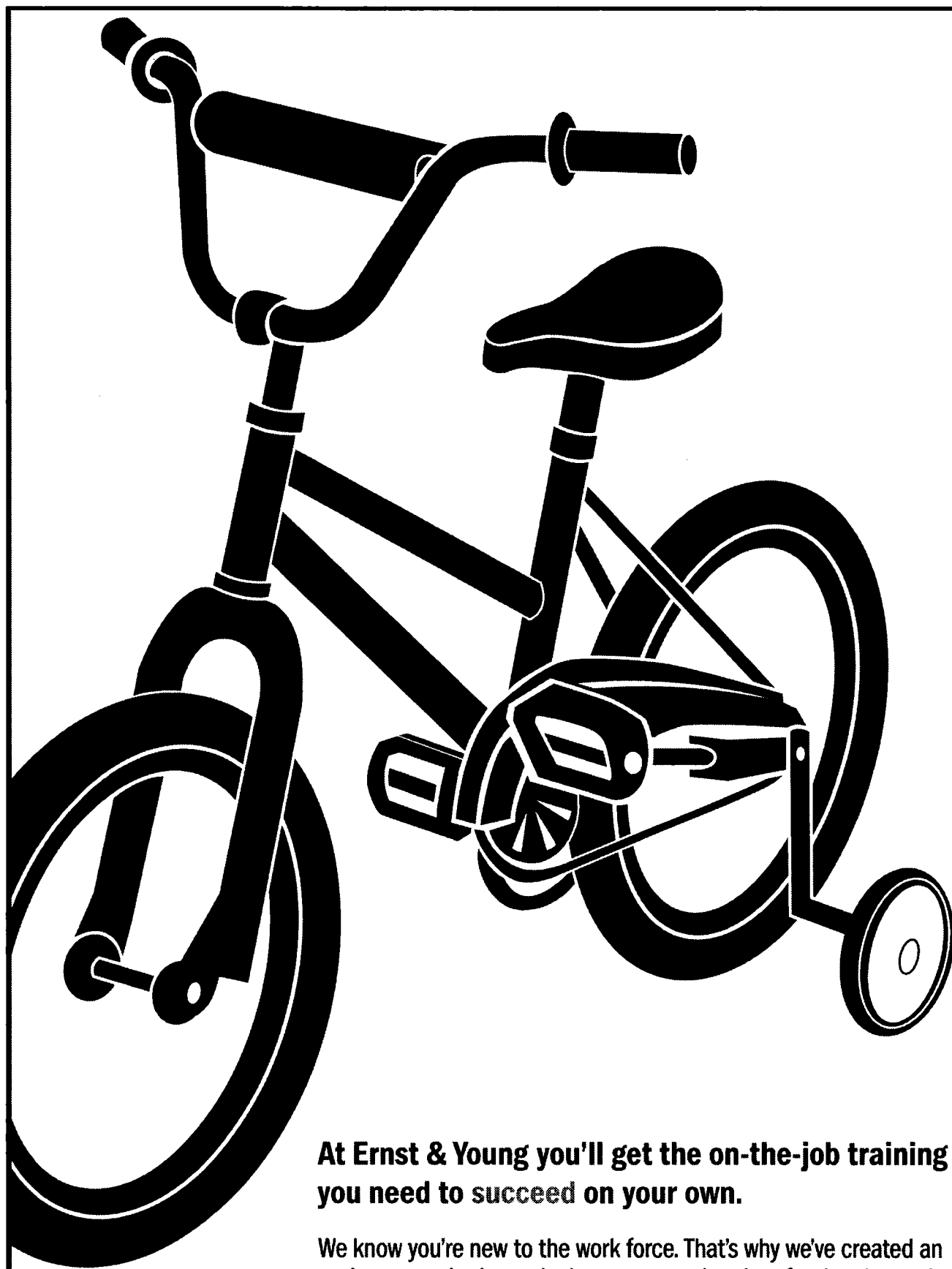
educate students concerning off-campus security.

## In other COR news:

♦ Steve Friend was nominated and approved to resume the post of student union treasurer Mike Marshall for the time frame spanning yesterday through March 1.

"He really knows what's going on and how to do things," Marshall said. "He's been up to date on things we've done here. I really think he will be a good addition to the Financial Management Board and COR as well."

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## INTERNATIONAL NEWS

### Russia accuses Britain of spying

MOSCOW — Russia's main intelligence agency on Monday accused four British diplomats of spying — using electronic equipment hidden inside a fake rock in a park — as well as funneling funds to non-governmental organizations.

The announcement came a day after state television channel Rossiya broadcast footage purportedly showing four British Embassy staff using electronic equipment concealed in the rock in Moscow to receive intelligence from Russian agents.

A prominent rights activist warned the accusations could be used as a pretext to crack down on Western-funded groups that are critical of the Kremlin.

Sergei Ignatchenko, a spokesman for the Federal Security Service, the main successor to the Soviet-era KGB, said the situation would be resolved "at a political level," the RIA-Novosti news agency reported, an apparent indication that the Russian government could expel the diplomats.

### Derailed passenger train kills dozens

BIOCE, Serbia-Montenegro — A packed passenger train derailed Monday and plunged into a steep river canyon outside the Montenegrin capital, killing at least 39 people, the government said.

More than 135 people were injured in the late-afternoon crash, among the deadliest European train accidents of the past quarter-century.

The train, which carried dozens of children returning home from a ski vacation, derailed near Bioce, a village about nine miles north-east of Podgorica as it emerged from a tunnel above the Moraca River, police said.

## NATIONAL NEWS

### FDA to consider new obesity pill

WASHINGTON — Fat Americans may be just months away from gaining a new ally in the battle of the bulge.

The fat-blocking pill, already named Alli, is meant to help the overweight and obese shed pounds as part of an overall diet and exercise program.

A panel of experts voted 11-3 late Monday to recommend that the Food and Drug Administration approve sales of the pill without a prescription. The drug is formally called orlistat and is already available for sale in prescription form as Xenical.

The FDA still needs to sign off on the recommendation. It usually follows the advice of its outside panels of expert scientists and doctors.

If the FDA does OK the pill, it would become the first agency-sanctioned weight-loss drug available for purchase without a prescription.

### West Virginia passes mining law

CHARLESTON, W.Va. — After 14 coal mining deaths in three weeks, West Virginia lawmakers unanimously passed a bill Monday that would require mines to use electronic devices to track trapped miners and stockpile oxygen to keep them alive until help arrives.

The Senate and House both acted with remarkable haste at the urging of Gov. Joe Manchin, who unveiled the legislation about 11 a.m. and pressed lawmakers to pass it by the end of the day.

## LOCAL NEWS

### Death row prisoner to die Friday

INDIANAPOLIS — The Indiana Parole Board voted unanimously Monday to recommend against clemency for Marvin Bieghler, the self-professed "King Kong of Kokomo" sentenced to death for the execution-style slayings of a Howard County couple in 1981.

Barring a last-minute reprieve from Gov. Mitch Daniels or the courts, Bieghler, 58, is scheduled to die by lethal injection at the Indiana State Prison in Michigan City early Friday.

## Bush defends domestic spying

*President clarifies plan, terming it a 'terrorist surveillance program'*

Associated Press

MANHATTAN, Kan. — President Bush pushed back Monday at critics of his once-secret domestic spying effort, saying it should be termed a "terrorist surveillance program" and contending it has the backing of legal experts, key lawmakers and the Supreme Court.

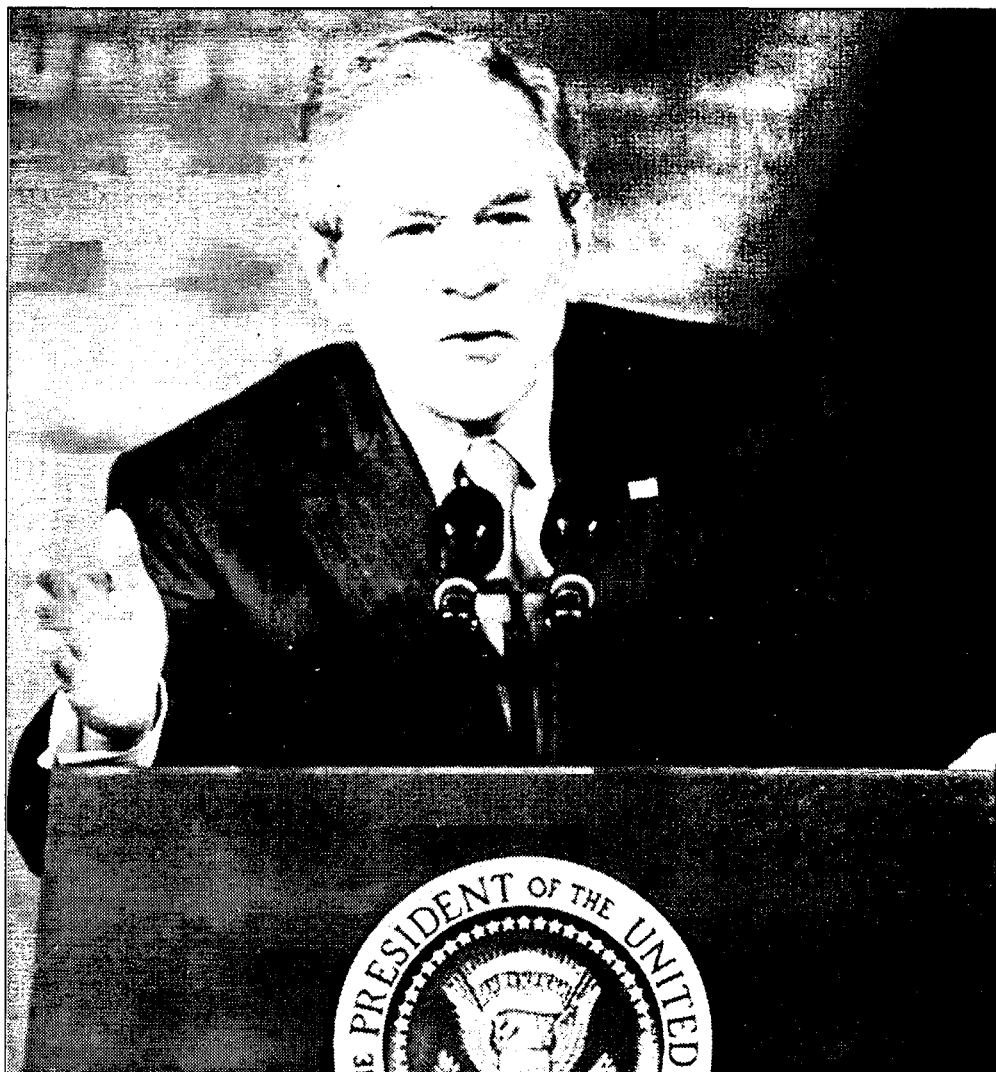
Several members of Congress from both parties have questioned whether the warrantless snooping is legal. That is because it bypasses a special federal court that, by law, must authorize eavesdropping on Americans and because the president provided limited notification to only a few lawmakers.

"It's amazing that people say to me, 'Well, he's just breaking the law.' If I wanted to break the law, why was I briefing Congress?" asked Bush. One of those who had been informed, Senate Intelligence Committee Chairman Pat Roberts, R-Kan., was sitting behind Bush during his appearance at Kansas State University.

Bush's remarks were part of an aggressive administration campaign to defend the four-year-old program as a crucial and legal terror-fighting tool. The White House is trying to sell its side of the story before the Senate Judiciary Committee opens hearings on it in two weeks.

Back in Washington, Gen. Michael Hayden, the former National Security Agency director who is now the government's No. 2 intelligence official, contended the surveillance was narrowly targeted. He acknowledged that the program established a lower legal standard to eavesdrop on terror-related communications than a surveillance law implemented in 1978.

Under the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act, government officials had to prove to a secretive intelligence court that



AP Photo

President George W. Bush speaks to an audience on Monday at Kansas State University in Manhattan, Kan. as part of the 142nd Landon Lecture series.

there was "probable cause" to believe that a person was tied to terrorism. Bush's program allows senior NSA officials to approve surveillance when there was "reason to believe" the call may involve al-Qaida and its affiliates.

Hayden maintained that the work was within the law. "The constitutional standard is reasonable. ... I am convinced that we are lawful because what it is we are doing is reasonable," he said at the National Press Club.

Hayden also rejected suggestions that the NSA rank-and-file had problems with the electronic monitoring, saying that the agency's independent watchdog told him Friday that "not a single employ-

ee" had registered a concern with that office about the program.

Democrats countered that many important questions remain.

"We can be strong and operate under the rule of law," said Senate Minority Leader Harry Reid, D-Nev. "These are not mutually exclusive principles — they are the principles upon which our nation was founded."

In his remarks, Bush said that allowing the NSA to monitor the international phone calls and e-mails of Americans with suspected ties to terrorists can hardly be considered "domestic spying."

"It's what I would call a terrorist surveillance program," Bush said at Kansas State. "If they're

making a phone call in the United States, it seems like to me we want to know why."

He said he "had all kinds of lawyers review the process" to ensure it didn't violate civil liberties or the law.

And he insisted that a recent Supreme Court decision backs his contention that he had the authority to order the program through a resolution Congress passed after the 2001 terrorist attacks that lets him use force in the anti-terror fight.

"I'm not a lawyer, but I can tell you what it means: It means Congress gave me the authority to use necessary force to protect the American people, but it didn't prescribe the tactics," Bush said.

## KUWAIT

## Emir agrees to abdicate position

Associated Press

KUWAIT CITY — Kuwait's ailing emir has agreed to abdicate under a deal worked out within the ruling family, a lawmaker said Monday — paving the way for the prime minister and longtime de facto ruler to take the reins of power.

The accord followed an unprecedented public quarrel within the ruling family over who would lead the country, one of Washington's most steadfast allies in the Middle East

and a major oil producer, after the death of its longtime leader.

One faction backed the ailing new emir, Sheik Saad Al Abdullah Al Sabah, and the other — including the Cabinet — supported the prime minister, half brother to the previous leader, who died Jan. 15.

The two camps met Monday night to try to reach a compromise before a parliament debate Tuesday over whether Sheik Saad should be ousted in favor of the prime minister, Sheik Sabah Al Ahmed Al Sabah.

In announcing the abdication deal, lawmaker Nasser al-Saneh told The Associated Press "an agreement has been reached in the family and [Sheik Saad] will sign the abdication papers tomorrow."

It was not known when Sheik Sabah would take the oath as emir.

As prime minister, Sheik Sabah has been running the day-to-day affairs of Kuwait since the longtime ruler, Sheik Jaber Al Ahmed Al Sabah, suffered a brain hemorrhage in 2001. He invaded the country in 1990.

# Hacker admits using 'zombie network'

Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO — A 20-year-old hacker admitted Monday to surreptitiously seizing control of hundreds of thousands of Internet-connected computers, using the zombie network to serve pop-up ads and renting it to people who mounted attacks on Web sites and sent out spam.

Jeanson James Ancheta, of Downey, Calif., pleaded guilty in Los Angeles federal court to four felony charges for crimes, including infecting machines at two U.S. military sites, that earned him more than \$61,000, said federal prosecutor James Aquilina.

Under a plea agreement, which still must be approved by a judge, Ancheta faces up to 6 years in prison and must pay the federal government restitution. He also will forfeit his profits and a 1993 BMW. Sentencing is scheduled for May 1.

Prosecutors called the case the first to target profits derived from use of "botnets," large numbers of computers that hackers commandeer and marshal for various nefarious deeds, their owners unaware that parasitic programs have been installed are being run by remote control.

Botnets are being used increasingly to overwhelm Web sites with streams of data, often by extortionists. They feed off of vulnerabilities in computers that run Microsoft Corp.'s Windows operating system, typically machines whose owners haven't bothered to install security patches.

A November indictment charged Ancheta with 17 counts of conspiracy, fraud and other crimes connected to a 14-month

hacking spree that started in June 2004 and that authorities say continued even after FBI agents raided his house the following December.

"Part of what's most troubling about those who commit these kinds of offenses is they think they'll never be caught," said Aquilina, who spent more than a year investigating Ancheta and several of Ancheta's online associates who remain uncharged co-conspirators.

Ancheta's attorney, federal public defender Greg Wesley, did not immediately return phone calls seeking comment.

Ancheta has been in federal custody since his November indictment. He previously worked at an Internet cafe owned by a relative and had hoped to join the military reserves, according to his aunt, Sharon Gregorio. Court documents suggested he had a taste for expensive goods, spending \$600 a week on new clothes and car parts.

The guilty plea comes less than a week after the FBI released a report that estimates viruses, worms and Trojan horse programs like the ones Ancheta employed cost U.S. organizations \$11.9 billion each year.

November's 52-page indictment, along with papers filed last week, offer an unusually detailed glimpse into a shadowy world where hackers, often not old enough to vote, brag in online chat groups about their prowess in taking over vast numbers of computers and herding them into large armies of junk mail robots and arsenals for so-called denial of service attacks on Web sites.

What would Captain Planet do? Recycle the Observer!

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### SCHOOL; FOUNDED; CIRCA-ENROLLMENT; LOCATION; OTHER

Aquinas College; 1886, Dominicans; 2,500; Grand Rapids, Michigan  
Ave Maria University; 2004, Thomas S. Monaghan; 307; Naples, Florida; Ground Broken in 2005 for permanent campus of c.6,000 students  
Barry University; 1940, Dominicans; 3,276; Miami Shores, Florida  
Boston College; 1863, Jesuits; 13,700; Chestnut Hill, Massachusetts  
Canisius College; 1870, Jesuits; 5,048; Buffalo, New York; Named after St. Peter Canisius, an original member of the Society of Jesus  
Catholic University of America; 1887, U.S. Bishops; 2,587; Washington, D.C.  
Creighton University; 6,300; Omaha, Nebraska  
DePaul University; 1898, Vincentians; 23,000; Chicago, Illinois  
Duquesne University; 1878; 8,000; Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; Motto - Spiritus est qui vivificat-It is the Spirit who gives life  
Fairfield University; Jesuits; 3,300; Fairfield, Connecticut  
Fordham University; 1841, Jesuits; 15,000; Bronx, New York  
Franciscan University of Steubenville; 1946, Franciscans; 2,370; Steubenville, Ohio  
Georgetown University; 1789 Jesuits; Washington, D.C.  
Gonzaga University; 1887, Jesuits; 5,400; Spokane, Washington  
Immaculata University; 1920; 3,443; Immaculata, Pennsylvania  
Iona College; 1940; 3,400; New Rochelle, New York  
La Salle University; 1851, Lasallian; 6,221; Philadelphia, Pennsylvania  
Loyola University Chicago; 1870, Jesuits; 18,319; Chicago, Illinois; Largest of the 28 USA Jesuit schools  
Loyola University New Orleans; 1912, Jesuits; 5,900; New Orleans, Louisiana  
Madonna University; 1947, Felicians; 4,294; Livonia, Michigan  
Manhattan College; 1853, Lasallian; 3,000; Riverdale, New York  
Marquette University; 1881, Jesuits; 11,000; Milwaukee, Wisconsin  
Mount Saint Mary's University; 1808; 2,125; Emmitsburg, Maryland  
Niagara University; 1856, Vicentians; 3,500; Niagara University, New York  
Providence College; 1917, Dominicans; 5,200; Providence, Rhode Island  
Seton Hall University; 1856; 10,000; South Orange, New Jersey; Started by Bishop Bayley, nephew of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton  
St. Bonaventure University; 1858, Franciscans; 2,800; St. Bonaventure, New York  
St. John's University; 1870, Vincentians; 14,848; Queens, New York  
St. Joseph's University; 1851, Jesuits; 7,230; Philadelphia, Pennsylvania  
St. Louis University; 1818, Jesuits; 11,500; St. Louis, Missouri; First Catholic college west of the Mississippi  
St. Mary's College; Holy Cross; 1,571; Notre Dame, Indiana  
St. Peter's College; 1872, Jesuits; 2,300; Jersey City, New Jersey  
University of Detroit Mercy; 1877, Jesuits/Mercy Sisters; 8,200; Detroit, Michigan  
University of Notre Dame; 1842, Holy Cross; 8,200; Notre Dame, Indiana  
University of San Diego; 4,400; San Diego, California  
University of San Francisco; 1855, Jesuits; 8,274; San Francisco, California  
Villanova University; 1842, Augustinians; 6,285; Philadelphia, Pennsylvania  
Xavier University; 1831, Jesuits; 6,450; Cincinnati, Ohio

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# Congress to combat phone record selling

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Disclosures that companies are selling private phone records have lawmakers and federal regulators moving to try to halt the practice.

Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist, R-Tenn., said in a statement Monday that he will work with the head of the Senate Commerce Committee, Sen. Ted Stevens, R-Alaska, on a bill to criminalize the practice.

"Fraudulently obtaining a customer's cell phone records and selling them over the Internet is wrong and must be stopped," Frist said. "Consumers have a right to expect that this information will be kept private, with very limited exceptions."

Sens. Charles Schumer, D-N.Y., Arlen Specter, R-Pa., and Bill Nelson, D-Fla., have also introduced a bill outlawing the practice. Similar House legislation is being proposed.

The companies that offer people's cell and landline records can get the information a few different ways. One method is called "pretexting," in which data brokers or those working for them call a phone company pretending to be a customer and persuade it to release the information.

Pretexting for financial data is illegal, but there's no specific law against pretexting for phone records. The data brokers also can use insiders at the phone companies to get the records.

The Federal Communications Commission is investigating the online data brokers. The agency has subpoenaed DataFind.org and Locatecell.com for information on how they obtain the phone records. A follow-up letter sent last week gave the Web sites a week to comply before facing fines of up to \$11,000 for each day they are in violation of the citation.

An attorney for Locatecell.com, which is run by a Florida-based company called 1st Source Information Specialists, did not return several phone calls on Monday. A company official with DataFind.org in Tennessee had an unpublished phone number and was not reachable.

Experts say the breadth of information one could glean from a person's phone records is alarming.

"It's everyone your teenager called from home, who is dating whom, contacts with reporters for politicians," said Peter Swire, a law professor at Ohio State University and former Clinton administration privacy official.

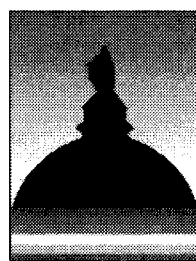
## Coffee and Conversation

For Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, and Questioning  
Students at Notre Dame



Tuesday, January 24<sup>th</sup>  
7:30 - 9:30 p.m.  
316 Coleman-Morse

The Standing Committee on Gay and Lesbian Student Needs invites gay, lesbian, and bisexual members of the Notre Dame family, their friends, and supporters to an informal coffee at the Co-Mo.



THE STANDING  
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STUDENT NEEDS

Everyone is welcome and confidentiality is assured.

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## MARKET RECAP

**Stocks**  
**Dow Jones** 10,392.99 -78.48

Up: 1,574 Same: 173 Down: 1,719 Composite Volume: 1,657,385,088

**AMEX** 1,414.58 +8.82  
**NASDAQ** 2,034.27 -11.61  
**NYSE** 6,996.56 -13.91  
**S&P 500** 1,167.87 -7.54  
**NIKKEI(Tokyo)** 11,238.37 -46.40  
**FTSE 100(London)** 4,803.30 +2.50

| COMPANY                    | %CHANGE | \$GAIN | PRICE |
|----------------------------|---------|--------|-------|
| NASDAQ 100 TR SER I (QQQQ) | -0.80   | -0.30  | 37.05 |
| SIRIUS SATELLITE R (SIRI)  | +5.23   | +0.29  | 5.83  |
| EBAY INC (EBAY)            | +3.26   | +2.72  | 86.05 |
| CISCO SYS INC (CSCO)       | -1.69   | -0.31  | 18.01 |
| INTEL CP (INTC)            | -0.71   | -0.16  | 22.42 |

| Treasuries   | %CHANGE | \$GAIN | PRICE |
|--------------|---------|--------|-------|
| 30-YEAR BOND | -0.26   | -0.12  | 46.43 |
| 10-YEAR NOTE | -0.60   | -0.25  | 41.40 |
| 5-YEAR NOTE  | -1.03   | -0.38  | 36.39 |
| 3-MONTH BILL | -0.22   | -0.05  | 23.02 |

| Commodities              | %CHANGE | \$GAIN | PRICE |
|--------------------------|---------|--------|-------|
| LIGHT CRUDE (\$/bbl.)    | +1.22   | 48.53  |       |
| GOLD (\$/Troy oz.)       | +4.30   | 422.60 |       |
| PORK BELLIES (cents/lb.) | +0.38   | 93.73  |       |

| Exchange Rates | %CHANGE | \$GAIN   | PRICE |
|----------------|---------|----------|-------|
| YEN            |         | 102.8200 |       |
| EURO           |         | 0.7663   |       |
| POUND          |         | 0.5325   |       |

## Ford presents restructuring plan

Auto company president Mark Fields aims to restore overall profitability

Associated Press

DEARBORN, Mich. — Ford Motor Co. plans to cut up to 30,000 jobs and shutter 14 plants in a sweeping restructuring it hopes will turn its North American auto business back into a profitable venture.

Union leaders called the planned cuts "extremely disappointing." But shares of the nation's second-biggest auto maker rose on Monday's news, indicating some investors were pleased with the long-awaited "Way Forward" plan, as well as with a larger-than-expected \$124 million overall profit in the fourth quarter.

Ford shares rose 42 cents, or 5.3 percent, to close at \$8.32 on the New York Stock Exchange. The quarter's profits came in large part because of the sale of its Hertz Corp. rental division.

Ford, like its larger U.S. counterpart General Motors Corp., is struggling with hefty losses in its North American operations and with shrinking market share, as Asian competitors sell more and more cars.

Ford said the plan will restore profitability by 2008. But some analysts said the plan was short on details, leaving them uncertain if it would boost Ford profits as the company struggles with aggressive competition, higher gasoline prices, rising costs for labor and raw materials and a junk credit rating. Ford named only five of the plants it plans to close. "It's a step forward in the culture of Ford. Whether it translates into increased profits remains to be seen," said Brian Johnson, an auto analyst with Sanford Bernstein.

The cuts represent up to 25 percent of Ford's North American work force of 122,000 people. Ford has approximately 87,000 hourly workers and 35,000 salaried workers. In addition, Ford plans to cut 12 percent of its corporate officers in the next two months.

Ford's St. Louis plant will be the first plant idled, in the



AP Photo

Ford Motor Company announced Monday plans to cut 30,000 jobs and close 14 factories by 2012, including Wixom Assembly Plant in Wixom, Mich.

first quarter of this year. A plant near Atlanta will close at the end of this year and a plant in Wixom, Mich., will close in the second quarter of 2007, according to Ford Americas President Mark Fields, the architect of the plan.

Other plants to be idled and eventually closed through 2008 are Batavia Transmision in Ohio and Windsor Casting in Ontario. Ford will choose later this year two more plants to be idled. The company also will reduce production to one shift at its St. Thomas assembly plant in Ontario. All of the plant closings and job cuts are scheduled to be completed by 2012.

"These cuts are a painful last resort, and I'm deeply

mindful of their impact," Chairman and Chief Executive Bill Ford said in announcing the cuts. "In the long run we will create far more stable and secure jobs. We all have to change and we all have to sacrifice, but I believe this is the path to winning."

In addition to the facilities named Monday, analysts also have predicted assembly plants in St. Paul, Minn., and Cuatitlan, Mexico could be at risk for closure because of the products they make.

Under the company's existing contract with the United Auto Workers, workers at the idled plants will continue to get most of their pay and benefits until a new contract is negotiated next year.

Ford also plans to build

one plant in North America, but Fields wouldn't say where it will be located. He would only say that the plant must be a low-cost operation.

UAW President Ron Gettelfinger and Vice President Gerald Bantom expressed disappointment over the plan.

"The impacted hourly and salaried workers find themselves facing uncertain futures because of senior management's failure to halt Ford's sliding market share," they said in a statement. "The announcement has further left a cloud hanging over the entire work force because of pending future announcements of additional facilities to be closed at some point in the future."

## IN BRIEF

### Newest 'mad cow' worries beef industry

TORONTO — A cow from an Alberta farm has tested positive for mad cow disease, officials said Monday, raising fears for a beef industry still struggling to recover from a U.S. decision in 2003 to ban cattle imports.

Dr. Brian Evans, Canada's chief veterinary officer, said the disease was found in a 6-year-old animal that did not enter the human food or animal-feed systems.

The positive test could be a blow to Canadian ranchers who were hard hit after the United States banned Canadian cattle imports in May 2003 following the country's first case of mad cow disease. The U.S. border reopened in July to Canadian cattle younger than 30 months.

U.S. officials said the latest case will not prompt a similar ban on Canadian beef imports.

### Heating costs drive insulation demand

TOLEDO, Ohio — The high cost of heating a home this winter is pushing demand for insulation through the roof.

Manufacturers are increasing production and installers are struggling to keep up with orders from homeowners — some have waiting lists that stretch to the end of February.

Home building supplier Owens Corning, known for its pink insulation, is reopening a shuttered plant in central Ohio that will make loose insulation that is blown into attics and walls.

Even before home heating bills soared, insulation sales were on the rise because of a strong home building market over the last few years.

A new tax credit for homeowners who install energy-efficient windows, furnaces and insulation along with rebuilding from hurricane damage in the Gulf Coast could keep demand for insulation high for a while.

"It's one of those things people don't typically think about because it's behind the walls and in the attic," said Mike Lynam, director of strategic marketing for Knauf Insulation, based in Shelbyville, Ind.

Toledo-based Owens Corning has increased insulation production over the past two years and a year ago made more fiberglass insulation than any year in its history, said Kerry Desberg, a company spokesman.

## Prosecutors settle Ameriquest case

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — State prosecutors said Monday a \$325 million settlement with lending giant Ameriquest will give some 725,000 borrowers in 49 states a chance at recovering some money lost due to what they described as deceptive lending practices.

The agreement, first revealed Friday, is the second-largest consumer protection settlement reached by a state or the federal government, the state officials said. The largest was for \$484 million, obtained by a group of states in 2002 from Household Finance Corp.

"We found that Ameriquest's lend-

ing practices too often violated principles of fairness," said California Attorney General Bill Lockyer. "This settlement provides a good measure of justice by compensating victims for previous practices and to see there aren't problems in the future."

About \$4 million from the Ameriquest settlement will go to customers in Indiana, according to the state attorney general's office.

The states began investigating the Orange, Calif.-based company, which lends to people with poor credit, more than two years ago after receiving complaints from tens of thousands of consumers who claimed they were paying more for their loans than they bargained for.

The states have alleged that the

company's business practices were deceptive, leaving some borrowers saddled with extra fees or higher mortgage rates.

There was "strong, strong pressure in the compensation system and in the quota system and from the branch and retail managers to sell, sell, sell," said Iowa Attorney General Tom Miller, who led the states' effort. "This produced, we think, significant problems for consumers."

The settlement covers ACC Capital Holdings Corp., Ameriquest Mortgage Co.'s holding company, and also applies to subsidiaries Town & Country Credit Corp. and AMC Mortgage Services Inc., formerly Bedford Home Loans.





## Notable Excerpts from Father

"I will not lead by consensus, nor by majority vote, nor in response to the pressures that individuals or groups inside or outside the University may bring to bear. However, prior to making a decision on an important matter, I will, as appropriate and practicable, strive to solicit and listen to the views of relevant individuals and groups."

"I am absolutely committed to Notre Dame's continuing quest to be a truly preeminent university, to be a leader in inquiry and creative expression, to be a place of vibrant debate and intellectual engagement. I am equally committed to maintaining our distinctive Catholic character — indeed, with the other Fellows of the University, I bear a special responsibility in this regard."

"I do not think a student's academic freedom here is usefully understood as precisely parallel to that of a faculty member... We certainly wish to respect and protect academic freedom for students, but it is a freedom appropriate to students."

## Speech

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specific timetable for his final decision or to predict how broad his eventual policy on the events will be.

"I don't want to speculate on how much it will cover and how much it won't cover — we'll just listen to responses and see what the best decision is," he said. "I want to give people a chance to respond, and I think that will take six to eight weeks just to give them plenty of time. It'd be nice to have some sort of resolution this semester, but I'm not going to commit myself to a definite timetable."

While the permanent fates of both "The Vagina Monologues" and the Queer Film Festival will not be determined until Jenkins has heard and examined the opinions of various constituencies on campus, he said this year's "Monologues" will be held in a classroom setting without ticket sales and the festival will go on under a new name.

Unlike the "Monologues," which Jenkins said he has "difficulty seeing" as "the appropriate means" to the ends of promoting female

empowerment and eliminating violence against women, the Queer Film Festival prompted two more specific concerns from the president.

Jenkins said the festival's title — which some members of the University community understood as celebrating a homosexual lifestyle — and its content, which some said neglected to include the Catholic position on homosexuality, were his primary concerns, both of which have been resolved through discussions with the Film, Television and Theatre Department.

"Both of those have been addressed as I understand it," he said.

He declined to specify the exact replacement title for the festival.

Jenkins repeatedly praised "The Vagina Monologues" in his speech for the play's objectives — "that women should be aided to affirm their own bodies, the gift of their sexuality and their identity as women" — but criticized its attempt to meet them.

"The concern that I and many others have is that in the Vagina Monologues ... there is no hint of central elements of Catholic sexual morality. The work contains graphic descriptions of homosexual, extra-marital heterosexual and auto-erotic experiences."

*"I'm happy the discussion is open, and I'm sure it will bear good fruit in time."*

**Father John Jenkins**  
University President

"The Vagina Monologues" will be held in a to-be-determined classroom setting this year and will be open to the University community, Jenkins said.

"The point is it's an academic exercise sponsored by an academic department in an academic setting," he said.

That sponsorship for the long term, however, was exactly what the president said prompted his disapproval of events deemed inconsistent with "certain fundamental values of a Catholic university."

"The fact that ['The Vagina Monologues' and Queer Film Festival] have been sponsored annually by units of the University, and have been widely publicized, prominently

associates the University's name with them," Jenkins said, saying this publicity can mislead the public. "Such occurrences suggest the University endorses or at least finds compatible with its values certain views which are not in fact compatible. The wide publicity and prominence given such events tends to instrumentalize our collective identity and our higher mission."

"The concern here, as I said, is not with censorship, but with sponsorship."

Theology professor Jean Porter said Jenkins' statements about sponsorship seemed to place severe restrictions on the activities of departments and other units of the University.

During the 20-minute question-and-answer session following Jenkins' address, Porter echoed her colleagues' fears about the president's definition of academic freedom, which she interpreted as protecting faculty members when acting individually but

in his speech hypothetical examples of other conferences that would be unacceptable for the University to host on the grounds of their own conflicts with Catholic teaching — including "Childish Fancy and Adult Ignorance: Theism as Delusion and Psychosis," "The Moral Legitimacy of Infanticide and Euthanasia" and "The Moral Acceptability and Strategic Value of First-strike Nuclear Attack."

"Again, the problem would be that this Catholic institution would seem to be sponsoring an event that supports or appears to support a position clearly and egregiously contrary to the certain central values of Catholicism," he said.

*"The point is it's an academic exercise sponsored by an academic department in an academic setting."*

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University President

Seated in the auditorium's front row for the duration of the address, University President Emeritus Father Theodore Hesburgh said afterward that the discussions represent a constructive step for the Notre Dame community.

"I think it brings the University to what a University should be — a place of serious discussion, a discussion founded not just on emotion but on principle, a discussion that tries to avoid prejudice or unfairness," Hesburgh said, "but which tries to bring to the fore the light of the object, which is truth."

Hesburgh, who served as president from 1952 to 1987, the longest such tenure in Notre Dame history, said the University ultimately benefits from differing opinions.

"I'm happy the discussion is open, and I'm sure it will bear good fruit in time, and I don't think it's a question of personal animus or anything of that sort," Hesburgh said. "I think we have to respect each other and each other's opinions against the backbone of where we began as a Catholic university."

Jenkins said his address to students today at 12:30 p.m. in Washington Hall will be similar to the faculty address, but shorter and more geared toward student interest. He was introduced Monday by Provost Thomas Burish and will be introduced today by student body president Dave Baron.

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Left, associate professional specialist in the Mendoza College of Business Margot O'Brien speaks against the Vagina Monologues. Right, a faculty member reads The Observer.

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# John Jenkins' Address to the Faculty

"The Vagina Monologues and Queer Film Festival have raised difficulties because they either are or appear to be at odds with certain fundamental values of a Catholic university. The wide publicity and prominence given such events tends to instrumentalize our collective identity and our higher meaning. The concern here, as I said, is not with censorship, but with sponsorship."

"The sponsors of the Vagina Monologues have many laudable goals: that women should be aided to affirm their own bodies, the gift of their sexuality, and their identity as women; that we should form communities and a culture that can support this; and, most pressingly, that we work to eliminate violence against women. I pledge myself to work to advance such goals at Notre Dame. I fail to see, however, how the annual performance of the Vagina Monologues is the appropriate means to these ends."

"I urge everyone to make this a conversation that is characterized by respect for other members of this community, careful listening, thoughtful contributions and argumentation, and an appreciation for the distinctive character of this Catholic university."

MATT HUDSON/Observer Graphic

## Faculty

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faculty member in the College of Business, said she supported Jenkins' view that the "Monologues" were not the appropriate means to achieving the ends of eliminating violence against women and affirming the gift of their bodies. She also took it one step further, denouncing the scandal and degradation of both sexes she said came with the play.

Borrowing a phrase Jenkins used to describe the consequences of losing a diverse and open university environment, O'Brien said if the moral path paved by the "Monologues" is followed, "we will lose our souls."

Emily Phillips, assistant professor of Film, Television and Theatre, opposed this viewpoint, ushering the role of the students who annually perform the play back into the equation.

"The reason that this play is here on this campus is because it was chosen by the students ... To take that away from them and to say it can only be

in an academic setting which cuts down on the audience ... it takes away a voice of students," Phillips said, responding to Jenkins' decision that this year's "Monologues" production will be held in a classroom rather than on stage. "And that, for lack of a better phrase, isn't right."

Film, Television and Theatre chair Peter Holland's comments for Jenkins led to the most heated exchange of the night, as Holland expressed worry about the president's "finely discriminated judgment of what is acceptable and what is not."

"The University is a place [for] intellectual discussion...works we disagree with should be performed, read and discussed, and I'm concerned about where we're going to draw the line," Holland said.

Holland and Jenkins then argued about how the frequency of a certain performance affects its acceptability at Notre Dame, with Jenkins saying "The Vagina Monologues" annual occurrence implied the University's continued endorsement of the play's values, and Holland countering there was no play his depart-

ment would sponsor every year, regardless of its relationship to Catholic teaching.

Holland, in response to the suggestion in Jenkins' address that a certain passion play, whose "anti-Semitic elements are clearly and egregiously

opposed to the values of a Catholic university," would not be shown at Notre Dame, brought up as a counterexample "The Merchant of Venice" — the Shakespearean play notorious for its anti-Semitic overtones, which is set to be performed on-campus in a month by the Actors from the London Stage.

Margaret Doody, a professor of English whose sarcasm-laced comments stirred the most laughs from the crowd, had likewise brought up "The Merchant of Venice" in the larger context of the promises of freedom made by both Christianity and universities, warning against the possibility of slipping back into a restrictive era in higher education akin to McCarthyism.

She also firmly spoke against Jenkins' statement that the name of the initiative "Her Loyal Daughters" — the "Her" referring to the Virgin Mary — calling for student papers on "sexual experience, abortion, contraception, theology of the

body and a number of other issues" appeared to be "intentionally offensive" and even "blasphemous" because of the initiative's subject matter.

Doody fired back, "I ... want to register my objection to naming Our Lady the patron of the pretty and the proper and the limited, [for] that is surely not the kind of woman I find her."

Other faculty comments during the formal session spoke to broader concerns, including the true definition of sponsorship — which, "not censorship," Jenkins said was his focus — as well as the separation between the views of the University and its contingent members and departments.

In the more relaxed setting of the Performing Arts Center lobby as clumps of faculty members drifted around following the 20-minute formal session, the discussion turned to the topic of discussion itself.

"I've been on the faculty for 26 years, and this is the first time I've seen a forum like this where people were invited to discuss deeply held feelings and issues," said Teresa Phelps, professor of law and Kroc fellow.

Jenkins was several times praised for his "bravery" in

making such a strong move so early in his presidency.

"It was really a courageous thing, for a new president to put himself out there in such a way that he is open for discussion with the faculty but is at the same time standing for an opinion," said Daniel Groody, assistant professor of theology.

Gail Bederman, professor of history, agreed.

"It was an extremely positive thing to do, and certainly not an easy thing to do, getting in front of the faculty who [Jenkins] knows have very strong opinions on these issues, just laying them out for folks to engage with," she said.

Though Bederman said she disagreed with Jenkins' stance on "The Vagina Monologues" and similar events — saying that to exclude them from the University would "shut down a lot of hard intellectual work" — she fully embraced his open approach to decision-making.

"Authority versus Academics," this is a huge issue that has been dealt with for quite awhile," she said. "[Jenkins] has to make the hard decisions, and for him to stand up and say, 'I'm happy to talk, we can have a forum' ... I just hope the faculty and students realize what a model this is at what should happen at a university."

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Above, faculty members listen to Jenkins' address. Center, Jenkins delivers a speech. Right, philosophy professor Ed Manier fields a question.

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## Republic for sale

American politics has devolved into the art of gaining and maintaining power. The two major political parties cast off ideological beliefs when they appear to be politically damaging and thus run the risk of losing re-election. The recent corruption scandals are indicative of the crumbling ethical foundations that are necessary for the maintenance of a republic. Republics rely upon the people entrusting statesmen of their choosing to carry out governance for benefit of the body politic. If the statesmen are not ethical and the people's trust is misplaced, then the social contract particular to a republic begins to be torn.

Contemporary American events show the bonds of our republic being strained and put to the test. This is not to say America is in danger of abandoning its representational system, but rather that America is in danger of continuing to function as an actual, healthy republic. The largest danger is presented by the role that large monied interests continue to exert upon the state via lobbyists. Lobbying has evolved to the point where influential powerbrokers funnel enormous sums of money to politicians with the understanding that a quid pro quo will occur. Timorous politicians, deathly terrified of losing their positions, accept these "campaign contributions" and then proceed to forward the agenda that the particular lobbying group is interested in. The will of the people is bypassed, and government becomes a republic of interests. Powerful interests help to make and break politicians by their contributions; many politicians have decided that their true electorate consists of these interests, and have accordingly governed in their benefit and not that of the body politic.



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Ronderos

Liberated

The Jack Abramoff scandal has brought a widespread problem to the forefront of the national news. The man crept so deep into the roots of American government that had faced or faces investigations by the Justice Department, the Senate Indian Affairs Committee, the IRS, the Department of the Interior and the FBI. He has already pled guilty to three felony charges and has been connected to numerous members of congress from both parties — most prominently Representative Bob Ney from Ohio. Lavish contributions, personal gifts and exotic trips were bestowed upon prominent politicians of both parties. The blessing of the enormity of his crime is that it brings to light a serious problem in American politics. Abramoff and his client politicians are by no means alone — in the recent few years many other less dramatic, yet equally troubling, scandals and convictions have occurred. The former governor of my home state, Connecticut, John G. Rowland, accepted free work from contractors to improve his weekend cottage and pled guilty to corruption charges on Dec. 24, 2004. For brevity's sake, I will pass over the numerous other examples of corruption that have come to light within the recent years.

It is not enough merely to decry the sad state of public corruption; rather, a solution must be posited. Complaining about a problem never solves it; one must arrive at a solution if anything is truly to be done. As the influence of wealthy interests has grown to the point that it is deeply entrenched in the current political status quo, it is imperative to cull this venomous root. Campaigns should be publicly funded with equal funds assigned to the two major parties. A threshold of signatures could be required where if met a third party would be allowed to receive funds as well, corresponding to the amount of support they can demonstrate. The threshold should not be high, because the two-party system is already far too entrenched to begin with — this

entrenchment has created a system where the two major parties are essentially coalitions of various interests that have united in an effort to get a voice in governing. This system could indeed promote the growth of third parties by allowing them access to federal funding and by eliminating fundraising from the equation. The elimination of fundraising from political parties would help to eliminate the vast logistical barriers that exist for third parties to challenge the well-established and powerful Democratic and Republican parties.

The rise of third parties would most likely have a positive effect upon the corruption that is plaguing the current American political scene. Although the majority of current corruption scandals seem to involve Republicans, the issue is not contained to one party. It is true that the Republican politicians are to blame and the party must be held accountable, but the fact that more Republicans seem to be implicated has a lot to do with the fact that they control all the current branches of government. If the Democrats were in control, the lobbyists would apply more pressure on them, and their interests seem to be the same as the Republicans' — namely, the acquisition and maintenance of power. New blood needs to be injected into the system. This increased competition from less-established parties would increase pressure upon the two major parties to become more ethical and refrain from accepting favors from lobbyists.

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### QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Men occasionally stumble over the truth, but most of them pick themselves up and hurry off as if nothing ever happened."

Sir Winston Churchill  
former prime minister of England

## U-WIRE

### Dear Mr. President

To the President of the United States of America:

I've recently become aware that you signed an executive order bypassing due process in wiretapping cases. Whether or not you believe it, you've overstepped your wartime presidential powers.

You've allowed the fear and hysteria of Sept. 11 terrorist attacks to breach our country's constitutional foundations.

Let me explain how you have failed as president.

During your inauguration, you swore to uphold and protect the Constitution of the United States of America. You swore to do this over the Holy Bible. But the media has exposed your latest and most horrific lies and put them before the public eye. Your gross disregard for the Constitution has pulled us hauntingly nearer to a state ruled by a dictator. You said yourself, "Being president would be a lot easier if it were a dictatorship." What a frightening thing for the leader of the free world to say.

You said we went to war in Iraq because of weapons of mass destruction, but you couldn't share the source of this information because

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that would compromise national security. Some believed you, and our nation marched off to war. When the weapons couldn't be found, your justification evolved to say Saddam posed a risk to democracy and the free world. You accused him of gassing the Kurds and attacking Kuwait unprovoked, horrible actions that we know Saddam undertook. But you never mentioned that Saddam got those chemical weapons from the United States during and after the Ronald Reagan administration, and apparently got rid of them before your invasion.

Your administration's philosophy is based on lies and deception. And because of it, people have died — countless innocent civilians in Iraq and Afghanistan and more than 2,000 of our brothers and sisters in the military. I have more respect for these men and women than I ever will for you.

Mr. President, you promised to make the world safer. You promised that you would rid the world of "evildoers" and bring democracy and justice to the heathens. You have done just the opposite: We live in fear of terrorism at home, terrorism abroad and an overall rise in religious fundamentalism. Our country has seen the highest national debt in recent history, our educational system is becoming

too expensive for the people and we've let Americans suffer because of the incompetence of government agencies such as the Federal Emergency Management Agency, which you stuffed with unqualified cronies.

Your war in Iraq, the prison abuses, your lies to the American people and your utter incompetence have caught up to you. You have done nothing to make us safer and everything to make our world more dangerous.

You will be remembered in the history books, just as you wished, but not for stunning speeches or epic policy. Instead, you will be remembered as the president whose exit strategy was foiled by a locked door or as the president that did the most damage to our Constitution by failing to protect it.

I have some suggestions, Mr. President, to help solve the problems you've created.

◆ At home, repeal your authorization for the National Security Agency to spy on U.S. citizens and repeal the Patriot Act. If you think someone has suspected terrorist connections, follow due process and seek permission from a court to listen to his or her conversations. Do as you swore in your inauguration and protect our freedoms and liberties by defending the Constitution.

◆ Develop an exit strategy in Iraq, and ask the world for help. You've ousted a horrible dictator; now use the opportunity to help the Iraqis create a modern Arab state that balances the principles of Islam with the virtues of democracy. Don't allow oil, military and reconstruction contracts to dictate how and when we leave Iraq.

◆ Support people here in the United States. Instead of cutting financial aid and loan programs to students, Medicare coverage for the poor and Social Security benefits for the elderly, you should slash unnecessary and wasteful projects within the military's bloated budget.

Mr. President, you have failed us as a leader when we needed one most. You have failed us at home, and because of this, failed to convey the message of peace, democracy and justice to the world stage.

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## Intelligent design: Fact or fiction?

From the earliest times of recorded history, humanity has been obsessed with its origins. Where did life begin, why and most importantly, how? Various religions sprang up, each with their own creation story. Some of these stories were vastly different from one another; others were closely related. The people accepted these stories, as they really had nothing else to go on, and the beliefs were often imposed upon them by their society.

As human civilization grew, so did their ideas. Creationism religions evolved, divided, united and soon became the religions they are today. However, science itself also grew, rapidly giving itself a name as a source of secular explanation, a way to view the earth without assuming, as the religions did, a higher power. To science, human exploration of the earth was the only method of explanation.

The most infamous of these secular scientists, although he himself was a Christian, was Charles Darwin, whose name has become synonymous with his theory of evolution and natural selection. His

idea refuted the basic Christian teaching that God created all beings as they were, are now and will be in the future. However, his theories were basically accepted and remain so today, with modifications caused by advances in science and further experimentation. Because of this general acceptance, Darwinism is now taught in most high school biology classes.

Recently, though, the Creationists have risen up, as they have in the past, and are protesting the teaching of evolution in the classroom, claiming that it is no more than a theory. They believe their views, more commonly known as intelligent design, should also be presented in biology classes. There are some problems with this view. First and foremost, creationism and evolution are not competing theories, never have been and never will be. Intelligent design, the idea that an unknown higher power exists, has no relevance to science. It speaks of the origins of life, not of what happened afterwards. Evolution does not regard how the life on this planet came to be, it merely attempts to describe what happened after that. For a scientific theory, evolution is fairly solid, although it has its holes. Then again, even Newton's laws have their

holes (they don't hold at the quantum level).

Intelligent design is not science. Karl Popper, the Austrian philosopher, claims that an integral part of scientific hypotheses is their ability to be disproved. There is always a chance remaining that everything we hold to be scientifically true will be thrown out the window tomorrow. That is part of science as a construct of the imperfect human mind.

There is no theory to intelligent design. It cannot be proven or disproved, because it assumes a higher power as an explanation. Belief in this higher power is a matter of faith, and faith is not science.

The truth is, no one can explain the origins of life scientifically. Stephen Hawking, the famous physicist, claimed that at the origin of the universe, all of the laws of nature come to a singularity. This is science-talk for "no one has a clue." Does this mean we should stop looking?

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The Austin  
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## College students decide value of education

The first literacy study to target the skills of graduating students found that more than half of students at four-year colleges — no matter their field of study — lack the literacy to handle seemingly mundane real-life tasks, the Associated Press reported Friday.

The study found that most students could perform moderately challenging tasks such as identifying a location on a map, but they often lacked "proficient" skills — those needed to per-

form more complex tasks. Many students could not understand the arguments of newspaper editorials, compare credit card offers with different interest rates and annual fees or interpret a table about exercise and blood pressure.

Those results are more than a little frightening.

College students, the intellectual elite of yesterday, have become the intellectual mediocrity of today.

The "college lifestyle" may account for some of the deeply saddening results. Perhaps the paralyzing that comes with being immersed in an environment dominated by young peo-

ple and alcohol is partially to blame — something that does not affect UH as much as it does other schools.

UH is largely a commuter school, and as such, many students need to work one or two jobs and pay their own bills regularly. That kind of real-life experience undoubtedly helps students improve their pragmatic literacy.

That said, the results are still disheartening at best. The only silver lining to be plucked out of the study's storm clouds seems to be the fact that college students had an average literacy score significantly higher than other adults. But even that can be misleading. Adults who did not make it

past middle school were also included in the group of "other adults."

As depressing as the results are, they also serve as a reminder that a college education is only worth as much as each individual experience, and it looks like the responsibility to get a quality education has fallen to each individual student as well.

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## SCENE &amp; HEARD

Learning from  
movie romance

As January melts away into February, one can't help but think of the chalky conversation hearts, red roses and love—or sugar—induced euphoria that the upcoming month inevitably brings. Furthermore, with Valentine's Day looming on the horizon, some of us might feel the need to quickly master the art of romantic relationships in time to receive Valentine's affections in a form that does not merely consist of the words "Love, Mom."

However, in an environment where the road to romance is often the same path that leads to TC on the weekends and "dating" does not entail actually going on a date ever, where can Domers turn for guidance?

By now, our compulsive insideND checks have revealed that romance isn't exactly an integral part of academia. And by turning to parental wisdom, we run the risk of hearing them recount personal tales of "going steady" back in the day ... or worse. Instead, seeing as most Hollywood films are synonymous with "happy endings," we can turn to the seemingly foolproof antics of some of our favorite characters in hopes that, by emulating them, we too will be graced with all the love Hallmark can provide.

First of all, deception and false pretenses are key. Sure, all our lives we've heard that honesty is the best policy, but according to the relationships that unfold on the big screen, a little white lie, or even a false identity, is the ticket to true love, as long as the truth surfaces eventually.

Fabricating a name, profession or identity are practically commonplace when it comes to cinematic couplings. Just check-out "Wedding Crashers" or "Maid in Manhattan." In fact, going as far as dressing in drag seems to be a great way to break the ice and ignite some kind of passion, as illustrated by films like "Tootsie" and "Shakespeare in Love."

Also in this vein, relationships that are spawned from some kind of bet or deal end particularly well. "She's All That" and "How to Lose a Guy in Ten Days" both lend themselves to this notion.



Mary Squillace

Scene Critic

Of course, any romantic hero is only as good as the dramatic gestures he or she makes. While Shakespeare's Romeo set the trend centuries ago with his impromptu visit to Juliet's balcony, his success has been cemented on screen by a variety of love-struck characters, such as "Say Anything's" Lloyd Dobbler, who sends his love via a stereo, courtesy of Peter Gabriel's "In Your Eyes."

Although, if the prospect of shouting sweet nothings to a second floor window on Notre Dame Avenue raises the concern of a potential restraining order, there are plenty of other outlets for expressing your most heartfelt romantic emotions. Take "The Wedding Singer's" Robbie Hart, for example, who offered the object of his affection an original song.

Regardless of how the sentiment is expressed, there also appears to be a particular pattern that might help us all select Ms. or Mr. Right. Straight-laced, uptight males should be seeking their more cheerful and eccentric counterpart in the women they date. This formula proves to be flawless in the films "Pretty Woman" and "Along Came Polly."

Though, this trend is not strictly limited to typical romantic comedies. Even films with critical acclaim and audiences within more of an indie market point to the "opposites attract" paradigm. "Garden State" and "Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind" offer similarly-constructed relationships. Shy, brooding boy meets kooky or volatile girl, and voila! A life-altering love affair ensues.

Finally, as the movies have it, in order to cement a Hollywood-esque romance, it is essential that you take part in any of the following: literally bumping into someone, some kind of chase or embracing in front of a crowd. Ideally, this should happen in the rain while a ballad plays in the background.

With such realistic representations of relationships in film that can be attained through following narrative conventions, it's a wonder why any of us struggle with relationships in the first place.

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Ben Stiller, left, faces co-star Jennifer Aniston in the formulaic "Along Came Polly." Stiller plays a rigid insurance analyst while Aniston plays a wild opposite.

## VIDEO GAME REVIEW

## 'Colossus' a fanast

By MARK BEMENDERFER

Assistant Scene Editor

"Shadow of the Colossus" is a cinematic masterpiece. It's not the latest Hollywood blockbuster, nor an independent cinema production. It is a game for the PlayStation 2 and is completely different from any other game available.

The game follows the notion that beauty lies in simplicity. The story is minimal, as the player is never completely certain what is going on. All that is known is a girl is possibly dying, or may be already dead. The protagonist takes the girl to an isolated temple, where a disembodied voice promises to restore her if the colossi are slain. Who the girl is, or the protagonist is, are never explained. Why the world is so empty is also never explained. It is simple, but it is within that simplicity that an awe-inspiring cinematic genius is found.

Stripped down to its base nature, "Shadow of the Colossus" is a series of video game boss battles. Before every boss, the player is given a general direction in which to travel. The digital avatar then travels through the landscape, navigating cliffs and valleys on horseback, before confronting the boss. The

bosses themselves take only a few minutes to dispatch, and then the player moves onto the next one.

But to boil the game down to that description would be to deny what makes the game, in a word, beautiful. The world in which the game resides is fantastic and is the equivalent to any Peter Jackson blockbuster. Almost completely devoid of life, it manages to convey a sense of sorrow, isolation and grandness in scope that has to be seen to be believed. Whether one is traveling along the edge of a cliff, or through the dry bed of a lake, the game is always equally gorgeous, pushing the aging PlayStation 2 hardware to its limits.

It is the small touches that make the land so vibrant and add to the isolation of the experience. The player can travel through the game without observing any signs of life for minutes, and then a solitary hawk will appear to follow avatar. Just as quickly as it appears, it will disappear, leaving the player alone once again. Instances like this remind the player that they world is not completely empty, but that it is a lonely place.

This majestic, isolated qualities are also used to describe the colossi in the game. Each colossus is unique and magnificent in scope, often dwarfing the player. They wander around the world, each in their unique environment, and wait for the player to make his appearance.

Once the player meets the colossus, the battle occurs. Each of the colossi behaves and reacts differently. Some are almost the same size as the protagonist, while others completely overwhelm him in size and scope. Some are airborne, while others swim through surf and

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## VIDEO GAME REVIEW

## 'DDR Extreme 2' a

By MARK BEMENDERFER

Assistant Scene Editor

The latest iteration of the college party game of choice has been released. It's not the next "Halo" or "Smash Brothers," however. It is "Dance Dance Revolution Extreme 2" for the PlayStation 2 and continues the brand's tradition of excellence.

"Dance Dance Revolution," or as it is more commonly known, "DDR," is a rhythm-based video game in which players are encouraged to groove to a gamut of different songs. While it is possible to play the game using the standard controller, that is generally not the preferred method by any "Dance Dance Revolution" fan. Dance mats can be purchased and used in conjunction with the game, which is the tool of choice when playing the game.

A new tool was added, however, with the original "Dance Dance Revolution Extreme." The Sony Eyetoy can now be used with the game to increase the depth of the gameplay. Instead of simply using feet to play the game, hands are also used. The Eyetoy plays

a real-time video of the player, casting them upon the screen. This increases the game's usefulness as a social event.

However, the main draw for every "Dance Dance Revolution" game is the music. Previous versions were known for their use of Japanese pop, and remakes of famous songs. Some Western music was employed, such as with the use of Dirty Vegas and Kylie Minogue. But the majorities of the songs were techno, or of the aforementioned pop variety.

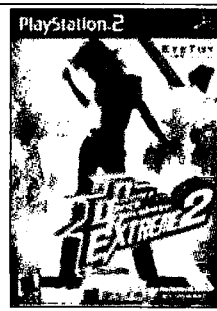
"Dance Dancer Revolution Extreme 2" knows its history and follows this trend. The majority of the songs are once again techno remixes and Japanese pop. Fan favorites such as "Dive," "Brilliant 2U" and "Dynamite Rave" all make reappearances, among other returning favorites. Other favorites have been remixed, such as Captain Jack, "Candy <3" and "Sana Mollete Ne Ente (B.L.T. Style)."

Despite this emphasis on techno and pop, some of the new songs will appeal to fans of popular American music. Sean Paul makes an addition to the music library with "Get Busy," while Beyonce Knowles lends "Crazy in Love." There is a grand total of 74 songs in the game, with 50 of them initially locked. They can be unlocked through completing challenges of varying difficulty in the game.

The only truly new addition to the series is the use of an online mode however. For the first time, "Dance Dance Revolution" fans on the PlayStation 2 can play the game online. However, the game is vastly more fun and

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## ic cinematic quest



Photo courtesy of gamespot.com

**"Shadow of the Colossus," available on the PlayStation 2, is a unique game that offers players the chance to roam a large fantasy world.**

sand. But what is consistent through them is the feeling of adrenaline that each one induces.

Taking down each of the colossi is accordingly a unique affair, with some of them requiring more thought than others. Some can only be taken down while on horseback, while others require the use of the bow. But through using all the tricks the player has, he can finally get onto the colossus. That is the first part of the battle.

Once the player has found a way onto the colossus, the digital avatar has to climb over the giant beast trying to find the weak point.

While this is going on, the colossus is trying to shake off the little pest, or push him off using the wind or water.

But once the colossus is slain and it topples to the ground, a feeling of sadness mixes with the triumph. The majestic creatures, despite their fantastic properties, still manage to evoke a degree of sympathy from the gamer, a rare trait in games. "Shadow of the Colossus" is an amazing game and should be a necessity for any gamer.

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## groovy dance-fest

entertaining when played in a group, so this new mode may not find much use. However, for those lonely nights, this added competitive mode may add a better spark to the game.

An updated mode to the game is the digital avatar. This character is chosen when the player starts the game and will dance on-screen as the player plays through the songs. The avatars do not show up for every song, and their inclusion is purely cosmetic. However, there are several from which to choose, half of which are initially locked.

Playing through the game and accumulating points is the only way to unlock them.

"Dance Dance Revolution Extreme 2" is a solid addition to the already large library of games bearing the name. There are not too many new additions to the game, but that's not where the main draw for the game lies. The core gameplay has remained intact, and with the added new songs, this game should find space in any gamer's library.

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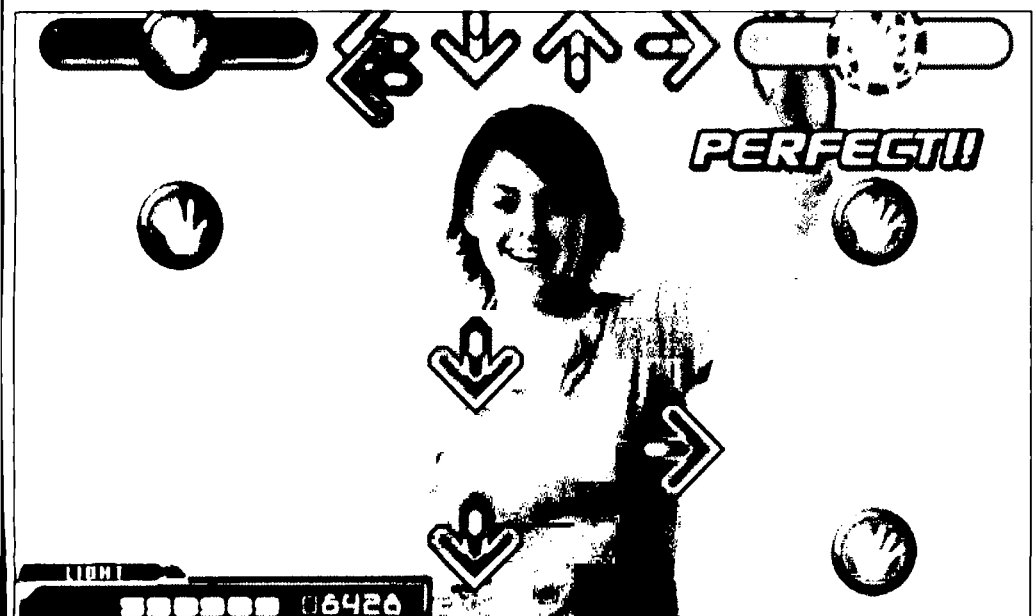


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**"Dance Dance Revolution Extreme 2" for the PlayStation 2 follows in the footsteps of its predecessor, allowing the use of the Sony Eyetoy to add a new level of depth.**

## SAINT MARY'S SPOTLIGHT

### Battle of the Bands a success

By LIZ HARTER  
Scene Critic

Music fans rocked out Saturday at Saint Mary's first ever Battle of the Bands competition. A crowd of approximately 50 people gathered in the College's student center to listen to four bands and two solo artists, all Saint Mary's and Notre Dame students.

The performers were competing to open for the nationally-touring group Phantom Planet when they play at "SMC Tostal" this spring. The winner also received 24 hours studio recording time.

Emo-rock band Somersault opened the show and was well received by the crowd as they performed three original songs. Their music got everyone out of their seats and gathered around the stage.

Following Somersault was solo artist Robbie Hazen. Hazen really worked the crowd, performing five cover songs while asking the audience to sing along if they knew the words. He also sang three original songs and infused humor into his set, making fun of his roommate with one of his songs, which the crowd seemed to really enjoy.

Slap Bracelet Suicide, the self-proclaimed "only metal band at Notre Dame" took the stage next, treating the crowd to non-stop music with great beats. The audience really got into their set, dancing and yelling for the band.

"I liked how Slap Bracelet Suicide interacted with the crowd," stated audience member Lindsey Appelquist. "They were different from the Notre Dame norm, which was a welcome contrast."

The crowd seemed to dwindle after intermission, though they missed another crowd favorite, two-man group Hyde. At the beginning of the four-song set, people were still trickling back into the concert, though after the first song Hyde played, most were riveted.

"The lyrics were original and seemed heartfelt," stated student Deirdre Hayden. "The piano was a nice touch too."

While Slap Bracelet Suicide got a heavy amount of praise when they

were announced, it seemed as though Hyde won the crowd over by the end of their set with their subdued sounds.

The second to last performer, Ryan Connaughton, also played cover songs. He got everyone singing when he played his acoustic version of the popular Fall Out Boy Song "Sugar We're Goin' Down." He had an interesting voice and kept the attention of the crowd throughout all five of his songs.

The final performer of the evening was the group Speedplay, which brought the energy of the show back up for its finale. They had to think fast when their guitarist's string broke at the end of the first song, but they held on to the crowd throughout.

While all of the bands provided something for all musical tastes, the judges had to choose one to take the top prize. The judges, music producer and sound engineer Ulysses Noriega and the indie-rock band Thornbird, chose Slap Bracelet Suicide for first place. Before announcing the winners, the judges stated that there had been a lot of disagreement between them. However, Francesca Johnson, president of the Class of 2009, clarified later in the evening that the judges said Slap Bracelet Suicide showed a lot of creativity for that particular type of music.

All the performers from Saturday received studio time, and Robbie Hazen, who came in second place, also won a Thursday spot at Legends.

The disagreement over the winner did not just stay between the judges.

"Hyde was poorly placed because they had original lyrics, which was mesmerizing," said audience member Valerie Patterson.

The Battle of the Bands raised money to benefit Riley Hospital for Children in Indianapolis. It was the first of the fundraisers planned by the freshman board to raise money for this cause, which will culminate in the Dance Marathon in April.

"We're still looking for dancers," Johnson adds.

Students can contact Saint Mary's First Year Board for information regarding this event.

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**The indie-rock group Thornbird made an appearance for Saint Mary's battle of the bands, choosing student band Slap Bracelet Suicide for first place honors.**

## NBA

# McGrady stays hot on the road, scores 41 in win

*Nuggets extend winning-streak to six games as Anthony pours in 37 against struggling Raptors in 107-101 victory*

Associated Press

MILWAUKEE — Houston coach Jeff Van Gundy has no idea why Tracy McGrady is so tough on the road.

McGrady scored 41 points, including 14 straight in the fourth quarter, to lead the Rockets to a 97-80 victory over the Milwaukee Bucks on Monday night.

He is averaging 30.7 points in 18 road games — including 38.0 in the last seven — and 19.1 points in nine at home.

"You can't explain it," Van Gundy said after his team improved to 11-13 away from Houston. "He's the best road player in the league."

The Bucks trailed 76-75 after Andrew Bogut's basket with 10:58 left in the fourth quarter when McGrady went on his personal run.

McGrady hit a pair of 3-pointers, a driving 10-footer, a turn-around fadeaway and two jump shots to give the Rockets a 90-75 lead with 5:21 left.

"I'm just in a nice rhythm right now," McGrady said. "I'm playing with a great deal of confidence."

Houston stretched the run to 19 straight points after a free throw by Lonny Baxter and two

jumpers by, who else, McGrady. He was pulled with 1:25 left, and the Bucks ended the 9-minute drought with a free throw by Jermaine Jackson.

Milwaukee missed 17 consecutive shots.

"You can deal with some of the jump shots he made, he's been making them all season," Bucks guard Mo Williams said. "But he kept making daggers, a dagger here and a dagger there. At the same time, we were digging ourselves in a hole by not making shots."

## Nuggets 107, Raptors 101

Eighty-one points it was not. Carmelo Anthony's 37 were enough to lead the Denver Nuggets to their sixth straight win, this one over the Toronto Raptors on Monday night.

The Raptors were still smarting a day after surrendering Kobe Bryant's 81 points in their 122-104 loss to the Los Angeles Lakers. But after watching the film in the morning, Toronto put its embarrassment behind and gave the Nuggets a good game.

Kenyon Martin added 25 points and 12 rebounds as the Nuggets improved to 10-2 in January. Their winning streak is their longest since winning 10 straight in March and April of last season.

Anthony was just too much and too efficient — sinking 13-of-16 shots from the floor a day after missing 15 of 19 at San Antonio. He also hit 10-of-12 free throws.

Earl Boykins added 16 points for the Nuggets. Mike James led Toronto with 22 points, Jalen Rose had 21 and Chris Bosh scored 18.

James scored Toronto's last seven points of the first half, giving the Raptors a 54-52 lead at the break, but Anthony hit a jumper and a three-point play, then fed Andre Miller with a shoulder-flip assist to cap an 11-2 run with which Denver opened the third quarter to quickly build a 63-56 lead the Nuggets would never relinquish.

## Jazz 89, Nets 78

Andrei Kirilenko had 21 points and 13 rebounds to help the Utah Jazz overcome Jason Kidd's triple-double and beat the New Jersey Nets on Monday night.

Kidd posted his league-leading third triple-double with 17 points, 12 rebounds and 10 assists. It was the 70th of his career. However, Kidd missed 12 of his 15 field goal attempts.

Mehmet Okur scored 11 of his 18 points in the fourth quarter and grabbed 13 rebounds for the Jazz.

Richard Jefferson had 32 points, but the Nets shot a season-low 33 percent, including 2-for-21 from 3-point range. New Jersey's previous low was 34.7 percent in an 81-69 loss to Memphis on Jan. 13.

The Nets used an 8-0 run to close to 63-56 early in the fourth quarter, but Okur made two crucial jumpers with the shot clock running down in an 11-2 run that put the game away.

## Hawks 104, Pacers 94

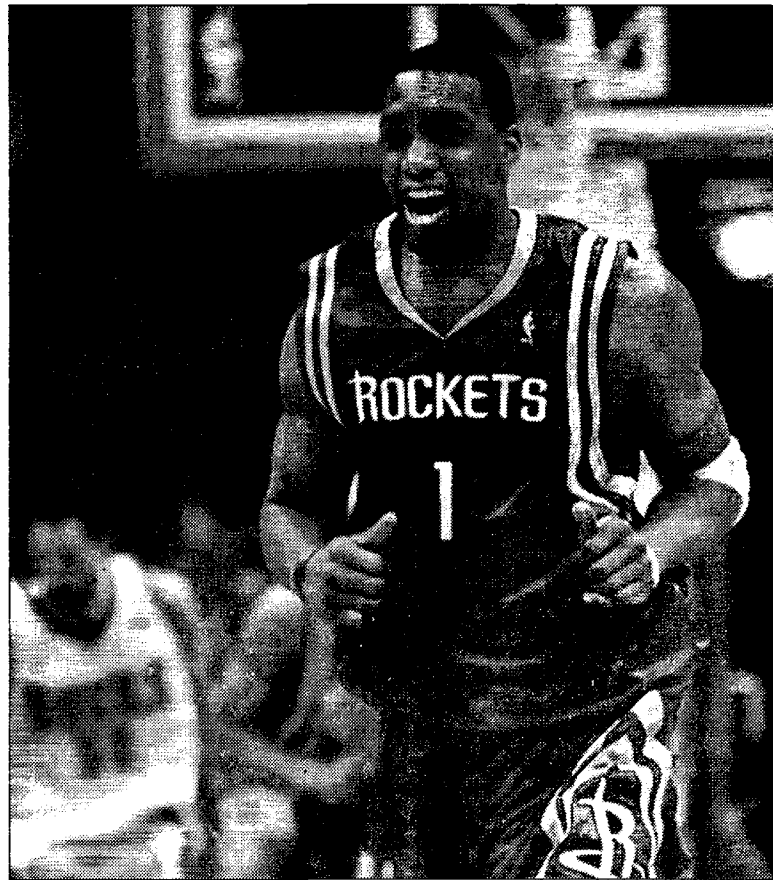
The Atlanta Hawks found themselves in a familiar position early in the third quarter.

Then came the unusual part — the Hawks didn't fold. In fact, they won the game.

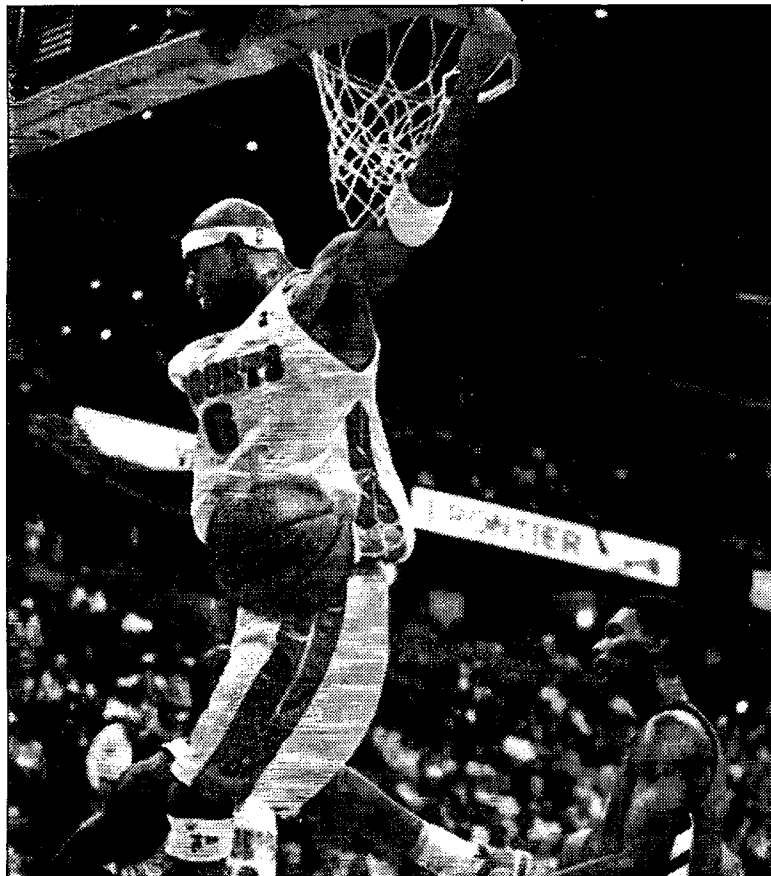
Joe Johnson scored 28 points, Tyronn Lue provided an unlikely spark off the bench and the Hawks rallied in the second half for the victory over the Indiana Pacers on Monday night.

"We made shots, we milked plays and we just didn't crack," Hawks coach Mike Woodson said, "which was really nice to see."

The Hawks trailed 56-48 at



Houston's Tracy McGrady smiles after making a shot during the fourth quarter of the Rockets' 97-80 victory over the Milwaukee Bucks Monday.



Denver Nuggets forward Kenyon Martin dunks the ball over Toronto Raptors forward Chris Bosh during the third quarter Monday. The Nuggets won at home 107-101.

halftime, and the Pacers twice stretched the lead to 11 in the opening minutes of the third quarter. Considering the Hawks have the worst record in the league and were coming off two blowout losses at home, another defeat seemed likely.

But Atlanta surged in front before the period was over. Lue helped turn things around after missing four games with a sore back.

The Hawks were down 61-50 when the diminutive guard checked in off the bench to key a 16-5 run. Lue made a 3-pointer, hit a couple of free throws and came up with a steal that set up Al Harrington's dunk.

## Celtics 91, Hornets 78

After the Celtics had a sluggish first half, Ricky Davis decided to take over.

Davis scored 17 of his 32 points in the third quarter to help Boston beat the New Orleans Hornets on Monday night.

"We said at halftime we're going to pick it up in the second half, and that's what we did," Boston forward Paul Pierce said.

Neither team played well in the opening half, missing a number of easy shots and turn-

ing the ball over carelessly.

But in the third quarter, the Celtics started hitting their shots and took control.

"I think both teams settled into 'this isn't our night mode'," Boston coach Doc Rivers said. "The home team has to win those games, and that's what we did."

The Hornets shot only 36 percent (27-for-76) and lost for just the second time in seven games.

"I just thought we were terrible," New Orleans coach Byron Scott said. "Offensively, defensively, effort wise. I just didn't think we came out with any passion tonight, for whatever reason."

Raef LaFrentz added 18 points and Pierce had 16 and nine rebounds for the Celtics, who have won six of their last eight home games.

Behind the outside shooting of LaFrentz, the Celtics used a 17-7 run to take a 63-51 lead midway into the third quarter. LaFrentz hit three 3-pointers in a 2:56 span and closed the spree with another jumper.

"We tried to make rotations and stops on Ricky Davis, but once he got going we couldn't stop him," said David West, who scored 19 of his team-high 21 points in the first half.

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## Men's College Basketball AP Top 25

|    | team              | record | points |
|----|-------------------|--------|--------|
| 1  | Connecticut       | 16-1   | 1,790  |
| 2  | Duke              | 17-1   | 1,711  |
| 3  | Memphis           | 17-2   | 1,579  |
| 4  | Texas             | 16-2   | 1,541  |
| 5  | Florida           | 17-1   | 1,530  |
| 6  | Villanova         | 13-2   | 1,429  |
| 7  | Gonzaga           | 15-3   | 1,395  |
| 8  | Illinois          | 17-2   | 1,209  |
| 9  | West Virginia     | 14-3   | 1,157  |
| 10 | Washington        | 16-2   | 1,140  |
| 11 | Michigan State    | 15-4   | 1,101  |
| 12 | Pittsburgh        | 15-1   | 1,005  |
| 13 | Indiana           | 12-3   | 1,001  |
| 14 | George Washington | 14-1   | 845    |
| 15 | NC State          | 15-3   | 812    |
| 16 | Ohio State        | 14-2   | 738    |
| 17 | UCLA              | 15-4   | 486    |
| 18 | Maryland          | 13-4   | 449    |
| 19 | Tennessee         | 12-3   | 420    |
| 20 | Boston College    | 14-1   | 399    |
| 21 | Georgetown        | 12-4   | 231    |
| 22 | Louisville        | 13-5   | 219    |
| 23 | Wisconsin         | 14-4   | 186    |
| 24 | Oklahoma          | 11-4   | 166    |
| 25 | Syracuse          | 15-4   | 136    |

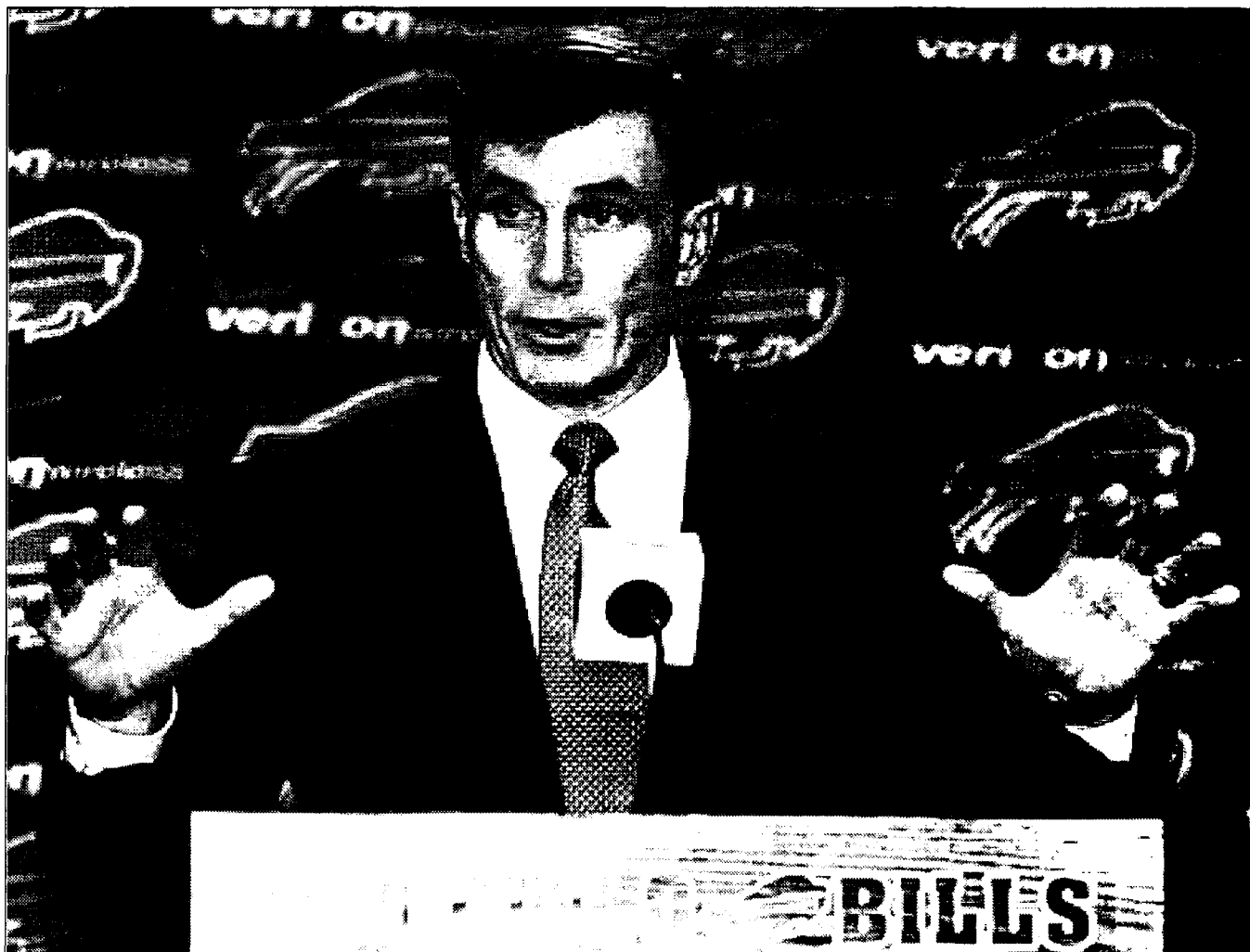
## Women's College Basketball AP Top 25

|    | team              | record | points |
|----|-------------------|--------|--------|
| 1  | Tennessee         | 17-0   | 772    |
| 2  | Duke              | 16-0   | 746    |
| 3  | North Carolina    | 16-0   | 705    |
| 4  | LSU               | 14-0   | 665    |
| 5  | Connecticut       | 15-2   | 650    |
| 6  | Maryland          | 14-2   | 637    |
| 7  | Ohio State        | 13-2   | 559    |
| 8  | Baylor            | 12-2   | 556    |
| 9  | Rutgers           | 12-2   | 521    |
| 10 | DePaul            | 16-1   | 503    |
| 11 | Purdue            | 13-2   | 464    |
| 12 | Minnesota         | 11-4   | 393    |
| 13 | Arizona State     | 14-3   | 384    |
| 14 | Michigan State    | 13-5   | 359    |
| 15 | Stanford          | 11-4   | 351    |
| 16 | Georgia           | 12-4   | 317    |
| 17 | Oklahoma          | 13-4   | 291    |
| 18 | New Mexico        | 13-4   | 218    |
| 19 | Vanderbilt        | 13-4   | 217    |
| 20 | Temple            | 12-4   | 126    |
| 21 | Boston College    | 15-2   | 122    |
| 22 | NOTRE DAME        | 10-5   | 97     |
| 23 | BYU               | 13-1   | 72     |
| 24 | Virginia Tech     | 14-1   | 67     |
| 25 | George Washington | 11-4   | 63     |

## Men's Tennis Top 10

|    | team                      |
|----|---------------------------|
| 1  | Virginia                  |
| 2  | Florida                   |
| 3  | Georgia                   |
| 4  | Illinois Urbana-Champaign |
| 5  | UCLA                      |
| 6  | Mississippi               |
| 7  | Baylor                    |
| 8  | Duke                      |
| 9  | Pepperdine                |
| 10 | LSU                       |

## NFL



Dick Jauron speaks at a press conference Monday announcing his hiring as head coach of the Buffalo Bills. Jauron had a 35-46 record in his only other NFL head coaching position, a five year stint with the Bears.

## Buffalo chooses Jauron to coach Bills in 2006

Associated Press

ORCHARD PARK, N.Y. — Dick Jauron didn't need to attend Yale to learn what it'll take to make his second stint as an NFL head coach more successful than his first.

"In our business, it comes out in wins and losses. And if you win, it was a great decision. And if you don't win, it was not a great decision," Jauron said Monday after being hired by the Buffalo Bills. "And we know that our back is against the wall to win."

Jauron coached the Chicago Bears for five seasons, going 35-46 with one

playoff appearance before being fired in 2003. It's a resume that even he acknowledges could cause some skepticism among Bills fans.

But it didn't stop Hall of Fame coach and new Buffalo general manager Marv Levy from picking Jauron to replace Mike Mularkey, who abruptly resigned two weeks ago.

Jauron becomes Buffalo's fourth coach since Levy retired after the 1997 season. And he takes over a team that's coming off a 5-11 season and missed the playoffs for the sixth straight year.

Hiring Jauron is Levy's

first decision since replacing president/GM Tom Donahoe, who was fired three weeks ago. And Levy, who attended Harvard, said he had no bias in selecting a fellow Ivy Leaguer in Jauron, who graduated from Yale with a history degree.

"We were selecting the best head coach, the man who was going to direct it and put it all together," Levy said.

Jauron had only one winning season with Chicago, going 13-3 in 2001 when he was named the NFL's coach of the year.

A candidate for the Bills job when Mularkey was

hired in 2004, Jauron spent the past two seasons as the Detroit Lions defensive coordinator and finished last season as the team's interim head coach after Steve Mariucci was fired in late November.

Jauron's hiring was backed by Bills guard Chris Villarrial, who played with the Bears during Jauron's entire tenure.

"You guys will see and Buffalo fans are going to see that he's a true football coach, a down-to-earth guy and a winner," Villarrial said. "The faster we get this thing turned around, it's going to be much better for him and for us."

## IN BRIEF

### Bulls fan will not sue Davis, wife for incident in stands

CHICAGO — The Chicago Bulls fan whose confrontation with Antonio Davis' wife led the Knicks forward to rush into the stands will not sue the player and his family.

In a joint statement released Monday, Michael Axelrod and the Davises said: "It's clear that the episode at the United Center last week, and its aftermath, evolved from some misunderstandings. This has produced regrets from all parties involved. Common sense strongly suggests that we collectively put this episode behind us and move on. That's what the Davises and Michael Axelrod plan to do, and we hope everyone else will, as well."

Axelrod's attorney, Jay Paul Deratany, said in a telephone interview: "Both sides expressed regret for any miscommunication that occurred. Both parties want to move forward — with being a fan and watching the game and being a ballplayer. They've

expressed their regret and that's good enough for the family. And we're satisfied with the result."

### NCAA to release RPI ratings for first time to public

INDIANAPOLIS — The NCAA men's and women's basketball tournament committees will begin releasing the Ratings Percentage Index on their Web site beginning next week.

It marks the first time the NCAA will publicly release the RPI ratings, which are used to help select the postseason tournament fields. Updated rankings can be found at <http://www.ncaasports.com> from Feb. 2 through the rest of the season.

"One of the committees' primary objectives over the last few years has been to increase the transparency and understanding regarding the process of selecting teams for the tournament," said Craig Littlepage, chairman of the Division I men's selection committee. "We think that announcing the results of the RPI ranking on a weekly basis has its ben-

### Toyota will join NASCAR, Busch Series in 2007

CONCORD, N.C. — Toyota is planning to move up to NASCAR's top two stock car series and not everybody is happy about it.

The Japanese automaker, which has competed in NASCAR's Craftsman Truck Series the past two seasons, announced Monday it will also run its Camry brand in both the Nextel Cup and Busch Series in 2007.

NASCAR chairman Brian France gave his blessing to Toyota, telling more than 200 reporters taking part in the first day of the annual preseason media tour "Toyota has proven in the truck series it can be a great partner. NASCAR offered them the best opportunity to build their presence in racing in North America and we're glad they are here."

Toyota will become the first foreign competitor in NASCAR's top series since Jaguar ran in several races in the 1950s.

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## NCAA MEN'S BASKETBALL

## Top dogs: UConn grabs No. 1 spot



Connecticut's Hilton Armstrong, left, knocks away an attempt by Cincinnati's Cedric McGowan (30) in the second half of play in Hartford, Conn., Jan. 9. Big East rivals Georgetown, Louisville, Pittsburgh, Syracuse, Villanova and West Virginia are also ranked in the top 25.

### Georgetown seventh Big East team in top 25; ties all-time record

Associated Press

UConn is No. 1; one of seven Big East teams in top 25

With no more unbeaten teams left, Connecticut took over the No. 1 spot in The Associated Press college basketball poll Monday.

Two days after Duke, Florida and Pittsburgh lost, the Huskies (16-1) moved from No. 3 to the top of the rankings for the sixth time in school history and the first since a one-week run in December 2004. The Blue Devils, Gators and Panthers were the last three undefeated Division I teams.

The Huskies are one of seven Big East teams in the Top 25, tying the record for most schools from one conference. The Atlantic Coast Conference and Big Ten have each done it twice, and the ACC did it most recently last season.

Duke (17-1), which had been No. 1 since the preseason poll, dropped one spot after losing 87-84 at Georgetown on Saturday. The win sent the Hoyas (12-4) into the Top 25 for the first time since Dec. 31, 2001.

Florida (17-1), second in the poll the last two weeks, dropped to No. 5 after losing 80-76 at Tennessee on Saturday. The win got the Volunteers (12-3) back in the rankings after being out for four weeks.

Pittsburgh (15-1) lost 55-50 at St. John's on Saturday and fell from ninth to No. 12.

Connecticut received 64 first-place votes and 1,790 points from the 72-member national media panel. The Huskies have spent a total of 21 weeks at No. 1. The longest run was 10 straight polls in 1998-99, when they won the first of their two national championships.

"It's always good to be No. 1

in anything but it's not great at this time of year. I want it at the beginning of April, but I'll take it now," Connecticut coach Jim Calhoun said Monday. "Being No. 1 isn't a goal of ours like the Big East championship or the national championship, but we feel we're one of the better programs in the country for the last 15 years and being No. 1 is another notch for us as a total program."

Duke was No. 1 on seven ballots and had 1,711 points. Memphis and Texas each moved up one place to third and fourth, respectively.

Following Florida was Villanova (13-2), which received one first-place vote, Gonzaga, Illinois, West Virginia and Washington.

West Virginia is in the top 10 for the first time since the Mountaineers were No. 8 on March 2, 1982.

Michigan State was 11th followed by Pittsburgh, Indiana, Georgia, Washington, North Carolina State, Ohio State, UCLA, Maryland, Tennessee and Boston College.

The last five ranked teams were Georgetown, Louisville, Wisconsin, Oklahoma and Syracuse.

In addition to Connecticut and Georgetown, the Big East had Villanova, West Virginia, Pittsburgh, Louisville and Syracuse in the Top 25 to match the record.

"Just look at the nonconference wins for our league this weekend, West Virginia wins at UCLA and Georgetown knocks off Duke, I think clearly this is the best league in the country," Calhoun said. "You could lose three, maybe even four games in the conference and still win the championship, it's that competitive and deep."

Georgetown was last ranked for the first eight polls of the 2001-02 season. The previous March was the last NCAA tournament appearance for the Hoyas, who were 0-3 against ranked teams before beating the Blue Devils.

"I tell our guys our success depends on what happens on the court and what people say or think about us is irrelevant especially at this time of the year because it's so early," Hoyas coach John Thompson III said Monday. "There are so many tough teams in our league from top to bottom that there is no time to sit back and enjoy something like the win over Duke. We just have to keep improving as the season goes on."

Tennessee's victory over Florida was its second over a top 10 team this season. The Volunteers beat then-No. 6 Texas 95-78 to get into the Top 25, only to fall out the next week following a loss to Oklahoma State. They lost at LSU and Memphis before beating Florida.

"I don't think the ranking is going to mean anything to the coaches and the players as it relates to this team," first-year Tennessee coach Bruce Pearl said Monday. "It's just what it could mean at the end of the year and what it could mean in recruiting and what it could mean in fan support."

Iowa (14-5), which returned to the Top 25 last week after being out for three polls, fell out from 23rd following an 85-55 loss to Michigan State.

North Carolina was ranked for the last seven weeks, reaching as high as No. 17. The Tar Heels (11-4) fell out from 24th after losing 72-68 to Virginia and beating Florida State 81-80 last week.

*"Just look at the non-conference wins for our league this weekend ... I think clearly this is the best league in the country."*

**Jim Calhoun**  
UConn coach

## SKIING

## New Olympics, same old Tomba

Associated Press

TURIN, Italy — Asked what advice he'd give Bode Miller, Alberto Tomba threw his head back and let out a roar of laughter that bounced around the hotel lobby's marble floor.

"Don't win too much," Tomba said during a recent interview with The Associated Press.

"Then they won't make stuff up about you. Because if you win all the time, they won't write about your victories," he said, "they'll write about your private life or things you say."

The man known as La Bomba still is a star in Italy and figures to be in the spotlight during the Feb. 10-26 Turin Olympics—more than seven years after he retired from the slopes.

He's still burly, still concerned about his image (his manager didn't want a photographer present during the hour-long chat with the AP because Tomba had been traveling all day), still charming and quick with a joke.

Oh, and still fond of referring to himself in the third person.

Current skiers grew up watching him, some now try to emulate his go-for-broke competitive style, and all would probably love to accomplish just a fraction of what he did.

Italy's top skier at the moment and best medal hope for Turin, Giorgio Rocca, calls his predecessor a "legend" and acknowledges: "There is just one Tomba."

Someone who would never argue with that assessment: Tomba himself.

After all, this is a man who, after his very first World Cup victory in November 1987, told reporters: "I am really talented."

Now 39, Tomba is wary when present-day stars such as Miller or Rocca are com-

pared to him. Of Rocca, Tomba said: "Remember, Tomba won the Olympics at 20. He's already 30. I won 35 slaloms, he's at nine or 10. ... There's more to do if you want to be Alberto's heir."

When Italians speak about the upcoming Olympics, it doesn't take long for Tomba's name to arise. His exploits on and off the course made him an icon.

Tomba, who said he considered making a comeback about two or three years after retiring, now spends his time making appearances for personal sponsors and as an ambassador for the Turin Olympics.

He helped lobby the International Olympic Committee when the city bid for these games, and one of his endorsement deals is with a company sponsoring the torch relay. His face beams on billboards around the country, including a giant sign looking out from the ancient Roman amphitheater in Verona.

When Rocca won a fourth straight World Cup slalom this month, Italian TV made as big a deal over Tomba's reaction to the performance as the race itself.

Tomba won't be analyzing races during the Olympics: "I'd rather look an athlete in the eyes and tell him what I think than say things on TV," he said, adding that he occasionally offers tips to Italian skiers.

He'll certainly be part of the show next month.

That includes the opening ceremony, although Tomba won't acknowledge that he'll be the final torchbearer. Nor will anyone from the Torino Organizing Committee; that honor has traditionally been kept under wraps.

Everyone in Italy assumes it'll be him.

"I'll be happy if it's me. It would be like another Olympic gold."

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## NFL

## Seahawks impress foes with NFC championship win

Associated Press

SEATTLE — Few teams ram-page through their schedule the way the Seahawks did this season, only to be confronted by so many doubters during the playoffs. With the way Seattle manhandled the Carolina Panthers in the NFC championship game, the critics should realize one thing: Mike Holmgren's team is for real.

Usually, it takes an offensive star at his peak, a fierce defense and a coaching staff with some experience for a team to take the NFL's biggest prize.

The Seahawks have all that.

Forget that they are 3 1/2 point underdogs, hardly surprising considering the AFC is the stronger conference and the Pittsburgh Steelers are on an amazing run all the way from a sixth seed to the Super Bowl.

That, and the team from the Pacific Northwest somehow managed to stay out of the spotlight despite a 13-3 regular season and, now, a 10-0 home record.

But as the Steelers well know, their opponent in Detroit on Feb. 5 is very formidable.

"No one is going to give us anything," tight end Jerramy Stevens said after the 34-14 win over Carolina, a game Seattle so dominated that the Panthers couldn't even come up with any excuses for being routed. "We haven't done anything in the past."

But what they are doing in

the present is what makes champions.

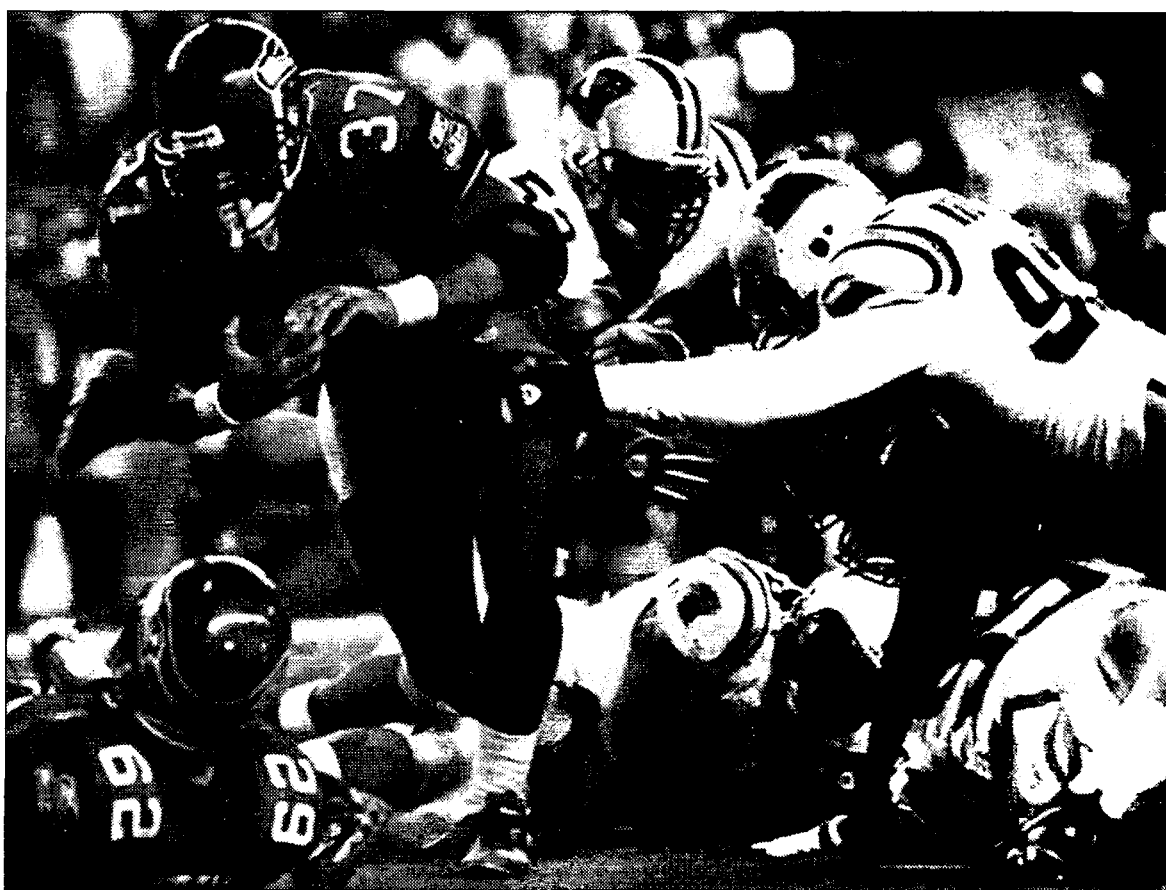
First, the Seahawks have the NFL Most Valuable Player, Shaun Alexander. After setting a league record with 28 touchdowns and topping the rushing charts, Alexander missed most of the second-round playoff win over Washington with a concussion. He returned to carry the ball 34 times for a club-record 132 yards and scored twice against Carolina.

Alexander is Seattle's offensive standby, much the same way Emmitt Smith was for Dallas and Terrell Davis was for Denver. There are flashier players around him, but he's the focal point.

"He's not the type of guy that just wallows or lays down," All-Pro fullback Mack Strong said of his backfield partner. "He comes out to compete ... and that's the reason he's the MVP. He comes out and put up MVP numbers."

Then there is a defense with a pass rush that can rattle anybody. Jake Delhomme had never struggled in a postseason game, but he was overwhelmed Sunday. Sacked only twice, Delhomme felt pressure on nearly every pass play. He was intercepted three times — one more than in his previous six playoff appearances — and, while the oft-maligned Seahawks secondary played well, it was the work up front that made the difference.

"Seattle is a very admirable team," said All-Pro receiver Steve Smith, who was shut down in the title game after



Seattle's Shaun Alexander crosses into the end zone for a touchdown against the Carolina Panthers during the fourth quarter of the NFC championship football game on Sunday. AP

sensational performances in first two weeks of the playoffs. "They're very experienced. Everything that team did today was superb."

The Seahawks were prepared for everything Carolina could offer, from Delhomme-to-Smith to Julius Peppers and a dangerous defensive line to the ballhawking of cornerback Ken Lucas, a former teammate. Credit Holmgren and his

staff for that.

Holmgren struggled early in his tenure in Seattle after winning one Super Bowl in Green Bay and losing another. But the ups and downs with the Seahawks, including losing some of his front-office control, never steered him in the wrong direction.

Nor did tight playoff losses the last two years, first at the Packers in overtime, then at

home to St. Louis. Holmgren weeded out some problem players after the 2004 season, and felt far more comfortable with the roster this season.

Still, you have to get everyone to perform, and he's done a wonderful job of it.

"A couple of things happen," Holmgren explained. "You have players who won't buy in or never buy in, or you have guys with problems."

## OLYMPICS

## Arbitrator finds no proof Nardiello harassed team

Associated Press

U.S. skeleton coach Tim Nardiello should be reinstated, an arbitrator ruled Monday, overturning his sus-

pension last month on allegations he sexually harassed two members of his team.

Still unclear was whether Nardiello would be allowed to coach at the Turin Olympics, a decision that now rests with

the U.S. Olympic Committee. The USOC has until Jan. 30 to decide.

The arbitrator found no evidence to support a credible sexual harassment claim, according to a person with direct knowledge of the ruling who spoke to The Associated Press on condition of anonymity because of the matter's sensitive nature.

The U.S. Bobsled and Skeleton Federation's board of directors will decide whether Nardiello will be allowed to rejoin the team in time for the season's final World Cup race in Altenberg, Germany, on Thursday and Friday. The USBSF was scheduled to meet Monday night.

"I hope it ends then," USBSF president Jim Shea Sr. said. "We'll see what happens after we get a sense of the board."

The ruling came hours after top American skeleton racer Zach Lund learned he will be allowed to compete at the Olympics. Lund was given a warning by the U.S. Anti-Doping Agency on Monday following a failed drug test — but because he wasn't sus-

pended, the USOC will credential Lund for the games.

He was suspended Dec. 31 after longtime skeleton team member Felicia Canfield wrote the USBSF's board of directors alleging that Nardiello tried to kiss her, touch her inappropriately and made comments of a sexual nature to her and other female athletes.

Her claims, combined with a letter written by Marsha Gale — the mother of 2002 Olympic gold medalist Tristan Gale — prompted the board to suspend Nardiello. Marsha Gale

wrote that Nardiello also made inappropriate comments, and commented that Nardiello's relationship with a competitor from New Zealand was unprofessional.

Nardiello and the USBSF went to binding arbitration in Albany, N.Y. last week, with several witnesses testifying for both sides.

The sides were in session for about 23 hours over a two-day period.

U.S. skeleton athlete Amanda Bird, who did not make this year's national

team, was one of those who testified on Nardiello's behalf. Bird said she was thrilled by the arbitrator's decision.

"I've been holding my breath the whole time waiting for the answer to come because I knew it would be positive for Tim," Bird said. "When I found out, I was ecstatic. ... Anything Tim has ever said to me hasn't been uncomfortable or harassing. I've never been harassed by Tim."

Reached at his home after the arbitrator's ruling was announced, Brady Canfield — a board member and Felicia Canfield's husband — referred questions to Salt Lake City attorney Mark Gaylord, who is representing six people who filed grievances against Nardiello.

Gaylord declined immediate comment, saying he wanted to wait to see what the board did in its meeting Monday night first.

Nardiello and several members of the U.S. national team have said the claims were brought because Felicia Canfield and Tristan Gale did not make this year's Olympic team.

"Our federation has been through hell these last few weeks," Lund said. "We need to get past all this and start to think only about the Olympics for a little while."

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Amanda Bird  
athlete

## NBA

# Kobe's 81 make guard's next goal a tall order

*Chamberlain's 100 remains the highest NBA total ... for now?*

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Wilt Chamberlain's record 100-point game seemed unreachable from the time he accomplished the feat nearly 44 years ago.

Perhaps it's not.

Maybe Kobe Bryant can do it. "I guess it's possible. I don't know, bro'. It's unthinkable," the Los Angeles Lakers' star said.

So was 81. At least before Sunday night.

But Bryant, so often unstoppable, was better than ever against the Toronto Raptors, scoring 28 of his team's 31 points in the fourth quarter to reach the second-highest single-game total in NBA history.

"Not even in my dreams," he said.

Chamberlain scored 100 points when basketball was a far different game, accomplishing the feat for Philadelphia against the New York Knicks at Hershey, Pa., on March 2, 1962.

There was no 3-point shot — not that it would have mattered since Chamberlain was a 7-footer who dominated the middle.

The 6-6 Bryant made seven from outside the arc.

Defense was generally an afterthought when Chamberlain

played, not that the Raptors are much good at it now, ranking near the bottom of the league in that department.

Whatever the case, both performances were astonishing.

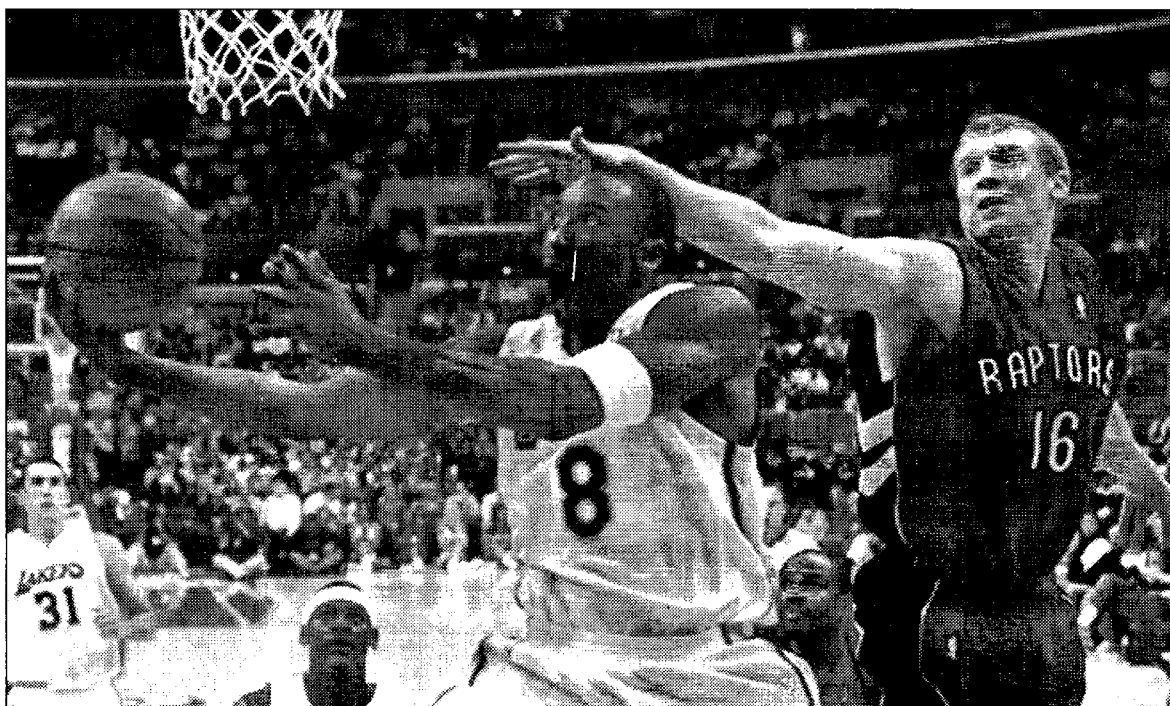
Chamberlain shot 36-of-63 from the field and 28-of-32 from the foul line while playing all 48 minutes. He averaged an NBA-record 50.4 points per game that season.

Bryant, playing a little less than 42 minutes, shot 28-of-46 from the floor including 7-of-13 from 3-point range, and 18-of-20 from the foul line. He raised his NBA-leading average to 35.9 points. If the season ended now, that would be the highest average since Michael Jordan scored 37.1 points per game 19 years ago.

Bryant appeared on his way to 80 a month ago, scoring a then-career high 62 in a one-sided win over Dallas. He sat out the fourth quarter because the outcome was decided after three.

Not so Sunday night. The Raptors led by as many as 18 in the third period, and that more than anything triggered Bryant's scoring explosion, which led to a 122-104 Los Angeles victory.

"We have four days off coming up here and I would be sick as a dog if we would have lost this game," he said. "I just wanted to step up and inspire us to play well and it turned into something pretty special."



Toronto's Matt Bonner, right, can't stop Los Angeles Lakers' guard Kobe Bryant from getting to the hoop in the first half Sunday. The Lakers won 122-104 as Bryant scored 81 points.

Indeed, it did as Bryant recorded just the 10th game ever of at least 70 points.

Chamberlain scored 59 in the second half in his big game — the only player with more points in a half than Bryant's 55 after halftime in this game.

In the second half, it was Bryant 55, Toronto 42.

"He couldn't be stopped tonight," Raptors guard Mike James said. "He basically beat us by himself."

Chamberlain's second-highest total was 78 against the Lakers in three overtimes on Dec. 8, 1961. That drops to No. 3 on the all-time list.

Next are the 73 points scored twice by Chamberlain in 1962 and once by Denver's David Thompson in 1978.

The only other players to reach 70 were former Lakers star Elgin Baylor, who scored 71 points in November 1960, and David Robinson, who also

scored 71 for San Antonio in April 1994. Chamberlain scored 70 in 1963.

Bryant broke Baylor's franchise record with 4:25 remaining on a 14-foot jumper.

"Scoring 81 points is a truly amazing accomplishment," Baylor, general manager of the Clippers, said in a statement. "Of course, the most important thing is that his effort contributed to a victory for his team."

## MLB

## New Reds owner fires GM O'Brien after only two seasons

*Castellini says team's performance did not influence his decision*

Associated Press

CINCINNATI — General manager Dan O'Brien was fired Monday by new Cincinnati Reds owner Bob Castellini, his first major change since he took control of the team.

O'Brien was entering his third season as general manager and had a year to go on his contract. The Reds are coming off their fifth consecutive losing season, their longest such streak in 50 years.

Castellini said he was leaning toward changing general managers when major league owners approved the Reds' sale last Thursday. He met with O'Brien on Monday and told him he wanted to bring in his own baseball executive.

"There is no criticism of Dan," Castellini said. "I just needed my own person."

Even though the club was changing owners, O'Brien didn't expect to get fired.

"I do understand that it's new ownership's prerogative to make changes and hire new people," O'Brien said in a phone interview. "I was somewhat surprised by the move. It's not something that was in my mind 24 hours ago."

Castellini expects to interview between six and eight candidates during the next three or four weeks. Reds pitchers and

catchers report to spring training in Sarasota, Fla., on Feb. 16.

It's not uncommon for new owners to change general managers so close to the start of the season. New Boston owners fired Dan Duquette during spring training 2002.

Omar Minaya became Montreal's general manager three days before teams reported for camp that year, after the commissioner's office took over the team. That move prompted Larry Beinfest to leave and become Florida's general manager.

Castellini began reorganizing the Reds' front office a day after the sale was approved. He put chief operating officer John Allen in charge of business operations, with the general manager reporting to Castellini. Under previous owner Carl Lindner, the general manager reported to Allen.

It was a prelude to change. Castellini said the next general manager will decide if more change is needed.

"I'm not going to get more involved operationally," he said. "We're going to hire a general manager and he's going to assess his personnel."

Baseball operations director Brad Kullman will serve as interim general manager until a replacement is picked. Kullman

told Castellini he would like to be considered for the job.

Castellini offered Lou Piniella a chance to become a special adviser, but the former Reds and Devil Rays manager is taking a year off after Tampa Bay agreed to buy out his final year of his

contract.

"Lou really had a year that he had to stay away from major league baseball," Castellini said. "I didn't know that at the time we talked about it. It's just not going to happen this year. And I would expect Lou to go back to managing."

Reds manager Jerry Narron is

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under contract through 2006, with a mutual option for 2007. Castellini expects him to manage the club this season.

The Reds have been in turmoil since they moved into Great American Ball Park in 2003. General manager Jim Bowden and manager Bob Boone were fired midway through the inaugural season, with Kullman helping to fill in until O'Brien was chosen after the season.

Kullman will have the freedom to work on trades, which would be approved by Castellini. For example, Kullman said teams have shown an interest in outfielder Austin Kearns, but haven't offered what the Reds want in return.

"So I wouldn't be surprised if in the next week, we try to do something," Kullman said. "Whether it's possible or not, I

don't know."

The Reds also have two pending arbitration cases—with Adam Dunn and All-Star shortstop Felipe Lopez.

O'Brien's top goal was to rebuild a farm system that had failed to produce pitchers during Bowden's tenure. During his two years in Cincinnati, O'Brien restructured the minor league system and imposed pitch limits to end a trend of prospects getting hurt.

O'Brien's biggest acquisition was left-hander Eric Milton, who made \$8 million last season while giving up a club-record 40 homers and has two years left on his contract. O'Brien also traded popular first baseman Sean Casey to Pittsburgh last month.

Castellini said the change wasn't made because of anything O'Brien did.

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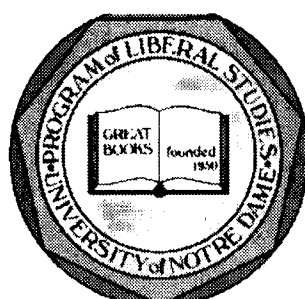
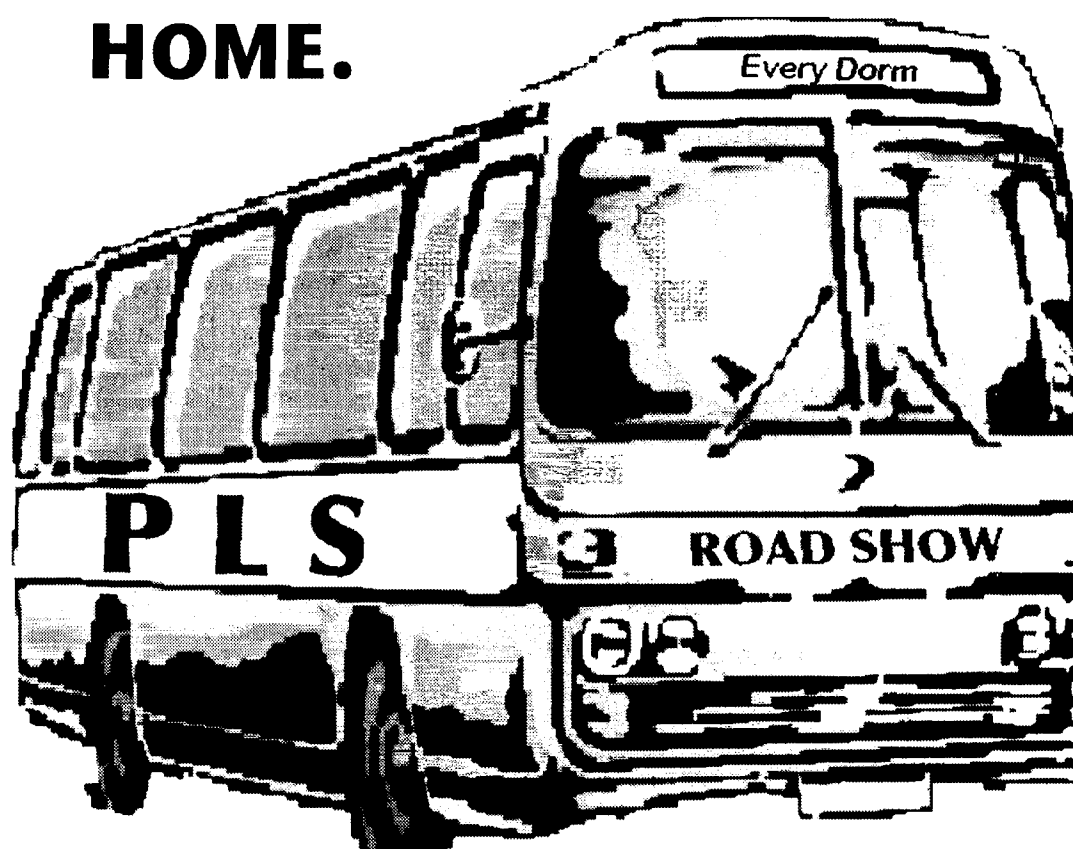
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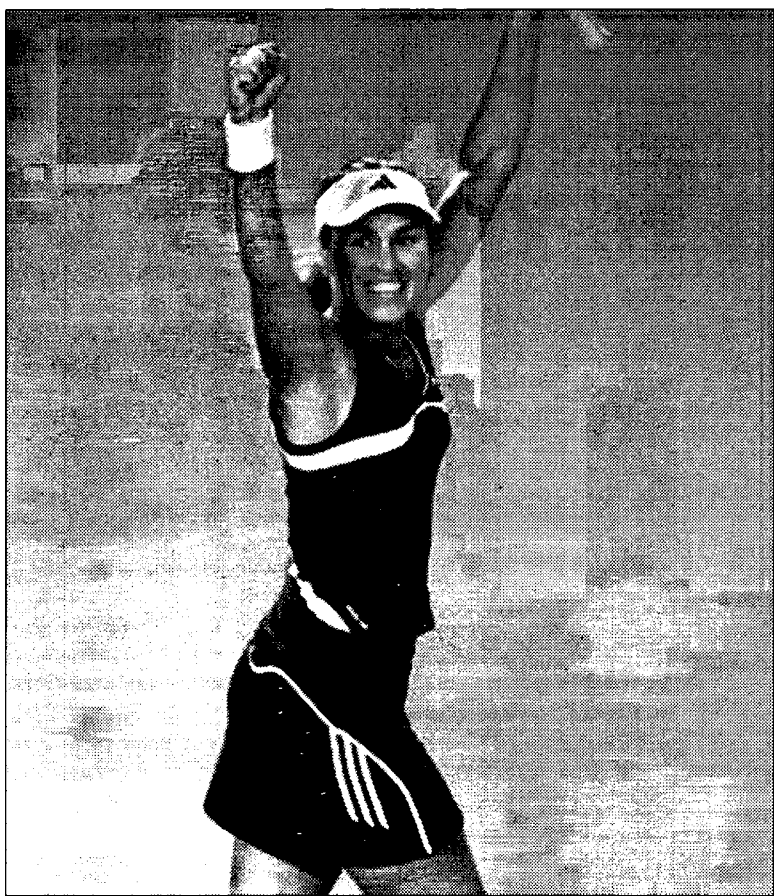
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TENNIS

# Hingis reaches Australian Open quarterfinals



Switzerland's Martina Hingis celebrates her fourth round victory over Australia's Samantha Stosur at the Australian Open. Hingis returned to competition Jan. 2 after a three-year break.

*Federer commits 58 errors, needs all five sets to defeat Haas*

Associated Press

MELBOURNE, Australia — Martina Hingis' comeback has gone so smoothly that she's in the Australian Open quarterfinals following a three-year lay-off.

Back on the tour for just three weeks, the three-time Australian Open champion advanced Monday with a 6-1, 7-6 (8) victory over Samantha Stosur 6-1, 7-6 (8) and will face second-seeded Kim Clijsters.

Hingis needed four match points to beat Stosur. The five-time Grand Slam winner, who dropped off the tour because of ankle, heel and foot injuries, returned to competitive tennis Jan. 2 and hasn't lost a set at this tournament.

"I started off very well, I knew that I had to be right there from the start — we both probably were very nervous," Hingis said. "I knew I couldn't give her any momentum."

On the men's side, top-ranked

Roger Federer overcame an uncharacteristic 58 errors in his 6-4, 6-0, 3-6, 4-6, 6-2 fourth-round win over Tommy Haas.

"I was really trying to just break his momentum. Tommy was making it difficult for me to play," Federer said. "To be honest, I like to be pushed like this."

Hingis was in vintage form, working Stosur around with angled volleys, drop shots, pinpoint lobs and a stunning, running forehand crosscourt winner.

But the 25-year-old twice missed chances to serve for the match in the second set and wasting three match points in the tiebreaker before converting on a Stosur error.

"I played really well the first 1 1/2 sets," she said.

Stosur was the last Aussie in the draw and had the partisan crowd on her side. Clusters of people in pink shirts emblazoned with "Smash 'em Sam" and waving inflatable kangaroos chanted for her from the stands.

Hingis became a favorite at Melbourne when she won her first Grand Slam title age 16 and won three finals in succe-

sion. She lost three in a row from 2000-2002, including an '02 defeat to Jennifer Capriati when she wasted four match points.

In her absence, Clijsters became known locally as "Aussie Kim" during her engagement to Lleyton Hewitt — which ended last year — and remains popular.

They're two of the six current or former No. 1-ranked players into the quarterfinals — a record for a Grand Slam tournament. Top-ranked Lindsay Davenport, No. 3 Amelie Mauresmo, No. 4 Maria Sharapova, No. 8 Justin Henin-Hardenne are the others.

Davenport and Henin-Hardenne meet Tuesday, while 2004 Wimbledon champion Sharapova goes against fellow Russian Nadia Petrova.

After Federer crashed simple overheads into the net in the third and fourth sets, he regained an unwavering calm opening the fifth, when he hit 18 of his 66 winners and cut his errors to six.

Federer was 8-9 in five-set matches, including a 2-6 run from his loss to former No. 2-ranked Haas here in the same round in 2002.

NFL

# Steelers find themselves in unfamiliar position — favorites

Associated Press

PITTSBURGH — Uh, oh, those king-of-the-road Pittsburgh Steelers aren't going to like this, not at all.

They are four-point favorites to beat the Seattle Seahawks in the Super Bowl on Feb. 5 in Detroit after being underdogs against Indianapolis and Denver in their last two playoff games.

That means the Steelers can no longer recite that nobody's-picking-us theme that has carried them through seven consecutive victories, all but two away from home. They can no longer say that they're flying under the radar and are being overlooked even as they take down one higher-seeded team after another.

No wonder linebacker Joey Porter, the demonstrative and very confident leader of Pittsburgh's defense, was practically begging oddsmakers to make the NFC champion the

favorite following the Steelers' 34-17 AFC championship game victory over Denver on Sunday.

"Nobody's been pickin' us, don't jump on the bandwagon now," Porter said. "People are still crying about the Colts, and their stuff has been over for a week now. So pick them (the Seahawks) so we can keep our edge."

Of course, Porter might not have felt that way if he knew the Steelers are 4-0 when favored to win the Super Bowl, as they were in the 1974, 1975, 1978 and 1979 seasons, and 0-1 as underdogs, by 13 1/2 points before losing 10 years ago to the Cowboys 27-17 in Tempe, Ariz.

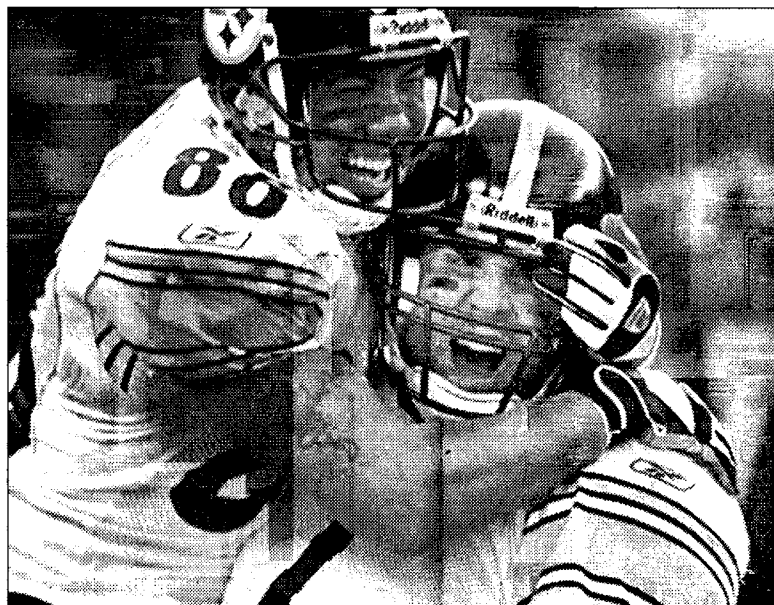
If nothing else, the Steelers' remarkable and unequaled playoff run also has quieted talk that they didn't have enough quality receivers to give Ben Roethlisberger much help when opposing defenses stack the line of scrimmage to shut down the run — as the Colts and Broncos did the last two weeks.

Hines Ward's credentials can't be disputed as a four-time Pro Bowl receiver, but there were considerable doubts when the playoffs started about whether No. 2 receiver Antwaan Randle El (no touchdown catches since the first game of the season) and No. 3 receiver Cedrick Wilson (no TD catches all season) could be reliable and productive.

But with Roethlisberger coming out throwing in each of the last two games, look what those receivers have done.

Wilson, who questioned at midseason if he should have signed with a team that throws as little as the Steelers do, had five catches for 92 yards and a TD in Denver and has two scoring catches in the postseason. Randle El has nine catches and a touchdown. And rookie Nate Washington, an undrafted rookie from Tiffin University, made his first NFL catch Sunday to keep the Steelers' first scoring drive going.

Apparently, it hasn't been



Pittsburgh's quarterback Ben Roethlisberger, right, celebrates his 4-yard fourth quarter touchdown run with receiver Hines Ward in an AFC Championship win over Denver on Sunday.

only Roethlisberger, Jerome Bettis and a defense that has allowed 17, 18 and 17 points respectively against the high-

scoring Bengals, Colts and Broncos that have gotten the Steelers to only their second Super Bowl in 26 years.

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# Family

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teams while swimming for the Irish.

This type of performance is almost expected of the Cavadini name by now.

Louis and David Cavadini fall in the middle of seven children, and all their older siblings have attended Notre Dame. Katie Cavadini, who graduated in 2003, swam for four years and captained the team during her senior year.

For David Cavadini, it was not a difficult decision to continue his family's tradition under the Dome.

"We have always been really family oriented, so this has just been taking the next step in following along," he said.

The Lutkus and Bauman fami-

lies have also been drawn together around the swimming pool.

Countless weekend meets and early morning practices have allowed the brothers to bond and help one another.

"I've swum with my brother my whole life," Danny Lutkus said. "It's nice to have him there, to have family on the team."

The freshmen all felt that having an older brother to show them the ropes has helped a lot in their transition to the collegiate lifestyle and competition. They have responded by stepping up late in the season.

In last weekend's meet with Cleveland State all three placed, Bill Bauman in the 200 backstroke, Danny Lutkus in both the

500 and 1000 freestyle, and David Cavadini finished fourth in the 200 fly.

"In the summer, I had a lot of questions about school and practice and how to succeed here and having Doug around helped me a lot," Bauman said.

The friendly advice has also trickled down to help the remainder of the freshman on the team who benefited from their classmates' knowledge.

The close family atmosphere has helped develop strong team chemistry amongst all swimmers this year and is one of the keys to their success so far.

*"We went after [brothers of swimmers] since we knew their background."*

**Matt Tallman**  
assistant coach

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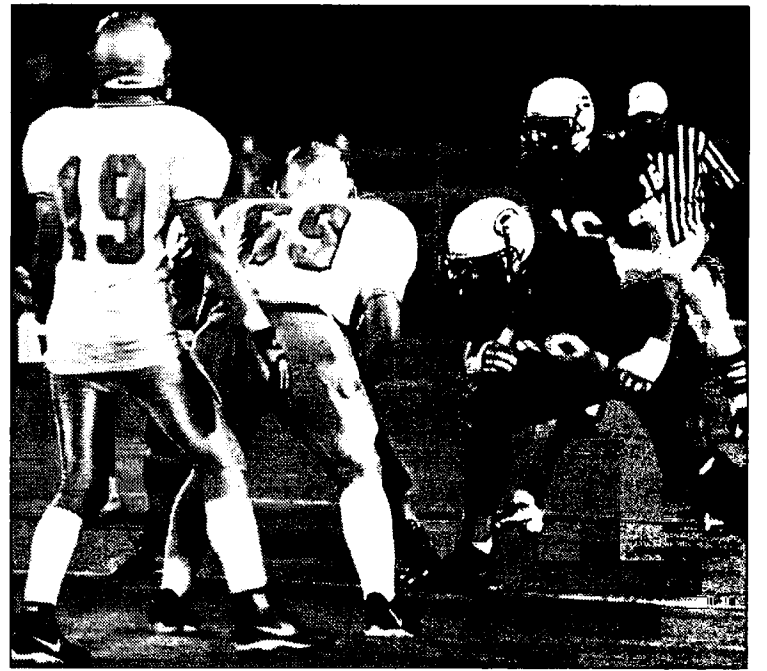


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**Bartley Webb, right, from Springdale H. S. in Springdale, Ark. is one of six offensive linemen expected to sign an official letter of intent on Feb. 1. with Notre Dame.**

# Oglesby

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tinations.

Oglesby has visited the Notre Dame campus several times, seeing the Irish lose 34-31 to then-No. 1 Southern California on Oct. 15 and watching a 41-21 Notre Dame win over Tennessee on Nov. 5.

Notre Dame intends to sign six offensive linemen on Feb. 1 for its upcoming class, but the Irish coaches will be able to be more selective in terms of what linemen they recruit in next year's class.

"They can be kind of picky in terms of who they bring in because of how many linemen they are bringing in this year," Frank said in an interview with The Observer Monday.

*"[I have] not eliminated a school."*

**Josh Oglesby**  
Offensive Lineman

Frank believes Oglesby, if he eventually signs with Notre Dame next year, will be part of a group of three or four linemen that Weis will bring in.

**Notes:**

♦ Cornerback recruit Raeshon

McNeil, who verbally committed to Notre Dame on Aug. 15, made a recruiting visit to Florida on Jan. 20.

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**Members of the men's swimming team cheer their teammates against Cleveland State on Jan. 21. The Irish are currently 6-2 in dual meet action.**

## CLUB SPORTS

# Men's bowling finishes 38th at Blue and Gold Classic

Special to The Observer

Fifty-eight schools converged on Beacon Bowl this weekend for the eighth Annual Blue and Gold Classic.

As the tournament is designated Tier 1 and is the second largest intercollegiate tournament of the season to date, many of the top ranked teams in the country competed.

After four games, the Irish men were in the middle of the pack when a team slump in the final two games dropped the squad to a 38th place finish among the forty men's

squads.

Captain Van Koppersmith rolled a 183 average, including a 221 game, to lead the Irish.

Jim Talamo averaged 163, while his brother Tom finished at 148. Vance McClenton posted a 141 average, and Dan Martin and J.B. Bertumen averaged 160 and 150, respectively.

No. 11 Newman University took top honors, followed by No. 14 Morehead State, No. 12 Penn State, second ranked Wichita State, and ninth ranked Purdue in the top five places.

Saginaw Valley State, the

nations' No. 1 ranked team, finished sixth, just ahead of Lindenwood, ranked seventh nationally.

In the women's division, the Irish were unable to field an entire squad due to illness, and dropped to last place.

Top ranked Wichita State won the event, followed by fifth ranked Lindenwood, No. 22 Purdue, second ranked Morehead State, No. 14 Newman and No. 15 Ball State.

Among the Irish women, Kim LaVigne had the top average at 136, with a high game of 175.

Allison Klein averaged 130, including a 169 high game,

and Mary Bocik averaged 120 for the tournament.

The Irish will compete this weekend in the Eagle Classic, hosted by Dayton University.

**Skiing**

Notre Dame opened the 2006 ski season at Canonsburg, Mich. this weekend. On Saturday, the Irish women placed third in team slalom. Molly Butler, Stephanie Dalton, and Sarah Rauenhorst were the top three finishers for the Irish.

The men's squads finished fourth overall in the slalom. Joel Sharbough had the top

time for the Irish, with Brian Hedges and Steve Feutz also scoring points.

In snowboarding competition, the Irish finished third in both men's and women's events.

Top three finishers for the men were Oliver Short, Nick Cottingham, and Dan Vanderwerff. Cat Dunne, Dayna Dantzcher, and Katie Rehberger led the women's squad.

Sunday's giant slalom and snowboarding results, will not be available until Tuesday, when they are released by the US Collegiate Ski Association.

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RED PANDA**

**will be performing at half-time!**

# Rutgers

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remaining, Notre Dame managed to make just one field goal the rest of regulation, and only a missed three-pointer at the buzzer by Georgetown's Katie Carlin saved the Irish victory.

McGraw said she has a plan for the Irish to stay on their toes against a top foe.

"I think we just have to stay aggressive," she said. "I think we do need to control the tempo a little bit."

Part of the problem for Notre Dame in controlling the tempo will be Rutgers' versatile lineup.

"We're looking at different combinations to see how we can best match up with Rutgers," McGraw said. "They're a difficult matchup when you look at the caliber of player that they have both inside and outside."

Sophomore Matee Ajavon is central in the Scarlet Knights' offense, second on Rutgers in assists (3.8) and points (11) per game, while only starting eight of 16 contests.

The only one to top Ajavon in each category is Rutgers top offensive threat, senior guard Cappie Pondexter. Pondexter leads all Scarlet Knights with 22 points and 3.9 assists per game.

McGraw said the challenge of

facing a team with a player the caliber of Pondexter and ranking so high may benefit the Irish.

"We had a little more confidence going into the DePaul game probably because we weren't expected to win," she said. "When we go into a game when we're the underdogs, we have a great record against top-25 teams."

## Notes:

◆ Notre Dame senior guard Megan Duffy was named Big East player of the week after leading the Irish past DePaul and Georgetown last week. In the game against DePaul, Duffy registered 23 points, 9 assists and 8 rebounds.

"She's having just a sensational year," McGraw said. "I think she's the best point guard in America."

Duffy, who co-captained Team USA in the World University Games with Pondexter, was the only Irish player to break double digits in Saturday's win. Duffy had 16 points on 5-for-8 shooting from the field. She finished the week 55-percent from the floor and a perfect 14-of-14 from the free-throw line.

"She's the heart and soul of our team — a great leader for us," McGraw said. "She makes us go."

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*"When we go into a game when we're the underdogs, we have a great record against top-25 teams."*

**Muffet McGraw**  
Irish coach

# Hoyas

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Mike Brey said. "From that standpoint the glass is half full, and we have to keep plugging. If our four losses were by an average of 15 points, I could song and dance you, but we have some issues."

"We're down to game situations, and we just have to be a little bit better."

To swing the season this week, Notre Dame must face Georgetown tonight and Villanova (13-2, 4-1) on Saturday in back-to-back home games. The Irish then go on the road Feb. 1 to meet West Virginia, the only undefeated team (5-0) in conference play.

The Hoyas are tied with Cincinnati and St. John's for the fourth-best Big East record. Playing within the Princeton offense implemented by second-year coach John Thompson III, four Georgetown players sport double-digit scoring averages along a balanced box score.

Senior forward Brandon Bowman leads the Hoyas with 11.9 points per game, followed closely by center Roy Hibbert (11.3 points per game), guard Ashanti Cook (10.3) and forward Jeff Green (10.3).

Bowman had 23 points, eight rebounds and three blocks in the win over Duke.

Brey said he does not anticipate having to drastically alter his lineup to deal with a larger Hoyas team. But the coach said he knows this Georgetown team well from last year's win and additional observation, and the



SOFIA BALLON/The Observer

**Irish guard Chris Quinn dribbles before Michigan's Dion Harris on Dec. 3.**

players know defense will be a factor against a hot offensive team.

"If you look at their team, they shot 60-some percent against a good Duke defense," Irish point guard Chris Quinn said. "It's definitely something we have to take a look at."

Notre Dame is 1-1 at home in Big East play, its lone conference win being a 92-77 victory over Providence Jan. 14.

But the Irish have not played at the Joyce Center since the return of the University's students.

Brey thinks a more normal game atmosphere can only help his team, despite their oppo-

nents' strengths.

"[Georgetown is] the sexiest team in the country," Brey said. "I just hope we can hang in there with them. They're really good. They're really hot. They're really confident. I'm just happy our home atmosphere will be kind of our normal atmosphere."

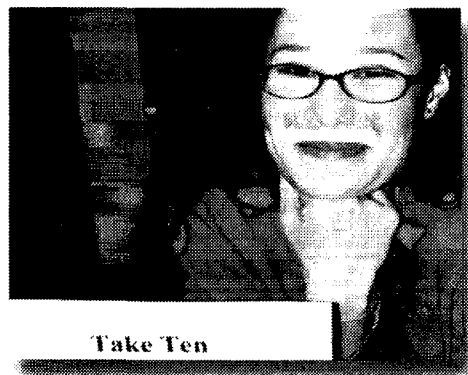
Notre Dame sits above only DePaul (1-5), who beat the Irish 73-67 on Jan. 7, and South Florida in league standings. Louisville and Providence are each 1-4 and tied with the Irish in-conference.

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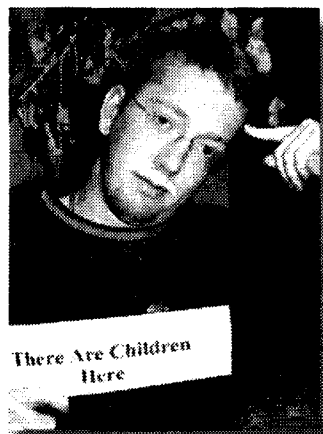
Alex Borowiecki, Habitat for Humanity

# got involved?



Take Ten

Jess Collado, Take Ten



There Are Children Here

John Corker, There are Children Here



Lizzi Shappell, St. Margaret's House

# Social Concerns Festival

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JOCKULAR

ERIK POWERS and ALEC WHITE

Monday.... Jockular's been confusing and unfunny lately.

Alec

I hope our editor didn't hear that.

They should just replace it with a Sudoku puzzle.

The Observer's Students take class

Alec

Tuesday

SUDOKU (PUT 1-9 IN EVERY GRID, ROW, AND COLUMN; NO REPEATS!)

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Maybe the Rover will give us a comic. We could use Latin to explain how life begins at conception.

I think the 3rd row is Chris Gehring's social security number.

Alec

CROISSANTWORLD

ADAM FAIRHOLM

LIFE IS A LOT EASIER ONCE WE REALIZED WE CAN DO WHATEVER THE FRIGG WE WANT BECAUSE WERE EX-PRESIDENTS.

YEAH.

I DON'T THINK YOU HEARD THE MAN. HE WANTS HIS STRAWBERRY MILK FREE BECAUSE HE USED TO RUN NOTRE DAME.

HUP

I WAS ON THE COVER OF "TIME"

UH...

I THINK YOU SHOULD SHUT UP. HE WAS ON THE COVER OF "TIME"

LISTEN, IF YOU DONT LEAVE, I'M GETTING THE MANAGER.

ALRIGHT ALRIGHT.

CROSSWORD

WILL SHORTZ

**ACROSS**

1 Urban pollution

5 Booster, to a rocket

10 Winter home of the Chicago Cubs

14 Volcanic flow

15 Hang in the air

16 "We deliver for you" sloganer: Abbr.

17 Ruthless personnel director

18 The Hunter

19 Genesis twin

20 Seasoned dancer?

23 Frequently

24 Austrian peaks, locally

28 Ancient writing material

31 Spacecraft to Jupiter

33 Missed by \_\_\_\_\_ (was way off)

34 Mantra sounds

35 Cockpit datum: Abbr.

36 Seasoned singer?

41 Missing button on an iPod: Abbr.

42 Monday night game org.

43 Extra, as a bedroom

44 The Washington Monument, e.g.

47 Emily Dickinson's home, in Massachusetts

49 Police weapon

50 Bridge authority Charles

51 Seasoned baseball player?

57 Portend

60 \_\_\_\_\_ground missile

61 Anise-flavored liqueur

62 Sierra Club co-founder

**DOWN**

1 Waste material

2 Passé skirt style

3 Breadmaking place

4 Quaint building decoration

5 Vowel sound in "puzzle"

6 Spanish constructions

7 Par \_\_\_\_\_ (how to send mail to France)

8 Atlas maker's subj.

9 White-tailed eagle

10 Nutritious breakfast cereal

11 Double curve

12 Resort

13 Temp sch.

21 \_\_\_\_\_ Zimbalist Jr.

22 "Too-ra-loo-ra-loo-\_\_\_\_"

25 Two-dimensional

26 Conger catchers

27 Possible answer to "Are we there now?"

28 Polly, who wants a cracker

29 Protozoan

30 Sign after Aquarius

31 Maker of Yukon SUV's: Abbr.

**ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE**

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Puzzle by Roy Leban

32 Communication for the deaf: Abbr.

34 Olive \_\_\_\_\_

37 Opposite of a ques.

38 Washington's \_\_\_\_\_ Stadium

39 Milo of "Barbarella"

40 Route that invites speeding

45 Pariahs

46 Rage

47 Main arteries

48 Peter Lorre role in eight movies

50 President Ford, informally

52 Free ticket

53 Round bread

54 Ballet attire

55 Popular shirt label

56 "Uh-uh!"

57 Autobahn auto

58 Yes, in Québec

59 Clamor

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JUMBLE

HENRI ARNOLD  
MIKE ARGIRION

**JUMBLE**

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

VABOE

THEFY

WHYLLO

REBNAY

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THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME by Henri Arnold and Mike Argirion

High in the nineties

It's December. He's crazy

THE WEATHERMAN WAS FULL OF HOT AIR WHEN HE FORECAST THIS.

Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above card.

Answer here: A

(Answers tomorrow)

Yesterday's Jumbles: LUNGE POPPY CLOTHE FEMALE  
Answer: What the farmer faced when it was time to store the hay — A "LOFT-Y" GOAL

HOROSCOPE

EUGENIA LAST

**CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY:** Tiffani Thiessen, 31; Richard Dean Anderson, 55; Gail O'Grady, 42; Mariska Hargitay, 41

**Happy Birthday:** This may turn out to be an emotional year, but only if you haven't taken care of issues that have been hanging over your head for some time. Rid yourself of the burdens you have been carrying around with you, once and for all, and you will see the light at the end of the tunnel. It's time to stop letting negativity consume you. Instead, fight for the positive and you will find yourself in a new headspace. Your numbers are 3, 14, 28, 32, 38, 41

**ARIES (March 21-April 19):** Don't start anything today that will lead to a confrontation with someone you love. You have to keep things light and put your efforts into where you see yourself heading in the future. \*\*

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20):** Visiting a friend will lift your spirits and guide you down an interesting new path. You have plenty to contribute, and if you do, you will join forces with someone interesting. \*\*\*\*

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20):** Consider your past and the people you have met along the way. Someone from your past may be able to help you, but you must not let him or her take over. Pace yourself and stay in control. \*\*\*

**CANCER (June 21-July 22):** Emotional matters may be difficult to deal with today. An older friend or relative may not understand what is going on. Your explanation will help and bring you closer together. \*\*\*

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22):** Sudden changes regarding your financial situation will surprise you. You can make good decisions regarding your health. The more you do to make improvements, the better you will feel. \*\*\*

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):** Partnerships can be formed, but make sure that you are both on the same page before making any promises. Once you have your plans laid out, nothing will stop you from achieving your goals. \*\*\*\*

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22):** What you think is going on and what is really going on will not coincide. Back up and refrain from voicing your opinion until you have a better understanding of what everyone else is doing. \*\*

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):** Today is all about love, creativity and getting to the bottom of things. You can fix a lot of the troubled areas in your life if you are precise, determined and dedicated. \*\*\*\*\*

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):** An older relative will appreciate what you do to help out. Your luck is changing, and you may find yourself in a windfall. You may have a change of heart. Grovel if you must. \*\*\*

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):** Get down to business and let whoever you care about know what you are thinking and how you feel. It may be your only opportunity to do what's right and to set the record straight. \*\*\*

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):** You have to take better care of yourself. Set a new regime that will help get you back into shape using exercise, proper diet and a healthier lifestyle. Take the initiative to improve. \*\*\*

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20):** Love and romance are certainly in the picture, but so is your ability to produce something very creative and unusual. Strive to reach your goals and you will feel satisfied. \*\*\*\*\*

**Birthday Baby:** You are sensitive and caring and know how to get things done. You strive to do your best and will take on more than your share in order to help. You are a thoughtful, kind and concerned friend.

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## ND WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

# Nerve 'RAC'ing

*Team enters hostile Rutgers arena on two-game win streak*

By KEN FOWLER  
Sports Writer

Notre Dame head coach Muffet McGraw knows the No. 21 Irish will have their hands full tonight when they travel to the hostile confines of the Rutgers Athletic Center (RAC) in Piscataway, N.J., to take on the No. 9 Scarlet Knights.

"If you look at our history there, it's always been a tough place to play, and Tuesday won't be an exception," McGraw said Monday in a Big East conference call.

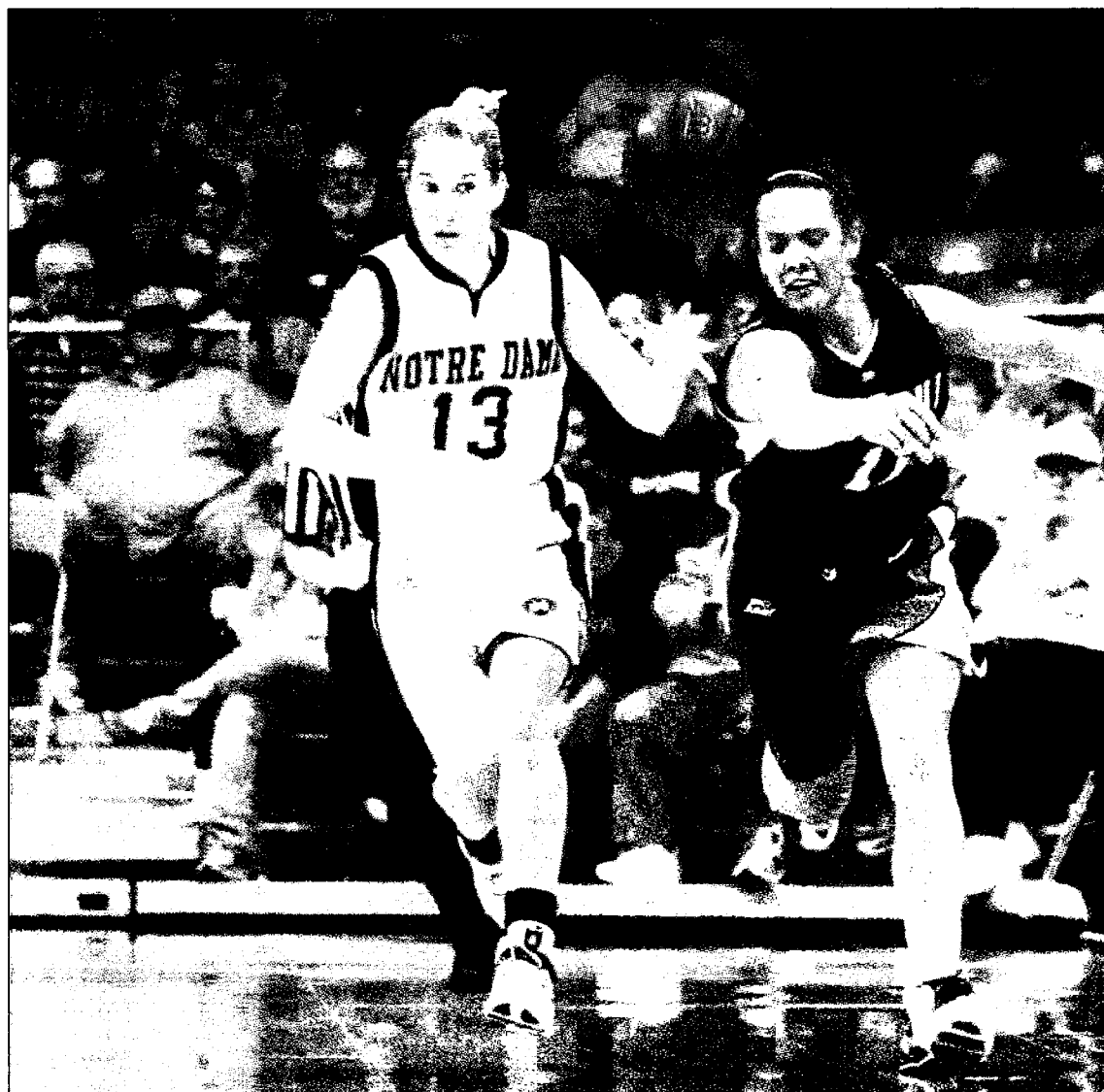
Rutgers (13-3 overall, 5-0 Big East) is 6-2 at the RAC against the Irish since joining the Big East and has lost only once there — last week to Temple — since the 2003-04 season.

Notre Dame (12-5, 3-3) barely defeated Georgetown Saturday in the much different atmosphere of McDonough Arena, where 1,106 fans filled a high school-style gymnasium.

Tonight, the Irish will try to avoid a repeat performance of their second-half near-meltdown against the Hoyas — but in the rowdy RAC.

Ahead by 17 with 10 minutes

see RUTGERS/page 22



Irish guard Megan Duffy steals the ball from DePaul's Rachael Carney on Jan. 17. Duffy is currently the Big East conference player of the week and will lead Notre Dame against Rutgers tonight.

## ND SWIMMING

# Recruits remain in the family

By DAN MURPHY  
Sports Writer

Three years in a row, the Notre Dame swimming and diving team has landed its best recruiting class in school history. Last year, however, was slightly easier for head recruiter Matt Tallman. Of the eight new freshmen this year, three — Bill Bauman, David Cavadini and Danny Lutkus — join older brothers already swimming for the Irish.

Having experience with the three families helped Tallman with his decision-making.

"Just knowing who they were, they stood above a pack of kids who were at a similar level," Tallman said.

"We went after them since we knew their background and how their brothers had improved."

Looking at the track record of Doug Bauman, Jamie Lutkus — both seniors — and junior Louis Cavadini, it is no mystery why Tallman was interested in their younger brothers. Doug Bauman and Jamie Lutkus both own school records in the 100 backstroke and 400 individual medley (IM), respectively.

Louis Cavadini also has been a part of three record-setting relay

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## FOOTBALL RECRUITING

# 16-year old Oglesby at top of junior class

*Irish plan to sign six senior O-linemen*

By MIKE GILLOON  
Sports Editor

Fifteen of the country's top 100 high school juniors were among the players to attend a recruiting Junior Day held by Irish coach Charlie Weis and his staff earlier this month.

But according to Mike Frank of Irisheyes.com, the only junior who has a scholarship offer from Notre Dame was a player who did not even attend the Jan. 14 event — offensive lineman Josh Oglesby.

The 16-year old Oglesby is

a 6-foot-7, 325-pound offensive tackle out of Saint Francis High School in St. Francis, Wis. Despite his age, he is one of the top recruits in the nation with offers already from Notre Dame, Ohio State, Tennessee and Michigan, among several others.

The Observer could not reach Oglesby for comment Monday.

He was unable to make it to South Bend for the Junior Day (which coincided with the Irish men's basketball team's 92-77 home victory over Providence) but told Irisheyes.com that he has "not eliminated a school" from his list of potential des-

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## MEN'S BASKETBALL

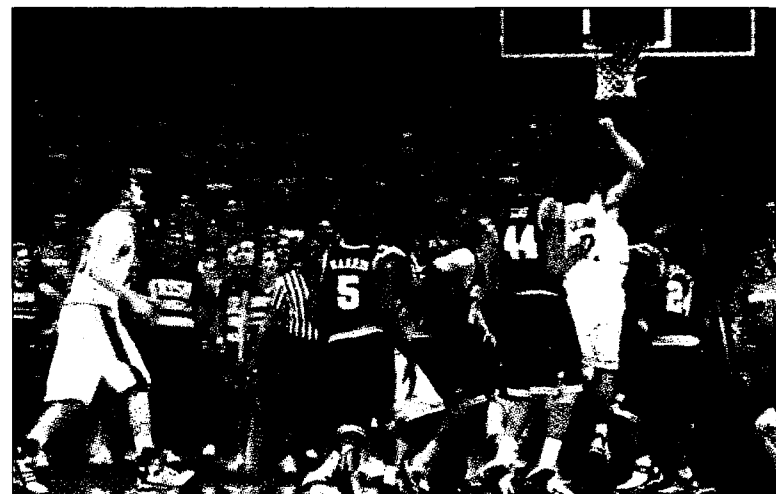
# Irish host hot Georgetown team tonight

*No. 21 Hoyas come to JACC after upset of then-No. 1 Duke*

By PAT LEONARD  
Sports Writer

The Georgetown team entering the Joyce Center at 7 p.m. tonight will look familiar. Its roster is strikingly similar to the one that lost a 70-64 decision to Notre Dame on the same floor last February.

But the No. 21 Hoyas (12-4, 3-2 Big East) are coming off an 87-84 upset win over then-No. 1 Duke (17-1) on Saturday. The Irish (10-6, 1-4), on the other hand, are tied with Louisville and Providence for the third worst record in-conference. And Georgetown's visit means Notre Dame has no time to think about



SOFIA BALLON/The Observer

Irish guard Chris Quinn shoots a floater late in a 71-67 loss to Michigan Dec. 3.

its rough early start, only an opportunity to find out whether it gets better or worse.

The Irish have lost each of their four Big East defeats by no more than six points, including

Friday night's buzzer-beater at Marquette.

"The season can swing on one game and one week," Irish coach

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## SPORTS AT A GLANCE

### CLUB SPORTS

Irish men's bowling team finishes 38th out of a field of 40 teams at the eighth Annual Blue and Gold Classic.

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### NBA

L.A. Lakers guard Kobe Bryant's 81 points against Toronto on Sunday provoked talk of the possibility that Wilt Chamberlain's 100-point record could fall.

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### MLB

New Reds owner Bob Castellini fires GM Dan O'Brien Monday — Castellini's first major change since taking ownership of team.

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### TENNIS

Martina Hingis reaches the quarterfinals in the Australian Open following a three-year layoff.

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### NFL

Seattle earns postseason respect as they continue to dominate opponents.

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### NFL

Dick Jauron returns as the Bills head coach after Mike Murlarkey resigned nearly two weeks ago.

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